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## Union boosts power supply

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

UNION — Local officials announced that much-needed upgrades to the township's emergency generator are complete, allowing for better functioning and communication between emergency services.

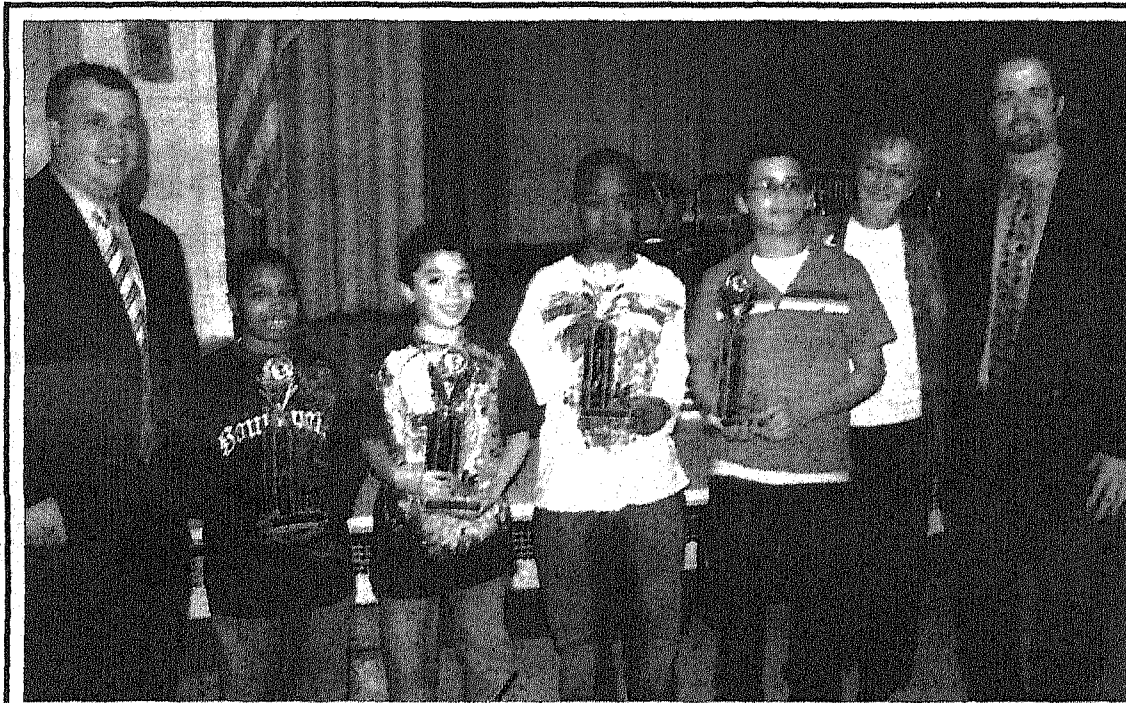
Township Spokesperson Geri Durso said the generator, located behind the municipal building on Morris Avenue, dates from the 1970s and was not up to the task of running the number of computers now operating in the township's departments.

"Needless to say, it only gave minimum

power," Durso said earlier this week.

The work began in June of 2008 and was completed in November. Durso said the Township Committee worked to evaluate the need, secure funding and design the project over three years.

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Linden middle school students are honored after successfully participating in the city's National Geographic Bee, which tested their knowledge of world geography.

## Middle school students give 'Bees' a chance

By Joseph M. D'Alise  
Staff Writer

LINDEN — Do you think you're smarter than a middle-schooler? The students of McManus and Soehl middle schools in Linden may have recently proven you wrong.

Seventy-two students from the two schools recently competed in teams of four during Linden's National Geographic Bee, sponsored by National Geographic Magazine. The teams were challenged with questions relating to world geography and social studies.

Students from grades six, seven and eight competed on Jan. 13 and 14, and the losing teams were eliminated. On Jan. 15, in the Soehl Middle School auditorium, the four remaining teams entered the final round of the competition. One team emerged victorious and was presented with trophies, while one student from the final two teams was chosen as the school district's representative in the national competition.

The winning team consisted of seventh-graders Marcel Thompson, Jordy Dasco, Allen Nunez and

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## Teenage student stabbed

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

LINDEN — A local teen was stabbed by another girl on Thursday after months of feuding erupted into violence.

Chelsea Jacobs, 19, was stabbed in the neck and "under-arm area," according to a Linden Police announcement.

She was transported to Trinitas Regional Medical Center in Elizabeth and treated for non-life threatening injuries.

The attack occurred at approximately 8:30 p.m. during a physical fight between the victim and 18-year-old Camille Parker, also of Linden, near the intersection of Charles and Union streets.

At one point, Jacobs claims the suspect pulled out a knife and allegedly stabbed her before leaving the scene.

Police apprehended Parker and have charged her with aggravated assault and possession of a weapon. She is being held on \$45,000 bail.

Investigators revealed the cause of the fight involved relationship issues between the women.

"It was probably over a man, maybe they shared a boyfriend. But it had been ongoing for a long time," said Linden Sgt. Matthew Marcino.

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## Scouting for food



St. John the Apostle School's Cub Pack 30 recently participated in the 'Scouting For Food' program. The boys placed bags in various neighborhoods and returned the following week to collect donations. The Pack collected more than 140 bags of food to be donated to St. John Food Pantry. Linden resident and first-grade Tiger Scouts from left: Kyle Costa, Joseph Young, Riley Frees-Kroboth, Matthew McGuire, Ryan Saunter and John Mintel

## Borough is 'stable, secure'

By Janelle LoBello  
 Correspondent

ROSELLE PARK — The borough was greeted with a positive outlook for the new year during the governing body's annual reorganization meeting Jan. 7.

Before welcoming new Councilman at Large Carl Hokanson, outgoing Councilman at Large Ricky Badillo was praised for being a defining leader in the borough during his tenure. Being the first hispanic elected official in Roselle Park, Badillo said he was grateful for the opportunities he was given during his time on council.

"It was my pleasure to serve this community. I love this community and I will continue to serve you, and I wish this council well," Badillo said.

Mayor Joseph Delorio also presented Badillo with a proclamation "for all of his services as a distinguished leader in Roselle Park."

The farewell to Badillo was followed by the oaths of office for Hokanson and First Ward Councilman Laurence Dinardo, who was re-elected in November to another three-year term on the governing body, which will expire on Dec. 31, 2011. Sen. Nicholas Scutari was also present at the meeting and congratulated Dinardo on his re-election.

Hokanson, whose term also expires on Dec. 31, 2011, acknowledged that he has "a big set of shoes to fill" replacing Badillo. Though he knows that there will be challenges, he said he is honored for the opportunity to serve in his hometown.

"This is our home and it leaves me with the responsibility to live up to your expectations," Hokanson said. "I promise to be open-minded and accept input and to do my best for all and everyone."

The mayor addressed the borough, welcoming residents to a new year and recognizing the volunteer efforts of residents in 2008. Delorio thanked more than 100 volunteers that helped during the borough's Operation Home for the Holidays initiative. Delorio also thanked members of the Roselle Park Fire Volunteer Fire Department, Police Department and First Aid Squad for their efforts during the fire at Costa's Ristorante on Chestnut Street Nov. 17 and for working to "protect the health and safety" of residents.

Understanding that the dwindling economic crisis of the country affects everyone, Delorio said the borough is prepared for what the new year might bring. "The borough's financial position too, remains strong. While worldwide financial institutions tumble, ours stayed stable and secure," Delorio said.

The mayor discussed varying economic issues that have an effect on the borough. He urged residents to recognize Gov. Jon Corzine's plan to "underfund pension obligations by 50 percent in the name of property tax relief." In addition, Delorio recommended that in 2009, certain actions be taken in order to stabilize property tax.

Also, because of the economy, many town business such as Ford



Hokanson



Dinardo

World and Sullivan Chevrolet on Westfield Avenue have been forced to close. Delorio plans on creating an office strictly for commercial and economic development.

"We cannot leave market forces alone to encourage new business. Nor can we leave this tremendous task to volunteer committees and part time efforts of full time officials," Delorio said. "We only need to realize that four of the five bordering communities have dedicated staff for economic and business development. Businesses looking to locate in this area are quickly seized by competing municipalities. I ask that this governing body place special effort in this area."

While the nation as a whole faces struggling times due to the financial downfall, Delorio urged the Borough Council and members of the town to all make concerted efforts to help keep the borough's financial situation strong.

"It is clear that year 2008 was a year of business not-so-usual; 2009 is expected more challenging than ever before, especially in these unsure and difficult economic times. These are very trying times, times when all the qualities of constructive leadership are put to test. Therefore, I am under no illusions. I renew all promises I made the first time I was elected to this high office," Delorio said.

The other members of the governing body concurred with the mayor and said they were committed to helping the municipality get through the economic crisis.

Preparing to work together in 2009, 3rd Ward Councilwoman Larissa Chen-Hoerning assured residents of Roselle Park, "we are working for the same goals to make things better for the town."

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# Two die on Rt. 78

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — Two women were killed Monday when their car spun out of control into oncoming traffic on Route 78, bringing the death toll on county roads to five over the past week.

The latest accident occurred around 9:30 a.m. near Exit 48 in Springfield, state police said.

Tammie Dantzer-Jensin, 37, of Newark, and Denise Moore, 49, of Orange, were pronounced dead at the scene. Authorities say Dantzer-Jensin was driving a 2006 Toyota Corolla with Moore as a passenger when she lost control of the vehicle in the eastbound local lane of Rt. 78. The car jumped the median and struck the back of a cargo van stopped between the local and express lanes.

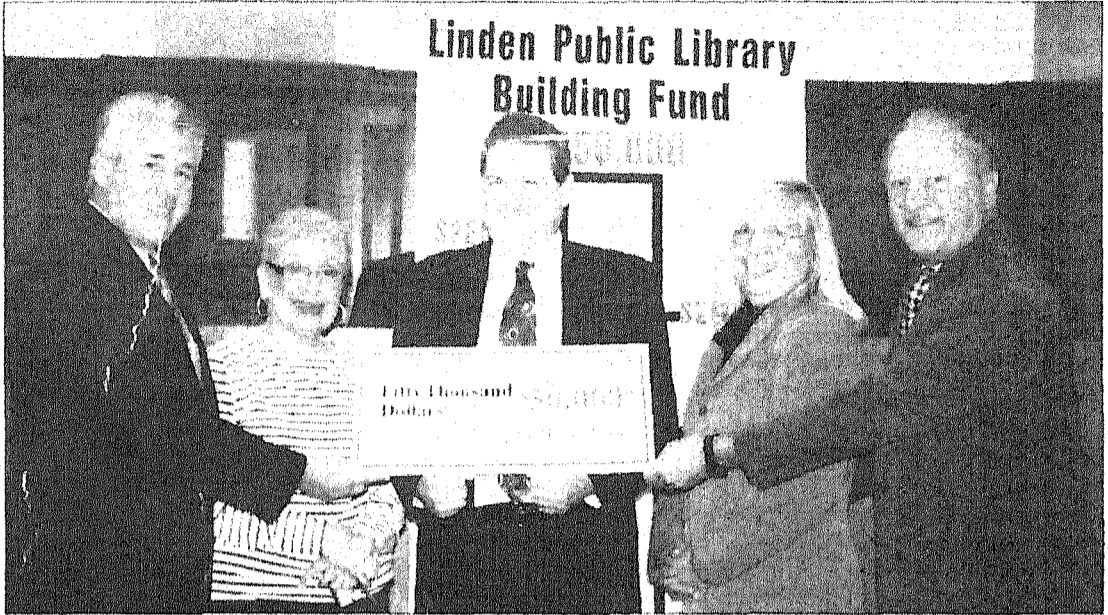
According to police accounts, the collision pushed the car into the westbound express lane where an

oncoming tractor trailer rammed into it again. Dantzer-Jensin's vehicle then crashed into a guardrail and was struck by another passenger car. The driver of the second car, Joseph Stevens, 43, of Bridgewater, was transported to Morristown Memorial Hospital after complaining of pain.

Two other serious accidents during the past week have taken place on Union County highways, leading to a total of five fatalities.

Exactly one week earlier, on Jan. 12, Janet Adamko, 46, of South Brunswick, and Laura Hibbler, 47, of Northampton, Pa., were killed in another Route 78 accident in Union, near exit 42A. A seven-car pileup was caused when a dump truck swerved into a tractor-trailer. On Jan. 16, a livery cab veered off the road and crashed into a tree on the Garden State Parkway in Clark. The driver was pronounced dead at University Hospital in Newark.

# Equipment on the way



Michael Karlovich of ConocoPhillips recently presented a check for \$50,000 to the Linden Public Library. The funds will go toward HVAC equipment in the new library facility. From left: Karlovich; Marilyn Coplan, president, Library Board; Dennis Purves, library director; June Lazaro, president, Friends of the Library, and Richard Gerbounka, mayor.

## All Creatures Great & Small

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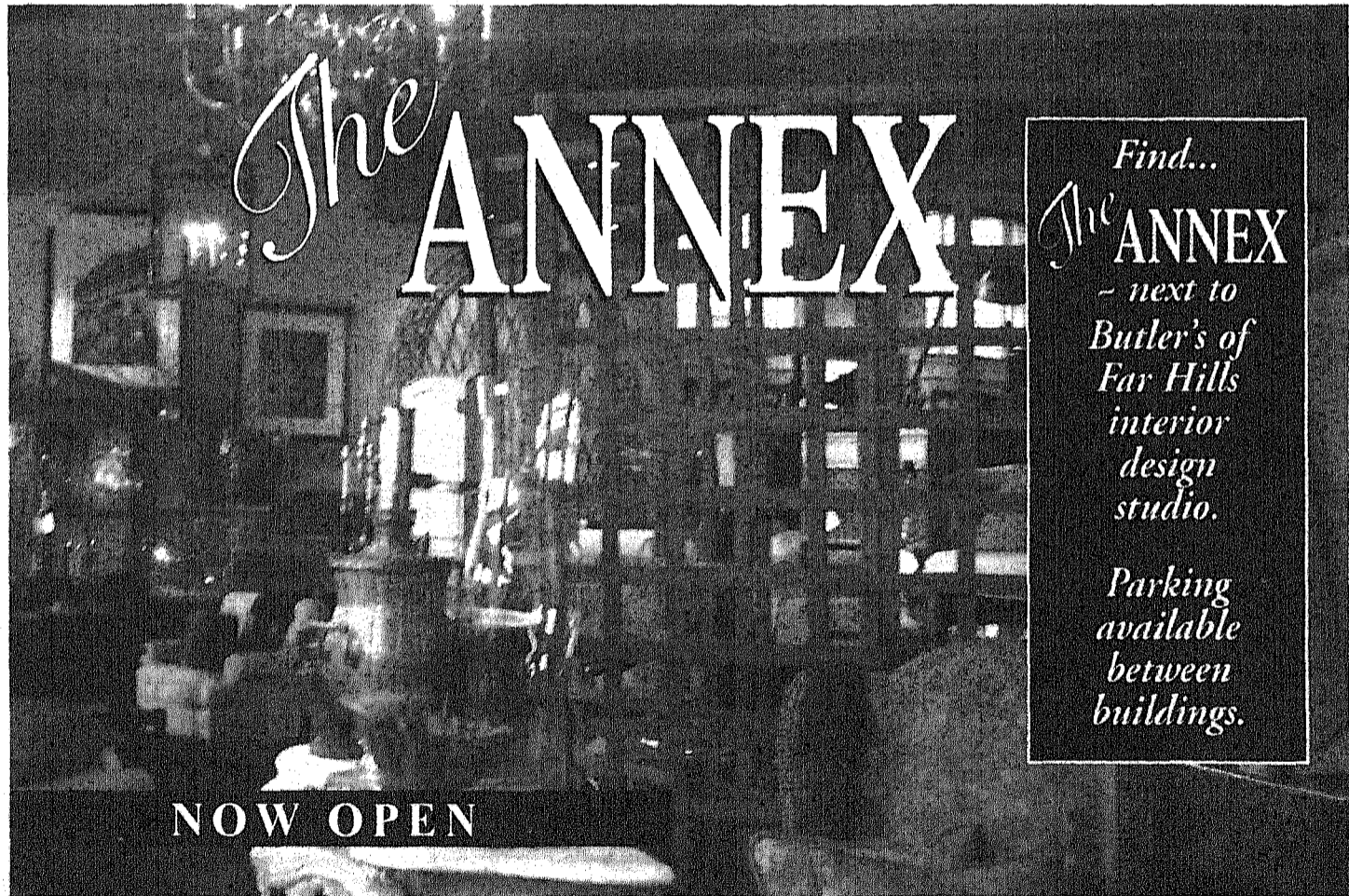
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## Cooking up fun



Young chefs in Clark show their badges after completing the eight-week "Cooking for Kids" program, just one of many programs offered at the Recreation Department.

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## Batten down the hatchbacks: 31 cars burglarized in one night

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — A rash of car burglaries shook residents last week as 31 vehicles were robbed in a single night.

An unknown number of burglars entered 28 unlocked cars and physically broke into three more during the early morning hours of Jan. 13, according to Summit Police. Authorities said most of the incidents took place in two neighborhoods within a two-square-mile radius — the area of Oakridge and Mountain avenues and Primrose Street, and the area of Glenside Avenue, and Stiles, Baltusrol and Stockton Roads.

Police officials were surprised by the extremely high concentration of thefts in one night.

"Other towns experienced a rise in car burglaries...but not to this extent. In this short amount of time, it was a pretty heavy hit," said Lt. Steven Zagorski, chief investigator for the case. Despite the frenzied pace of the spree, only one witness noticed anything suspicious during that time, authorities said. A Stiles Road homeowner told police a male, wearing a baseball cap and dark clothing looked through his vehicle with a flashlight at about 5:19 a.m. that morning. The suspect fled when the man called to him.

Police are not sure if the suspect had accomplices.

Following the burglaries, most of the vehicles were missing expensive gadgets, such as iPods, navigation systems, satellite radios, cell phones and power tools along with pocketbooks and loose change.

Zagorski said there was no pattern and no single type of vehicle was targeted; the suspect merely rummaged through any car that was unlocked and only broke into vehicles with visible electronic devices, such as navigation systems and stereo equipment.

Summit Police Chief Robert Lucid said many surrounding communities have also seen increases in car break-ins and urged residents to do more than just lock their car doors.

"You must also remove any valuables from the vehicle or, at the very least, put them completely out of sight, including cables and mounts that indicate the presence of electronic items," Lucid warned.

Law enforcement officials are investigating the case by canvassing pawn shops for the stolen goods and seeking witnesses who may have noticed any suspicious activities the morning of the burglaries.

Anyone with information should call Summit Police Detective Bureau and Lt. Zagorski at 908-277-9400.

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## LINDEN BRIEFS

### Make a Valentine

The Department of Public Property Services will hold Children's Valentine's Ceramic classes for students in kindergarten through grade 8, Jan. 29 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. or 6 to 7:30 p.m. An adult class will be held Jan. 29 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Both classes will be held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden. Deadline for registration is Jan. 23 and

there is a fee per participant. This is a one-day, make and take project. All supplies are included. Each participant will paint and decorate a project to take home. For information, call 908-474-8627.

### Want to start bowling?

Youth bowling programs for students in kindergarten through grade 6 will be held at 3:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Linden Lanes, Stiles Street. The new special

bumper division for boys and girls ages 5 through 7 will be held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The adult/youth program will be held Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Each program includes two games of bowling, use of rental shoes and lightweight balls, instructional assistance and a trophy awards program.

For information about the programs, call Linden Lanes at 908-925-3550.

# Guilty plea in 2007 carjacking outside Huntley Tavern

## Summit

Antoine Glass, 36, of Newark pleaded guilty in Union County Superior Court early last week to one count of first-degree carjacking. The incident, on May 31, 2007, involved a Summit couple, according to the county Prosecutor's Office.

As part of Glass' plea deal, he will be sentenced to 20 years in state prison and must serve 85 percent of the sentence before he is eligible for parole, according to Assistant Prosecutor Jessica Kahn.

The couple and their infant son were outside Huntley Tavern restaurant when the incident occurred. The husband had just picked up take-out when and was getting into his vehicle, a Mercedes station wagon, when Glass approached him, demanding money and jewelry. Glass forced the wife from the car at gunpoint. The father was able to rescue his son from the back seat before Glass drove away.

The car was found a short distance from the restaurant, along with the gun and a baseball bat belonging to Glass.

Glass will be sentenced on March 20.

• Edward D. Rothchild, 48, was arrested at 7:42 p.m. on Jan. 4 at

## POLICE BLOTTER

Springfield Avenue and Maple Street for possession of cocaine and contempt of court.

• Dennis J. Estrada, 31, of Linden was arrested at 9:36 p.m. on Jan. 5 at the Linden Police Department on a warrant for contempt of court.

• On Jan. 6, a resident reported a GPS unit stolen from their vehicle while parked in a Morris Avenue church parking lot between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. the previous night.

### Clark

• Clayton Smith, 53, of Newark was arrested at 2:32 p.m. Jan. 6 at the Essex County Jail on outstanding contempt of court and motor vehicle violation warrants, totaling \$5,489, from Union, Clark and Elizabeth.

• Valentine Anibogwu of Rahway was arrested at 11:16 p.m. on Jan. 8 near the northbound side of the Garden State Parkway on outstanding contempt of court and motor vehicle violation warrants.

• Nathan Rivers, 27, of Elizabeth was arrested at 8:11 a.m. on Jan. 9 at the Target Department Store on Central Avenue and charged with shoplifting.

### Hillside

• Rajuan Ridley, 26, and Elijah Woods, 25, both of Newark were arrested at 10:50 p.m. on Jan. 9 in

an Elizabeth Avenue backyard after Ridley failed to pull over for police during a routine stop, crashing into another vehicle during a pursuit, then fled on foot, along with his two passengers. Police later found 105 wax paper folds containing heroin and discovered the vehicle was stolen.

Ridley was charged with distributing narcotics, attempting to elude police and receiving stolen property. Woods was charged with possession, distribution and receiving stolen property. Late last week, they were being held on bail.

### Kenilworth

• On Jan. 7, at 9:35 a.m., police received reports of a vehicle stolen the previous night while parked in the back lot of Richie's Enterprises at 10 Market St.

• On Jan. 6, at 2:15 p.m., a computer valued at more than \$200 was stolen from Schering Plough on Galloping Hill Road.

• John Titus and Vincent Russo were arrested at 1:43 a.m. on Jan. 3, after their alleged involvement in a fight outside Apple's Lounge on North 10th Street. One victim was transported to Union Hospital with facial injuries.

### Linden

• On Jan. 14, a Hagel Avenue home was broken into, sometime between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., while the owner was at work.

• On Jan. 14, at approximately 7

p.m., the Family Dollar store on St. Georges Avenue was robbed of \$2,000 and a cashier was assaulted. The cashier, who was punched in the face and hit with a handgun, was treated at Trinitas Hospital in Elizabeth and released.

### Roselle

• Sabrina Sabater, 22, of Edison was arrested at 12:04 a.m. on Jan. 11 after she was caught trying to obtain a fake drug prescription at the East 1st Avenue CVS Pharmacy drive-thru window.

### Roselle Park

• On Jan. 9, at 11:08 p.m., two underage brothers were arrested near Columbus Street and charged with possession of under 50 grams of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The boys, ages 16 and 17, were released into adult custody.

• On Jan. 12, at 7:15 p.m., police responded to reports of a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of Locust Street and West Webster Avenue. A 17-year-old man, driving a 2000 Ford Focus, had struck a pedestrian crossing westbound from the Train Station parking lot towards Webster Avenue.

The victim, identified as a 44-year-old Roselle Park woman, suffered several bone fractures and back and head injuries. She was moved to University Hospital and listed in critical/stable condition.

### Springfield

• Michael Hunter, 24, of Irving-

ton, Tyrone Hunter, 18, of Newark and Kahleef El-Amin, 29, of Hillside were arrested at 6:04 p.m. on Jan. 12, on Kipling Avenue and charged with possession of narcotics.

• Salvatore Rapisarda, 29, of Linden was arrested at 2:19 p.m. on Jan. 11 at Bob's Store on Route 22 and charged with shoplifting, possession of an anti-shoplifting countermeasure device and on an outstanding warrant for \$500 from Newark.

• Christoph Seto, 20, was arrested Jan. 10 on Mountain Avenue and charged with driving under the influence of drugs and possession of marijuana under fifty grams.

### Union

• Dominique Michelle Eugene, 22, of Union was arrested at 10:04 p.m. on Dec. 8, at the Millburn Police Department on a Summit warrant for failure to appear in court.

• Jeffrey S. Zimmerman, 44, of Union was arrested at 12:39 a.m. on Nov. 21 at Broad Street and Cedar Street in Summit and charged with contempt of court.

• Mauricio Posso, 22, of Union was arrested at 2:09 p.m. on Jan. 7 at the intersection Chestnut and Williams streets and charged with possession of marijuana, driving without headlights, failure to wear seatbelt and possession of narcotics in a motor vehicle.

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# Success at heart of resource center's goal

By Joseph M. D'Alise  
Staff Writer

ROSELLE — United Way of Greater Union County, in partnership with Roselle Collaborative for Youth and Families, recently celebrated the grand opening of the township's new Family Success Center on Chestnut Street.

Roselle Collaborative was established two years ago, when chair, Jackie Mitchell, recognized a need for family services, and began pursuing funding for the project.

According to Susan Pepper, director of Programs for United Way, the state would not grant the Roselle Collaborative money, because they were not an official non-profit organization.

"That's where United Way stepped in to help," Pepper said. "We assisted the Roselle Collaborative in finding funding and obtaining grants."

The Family Success Center, located next to the library, was also supported by the Nicholson Foundation, which agreed to donate \$100,000 to the center every year during its five year commitment to foster strong, healthy and responsible families. "We believe (These) centers are the most effective means of engaging, supporting and strengthening families in New Jersey," said Mark Hoover, executive director of the foundation.

According to Dalton Lalueces,



Assemblywoman Annette Quijano addresses the crowd gathered in the newly opened Roselle Family Success Center. From left: Pamela Capaci, executive director of Prevention Links Inc; Assemblywoman Quijano; James W. Horne Jr., president of United Way of Greater Union County and Charles Venti, deputy director of The Nicholson Foundation.

director of Public Affairs and Strategic Initiatives for United Way, family success centers are neighborhood-based gathering places where a community resident can find fam-

ily support, information and services. The United Way has three other centers in Union County, located in Plainfield, Elizabeth and Linden.

"The purpose of the Family Suc-

cess Center is to enrich the lives of children by making families and neighborhoods stronger," Lalueces said.

There is no cost to access servic-

es provided by Family Success Centers. Some of the services include: employment, information and referral, parent education, assistance with access to healthcare services, parent-child activities, home visiting, life-skills training, advocacy and housing.

Several township officials and residents were in attendance at the Family Success Center ribbon-cutting ceremony Jan. 14.

United Way recognized Mitchell for all of her efforts in finding a building and gathering volunteers, and congratulated her on seeing her dream come to fruition.

"It was really a group effort," Mitchell said during the ribbon-cutting. "The community really pulled together and showed tremendous support; this is their day too. If we can help just one family or individual, we have done our job."

Assemblyman Joseph Cryan and Assemblywoman Annette Quijano were in attendance to show support for both Mitchell and the new center.

"The Family Success Center model has demonstrated successes across the state and even here in our own district," Quijano said. "I'm excited Roselle Collaborative has taken the initiative to bring this center to Roselle."

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## Maid to order



Amelia Bedelia, the heroine of the popular children's book series, along with her author, Herman Parish, visited Summit's Lincoln-Hubbard School on Nov. 14. Amelia is played by Lincoln-Hubbard inclusion aide Holly Fried.

## Want to help in an emergency?

Clark will hold another Community Emergency Response Training Program this winter, if enough people are interested. Previously, four classes were conducted for the public and one class for various teachers and administrators in the Clark school district.

Training, which is given during a nine-week period, provides information on a variety of topics. Participants will receive training in such areas as CERT team organization and incident command system, identifying hazards most likely to affect homes or communities and general disaster preparedness, basic fire knowledge, basic First Aid training, light search and rescue, disaster psychology, and terrorism.

This program is not intended to train people to be first responders for fire or First Aid purposes, but it is designed to train people to be better able to help

themselves and their families, possibly help their neighbors, and, if they choose, help their community by assisting various township emergency services in a major emergency situation.

CERT members who volunteer to help on a community level during an emergency situation could be used for a number of things including: staffing of our emergency operation center or shelters, providing food and supplies to emergency service departments, providing assistance or transportation to people who may have to evacuate their homes, or delivering pumps and/or generators to other residents in time of flooding or power outages.

Anyone interested in participating in this program should contact the Office of Emergency Management at 732-388-3600, ext. 3007. Applicants must be at least 18 years old.

## KENILWORTH BRIEFS

### Nominate for BOE

The deadline to file a nomination to run for a position on the Kenilworth Board of Education is 4 p.m. March 2. Three full three-year terms, expiring in 2012, are open.

The election is April 21. Candidates can obtain a "Candidate Kit," along with their nominating petition.

### Story time for kids

Story Time for children ages 3 and up will be held at Kenilworth

library, 548 Boulevard, on the following Thursdays from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. and 3:30 to 4 p.m.: Jan. 29 and Feb. 5, 12 and 19. Registration is required.

To register, call 908-276-2451. Check out the library's Web site at [www.kenilworthlibrary.org](http://www.kenilworthlibrary.org).

### Children: Play Bingo

Bingo for children who can read will be held at the Kenilworth library, 548 Boulevard, on the following Fridays from 3:30 to 4 p.m.

in the Activity Room: Jan. 30 and Feb. 13. Parents do not participate in this program. Registration is not required.

### Bingo for tots open

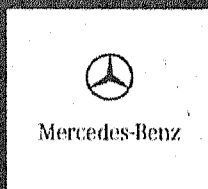
Bingo for young children will be held at the Kenilworth library, 548 Boulevard, on the following Fridays from 3:30 to 4 p.m. for children ages 3 and up: Jan. 23 and Feb. 6 and Feb. 20.

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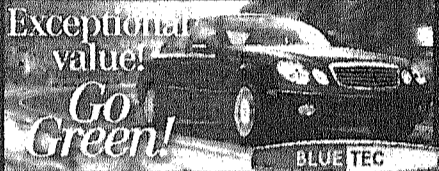
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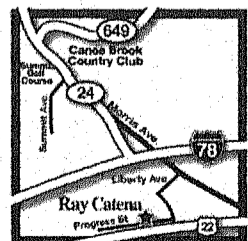
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## OPINION PAGE

## EDITORIALS

## Something's gotta give

In the coming year few people, if any, will find themselves immune to the budget constraints and sacrifices that must be made as the country's economic recession continues. On the municipal level, tough decisions will have to be made and in Linden, this will include asking municipal employees to pay into their health benefits.

During his State of the City Address, Independent Mayor Richard Gerbounka called on the City Council's Negotiations Committee to push for city workers to contribute to the cost of their health benefits when they sit at the bargaining table with local labor unions to renegotiate contracts this year. It's a move that, if anything, is overdue.

