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BIG WHEELS

Hillside Police have found a new way of deterring shoplifters and other small-time crooks.

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UCWA defeats UC in latest legal fight

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

The Union County Watchdog Association won an Open Public Records Act court battle last week against the county, one of many that are stacking up on the side of open government.

The Superior Court of New Jersey Appellate Division upheld a decision last week by Union County Superior Court Judge Katherine Brock, who determined in September 2010 that Renna was entitled to receive the complete list of senior citizen names and addresses compiled by the county and used for a senior newsletter during primary and general elections.

Regarding the most recent case against Union County, however, the appellate court ordered the county, and therefore taxpayers, to pay all Renna's legal bills, which came to approximately \$6,000, according to her attorney Walter Luers.

Renna has long maintained the newsletter was a taxpayer-funded campaign mailer put out by the county at election time. The county, though, has denied this, maintaining the list of seniors was compiled merely to distribute the newsletter and nothing else.

"This newsletter is mailed to the seniors right before primary and general elections and features officials who are up for re-election," Renna said, adding that that the UCWA believes the "county lied in their argument" stating that the seniors voluntarily signed up to receive the county newsletter.

"Not that it matters," Renna said, "the county would still have to release the record."

Union County Communications Director Sebastian D'Elia noted in See WATCHDOG, Page 4



Photo By Paul Greulich

Local youngsters were out in force last week for a township committee meeting where money was bonded for the installation of a turf field at Jonathan Dayton High School. Showing their support for the project are Ryan Lashek, Selim Coppola, Patrick Machado, Anthony Machado, Anthony Rajoppi, Antonio Salcfels, Caity McTernan, Maggie Phillips, Holly Wilson, and Abby Wilson.

Cranford decides on regional health dept.

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

The days when towns were able to financially support their own fully-staffed local health department are slowly but surely going by the wayside.

Many towns have opted to join regionalized health systems because they can provide state mandated services at a lower cost. But it may be short on the personalized touch that has so defined local health departments in the past.

Last month Cranford signed an interlocal contract with the Westfield Regional Health Department, appointing Megan Avallone health director of the WRHD, as the township's new health officer. However, in making that decision the township sacrificed having an on-site health officer, which they have had for the last 30 years.

As health director for the WRHD, Avallone heads a regionalized conglomerate overseeing the See LOSING, Page 3

Council decides 'Springfield kids deserve a turf field'

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — Amid heavy public turnout and heated debate, the Township Committee approved the introduction of a bond ordinance for \$3.4 million for a project to install artificial turf on the sports field at Jonathan Dayton High School.

Proponents of the project included dozens of student athletes and their parents who said the township is in dire need of a suitable field for athletic activities.

Opponents, including the local Environmental Commission, are worried that the project, located in a flood zone directly adjacent to Van Winkles Brook, could worsen the township's already serious flooding problems.

Many of the young athletes who came to show their support carried signs and wore t-shirts emblazoned with the phrase "Springfield kids deserve turf field." Among them was Daniel Munoz, a fifth grade student who plays football, basketball and baseball.

"I want a turf field so I can play on it when it's football season," Munoz said.

Munoz said he and his teammates play on Dragonfly Stadium behind the high school, but at this field the ground is easily becoming too muddy when it rains or too hard when it is cold out.

"If it's cold the day before, it hurts when you fall on it," Munoz explained.

Some said the township lacks community pride because unlike most of the surrounding towns, Springfield doesn't have a location where residents can gather for sporting events.

District Superintendent Michael Davino said Springfield would have to pay Union \$25,000 to use their fields for four to five football games.

Dean Paoella, a local coach, criticized local politicians for flagging on the issue of turf field after initially vowing to support it.

"Kids have no place to play at the high school See TURF, Page 6

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The Old West comes east



Summit High School Performing Arts Department will present 'Oklahoma!' on March 14 at 6 p.m., and March 15 through 17 at 7:30 p.m. The cast features, Mariah Dalton, Brad Przedpelski, seated, and standing, Lynsey Newsham, Greg Archer, Sam Goodstein, Nicole Mion, and Keenan Buckley.

SUMMIT BRIEFS

ARC director speaks to Old Guard on Feb. 28

Frank X. Garagher, executive director of ARC of Union County, will speak at the Feb. 28 meeting of the Summit Old Guard at the New Providence Municipal Center. Garagher will discuss Greensports Inc., a business that employs people with disabilities. He will offer details on how to evaluate and place individuals.

All area 50-plus active men are invited to attend meetings of the Summit Area Old Guard on Tuesday mornings at the New Providence Municipal Center at 360 Elkwood Ave. A coffee hour starts at 9:15 a.m., that is followed by a 10 a.m. brief business meeting. Old Guard members participate in sports, bridge, hikes, trips, plays, concerts and cultural events. Call Ralph Ortega at 908-244-4384 for more information or visit www.summitoldguard.homestead.com.

Oak Knoll School open house about summer programs

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child has invited the community to learn more about its 2012 summer programs at an open house on the Oak Knoll campus on March 25 from 1 to 3 p.m. It will cover academics to sports.

Oak Knoll's Academic Summer Session will run from June 25 to Aug. 3. This co-educational program is open to any student entering kindergarten, and grades four through 12, not just those currently enrolled at Oak Knoll. Planned courses for high school students include SAT/ACT preparation, both language/writing and math courses, and college essay writing. Enrichment courses for students entering grades seven through 10, include Algebra 1, geometry and trigonometry, and have been designed for students looking to acquaint themselves to a particular subject

they will be taking in the fall, or to help sharpen their knowledge in a subject area. For primary and middle school students, skill development courses in creative writing, journalism, and reading will be offered. New this year is a Kindergarten Ready program, for an academically-based program that includes opportunities for socialization and play for children entering kindergarten in the fall. For more information, detailed course descriptions, and to register, visit www.oakknoll.org/summer.

Summit to participate in 'comprehensive' survey

The city of Summit recently received a grant from the Summit Area Public Foundation to participate in a comprehensive community survey which randomly samples a portion of the population, representative of the entire city. The purpose of the survey is to learn more about the experiences and preferences of local residents for a wide range of services.

Participating households have been selected through random, scientific sampling to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the survey results. Additionally, the response data will be weighed statistically to reflect Summit's proper demographic composition.

Each selected household has received one survey. A reminder survey will be sent within a week, however, it is important to respond only once.

The city encourages residents to return the survey as soon as possible, with the goal of receiving the completed surveys by March 2; responses are completely anonymous, it was announced.

The survey is being administered by The National Survey Survey. The results will be useful in assessing the level of citizen satisfaction with the delivery of services provided by the city and an understanding of what services the public considers most important.

Losing 'home rule' can bring savings

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towns of Garwood, Roselle Park, Springfield, Mountainside, Fanwood, New Providence, Summit and now Cranford.

Westfield actually was a pioneer in the regionalized health arena, taking on surrounding municipalities in the 1950s. Today the WRHD provides over 140,000 residents with a variety of public health services.

Despite the huge task of providing public health services for so many towns, Avallone takes pride in knowing the WRHD provides excellent services to all the communities contracted with them.

Every town that opts to go into a regionalized public health system has the option of selecting the services they require. For example, Cranford required state mandated health officer coverage, as well as several other mandated services, which the WRHD was able to provide. Other towns opt for more or less services, depending on each municipality's individual needs and budget constraints.