In the wake of at least \$1.4 billion in cuts to the state budget in this fiscal year alone, municipalities, including Linden, won't have the option of holding out for additional state funding to help offset costs and keep tax hikes to a minimum. They're only option is to be more proactive and seek ways to reduce spending. That means taking steps that, while difficult and unpopular, are necessary in a collapsing economy with a statewide unemployment rate of 6.1 percent.

In his State of the State address, Gov. Jon Corzine said state lawmakers have been forced to "make many ugly choices" as a result of the "deepening recession." The same will be true on the municipal level. In recent years, school districts have negotiated with teachers unions for contributions to medical insurance. It's been a hard pill to swallow, but one that has saved thousands of dollars. Now it's time for similar measures to be taken at the municipal level.

As Gerbounka pointed out, most private industry employers and some government jobs require employee contributions to health insurance. It's time for Linden's labor unions to follow suit.

The mayor is already facing resistance to his proposal by the council's Democratic majority, and the Negotiation Committee will likely meet resistance at the bargaining table. But this isn't a fight that city taxpayers can afford for local officials to lose. It's not the only way in which the city's budget can be slashed — a reduction in salaries for council members and the elimination of city-owned vehicles for elected officials and department heads should also be considered.

Linden officials already know they have their work cut out for them when it comes to the city's budget. They're well aware that cuts will be necessary — the challenge now, will be to make sure changes are implemented. Something's gotta give, and requiring employees to contribute to their health insurance is a good place to start.



**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT** — Union County Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada, second from left, presents resolutions to Victor Richel of Berkeley Heights, left, Diane Litterer of Roselle Park and the Rev. Donald Hummel, congratulating them on receiving the 2008 Lifetime Achievement Recognition Award from the Patriots' Path Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

## Praise, image and global woes

### Defining praise

Sal Mione is the rare elected official. While speaking with the Rahway Councilman at Large about some pretty interesting news in his city, his inclination was to give credit elsewhere.

It turns out the Rahway Parking Authority has been getting some unexpected interesting new customers — New York City residents. For the \$65 a month fee, New Yorkers are leaving their car in the safe 24-hour-a-day facility for their use on weekends. Mione wasn't looking for the notoriety, but rather wanted to deflect the credit to the Parking Authority. Either way, it's another plus for the Rahway Development.

### Lousy image

The new movie "The Wrestler" is getting top reviews. The movie "Mall Cop," while not getting such reviews, was actually the highest grossing movie last week hitting \$40 million.

The connection between the two is they both depict a less than positive view of New Jersey. "The Wrestler," with gritty scenes in Roselle Park, Linden and Elizabeth portrays the hard life of a small time wrestler. "Mall Cop," taking place in a fictitious West Orange mall is more offensive, depicting New Jerseyans as comic, if at least sometimes sympathetic. Don't we ever get a break in the movies?

### Warehouse

Despite the downward economy, recent reports reveal that the warehousing between Elizabeth and Middlesex County has actually weathered the economic storm

### Left Out

By Frank Capece

pretty well. Agents report rentals have held their own and the demand for storing the cargo from the port remains strong.

### Global woes

On the not-so-positive side, ConocoPhillips with a refinery in Linden, announced it will be cutting 1,350 workers nationally. *The Wall Street Journal* speculated the move will increase debt ratios and could affect its financial strength.

### Tunneling through

From this corner, the support for a \$83.7 billion mass transit tunnel came even before the economic downturn. With construction to commence in June the numbers are impressive — 6,000 construction jobs and a doubling of the number of trains that can go between New York and New Jersey.

### Nameless, faceless cowards

Jeff Warden is a Morris County lawyer who gets results. During a five-year period, he expended money and time defending his brother who was a victim of "cyber bullying." He said his brother had been the victim of "defamatory false statements" on chat room anonymous postings. He calls them "nameless faceless cowards."

As a result of his investigation, come Jan. 28, at a public meeting, the former officials who engaged in the name-calling will publicly apologize.

### Budget cuts

Cuts in municipal, county and state funding are expected. Recently in Plainfield, the opening salvo had to do with a public safety official using a city car to commute. The counter argument is that public safety personnel need to be available at all times.

This year's budget crunch will give more focus to the question of just who should have public cars to park in front of their house.

### Budget cuts II

Heather Howard came with then-Sen. Jon Corzine to the service of Gov. Jon Corzine. When she speaks about health issues, her expertise has people listening. That's why her comments on prenatal care in these tough economic times was so depressing. Twenty percent of all pregnant women in New Jersey do not see a doctor at all in the first three months of pregnancy. Among blacks, the number is 36 percent and Hispanics, the number is 31 percent.

Maybe the biggest embarrassment is that in some urban areas, local hospitals and clinics have a six to eight week waiting list.

### Play ball

After a cold weekend of snow shoveling, my yearly dose of sunshine came from the Union County Baseball Association. The 73rd annual hot stove league will take place Feb. 8 to raise money for the summer baseball league. The guest speaker is Ed Kranepool, the long time Met.

**An attorney, Frank Capece is a resident of Cranford.**

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## OP ED PAGE

## Tackling some 'big goals' in 2009

The beginning of a new year raises hopes and expectations for future successes, triumphs and the improvement of our environment.

The Rahway River Association is poised to tackle some big issues in the region that will improve parks, wildlife habitat and the state of biodiversity for the benefit of all. The following is the top 10 goals of the Rahway River Association:

**Number 10:** In 2008, the Rahway River Association grew its membership base by several hundred. For 2009, we need to grow even more! Our goal is to crack the 1,000 mark of membership for 2009.

**Number nine:** When the Rahway River Association developed the Rahway River Greenway Plan, the four-acre Searle tract was the only private property in the entire greenway that needed to be acquired. The Rahway River Association assisted the city of Rahway by writing its New Jersey Green Acres application and gaining approval for a \$130,000 grant/loan. Still, the Searle property remains in private hands. In 2009, the city of Rahway should finalize the acquisition and dedicate it as a crucial part of the greenway.

**Number eight:** The New Jersey Natural Resource Damages Program approved a \$1.2 million wetland restoration project for the brand spanking new Essex Street Riverfront Park in the City of Rahway. However, very little progress has been made. The Rahway River Association urges the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to implement the approved habitat restoration project where funding has been authorized.

**Number seven:** Ditto for the city of Linden regarding the development of the Hawkrise Nature Sanctuary. Perhaps because NJDEP is a

## Eye On the Environment

By Dennis Miranda

partner, the city of Linden may be afflicted with the same bureaucratic malaise that makes progress something you measure in inches. It is time to develop the greenway, build the trail, construct the wildlife observation stations, put up the signs and have the mayor preside over an opening day ceremony before the end of 2009!

**Number six:** Perhaps in 2009, the Rahway River Association will be fortunate to begin the wildlife habitat restoration project for Brightwood Park in Westfield. Everything hinges on funding. The RRA has many funding applications in the works; we need but a few to be approved to start the work.

**Number five:** The Rahway River Association would like to capitalize upon the anticipated increased memberships to gain volunteers that will help us in manning the RRA Office in the city of Rahway. Would you like to help us in 2009?

**Number four:** We urge the Cranford Township Committee to recognize the importance of preserving the 30-plus acre conservation center. Land banking the property as a bargaining chip with the NJDEP to divert other public lands for their flood control project is short-sighted and ill-advised. The flood control project will not save the 800-plus homes that are in danger of flooding any more than the public will accept the construction of detention basins on county parkland. Pass the ordi-

nance making the conservation center tract a municipal nature preserve.

**Number three:** Ditto for the 31-acre Oakey tract in Millburn Township. The Millburn Board of Education should realize that preserving the high elevation dry upland forest that surrounds an intact vernal pond is such a rare type of wildlife habitat that it may be the last unprotected and unspoiled vernal pond in the entire Rahway River watershed.

**Number two:** The Union County Open Space Trust Fund does not permit non-profit organizations from submitting applications for funding to preserve open space, develop and implement wildlife management plans on public lands, create native or butterfly gardens in parks or to conduct environmental education programs in parks and other public places. In this period of economic belt tightening, Union County should see the benefit of making the Union County tax dollars go further by letting the non-profits apply for projects that could take place on municipal and county parkland for the benefit of all.

**Number one:** The Union County Park System is one of the finest county park systems in New Jersey. The Frederick Law Olmsted and Olmsted firm's design, features and construct of the Union County Park system as a "green necklace" along the Rahway River is intact and deserving of its acclaim. By supporting the Union County Park system on the New Jersey State and National Register of Historic Places, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders can truly claim to be national leaders in championing the cause of urban parks as well as open space preservation.

Dennis Miranda is the president of the Rahway River Association.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Grateful for holiday help

To the Editor:

I am a little late, but please let me take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers and organizations for their generous efforts during the 2008 busy holiday season.

Roselle Park is a very lucky community to have such great and generous residents that live in town and in the surrounding communities.

Through the efforts of local organizations and residents, we had more than enough food and gifts to give out to the needy. Local churches, the Roselle Park Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, the Roselle Park schools, the Roselle Park Police Department, the Roselle Park Anthony Signorello Youth Center, UNICO and other private organizations and individuals all helped to make this a cheerful holiday season.

But volunteering and donations do not stop there. Also, there are those who donate their own personal time to make this time of year so special and safe. Thank you to those who helped to organize and participate in the Roselle Park holiday festivities such as the tree-lighting ceremony, the holiday parade, and the open house at the Casano Community Center.

Last, but not least, I must convey a very special thank you to all those that made the special Christmas Eve Holiday Bistro possible.

Again, thank you to everyone and to all I wish a peaceful, safe, and healthy new year.

Karen R. Intile  
Administrative Assistant  
Roselle Park

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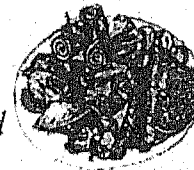
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# Plans on track for Memorial Field project

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — An effort to get synthetic turf on Memorial Field by September is on schedule, officials said.

The Township Committee is preparing to bond about \$600,000 in order to raise the full \$800,000 needed to fund the project. About \$200,000 has already been amassed through fundraising and redirecting unused grant money.

"We can't go out to bid without a source of funds," Mayor David Robinson explained.

Robinson is confident the current timetable will allow the September dead-

line to be met.

"The question is whether there is support from the Township Committee," Robinson said. "I'm not counting on anything until the votes are cast."

Field turf is created using a synthetic fiber designed to be safer and requiring less maintenance than natural soil, according to township officials.

In 2007 and 2008, the Township Committee took steps to establish the Cranford Athletic Turf Fund, a non-profit organization tasked with raising the resources needed to buy, install and maintain the new field. Those participating in the CAT Fund include Cranford Jaycees, Cranford High

School Booster Club, Cranford Board of Education and community members.

Robinson said the repayment of the principle and interest will be done annually through financial commitments.

"The more we raise initially, the less we have to borrow," said Robinson, who said the Township Committee is trying to avoid placing an additional financial burden on taxpayers. The most recent fundraiser took place Jan. 18 at the Cranford Hotel.

The event was sponsored by Cranford Jaycees. Jaycees President Peter Taylor pointed out that Memorial Field is used by many groups for various activities.

"The Jaycees wanted to help out the

township as a whole," Taylor said.

Another fundraiser — an art auction arranged by the Cranford Rotary Club — will be conducted in March.

School officials are also optimistic about the plans to upgrade Memorial Field. Cranford High School Athletic Director Marc Taglieri said students will benefit from the hard work of township officials and parents.

"There are never enough athletic fields," Taglieri said. "We have an extremely large athletic program, and certainly we can use the turf field and make daily use of it."

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## SUMMIT BRIEFS

### New board members for Public Foundation

Reagan Burkholder, Carolyn Deacon, David Dietze and Sandra Lizza have been appointed to the Summit Area Public Foundation.

### Eagle Scout honored

About 281 new eagle scouts were recently awarded in the Patriots' Path Council at an Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner. One local volunteer, Eugene Eckel of Summit, was inducted into the Eagle Scout Hall of Fame. This recognition is presented to an Eagle Scout who distinguishes himself in his business and community.

The Eagle Scout Award is the highest honor to be bestowed to a Scout for achieving 21 merit badges, giving leadership to his troop and carrying out a major community service.

### BOH Board to meet

The Summit Board of Health meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Large Conference Room, 2nd floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave.

### Old Guard meeting

All area 50 plus active men can attend Summit area Old Guard meetings on Tuesdays. Meetings are held at the New Providence Municipal Center, 360 Elkwood Ave. They begin at 9:15 a.m.

For information, call Emil Butchko at 908-665-0678 or visit [www.summitoldguard.homestead.com](http://www.summitoldguard.homestead.com).

### Advisory group meets

The Summit Sustainability Advisory Committee meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Large Conference Room, 2nd floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave.

### Advisory group meets

The Summit Housing Authority Commissioners Meeting meets Wednesday in the Large Conference Room, 2nd floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave.

## With honors



Dan Deweever, second from right, an assistant scout master of Troop 75 BSA, Cranford, was recently presented with an 'Honorary Member' of the 117th Cavalry Regiment certificate and a picture of soldiers of the 102nd Cavalry in Iraq for supporting deployed soldiers.

## Man killed by train in Linden

By John O'Reilly  
and Najia McLean

LINDEN — Authorities have revealed the name of a man who was killed by an oncoming train at the Linden Train Station platform last week.

Joshua W. Steingraber was struck by an eastbound train headed to New York on the North Jersey Coast Line on Jan. 12, at approximately 5:48 p.m., law enforcement officials revealed. Linden police responded to the scene and turned over the investigation to the NJ Transit Police. Investigators are uncertain how the victim ended up in the train's path.

"He maneuvered underneath the car of the train and subsequently was struck as the train was pulling out," said NJ Transit spokesman Dan Stessel.

Steingraber was pronounced dead at the scene. New Jersey Transit officials said they do not plan on implementing any new safety measures in the wake of this tragic accident.

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## A new 'bridge' is built at Oratory

By Joseph M. D'Alise  
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — Oratory Preparatory School, an all-boys Roman Catholic school in Summit which houses students from grades seven through 12, received a grant in September from the American Contract Bridge League to start a bridge club at the school.

Peter Astor, an Oratory math teacher who was responsible for obtaining the necessary funds, believes learning the game of bridge will increase students' test scores and reasoning skills.

"I applied for the grant, and it was accepted," Astor explained of the process.

Once the ACBL approved the club, they sent Oratory 12 copies of the instruction manual, three decks of cards, permission slips for parents to approve and sign and an official ACBL poster announcing the date and location of the club.

Contract bridge, usually referred to simply as

bridge, is a card game of skill and chance. It is played by four players who form two partnerships.

The partners sit opposite each other at a table, and the card game consists of moves including an auction and play, after which the hand is scored and points awarded.

"The studies I have read determined that bridge-playing students, especially younger ones, achieve higher scores on standardized exams in math, science, English and history than do students who don't learn to play bridge," Astor said. "It is thought that this statistically significant difference is due to an increasing ability in inductive reasoning, a strong component of the game."

The club is being offered to everyone at the school because there is no age advantage in the game.

During the last several weeks, the club has seen anywhere from eight to 20 students present

for the half hour after school lesson offered weekly.

According to Astor, after 14 weeks of lessons taught by accredited bridge instructor Robin Gillett, the students competed in an intramural bridge tournament on Dec. 12, open to all students, faculty and staff with T-shirts for all participants and a trophy presented to the highest-scoring team.

Gillett agrees with Astor in that mastering the game of bridge may lead to higher test scores in subjects such as mathematics.

"There are a number of advantages in learning bridge," Gillett said. "There is a lot of logic involved in the game, as there is in mathematics. You are always counting cards and numbers and suits. It's like mental gymnastics."

According to Astor, approximately 14 students and teachers competed and freshman Kieran Windorf of Westfield came out victorious.



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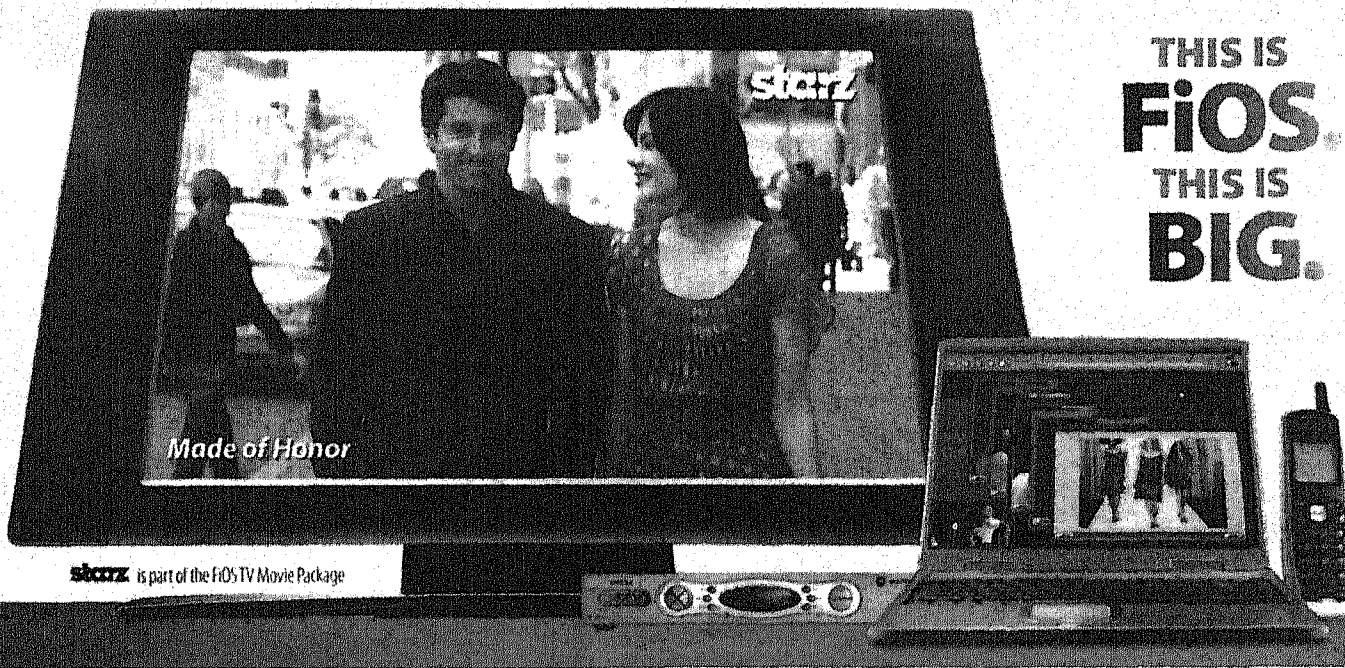
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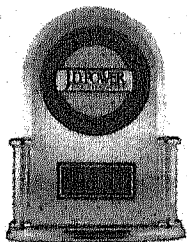
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## Moms on a mission



The Mom's Club of Springfield & Mountainside held a holiday themed vendor sale and silent auction. The club donated some of the proceeds to the Youth Services Department at the Springfield Public Library. Mom's Club President Danielle McLeer presented a check to Deborah Sandford, library Youth Services Department and Susan Permahos, library director. From left: Lidia Reines, Thu Hoang, Traci Glazner, Kerri Bacall, Robin Cornelison, Sandford, Permahos and McLeer.

# Two announce BOE candidacy

By Joseph M. D'Alise  
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — This year's Springfield Board of Education election has already begun to take shape. Though the deadline to file petitions for candidacy is not until March 2, two local residents have stepped forward to announce their interest in running.

Dennis Wolfe and Alex Mezzo will be vying for two of the three seats available in the spring election. Incumbents Jacqueline Shanes, Board Vice President David Hollander and Board President Anthony Delia are running for re-election.

According to Wolfe, who is a 21-year veteran of New Jersey law enforcement and has lived in Springfield for 15 years, the two challengers met at one of their children's sporting events, and had similar views and ideas on changes that must be made within the Board of Education.

"I really think there needs to be better communication between the board and the parents," Wolfe said.

He noted that a town's school district is a crucial drawing point for potential home buyers, planning to move to that municipality. A partnership with the Township Committee will not only better the school district, but Springfield as a whole, according to Wolfe.

"We have to be more committed to the school district to increase the township's value," Wolfe said.

Shanes, who is an 18-year board veteran, serving six consecutive terms, feels the upcoming year will present some financial challenges to a board who lacks experience in teacher contract negotiations.

"Our last contract negotiation took two years," Shanes said, acknowledging that all negotiations present their own set of challenges.

Shanes expressed that being involved with the board for so many years, her record should mostly speak for itself. She was on the board during the deregionalizing of Jonathan Dayton High School, and when the high school was rated 32 in the state by New Jersey Monthly.

While Shanes acknowledged that the board seemed more unified and civil last year than it has in the past, Mezzo feels that a change may still be needed.

"I think I can bring diversity and independent thinking to the board," said Mezzo, who has lived in town for 16 years and is the vice president of a manufacturing company.

Delia felt the board took some good strides in the right direction last year, but feels there is still some work that needs to be done.

"As of late, the board has been much less contentious," Delia said. "We still need to work on some ethics issues, which were reflected in last year's QSAC report. The one thing we failed in, is the one thing we can control."

## CLARK BRIEFS

### Register for language classes at foundation

The Studies Program of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark is accepting registration for its language classes, which begins March 2. Classes, Beginner's Polish II and III and Intermediate Polish, meet Thursday evenings.

English class is scheduled for Wednesday evenings. All classes

meet from 7 to 9 p.m. and run for twelve weeks. Early registration is suggested. For information, call the foundation office at a 732-382-7197. The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway..

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## An Olympic team



St. John the Apostle School participated in the Roselle Scholastic Olympics on Oct. 22. Scholastic Olympics Team: Edwin Ford and Peter Brine, second place in science; Danielle Franklin, Anthony Majuri and John Radil, third place in art; Rebeccah Rodger, first place in science; Ryan Sexton and Ryan McSharry, third place in English; Michael Eastman and Stephen Pienckiak, second place in current events; Samantha Fitzmaurice, Juliana Balabusta, Christina Mendes, Erin Roach, Amanda McKnight and David Szczepankiewicz, second place in math, and Derek Symonifka.

# City ponders plan for more parking

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — The results of an ongoing assessment of parking in the city's downtown area gave officials food for thought as they consider the addition of another parking garage, that will hopefully encourage residents to spend more time and money in Summit's downtown.

Representatives of Desman Associates, a New York City-based planning and design company, made their first public presentation to the City Council on Jan. 15.

The consultants identified two potential sites for a new parking garage — one being a lot near the Post Office just off Broad Street, or an existing parking lot known as shopper lot one, located at the corner of Woodland and Deforest avenues.

The city's 2005 master plan review called for a parking study, but cost concerns delayed the study until spring of 2008. Local officials are now working to move ahead with improving the city's parking in 2009.

Planners indicated that 98 percent of the city's downtown parking spaces are filled at peak periods every day.

Andrew Lark, 2nd Ward Councilman, who was serving as council president during the beginning of the study said \$35,000 of 2008 budget money was allocated toward the parking study.

The possibility of constructing a partially underground parking facility was discussed as a way to keep the height of the structure within township regulations while still allowing a significant number of parking spaces. Desman representatives indicated that such a design would be more complex and costly.

"If it costs \$1 to build above ground, it costs you probably \$1.50 to build below ground," project manager Brian Bartholomew said.

Security concerns associated with an underground facility were also raised.

"To go underground at night gives people a lot of concern," Councilwoman Diane Klaif said.

A recurring aspect of the parking problem has been the ongoing struggle to entice shoppers and employees to park in the areas specifically reserved for them. Officials indicated that the most convenient spaces are meant to be reserved for customers.

Councilman Dave Bomgaars said he feels more shopper parking should be made available.

"We need to make more parking available to shoppers and restaurant goers," Bomgaars said.

Resident and downtown property owner Peter Schwierk said the parking issue has been present for a long time.

"It's pretty obvious there's a shortage of parking in the downtown," Schwierk said. "Now we have another study that confirms what all the other studies found."

The next presentation will take place in February, at which time more information and questions will be brought forth.

## SPRINGFIELD BRIEFS

### Watch Newman films

The Springfield Public Library continues its Lunchtime Film Program entitled "A Paul Newman Retrospective," Tuesday at noon. Patrons can bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and cookies will be served at 11:30 a.m. Assistive listening devices are available upon request. The library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For information,

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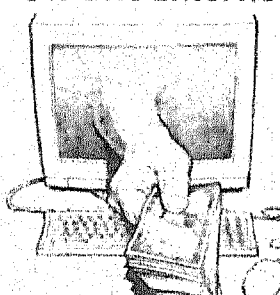
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# Library seeks to expand Haitian offerings

By Najia McLean  
Correspondent

ROSELLE — The Haitian community has risen exponentially in Roselle, according to Roselle Public Library officials.

The director wants to make sure the community feels at home at the only library in the borough by creating a Haitian Advisory Committee.

Roselle ranks 42nd in the nation for communities with most Haitian-born residents, with 6.2 percent of its population.

The population continues to grow, said

Keith McCoy, noting the reason for the expansion.

"We must respond to the increase of different ethnic groups," McCoy said.

The library's Board of Trustees will appoint members of the committee, which will consist of at least seven people.

"We will elect officials with Haitian ancestry," McCoy said.

The Haitian Advisory Committee will meet three times each year and will be tasked with creating a list of important authors, periodicals, finding potential vendors whom the library can

purchase materials from and strategizing ways to promote the collection of materials to the Haitian community in Roselle.

"The sections will probably focus on culture, language and cooking," McCoy said.

Councilman Yves F. Aubourg, the first Haitian elected to office in the borough.

"I'm happy...the administration is thinking out of the box," said Aubourg, who was sworn in as a member of the Borough Council earlier this month. Aubourg plans to get involved, reaching out to people he believes may be interested in serving on the committee.

"(This) will be a great asset to cultivate...and give people information on Haitian culture," he said.

Other burgeoning ethnic groups are represented in various sections of the Roselle Public library as well, according to McCoy.

In 2006, a Spanish language section was added. It was Roselle's first foreign language collection.

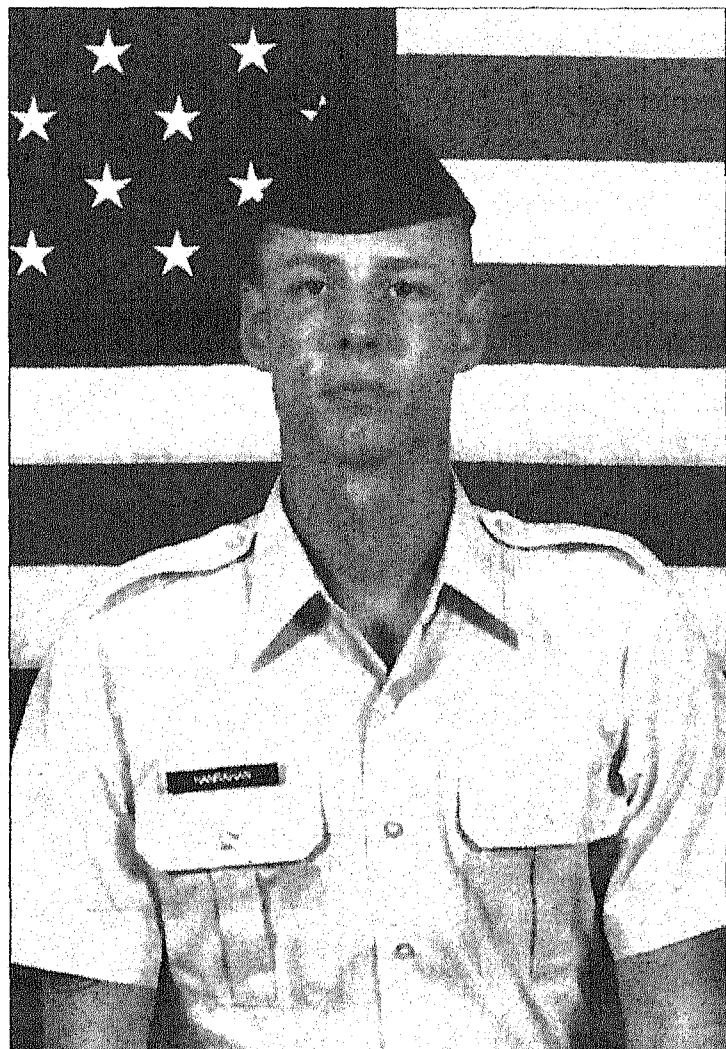
The cache has grown steadily and today, the borough library boasts more than 250 items, including children's titles and Hispanic periodicals and magazines.

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"It's a complete benefit to the whole community because it keeps the lines of communication open," Durso said.

Durso said the upgrades will allow the machine to provide seamless power to the police and fire departments in the event of an emergency.

Union Fire Chief Frederic Fretz said the department's dispatching and 911 services have always been capable of operating in the event of a power outage, but the upgrade will firmly link the different departments.

"It'll maintain the interdepartmental phone system

and it'll also maintain the servers for the computers, so that's how it impacts the fire department," Fretz said.

Police Chief Thomas Kraemer did not return calls for comment on the matter.

Durso said the upgraded generator could prove useful at any point during the year, but especially during winter when snow and ice increase both the need for emergency services and the odds of a power failure that could potentially compromise communications.

"It's important to keep continuous operations in the event of a power outage or a long term power outage," Fretz said.

The work on the generator was done by TSUJ Corporation, an electrical contractor based in Wayne.

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# Schools compete in geography

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Daniel Richardson, while sixth-grader Brett Musialowicz, whose team finished second, passed a test that will allow him to advance to the Union County round of the tournament. If Musialowicz advances passed the county round, he will move to a state round on his way to the national championship in Hawaii, moderated by Alex Trebek, who hosts the long-running television game show, Jeopardy.

Supervisor of Social Studies Michael Walters discovered the national competition while reading National Geographic Magazine. He then purchased a set of ques-

tions from the magazine as well as several study guides for his students.

"I'm a subscriber, and I saw the ad," Walter said. "I'm a big fan of geography and being a former soccer coach, I love the competitive aspect of this competition."

Musialowicz is not nervous about the national competition, giving himself a 50 percent chance to win it all.

"It's going to be hard, though," Musialowicz said. "A lot of other kids studied very hard for this."

Some members of the team that took the first place trophy had advice for Musialowicz as he

attempts to represent Union County in the tournament.

"If I were him, I'd study very hard, go into it with confidence, and picture the win," Richardson said.

The 2006 National Geographic Bee winner claimed a \$25,000 scholarship prize, the title of Bee champion and a lifetime membership in the National Geographic Society. Soehl Middle School Principal Diana Braisted encourages as many academic competitions in her school as possible.

"I think geography, in particular, is a subject we need to raise enthusiasm in," Braisted said.

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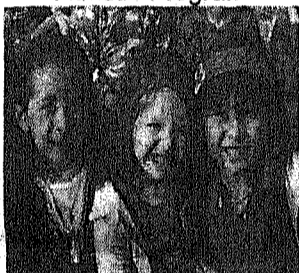
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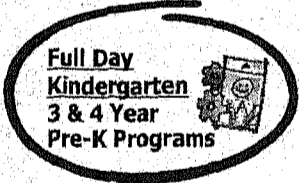
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## 'Radical' projects planned

### Schools awarded UC Green Grants

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

Five local schools have been awarded the first grants under the Union County Green Grant program.

This program provided funding of up to \$1,000 for "Radical Recycling" environmental projects proposed by students.

The winning projects take on the challenge of keeping materials such as food waste, books and worn-out sneakers out of the general waste stream. A total of 13 applicants vied for the grants.

The Green Grant program was started in 2008 by Union County Freeholder Angel G. Estrada as part of the county's Go Green initiative.

Valley Road School in Clark was awarded \$977 to collect used CD's, video tapes and game cartridges and send them to a compa-



ny named Greendisc that specializes in recycling electronic waste. Science enrichment teacher and chair of the school's recycling program, Mary Silva, coordinated this school-wide project, which was overseen by the Student Council. Silva said students and faculty members initially doubted they would win a grant. "We were real excited, surprised and anxious to get started with it," Silva said. Silva credited fifth grade teacher Meredith Qualshie with initially proposing the idea. See GRANTS, Page 19

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## Cryan faces criticism

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

UNION COUNTY — New Jersey Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, D-Union, has been accused of allegedly using his legislative staff for political errands, according to a whistle-blowing insider.

James Devine, former political director for the state Democratic Committee and campaign consultant, alleged Cryan used his staff to scout potential candidates for the Monmouth County Freeholder Board.

The Ethical Standards Committee confirmed they received the complaint and contacted both Devine and Cryan.

The case will be reviewed during a meeting set for sometime next month. The committee will decide if it will follow up on the alleged offense.

The complaint cites an e-mail in which Cryan allegedly directed legislative aide Dave Jenkins to get information on potential Monmouth freeholder candidates from the Rutgers Eagleton Institution of Politics.

"There is no less an ethical conflict to employ legislative staff at taxpayer expense in performing political tasks... than it would be for a mayor to have a city public works crew repair his home driveway," Devine wrote in his complaint to the state's Ethical Standards Committee.

Representatives from Cryan's legislative office did not return calls seeking comment by press time Tuesday.

The Ethical Standards Committee can impose up to \$15,000 in penalties, recommend disciplinary action and reprimands in this type of case, according to Albert Porroni, who serves as counsel to the committee.

Porroni said the committee does not comment on active cases, but noted this type of complaint is common.

"It can go from taking a call from a political organization...all the way up to doing actual political work out of an office, so you have to find out exactly what is being alleged," he said. "It's really so fact sensitive, which is why you do an inquiry (first) to gather the facts."

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## Smoother roads ahead in county

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

Union County's roads will soon be a little smoother thanks to aid from a portion of the \$78.75 million in transportation grants awarded to some 372 municipalities from the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

"Rebuilding the state's infrastructure from roads to bridges to mass transit, is going to be central to both getting us out of the recession and positioning New Jersey to take advantage when the economy recovers," Gov. Jon Corzine said in a prepared statement. "This year's municipal aid program will provide road improvements, property tax relief and economic growth."

The grant program covers a variety of projects such as road resurfacing, rehabilitation, reconstruction and signalization.

Rahway City Engineer James Houston said the \$241,000 that the city received through the program will be put to use in the city's annual roadway improvement and resurfacing program. These efforts vary in scope, usually encompassing six

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The New Jersey Department of Transportation has awarded thousands of dollars in grants to municipalities in Union County to assist with local road repairs.

to 12 streets. The work also includes curb and sidewalk repair.

"The grant goes a long way

toward doing what we need to do to maintain the value of the tax base," Houston said. "The city works hard

to try to keep up with street improvements."

Cranford is receiving \$200,000, which will be put toward improvements to the curbing, sidewalks, draining and resurfacing.

Cranford's Assistant Engineer Sandra Caceres-Cardenas said the improvements are estimated to cost \$225,000.

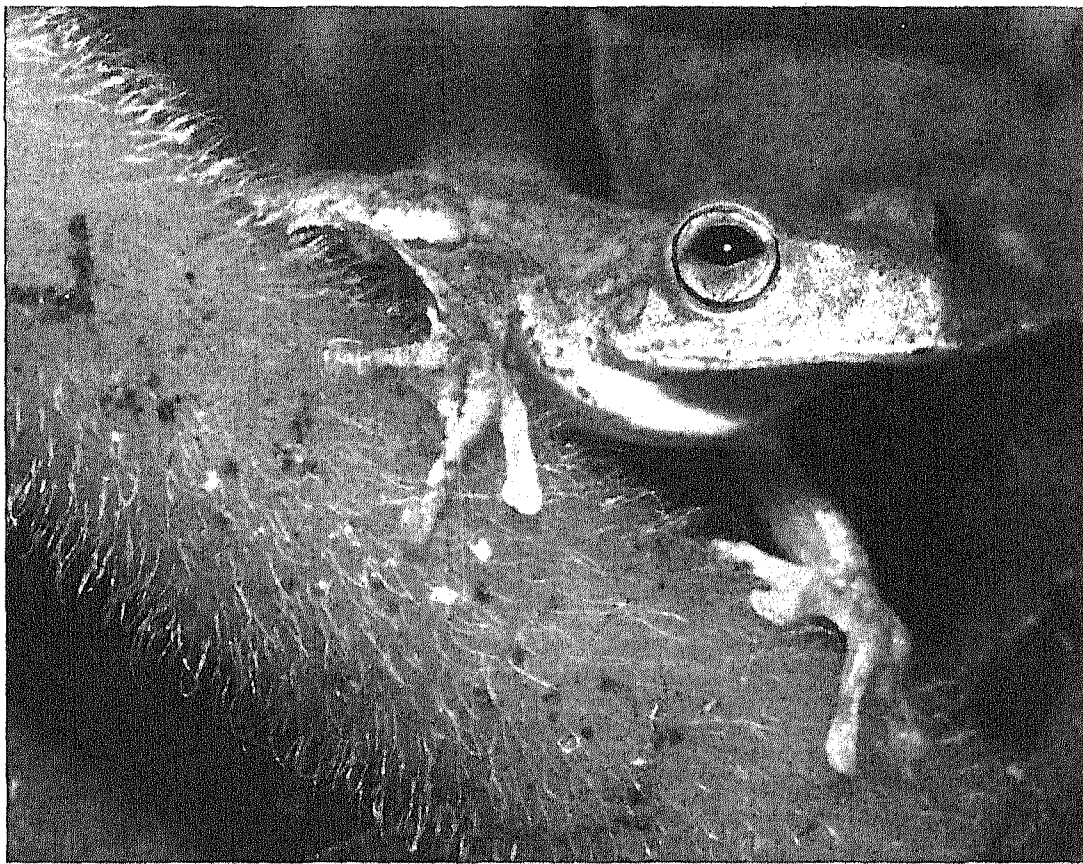
"The money will be useful to complete the project," Caceres-Cardenas said. "Holly Street has been in need of work for a while now."

Clark, Berkeley Heights, Roselle Park, Fanwood and Springfield all received grants of \$200,000. Mountainside, Kenilworth and Westfield all received \$175,000. The NJDOT invites municipalities to apply for grants to help improve and maintain these roads rather than rely solely on tax dollars.

Municipal governments maintain over 25,000 miles of New Jersey's 36,000 miles of roadway.

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## Taking a closer look



The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and Trailside Nature and Science Center are pleased to exhibit photographs, such as one of a Hunduran tree frog, above, by noted herpetologist Jonathan Kolby through the month of March at Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

## Contract talks continue in UC

By Joseph M. D'Alise  
Staff Writer

Many of the school districts in Union County, from its largest cities to its smallest boroughs, are under the gun to make budget cuts due the nation's current economic climate.

Be it sporting programs, technology services, or salaries — which make up a majority of school budgets — officials are taking a hard look at areas that can be cut or changes that can be made within their spending plans. Some school districts, including those in Summit and Roselle, have gone since the summer without a contract renewal, many of the problems stemming from proposed changes involving medical benefits and salary increases. Roselle's teachers' contract expired on June 30, while Summit's contracts ended Aug. 31, according to the Union County Superintendent's Office.

"The districts, at this point, are being pressured to cut their budgets in several different areas," said Union County Executive Superintendent Carmen Centuolo. "Teachers' contracts happen to account for the majority of their budgets."

Both districts are currently undergoing state mediations in an effort to bring the school boards and teachers' unions to an agreement on terms.

Dan Miller, who has worked as a social studies teacher at Summit Middle School for 19 years and now serves as president of the Summit Education Association, said salary and health benefits are at the center of this conflict. "They're asking for dramatic changes in our cost-sharing," he said. "It would not be in line with any of the recent settlements in the county. We would prefer not to have any change in healthcare."

The Roselle Education Association is currently dealing with very similar issues regarding its contract.

"We are just looking for a reasonable and fair contract that satisfies both sides," REA President Lisa Palin said.

Roselle will hold its second mediation session tonight, while Summit held its next sit-down on Jan. 19.

## Grants help schools 'go green'

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Silva pointed out that many students tend to have a number of unused CDs and CD cases, many having switched over to MP3 players and iPods. She explained that these harder plastics are not usually collected by municipalities to be recycled.

"All those cases are plastic, and what do you do with them," Silva said. "They're not considered to be recyclable plastics in our community."

The grants were distributed at an awards ceremony at the Union County Magnet High School in Scotch Plains on Jan. 14.

Estrada congratulated the award-winners and extended his

appreciation to all the schools that applied for the grants.

"These students are models for us all to follow," said Estrada. "They are leading the way to show how we can become more responsible stewards of the earth's resources."

Carl H. Kumpf Middle School in Clark was awarded \$546 for equipment and live worms to start a worm composting program, dubbed the "Worm Café." Students will learn how worms can break down food scraps and convert them into valuable compost material that will be used on their school grounds.

Roselle Park High School was awarded \$1,000 to purchase state-

of-the-art lab equipment for use in a Learning Lean-To that will be constructed primarily from recycled Snapple bottles and other salvaged construction materials.

The Magnet High School in Scotch Plains was awarded \$1,000 to start a sneaker recycling project in conjunction with the National Nike Reuse-a-Shoe program.

County Spokesperson Tina Casey said the selection process was geared toward rewarding those proposals that went above and beyond normal recycling programs and involved the whole school.

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## 'A Few Good Men' round out dramatic cast

By Bea Smith  
Staff Writer

The pride of the Marines was explicitly demonstrated in a heavy and emotionally-moving drama, "A Few Good Men," Sunday afternoon at Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway.

The Aaron Sorkin play, which had been recreated on the screen in 1993, starring Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson, with four Oscar nomina-

tions to its credit, was presented by Alliance Repertory Theater. It will run through Jan. 31.

Set in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, with locations in Washington, D.C., in 1986, "A Few Good Men" concerns two Marines who are charged with the death of a fellow Marine in Guantanamo Bay. They are defended by a Navy JAG lawyer, played by Scott Cagney, probably chosen because he had no experience in this

sort of murder case. His less knowledgeable assistant, plus a Naval lieutenant junior grade officer, Lt. Commander Joanne Galloway — played by Amelia Campbell — is compelled to discover the real truth of the young Marine's death.

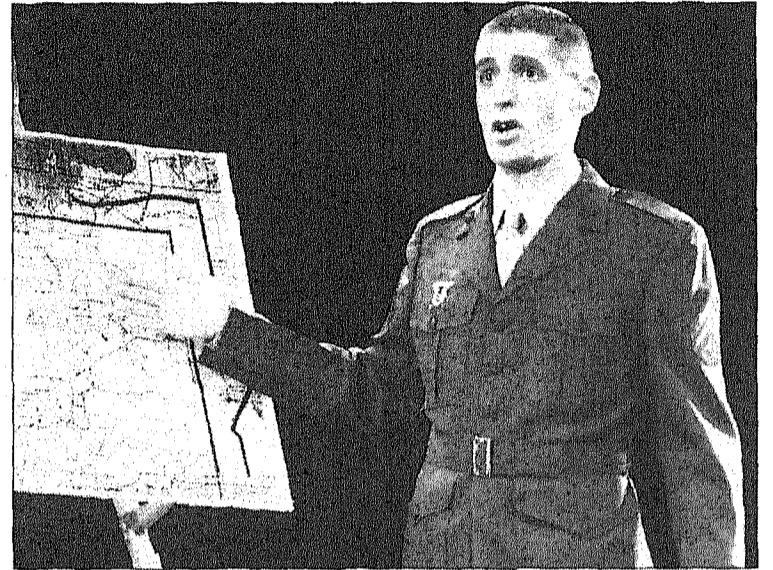
They are in charge of defending two reluctant, stiffly proud Marines, who are accused of murdering Pfc. William Santiago, portrayed by Claudio Venacio.

Lt. Col. Nathan Jessup, played by Chuck Wagner, gives an exceptional performance as he attempts to cover up the murder, conducted under a Code Red order — an order for which he is personally responsible.

The rigid pride of the Marines, which is expressed time and again under the oath, "Unit, corps, God and country," becomes burdensome for the three hard-working, but frustrated, inexperienced attorneys.

And as pressure is placed on the characters in the play, the pressure appears to be even more evident in the emotions of the audience in the theater. There are highly dramatic moments, heightened by some really fine acting, and particularly utilized by director Michael J. Driscoll.

Driscoll has taken it upon himself to hold tight on the reins of a very



Cpl. Jeffrey Howard, played by Bill Van Sant, gives an account of the events leading to the death of a Marine in Alliance Repertory Theater's production of 'A Few Good Men' at Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway.

important, complex play and 16 strong characters who can easily get out of hand. The actors, including Dan Wiener, Brian Parks, Gary Martins, Greg Louis, Bill Van Sant, Kris Longwell, David Hoffman, Howard Fischer, Ryan Correll, John Correll, Gabriel Coetho and Joe Belden, were all well cast. Certainly, this excellent

piece of work, wonderfully staged at the UCPAC in Rahway, should be seen, enjoyed and appreciated by area theatergoers. And in the way it was staged, performed and directed, it would be well worth a revisit.

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Lt. Col. Nathan Jessup, played by Chuck Wagner, questions Lt. Daniel Kaffee, played by Scott Cagney, in a dramatic scene from 'A Few Good Men,' which runs through Jan. 31 at UCPAC.

### Family feud



Carrie Watts, played by Sheila Harding, has the tables turned on her by daughter-in-law Jessie Mae, played by Tracy Randinelli, in the Cranford Dramatic Club Theatre's production of Horton Foote's, 'The Trip To Bountiful,' which will be staged at the CDC Theater in Cranford from Feb. 6 to 21.

### Scripts take shape at 'Opening Nights'

Theater Project stages readings of original plays at UCC Cranford

The Theater Project, Union County College's Professional Theater Company, opened its winter 2009 season of Opening Nights on Saturday Afternoons — monthly staged readings of original plays from its Playwrights Workshop — on Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. These readings are conducted at Union County College's Cranford campus, which is located at 1033 Springfield Ave.

The plays being showcased this month include a one-act farce, "Sophia Loren Coulda Done Better," by Michael Z. Murphy of Hillside, and two one-act plays by Jonathan R. Citron of Chatham.

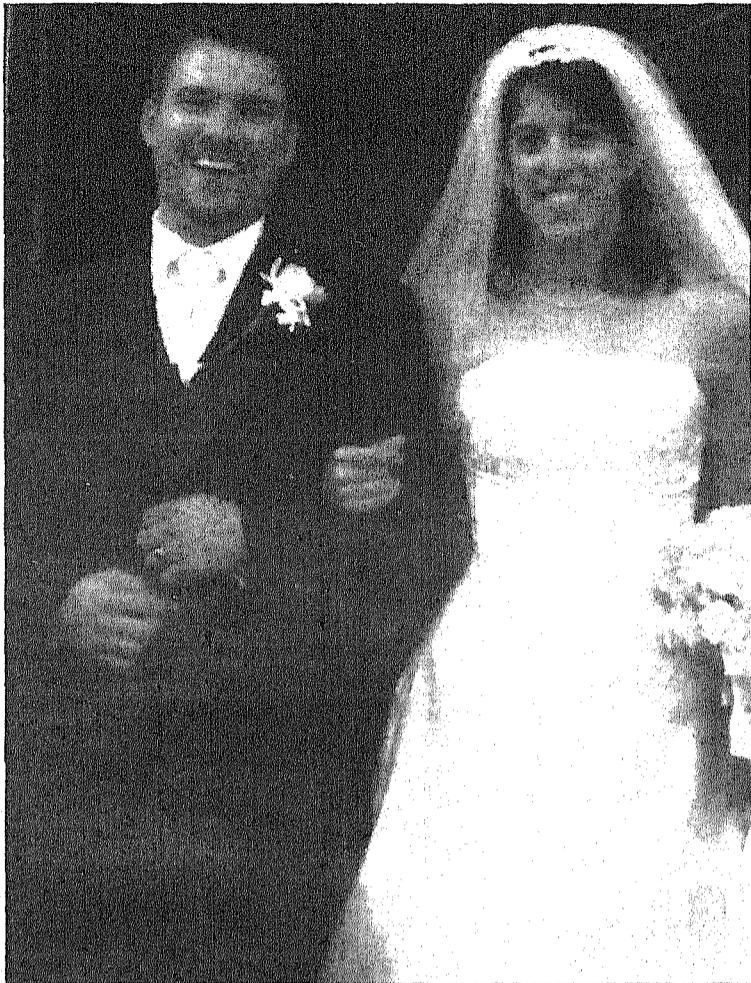
Michael Murphy is a retired urban educator, who now teaches communication courses at Union County College in the Department of English/fine arts/modern languages. A life member of the International Listening Association, Murphy holds both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from Montclair State University where he has just finished teaching a course called "Listening" in the Department of Communication Studies. He is co-author of two poetry chapbooks titled "HillPoets" and "Color to Color" and authored the play "Seasoning" which received a reading at Trumpets Jazz Club in Montclair.

He is a Dodge poetry festival assistant as well as a certified massage therapist. Most recently, he was named a Best Practices Fellow by Arts Horizons and the Artist-Teacher Institute.

Opening Nights on Saturday Afternoons is a series of original plays by members of The Theater Project's Playwrights Development Workshop, led by Mark Spina, artistic director. These script-in-hand performances offer the excitement and immediacy of actually sitting in on rehearsals with talented members of the Theater Project.

For information, call 908-659-5189; email TheaterProject@aol.com; or visit [www.TheTheaterProject.org](http://www.TheTheaterProject.org).

LIFESTYLE



Michelle and Barry Waldman

**Fornarotto weds Waldman**

Michelle Fornarotto, daughter of Thomas and Rose Ann Fornarotto of Union married Barry Waldman Jr. son of Barry and Margaret Waldman of Sayreville during a ceremony on Sept. 14, 2008.

The ceremony took place at Holy Spirit Church, Union, with a reception at the Primavera Regency in Stirling.

Christa Fornarotto, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Gina Barbone, cousin of the bride and Stacey Nisch, a friend of the bride.

Ray Murphy, cousin of the groom, was best man. The ushers were Eric Knapp and Christian Morelli, both friends of the groom.

Michelle graduated from Bucknell University and received her

graduate degree from Rutgers University. She is presently employed as an associate scientist at Celgene Corporation in Summit.

Barry graduated from New Jersey City University and works as a graphic designer at Franklyn Ideas in Parsippany.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Monaco and Paris, France. They presently reside in Madison.

**Rego to wed LoForte**

*Couple prepares for 2010 wedding*

Gloria and Raúl Rego of Springfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lucia Rego, to Robert John LoForte, son of Richard and Denise LoForte of Kenilworth.

After graduating from Jonathan Dayton High School in 2003, Jennifer attended Lehigh University, where she completed her bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology and her master's degree in elementary education.

She is currently working as a middle school literature and social



Jennifer Lucia Rego and Robert John LoForte

studies teacher at St. Rose of Lima Academy in Short Hills.

Following his graduation from David Brearley High School in 2003, Robert attended the University of Maryland where he received

his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He is currently working as a project engineer for Bovis Lend Lease in New York City.

The couple is planning a June, 2010 wedding.

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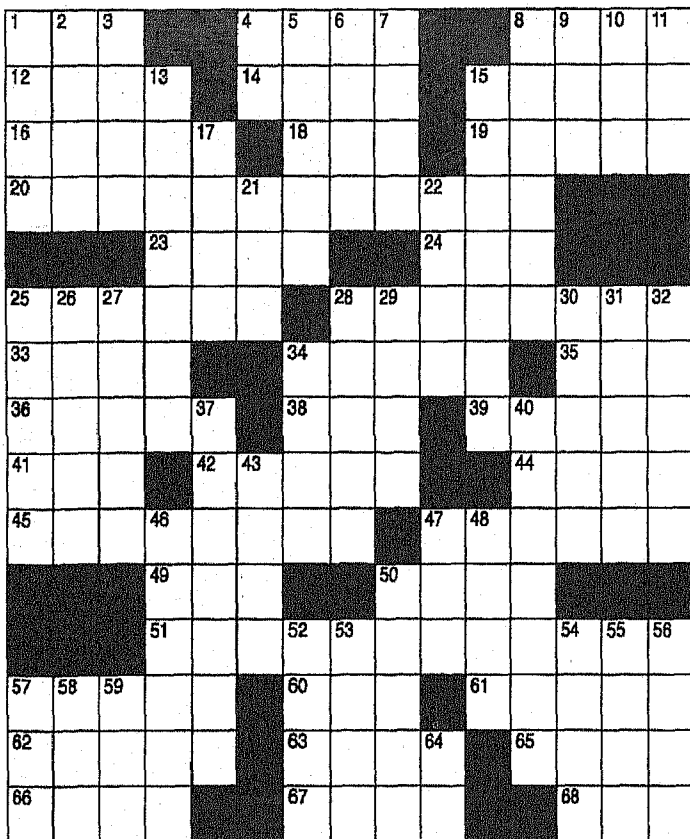
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## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Swiss Franc (abbr.)
- 4. PBS science show
- 8. Fencing sword
- 12. Journey
- 14. Notice of death
- 15. Softened color
- 16. Rust fungi
- 18. Atomic Energy Authority
- 19. Coco plum
- 20. 41st President
- 23. Longest division of geological time
- 24. Used to be U\_\_
- 25. Doesn't sit
- 28. Sororal concern
- 33. \_\_\_ellenic: all Greek
- 34. 18840 PA
- 35. An informal debt instrument
- 36. Relating to the ilium
- 38. Am. Library Assoc.
- 39. More fair
- 41. Radioactivity unit
- 42. Genus lutra
- 44. Salamander
- 45. Expunctions
- 47. Raised platforms
- 49. Indicates near
- 50. Do over, as of a house
- 51. Ghostly double
- 57. Shrek III director Hui
- 60. Products of creativity
- 61. Lariat or lasso
- 62. Assists in wrongdoing
- 63. Uncommon
- 65. S\_\_\_: descendant
- 66. Adjust for functioning
- 67. \_\_\_um: wild ginger
- 68. Explosive

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. Male deer
- 2. Emancipated
- 3. Puerto \_\_\_
- 4. Not yes
- 5. Ger. highway: aut\_\_\_
- 6. Perspective
- 7. Area Trauma Advisory Board
- 8. Card game
- 9. Popular school organization
- 10. Old world, new
- 11. Tokyo
- 13. Carnivorous fish
- 15. Unintentional act
- 17. Elderly
- 21. Goddess of the dawn
- 22. Previous Soviet Union
- 25. Steeple
- 26. Largest silver coin
- 27. The inner self
- 28. Exchange goods
- 29. 8th Jewish month
- 30. Makes angry
- 31. Lerner and \_\_\_
- 32. Mongol tents
- 34. Fill to satisfaction
- 37. Vouchers
- 40. Non-ionic detergent
- 43. Stumble
- 46. Staid
- 47. \_\_\_ree: unit of temp.
- 48. 12th Jewish month
- 50. \_\_\_ short pulse laser
- 52. Pan American Rugby Association (abbr.)
- 53. Long period of time (plural)
- 54. Walking rate
- 55. British School
- 56. Harangue
- 57. Sewer dweller
- 58. \_\_\_ Dhabi, Arabian capital
- 59. Not women
- 64. Popular medical TV drama

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## Jan. 25 to 31

**ARIES**, March 21 to April 20: Aries, it's not in your best interest to lash out right now. So calm any feelings of aggression and take on a laid-back demeanor. Things will work out for the best.

**TAURUS**, April 21 to May 21: Taurus, this week you'll be saying "no" for all the right reasons. This is thanks in large part to a long-needed change in perspective that works out for the best.

**GEMINI**, May 22 to June 21: Gemini, sometimes you can learn more by simply watching than taking part. Whether you're with a group of friends or at work, hold your tongue and observe the action.

**CANCER**, June 22 to July 22: This week is far from mundane and you may find your head reeling from all of the excitement, Cancer. Put off laborious tasks like paperwork until another time.

**LEO**, Jul 23 to Aug. 23: Leo, it's alright if you need to zone out and focus on your problems this week. When you get everything in order, then you can get back to normal once again.

**VIRGO**, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22: No matter what you have going on this week, Virgo, jump in with both feet. You may be surprised at how much you enjoy the activity, and others will find it hard to resist.

**LIBRA**, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: Libra, this week you're in the right frame of mind for doing a little shopping. As long as you have your ducks in a row, go out and indulge a little bit.

**SCORPIO**, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22: Scorpio, the thing about you is that even on your off days you're able to deliver the goods. That's what makes you a good person to have around, whether at work or as a friend.

**SAGITTARIUS**, Nov. 23 to

Dec. 21: Things are going well, Sagittarius, but this week you need to just shut out the world for some time and make sense of it all. Find a quiet place, slip on some headphones and reflect.

**CAPRICORN**, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20: You're facing a big decision, Capricorn. Although you still have plenty of time, you want to be sure you've made the right choice. Leo offers sage advice.

**AQUARIUS**, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18: Aquarius, you need a place you can call your own for some privacy, and this week you're having trouble finding it. Carve out your little nook no matter what.

**PISCES**, Feb. 19 to March 20: You reach an epiphany this week, Pisces. Although it may not be the most comfortable of feelings, at least you know what to do.

Also born this week: Alicia Keys, Ellen DeGeneres, Bridget Fonda, Elijah Wood, Christian Bale and Justin Timberlake.

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January 31, 2009  
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ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School.

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PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, One Raritan Road, Roselle NJ 07203  
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## ART SHOWS

The Arts Guild of Rahway will present "FROM THE GARDEN OF EARTHLY DELIGHTS," an art exhibit about food, which will run through Feb. 1 at The Arts Guild of Rahway, located at 1670 Irving St. Admission is free. Gallery hours are Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m., or by appointment. For information call 732-381-7511, e-mail [artsguild1670@verizon.net](mailto:artsguild1670@verizon.net) or visit the Web site at [www.rahwayartsguild.org](http://www.rahwayartsguild.org). The exhibit includes prints, paintings, photography, sculpture and collaborative works by the following artists: Erika Diamond, Chanan Delivuk, Jesse Farber, Randy Ford, Gerry Heydt, Robert Kogge, Neal Korn/Leonard Merlo, Hiroshi Kumagai, Namoi Leibowitz, Kevan Lunney, Chris Mateer, Nao Matsumoto, Monika Malewska, Jim McKeon, Gina Minichino, Beth Morrison, Lauren Schiller and Joe Waks.

## AUDITIONS

The Rahway Recreation Department is looking for talented individuals ages 8 through adults to participate in the REC Talent Show on April 2 at the Union County Performing Arts Center. Singers, dancers, rappers, bands, comedians and any other acts are welcome. Auditions for the show will be Jan. 30 at the Rahway Recreation Center, 275 Milton Ave., located behind Rahway City Hall, starting at 6 p.m. There is no fee to participate. To obtain an application call 732-669-3600 or stop by at the Recreation Center 3 City Hall Plaza. Selected individuals and groups will work with professional coaches to help them polish their skills before the show. At the show, groups will be judged by professional judges, including record label owners and other judges who have been in the music and talent business for many years. For information about the talent show, call 732-669-3600 or visit [www.cityofrahway.com](http://www.cityofrahway.com).

## BOOKS

Awarding-winning CRIME FICTION WRITER DAVE WHITE will be the special guest at the next meeting of the Kenilworth Public Library's book discussion group Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. in the library's activity room. The topic of discussion will be White's first novel, "When One Man Dies." Participation in the book discussion group is free and open to all adult members of the general public. Because space is limited, pre-registration is requested and can be done in person or by calling the library at 908 276-2451 during regular library hours.

The Summit Free Public Library

announces that the next meeting of the BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB for seniors will take place Friday, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch; hot and cold beverages will be provided. The book to be discussed is "Loving Frank" by Nancy Horan. The discussion is free and open to all, and no pre-registration is necessary. The Summit Free Public Library is located at 75 Maple St. For information, call the reference desk at 908-273-0350, ext. 3, or visit the library's Web site at [www.summitlibrary.org](http://www.summitlibrary.org).

THE READERS' FORUM, the book discussion group of the CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY, will discuss the following books: "Uncommon Arrangements" by Katie Roiphe, Monday. The following books will be discussed in 2009: "Nineteen Minutes" by Jodi Picoult, Monday; "Alexander Hamilton" by Alex Chernow, Feb. 23; "Bridge of Sighs" by Richard Russo, March 30; "The Gathering" by Anne Enright, April 27 and "Unaccustomed Earth" by Jhumpa Lahiri. All discussions will take place Mondays. New members are welcome at any time. Sessions start at 7 p.m. in the library's Fridlington Room. For information, call the library Reference Department at 908-709-7272, or e-mail the library at [library@cranfordnj.org](mailto:library@cranfordnj.org).

## CONCERTS

The Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway will present "THE MUSIC OF ABBA," with original musicians from the group, on Feb. 6 at 8 p.m. For tickets and information, call 732-499-8226 or visit [www.ucac.org](http://www.ucac.org).

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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](http://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](http://www.tmrcl.org).

The Summit Department of Community Programs will sponsor CHESS CLUB for chess players from beginner to the most experienced players. Classes are available on Monday evenings for youth ages 7 to 17, from 6 to 7 p.m. and adults from 6 to 7 p.m. The classes are held at the Field House at 5 Myrtle Ave. For online registration and credit card payment go to <https://register.communitypass.net/summit>.

## MOVIES

On Sunday at 1 p.m., the JEWISH MOVIE, "JELLYFISH," a 2007 Cannes Film Festival Winner, will be shown. This film is an imaginative portrait of three very different women who are emotionally adrift in Tel Aviv. Reservations are strongly suggested and can be made by call-

ing 908-289-8112.

CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY is continuing its ongoing CLASSIC FILM NIGHT, with a new night. Beginning this month, films will be shown on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. The films run the gamut from mystery, comedy, and romance, to thrillers and melodramas. Upcoming films are: Jan. 29, "Father of the Bride," directed by Vincente Minnelli, starring Spencer Tracy, Joan Bennet, and Elizabeth Taylor. To review the list of films in the series, visit the library Web site at [www.cranford.com/library](http://www.cranford.com/library) and click on "Events."

The films will be shown at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave. Admission is free and all are welcome.

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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](http://www.mountainsidelibrary.org) or call 233-0115 for a list of what's being shown.

## 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.

## TRIPS

The Kenilworth Historical Society will host a bus trip to MOHEGAN SUN CASINO in Uncasville, Conn. on Feb. 21 and a trip to the PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW on March 5. The Feb. 21 Mohegan Sun Casino trip bus will depart Kenilworth from St. Theresa's School parking lot at 8 a.m. and return to Kenilworth at approximately 9 p.m. The cost includes motor coach transportation, an approximate six-hour visit to the casino, which additionally houses a wide range of distinctive shops and restaurants. The March 5 Philadelphia Flower Show trip will depart Kenilworth from the South 21st Street municipal parking lot at 8 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. For information and reservations, call 908-709-0391 or 908-709-0434.