The move by Cranford to enter an interlocal agreement with the WRHD came after former health officer Warren Hehl, a township employee for 23 years, left at the end of September to assume the position of health officer in Rahway.

This left the township without state mandated health officer coverage. Although most municipalities prefer to have a health officer on staff, Cranford decided to look at all options before making a decision. This included taking a closer look at entering into an interlocal agreement with a town providing regionalized services.

There were several options open to the township, including contracting with the WRHD or the city of Rahway, which also provides regionalized services to other municipalities in the county.

Rahway currently provides a variety of public health services for Hillside, Scotch Plains, Berkeley Heights and Winfield Park. Each, contracts for different services depending on need. Hillside, for example, only contracts with Rahway for health officer coverage, while Scotch Plains has full health department services. Berkeley Heights, on the other hand, receives all health services except public nursing, which they contract for with Runnells Hospital.

Not all municipalities in the county find entering into a regionalized health system a viable option. Union, for instance, while not taking multiple towns under its wing, does provide health officer coverage and backup environmental services for Kenilworth.

The remainder of the county's

21 municipalities, including Clark, Elizabeth, Linden, Plainfield and Roselle continue to staff their own health departments.

Other towns are finding the cost of locally providing mandated public health services too high.

Last year Linden Mayor Rich Gerbounka looked at this issue but said the city was not ready to move into a regionalized system for health services.

The state requires that every municipality provide mandated services, in addition to a licensed full-time health officer, public health nursing services, health education services and environmental services, which involves food store inspections and public health complaint investigations.

A multitude of other non-mandated services such as animal control, dog licensing, housing inspection and other complaints have put a strain on most local health department's finances and dwindling staff.

Cranford Interim Administrator Police Chief Eric Mason said Friday that going into the WRHD system was definitely a cost saving move for the township.

"Let's face it the WRHD brings a lot of expertise and more resources than one individual health officer would bring to us," he said.

Mason said the township will save a considerable amount of money by sharing services with Westfield. He explained with Hehl earning \$92,205 annually plus health benefits of at least \$15,000 a year, it does not compare to the \$57,114 they are paying for the one-year interlocal agreement with WRHD.

The township, like all municipalities, is required by law to have a Registrar of Vital Statistics on site to handle marriage and death certificates. This is one mandated service that cannot be shared with another municipality. Although this routinely is a health department function, vital statistic services may be assigned to another municipal department, such as the township clerk's office.

The majority of towns going into regionalized systems, though, are able to pick and choose the public health services they require. That can run as low as \$8,500 a year to as much as \$85,000, according to one health officer.

Union County municipalities have, for years, shared other health department services in order to reduce costs. Animal control is one. Although Cranford has a contract with Associated Humane for around \$55,000 a year to provide animal control services, other towns, like Linden, Elizabeth and

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What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY

February 25, 2012

EVENT: Big Indoor Flea Market
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, 1 Raritan Road, Roselle
TIME: 9am-4pm
DETAILS: Call for information 908-245-2350
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School.

SUNDAY

March 4, 2012

EVENT: Monthly Flea Market Craft & Collectible Show
PLACE: Belleville High School, 100 Pascaic Ave. (off Joralemon St.) Belleville NJ
TIME: 9 - 5PM Indoors/Outdoors
ADMISSION: Free
DETAILS: For information call 201.998.1144 or events@jcpromotions.info

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ORGANIZATION HOSTS: JC Promotions, Inc. a fundraising company that produces flea markets, street fairs, arts & craft shows throughout NJ for over 50 organizations, is coordinating this event in conjunction with the Belleville Athletic Advisory Council.

AUCTION

FRIDAY

MARCH 2, 2012

EVENT: "Bon Voyage" Gift Auction
PLACE: Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road Clark, NJ (GSP exit 135, across from the Crowne Plaza Hotel)
TIME: Doors open at 5:30PM; Auction begins at 7:30PM
PRICE: \$15.00 in Advance. NO tickets will be sold at the door.
DETAILS: For information call 732 382-1952 or giftauction@motherseton.org
ORGANIZATION: Mother Seton Regional High School Parents' Guild

OTHER

SATURDAY

March 3rd, 2012

EVENT: St. Patrick's Day Dance
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, 1 Raritan Road, Roselle
TIME: 8:00PM - 12 Midnight
PRICE: Tickets \$35.00 per person
To reserve your table or to order tickets, contact: Erin Sweeney at RC: 908-245-2350 or
Email: esweeney@rosellecatholic.org
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ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School.

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Watchdog Association wins another suit against county

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court papers that the list of seniors' names and addresses was used only to provide information about services and programs of interest to seniors in the county. Although, according to court documents, D'Elia expressed concern about Renna contacting individuals on the list, both the superior and appellate courts said Renna never did.

In fact, according to court appellate division documents, the county felt their concerns were warranted, because "failure to redact home addresses will result in a breach of its OPRA-mandated obligation to safeguard constituents private information."

The appellate court, however, disagreed, noting that "the purpose of OPRA is to maximize public knowledge about public affairs in

order to ensure an informed citizenry and minimize the evils inherent in a secluded process."

Renna put in the Open Public Records Act request for the mailing list, and although she received the list from the county within seven days, as required by the OPRA law, the addresses were redacted, or blacked out. Renna protested, pointing out that this was in violation of the OPRA law, but the county said providing the addresses would violate privacy issues.

From that point the case slowly ambled through the court system until last week when the appellate court handed down its decision.

This was yet the latest in a long line of lawsuits Renna filed against the county. Also notable in Renna's legal history with the county is a lawsuit filed in 2009 by Renna

requesting that the court order all the emails of D'Elia be handed over to Renna. Renna was denied access to the emails even though she filed an OPRA request for the information that is considered public record.

In November 2010 a Superior Court judge agreed with Renna and the county was ordered to fulfill her request.

At the time D'Elia condemned Renna's lawsuit as "political hackery," citing the fact that the UCWA president was a registered Republican.

Renna pointed out that she manages to prevail in court because "these are simple OPRA requests."

"What excuse do they have to be causing these lawsuits? None, except that they are being difficult," she added.

LocalSource, Hehl win three press association awards

The New Jersey Press Association, which includes both daily and weekly newspaper groups, announced the results late last week of their annual newspaper contest.

Worrall Community Newspapers, the company that publishes Union County LocalSource, as well as newspapers in Essex County, said Hehl, an investigative reporter and staff writer for LocalSource, captured the three awards in enterprise, education and column writing categories.

Hehl earned a first place state award in the education writing category for the Union High School coverage of articles titled "Viral comments anger public" and "Protesters face(book) off at Union High," which involved the Union High School teacher who made derogatory comments on her pub-

lic Facebook last fall about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people. This breaking news story was the subject of considerable controversy, picketing and nationwide coverage by the media for weeks.

Hehl also received a second place award for Reporting, Writing and Illustration, Column Writing, winning for two columns she wrote in Reporters Notebooks. The first, "Keeping it real with gang member," focused on a daring face to face meeting she had with a gang member at a local diner while the other, "America came together in face of a horrible tragedy," centered on the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001 and the emotional impact this had on Hehl's ability to report that day and the days that followed this tragedy.

A third place award was also

picked up by Hehl for a series of two articles in the Enterprise Journalism category. The first, "District should follow the law," focused on how the Springfield school board refused to follow a state law that said they were required to pay 140 parents money owed to them for transportation of their children to private schools, which is required by state law. The second, "Board will pay parents," came out a week later, reporting that the school district would be paying the parents what they were owed.