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# Summit church welcomes new director of music

Sándor Szabó has become the new director of music ministries at Central Presbyterian Church in Summit.

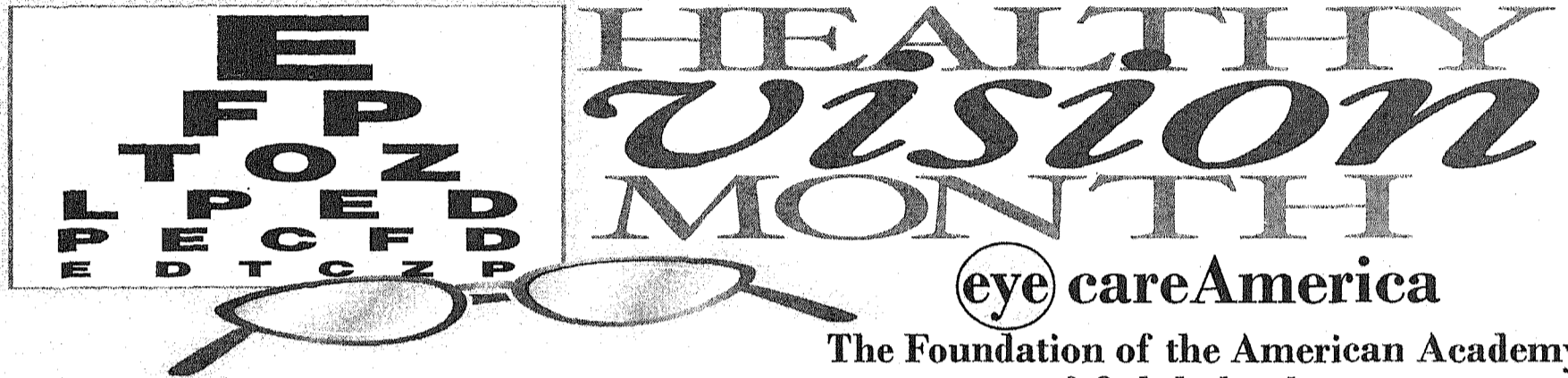
He will serve as choir director for handbell choirs and adult, youth, and children's choirs, as well as various instrumental and vocal ensembles. He also is the church organist. He follows Noel Werner, who held the position for 11 years until he moved to Princeton to become minister of music at Nassau Presbyterian Church in 1996. Candace Wicke and John Painter filled the position as interim musicians.

Szabó has a well-established reputation as "one of the leading organists in the state," according to Classical New Jersey Society Journal. Szabó is actively engaged as conductor, organist, pianist, vocal coach, arranger, lecturer and adjudicator throughout Europe, Canada and the United States. Choirs and orchestras under his leadership have toured throughout the United States and Canada, as well as Yugoslavia, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Romania and Germany, winning him accolades as "the busiest musician in New Jersey."

Szabó was educated in Yugoslavia, graduating from the University of Novi Sad in 1984 with the diploma "academic musician in the piano art." Subsequently, he received his master's degree from the University of Music Arts in Belgrade.

From 1983 until his immigration to Canada in 1988, Szabó combined his performing career with that of piano teacher at the University of Music Arts, Novi Sad, and Assistant Conductor/Accompanist at the Serbian National Opera Theatre. Szabó has studied with many distinguished musicians, includ-

ing conducting with Stanko Sepic, Ann Howard Jones and Joseph Flummerfelt; piano with Zoltan Kocsis, Nevena Popovic, Anthony di Bonaventura and Tong Il Han; organ with Gabor Lehotka, Max Miller, Eugene Roan and McNeil Robinson and harpsichord with Mark Kroll. Szabó has master's degrees in organ performance and sacred music from Westminster Choir College, where he was awarded the full-tuition Currin scholarship. In addition, he has earned a degree in piano performance at Boston University.



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In many cases blindness is preventable. We offer information about eye disease to raise awareness of the facts of eye disease.

### Some Eye Disease Facts

Glaucoma is one of the leading causes of blindness in the United States, and the most common cause of blindness among African Americans. More than three million people have glaucoma, but half do not realize it because there are often no warning symptoms.

Approximately 16 million people in the United States have diabetes and one-third of them do not know it. Diabetes is the leading cause of new blindness among adults and people with diabetes are 25 times more likely to become blind than people without it. By detecting and treating diabetic eye disease early through annual, dilated eye exams, people with diabetes can preserve their sight.

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is the leading cause of vision loss people 65 years or older in the United States. It affects more than 10 million Americans according to the nation Eye Institute.

### Prevention & Treatment

Taking care of your eyes and getting regular examinations can prevent many leading causes of blindness. Learn what you can do to preserve your sight at any stage of life.

Many eye diseases and disorders become more common as we age. Advances in ophthalmology allow most people to maintain good vision as they grow older. Many eye problems can be prevented or corrected if detected in their early stages.

Regular eye examinations by an ophthalmologist (Eye M.D.) are the best way to detect eye conditions early, while they can be treated.

### Protect Your Eyes From the Sun

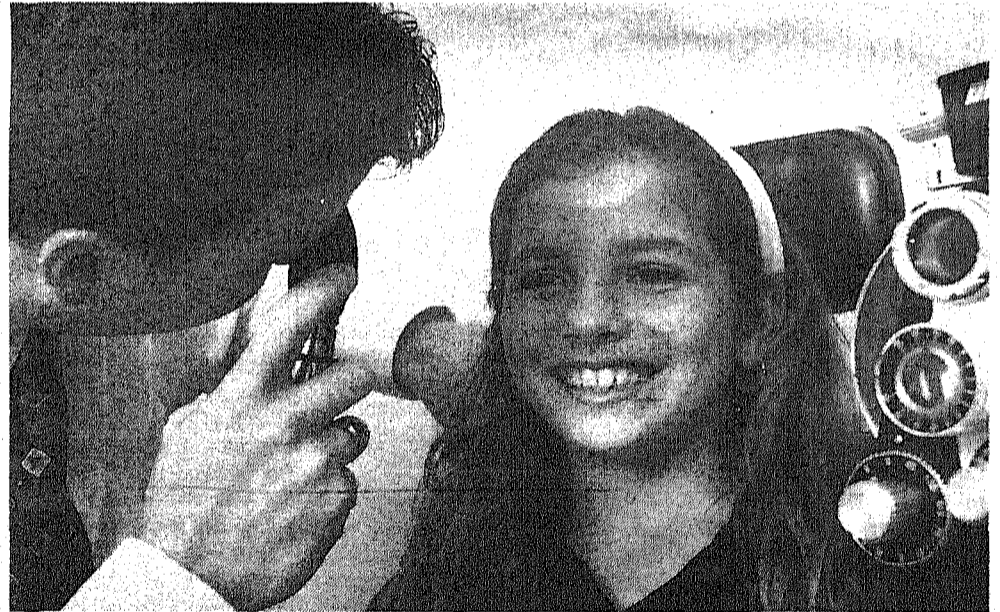
Like your skin, your eyes never forget UV exposure. Studies show that exposure to bright sunlight may increase the risk of developing cataracts and age-related macular degeneration (AMD), both leading causes of vision loss among older adults. UV exposure, wind and dust can also cause pterygia, benign growths on the eye's surface.

Select sunglasses that block ultraviolet rays. Don't be deceived by color or cost. The ability to block UV light is not dependent on the darkness of the lens or the price tag.

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## OBITUARIES

### Nicanora Almendinger

Nicanora "Norie" M.S. Almendinger, 64, of Summit died Jan. 15 at home.

Born in Taal, Batangas, Philippines, Mrs. Almendinger came to the United States and settled in Summit in 1968. She received a nursing degree in 1966 from the University of Santo Thomas in the Philippines, where she was the class salutatorian.

Mrs. Almendinger received a master's degree in nursing administration at Columbia University, New York City, while working for Newark Beth Israel Medical Center from 1968 to 1972.

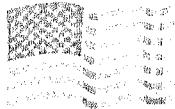
She then worked for the VA Medical Center of Lyons in the Intensive Care Unit as head nurse for 31 years. Mrs. Almendinger retired in 2003.

She then came out of retirement and became the wellness director at Spring Meadows Assisted Living in Summit.

Surviving are her husband, Edward; a son, Eric Salcedo; two daughters, Karen and Leslie Salcedo; a stepson, Thomas Almendinger; a stepdaughter, Dawn Stenert; five step-grandchildren; two sisters, Minda Samonte and Myrna Guerra, and two brothers, Dr. Edgar and Alejandro Mojares.

The Paul Ippolito Summit Memorial, Summit, handled the arrangements.

### Albert Brilliant



Albert Brilliant of Springfield died Jan. 12 in Springfield.

Mr. Brilliant was a supervisor at the Department of Labor in Newark, East Orange and Elizabeth for about 35 years. He was a 1955 graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University, Rutherford, where he received a bachelor of science degree in business.

Mr. Brilliant served in the Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the Jewish War Veterans, Disabled American Veterans and the American Legion.

Surviving are his wife, Paula; two sons, Henry and Stephen; a daughter, Beth; a sister, Rosemarie Etterman, and four grandchildren.

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union handled the arrangements.

### Leroy Brooks Sr.



Leroy Brooks Sr., 86, of Roselle died Jan. 11 in Elizabeth.

Mr. Brooks was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a mason contractor and started his own masonry company which he managed for many years. Mr. Brooks was a member of Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist

Church, Newark.

He was a life member of the Bricklayer and Allied Craftworkers.

Surviving are his wife, Annie; two sons, Baron and Leroy Jr., and two grandchildren.

The G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC, Roselle, handled the arrangements.

### Robert Cochran



Robert T. Cochran, 87, of Summit died on Jan. 7.

Born in Orange, Mr. Cochran, known as "Tom," resided in Summit since 1947. He was a graduate of Cornell University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering in 1944. During World War II, Mr. Cochran rose to the rank of captain in the Army Air Corps.

Until his retirement in 1984, he was president of Robert T. Cochran and Co. Inc., a wholesale produce merchant, located in the Bronx. He was on the board of directors for the International Apple Association and the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association and was a steady force on the pension board for the local office workers' union for produce market.

Mr. Cochran was active in the Summit community, where he played with the local amateur musical group, "Elusive Eleven," and volunteered for many years at the Reeves Reed Arboretum, Summit.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian H.; two daughters, Jane C. Templeton and Elizabeth L. Mead; three sons, Thomas F., Richard K. and Charles W.; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The William R. Dangler Funeral Home, Summit, handled the arrangements.

### Sam Colucci

Sam J. Colucci, 78, of Roselle, former Roselle mayor, died Jan. 15 in Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.

Born in Roselle Park, Mr. Colucci moved to Roselle 45 years ago. He was a salesman and vice president for many years for Dictograph Security, Florham Park, and retired 20 years ago. Prior to that, Mr. Colucci was the owner and operator of Blue Tower Diner, Elizabeth and Roselle, for 10 years. He was a former councilman of Roselle for 17 years and former mayor of Roselle from 1988 to 1992.

Mr. Colucci was a member of the Monsignor Joseph Loretta Knights of Columbus Council 3240 of Roselle Park and an usher at 10:30 a.m. Mass for 65 years at the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.

Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Connie; a son, Richard; two daughters, Gina Colucci and Annmarie Colucci; a sister, Ann Tegen; a brother, Fred Colucci,

and three grandchildren

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

### Naudain Ellis

Naudain Ellis, 75, of Linden died Jan. 12 in the Clark Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Clark.

Born in Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Ellis lived in Jersey City and Newark before moving to Linden 40 years ago.

She worked as a mortgage processor with PNC Bank, Woodbridge, for five years and retired in 1998.

Surviving are her husband of 50 years, Robert; a son, Robert; a daughter, Melanie Robertson; a brother, Charles Jackson; a sister, Betty Jackson, and three grandchildren.

The Leonard-Lee Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

### Dr. Jose Fernandez

Dr. Jose M. Fernandez, 84, of Springfield, obstetrician and gynecologist, died Jan. 12 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Dr. Fernandez settled in Queens, N.Y., and completed his residency at Belleville Hospital, New York City. He then lived in Jersey City before moving to Springfield in 1963.

Dr. Fernandez maintained a private practice in Newark as an obstetrician and gynecologist from 1960 to 1997, serving St. James Hospital and St. Michael's Hospital, both in Newark, and Elizabeth General Hospital, now Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.

He served in the Air Force and was stationed in Missouri. Dr. Fernandez was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 05560 in Springfield, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the New Jersey Medical Society.

Surviving are five daughters, Gloria Marie Fernandez, Juanita I. Fernandez, Eugenia Fernandez, Alicia M. Fernandez Mooney and Victoria C. Fernandez; five sons, Joseph M., Mark A., Dr. Carlos O., Richard P. and Robert M.; a sister, Juana Maria Fernandez, and 13 grandchildren.

The Bradley, Smith & Smith Funeral Home, Springfield, handled the arrangements.

### Gary Finken

Gary Frederick Finken, of Spring Lake, formerly of Union, died Jan. 12 at home.

Born in Easton, Pa., Mr. Finken lived in Union before moving to Spring Lake in 2003. He was a director at Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Newark. Mr. Finken also participated in the NJCBS Corporate Running Team in Newark.

He was past president and board member of the Union Boys

and Girls Club, was involved with the Union Little League Baseball programs and the Union Cub Scouts.

Mr. Finken received a bachelor of arts degree in liberal arts from Lock Haven University, Lock Haven, Pa., and was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, social fraternity at the university. He also was a certified swim official with the Westfield YMCA and the Mindowaskin Swim Club.

Surviving are his wife, Ree; two sons, Jeffrey and Douglas; his parents, Fred and Gretchen Finken, and two sisters, Sally Newhartz and Susan Kutzler.

The O'Brien Funeral Home, Wall, handled the arrangements.

### Rita Gomes

Rita Gomes, 84, of Springfield died Jan. 11 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Gomes lived in Union and Elizabeth before moving to Springfield. She was a member of Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Church, Union, and its Rosary Altar Society. Mrs. Gomes also was a member of the Portuguese American Scholarship Foundation.

Surviving are two sons, Richard and Daniel; a daughter, Diane Gomes; a sister, Natalie Colletti; a brother, Jerome Autunes, and three

grandchildren. The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### Louise Harrison

Louise T. Harrison, 83, of Clark died Jan. 17 at home.

Born in Carbondale, Pa., Mrs. Harrison resided in Matawan before moving to Clark 54 years ago.

She was a founding member of St. Agnes Church, Clark. Mrs. Harrison was a clerk in the accounting office of New Jersey Bell Telephone Co. in Elizabeth and Cranford for 27 years and retired in 1993. During World War II, she worked for Eastern Aircraft of Linden, helping to build airplanes for the war effort.

Surviving are two sons, William J. and Thomas A.; a daughter, Jean McAllister; a brother, Albert DeLoskey; four sisters, Jane Martin, Barbara Dennis, Grace Hourihan and Claire LeLoskey, and three grandchildren.

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

### Lorraine Imfeld

Lorraine "Shirley" Imfeld, 82, a longtime resident of Union, died Jan. 13 in Ocean Medical Center, Brick.

## OBITUARY LIST

ALMENDINGER — Nicanora M.S., of Summit; Jan. 15.  
BRILLIANT — Albert, of Springfield; Jan. 12.  
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FERNANDEZ — Dr. Jose M., of Springfield; Jan. 12.  
FINKEN — Gary, formerly of Union; Jan. 12.  
GOMES — Rita, of Springfield; Jan. 11.  
GORRIN — Harry, of Union; Jan. 14.  
HARRISON — Louise T., of Clark; Jan. 17.  
IMFELD — Lorraine, of Union; Jan. 13.  
JUBANOWSKY — Mary, formerly of Mountainside; Jan. 18.  
KALETA — Chester, formerly of Cranford; Jan. 13.  
KILEY — Mildred Sarah, formerly of Union; Jan. 13.  
KOPF — Joseph Ellis Sr., of Cranford; Jan. 13.  
LEVY — Sheila Hamilton, of Union; Jan. 12.  
MANNING — Winston Spencer, formerly of Linden; Jan. 12.  
MARTORANA — Giovanina, of Union; Jan. 11.  
MC SWAIN — Virginia, of Linden; Jan. 13.  
PADULSKY — Marilyn Joan; of Roselle Park; Jan. 12.  
PARSON — Jasper Sr., of Rahway; Jan. 11.  
PASCHALL — Leonard, of Cranford; Jan. 12.  
PETOIA — Lucia M., of Springfield; Jan. 15.  
PODESZWA — Irene, of Linden; Jan. 12.  
POLL — William S., of Kenilworth; Jan. 16.  
POWELL — Joseph Vincent, of Hillside; Jan. 10.  
PRETTI — Catherine M., of Cranford; Jan. 11.  
RECZKA — Stanley J., formerly of Linden; Jan. 10.  
SCIALFO — Angelo A., of Hillside; Jan. 14.  
ST. FLEUR — Margaret, formerly of Linden; Jan. 12.  
STEWART — John T., of Summit; Jan. 13.  
SWEITZER — Virginia, formerly of Union; Jan. 15.  
TANZI — Catherine Mary, of Clark; Jan. 12.  
WASHINGTON — Freddy, of Rahway; Jan. 11.  
WELEBIR — Louise B., of Linden; Jan. 13.

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## OBITUARIES

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Born in Hillside, Mrs. Imfeld lived in Union for most of her life.

Surviving are a daughter, Carol Hanlon; three sons, Thomas, Theodore and Timothy; a brother, Charles Maros; a sister, Dorothy Kocon, and seven grandchildren.

The Bradley Haerberle & Barth Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### Mary Jubanowsky

Mary Mason Taylor Jubanowsky, 86, of Hilton Head, S.C., formerly of Mountainside, died Jan. 18 at home.

Born in the Bronx, N.Y., Mrs. Jubanowsky lived in Mountainside for 50 years before moving to Hilton Head many years ago. She was a longtime member of the Mountainside Gospel Chapel.

Surviving are her husband of 65 years, Louis J.; two sons, David L. and Bruce L.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Gray Funeral Home, Westfield, handled the arrangements.

### Chester Kaleta

Chester Kaleta, 93, of Berkeley Township, died Jan. 13 in the Renaissance Gardens at Seabrook Ville, Tinton Falls.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Kaleta lived many years in Cranford before retiring to the Toms River area.

He was a veteran of the Marine Corps Reserve. Mr. Kaleta worked for Singer Manufacturing Co., Elizabeth, as a tool and die maker and later as a small parts supervisor.

He was a communicant of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, Toms River, a former communicant of St. Theresa's Church, Linden, and its Holy Name Society and the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Kaleta was president of Satisfactory Savings and Loan, Elizabeth, from 1965 to 1995.

He served on the Silver Riege Community Board.

Surviving are two daughters, Janice Heilbrunn and Lois Wenning; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Quinn-Hopping Funeral Home of Toms River handled the arrangements.

### Joseph Kopf Sr.

Joseph Ellis Kopf Sr., 81, of Cranford died Jan. 13 at home.

Born in East Orange, Mr. Kopf lived in Cranford for the last 44 years. He was a professor of mechanical engineering at New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark.

Mr. Kopf also had been an auxiliary police officer and a crossing guard in Cranford. He was an Army veteran of World War II. Mr. Kopf was a member of the Clark

American Legion.

He was a past president of the Society of Mechanical Engineers. Mr. Kopf was a communicant of St. Anne's Church, Garwood.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Mary; two sons, Frank and Joseph Jr.; four daughters, Mary Jo Scutro, Anne Ulbrich, Margaret Murphy and Virginia Madonia; 11 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### Jasper Parson Sr.

Jasper Parson Sr. of Rahway died Jan. 11 at home.

Born in New York City, Mr. Parson lived in Edison before moving to Rahway more than 20 years ago.

He worked in maintenance at Lyons V.A. Hospital for many years. Mr. Parson also worked as a handler at Hershey Imports and was a member of Union Local 810.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia; a son, Jasper Jr.; two daughters, Christina and Jamie Overton; a stepdaughter, Haneesah Xetepss; five brothers, Malachi, Craig, Vincent, Walter and Jerry Parson; a sister, Millicent Parson; two half-sisters, Patricia Downing and Robin, and seven grandchildren.

The Judkins Colonial Home, Plainfield, handled the arrangements.

### William Poll

William S. Poll, 90, of Kenilworth died Jan. 16 at JFK at Hartwyck, Edison.

Born in Newark, Mr. Poll lived in Irvington before moving to Kenilworth 52 years ago. He was a steamfitter for Steamfitters Local 475, Warren, for 32 years and retired in 1982.

Mr. Poll was a World War II Army veteran and served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater.

Surviving are his wife, Marion J.; two sons, Alfred and Glenn; two daughters, Marie Huliganga and Donna Poll, and a grandchild. The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

### Giovanina Martorana

Giovanina "Joanie" Martorana, 81, of Union died Jan. 11 at home.

Born in Ragusa, Sicily, Italy, Mrs. Martorana came to the United States and lived in Colts Neck and Elizabeth before moving to Union in 1994.

She worked as a seamstress at Perfection Leather and for Chico Sportswear, both of Elizabeth, and then worked as a packer for Francett's Krueblers of Elizabeth and Linden. Surviving are her husband of 49 years, Rosario; a daughter, Joanne Colella, and a grandchild.

The Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### Marilyn Padulsky

Marilyn Joan Padulsky, 69, of Roselle Park died Jan. 12 in Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.

Born in the Bronx, N.Y., Mrs. Padulsky moved to Roselle Park in 1972. She retired in 2003.

Surviving are two sons, Bruce and Scott, and a daughter, Maxine Padulsky. The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### Irene Podeszwa

Irene Podeszwa, 77, of Linden died Jan. 12 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Nanticoke, Pa., Mrs. Podeszwa lived in Linden since 1948. Surviving is her husband of 50 years, Edward.

The Werson Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

### Joseph Powell

Joseph Vincent Powell, 45, of Hillside died Jan. 10 at home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Powell resided in Hillside. He graduated from Hillside High School and the DuCret School of the Arts in Plainfield.

Mr. Powell owned a home improvement business since 1983. He also played drums in a small band called "Section 8."

Surviving are his mother, Joan Napolis-Powell; his father, William Powell; a brother, William Joseph Powell, and a sister, Rosemary Volage.

The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### Catherine Pretti

Catherine M. Pretti, 88, of Cranford died Jan. 11 in Trinitas Medical Center, Elizabeth.

Born in Pottsville, Pa., Mrs. Pretti lived in Clark for 25 years, in Rahway and in Cranford before becoming an active resident of Theo House, an assisted living facility in Elizabeth. In 2008, she moved to the Cranford Health and Extended Care Center, Cranford. Mrs. Pretti had been a dental technician for Dr. Eli Issacson in Linden.

She was a communicant and volunteer at St. Helen's Church, Westfield, a member of the Rosary Society at St. Michael's Church, Cranford, and a former communicant of St. Mary's Church, Rahway.

Mrs. Pretti had been a host grandmother for Healing the Children and a member of the Thursday Senior Citizen Club and the Friday Healthy Bones Group in Cranford. Surviving are two daughters, Catherine Queenan and Patti Alara, and three grandchildren.

The Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford, handled the arrangements.

### Stanley Reczka

Stanley J. Reczka of Pennsville, formerly of Linden, died Jan. 10 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Scranton, Pa., Mr. Reczka moved to Linden in 1937 and recently moved to Pennsville. He was employed by General Motors Corp., Linden, for 36 years before retiring in 1975 as a paint repairman.

Mr. Reczka was a Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of Local 595 UAW, where he held various elected offices. Mr. Reczka was a national charter life member of AmVets.

He was grand marshal of the Elizabeth Veterans Day Parade in 1962, honorary life member of Linden Knights of Columbus Council 2959, a member and former president of the Holy Name Society of St. Elizabeth's Church, Linden, and a member of the church's Guard of Honor.

Surviving are his wife, Lucy Lee; a daughter, Ann Margaret Waite; a stepdaughter, Geraldine Lee; a stepson, Willie Lee, and two grandchildren.

The Leonard-Lee Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

### Angelo Scialfo

Angelo A. Scialfo, 84, of Hillside died Jan. 14 at home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Scialfo lived in Hillside since 1975. He was a retired engineer. Mr. Scialfo was an Air Force veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Anita; a son, Michael; a daughter, Michele Scialfo; three sisters, Rose Mucario, Florence Romano and Beatrice Scardaville; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### John Stewart

John T. "Gator" Stewart, 61, of Summit died Jan. 13 in Summit.

Born in Chester, S.C., Mr. Stewart lived in Summit for 35 years. He was a sanitation worker for the city of Summit for more than 20 years and a former construction worker in Chester.

Surviving are five sisters, Willie Mae and Elizabeth Stewart, Corine Allen, Barbara Pressley and Marie Shankin, and two brothers, James and Albert.

The Judkins Colonial Home handled the arrangements.

### Catherine Tanzi

Catherine Mary Tanzi, 58, of Clark died Jan. 12 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Rahway, Miss Tanzi moved to Clark in 1952. She was a rebate administrator for Parkmark, Edison, for 20 years.

Surviving are her parents, Anthony Sr. and Wenona Impink Tanzi; a brother, Anthony Tanzi Jr., and a sister, Barbara Geoghegan.

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

### DEATH NOTICES

**JUBANOWSKY**— Mary Mason Taylor Jubanowsky, 86, died Sunday, January 18, 2009 at her residence in Hilton Head South Carolina. Born in the Bronx, New York, she lived in Mountainside, New Jersey for over 50 years before moving to Hilton Head many years ago. Mary was a long time member of the Mountainside Gospel Chapel. She is survived by her loving husband of 65 years Louis J. Jubanowsky. Sons David L., and Bruce L. Jubanowsky. Also survived by 4 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren. Visitation will be 10-11am on Friday, January 23, 2009 at the GRAY FUNERAL HOME, 318 E. Broad Street in Westfield. Funeral services will follow at 11am at the funeral home, burial at Hollywood Cemetery in Union.

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## Union Animal Rescue lists pets on Web site

Guardian Angels Animal Rescue, Union, recently joined other animal welfare organizations in the area that list their homeless pets on [www.Petfinder.com](http://www.Petfinder.com), the oldest and largest database of adoptable animals on the Internet.

The site currently has 301,000 homeless pets listed, and it is updated continuously. Nearly 12,000 animal welfare organizations in the United States, Canada and other countries post their pets on the site.

Guardian Angels Animal Rescue pets can be viewed at <http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/NJ559.html>. A potential adopter enters search criteria for the kind of pet he or she wants, and a list is returned that ranks the pets in proximity to the Zip code entered. Adoptions are handled by the animal placement group where the pet is housed, and each group has its own policies.

Petfinder.com was created in early 1996 as a grassroots project by Jared and Betsy Saul to end the euthanasia of adoptable pets. Since its inception, the site has facilitated approximately 15 million adoptions.

## Valley title on line at Dayton



File photo

Dayton is scheduled to host New Providence tomorrow night at 7 in a Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division girls' basketball clash that could determine the Valley winner. The defending champion Pioneers are lifted by the play of junior Alexa Lesnewich (No. 3 at left), while the Bulldogs are sparked by the efforts of senior Casey Kennedy (No. 10 at right).

## Swimmers getting ready for big upcoming meets

*MVC is Sunday; UC is Feb. 6, 7 at Dunn*

By Jeff Cummins  
Correspondent

After last season the Cranford swim team was forced to start over. The Cougars graduated some tremendous swimmers, with much of this year's team consisting of underclassmen.

Cranford's younger depth has come though so far as the Cougars began the week with a 6-3 record.

Cranford will be competing in the Mountain Valley Conference meet Sunday at Raritan Valley Community College in North Branch and will then prepare for the Union County meet which is scheduled for Feb. 7 at the Dunn Sport Center in Elizabeth.

The boys' Union County meet will take place at Dunn on Feb. 6.

Cranford coach Barbara Kolesa expects Westfield and Scotch Plains - teams that have a number of year-round swimmers - to dominate the county meet, but she has some swimmers who will make their presence felt as well.

Freshman Brian Woo, junior Allison Schneider and sophomore Eric Walano will lead the Cougars in both the conference and county meets. Woo competes in the 200 freestyle and the 100 backstroke.

"He'll place in the top three, I think," Kolesa said of the UC meet. "Right now, in the 200, there's a kid from Westfield, Chris DeLaPuente, who's been a couple of seconds faster than him.

"I think he's the one who will give Brian the most trouble."

Schneider competes in the 200 individual medley and 500 freestyle and Walano in the 50 freestyle and 100 butterfly.

"It depends," Kolesa said. "He's (Schneider) also a backstroker, so we'll probably split backstroke. I know that Walano is swimming 50 free and 100 butterfly for the Mountain Valley Conference meet."

In the MVC meet, Schneider's primary competition will be Kim Kaller of New Providence, who Schneider beat in the 200 individual medley in a dual meet earlier in the season.

Kolesa readily admits the team is in a rebuilding year, but it's clear that Cranford has the makings of a team that could be particularly dangerous in the coming seasons.

The Union girls' team faces much the same problem. The Farmers graduated seniors Brittney Brando, Jallissa Maldonado, Sarah Norman, Kristy Lopez, Alizea Romero and Venetia Bingham.

However, nobody should feel sorry for any team that has junior Christina Santomauro, the defending county champion in the 100 butterfly.

In addition to Santomauro, seniors Nicole Araujo and Veronica Pogorzelski, sophomore Noelle Argonza and Talia Scharon could be very strong competitors in the county meet.

Coach Tracy Ciaglia plans to mix and match the girls when it comes to which events they will compete in.

"I'm looking to load up our relay teams," Ciaglia said. "Christina's going to make the most noise for us, obviously.

"We're going to finish somewhere in the middle. If could finish 10th or higher, that would be nice, because we're in a rebuilding year with this team."

Rebuilding status means that Cranford and Union will both be playing with house money when it comes to the county meet, but that doesn't mean that a surprise isn't possible.

Both teams have talented swimmers and if any of the favorites should slip up, they'll be right there to make the most of their opportunity.

34TH UNION COUNTY WRESTLING TOURNAMENT  
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SEEDING MEETING IS TODAY AT UHS

### RETURNING CHAMPIONS (5)

- Brearley senior Joe Lospinoso, won at 135 last year and at 119 as a freshman
- Brearley senior Umar Taramov, won at 160 last year
- Governor Livingston sophomore Mike Stepien, won at 103 last year
- Brearley senior Kenny Knapp, won at 119 last year and at 103 as a freshman and sophomore
- Roselle Park junior Russell Benner, won at 130 last year

Knapp will attempt to become the second Brearley wrestler and seventh grappler overall to win four UCT crowns.