Hehl, who began her journalism career in 1989, previously received 18 NJPA awards for investigative journalism as well as enterprise and public service. She also received the Rutgers Journalism Award for Distinguished Business and Financial Reporting of New Jersey Issues in 1999.

Shared health department helps realize yearly savings

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Union have their own animal control shelters. Towns like Clark and Rahway contract with Linden for animal control while Union provides this service to just Kenilworth, and Scotch Plains recently went out of the county to contract with Edison for this service.

Although there were plans in the works for a county operated animal control shelter over the last 15 years, action stalled because a suitable site could not be found for the facility. But, health officers agree a county operated animal control facility should be a priority because it "should" cut costs for this service at the local level. Whether it would or not, they maintain,

depends heavily on how costly it would be and if the response time would be satisfactory for their community. Despite giving up local control to enter into a contracted regionalized system, towns like Cranford ultimately decide that the savings they realize is worth losing "home rule."

"We still have experienced staff here to address the concerns of our residents and to respond to any complaints or needs they have," Mason said, adding that he and the township committee felt entering into a contract with WRHD provided the most comprehensive health department services for the community at a cost savings.

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File Photo

Van Winkle Brook abuts the field behind the Springfield high school. The location is where the town has recently decided to bond a new turf field, although the measure will receive a final reading on Feb. 28.

Turf field is likely for Springfield kids

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level," Paoletta said. "The conditions they play under are terrible. It's a disgrace."

Some residents characterized the field as a Springfield issue, while flooding is a regional issue that requires a regional solution with aid from higher levels of government.

Environmental Commission Chairwoman Denise Devone could not be reached for comment.

According to Cancro, the impact of the bond on the average assessed home is estimated at \$39 a year. However, the actual impact could be less as the Board of Education may sell property elsewhere in the township to help offset the bond.

Davino said the board is still in the process of determining the value of a vacant 9.3 acre site on Treetop Drive parcel.

Board of Education President Pat Venezia could not be reached for comment.

The vote passed 4 to 1. The lone dissenting vote was cast by Committee member David Amlin, who said he harbored health and flooding concerns about the use of artificial turf.

Amlin said since the vote he has continued to gather information and is no longer concerned about flooding, as the proposal involves building a hollow space under the new field to serve as a retention basin of sorts.

"Based on what was presented, this would minimize the effects of a 100 year flood by a substantial amount," Amlin said.

Davino said the Department of Environmental Protection requires all artificial turf fields to be engineered to mitigate flooding.

However, Amlin said health issues continue to be a concern, stemming largely from the tiny rubber pellets used in the turf.

Amlin pointed out even automobile tires must be properly disposed of because of toxins present in the rubber.

Amlin said other towns may not have been aware of these dangers at the time they constructed their artificial turf fields.

"They're not operating with the same knowledge we are," Amlin said. "Every report I've seen are pretty against the artificial turf."

However, Amlin said this is not necessarily a concern that would prevent him from voting for the project at the next meeting, as there may be design features and alternative materials that can be worked into the bid specifications in order to mitigate the health hazards associated with artificial turf.

Davino has been involved with the issue of field safety, having been a coach himself for many years. Davino said at this point there doesn't appear to be health hazards with the rubber pellets.

"The information I'm looking at indicates there is no cause for concern," Davino said.

Another possibility raised at the meeting was the possibility that Meisel Field might better fill the needs of local athletes and students. Local officials were unsure if anyone even uses this county-owned facility, noting very little maintenance appears to be done on it.

"My understanding is the Board of Education used to use it but stopped because it was not maintained properly," Cancro said.

Davino said the schools do not use Meisel Field, and would have to apply for a permit from the county each time they need to use it.

"The type of access to Meisel that used to be available is no longer available to us," he said.

Amlin also said the county may

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Whitney Houston laid to rest in local Westfield cemetery

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

WESTFIELD — The township was abuzz earlier this week as famous pop singer and actress Whitney Houston was buried in the local Fairview Cemetery.

Houston, 48, who died suddenly Feb. 11 in California, was interred Sunday amid heavy media attention that led to the closure of local roads and later the cemetery itself.

According to Police Chief John Parizeau, the event required additional officers from Cranford and the Union County Police.

"We did have about 50 officers there to direct traffic and crowd control," Parizeau said.

A heavy influx of vehicular and foot traffic in and around the cemetery led to its closure at 2 p.m. Monday. "The cemetery made the decision — they have ongoing funerals for other people, and it was disruptive to those people," Parizeau explained.

Mayor Andy Skibitsky could not be reached for comment.

Houston, a Newark native, was renowned for her successful studio albums, music videos and movie soundtracks. Her cause of death has not been determined. Houston was buried next to her father, who died in 2003.

Many celebrities and musicians were present for the funeral service at New Hope Baptist Church in Newark on Saturday morning. Among those who paid their respects was actor and director Kevin Costner, who co-starred with Houston in the popular 1992 film "The Bodyguard."

Parizeau said the funeral Sunday led to a significant drain on police resources on Sunday and resulted in some officers incurring overtime.

A round-the-clock police presence will remain in place at the cemetery for the foreseeable future, augmented by off-duty officers hired by the cemetery.

"It looks like for the next week at least it will be shut down for everybody except those who have family members in that facility," Parizeau said. "It's not a public area. It's not a public memorial."



Photo Courtesy of Hillside Police Dept.

Hillside Police Officer Terence Clerk patrols Hillside ShopRite on a new Segway 'Personal Transport Vehicle.' The Segway was purchased by the Hillside Police Department with federal forfeiture funds, at no cost to the taxpayers.

Police 'Segway' into new way of keeping the streets safe

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — Crooks had better think twice before trying to outrun local police or they may find themselves up against the newest addition to the township's fleet — a two-wheeled, motorized platform known as a Segway.

The vehicle was purchased Nov. 21 of last year for \$7,500 using Federal forfeiture funds. The purchase did not impact Hillside taxpayers.

Police Chief Robert Quinlan said the Segway offers police a "distinct advantage" in certain situations.

"The Segway is fast, extremely

versatile and can be used both indoors and outdoors," Police Chief Robert Quinlan said.

With a top speed of 12.5 miles per hour it allows the officer to cover considerably more area in a shorter period of time and pursue suspects without becoming physically exhausted.

The Segway is equipped with emergency lights and reflective trim. It is capable of indoor and outdoor use and can travel up to 40 miles on a single charge. The electric charge is provided by ShopRite.

The Segway also elevates the officer by about eight inches, thereby increasing his or her view of the

surrounding area and lending him greater command presence.

The Segway will be used chiefly by police officers working security details at Hillside ShopRite, one of the township's largest retailers. Police officers will use it while patrolling inside the store and in the parking lot.

The segway has already proven itself in action against criminal elements.

"We've already used it to chase down one shoplifting suspect," Quinlan said. "If it proves successful — so far it has — we may purchase additional Segways for deployment in other areas of the township."

17-year-old male fatally shot in Roselle Monday morning

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

ROSELLE — Local and county law enforcement officials are investigating the fatal shooting of a 17-year-old male borough resident that occurred Monday.

Police responded to the Sylvester Land Field at about 10:50 a.m. on a report of a person having been shot.

The victim, identified as Damel Matchell, a local high school student, was pronounced dead at the scene at 11:12 a.m. and the investigation was turned over to the Union County Homicide Task Force.