### 4-TIME UCT CHAMPIONS (6):

#### Larry Guarino, Union, class of 1988

- 1985 - won championship at 158
- 1986 - won championship at 158
- 1987 - won championship at 170
- 1988 - won championship at 171

#### Dave Bubnowski, Union, class of 1996

- 1993 - won championship at 103
- 1994 - won championship at 103
- 1995 - won championship at 121
- 1996 - won championship at 135

#### Craig Frost, Roselle Park, class of 1999

- 1996: 103 final: dec. Shawn Stueber of Rahway 10-4.
- 1997: 112 final: maj. dec. Rich Sachsel of New Providence, 21-8.
- 1998: 130 final: dec. Shawn Stueber of Rahway, 6-0.
- 1999: 135 final: pinned Jeff Bubnowski of Union in 2:48.

#### Dan Appello, Roselle Park, class of 2002

- 1999: 103 final: dec. Dare Ajibade of Union, 8-3
- 2000: 112 final: dec. Tom McDermott of Johnson 21-6 (tech. fall 3:08).
- 2001: 119 final: maj. dec. William Banks of Elizabeth, 17-5.
- 2002: 125 final: decisioned William Banks of Elizabeth 11-4.

#### Darrion Caldwell, Rahway, class of 2006

- 2003: 103 final: pinned Rob Mench of Westfield in 1:05.
- 2004: 119 final: pinned Ross Baldwin of New Providence in 2:44.
- 2005: 135 final: pinned Steve Mineo of Scotch Plains in :54.
- 2006: 160 final: pinned Hany Elshiekh of Brearley in 1:26.

#### Jesse Boyden, Brearley, class of 2008

- 2005: 215 final: decisioned Julio Loperena of Linden, 10-4.
- 2006: 215 final: pinned Trevor Martin of New Providence in :43.
- 2007: 215 final: major dec. Richard Tabor of Elizabeth, 12-3.
- 2008: 215 final: decisioned Mike Lefano of Roselle Park, 5-2.

## Summit hosts Hanover Park tomorrow night in key Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division girls' clash

The Summit girls' basketball team has already defeated Parsippany and Weequahic, teams it was swept by last year in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division play.

The Hilltoppers were also swept by Hanover Park. Tomorrow will be their first chance to knock off the Hornets after losing to them twice last year. Summit will play at Hanover Park at 7 in East Hanover, seeking to pull off another tough conference victory.

Summit began the week at 7-2 and was to host Morris Hills Tuesday night. Summit's first conference defeat was a 38-31 setback at Chatham last Friday. Hanover Park began the week 7-0.

# Breareley wrestlers roll to a convincing triumph

## Roselle Park bounces back to win again

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

KENILWORTH — After years and years of taking on neighborhood rival Roselle Park and coming away nearly empty handed, the Breareley wrestling team worked hard at changing its image of "the little engine that could."

Following a gradual improvement in the ranks, the next step for the Bears was to see if they could really compete with an established program like Roselle Park, one that is rich in tradition and success going back more than 60 years.

After coming close in 2005, Breareley managed to defeat Roselle Park in 2006 for its first win over the Panthers since the early 1970s.

Heading into the Jan. 14 regular season match at Breareley — the last one for both teams as members of the soon-to-be-extinct Mountain Valley Conference — Breareley put together a five-match winning streak over Roselle Park the past three years, including its first two sectional final victories.

Breareley dominated those five matches, winning each by double digits.

However, that was nothing compared to the Jan. 14 triumph.

With the match starting at 103 like all matches used to, Breareley began things with a quick pin. It was the first of eight falls by the Bears.

Breareley did not fall behind in a match until 145, won the first eight matches and captured 12 of the 14 en route to its best-ever win over Roselle Park by the final score of 61-9.

Breareley led 40-0 after the first eight bouts, with senior Brian Gilligan clinching the victory for the Bears with a pin of Roselle Park's Rich Weslock in 4:32 at 145.

### BREARLEY IS 6-0 LAST 4 YEARS VS. ROSELLE PARK:

Jan. 14, 2009: Breareley 61, Roselle Park 9  
— at Breareley  
Regular season

Jan. 23, 2008: Breareley 40, Roselle Park 18  
— at Roselle Park  
Regular season

Feb. 8, 2007: Breareley 46, Roselle Park 10  
— at Breareley  
Central Jersey, Group 1 final

Jan. 31, 2007: Breareley 36, Roselle Park 23  
— at Breareley  
Regular season

Feb. 16, 2006: Breareley 39, Roselle Park 20  
— at Breareley  
Central Jersey, Group 1 final

Jan. 11, 2006: Breareley 34, Roselle Park 24  
— at Roselle Park  
Regular season

"I certainly didn't expect this," Breareley head coach Brian Luciani said.

Roselle Park was 10-1 and coming off an impressive 31-22 non-conference home victory over first-time opponent Ocean Township the night before. Ocean was ranked fourth in Monmouth County last week by *The Star-Ledger* and entered the Roselle Park match with a 7-2 record.

Breareley remained No. 12 in the state last week, while Roselle Park was ranked for the first time at No. 20.

"Everybody was at their own weight classes, which certainly helps," Luciani said.

Breareley won its sixth straight match to improve to 9-2. The Bears finished 21-4 last year and captured North 2, Group 2 for the first time. Breareley fell just short of winning its first state championship as the Bears fell to Long Branch 30-27 in the Group 2 final.

Roselle Park set a school record for wins last year in a 20-2 season that saw it capture Central Jersey, Group 1 for the first time since 2004.

Winning by pin for Breareley were sophomore Anthony Madonia at 103, senior Kenny Knapp at 130, undefeated senior Joe Lospinoso at 135, sophomore Devon Geoghegan at 140, Gilligan at 145, junior Khusen Taramov at 189, senior Travis Dilts at 215 and sophomore Jeff Viglone at heavyweight.

Roselle Park's victories came back-to-back, with junior Russell Benner — one of five returning Union County Tournament champions — pinning Breareley's Anthony Tanes in 2:55 at 152 and junior Dennis Carroll winning a 9-6 decision over Breareley's Dillon Geoghegan at 160.

The match between Carroll and Geoghegan was tied 2-2 after the first two minutes, 4-4 after the first four and 6-6 with 49 seconds left before Carroll scored the final three points. Carroll and Benner also won their matches vs. Ocean.

Breareley widened the gap it already established over Roselle Park with the Jan. 14 win.

The Bears also gave notice that they will once again be the favorites to claim a fourth consecutive UCT title, a fourth straight District 10 crown and a second consecutive North 2, Group 2 championship.

"There's still a lot of wrestling to go," Luciani warned.

Despite losing talented wrestlers to graduation such as 2008 state champion Jesse Boyden, Hany Elshiekh and Steve Margolin, who had the clinching win in Breareley's sectional final victory at South Plainfield, the Bears have another deep and talented lineup once again.

Freshman Nick Lospinoso made weight at 112 for the first time and delivered a gutsy 9-4 victory over Dan Pisauro, one that included two injury timeouts. Pisauro also wrestled well and had to wait twice for Lospinoso to get back on the mat.

"The first one was just a bad cramp and the other one was because he's been having problems with his wrist for the last two weeks, he just jammed it up," Luciani said.

Knapp, who has a chance to be Breareley's and Union County's winningest wrestler before all is said and done this year, wrestled for almost a full six minutes with Roselle Park junior Matt Krynicki, who did a great job of competing against the more established Knapp, owner of 115 victories through his first three years.

Knapp built a 16-4 lead at 130 before he was able to pin Krynicki with just two seconds remaining.

Lospinoso, second in the state at 135 last year and perhaps the favorite to win at that weight this season, got on the mat and then off of it quickly after winning by pin in just 50 seconds.

Knapp and Lospinoso headline Breareley's senior class that went 4-for-4 against Roselle Park in the regular season and a perfect 6-0 total, including Central Jersey, Group 1 final victories in 2006 and 2007.

Knapp has never lost to a Roselle Park wrestler. "I can remember these scores the other way around," Luciani said. "This was a big win for the conference, with this being the last year of the Mountain Valley Conference and with whatever we're going to be whether it's the Union County Conference or something else.

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File photo  
The Union boys' basketball team, sparked by the play of senior guard Javon Moore at left, who now wears No. 1, will play at Irvington Feb. 5 at 4 p.m.

# Union boys' first in county to 10

## Nesmith, Daniels lift squad

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

SCOTCH PLAINS — After winning nine of its first 10 games including its first four against Watchung Conference opponents, the Union boys' basketball team braced for a very challenging stretch.

The schedule last week included conference clashes at Plainfield, Shabazz home and then back on the road vs. Scotch Plains. Union went 3-0 the week before, with conference wins at home over Elizabeth on a buzzer-beater shot and at Westfield in overtime sandwiched around a nice non-conference home win over Watchung Hills, a team Union lost to on the road the past two seasons.

The Farmers came back down to earth a bit by falling at Plainfield 57-42 Jan. 13 and were then edged at home by Shabazz 62-59 last Thursday afternoon.

That brought Union to Scotch Plains last Saturday to face a Raiders team that was on a three-game winning streak and got their record over .500 for the first time on Thursday after beating visiting Irvington 59-49.

Union, with already a 57-41 home win over Scotch Plains on Dec. 23, scored the game's first five points Saturday and never trailed as the Farmers went on to post a decisive 61-51 triumph to salvage one win during a very tough week.

Union improved to 10-3 and snapped a two-game losing streak. The Farmers became the first Union County team to 10 wins. Union was to next host Kearny Tuesday afternoon.

Union was also one win away from qualifying for the states again in North 2, Group 4, which is head coach Tony DiGiovanni's first team goal. The cutoff date is now two weeks away — Saturday, Feb. 7.

Scotch Plains had a three-game winning streak snapped and fell to 6-5. The Raiders were to host Westfield Tuesday afternoon.

"This was a must win game, we couldn't have three losses in a row," said Union senior guard Dion Nesmith, who finished with 15 points, one more than what he led Union with in its first win over Scotch Plains this year.

Union took advantage of eight Scotch Plains turnovers to outscore the Raiders 18-8 in the first eight minutes. Nesmith's first basket of the game — an inside basket — gave Union a 13-2 lead.

His second field goal — from 3-point range — put Union up 18-6 late in the first. Scotch Plains did not officially take its first field goal until there was 4:59 left in the first.

"Our hard work on defense sets the tone for us," Nesmith said. "We play defense real hard and turn defense into offense."

Often missed Scotch Plains opportunities turned into Union quickly getting the ball down court and into the hands of oncoming junior forward James Daniels, who led all scorers with 19 points.

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# Bears capture 4th straight Paul Finn Tourney crown

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"We'll see these guys again in counties and districts, these guys are in our region and we know they're going to get better and we're going to get better."

Never losing to Roselle Park was not lost on Lospinoso, who was especially psyched for this match as soon as he led the Bears onto the mat before introductions.

"Coming in freshman year we knew we were going to be good and that was goal No. 1," Lospinoso said. "This is my favorite match ever."

"This and the states is the best thing ever. This is the most fun."

"This is why I joined wrestling, for the exciting stuff like this."

## BREARLEY 61, ROSELLE PARK 9

**103:** Anthony Madonia, Brearley, pinned Giovanni Ramirez, 1:01. Brearley 6-0.

**112:** Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, dec. Dan Pisauro, 9-4. 5-1 Lospinoso end of first. 7-1 Lospinoso end of second. Brearley 9-0.

**119:** Dan Ries, Brearley, maj. dec. Anthony Zangari, 14-3. 5-3 Ries end of first. 8-3 Ries end of second. Brearley 13-0.

**125:** Allen Phillips, Brearley, dec. Jon Acosta, 4-3. end of first 0-0. 3-0 Phillips end of second. Brearley 16-0.

**130:** Kenny Knapp, Brearley, pinned Matt Krynicki, 5:58. 4-1 Knapp end of first. 9-2 Knapp end of second. Knapp was ahead 16-4 at time of pin. Brearley 22-0.

**135:** Joe Lospinoso, Brearley, pinned Nick Longo, :50. Brearley 28-0.

**140:** Devon Geoghegan, Brearley, pinned Anthony Casselli, 5:25. 5-2 Geoghegan end of first. 7-2 Geoghegan end of second. Geoghegan was ahead 12-6 at time of pin. Brearley 34-0.

**145:** Brian Gilligan, Brearley, pinned Rich Weslock, 4:32. 2-1 Weslock end of first. 4-2 Gilligan end of second. Gilligan was ahead 4-2 at time of pin. Brearley 40-0.

**152:** Russell Benner, Roselle Park, pinned Anthony Tancs, 2:55. 4-2 Benner end of first. Benner was ahead 6-2 at time of pin. Brearley 40-6.

**160:** Dennis Carroll, Roselle Park, dec. Dillon Geoghegan, 9-6. 2-2 end of first. 4-4 end of second. Brearley 40-9.

**171:** Khasan Taramov, dec. Connor Gabriel, 14-11. 6-1 Taramov end of first. 11-5 Taramov end of second. Brearley 43-9.

**189:** Khusen Taramov, pinned Alex Araveno, 3:15. 5-2 Taramov end of first. Taramov was ahead 9-4 at time of pin. Brearley 49-9.

**215:** Travis Dilts, Brearley, pinned Frankie Yuro, 2:52. 5-1 Dilts end of first. Dilts was ahead 5-2 at time of pin. Brearley 55-9.

**HWT:** Jeff Viglone, Brearley, pinned Dave Jaramello, 3:53. End of first 0-0. Viglone was ahead 7-0 at time of pin. Brearley 61-9.

• See team results and schedules on story at [www.localsource.com](http://www.localsource.com).

## ROSELLE PARK PANTHERS

### 2008-2009 ROSTER:

103-Jovanni Rameriz, sophomore  
112-Dan Pisauro, sophomore  
119-Anthony Zangari, senior  
125-Jon Acosta, sophomore  
130-Matt Krynicki, junior  
135-Nick Longo, sophomore  
140-Anthony Casselli, senior  
145-Rich Weslock, junior  
152-Russell Benner, junior  
160-Dennis Carroll, junior  
171-Connor Gabriel, sophomore  
189-Alex Aravena, senior  
215-Frankie Yuro, junior  
HWT-Dave Jaramello, senior  
HWT-Robert Kirste, senior  
**Head coach:** John Ranieri

## BREARLEY BEARS

### 2008-2009 ROSTER:

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152: Anthony Tancs, freshman  
160: Umar Taramov, senior  
160: Olsi Musajj, junior  
171: Khasan Taramov, junior  
189: Khusen Taramov, junior  
189: Wayne Hanns, junior  
215: Travis Dilts, senior  
HWT: Jon Hernandez, junior  
HWT: Jeff Viglone, sophomore  
**Head coach:** Brian Luciani

**NOTES:** Brearley defeated East Brunswick 47-18 on the road last Friday to improve to 10-2.

The Bears then won their fourth straight Paul Finn Tournament at Millburn. This was the sixth year of the event, which honors Paull Finn, who passed away in 1999 at the age of 39.

Finn was the 1978 NJSIAA Tournament heavy-weight state champion and was the last wrestler to pin all his opponents in a season.

Brearley defeated Parsippany Hills 63-12, J.P. Stevens 64-3 and Middletown South 59-9 to move to 13-2 and extend its winning streak to 10.

Joe Lospinoso was bumped up to 140 and lost to Middletown South's Joe Croce 8-2, suffering his first defeat this season.

Brearley was scheduled to wrestle at Governor Livingston last night. The Bears will go for a fourth straight Union County Tournament championship Saturday at Union. The tournament will be seeded tonight at Union. Brearley will continue at Cranford Wednesday night at 7.

Roselle Park won at Cranford 49-21 last Friday to improve to 11-2 and then split home matches last Saturday, falling to Delbarton 41-23 and beating West Essex 51-18. Roselle Park entered Tuesday's scheduled home match against Essex County foe Caldwell with a 12-3 record.

The Panthers were scheduled to wrestle at Newark Central yesterday afternoon.

Roselle Park is scheduled to host Johnson Wednesday night at 7. The Crusaders are coached by Eric Swick, now in his second season at the helm.

Back in 1998 during his senior season at Roselle Park, Swick finished second in the state at 152 pounds before continuing at Harvard.

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# Farmers bounce back to beat SP

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Daniels was there for Union in the important fourth quarter as well, scoring eight points, with three inside baskets and his only two free throws. He also connected on a 3-point basket for the first points of the third quarter - giving Union a 27-16 lead at the time.

"The last game against them we didn't put the ball in the lane that much, but we boxed out well and that's what we tried to do today," Nesmith said.

Scotch Plains, which received a fine 17-point, seven-rebound effort from senior center Ishmil Raymond, only got as close as five points all game, trimming Union leads to 36-31 and 38-33 late in the third quarter.

Raymond fouled Nesmith with 5:58 left, picking up his fourth. Nesmith made both ensuing free throws to put Union up 47-37.

Senior guard Melvin Hanciles played well - finishing with 14 points - and hit two 3-point field goals to keep the Raiders close.

Scotch Plains senior forward Kevin Maroney netted five points and came down with eight boards.

Union junior guard Aishon White, who has done a good job coming off the bench for the Farmers, did not enter the game until the second quarter and did not score until the fourth. He made five of six free throws for all of his scoring.

Union made all five of its free throw attempts in the first half, one of two in the third quarter and 12-of-14 in the fourth.

Scotch Plains made four of eight free throws in the first half, one of two in the third quarter and three of four in the fourth.

Before Scotch Plains cut the lead to five twice late in the third quarter, the Raiders missed back-to-back inside shots that would have made the score much closer.

"We should be a little better with those two games we just had back-to-back," Nesmith said. "We still have a ways to go."

Saturday's game was a Coaches vs. Cancer athletic event at Scotch Plains. It was announced before the game that the Scotch Plains student body raised \$130,000 last year for the cause.

Union was scheduled to play at Newark West Side yesterday and on Saturday is to play John LaFlore at 8 p.m. at the Prudential Center in Newark.

Union is then scheduled to play at Newark East Side Tuesday at 4 p.m. and at Elizabeth next Thursday at 4 at the Dunn Sport Center.

• See *agate of last Saturday's Union at Scotch Plains game and rosters, results and schedules at story on home page of [www.localsource.com](http://www.localsource.com).*

## Union bowlers top Linden, winning 2 of 3

The Union bowling team rebounded from a 3-0 loss to Kearny Jan. 13 by beating Linden 2-1 last Thursday in Watchung Conference competition at Hy-Way Bowl in Union.

Union improved to 5-4 after scoring 2,519 pins to 2,362 vs. Linden.

### Union scores vs. Linden:

Anthony Wachter 194-162-220-576. Sharif Warden 211-177-147-535. John Stigall 189-129-168-486. Andre Leverett 140-140-141-421.

Andrew Gilligan 167-116. Brian Fischer 218.

Union had 2,611 pins to 2,672 for Kearny.

### Union scores vs. Kearny:

Sharif Warden 237-215-171-623. John Stigall 224-193-169-586.

Anthony Wachter 156-160-178-494. Andrew Leverett 118-184-183-485.

Brian Fischer 133-148-142-423.

### Here are Union scores from Saturday's 25th annual Brick Tournament:

Sharif Warden 213-205-203-621. John Stigall 221-212-170-603.

Anthony Wachter 167-170-158-495.

Andre Leverett 128-137-178-443. Andrew Gilligan 151-178-329.

Peter Kuzioli 143-159-302. Brian Fischer 137-129-266.

Union's final pin total was 2,644.

There were six bowlers in each game, with the five best scores counting.

# Linden boys' basketball nets big 'W'

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

IRVINGTON - If the Linden boys' basketball team wants to qualify for the North 2, Group 4 playoffs - a section that it reached the final in during the last four years - the Tigers need to show a sense of urgency, with the Feb. 7 cutoff date two and a half weeks away.

Tuesday afternoon's Watchung Conference-interdivision clash at Irvington was a good place for the Tigers to start. It was the first of nine scheduled games they still had remaining through Feb. 7.

After a first half that saw Linden and Irvington both take the lead six times - with the score also tied on six other occasions - one player made his presence felt in a big way when the third quarter commenced.

After getting two quick fouls in the first half and being relegated to the bench for most of the first 16 minutes, senior forward Romell Bateman might have turned Linden's season around in the third quarter with a dominating eight-minute performance.

He scored 13 of Linden's 18 points, made his first five field goals - all from inside - and keyed a 15-0 run that ultimately led the Tigers to a 53-42 triumph. Bateman made six-of-seven field goal attempts in the quarter and six-of-10 total in the second half.

Linden snapped a three-game losing streak and improved to 5-6, while Irvington lost for the third straight time and slipped to 5-7. The Blue Knights, who defeated Linden 59-49 in Linden back on Dec. 23, are also in danger of not qualifying in North 2, Group 4.

Bateman and fellow starter - senior forward Tevin Calhoun - both scored 15 points as did junior forward Qadeer Lewis, who provided a big-time lift off the bench. Those three players accounted for 45 of Linden's 53 points.

After Irvington senior guard Al-Musal Carter, who paced the Blue Knight: with 10 points, began the third quarter scoring with a 3-point basket to give the Blue Knights their seventh and what turned out to be final lead of 26-24. Bateman quickly - with his muscular football build - took passes inside and went to the basket strong.

He tied the game for the seventh and final time at 26-26 and then gave Linden the lead for good at 28-26. He made two more baskets to put Linden up 32-26, scoring eight straight points before Calhoun scored inside for a 34-26 Linden advantage.

Bateman then made two more inside baskets to put Linden up 38-26, the latter of the two coming after he grabbed an offensive rebound.

Bateman grabbed three boards in the third quarter and five for the game - in a contest that he hardly played at all in the first half because of foul trouble.

"Actually, I was sitting on the bench and seeing my team struggle, so I felt like I had to do something for my team," Bateman said. "I felt like I've been carrying them on my back the whole season, so why stop now."

"I usually always pick up two quick fouls in the beginning and then I start to get the ball and start to roll along with it."

"Romell has been playing like this all year," Linden head coach Phil Colicchio said. "He got two quick fouls right in the beginning of the game and we took him out."

"Romell has been our one constant performer, night in and night out. He's had a game this year with 21 rebounds and he's had a game with 34 points."

"He's 6-foot-1 and he plays like he's 6-foot-7. I can't praise him enough about how far he's come as a player and how far he's come as a person and how much he has meant to our team."

Linden played a bit better in the second quarter to take a 24-23 lead at the half, outscoring Irvington 17-14 in the second eight minutes. It was a see-saw first half to say the least, with both teams struggling to get into any kind of offensive rhythm.

Both defenses played a part in that. That was until Linden got Bateman the ball in the third quarter.

"We actually ran a bunch of sets to get him (Romell) the ball," Colicchio said.

Linden's 15-0 third-quarter surge, which turned a 26-24 deficit into a 39-24 lead, might have been the Tigers' most important run of the season. It came between Irvington baskets that were scored following Linden turnovers.

"It might be the most important 15-0 run of my career," Colicchio said. "One of the things I just said to the kids in the lockerroom is that this has been a very trying year both on the court and off the court for me and for our team."

"I don't know with our academic policy who is going to be eligible and who's not. It's been a little helter skelter, but one of the things I can count on is these kids - night in and night out - giving me 100 percent effort."

"That's what they did today and that's what they do every single day. They worked their butts off."

Linden had to find a way to beat Irvington on the road minus five players that were out because of academic circumstances, including starters David Bruce, Elijah Hodge and Daniel Thompson. Bruce is Linden's heralded 6-10 senior forward who has committed to continuing on the collegiate level at St.

Joseph's, Pa., while Hodge and Thompson are both up-and-coming sophomore guards. The other two players were reserves, including senior guard Walter Durham and sophomore forward Justin Philippe.

Colicchio said that Hodge was the player of the game in Linden's 53-40 loss to St. Benedict's in Saturday's Dan Finn Classic at the Jersey City Armory.

"All five of them are in our academic tutoring program," Colicchio said. "They have to make up so many days in tutoring and when they make up their days, if they are eligible to play, they can come back and play."

As far as them playing at Newark East Side today, Colicchio doesn't think so.

"I think one of them may be back, I'm not positive," Colicchio said. "I can't say or not say."

"Our standards are a little above the NJSIAA standards. Linden is holding all of our extra-curricular activities to a higher standard and our kids are going to have to adjust."

With games scheduled at East Side today, at Plainfield Saturday - a makup from Dec. 19 - and then at home against Shabazz Tuesday and Plainfield next Thursday, that's a pretty tough stretch to navigate through minus three starters.

• See complete story, agate, team rosters, results and schedule on story at [www.localsource.com](http://www.localsource.com).

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**HILLSIDE**

Public Auction at Devon Self Storage- 625 Glenwood ave., Hillside N.J. 07205 on Tuesday February 17, 2009 at 11:00 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 2A44 - 187ET SEQ. Unit # A30 Gloria Velez containing Household Goods, Clothing, Unit # C37 Peter Baez containing Household Goods. Auction is with reserve. Devon Self Storage reserves the right to set minimum bids and to refuse bids. Cash only. January 22, 29, 2009 U230208 WCN (\$18.02)

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Note complying with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the Motor Vehicle Commission of NJ. "MVC of NJ", to get title papers allowing the sale of a 2005 Chevrolet vin# 1G1AK52F357805148. Any objections, if any, should be made in writing to the "MVC, Special Titles, POB 017, Trenton, NJ 08666. January 15, 22, 2009 U229851 WCN (\$12.74)

**UNION COUNTY**

Note complying with N.J.S.A. 39:4-56.6, application has been made to the Director of Motor Vehicles, NJ MVC, Trenton, N.J. to get title papers allowing the sale of a 2003 Lincoln vin# 1LNHM87AX3Y648645. Any objections, should be in writing to the MVC, Special Titles, P.O.Box 017, Trenton, N.J. 08666. January 22, 29 2009 U230185 WCN (\$12.74)

**NEW PROVIDENCE**

**NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS**

Docket No. : F-39137-08 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County (L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: ROBERT A. D'ANGELO SHARON M. D'ANGELO ROSARIA CARUSO AS TRUSTEE FOR TERESA LISA CARUSO MARIA CARUSO NIKITAS

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

GIANNAKOPOULOS, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest HOSPITAL & DOCTORS SERVICE SUMMIT MEDICAL GROUP

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 Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of the Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, 1997-R2 is plaintiff, and ROBERT A. D'ANGELO, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-39137-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 01/22/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 01/22/2009, (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 03/11/1985 made by Robert A. D'Angelo and Sharon M. D'Angelo, h/w as mortgagors, to Citibank, NA recorded on 03/12/1985 in Book 3505 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 719 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of the Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, 1997-R2, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 11/21/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 4 Darby Court, Borough of New Providence, Murray Hill, NJ 07974, also being Lot 25 in Block 335.

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-

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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, ROBERT A. D'ANGELO, 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, SHARON M. D'ANGELO, 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.

YOU, ROSARIA CARUSO AS TRUSTEE FOR TERESA, 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, LISA CARUSO, 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, MARIA CARUSO, 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

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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, HOSPITAL & DOCTORS SERVICE 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, NIKITAS GIANNAKOPOULOS, 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, SUMMIT MEDICAL GROUP 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. File XCZ34503

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. U230184 WCN Jan. 22, 2009(\$97.51)

**PLAINFIELD**

**NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS**

Docket No. : F-23315-08 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Calvin Edward Wright, his heirs,

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devisees, and personal representatives, and his, 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 Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2006-HE6 is plaintiff, and Calvin Edward Wright, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-23315-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 01/22/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 01/22/2009, (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 06/13/2006 made by Calvin Edward Wright as mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc. recorded on 06/23/2006 in Book 11743 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 395 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2006-HE6, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 11/20/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 923 East Front Street, Unit 56, Plainfield, NJ 07062, also being Lot 16.56, C0056 in Block 329.

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

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

v. Joseph Zippo, et al, New Vistas is hereby authorized to solicit bids for the sale of the Property known as Lot 4 in Block 3701, Township of Union, State of New Jersey, also known as 1135 Springfield Road, Union, New Jersey and to conduct a public auction in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined below for the purpose of entertaining competing bids and selecting the highest and best offer for the Property. The following bidding procedures with respect to the sale of the Property (the "Bidding Procedures") are hereby approved in all respects, and New Vistas are hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary or appropriate to implement the Bidding Procedures: Sun National Bank ("Sun") has credit bid a portion of its secured debt in the amount of \$9,450,000.00 for the Property, subject to the terms set forth in its Offer (the "Sun Credit Bid"). Any further bids shall be subject to the following conditions: (1) The Property shall be sold in an as is condition, free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances and interests, except month to month tenancies of Continental Concessions, Primerica, Silverado and The Machinery Group, all real estate taxes, municipal assessments and tax sale certificates and the restrictions as to the use of the Property set forth in the DEED NOTICE; (2) The successful purchaser shall be required to pay all costs of sale and New Vistas' commissions, attorneys fees and costs in an amount no greater than \$25,000.00 in excess of the amount then held in New Vistas' receiver account; (3) that the first overbid shall be \$50,000.00 above the Sun Credit Bid, unless otherwise consented to by Sun and New Vistas in writing and then subsequent overbids shall be in the amount of \$5,000.00; (4) that the closing on the sale of the Property shall occur no later than 14 days from the entry of the Order approving the sale; (5) such other conditions as may be announced at the sale and approved by the Court; and (6) if Sun is not successful bidder (defined below), the successful bidder (defined below) shall pay at closing, in addition to all other sums to be paid hereunder, an additional fee to Sun equal to the amount of all attorneys' fees and costs, and other costs incurred by Sun related to the Sale from the date of October 8, 2008 to the date of Closing. New Vistas shall provide the Notice of Sale and Auction Procedure in the Union Ledger and the Star Ledger for two consecutive weeks as described in the Order To Show Cause entered simultaneously with this Order. Qualified bidders shall submit bids for the Property to New Vistas and Sun. Sun is not required to provide financing for a proposed purchase by a third party. Any successful bidder (as defined herein below) must satisfy Sun's Mortgages at closing by payment of an amount equal to the lesser of the successful bid or all amounts owed by Puffy Clouds on the Horizons, Inc. Joseph Zippo, American Warehouse Associates, Inc. and In Toons, LLC to Sun. In order to be a Qualified Bidder, a bidder (other than Sun who shall be deemed a Qualified Bidder) must (i) submit to counsel for New Vistas and to counsel for Sun a written bid; and (ii) deliver an earnest money deposit to counsel for New Vistas equal to five (5%) percent of the total proposed purchase price (the "Deposit") in the form of a certified check or wire transfer payable to the trust account of New Vistas' counsel (Taylor, Colicchio & Silverman, LLP Trust Account) on or before January 28, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. (the "Bid Deadline"). A qualified bid must also identify the bidder and contain such documents and information so as to establish the bidder's financial ability to close and to fund the purchase price (a "Qualified Bid"). The successful bidder will execute the agreement provided by New Vistas counsel to Qualified Bidders (the "Agreement"), other than Sun who shall not be required to execute a contract of sale. Nothing herein, including the conditions of Sun's Credit Bid shall preclude a bidder from being deemed a Qualified Bidder so long as they meet the criteria set forth below. The Deposit will be forfeited as liquidated damages and the successful bidder (defined below) will be held liable for compensatory damages if the successful bidder fails to close by reason of its breach of the Agreement. Bids may not be subject to financing, due diligence, environmental or any other contingency. Bids including such terms will not be accepted. If a Qualified Bid is received by the Bid Deadline by counsel for New Vistas and counsel for Sun at the address for submission of bids set forth herein below, an auction sale (the "Auction") will be conducted before the Honorable John F. Malone, P.J. Ch., at the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, General Equity Part, Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad Street, 3rd Floor, Rotunda, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07207 on January 30, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. If no Qualified Bid is received, New Vistas shall accept Sun's Credit Bid without conducting the Auction, and submit a proposed form of Order to the Court approving the sale to Sun. Bidders who have submitted a Qualified Bid may improve their bids at the Auction in increments as set forth above. The bidding shall be continuous and competitive and shall not end until all bidders have submitted their last and best offers. At the conclusion of the Auction, if any, New Vistas' counsel will announce the highest and best bid (the

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"Successful Bidder") and the second highest and best bid (the "Back-Up Bidder"). If the Successful Bidder is other than Sun, the Successful Bidder shall execute the Agreement immediately following the Auction and supplement its deposit by wire transfer or other immediately available funds within one (1) business day so that, to the extent necessary, such deposit equals five percent (5%) of the highest and best bid. If, for any reason, the Successful Bidder fails to consummate the purchase of the Property, (i) the Back-Up Bidder will be deemed to have submitted the highest and best bid and by submitting a bid agrees that its bid shall remain open until the close or failure to close of the transaction with the Successful Bidder (a "Commitment"), and (ii) New Vistas shall be authorized to effect the sale of the Property to the Back-Up Bidder as soon as is commercially reasonable without further order of Court. New Vistas counsel shall retain the Back-Up Bidder's deposit in a non-interest bearing trust account until the sale to the Successful Bidder closes, at which time the deposit (plus accrued interest, if any) shall be returned to the Back-Up Bidder. If the Successful Bidder fails to close, the Back-Up Bidder's deposit shall be treated in the manner described below. All Deposits shall be held by New Vistas counsel in a non-interest-bearing bank account. Within two (2) business days after the closing of the sale of the Property, Deposits shall be returned to all bidders except the Successful Bidder. The deposit of the Successful Bidder or the Back-Up Bidder, as applicable, shall be applied to the purchase price at closing. The closing shall occur on or before 14 days after the entry of the Order approving the sale. New Vistas reserve the right to (i) impose additional or different terms and conditions at or before the Auction and (ii) extend the deadlines set forth in the Sale Procedures and/or adjourn the Auction and/or the Sale Hearing in open court without further notice; and (iii) withdraw any or all of the Property from the Auction, all of the above being done with Sun's consent. Reservation of Rights: New Vistas may at any time, in its sole discretion; prior to the receipt of a Qualified Bid on the Bid Deadline, enter into a contract for the sale of the Property, without further notice to any Bidder; prior to the receipt of a Qualified Bid on the Bid Deadline, withdraw the Property from sale; and/or reject any and all Bids which are not Qualified Bids. Disclaimer: Each Bidder, by submitting a Bid for the Property, shall be deemed to acknowledge and represent that it is bound by these Bidding Procedures; that it had an opportunity to inspect and examine the Property and to review all pertinent documents and information with respect to the Property prior to making its offer and that it relied solely on that review and upon its own investigation and inspection of the Property in making its Bid; and that it is not relying upon any written or oral statements, representations or warranties of New Vistas, Sun, or their respective agents or representatives. Qualified Bids Open and Irrevocable: All Bids (including Qualified Bids and subsequent written and/or oral bids) shall remain open and irrevocable until the closing which shall occur on or before 14 days from the entry of the Order approving the sale of the Property. In the event of a default by the Successful Bidder and by the Back-Up Bidder, New Vistas reserves the right to accept any bid that is open and irrevocable and to schedule a closing with such Bidder within 21 days from the entry of the Order approving the sale of the Property. Bids must be submitted to the following persons so as to be received by the Bid Deadline:

To New Vistas: Robert W. Keddle, III, Esq., Taylor, Colicchio & Silverman, LLP 502 Carnegie Center, Suite 103 Princeton, NJ 08540

To Sun: Michael Kahme, Esq. Hill Wallack LLP 202 Carnegie Center Princeton, NJ 08543-5226

January 15, 22, 2009  
U229349 UNL (\$262.64)

## HILLSIDE

## TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at its public meeting held on January 14, 2009 the Zoning Board of the Township of Hillside adopted the following resolution(s):

The application of 125 Long Avenue Associates, LLC seeking a use variance approval to permit any or all of the following uses: retail, restaurant, office and hotel at the property more commonly known as 200 - 226 Route 22 (block 110, lot(s) 2, 3 and 4) was approved.

A copy of the aforesaid resolution is on file at the Township of Hillside Municipal Building, John F. Kennedy Plaza, Hillside, New Jersey, and may be reviewed by any interested party during normal business hours.

Richard Johnson  
Secretary Hillside Zoning Board  
U230192 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$15.19)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007474  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F1830808  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR SASCO MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-BC3 VS

Defendant: JEWEL A. JOHNSON, LESTER JOHNSON  
Sale Date: 02/11/2009  
Writ of Execution: 12/01/2008

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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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: 413 HOLLYWOOD AVENUE, HILLSIDE NJ 07205

BEING KNOWN as LOT 12, BLOCK 1212, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside  
Dimensions: 100.00 feet X 22.50 feet X 100.00 feet X 22.50 feet  
Nearest Cross Street: Conant Street  
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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee'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 4:57-2 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.  
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$170,084.31\*\*  
One Hundred Seventy Thousand Eighty-Four and 31/100\*\*  
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: \$188,053.31  
\*\*One Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Fifty-Three and 31/100\*\*  
January 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2009  
U229656 UNL (\$178.36)

## ROSELLE PARK

## BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, New Jersey, at a public meeting held on January 15, 2009 and that said ordinance will be taken up for passage and public hearing on February 19, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at the regular meeting of said Mayor and Council to be held at the Borough Hall in said Borough of Roselle Park, and that all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

By order of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park.

## INTRODUCED ORDINANCE NO. 2258

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 FOR THE ROMEROVSKI SITE LOCATED IN THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

Doreen Cali  
Borough Clerk  
U230236 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$19.11)

## HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007462  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F2042507B  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MASTR ASSET BACKED SECURITIES TRUST 2005-AB1 VS  
Defendant: IRIS HARGRAVE, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
Sale Date: 02/04/2009

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Writ of Execution: 12/01/2008  
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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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: 23 Balle Avenue, Hillside NJ 07205

BEING KNOWN as LOT 11, BLOCK 1002, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside  
Dimensions: 50.00 feet X 100.00 feet X 50.00 feet X 100.00 feet  
Nearest Cross Street: Bergen Street  
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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee'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 4:57-2 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.  
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$250,900.72\*\*  
Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Nine Hundred and 72/100\*\*  
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: \$293,328.20  
\*\*Two Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Eight and 20/100\*\*  
January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2009  
U229315 UNL (\$178.36)

## UNION

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

Take Notice that application has been made to the Township Committee of the Township of Union to transfer to E and G Soppo, LLC trading as Abuja International Restaurant for premises located at 1784 Burnet Avenue, Union, New Jersey, the Plenary Retail Consumption License #2019-33-046-008 heretofore issued to Joey Cadillac Foundation, LLC and Maria J. Passafaro formerly known as Maria J. Almeida and Gregory Passafaro trading as The Bar Room for the premises located at 1784 Burnet Avenue, Union, NJ. The person(s) who will hold an interest in this license is/are:

Efeti Teckla Kange  
Gwendolyn Monangai

Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to:  
Eileen Birch, Municipal Clerk  
Township of Union  
Municipal Building  
1976 Morris Avenue  
Union, NJ 07083

Efeti Teckla Kange  
567 E. Passaic Ave  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003  
Applicant  
January 15, 22, 29, 2009  
U229886 UNL (\$49.30)

## HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007521  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F2616507B  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE RESIDENTIAL FUNDING COMPANY, LLC VS

Defendant: CARLOS R. DE SOUZA, SANDRA OLIVER  
Sale Date: 02/11/2009  
Writ of Execution: 12/11/2008

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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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: 1298 Gurd Avenue, Hillside NJ 07205

## PUBLIC NOTICE

BEING KNOWN as LOT 12.01, BLOCK 710, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside  
Dimensions: 100.00 feet X 40.00 feet X 100.00 feet X 40.00 feet  
Nearest Cross Street: Gertrude Street  
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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee'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 4:57-2 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.  
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$491,773.44\*\*  
Four Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Three and 44/100\*\*  
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: \$526,988.43  
\*\*Five Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight and 43/100\*\*  
January 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2009  
U229658 UNL (\$178.36)

## HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-09000004  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F413008  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR ENCORE CREDIT RECEIVABLES TRUST 2005-1 VS

Defendant: NORMAN BEMBRY, LEONARD BEMBRY, LILLIAN BEMBRY, LARA BEMBRY  
Sale Date: 02/18/2009  
Writ of Execution: 12/08/2008

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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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 Township of Hillside in the County of Union, State of New Jersey.  
Commonly known as: 221 Hillside Avenue, Hillside NJ 07205  
Tax Lot No.: 46 in Block 1108  
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 159 ft x 90 ft x 42 ft x 80 ft x 62 ft  
Nearest Cross Street: Boa Place

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 tax/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 judgments: DJ-00049008-1991 and J-00040170-2001.  
Note: The sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement.  
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$224,561.03\*\*  
Two Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One and 03/100\*\*  
Attorney: ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC 200 SHEFFIELD STREET SUITE 301 MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092 (908)233-8500 FCZ-97391  
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich  
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office  
Total Upset: \$262,010.13  
\*\*Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Ten and 13/100\*\*  
January 22, 29, February 5, 12, 2009  
U230204 UNL (\$166.60)

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ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, New Jersey, at a public meeting held on January 15, 2009 and that said ordinance will be taken up for passage, and public hearing on February 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at the regular meeting of said Mayor and Council to be held at the Borough Hall in said Borough of Roselle Park, and that all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

By order of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park.

INTRODUCED  
ORDINANCE NO. 2257

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XXIII, SECTION 40-2302 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK FOR PERMITTED USES

Doreen Cali  
Borough Clerk  
U230235 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$18.62)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, New Jersey, at a public meeting held on January 15, 2009 and that said ordinance will be taken up for passage, and public hearing on February 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at the regular meeting of said Mayor and Council to be held at the Borough Hall in said Borough of Roselle Park, and that all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

By order of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park.

INTRODUCED  
ORDINANCE NO. 2259

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 2-70 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK FOR RULES AND REGULATIONS

Doreen Cali  
Borough Clerk  
U230237 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$18.62)

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Committee of the Township of Hillside in the Council Chambers - Municipal Building, Hillside, New Jersey on February 18, 2009 at 10:30 AM prevailing time, at which time they shall be opened and publicly read for the Reconstruction of Field Place and State Street.

- The major items of work include:
- 350 CF Concrete Curb
  - 310 SY Concrete Walk & Driveway Apron
  - 3,500 S.Y., Milling Pavement, 2-in thick
  - 550 Tons, H.M.A. Surface Course, 2-in thick
  - 4 Units, Construct Inlet Type D castings
  - 2 Units, Replace Manhole Castings
  - 2,000 LF, Sawing and Sealing joints
  - 2,000 LF, Traffic Striping

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT FEDERAL FUNDS THROUGH TITLE 1 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 ARE BEING UTILIZED ON THIS PROJECT. FEDERAL LABOR PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY TO THIS PROJECT.

A copy of the Contract Drawings, Specifications, other Contract Documents and all related matters are on file at the Office of the Township Clerk, at the above address. The Contract Drawings, Specifications and related matters may be examined between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday by any member of the public or those specifically wishing to bid, but not desiring to purchase the said bid documents.

Contract Drawings, Specifications, and related matters may be obtained at the Office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours, upon receipt of a check for a non-refundable fee made payable to the Township of Hillside in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for one (1) set of Contract Drawings, Specifications.

Bids must be submitted on the Proposal form furnished to the bidder and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder and the Project Name. The bid must be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety from a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey guaranteeing to furnish a

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Performance Bond for 100% of the contract in event of award, a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who owns ten percent or more of its stock of any class or of all individual partners on the partnership who owns ten percent or greater interest therein, and a Certified Check or Bid Bond for not less than ten percent of the total bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.00.

Each bidder must submit with bid bid a signed certificate stating that he owns, leases or controls all the necessary equipment required to accomplish the work shown and described in the Contract Documents, should the bidder not be the actual owner or lessee of such equipment, his certificate shall state the source from which the equipment will be obtained and, in addition, shall be accompanied by a signed certificate from the owner or person in control of the equipment definitely granting to the bidder the control of the equipment required during such time as may be necessary for the completion of that portion of the Contract for which it is necessary.

Bidders are required to comply with the Affirmative Action requirements of P.L. 1975 c. 127 (NJAC 17:27), the Disclosure Statement requirements of P.L. 1977, 1 c. 33, and all the latest amendments to same. Bidders are required to comply with P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) which amends N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.

The successful bidder shall be required to comply to the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective 1, 1964, the Contract Work Hours and Safety standards Act, the Copeland Act and the Davis-Bacon Act, and all the latest amendments to same.

No bids shall be received after the time and date specified, and no bids will be received by mail. After receipt of bid, no bid shall be withdrawn except as expressly authorized herein. The Township of Hillside shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of the bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the City, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Township of Hillside reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. The Township of Hillside reserves the right to sever and make awards of all or part of any bids to one or more bidders. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Township of Hillside.

Janet S. Vlasisavljevic  
Township Clerk  
U230193 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$73.01)

UNION

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS  
TOWNSHIP OF UNION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COUNTY OF UNION  
NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Township of Union Board of Education, in the County of Union, for the furnishing of the hereinafter described labor, material and equipment for Proposed Gym Roof Replacement at Central Five (C-5) ES, 155 Hillton Ave., Vauxhall, NJ, and opened and read in public at the Township of Union Board of Education Offices, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083, on February 6, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. prevailing time. Bids to be received for this work shall be Combined Bids for all the work required.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the office of Potter Architects, L.L.C., 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083, during business hours. A copy thereof may be procured in person only on or after January 23, 2009, at the Architect's office for the purpose of bidding. Bidders shall notify the Architect in advance prior to obtaining bidding documents by calling Potter Architects (908-686-2547). Documents will not be mailed. A deposit in cash or check to the order of said Architect in the sum of \$125.00 is required, which is non-refundable.

No bid will be accepted that does not conform to the Project Manual. Bids must be made on standard bid forms in the manner designated by the Project Manual, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder, the contract being bid on the outside thereof, addressed and should be delivered in person to the Owner. Owner will not be responsible for bids sent by mail or delivery service.

There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting at Central Five (C-5) Elementary School, 155 Hillton Ave., Vauxhall, NJ, on January 27, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of observing the work site and considering questions posed by bidders. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is strongly encouraged, but not mandatory.

Each bid shall be accompanied by the following:

- Guarantee payable to the Township of Union Board of Education that bidder, if the Contract is awarded to

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him, will enter into a contract therefor. Guarantee shall be in the amount of 10% of the bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.00 and may be in the form of certified check, cashier's check or bid bond, as per NJSA 18A:18A-25.

- Certificate from a surety company stating that it will provide the bidder with a bond in such sum and form as is required in the Specifications.
- Affidavit showing Notice of Classification in accordance with the standards of and by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Property Management and Construction, for bids \$20,000 and over, for prime bidders and all subcontractors, prior to the date that bids are received.
- A statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders owning 10% or more of the stock in the case of a corporation, or 10% or greater interest in the case of a partnership, or acknowledgment that no person or entity has 10% or greater proprietary interest in the Bidder.

Bidders are notified as follows:

- Addendum may be issued by the Owner in accordance with the Project Manual up to seven (7) business days prior to receipt of bids.
- No bid may be withdrawn after the date of receipt.

Bidders are notified that they must comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:11-55.37 and 34:11-56.38 et seq. (Wages on Public Works) and that the contract to be awarded in the case shall contain a stipulation that the wage rate must be paid to workmen employed in the performance of the contracts shall not be less than the prevailing wage rate as determined by the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry of the State of New Jersey.

Bidders are notified that they must comply with the provisions of P.L. 1999, c.238 (The Public Works Contractor Registration Act), which became effective on April 11, 2000, and P.L. 2004, c.57 (Business Registration of Public Contractors) which became effective on September 1, 2004.

Bidders are notified that they must comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:31-1 to 52:33-4, the statutes on the use of domestic materials on public work.

Bidders are put on notice that the Owner is an exempt organization under the provisions of the New Jersey State Sales and Use Tax (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) and is not required to pay sales tax.

Bidders are put on notice that they are required to comply with all rules and regulations and orders promulgated by the State Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31, and with all provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4 (Affirmative Action), and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

The Owner reserves the right to consider the bids for sixty (60) days after receipt thereof, and further reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in any bid or bids, and to make such awards as may be in the best interest of the Owner.

By Order of the Township of Union Board of Education, in the County of Union, New Jersey.  
Mr. James J. Damato,  
Board Secretary  
Township of Union Board of Education  
2369 Morris Avenue  
Union, New Jersey 07083  
U230197 UNL Jan. 22, 2009 (\$79.38)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE

-NOTICE-  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

Take notice that application has been made to Mayor and Council of Borough of Roselle to transfer to C & B Liquors Limited Liability Company trading as C & B Liquors for premises located at 221 Sheridan Ave., Roselle, NJ 07203 Alcoholic Beverage Control License #2014-44-001-006 heretofore issued to AAA Liquors Inc., trading as C & B Liquors for premises located at 221 Sheridan Ave., Roselle, NJ 07203. The person(s) who will hold an interest in this permit is/are:

- Ajit Patel  
25 Van Houten St  
Bergenfield, NJ 07621
- Deepta Patel  
20 Valley Wood Dr  
Somerset, NJ 08873
- Henaxi Patel  
62 Adams St  
Iselin, NJ 08830

Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to Rhona C. Bluestein, Municipal Clerk, of 210 Chestnut Ave., Roselle, NJ 07203. January 15, 22, 2009. U229913 PRO (\$49.30)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007300  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F2310407  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATION-

PUBLIC NOTICE

AL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-1

Defendant: CELINA FERNANDEZ, THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
Sale Date: 01/28/2009  
Writ of Execution: 12/01/2008

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 TOWNSHIP 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 ELIZABETH, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 351-359 JERSEY AVE, ELIZABETH, NJ 07202. Tax Lot No. 613 in Block No. 13. Dimension of Lot Approximately: 160 X 102 X 190 TRI. Nearest Cross Street: GROVE STREET. BEGINNING IN THE MOST NORTHERLY LINE OF JERSEY AVENUE AT A POINT THEREIN DISTANT 60.00 FEET EASTERLY MEASURED ALONG THE AFORESAID MOST NORTHERLY LINE OF JERSEY AVENUE FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE MOST EASTERLY LINE OF GROVE STREET "THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION." PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES TOTAL AS OF December 10, 2008:

\$ .00  
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$377,101.87\*\*\*  
Three Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand One Hundred One and 87/100\*\*

Attorney:  
FEIN SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC  
7 CENTURY DRIVE  
SUITE 201  
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054  
(973)536-4700  
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich  
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office  
Total Upset: \$434,517.83  
\*\*\*Four Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventeen and 83/100\*\*\*  
Dec. 31, 2008, Jan. 8, 15, 22, 2009  
U228977 PRO (\$139.16)

ROSELLE

January 22, 2009

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

That the undersigned has made application to the Borough of Roselle Planning Board for the properties whose street addresses are known as 397 Hope Avenue and 401 Hope Avenue, Roselle, New Jersey, Block 701, Lots 1 and 2.

The conditions affecting this property and the reasons for the application being heard are as follows:

- To request approval of a preliminary and final site plan application so as to permit construction of a new two-story frame building on 401 Hope Avenue, Roselle, Block 701, Lot 2 to be connected to an existing one-story masonry building on 397 Hope Avenue, Roselle, Block 701, Lot 1.
- To request variances from the Borough of Roselle for the: (a) Lot Width; (b) Front Yard setback requirement; (c) Rear Yard setback requirement; (d) Side Yard setback requirement; and (e) Parking Area/Spaces.
- To request a waiver from the requirements of submitting: (a) present and proposed easements; (b) location of structures and uses within 100 feet; (c) flooding boundaries; (d) an environmental conditions report; (e) the type and quality of sanitary discharge and compliance with the City Sewer User Charge ordinance; (f) depiction of all common open space; and (g) a survey.
- To request any other variances or waivers as may be required by the Planning Board or its professionals at the time of hearing for approval of the proposed site plan and the application.

A Public Hearing has been ordered for February 4, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Roselle Borough Hall Council Chambers, 210 Chestnut Street in the Borough of Roselle, County of Union, New Jersey at which time you may appear and participate in the hearing in accordance with the Rules of the Planning Board. This notice is sent to you on behalf of the applicant, by order of the Planning Board.

Information, maps, site plans, the application and other documents are available for your inspection in the Office of the Planning Board at the Municipal Building, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, and may be reviewed Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the Rules of the Planning Board.

Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C.  
Attorney: James K. Estabrook, Esq.  
53 Cardinal Drive, P.O. Box 2369  
Westfield, N.J. 07091  
Tel. (908) 233-8800  
Attorneys for Applicants,  
397 Hope Avenue Associates, LLC  
and 401 Hope Avenue Associates, LLC  
U230338 PRO Jan. 22, 2009 (\$40.67)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-48457-08  
Superior Court of New Jersey  
Chancery Division  
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: JILL GUZMAN JUAN GUZMAN R A TURLA, MD, 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 Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the CSMC Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-6 is plaintiff, and JILL GUZMAN, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket No. F-48457-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 01/22/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 01/22/2009, (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 03/30/2007 made by Juan Guzman and Jill Guzman, husband and wife as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Credit Suisse Financial Corporation recorded on 04/30/2007 in Book 12139 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 200 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the CSMC Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-6, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 12/23/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 72 ELMORA AVENUE, ELIZABETH, NJ 07202, also being Lot 517 in Block 13. 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, JILL GUZMAN, 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.

YOU, JUAN GUZMAN, 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 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. File#FCZ113108

YOU, R A TURLA, MD, his/her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, 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. File#FCZ113108

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
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U230219 PRO Jan. 22, 2009 (\$63.21)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE  
Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08007466  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F1370008  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC  
VS  
Defendant: JESUS LONDONO, MRS. JESUS LONDONO, HIS WIFE, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR U.S. MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS  
Sale Date: 02/04/2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

Writ of Execution: 11/19/2008
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 City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as: 12 HAYES AVENUE, ELIZABETH NJ 07202
BEING KNOWN as LOT 517, BLOCK 6, on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth
Dimensions: 100.00 feet x 32.00 feet x 100.00 feet x 32.00 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Cedar Avenue
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 4:57-2 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.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$267,278.75\*\*\*
Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight and 75/100\*\*\*
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: \$301,600.42
\*\*\*Three Hundred One Thousand Six Hundred and 42/100\*\*\*
January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2009
U229343 PRO (\$186.20)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007489
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1826108
County: Union
Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR POPULAR FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC MORTGAGE/PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES #2006-C
VS
Defendant: CARLOS ZOLIO
Sale Date: 02/11/2009
Writ of Execution: 12/04/2008
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.
STREET NO.: 39 Main Street, Linden, Linden, New Jersey
TAX LOT AND BLOCK NOS.: Lot 1, Block 569
THE DIMENSIONS: 40.06 feet x 102.50 feet x 40.01 feet x 103.85 feet
NO. OF FEET TO THE NEAREST CROSS STREET: Corner of Main Street and Tremely Point Road
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$429,311.48\*\*\*
Four Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Eleven and 48/100\*\*\*
Attorney: EISENBERG, GOLD & CETTEI - COUNSELORS 9 TANNER STREET WEST ENTRY HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033 (856)795-0351
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$471,527.42
\*\*\*Four Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Seven and 42/100\*\*\*
January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 2009
U229671 PRO (\$117.60)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08007456
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F3630907
County: Union

PUBLIC NOTICE

Plaintiff: U.S. BANK, N.A. TRUSTEE FOR LEHMAN BROTHERS BNC MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-2
VS
Defendant: JEAN F. SANON, RITA SANON
Sale Date: 02/04/2009
Writ of Execution: 11/18/2008
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 City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as: 1072-1074 BOND STREET, ELIZABETH NJ 07201
BEING KNOWN as LOT 179, BLOCK 12, on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth
Dimensions: 123.22 feet x 124.5 feet x 124.5 feet x 32.00 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Catherine Street
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 4:57-2 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.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$391,304.64\*\*\*
Three Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Three Hundred Four and 64/100\*\*\*
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: \$430,720.26
\*\*\*Four Hundred Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty and 26/100\*\*\*
January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2009
U229341 PRO (\$182.28)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007477
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2162307
County: Union
Plaintiff: GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC
VS
Defendant: LUZ TORRES; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.
Sale Date: 02/11/2009
Writ of Execution: 12/04/2008
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.
The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth in the County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Commonly known as: 1057 Lafayette Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201
Tax Lot No.: 889 in Block 9
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 25 ft x 105 ft
Nearest Cross Street: Catherine 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.
Note: The sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement.

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JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$311,077.63\*\*\*
Three Hundred Eleven Thousand Seventy-Seven and 63/100\*\*\*
Attorney: ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC 200 SHEFFIELD STREET SUITE 301 MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092 (908)233-8500 XCZ-89824
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$357,744.23
\*\*\*Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Four and 23/100\*\*\*
January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 2009
U229669 PRO (\$156.80)

ELIZABETH

POWERS KIRN, LLC
728 Marne Highway, Suite 200
Moorestown, NJ 08057
(856) 802-1000
Attorneys for Plaintiff (2008-2424)

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County
Docket No. F-41710-08

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

Wainer Morales, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Marcos I. Aman, his 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 The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York as Trustee, for the Holders of the GE-WMC Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-1 is Plaintiff and Wainer Morales and Marcos I. Aman, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after January 22, 2009, 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 May 30, 2006, recorded on June 6, 2006, in Book 11717 at Page 602&c made by Wainer Morales to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for WMC Mortgage Corp. and duly assigned to plaintiff, The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York as Trustee, for the Holders of the GE-WMC Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-1, and concerns real estate located at 448 Maple Avenue, Elizabeth City, NJ 07202- Block 6 Lot 595.

YOU, Wainer Morales, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Marcos I. Aman, his 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 Wainer Morales, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Marcos I. Aman, his 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 #2008-2424

Jennifer M. Perez, Acting Clerk of the Superior Court
U230213 PRO Jan. 22, 2009 (\$55.86)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08007482
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1439108
County: Union
Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY LOAN TRUST 2006-HE2
VS

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Defendant: LUZ I CORBO, MR. CORBO, HUSBAND OF LUZ I. CORBO, GUSTAVO OLIVERA, MRS. GUSTAVO OLIVERA, HIS WIFE, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS A NOMINEE FOR EAST COAST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.
Sale Date: 02/11/2009
Writ of Execution: 11/28/2008

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 City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as: 82 DELTON ST, ELIZABETH NJ 07202
BEING KNOWN as LOT 452, BLOCK 10, on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth
Dimensions: 105.00 feet x 35.00 feet x 105.00 feet x 35.00 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Eaton Street
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 4:57-2 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.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$427,052.63\*\*\*
Four Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Eight and 30/100\*\*\*
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: \$470,888.30
\*\*\*Four Hundred Seventy Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Eight and 30/100\*\*\*
January 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2009
U229677 PRO (\$192.08)

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
Docket No. : F-19725-08
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Angel Gonzalez, Xiomara Gonzalez, 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 Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Washington Mutual Bank is plaintiff, and Angel Gonzalez, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-19725-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 01/22/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 01/22/2009, (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 09/25/2006 made by Angel Gonzalez and Xiomara Gonzalez as mortgagors, to Washington Mutual Bank, FA recorded on 10/27/2006 in Book 11909 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 823; and (2) And also to foreclose the third Mortgage dated 10/07/2006 made by Angel Gonzalez and Xiomara Gonzalez as mortgagors, to Washington Mutual Bank, FA recorded on 10/20/2006 in Book 11909 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 678. Plaintiff, Washington Mutual Bank

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was formerly known as Washington Mutual Bank, FA (3) to recover possession of and concerns premises commonly known as 10-12 Clover Street a/k/a 12 Clover Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202, also being Lot 198.B in Block 13.

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, ANGEL GONZALEZ, 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, XIOMARA GONZALEZ, 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 and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.
File#FWZ103291

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.
U230217 PRO Jan. 22, 2009 (\$54.86)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08007484
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1532607
County: Union
Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION JPMAC 2007-CH3
VS
Defendant: NIELSEN BRUNORO, PRISCILA COSTA BRUNORO, CHASE BANK USA, N.A.
Sale Date: 02/11/2009
Writ of Execution: 11/28/2008

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 City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as: 1141 Anna Street, Elizabeth NJ 07201
BEING KNOWN as LOT 163.F, BLOCK 12, on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth

Dimensions: 22.08 feet x 65.50 feet x 22.08 feet x 65.50 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Jefferson 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.

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\*\*\*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.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$228,995.94\*\*\*
Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five and 94/100\*\*\*
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: \$253,002.61
\*\*\*Two Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Two and 61/100\*\*\*
January 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2009
U229687 PRO (\$160.32)



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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. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$421,542.55\*\*\* Four Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two and 55/100\*\*\*

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-08007392 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1050207 County: Union Plaintiff: GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC VS Defendant: LIDIA GONZALEZ Sale Date: 01/28/2009 Writ of Execution: 11/24/2008 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRINGFIELD

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF HEALTH 2009 MEETING SCHEDULE

- January 14, 2009
February 11, 2009
March 11, 2009
May 13, 2009
June 10, 2009
September 9, 2009
October 14, 2009
December 9, 2009

\* No meetings have been scheduled in the months of April, July, August and November

The above listed meetings are scheduled for 8:30 PM on the second Wednesday of the month, except where otherwise indicated. All meetings are scheduled to be held in the Council Conference Room located on the second floor of the Springfield Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield.

U230233 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$14.70)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT UNION COUNTY, N.J.

Take notice that the Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit will conduct a public hearing at the Summit City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on February 2, 2009, which hearing will be continued on such dates thereafter as may be necessary in the judgment of the Board of Adjustment to complete the hearings and deliberations on an application for development by The Hilltop Parmley Partners, L.P., regarding permission to improve the property known as 708-710 Springfield Avenue, Lot 24, Block 2901 on the Tax Map of the City of Summit in the R-15 District by the demolition and reconstruction of a 4 dwelling unit building.

The applicant requests classification of the site plan; preliminary and final site plan approval, variance relief from the standards prohibiting the replacement, change or expansion of a non-conforming use; variance relief from the strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance regulating front yard setback, side yard setback, disturbance of steep slopes and location setback of air conditioning units together with all other relief in the form of variances, waivers, exceptions, or interpretations in the strict application of the provisions of the Development Regulations Ordinance, and other relief, which may arise during the course of the hearings in this application, necessary to realize the development as set forth more specifically in the application for development on file and as may be amended and available for inspection in connection herewith.

All maps and documents for which approval is sought are available for public inspection at the Department of Community Services at City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

This notice is being given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12 and Article 3.16 of the Development Regulations Ordinance of the City of Summit.

DEMPSEY, DEMPSEY & SHEEHAN Attorneys for Applicant By: Bartholomew A. Sheehan, Jr., Esq. U230232 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$32.83)

SUMMIT

Notice of Contract Award

The Summit Board of Education has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(2), and award of Non-Fair and Open Contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate. The contracts and the resolutions authorizing them are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Summit Board of Education.