According to First Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas Jr., detectives are examining evidence and interviewing potential witnesses.

Police Chief Gerard Orlando said this is the first time such a serious crime has occurred at the sports field, which sees a lot of use by local Pop Warner teams. He described the shooting as unfortunate.

"The community is concerned," Orlando said. "We

stepped up our walking patrols and police in the area to give reassurance to the residents as well as the schools," Orlando said.

Mayor Jamel Holley said the incident was "startling" and "has no place in the city of Roselle or anywhere."

"Anyone who commits a crime in our city will be sought after and punished to the full extent of the law," Holley said. "I ask my fellow residents to be vigilant, report suspicious behavior and to stand with police against any criminal that seeks to disrupt our peaceful way of life."

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Union County Crimestoppers at 908-654-TIPS or www.uctip.org. Tipsters who anonymously provide information which leads to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons responsible are eligible for a cash reward of up to \$5,000.

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The first 100 days



Sabrina Gagliardo and the rest of Mrs. Sierant's kindergarten class at St. Theresa School in Kenilworth celebrated 100 days of school together on Feb. 14. Each student had to decorate and wear a T-shirt with 100 different items in addition to having fun counting and making the number 100 with Cheerios.

Kids get their wish with turf bonding

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be willing to remediate this facility or lease it to the town "if approached the right way." He said local Democrats are in discussion with the all-Democrat Freeholder board regarding what can be done with the field.

"My understanding is the county thought they were going to get a lot more use out of it," Amlin said. "When they didn't, they held off on doing more improvements."

However, Meisel Field is also within the flood zone and near Van Winkles Brook and actually sits at a lower altitude than the field at the high school.


"The more I learn about the alternatives, the more

I see there are issues with Meisel that would not give it the same opportunities as with this field," Amlin explained. Amlin said he will continue to gather information and hopes he will be informed enough by the time of the final reading on Feb. 28.


Mayor Ziad Shehady, a strong supporter of the project, urged residents to contact him with any questions or concerns about this or other issues, saying he worked hard to ensure he was "one of the most available mayors".

The second and final reading of the bond ordinance will take place at the Feb. 28 committee meeting.

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Kean trustees vote 7-4 in favor of retaining Farahi

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

It's over. Dawood Farahi will remain as Kean University university president.

Still reeling the day after the hearing when it was announced Farahi would not be let go for falsifying his academic credentials, Kean students expressed their outrage last week by marching in protest to Democrat Sen. Ray Lesniak's office in Union Center.

A few hundred Kean students braved the cold, damp rainy weather last Thursday afternoon, peacefully walking the slightly less than two miles to Lesniak's office chanting "Hey ho, Farahi must go." However, when they reached their destination, they discovered the state senator was in Trenton that day.

A grim faced board dismissed all allegations of Farahi falsifying his academic credentials in a vote of 7 to 4 with one abstention after more than four hours deliberating. The information, brought forth by the Kean Federation of Teachers in November snowballed over the last several months as additional evidence was produced showing the university president had lied on resumes as far back as 1982.

But while there was mounting pressure by the KFT as well as students for Farahi to resign at the Feb. 15 board meeting, trustees expressed "confidence" in the university president's tenure at Kean. They noted that under Farahi, "the university has made significant and measurable progress and our students now reap the benefits of an education system focused primarily on their success."

The board did briefly refer to allegations that Farahi falsified his credentials, saying the mistakes by Farahi were no more than "carelessness" on his part. They also made a point of noting none of this,



File Photo

The Board of Trustees at Kean met on Feb. 9, pictured, and on Feb. 15 and decided by a vote of 7-4, with one abstention, to retain Dawood Farahi as president.

in their opinion, had impacted the university president's ability to do his job.

Specifically referring to comments made by faculty and students regarding the president having to abide by the university's academic integrity policy, the board pointed out that "the existing policy applies solely to students."

However, according to information obtained by *LocalSource*, the policy in place refers specifically to

students, faculty and administration.

"Maintaining high standards of academic integrity is the obligation of all members of the Kean Community, including students, faculty and administration. It ensures the application of the highest academic standards and principles of conduct, honesty and truth," the policy reads.

Farahi also issued a statement after the board's statement was read

Feb. 15, but he did not admit to falsifying his academic credentials. Instead, Farahi merely took responsibility for the "errors" he made on his resumes, apologizing for the negative attention he brought to the university.

Kean Hall was filled to capacity the evening of Feb. 15, with faculty and students lining the walls and the overflow crowd spilling into the hallways and courtyards. Holding

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'The board does not condone these mistakes made by Dr. Farahi. In fact we deplore them.'

signs of "Shame on you" and "Farahi must go," the irate crowd's heckling grew intense as the board of trustees returned from deliberation. The board's statement was read by board secretary Audrey Kelly, though she could not be heard.

Board president Ada Morrell tried to bring order to the room by banding a gavel, but the angry crowd refused to obey, their chants growing in intensity. The statement, released to the media, expressed the board's stance on the decision.

"The board has expended significant time and resources to ensure that the investigation was thorough in its approach," the statement said, adding that the report by their independent legal team was reviewed "with the best interests of the university and its students in mind."

The board did specifically mention the allegations against Farahi, but suggested that since these instances were "decades old and not consistent with today's rigorous academic environment at Kean," it was not enough to warrant his removal as university president. However, the board did indicate they were not pleased with what took place.

"The board does not condone these mistakes made by Dr. Farahi, in fact we deplore them," the statement went on, stressing, though, that none of the findings by their investigators was "material to Dr. Farahi's successful employment as president of Kean."

The board also said they now consider the matter "resolved" and that "quite simply, it is time to get back to work." Stunned by the decision, the majority of those present at the board meeting made it clear they did not feel the same way.

Jesus Diaz, a Kean Assistant Professor of Philosophy, was visibly upset by the decision, flatly stating that "a degree from Kean is now worthless." He also had a sug-



Dawood Farahi

gestion for Kean students.

"Every student should transfer out of Kean now because their degrees will be worth nothing after this," he added.

KFT President James Castiglione was quietly reflective about the decision, commenting that while he was "deeply disappointed," he felt the entire issue of Farahi falsifying his credentials would continue to resonate.

"This will continue to get worse, all to the detriment of Kean," he said sadly.

Farahi's academic credentials are just one instance in a long line of problems the KFT has had with the university president.

Farahi was hired in 2003 after serving in several administrative roles at Kean, including special assistant to two different presidents and chairman of the public administration department.

His tenure at the university's helm has not gone smoothly, though. After major expansion, the student body grew by 46 percent between 2006 and 2010 along with the campus. In May 2010 Farahi announced he was restructuring the university, eliminating traditional department heads and individual departments to bring the budget in line. A few months later

83 percent of the faculty gave a vote of no confidence in Farahi and the battle lines were drawn.

When these changes took place, Farahi said they were designed to hold faculty members more accountable, such as increasing class loads, spending more time on campus and requiring faculty to fill out time cards.

Notably, Kean's budget was soaring, going from \$49 million in 2003 to its current \$357 million.

In June 2011 Kean received a warning from the Middle States Commission alerting them that the university did not have adequate systems in place to access whether students and the university were meeting goals.


This is the biggest blow to Farahi as leader of the university because it puts the school's accreditation at risk. Without accreditation, Kean graduates will not be able to transfer credits to another university, among other things.

Kean has until March 1 to correct the problems, including having adequate systems in place to assess students and their goals.

The university also canceled post season play for three sports after the NCAA found that a "disproportionate number of academic scholarships were awarded to scholar-athletes over the past five years," according to Inside Higher Education.

As a Division 3 institution, Kean cannot grant athletic scholarships and the number and value of academic scholarships given to athletes must be comparable to the average for the student body as a whole. This is not the first time the KFT has complained about Farahi. In the past they have said he is an "intimidating presence on campus" which is not good for students or faculty.

Kean University is the third largest university in New Jersey out of 12 public four-year colleges and universities that were once overseen by a chancellor and state department of higher education.



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On Feb. 16 Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka, Councilman Derek Armstead, Councilman Adam Kuczynski and Councilwoman Rhashonna Cosby-Hurling were on hand as the City of Linden christened 'African American Way' for Black History Month.

'In fact, we deplore them'

In terms of integrity, we share a common goal with the faculty at Kean University: to tell the truth and accurately display the facts. Teachers and students rely on proper citation as much as we do. It is their livelihood, just as it is ours, and as journalists, we are dependent upon the truth. Without the truth, we would lose our journalistic integrity, our readers, and likely our paychecks. We are a newspaper and we hold the truth in the highest regard, and despise falsehoods. Like the Kean University Board of Trustees said regarding University President Dawood Farahi's fraudulent actions, "in fact, we deplore them."

Farahi did, however, claim responsibility for his inaccurate resumes, albeit after the board decided to keep him, and we would like to come clean too. In an article published on Feb. 2, we told our readers Ursino, the university's expensive, ritzy restaurant, took up about two thirds of the school's new science and math building, based on information provided to us by our sources. We have since discovered that the restaurant itself is large, but merely connected via a hallway to the new building and does not in fact take up as much space as previously reported. However, this does not change our opinion of the building.

A quartz bar, a wood-burning hearth, two floors of fine dining, a wine suite and a rooftop area are still far too much for a state university. They even offer a 'happy hour.' And the school's publicizing of the restaurant has done little more than undercut the brilliant teachers and students working hard on mathematics and science nearby. But this has been the modus operandi of Kean University under the tenure of Farahi.

We have been told repeatedly that the grass is always greener at Kean University, that is, of course, because no one ever walks on it for fear of receiving a lecture from Farahi. According to the board of trustees, Farahi was kept as the school's president because their findings — which accurately proved his fraudulent behavior — were immaterial "to Dr. Farahi's successful employment as president of Kean." And while we are quite sure there are hard working teachers and students, faculty and administrators who deserve more attention for their

brilliant work, this newspaper has repeatedly detailed the lack of success at Kean University under Farahi's tenure.

At the risk of repeating ourselves: Kean's four-year graduation rate of 16 percent is deplorable. Kean's student to full-time teacher ratio of 49-to-1 is deplorable. Kean's \$357 million in debt is deplorable. Kean's NCAA scandal is deplorable. Kean's failed accreditation review, and the mere potential of accreditation loss, is deplorable. Sen. Raymond Lesniak's involvement with the school is deplorable. And the board of trustees' — chaired by Ada Morell, and including Donald Soriero, Michael D'Agostino, Lester Aron, Helyn Payne Baltimore, Holly Bakke, Robert Cockren, Eugene C. Enlow, David Halpern, Linda Lewis, Barbara Sobel, Joseph Wilf, Jonathan Lopez, and Lowell Harwood — recent actions, their statements regarding Farahi's "successful employment" and their overall conflicted comments regarding the immaterial nature of the president's academic fraud, are beyond deplorable.

The Kean University Board of Trustees, comprised of business and education leaders hailing from all parts of New Jersey, has given us a glimpse of how they conduct their business. Their statements not only hide the truth, they are, at times, outright lies. The grass is always greener at Kean, just like the paint is always fresh and the facade is always glistening in the sunlight. The campus does look nicer than it ever has, but the university should not be paying \$293,000 a year, plus bonuses, for a highfalutin gardener who lacks academic integrity to beautify the exterior of the academic institution.

He, and anyone else associated with the university, should be concerned about the students first, the faculty second, and the color of the grass last. Our sources say his actions would demonstrate otherwise.

Now, we've said our piece, and the issue should be put to rest.

But we would be not be telling the truth if we thought the deplorable actions of the board, it's president and the university were going to disappear as fast as everyone would like.

For the sake of the hard-working teachers, the 16,000-strong student population, and the faculty and administrators who actually deserve their jobs — we truly hope it does.

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The challenges of budgeting

For 23 years I have sat in more municipal budget hearings than any one human being or reporter ever should. But, if anything, it taught me to recognize when a municipal-ity needs a wake up call.

Quite frankly, some elected officials charged with putting together municipal budgets have made me question whether they should be balancing their own checkbooks, let alone a municipal budget worth tens of millions of dollars. And there are towns that make you sigh

Reporter's Notebook

By Cheryl Hehl

with pride because they do everything they can to lesson the load on taxpayers.

If you live in a town like Linden the fact that Mayor Rich Gerbounka keeps such a close eye on how

money is spent, or where cost savings can be found, is a blessing. True, sometimes it does make for more enemies on council than friends, but let's face it, the big guy isn't there to make friends.

The recent appointment of Dan Roberts as municipal judge and the departure of former judge Louis DiLeo took some time, for sure. But given that a superior court judge held DiLeo's feet to the fire for overstepping his legal bounds in

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The Reporter's Notebook

(Continued from previous page) presiding over a case involving two young men, gave rise to whether he should be sitting in that seat at all.

The big plus here, one Gerbounka was tenacious about, was that by replacing DiLeo with Roberts, the city would only have to pay half the salary they did before. It's not rocket science, folks.

The fact some council members fought so hard to keep DiLeo on the bench is a good example of how some elected officials are not putting the city or taxpayers first.

First lesson in budget 101 is when a municipal employee is causing more harm than good and they are making a hefty salary, get rid of them.

Second lesson in budget 101 is never let emotions, friendship, — political or otherwise — interfere with sound judgement when it comes to saving taxpayer dollars. Or you could just find yourself coming up short when election time comes around.

If I was a Linden resident, I would seriously take a long, cold hard look at which council members are trying to save money opposed to those that continue to play political games. Just saying.

Over in Cranford the township is still rebounding from one of the worst years this municipality has seen in recent history. In fact, if I had seen locusts descend on this town last fall it would not have sur-

prised me in the least.

It's not enough the township descended into financial hell last year because no one was minding the store. Couple that with an administrator who was not effective or even close to professional, a chief financial officer who left after 25 years, a health officer who resigned after 23 years, runaway legal bills and a flood that destroyed the ground floor of the municipal building, and this municipality was closer to running off the edge of a cliff than they have ever been.

No town or its residents should have to go through what Cranford has in the last year. They deserve a medal for all the work it has taken to put things back into a semblance of order.

That in large part is due to interim administrator Police Chief Eric Mason who is a true professional. His ability to sort out the huge mess he had to shoulder after the flood, let alone the financial mess, eroded employee base and downtrodden employee morale, is nothing less than a miracle. But there is still much to do in order to get Cranford back on track.

The fact that it is budget time makes it even more critical to ensure there is someone aboard who knows what they are doing at the helm. Since September, when former administrator Marlena Schmid was put on administrative

leave and eventually resigned, Mason has proven he has what it takes to do the job and then some.