Awarded to: El Associates 8 Ridgedale Avenue Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927

Duration: Length of the capital construction projects: Window and Door Replacements at the LCJ Summit Middle and Elementary Schools

Nature and type of contract: Architectural and Engineering services which include preparation of Facilities RODS Grant application and Facilities Bond Project Approval, to include completion of Schematic design phase, the bidding process, construction document phase, construction administration phase and closeout/punch list phase of the capital construction project.

1. Window and Door Replacements at the LCJ Summit Middle and Elementary Schools

(1) Schematic Design Phase (lump sum \$12,600.00)

BY ORDER OF THE SUMMIT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Louis J. Pepe, RSBA School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary U230318 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$26.46)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT UNION COUNTY, N.J.

Take notice that the Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit will conduct a public hearing at the Summit City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on February 2, 2009, which hearing will be continued on such dates thereafter as may be necessary in the judgment of the Board of Adjustment to complete the hearings and deliberations on an application for development by Michael and Elizabeth Girouard, regarding permission to improve the property known as 90 Oak Ridge Avenue, Lot 8, Block 4501 on the Tax Map of the City of Summit in the R-15 District. The applicants seek approval for the construction of a driveway and front facing garage.

The applicants request variance relief from the strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance standards regulating front yard setback, front facing garages and driveway width together with all other relief in the form of variances, waivers, interpretations, appeals, or exceptions in the strict application of the provisions of the Development Regulations Ordinance, and other relief, which may arise during the course of the hearings in this application, necessary to realize the development as set forth more specifically in the application for development on file and as may be amended during the course of the hearings and available for inspection in connection herewith.

All maps and documents for which approval is sought are available for public inspection at the Department of Community Services at City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

This notice is being given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12 and Article 3.16 of the Development Regulations Ordinance of the City of Summit.

DEMPSEY, DEMPSEY & SHEEHAN Attorneys for Applicant By: James G. Webber, Esq. Dated: 1/13/09 U230231 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$30.38)

SUMMIT

Notice of Contract Award

The Summit Board of Education has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(2), and award of Non-Fair and Open Contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate. The contracts and the resolutions authorizing them are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Summit Board of Education.

Awarded to: El Associates 8 Ridgedale Avenue Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927

Duration: Length of the capital construction projects: Pre-K and Kindergarten Program Expansion

Nature and type of contract: Architectural and Engineering services which include preparation of Facilities RODS Grant application and Facilities Bond Project Approval, to include completion of Schematic design phase, the bidding process, construction document phase, construction administration phase and closeout/punch list phase of the capital construction project.

Amount of Contracts:

1. Pre-K and Kindergarten Program Expansion

(1) Schematic Design Phase (lump sum \$9,700.00)

BY ORDER OF THE SUMMIT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Louis J. Pepe, RSBA School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary U230319 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$25.48)

SPRINGFIELD

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION

TAKE NOTICE that the Executive and Regular Meetings scheduled for

MOUNTAINSIDE

PUBLIC AUCTION

On February 16, 2009 at 10:00 AM Lackland Self Storage, 1229 Route 22 East, Mountainside, NJ 07092

The following merchandise will be sold at Public Auction. Listed below are the unit numbers along with the occupants name and a brief description of the contents.

Table with 3 columns: Unit, Occupant, Description. Rows include units 9019, 2014, 2112, 2035 with occupants Brian R. McGlynn, Ron Posyton, Corey Felton, Howard Lipstein and descriptions like Boat, Household Items, Totes, boxes, chairs, wine rack, stereo, microwave, Boxes, files.

U229673 OBS January 15, 22, 2009 (\$45.08)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Tuesday, January 27, 2009, have been canceled. The Executive Meeting is rescheduled for Monday, January 26, 2009, at 6 p.m. in the Fire Department Training Room, 2nd Floor, 200 Mountain Avenue, followed by the Regular Meeting at 8 p.m.

Kathleen D. Wisniewski Township Clerk U230224 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$8.82)

SPRINGFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD PLANNING BOARD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 4, 2009, at 8:00 P.M., a hearing will be held before the Springfield Planning Board at the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, on Application #4-2009-S regarding the application of United States Valve Corp. dba Valcor Engineering Corp. for amended preliminary and final site plan approval with respect to existing improvements at the subject property and variance relief with respect to existing trailers at the subject property, together with such other approval, by way of variance, site plan, waiver or exception as may be deemed necessary by the Planning Board in connection with the subject application. The subject property is located at 2 Lawrence Road, Springfield, New Jersey, and known as Block 4001, Lot 6 on the Township of Springfield Tax Map.

All interested parties will be given the opportunity to be heard at the hearing. All papers pertaining to the application may be inspected in the office of the Administrative Officer of the Planning Board of the Township of Springfield located in the Annex Building, 20 North Trivett Street, Springfield, New Jersey.

EPSTEIN, BROWN & GIOIA, LLC 246 Green Village Road Chatham Township, NJ 07928 (973) 593-4900 Attorneys for United States Valve Corp. dba Valcor Engineering Corp.

U230225 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$23.52)

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION TAKE NOTICE THAT THE Zoning Board of

Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on February 2, 2009 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 38 Fairview Avenue, Block 1703, Lot 19.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: The City, taking the position that the front driveway was no longer being repaired but replaced, halted the work for which a permit previously had been granted. Applicant seeks an interpretation of the zoning ordinance that would permit the work to resume and permit the property owners to lay down a permeable surface.

Applicant 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 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.

James M. Bennett Christine L. Bennett Applicants U230321 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$22.54)

SPRINGFIELD

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION

TAKE NOTICE that the reorganization and regular meeting of the Rent Levelling Board will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2nd Floor, 100 Mountain Ave., Springfield, NJ 07081.

Murray Fromer Secretary U230223 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$7.35)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on February 2, 2009 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 12 Oakland Place, Block 3205, Lot 6.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: request for building coverage, lot coverage, and floor area ratio variances for the purpose of a one and two story addition; a front entry roof overhang; and a rear yard patio.

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 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 on the Board.

Jennifer Reinhardt Applicant U230256 OBS Jan. 22, 2009 (\$18.13)

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 Tuesday, January 20, 2009 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 Tuesday, February 17, 2009 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 AMEND ORDINANCE 03-22 CHAPTER 2 SECTION 2-85.3h OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Township of Clark that Ordinance 03-22 of the Revised Ordinances of the Township of Clark be and the same is hereby amended in the following particulars:

SECTION 1: Schedule of Fees.

A. All Traffic Work not paid by the Township of Clark shall be at the rate of \$50.00 per hour with the rate increasing to \$75.00 per hour after eight (8) hours. Minimum of four (4) hours, plus 15% Administrative Fee and \$10.00 per day for use of the Township Police Vehicle.

SECTION 2: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according to law.

SECTION 3: Inconsistent Ordinance

Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Edith L. Merkel, RMC Township Clerk U230284 EAG Jan. 22, 2009 (\$28.91)

CLARK

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the following action was adopted at the Public Meeting of the Clark Planning Board, held on September 4, 2008: The application of Johnny Land, LLC, John Cancelliere and Deborah Cancelliere was granted for subdivision, site plan, and variances to subdivide a portion of the property located at 115 Armstrong Drive, Block 25, lot 1, and add it to the property known as 148 Hillcrest Drive, Block 25, lot 15.

The file papers for the above decision are available at the Clark Township Building Department, Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, for public review during 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,

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SUMMIT

2009 SUMMIT DOWNTOWN, INC. BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Location. Rows list meetings from January 28, 2009 to December 16, 2009, all at 8 a.m. in Summit City Hall-Whitman Room.

All meetings are open to the public.

U230222 OBS January 22, 2009 (\$22.54)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Monday through Friday. FINK ROSNER ERSHOW-LEVENBERG, LLC Stanley A. Fink Attorneys for Applicant U230255 EAG Jan. 22, 2009 (\$14.21)

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 Tuesday, January 20, 2009 and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration and final passage at a Special Meeting at the Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Room 16, Clark, New Jersey on Monday, February 2, 2009 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 AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT USER FEES FOR THE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT OF WASTEWATER" ADOPTED APRIL 10TH, 2006, AS ORDINANCE 06-06, SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 06-06 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT USER FEES FOR THE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT OF WASTEWATER" ADOPTED DECEMBER 18TH, 2006, AS ORDINANCE 06-22

BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Township of Clark that the foregoing Ordinances are hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 5 of the Ordinances to which this is an amendment entitled "User Fees" is hereby amended so as to reflect the following User Fees:

a) RESIDENTIAL MINIMUM CHARGE \$175.00 (0-100,000 GPY) EXCEEDS 100,000 GPY \$175.00 + \$.015 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GAL.

b) COMMERCIAL MINIMUM CHARGE \$800.00 (0-100,000 GPY) EXCEEDS 100,000 GPY \$800.00 + \$.02 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GAL.

c) GOVERNMENTAL MINIMUM CHARGE \$175.00 (0-100,000 GPY) EXCEEDS 100,000 GPY \$175.00 + \$.015 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GAL.

d) NOT-FOR-PROFIT MINIMUM CHARGE \$175.00 (0-100,000 GPY) EXCEEDS 100,000 GPY \$175.00 + \$.015 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GAL.

e) INDUSTRIAL (NON-SIU) MINIMUM CHARGE \$2,000.00 (0-100,000 GPY) EXCEEDS 100,000 GPY \$2,000.00 + \$.04 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GAL.

f) SIGNIFICANT INDUSTRIAL USERS Annual billing will be at the rates for Industrial Users as noted in (e) above.

g) MISCELLANEOUS UN-METERED Users, for which the Township has not received meter data from applicable water purveyors including wells, shall have their usage requirements estimated by the Utility's Engineer. The Engineer's estimate will be prepared in accordance with generally accepted engineering standards including but not necessarily limited to the following:

- NJAC 7:14A-23.3 Treatment Works Approved
-ASCE/WPCF Manual of Practice Design and Construction of Storm and Sanitary Sewers
-International Building Code-New Jer-

PUBLIC NOTICE

sey Edition -International Plumbing Code -National Standard Plumbing Code -Residential Site Improvement Standards NJAC 5:21

All such users will be required to complete an informational form distributed by the sewer utility on an annual basis representing data on the number and type of sewer users. Such information may include the number and age of occupants, the number and type of fixtures, the number of bedrooms, gross floor area, the number of employees, the number of service bays, etc., as may be necessary for the utility engineer to estimate water usage and classification. Failure to submit an annual informational form or the falsification of same shall subject the owner to a minimum fee of \$500.00.

In the event that an un-metered facility owner disagrees with the estimate of the utility engineer, they may appeal the estimate in the manner provided elsewhere herein. Further, the owner may elect to have a meter installed on the property to accurately assess usage.

h) MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL MINIMUM CHARGE \$175.00 (0-100,000 GPY) \$0.015 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GALLONS

i) MIXED USE MINIMUM CHARGE - Minimum charge shall be the sum of the Minimums for each use. Flows exceeding the combined flow allowance shall be billed at the highest rate of use for the property.

j) HOME OCCUPATION MINIMUM CHARGE \$400.00 (0-100,000 GPY) \$0.015 PER GALLON OVER 100,000 GALLONS

SECTION 2: Section 6 of the Ordinance to which this is an amendment is amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 6: ESTIMATE OF SEWER CHARGES DUE UPON SALE OF PROPERTY, CESSATION OF USE OR DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURE OR USE:

Upon the sale of any real property, the cessation of any existing use, or the demolition of any structure or use, the Township of Clark shall require the user to pay for a portion of sewerage treatment and capital improvement costs charged by the RVSA based on a five year rolling average with Flow, BOD and TSS making up equal parts of said billing. The charge, as referenced hereinabove, shall be as follows:

Residential User - The sewer charges for the full year next succeeding the sale, cessation of use, or demolition of the structure shall be based upon the last two quarters of water usage available.

Non Residential User of less than 200,000 Gallons Per Annum - A Non Residential User of less than 200,000 gallons per annum shall pay upon the sale, cessation of use, or demolition of the structure a sewer charge based upon the last two quarters of usage data.

Non Residential User of More Than 200,000 Gallons Per Annum - Prior to sale, change of tenant or use, or demolition of the structure, the user must obtain a Certificate of Payment from the sewer utility. The certificate to be issued shall be based upon payment in full of future sewerage charges to be billed to Clark Township as a result of the RVSA's assessments for the next five years based on a rolling average of past use. The cost of such charges shall be estimated by the Municipal Engineer based on the following schedule:

- Year 1. 100% of last sewer bill
Year 2. 80% of last sewer bill
Year 3. 60% of last sewer bill
Year 4. 40% of last sewer bill
Year 5. 20% of last sewer bill

Cumulatively these charges represent 300% of the last sewer bill and will be known as a "Termination Charge." This charge may be reduced or eliminated if the successor user generates sufficient quality and quantity based on the criteria of Flow, TSS and BOD as exhibited by prior use.

The application fee for a certificate of payment shall be the sum of \$250.00. Additionally, an escrow fee based on

gallonage of water flow will be required as follows: \$500.00 for the first 200,000 gallons plus an additional \$500.00 per additional flow increments of 100,000 gallons per annum.

Any User aggrieved by the provisions of this section or by the determinations made hereunder shall have the right to have said determination reviewed upon application to the Business Administrator of the Township of Clark to be made within 10 days of receipt of the estimated sewer charges required hereunder. Said appeal shall be in writing directed to the Business Administrator of the Township of Clark and setting forth the factual and legal basis for the appeal. The Business Administrator shall, upon receipt of such a notice, establish a prompt date for hearing and shall, upon receipt of the hearing, render a decision forthwith. The decision of the Business Administrator in this regard shall be final and conclusive.

SECTION 3: CALCULATION OF USAGE

The Clark Township Sanitary Sewer Utility will assess user fees based on two billing quarters, usually the February and May billing period of water usage as reported by the appropriate water purveyor. Said amounts will be multiplied by two (2) to achieve an annualized flow estimate.

SECTION 4: BILLING OF USER FEES User fees will be billed annually with payments due on or before March 15, and September 15.

SECTION 5: LATE PAYMENTS Users will be subject to the payment of interest and penalties for payments received after the due date. Users will be assessed penalties in the manner established by the Township for payment on late property tax payments.

SECTION 6: APPEALS Users who believe that either flow or classification has been improperly calculated shall submit written documentation to the Business Administrator requesting an appeal to the Governing Board on or before September 15.

SECTION 7: INCONSISTENT ORDINANCE

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances or Resolutions that are in conflict with the provisions of this Amendment to Ordinance 06-6 are repealed to the extent necessary.

SECTION 8: DECLARATION OF INVALIDITY If any article, section, subsection, term or condition of this Amendment to Ordinance is declared invalid or illegal for any reason, the balance of the Ordinance shall be deemed severable and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9: EFFECTIVE DATE This Amendment to Ordinance 06-6 shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

Edith L. Merkel, RMC Township Clerk U230320 EAG Jan. 22, 2009 (\$155.33)

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HILLSIDE SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF AUDIT REPORT FOR PUBLICATION SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF STATE FISCAL YEAR 2008 AUDIT REPORT OF TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S. 40A:5-7

Table with columns: ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE. Rows include Cash and Investments, Taxes, Liens and User Charges Receivable, Property Acquired for Taxes - Assessed Value, Accounts Receivable, Fixed Capital - Utility, Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted - Utility, Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - General Capital, Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Revenue, TOTAL ASSETS, Bonds and Notes Payable, Improvement Authorizations, Other Liabilities and Special Funds, Amortization of Debt for Fixed Capital Acquired or Authorized, Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable, Fund Balance, TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE.

Table with columns: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED, EXPENDITURES. Rows include Fund Balance, Miscellaneous - From Other Than Local Property Tax Levies, Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens, Collection of Current Tax Levy, TOTAL INCOME, Budget Expenditures: Municipal Purposes, County Taxes, Local School Taxes, Other Expenditures, TOTAL EXPENDITURES, Excess in Revenue, Adjustments to Income: Expenditures which are by Statute Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year, Statutory Excess in Revenue, Fund Balance, July 1, Decreased by: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue, Fund Balance, June 30.

Table with columns: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED, EXPENDITURES. Rows include Membership Fees, Non-Resident Membership Fees, Miscellaneous, Deficit (General Budget), TOTAL INCOME, Budget Expenditures: Operating, Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures, Deficit in Operations, TOTAL EXPENDITURES, Deficit in Revenue, Fund Balance, July 1, Fund Balance, June 30.

RECOMMENDATIONS That General Ledgers be currently and completely maintained for all funds and proven to subsidiary records on a monthly basis. That all bank accounts be reconciled to the books of original entry on a timely basis. That a physical inspection of general fixed assets be periodically taken and that the resulting totals be compared to the fixed assets records. That the practice of issuing confirming purchase orders be discontinued. That additional accounting personnel be assigned to the Treasurer's Office so that timely and accurate financial records can be maintained. That all grant expenditures be properly reflected in the grant fund maintained in the finance office and that all eligible costs be drawn down on a timely basis. That all Departments remit their receipts to the Treasurer on a monthly basis. That a detailed analysis of the balance in the Net Payroll and Payroll Agency Account be prepared on a monthly basis. That all public assistance reports be accurately and timely filed with the State.

A Corrective Action Plan, which outlines actions the Township of Hillside will take to correct the findings listed above, will be prepared in accordance with federal and state requirements. A copy of it will be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk in the Township of Hillside.

The above summary or synopsis was prepared from the report of audit of the Township of Hillside, County of Union, for the state fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. This report of audit, submitted by Suplee, Clooney & Company, Registered Municipal Accountants and Certified Public Accountants, is on file at the Township Clerk's office and may be inspected by any interested persons.

By: Janet Vlaisavljevic Township Clerk U230230 UNL January 22, 2009 (\$142.10)

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, January 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Union, N.J. Resolutions memorializing.

Table with columns: Calendar #, Name of Applicant & Premises Affected, Variances Requested, Decision of the Board of Adjustment. Rows include Cal. #3141 M. St. Louis 942 Caldwell Avenue Block- 4107 Lot-4, Cal. #3142 Waseem Enterprises, LLC 575 Chestnut Street Block- 2501 Lot- 5.

Richard Malanda, Board of Adjustment Secretary U230196 UNL January 22, 2009 (\$30.87)

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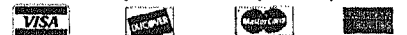
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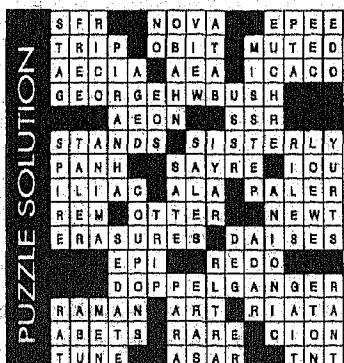
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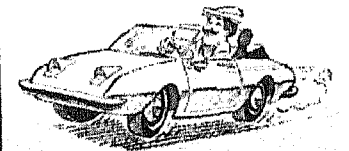
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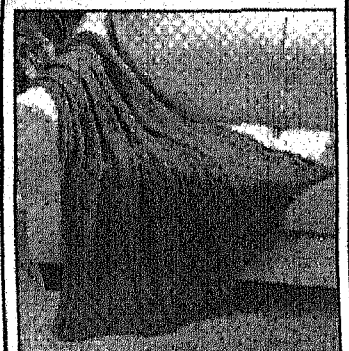


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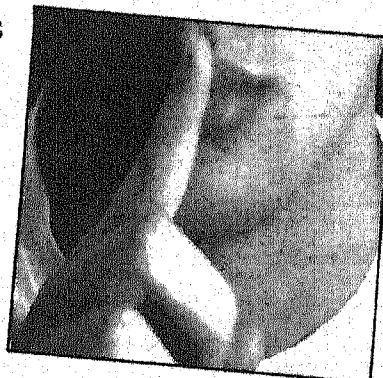
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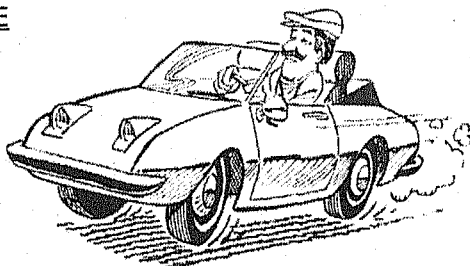
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## Jaeger named BMDA president for 2009

The New Jersey Building Materials Dealers Association has announced Bryan Jaeger of Basking Ridge, Owner of Jaeger Lumber of Union as this year's NJBMDA president.

In its 125th year of working to promote the lumber industry, the former New Jersey Lumber Dealers Association changed its name this year to strengthen its outreach to all construction supply dealers such as those who sell electrical, plumbing, roofing and other building materials.

"It is more important than ever that we have a strong organization to represent New Jersey's building suppliers," Jaeger said. "The NJBMDA is working to promote legislation that would spur the recovery of the housing market and we're also monitoring future green building legislation."

Emphasizing that 2009 will be a challenging year, Jaeger called for all building materials dealers to follow developments in the housing industry as well as what legislators in Trenton and Washington are doing to spark the construction industry.

"The NJBMDA is working hard to make our members' voices heard," Jaeger said, noting construction suppliers should use the association's resources to stay on the cutting edge.

The NJBMDA, founded in 1884, promotes the retail building materials industry. The association monitors and interprets state legislation, encourages high levels of professional standards, education and cooperation with other groups and broadens public understanding of the function of the retail building material distributor in the marketplace.

Jaeger Lumber is a family business, founded in Union by Jaeger's grandfather in 1937. Bryan Jaeger, a third generation owner of the company, is also a third generation president of the NJBMDA, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather.

Jaeger has worked full-time in the business since 1993. Currently, Jaeger Lumber has eight locations in New Jersey, including Bernardsville, Belmar, Madison, Middlesex, Point Pleasant Beach, Stirling, Lakewood and the original location and main showroom in Union.

## Chamber members will 'Bond' at dinner

*Union Chamber of Commerce to present awards during annual event*

The Union Township Chamber of Commerce Dinner Dance Committee has announced that the 54th annual dinner dance and installation of officers will take place March 6 at Galloping Hill Caterers, 325 Chestnut St., Union.

This year's theme will be "Time to Bond." The chamber's annual dinner dance has always been a celebration event to have fun and that will continue this year with a James Bond theme. There will be a catered dinner, dancing, tricky tray and a silent auction.

Although the evening will focus on the popular James Bond character throughout his existence, the underlying intent of the evening is to have people come together and help each other survive in this tough economy.

"We hope this will bring a fun-filled night for all of us," said Committee Chair Donna Steinmetz of Investors Savings Bank.

At the dinner dance, the chamber will install all of its new offi-

cers and directors. The chamber will present its President's Award to two deserving organizations: YMCA of Eastern Union County and Anthony D'Amore Dunkin' Donuts/Basking Robbins group.

The James T. Schaefer Civic Service Award will be given to Theodore Jakubowski, the Union School District's superintendent of schools.

"It is important to recognize those business and individuals who contribute so much to the township of Union and thank them for all their efforts," said Toni Johnson of Roselle Glass, the chamber's president.

For 54 years, the Union Township Chamber of Commerce mission has been to "unite, strengthen, represent and promote" the growth of its members' businesses.

For information regarding chamber programs and services, call the chamber office in Union at 908-688-2777 or email at [info@unionchamber.com](mailto:info@unionchamber.com).

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## Turning the Tide in Downtown Union County

By Rod Hirsch

If you build it, they will come – or so a town hopes.

Burdened by a growing list of depressed urban and suburban downtown centers struggling to survive, New Jersey has built a Chinese menu of creative, business-friendly incentives to encourage local municipalities and developers to resuscitate these neglected centers of commerce. These include tax credits, tax reductions, low-interest loans, expedited environmental and planning reviews and other programs.

Union County municipalities have heard the call and answered.

By taking advantage of the Transit Village Initiative program coordinated by NJ TRANSIT and the state Department of Transportation, Rahway was recognized in October for its redevelopment efforts by the International Economic Development Council.

Cranford founded the first Special Improvement District (SID) in New Jersey in 1985, which allows for the downtown district to levy a special tax on building and business owners for downtown development and marketing. The SID is managed by the Cranford Downtown Management

Corporation, which uses its budget for development projects, to recruit new businesses and to market shopping.

Elizabeth and Plainfield both are working on rebuilding their downtown commercial zones. Plainfield is in the early stages of a redevelopment plan centered on its NJ TRANSIT Raritan Valley Line and hopes to mimic the success of other railroad towns. Elizabeth is one of nine cities in New Jersey eligible for the most ambitious program to date, The Urban Transit Hub Tax Credit Program, introduced last year.

Yet even when a municipality recognizes the need for downtown revitalization, the idea is sometimes opposed by those who

prefer the status quo or fear the finality of eminent domain.

Property owners in Union Township last year prevailed in a lawsuit filed against the township that contested plans for redevelopment of a 20-block downtown area. Superior Court Judge Walter Barisonek ruled that the area designated for redevelopment was not blighted and as such did not qualify as a redevelopment zone, which would have allowed the township to enforce eminent domain had it chosen to do so.

Township officials had tried to assure owners their properties were not being targeted for razing as part of the redevelopment plan but were unsuccessful.

Township Attorney Daniel Antonelli said township officials were dismayed by the court's decision.

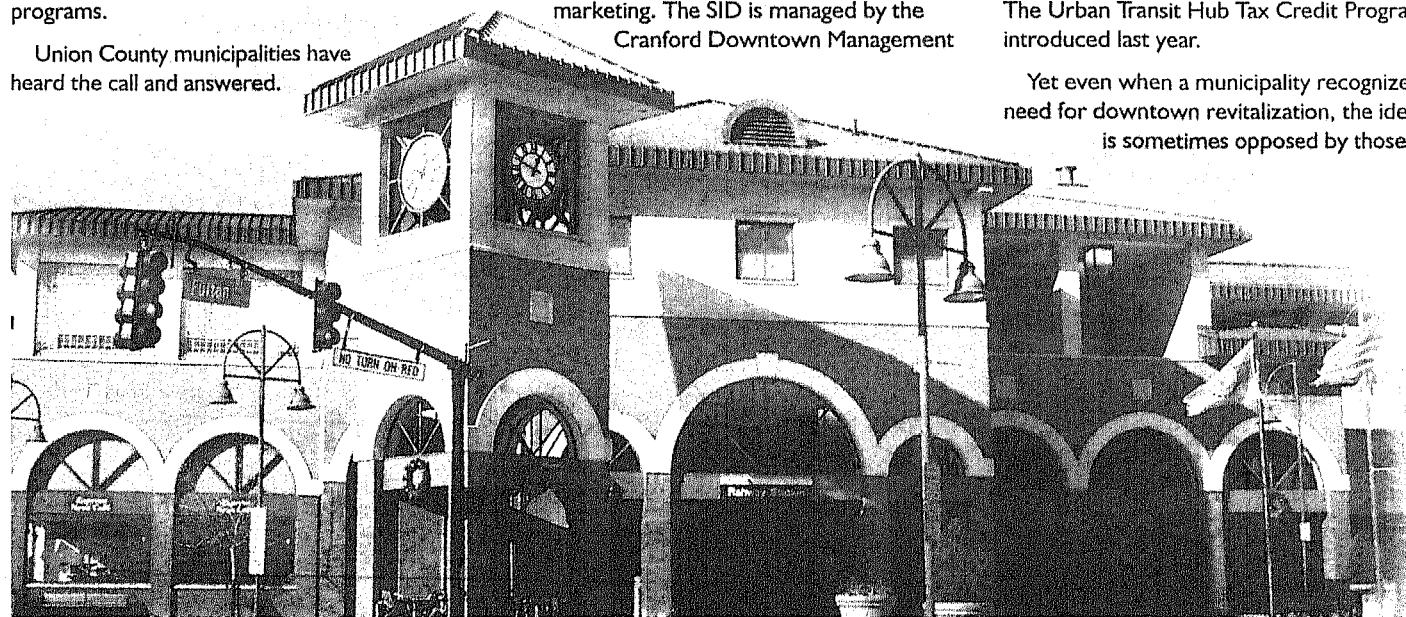
"Through redevelopment there could have been a real jump start in improving the downtown," he said. "Now that we don't have that option our hands are tied. The township can appeal but we don't have any intentions to appeal the court's decision.

"It's our position now that it's back on the shoulders of the property owners," Antonelli added. "They can do those things necessary to create more pedestrian traffic, create a better shopping experience for downtown. They had better, because at this point our downtown is on life support."

The owners of Linwood Inn in Linden convinced city officials to remove the restaurant on South Wood Avenue as a property designated for redevelopment in the South Wood Avenue Redevelopment Area, shielding the three-story 1882 building from possible condemnation and razing after a five-year battle.

Linden Mayor Richard Gerbounka said the city will continue to work with individual property owners and will only resort to eminent domain as a last resort.

Springfield is the latest municipality to take stock of its downtown shopping district.



Redevelopment in Rahway has centered on the city's refurbished train station and its state designation as a Transit Village.

## Stores Gather for Warmth in Chilly Economy

By Karen Miller

Like the Grinch sleighing into Whoville, the economic downturn that started on Wall Street slid into Main Street in December when the retail sector was hit with the weakest holiday season sales since the 1980s.

Holiday sales decreased nationwide between 5.5 and 8 percent, excluding gas and auto purchases, according to cash and

credit card data tracked by MasterCard Spending Pulse.

But just as Whoville was saved, there is power in numbers and help available for Union County's beleaguered small business owners, many who do not have the cash reserves to weather many months with smaller profits. Several associations and organizations are ready to help small

business owners in a variety of ways.

Kathleen Miller, director of the Cranford Downtown Management Corporation (DMC), conducted an informal survey of local business owners and found the holiday season news was better than expected.

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# The Canterbury Sales™

**Skepticism and Watching Your Customer's Back – The Story of the Tardy Artist**

By Andy Gole

Why do prospect's hesitate in "giving us a try"?

One reason is the *Customer/Vendor Inequality Principle*:

- Before the sale, the customer is superior to the vendor. Customer's perception: "Customer is king."
- After the sale, the vendor is superior to the customer. Customer's perception: "Client feels vulnerable."

Anticipating this vulnerability, customers hesitate in changing vendors. They stick with the incumbent, even if there are some problems. For the devil they know is better...

About 20 years ago a demanding client – a gourmet food packer selling to major retailers – taught me this principle.

My sales agency provided custom packaging. Whereas the standard lead time was eight-12 weeks, I represented a factory that offered a lead time of six-eight weeks. Improved lead time was critical to this demanding client.

He repeatedly told me major retailers were dragging their heels in releasing orders but that I would receive an order the moment he had it from his clients. I repeatedly told the client I needed six to eight weeks for the custom packaging, and confirmed this in writing.

When the retailers released the orders to my client, there was only a four-week lead time. Again, I confirmed in writing that I needed six to eight weeks, thinking my client would advise his customers.

About four weeks later, I received a call from the owner – where was his packaging?

I reminded him that we needed a six-eight week lead time.

He said, "You knew I needed the goods in four weeks."

I replied, "But it was in my quote and confirmation."

He answered, "You should have brought it to my attention, not 'buried' this fact in a quote."