He is gradually earning the respect of employees who deserve a leader who not only is professional but supportive and able to keep things completely under control all the time. Mason also has a firm hand on what it takes to get the municipal budget under control and that is worth its weight in gold.

It has been difficult to see Cranford sink to the level it did this fall, no pun intended. My first job as a rookie reporter was covering Cranford and few municipalities set the bar as high back then. Their professionalism, budgets and general ability to do things the right way set an example for other towns that could not be compared.

As one of the first towns in the state to form a Special Improvement District in their downtown, Cranford was a pioneer and they can be again. But it will take strong leadership, experience and patience. Mason has everything required to do this job and do it well because of his more than 30 years as a police officer and more recently as police chief.

I only hope the governing body sees this and moves quickly to put him into the administrator position permanently. At this point the future of 23,000 residents depends on it.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Focus should be on the students, not restaurant

Editor's note: The statement this letter refers to was published in the article "Operating at a loss" for words" on Feb. 2. The statement is based on opinions supplied from numerous sources, and is not intended to take away from teachers or students.

To the Editor:

I must say as a loyal reader of *Union County LocalSource* I am finally up to my ears with all your bad press week after week on Kean University and President Dawood Farahi. Your continual trashing is starting to sound like nothing more than a personal vendetta.

The icing on the cake for me is your Feb. 2 article on the new Kean restaurant, Ursino, specifically with regards to the statement of "The Center for Science, Technology and Math Education Building has not become known for its educational benefits in anyway."

Ummm, excuse me? Well who are you speaking of? Surely not the parents, students or teachers of this program. I take personal offense to this statement and I am sure other parents, students and faculty will also.

Here are my facts. My daughter is a sophomore in NJSTEM's prestigious accelerated program, she currently has Calculus 4, have you ever seen Calculus 4? If so, then you know what I'm talking about. Straight A's with a grade point average of 3.547 making her part of an elite group: the Dean's List of Academic Excellence. In three more years she will graduate with a masters. Now if that's clearly not a sign of educational benefit then I don't know what is.

Her professors are brilliant and work hard on bring-

ing out the best in every child. Shame on you for making such a statement. Did you interview each and every child in this program to see if they have had any educational benefits in anyway? Well you obviously didn't interview my daughter.

Are you saying teachers are not doing their jobs, and that's why there is "no educational benefit in anyway"? Probably not. So what facts do you base such a arrogant statement on? These children are learning and will be our future. What is your true agenda here making such a ridiculous statement?

I really think it's time for you to find something else to write about.

Monika Shanks
Springfield

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Cranford police seize 1,037 bags of heroine

On Feb. 16 at approximately 9:20 a.m., Cranford detectives intercepted Darius Scott, 34, of Newark and Milton Lee, 35, also of Newark during a suspected delivery attempt in Cranford. The pair was operating a 2004 Volvo sport utility on Orchard Street. As a result of a motor vehicle stop, both Scott and Lee were arrested. Seized during the stop and arrest were 1,037 packages of suspected heroin and 124 bags of suspected rock cocaine with an estimated street value of more than \$10,000.

Scott was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance, heroin and cocaine, a third degree crime; possession of a controlled dangerous substance with intent to distribute, a second degree crime, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance with intent to distribute in a Park Zone, Hampton Park, a second degree crime. Bail was set at \$150,000. Lee was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance, heroin, a third degree crime. Bail was set at \$10,000. Both subjects were transferred to the Union County jail.

Cranford Police Chief Eric G. Mason was encouraged by the case. "Like many suburban municipalities, Cranford has been targeted by criminals and drug dealers with intent to harm our community," he said. "Today and every day, this police department is targeting the criminals right back. We are sending the message that we won't tolerate that activity here."

All charges against Scott and Lee are pending in New Jersey Superior Court in Union County.

Linden

• Feb. 13: Major Case Squad of Linden, with the assistance of the New York Police Department, located 85 percent of property stolen on Dec. 29, 2011. It appears that on that date, a 2009 tractor trailer, loaded with 40,000 pounds of auto windshield glass sheets, was stolen from Log Ex Solutions, 2025 E. Linden Ave. The tractor was recovered in Perth Amboy on Jan. 21 minus the trailer and its contents. After a six-week investigation into the theft, Auto Squad Detective Frank A. Leporino received information that the glass sheets can be found in Bronx, New York. Working with detectives from the the NYPD Major Case Squad, on Feb. 13, detectives located 85 percent of the property in a lot of Jerome Avenue in the Bronx. Because the glass panels are stored on pallets weighing approximately 1,000 pounds each, the detectives had to contact the company that owns the glass and make arrangements to send a trailer and forklift to the site to retrieve the property. The property recovered has an estimated value of \$45,000. There were no arrests at this time, but the investigation is continuing by both

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the NYPD and the Linden Police Department.

• Feb. 15: There were stolen vehicle arrests, when, at 10:43 a.m., Linden Officer Keith Milos was on patrol. He received a LoJack "hit" for a stolen car. Central Dispatch informed him that the stolen vehicle was a 2006 silver Honda Ridgeline pickup truck, plate UBG38T, stolen from Perth Amboy. The officer then observed the vehicle traveling north on Route 1 and 9 and pulled it over with the assistance of a backup officer. The officers smelled burning marijuana emanating from the vehicle and arrested a 17-year-old boy from Newark. The passenger, a 12-year-old boy from Newark, also was arrested. Both were charged with juvenile complaints of receiving stolen property and possession of marijuana under 50 grams. The 17-year-old was taken to the Union County Juvenile Detention Facility in Linden and the 12-year old was released to a parent.

Roselle Park

• Feb. 4: Dwayne W. Gilyard, 50, of East Clay Ave., Roselle Park, was arrested by Police Officer Alexander Lanza following a traffic stop and foot pursuit.

Lanza had been in the area of East Lincoln Avenue looking for a vehicle that had fled the scene of a traffic crash. Minutes later, Lanza observed Gilyard's vehicle, a 2004 Cadillac Escalade, driving erratically and attempted to stop the vehicle. The Cadillac stopped abruptly near the intersection of East Clay Avenue at Birch Street. The driver, later identified as Gilyard, fled from the vehicle and ran to the side door of his house. Lanza chased Gilyard into the home and located him hiding in an attic crawl space. The policeman ordered Gilyard to exit the space, but he refused. After several tense moments, Gilyard exited the crawl space in a violent manner while threatening to injure and kill Lanza and the other officers that had responded to assist. The officers were forced to resort to the use of "pepper spray" to subdue Gilyard. Gilyard continued to violently resist arrest and had to be forcibly subdued. None of the police officers involved in Gilyard's arrest were injured, nor was Gilyard, who was then transported to the Roselle Park Police Department, where he was processed and charged with the following: DWI, Possession of open container, driving while suspended, resisting arrest, two counts; obstruction of justice, and various other traffic violations. He later was transported to the Union County Jail since he was unable to post \$10,000 bail. Gilyard has a Union County Superior Court date pending.

Clark

• Feb. 7: At the Long Branch Police Department, police arrested Derek Harper, 23, single and unemployed, at 372 Lowden Court in Long Branch on an outstanding warrant in the amount of \$500 for contempt of court. He was subsequently transported to the Union County Jail. Police officer Christopher Tuccio was the arresting officer.