Aha! I needed to look at the world through his glasses and be his advocate, watch his back. This changed my approach to business.

Consider the story of the *Tardy Artist*.

Another client needed a sample for a trade show. I developed the artwork. The artist I selected was running late. In fact, the artwork arrived the Friday evening before the trade show was to begin on Monday.

Normally, I needed at least a week to get the sample prepared. Now I had three days. I could have told the client, "The artwork was late; there was nothing I could do."

But I had made a promise and had to exhaust all possibilities. I contacted the owner of a "short run" sample house in Chicago. He agreed to bring in his decorating crew on Saturday and I would pay the overtime.

I sent the art package by overnight mail to Chicago for first Saturday delivery. At about 10 a.m. on Saturday, the sample house called me, asking, "Where is the package?"

I called FedEx and learned they had erred, that my package was in a "Monday morning" container with 8,000 other packages. It wouldn't be sorted until Monday.

I could have told my client, "The artwork was late, FedEx messed up; there was nothing I could do."

But I had made a promise and had to exhaust all possibilities.

I went up the food chain in FedEx, constantly hearing, "There's nothing I can do." I kept responding, "I understand there is nothing you can do. Let's find someone who can."

Finally, someone in authority opened the container and found my package. FedEx paid to put it on a plane to Chicago.

I called the short run house and asked the owner to decorate through the night. On Sunday, they drove the flat samples 100 miles to a Michigan factory, where the factory manager fabricated the sample, then drove it back to Chicago.

On Monday morning, it was in the client's trade show booth.

I watched his back – and continued to get all his business.

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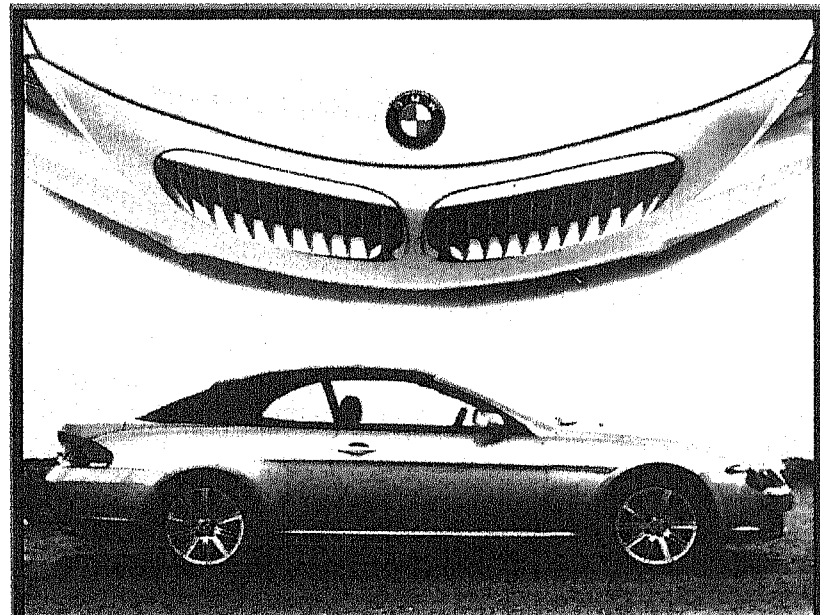
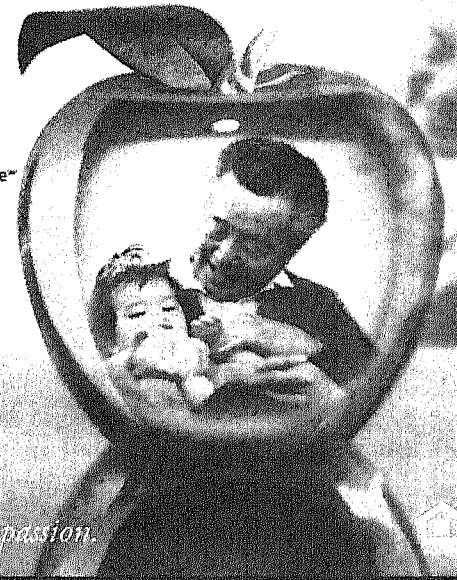
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## Stores Gather for Warmth

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Nevertheless, the DMC is holding a series of roundtables for business owners to discuss a variety of business topics and learn from one another. The first meeting, held January 21, focused on using advertising dollars wisely.

"Cranford's downtown shopping area is typical of many downtown areas," Miller said. "It is almost exclusively made up of mom and pop retail stores and restaurants. They have very little budget for advertising, so we focused on low-cost ways to make their advertising budgets go farther."

Putting out a guestbook to develop an email list is a way store owners can announce promotions for little or no cost, she noted. Banding together for group promotions is another way to make advertising dollars stretch farther. The DMC also plans to increase special promotions and programs to attract visitors to the area.

The Downtown Westfield Corporation also offers a variety of promotions to draw customers to downtown businesses, according to its director, Shelley Corbin. This year Corbin will focus on a variety of programs from summer jazz performance and sidewalk sales to more cross-promotional events with stores.

"The difference in going to a downtown business is the level of service," said Corbin. "Many of our businesses have been in the downtown area for over 25 years. Once people come downtown they see that our stores provide a level of goods and the type of services that make customers want to return."

Joe Steiner has spent the last 30 years working with various chambers of commerce, committees and boards focusing on small business development in the Union County area.

"The work to save small businesses has been actively going on for many years," he said. "What happens in a recession is that more small business owners realize the necessity and begin to participate in things like the special improvement districts or the Small Business Administration programs."

There are many strong, well-developed programs in the area, Steiner added. The UCEDC (formerly the Union County Economic Development Corporation) has developed programs that are being copied by the state's Department of Communities Main Street New Jersey program. One of the most significant new offerings from the UCEDC is a line of credit available for small business owners.

"We are expanding our arsenal of tools for our small business clients," said Paige Sato, director of business development for the organization. The organization will hold a series of procurement events designed to teach small business owners how to get government contracts.

For several years the UCEDC has offered small business "micro loans" of up to \$35,000. However, the organization found these loans were sometimes larger than some small business owners needed, Sato said.

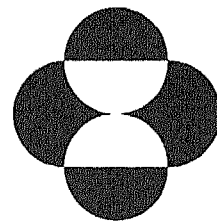
"For some of our small business clients, a line of credit that they could draw on only when they needed it was really the better option, but we didn't have it available until recently," she said.

Because the UCEDC is not a depository organization and did not have the "back office capabilities" to handle the paperwork for this type of loan, it looked for a bank with which to partner.

"We talked with a number of banks that were not interested for a variety of reasons, then we were approached by Investors Savings Bank of Summit," Sato said. "They wanted to become more involved in commercial lending, and were happy to work with us to set up the paperwork for the line of credit loans."

The loans became available in November 2008. The UCEDC already has closed on two and a number of others are in the works.

"The credit line is a safety net for many small businesses, particularly at this time," Sato said. "It can be used to make payroll or purchase inventory while waiting for accounts payable to come in."



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## Turning the Tide

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With most storefronts long overdue for a facelift, Springfield Mayor Bart Fraenkel met with downtown property owners from a four-block stretch of Morris Avenue the first week of December and confronted the issue head on.

"Redevelopment is generally viewed as a developer coming in and one way or another building from scratch," Fraenkel said. "Often there is the use of eminent domain. We've taken that off the table. We're not using the words redevelopment or eminent domain. We are referring to this as a revitalization of our downtown."

"We told the property owners it is incumbent upon them to revitalize their properties, to not let them run down. We're making the effort to reach out to them to find out what incentives they need, short of money, because we're in the same financial squeeze everybody else is in, yet we can't continue to let these properties get run down."

Property owners have asked Springfield officials to consider amending current zoning laws to permit adding second and third floors to their buildings to generate more square footage for rentals.

"That would be a financial incentive for them and we can discuss those kinds of things," Fraenkel said. "Our view is that it is not going to cost the town money and will enable the property owners to have an incentive to go ahead and make further investments in their property."

Fraenkel concedes the economic downturn has aggravated the situation and may stymie progress, but warned property owners the township means business.

"Make a minor investment," he said. "Do the right thing – paint, siding, new windows, whatever is necessary so it doesn't look like a depressed area. Do something that you can take pride in."

Progress made over the years in Rahway exemplifies the ultimate success story for the popular New Jersey Transit Village Initiative.

The program was created by the New Jersey Department of Transportation and NJ TRANSIT to acknowledge the existence of transit-friendly, smart growth land use practices in designated municipalities that allow for mixed-use development (with a strong residential component) to occur within a quarter-mile to half-mile radius around rail or bus passenger facilities. Rahway is one of 18 designated municipalities.

The renovation of Rahway's train station in 1998 helped trigger a series of developments within walking distance of the station, according to Mayor James Kennedy.

"It started with higher densities in and around the train station," Kennedy said. "In order for a transit village to be successful you need to take a serious look at density around the train station."

"We've changed (density) dramatically and that has encouraged developers. Ultimately there will be 1,500 units of housing within a short range of the train station, and that amounts to 10 percent of the town's population in the central business district. That one critical mass of people will create a healthier commercial market."

There are 150 rental units now occupied, another 150 coming online shortly, and 65 of 86 condominiums occupied or under contract under Phase I of the redevelopment, according to Kennedy.

Rahway also incorporated public sector improvements in its redevelopment, including a recreation center and an innovative library that features commercial space on its upper floors, a 40,000-square-foot public/private partnership that is a source of pride.

There are four other projects pending, according to the mayor. Land has been acquired and the owners are looking to move forward, but the economic downturn has slowed progress.

"We didn't realize the economy would start to crumble," he said.

However, there remains significant public investment in new amenities, things that will make people want to live and work in town, according to Kennedy, including a 1,000-seat amphitheater; a "black box" theater (a growing retro trend in flexible performance space); and a gallery and performing arts studio.

"We're using the cultural arts as an economic stimulus," Kennedy explained. "Of course, the central focal piece is the Union County Arts Center."

Rahway is not feeling as much economic pain as other downtown districts, Kennedy claims.

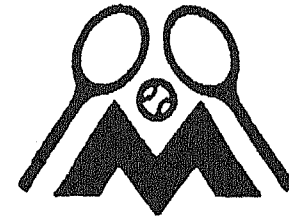
"We were always undervalued so we're not seeing large hits on our real estate values as much as in some places," he said. "What seems to be alive in this market is the rental market."

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# Did You Know...

## Now is the best time to join the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce

By Kate Conroy, Vice President

Let's face it: these are some scary times we're facing. Historically, during times of economic stress, businesses have tended to go with their gut-instincts and cut spending on non-fixed costs – you have to pay rent, keep the phones on and pay the electric bill. Non-fixed costs have almost always included marketing.

As a result, people stop buying your product and you stop marketing simultaneously.

It's not a good formula for success, one might argue. But it's hard to argue with a business owner who sees his profits dwindling that extras and frivolities are necessary expenses.

The problem, however, is in lumping in marketing dollars with "extras" and "frivolities." Until we have the word-of-mouth power of Google or Verizon, we are all happy to get all the help we can.

What better help is there than the chamber? Where else do you get 170 events throughout the year, the chance to pitch your product or service as often or to as many people, and the aid of a personal introduction?

The trick is in taking advantage. We are all amazingly busy. I often marvel at the speed with which my week passes. Every time I turn around it's Friday and that's because every day we have one meeting or another, and go to them all.

It's a big commitment. The reward, however, is getting to know someone, perhaps making a friend and doing some business.

People do business with people they know, like and trust. The alternative is opening the phone book, which is something I haven't had to do since I took this job.

You might think you have enough friends and that might be true, but are you really willing to say you don't want any additional business? Because that's what you're turning down when you turn down the chamber. We are a huge organization, but we're also very tightly knit and we're constantly talking to each other.

For example, a new member recently asked me to make an introduction to several banks, and I did. No other chamber or business organization gets involved at that level.

It goes beyond those of us in the office, however. If you meet a member at a meeting and they know someone who can help you, they'll probably make an introduction.

Sales are great, of course, but math is math and every new sale costs money – whether because of a commission or those pesky marketing dollars we were talking about earlier.

What doesn't cost anything is money saved and the chamber can help you there, too. The Affinity Programs are special discounts on products and services that all businesses use and need. You have to buy office supplies and you have to buy them somewhere. Why not look at the chamber's program with W. B. Mason and see if they can save you money?

More often than not they can and it doesn't cost a thing. On average, W.B. saves members 15 percent. The industry standard is that most businesses spend approximately \$500 per employee per year on office supplies. If you have 20 employees you're probably spending about \$10,000 on office supplies each year. Could you really do without an extra \$1,500 in your pocket?

I can think of a lot of things I could do with \$1,500. And this is just one program; let's not forget about the other 16!

All you have to do is ask. That's what we're here for. The chamber exists for one purpose: to promote and advance your business interests. That means helping you make money and helping you save money. We've been doing it since 1911 and, frankly, no one does it better.

Scary times or not, life goes on. As member Eric Segal said to me this morning, "It's time to buckle down and get through this. And we will get through this."

You can get through this by scrambling and cold-calling or you can get through this with the help of the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce – by attending events, getting introductions, making introductions, saving money and meeting people.

There is no better time to join the chamber. We have more people, more connections and more business than any other organization in this region.

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## What's Coming Up!

Date	Event.....	Times	Location
Feb 5	Networking Professionals of New Jersey Breakfast Meeting .....	7:30 AM	Perkins of Green Brook, 297 US Highway 22 East, Green Brook
Feb 5	Workforce Education Committee .....	8:45 AM	Chamber Office, 135 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth
Feb 11	Kenilworth Chamber Meeting.....	8:00 AM	Check our website for meeting location
Feb 13	Local & County Affairs Committee .....	8:30 AM	Check our website for location
Feb 17	Irish Business Association (IBA) meeting .....	6:00 PM	Molly McGuire's, 1085 Central Avenue, Clark
Feb 19	Gateway Association of Business Women .....	11:45 AM	La Casa di Martino, 301 West Clay Avenue, Roselle Park
	Reservation required – Cost: \$25 Chamber Members - \$35 Non-Members		
Feb 24	Linden Chamber Meeting.....	8:15 AM	Epicor, Incorporated, 1414 East Linden Avenue, Linden
Feb 25	Clark Chamber Meeting.....	8:30 AM	Sovereign Bank, 1005 Raritan Road, Clark
Feb 26	Springfield Chamber Meeting.....	8:30 PM	Springfield Fire Department, 200 Mountain Avenue, Springfield
Feb 27	Somerset Hill Business Network General Meeting.....	8:00 AM	Royce Brook Golf Club, 201 Hamilton Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

For additional event information call the Chamber office at 908-352-0900 or visit our website at [www.gatewaychamber.com](http://www.gatewaychamber.com)

## Inside Views

### Money on the Table

As with so many others, I have been receiving my end-of-year financial statements and looking at them with dismay over years of savings that have diminished in such a short period of time. It is a depressing perusal. Fortunately, I have quite a few years until retirement, and with luck their value will recover before then.



Jim Coyle

With one group of investments, however, I am feeling a great deal of distress. For years my wife and I have saved for our sons' college education. We were smart; we put these savings in tax-exempt 529 plans so they would attain their maximum value.

In looking through these statements, I realize that more than a year's worth of tuition savings has simply disappeared. And there are only two years left until I have to start paying tuition.

Unfortunately, my situation is not unique. I know there are many other families facing the same problem or, perhaps worse, have little savings set aside to help their kids get through college to begin with.

What is very surprising to me is that more families do little about it, even though there is a great deal of money out there in the form of scholarships that can help ease the burden of paying tuition.

For years the Gateway Chamber has run a small scholarship program. It is geared toward graduating high school students in Union County who have an interest in pursuing technical or vocational training. It is not directed at the straight-A student going to an Ivy League college, but rather to the student who may not be able to afford the cost of going to a four year school or who may not have the grades to get in.

The scholarship is not a big one – usually the amount awarded is \$1,000 – but it often can make a big difference in whether or not school is an option.

What is surprising is that some years it is very difficult to find enough applications for us to give away the money. Often, the bulk of the applicants will come from one area high school with only a couple from other schools. Several of our local chambers that also award scholarships have faced a similar paucity of applicants.

Not understanding why anyone would not devote a couple hours of time to get a \$1,000 payoff, I asked a number of high school guidance counselors why so few kids bother to apply for scholarships. Their responses show a real frustration at how far down financial aid really is on most people's lists.

Quite frankly, most counselors believe that the main reason families don't apply for scholarships is because they don't think they'll get them. Either the parents make too much money or the kids' grades are not good enough for them to have any real chance at getting anything. These families don't understand that there are loads of scholarships that are not need- or performance-based.

The second big reason is that many scholarships aren't for a whole lot of money. This is certainly true, but \$1,000 is better than nothing, and there is no reason to apply for only one scholarship. Since most applications require pretty much the same information, once collected, subsequent applications become relatively easy. Some of the more aggressive applicants collect so many scholarships they actually end up covering their school costs and having money left over.

The third most common complaint is that kids don't bother to tell their parents what is available because they have enough work already and don't want to spend their time filling out applications.

Fall tuition bills come in June and that is when parents start to freak out wondering how they're going to pay for this. Of course, scholarship applications are due in March, so by June it's too late.

If you don't want to find yourself in this position, I suggest you contact your child's guidance counselor now. You might also want to check out a couple of websites. Try [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com), [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com), [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) (scholarship search) or [www.meritaid.com](http://www.meritaid.com). I'll be right there with you!

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## Where the Chamber Stands...

### Stealing the Vote is Wrong

In the weeks preceding the presidential election, the media noted that poll numbers were mitigated by the unknown factor of how much race would influence Americans in the privacy of the voting booth.

That wild card – each voter's right to cast his or her ballot in private – is one of the most treasured keystones of democracy.

So it is ironic that national labor leaders are now fighting to steal that right from American workers through the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA).

The EFCA is intended to streamline the process of certifying a union, facilitate initial collective bargaining once a union is in place, and strengthen enforcement of the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA) and penalties for its violation. The bill passed the House in the last Congress before stalling in the Senate, but it is being revived.

The key component of the EFCA that is most contentious is that it would allow employees to form a union by simply collecting enough names on membership cards, the so-called card-check system, rather than being required to hold a vote by secret ballot.

Currently, when employees in a workplace want to form a union, the NLRA requires they collect signed membership cards or a petition representing at least 30 percent of the employees to be covered by the union. While a company can immediately recognize the union at that time, in nearly all cases management opts to exercise its right to require an election by secret ballot under the eye of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).

The Employee Free Choice Act would eliminate the right for an election by secret ballot – or put another way, the right of employees to cast their votes without a fellow employee watching.

Proponents of both labor and business are chiming in on the issue.

Unions spent an estimated \$450 million supporting Barack Obama and the Democratic Party last fall, according to the *Los Angeles Times*. Obama has nominated Hilda Solis for Labor Secretary, who is seen as very pro-labor and has expressed support for the bill.

The AFL-CIO claims that 60 million American workers would join a union tomorrow if given the chance and that union members earn 30 percent more than non-union members, are 50 percent more likely to have medical insurance and more than four times as likely to have a pension plan. So making it easier for employees to unionize is good for them.

In the other corner is the business community, led by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which points out that the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals noted that "Workers sometimes sign union authorization cards not because they intend to vote for the union in the election but to avoid offending the person who asks them to sign, often a fellow worker, or simply to get the person off their back." The chamber also cites a Zogby International poll in which "union members overwhelmingly (84% to 11%) indicated that employees should have the right to specifically vote whether or not to join a union."

Non-partisan numbers speak for themselves. In fiscal 2007, the NLRB found that 1,771 employees were "fired in violation of their organizational rights," the *Los Angeles Times* reported. Clearly, sometimes businesses do not bargain in good faith and/or punish employees for trying to unionize, and that is unacceptable.

But the *Times* also reported that of the more than 22,000 unfair-labor-practice charges filed with the NLRB in 2007, 6,000 were against labor unions, most for illegal restraint and coercion. Sometimes unions are not so fair, either.

Here are some more numbers. Labor unions represent 12.1 percent of the nation's 129 million workers, down from 20 percent in 1983 and 36 percent at their apex in 1945.

It is not a stretch to at least suspect the real passion behind labor's support for the EFCA is not an altruistic belief in the rights of employees to unionize but rather in the need for an increase in membership – and dues.

Yet perhaps all the analysis of numbers and debate of motives is irrelevant because the Employee Free Choice Act will take away something that sits at the core of American liberties – the right to cast one's vote in private, free from the possibility of coercion or unwanted influence.

Which brings us back to irony. How is taking away someone's right to vote in private free choice?

The Employee Free Choice Act is a bad bill. Not because it is bad for American businesses, but rather because it is bad for Americans who believe in their right to vote their conscience in private.

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# Capital Page...

## Congressman Leonard Lance (R-7)

### Strengthening our economy is number one issue for Congress

Our economy is hurting. In the last two months alone U.S. employers have slashed 1.1 million jobs, sending the national jobless rate above 7 percent for the first time in more than 15 years.

Here in New Jersey, income and property taxes are at an all-time high. Our state is neck-deep in record debt. And the current economic crisis has many New Jerseyans worried about losing their jobs, their homes, their investments and their retirement future.

The news for New Jersey's business community isn't any better. According to the non-partisan Tax Foundation, New Jersey's small businesses suffer from the nation's second worst business climate, including excessive government bureaucracy, burdensome over-regulation and high taxes. Many businesses are struggling to keep afloat because credit lines are frozen or have dried up.

As a new member of Congress representing New Jersey's 7th Congressional District, I believe our economic recovery should be Congress' foremost domestic priority in 2009. To achieve recovery, I intend to work with like-minded members of Congress to fight for a federal economic recovery package that provides critical tax relief to working families and incentives to businesses to create and maintain jobs.

I believe vibrant, healthy capital markets are critical to economic growth. Upon my election to Congress, I immediately sought and have recently received an appointment to the influential House Financial Services Committee, which oversees all components of the nation's housing and financial services sectors, including banking, insurance, real estate and securities. This committee assignment will allow me to work in a bipartisan fashion to strengthen U.S. capital markets for New Jersey's working families and small- and medium-sized businesses and investors.

Already, the Financial Services Committee has held important hearings as part of congressional efforts to respond to the current economic crisis. I am working hard to ensure that homeowners – not Wall Street's bad actors – receive vital emergency housing and mortgage relief funds and

that taxpayers are protected from wasteful and unnecessary spending.

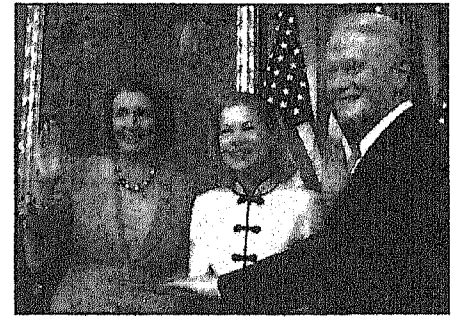
I understand that small businesses play an important role in a healthy economy because they create jobs in every community across our country. Too many small businesses are feeling the impact of the economic recession. Congress must include provisions in the economic stimulus plan to help small business owners expand their businesses and create new jobs.

We pay too much in taxes. Congress must include tax relief for all taxpayers in its economic recovery plan – including businesses. Businesses must be allowed to write off last year's losses, as well as losses occurred this year. We should reward those hiring workers or forgoing layoffs by providing one-time business tax credits. And smaller businesses should be able to write off a wide variety of expenditures, encouraging them to invest to create jobs. These are just a few of the provisions I believe should be part of any final stimulus plan.

Like many of my colleagues, I support including in the stimulus package new investments in our national infrastructure. Rebuilding and refurbishing our nation's bridges and highways will help create important construction industry jobs. However, Congress must reject pork barrel projects and ensure that the economic stimulus package is free of wasteful earmarks.

The Congress and the Obama Administration must work together in crafting an economic stimulus that responds to the current crisis. Working in a bipartisan fashion we can produce a fiscally responsible package that delivers immediate help to every level of our economy – protecting taxpayers and delivering the right kind of relief to small business.

If Congress and the President get it right, we can help strengthen our economy, help New Jersey's working families and provide relief to job-creating small businesses.



## Insight *New Team in Washington – What Can We Expect?*

By Merle Treusch

A new Democratic president is in the White House. The Democrats have expanded their majorities in both the House and the Senate. This means that Barack Obama will have little trouble producing a cascade of new liberal policies from Washington.

Right?

Well, maybe – but then again, maybe not.

Historically the record is not clear. In fact the last three presidents to have similar party control of Congress did not fare all that well. Jimmy Carter (1977), Bill Clinton (1993) and George W. Bush (2005) all experienced serious legislative setbacks to their proposed agenda – on energy, health care and social security, respectively.

We have to go back 44 years to Lyndon Johnson to find a president able to steamroll his agenda through a compliant Congress of his own party.

Will Barack Obama be another Lyndon Johnson – or another Jimmy Carter? That is the question.

Positive signs do exist. Despite only four years experience in Washington, Obama still exceeds Carter, Clinton and Bush 43, who had no Washington experience when they entered office. And his experience both in Illinois and D.C. is as a legislator – something else Clinton and Bush 43 lacked. Understanding how things work at the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue is a frequently overlooked asset.

Another advantage for Obama: Congressional Democrats and their leaders are hungry for legislative success. Carter and Clinton faced veteran Democratic Congresses long-accustomed to being in the majority and going toe-to-toe with Republican executives. That is, they were skilled in opposing – but not in following – the president.

On top of this, Democrats facing the voters in 2010 know from recent history that the surest path to reelection will come if Barack Obama, and his party, are perceived as successful in governing the country. When Carter and Clinton were seen as ineffective, the voters took it out on all Democrats. Just as congressional Republicans suffered in 2006 and 2008 when President Bush's

public support declined.

But the picture is not all roses for two very big reasons. First, the condition of the country's economy today dwarfs the situation encountered by any new president since Franklin Roosevelt. Record budget and trade deficits, a declining industrial base, an aging population and hence growing bills for benefits such as Social Security and Medicare – all present obstacles to a quick or painless recovery.

Second, the level of expectations is high – unreasonably so. "Change" was a tactically smart campaign theme – both desirable and vague. Because it was vague, every group of Obama supporters could assume it meant the type of change they most wanted. But with limited resources – made more so by large bail-out and stimulus expenditures – scaling down and deferring many of these implicit promises will be inevitable.

One other challenge may not be as readily apparent. In 2006 and 2008 Democrats won Senate and House seats in previously Republican areas. To do so, winning Democrats had to convince voters they were not John Kerry-style liberals – but instead reflected the moderate and even slightly conservative values of their constituents. For Nancy Pelosi and congressional Democrats to retain their majority, policies enacted by an Obama administration will need to satisfy the values of Montana and Virginia – not just those of San Francisco and New York.

New Jersey may well present a cautionary note for national Democrats. The last two Democratic governors to seek reelection have run into problems because they either over-reached (Jim Florio) or over-promised (Jon Corzine). Barack Obama will need to find a way to walk this tightrope – governing "from the center" while still living up to the hope for real "change" that fueled his meteoric ascent to the White House.

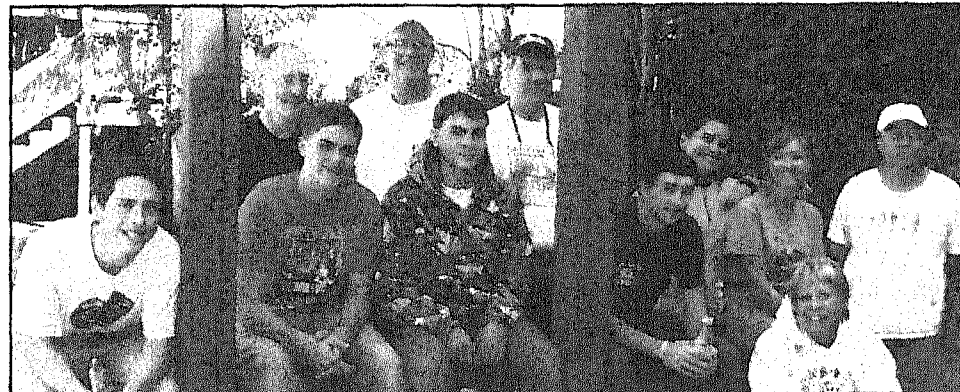
Presidents who achieve that balance can rise to greatness. Those who fail may serve only one term.

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## The Inside Look...

**Infineum USA L.P.** recently partnered with the Linden public schools to help children better understand science at the annual North Jersey Section of the American Chemical Society ChemExpo held at the Liberty Science Center. Infineum employees demonstrated Chemiluminescence, a chemical change that produces visible light, helping children to create the reaction.

Volunteers and family members from Infineum's Bayway Chemical Plant and Linden Business and Technology Center also helped build homes for economically disadvantaged families as part of the Habitat for Humanity program. The Infineum team worked side-by-side with prospective homeowners.



Infineum employees and family members take a break from a day of painting and floor installation at a Habitat for Humanity home in Newark.

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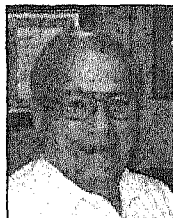
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The law firm of **Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C.** again teamed up with children in the community to design the firm's holiday card. The card was designed by Olivia, 8, of Long Valley. Olivia's drawing of a snowman outside a house with holiday lights was selected as the winning illustration in a contest sponsored by the law firm and Good Grief, the Summit-based organization that provides grief support to children and their families.

The firm also announced that The Urban Land Institute recently honored partner **Jerry Fitzgerald English** to be Land Use Educator of the Year for her graduate seminar in Environmental Problem Solving at New Jersey Institute of Technology.

**City Fire Equipment Company** recently hosted its latest free fire facts seminar at Seton Hall University, providing an update on NJ Fire Prevention Code to more than 400 fire officials and inspectors and building facility managers and engineers.

City Fire Equipment Company twice annually holds free seminars on fire safety and prevention open to all New Jersey fire officials and fire code inspectors, as well as property owners and building managers in the residential, commercial, government and education sectors. The seminars, held in coordination with the South Orange Fire Department and Seton Hall, allow firefighting professionals and those responsible for building and association safety to remain current in the latest fire safety developments.



**Spencer Savings Bank** recently collected more than 300 toys for its 2008 Holiday Toy Drive. Bank employees distributed the toys to St. Joseph's Children's Hospital in Paterson, Hackensack University Medical Center and the NJ Community Development Corporation, which assists low-income Paterson families and the Garfield YMCA.

**The Northfield Bank Foundation** has announced that it awarded a total of \$98,475 in grants to seven non-profit organizations located in Central New Jersey, including: Homefirst in Plainfield; Linden Public Library; Union County Performing Arts Center; Kean University; Woodbridge Township Educational Foundation; Raritan Bay Medical Center; and St. Peter's College.

**Northfield Bank** also recently opened its new Operations Center in Woodbridge. Woodbridge Mayor **John McCormac** took the opportunity to announce Northfield's \$20,000 grant to the Woodbridge Community Youth Players.

**TD Bank** recently opened its newest Union County branch in New Providence. **Andrew Gaffney** will serve as manager of the new store. To celebrate the opening, TD Bank held a ribbon cutting ceremony and named local resident **Michael Piana** a Hometown Hero for his commitment to protecting the local community. Piana designated the Saint Barnabas Burn Center as the organization to receive a cash donation from the bank.

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