• Feb. 11: In the vicinity of Valley Road, police arrested Talib Amir, 31, single, a supervisor of 2005 Bond Street, Rahway, on an outstanding warrant from Newark, in the amount of \$200 for contempt of court. He also was charged with possession of CDS. After posting bail on the warrant, he was released in his own recognizance pending a court date. Police Officer Christian Lott was the arresting officer.

Cranford

• Feb. 6: Matthew P. Dimarco, 24, of Cranford was arrested by Patrolman John Rattigan at 11:48 p.m. on Springfield Avenue at N. Union Avenue, Cranford, for possession of CDS, crack cocaine; possession of CDS paraphernalia, failure to stop, CDS in a motor vehicle and failure to exhibit a driver's license. Officer Rattigan stopped a 2008 Subaru Legacy, when the officer observed the vehicle fail to stop for a stop sign in the area of West End Place and Springfield Avenue. Following a brief investigation on the scene, Officer Rattigan arrested and charged Dimarco with possession of CDS, crack cocaine; and possession of CDS paraphernalia, crack pipe. Dimarco was released with Superior Court proceedings pending.

• Feb. 7: Alexis L. Simms, 27, of Roselle was arrested at 1:36 a.m. on Centennial Avenue at the Garden State Parkway, Exit 136, Cranford, by Patrolman Brian Lopez, for a motor vehicle violation, and found that the driver, Alexis L. Simms, had outstanding warrants out of Cranford and Roselle totalling \$1,000. Simms was arrested and released after posting bail, and Municipal Court proceedings are pending.

• Feb. 7: Two men were arrested at 10:08 a.m. on Lincoln Avenue at Thomas Street, Cranford, by Patrolman Spencer Durkin. They are David J. Teston, 32, of Clark and Gabriel Acevedo, 30, of Edison. Officer Durkin had stopped a 1999 Pontiac van in the area of Lincoln Avenue and Thomas Street for failing to turn from a marked turning lane. After a brief investigation on the scene, Officer Durkin located an amount of suspected cocaine within the vehicle on the driver's side floor board. The driver, Gabriel Acevedo, was arrested and charged with possession of CDS, possession of CDS paraphernalia, failure to make a turn and CDS in a motor vehicle. Further investiga-

tion revealed that the passenger, David J. Teston, was in possession of 20 folds of suspected heroin. Teston was arrested and charged with possession of CDS, possession of CDS with the intent to distribute, possession of CDS with the intent to distribute in a school zone, possession of a hypodermic syringe and possession of CDS paraphernalia. Both individuals were released with pending Superior Court proceedings.

• Feb. 12: Patrolman Robert Jordan arrested Andres Gonzalez, 33, of Middlesex at 3:15 a.m. on South Union Avenue at Williams Street, Cranford. Officer Jordan had stopped a 2006 Toyota in the area of South Union Avenue for driving in a careless manner. Upon speaking with the driver of the vehicle, Officer Jordan detected the odor of

an alcoholic beverage on his breath. After a brief investigation on scene, Gonzalez was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit breath samples, failure to wear a seatbelt and careless driving. A Feb. 15 Cranford Municipal Court date is pending.

• Feb. 16: Acting on information provided to Lt. James Wozniak by a concerned resident, Cranford Police detectives began an investigation that resulted in the arrest of two men and the seizure of more than 1,000 packages of suspected heroin and more than 100 bags of suspected rock cocaine.

The investigation began in early February, when information was obtained that identified two Newark men as being involved in the regular distribution of narcotics in Cranford.

IN MEMORIAM

- ASLANIAN — Margaret Ann, of Cranford; Feb. 15.
 BIHLER — Henrietta "Etta" H., formerly of Clark; Feb. 12.
 CABALLERO — Miguel "Mike," of Roselle; Feb. 16.
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 FETICS — George, of Roselle; Feb. 12.
 FLEMING — Helena, formerly of Cranford; Feb. 12.
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 HERKALO — Theresa, of Springfield; Feb. 17.
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 JENKINS — Robert F. Sr., formerly of Union; Feb. 9.
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 PIPPINGER — Frederick W. Jr., of Rahway; Feb. 14.
 QUAGLIARIELLO — Victor, of Union; Feb. 11.
 RICHKUS — Eva, of Hillside; Feb. 15.
 RUIZ — Daniel, of Hillside; Feb. 11.
 SETTLE — Jean Rene, formerly of Linden; Feb. 13.
 SPITZBERGER — Dorothy M., of Hillside; Feb. 14.
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 VARGA — Elizabeth, formerly of Union; Feb. 13.
 WERBECK — John H. "Yosh," of Rahway; Feb. 13.
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CLARK BRIEFS

'Bon voyage' gift auction to be held March 2

The Parents Guild of Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road, Clark, will sponsor a "Bon Voyage" Gift Auction on March 2. No tickets will be sold at the door. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., and calling will begin at 7:30 p.m. For tickets or more information, call 732-382-1952, or email giftauction@motherseton.org.

UCPAC debuts 'Caveman'

"Defending the Caveman," reportedly Broadway's longest running one-man show, will offer insights on the ongoing battle of the sexes at Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway on Saturday. The special one-night performance will be brought to the UCPAC by the Clark Education Fund Inc., a nonprofit volunteer organization. A portion of ticket proceeds will help the fund continue its mission to supplement classroom learning by providing grants for innovative educational classroom programs and materials. As a special bonus for ticketholders, the Clark Education Fund will provide complimentary

shuttle transportation between the Rahway parking deck and theater continuously before and after the show.

Written by comedian Rob Becker after informal studies in psychology, sociology and prehistory, "Defending the Caveman" has comical scenarios that celebrate the differences between men and women.

Tickets are available for purchase online at www.UCPAC.org, by calling 732-499-8226 or in person at the UCPAC Box Office at 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

Annual spaghetti dinner planned for March 11

The Kiwanis spaghetti dinner is a tradition in Clark and functions as the group's annual fundraising event. Kiwanis Club of Clark's President Doug Born has scheduled the event for March 11.

"As in years past, we are holding our spaghetti dinner, our 19th, at Zion Lutheran Church on Raritan Road in Clark," said Born, "and we invite the community to join us."

It will feature students in Key Club from Arthur L. Johnson High School and the

Builders Club of Kumpf Middle School, members of what is known as "the Kiwanis Family," acting as waiters and waitresses. The adult philanthropic club also is the youth sponsor of the two community service clubs, in the K-Kids Clubs at Hehnly and Valley Road School, Clark's elementary schools.

The dinner runs from noon to 4 p.m. Ticket can be purchased at the door. Take out orders are available.

For more information, email the president at born.douglas@gmail.com.

Registration for kindergarten upcoming

Registration has been announced for the Clark Public School District Full-day Kindergarten Program. On Tuesday, registration is scheduled at Frank K. Hehnly School, and on March 6, at Valley Road School. Registration will be between 9 and 10 a.m. Registration forms are being sent out to all eligible students.

Children, who will be five years old by Oct. 1, are eligible to enroll. For any questions, school nurses can be called: Nurse

Kircher at F. K. Hehnly School, 732-428-1901, and Nurse McLean, at Valley Road School, 732-428-1583.

Hungry Writers Club begins

Kindergarten teacher Melissa Sakowski and second grade teacher Jennifer Kelleher started the first Hungry Writers Club at Valley Road School in Clark.

This club was opened to kindergarten and second grade students. It was reported that due to the overwhelming number of "hungry writers" who wanted to join, two groups were created. During these meetings, students are able to write about any genre, while still learning about different writing strategies. The second grade students will also be mentors to the kindergartners.

Stories and more

Theme-based stories, movement, songs and a craft for active listeners is offered each Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at Clark Public Library for children ages 3 to 5 years old.

Registration is required. Call 732-388-5999 or register at www.clarklibrary.org.

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Wednesday Family Night: 7:00 PM

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FASHION & BRIDAL

Wedding traditions born of superstition

Chances are those who have attended a wedding have witnessed some popular traditions take place. The bride wears a veil, a court of wedding attendants accompanies the bride and groom, and birdseed, rice or flower petals are tossed. But have you ever wondered why? The wedding customs are ripe with tradition and harken back to days when superstition and myth often ruled the day.

• **Throwing rice:** Today it has become commonplace to blow bubbles, toss birdseed or release doves when the bride and groom leave the house of worship newly betrothed. That's because savvy individuals found that raw rice can pose a hazard to birds pecking in the area. However, rice throwing is an old custom that dates back to the Middle Ages, when wheat or rice were thrown to symbolize fertility for the couple.

• **Bouquet:** Nowadays, the bride carries a beautiful bouquet of flowers. But the purpose of the bouquet held different meanings in the past. Saracen brides carried orange blossoms for fertility. Others carried a combination of herbs and flowers to ward off evil spirits with their aroma. Bouquets of dill were often carried, again for fertility reasons, and after the ceremony, the dill was eaten to encourage lust.

• **Bridesmaids:** There may be arguments over dresses and how many bridesmaids to have in a wedding party now, but in ancient times it was "the more the merrier."

That's because bridesmaids were another measure to keep the bride safe against evil spirits. Essentially the bridesmaids were decoys for the spirits, and dressing like the bride to confuse the spirits or maybe help deter them to leave the bride alone.

• **Wedding rings:** Wearing of wedding rings dates back to ancient Egypt. The round shape of a ring symbolizes eternal love. The ring is worn on the fourth finger of the left hand because it is believed this finger has a blood vessel that goes directly to the heart.

• **Wedding cake:** The traditional wedding cake evolved from Roman times when the cake was originally made from wheat. It was broken over the bride's head to ensure fertility. All of the guests eat a piece for good luck. Single women used to place a piece of wedding cake under their pillows in the hopes of finding their own husbands.

• **Father accompanying the bride:** This tradition symbolizes that the bride's father endorses the choice in husbands and is presenting his daughter as a pure bride to that man.

• **Kissing the bride:** In older times, a kiss symbolized a legal bond. Therefore, the bride and groom kissed to seal the deal on their betrothal.

There are many traditions surrounding a wedding that people simply accept. But understanding their origins can make the ceremony more meaningful.

Tips for picking the perfect wedding gown

Many brides-to-be look forward to the day when they visit a bridal salon and are able to try on gowns for the first time. There are certain tips that can make the day go much more smoothly and potentially reduce the amount of time it may take to find the perfect gown.

• **Wear a supportive, well-constructed strapless bra or corset in your correct size.** If you will be wearing a petticoat, also have the right size available.

• **Go without face makeup when trying on gowns so they remain clean.**

• **Try to wear your hair similar to the style you have in mind for your wedding.**

• **Note that the size of the wedding gown you will wear is typically one to two sizes larger than your day-to-day clothes.** Proper measurements can be matched to designers' size charts.

• **It's best to limit the number of people with whom you shop to one or two trusted friends or family members.** An entourage can be confusing.

• **It's always better to order a slightly larger gown and leave room for alterations if you are between sizes.**



Choosing a gown that flatters bridesmaids is a significant responsibility for prospective brides planning their big day.

It takes some work finding the right dress ... for the bridesmaids

Bridesmaids are an important part of the wedding party, and most brides opt to have a handful of close friends and family members play a special role in the wedding. Choosing a gown and a color that will flatter all of the bridesmaids typically takes a little work.

An overwhelming majority of couples choose to have a formal wedding. The average number of bridesmaids for these formal weddings is four. Considering around 2 million weddings take place in North America every year, that's a lot of bridesmaids for whom gowns and other attire must be planned.

Many bridesmaids worry about the gowns they will wear come the big day. Horrible bridesmaid dresses have been the butt of jokes for years, and many people have their own stories of garish gowns they've been asked to don for a wedding. Some have said that brides intentionally choose ugly gowns for their bridesmaids to ensure they're not outshined come the wedding day. Although this may be the case for some, most brides aspire to select gowns that will be flattering for all.

And color scheme is integral in the choice of gown.

Every well-planned wedding carries a color scheme throughout. This includes the color a bride selects for her bridesmaids to wear. But not every color accentuates everyone's features. Therefore, some experimentation might be necessary to find a color that is flattering to all and fits with the color scheme.

Depending on hair color and skin shade, there are many flattering hues available for gowns. When making this decision, consider bridesmaids' ethnicity and skin tone.

Fair skin: Ladies with pale skin will benefit from richly colored gowns in jewel tones. Pastels may work, but be careful about those depending on hair color. Pink or red-hued gowns may clash with someone with auburn hair. Yellow and green may not work with a fair brunette. Gray and silver may wash out someone who is pale and blonde.

Once a color is chosen, brides also need to consider the season.

Certain colors may look out of place depending on the season. For example, an evergreen or deep blue may seem wintry during a summer wedding. Similarly, russet or brown may work for the autumn but not for a spring wedding. Many brides gravitate toward mid-level blues, greens, pinks and purples for their weddings, simply because those colors transcend the seasons.

After colors are worked out, the style of the gown deserves consideration. Because not every bridesmaid has the same physical attributes, many brides are now open to selecting a color and length and allowing the bridesmaid herself to choose the exact style. This way someone who is busty won't feel uncomfortable in strapless, and someone who is thin won't be overwhelmed by a lot of ruffles. The intent is to have bridesmaids feel beautiful and comfortable, and different styles can help achieve this.

Making the effort to choose a gown color and style that is flattering to all in the bridal party will help the ladies feel they are truly a special part of the wedding.



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NJWA concert has audience humming

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

The love of music can be all encompassing, especially when a large crowd of people of all ages, all sizes, all nationalities, gather onstage, clutching their brass instruments in preparation of providing magical moments and sounds to an appreciative audience.

Take the members of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Concert Band — for example — nearly 50 of them, who, under the intricate conducting of Howard Toplansky of Union, offered an unforgettable afternoon this past Sunday during their Sunday Series in Temple Emanu-El in Westfield.

Due to a number of streets in Westfield that were closed off on Sunday because of the burial of Whitney Houston at a close-by cemetery, other music lovers, both performers and audience, had to find a way around the area in order to reach the temple at 750 East Broad St. But they managed to find their way and were at the site on time.

Therefore, in his inimitable style, the distinguished Toplansky waved his wand and led the way to an exceptionally entertaining afternoon. He even included his daughter, Debbie Toplansky, who played the clarinet, as part of his intergenerational band.

In a variation of musical themes, the program opened with a John Philip Sousa march, "Solid Men to the Front," of when he was in the Navy during World War I. And the audience happily thumped its feet to the beat.

Then there was the "Zampa Overture," written in 1831 by Louis Joseph Ferdinand Herold, a leading French comic opera composer; "Fantasy for the Band," by the prolific composer, Frank Erickson, and

the exceptional "Ballet Parisien," of which another French comic opera composer, Jacques Offenbach, offered five movements. It was a real treasure.

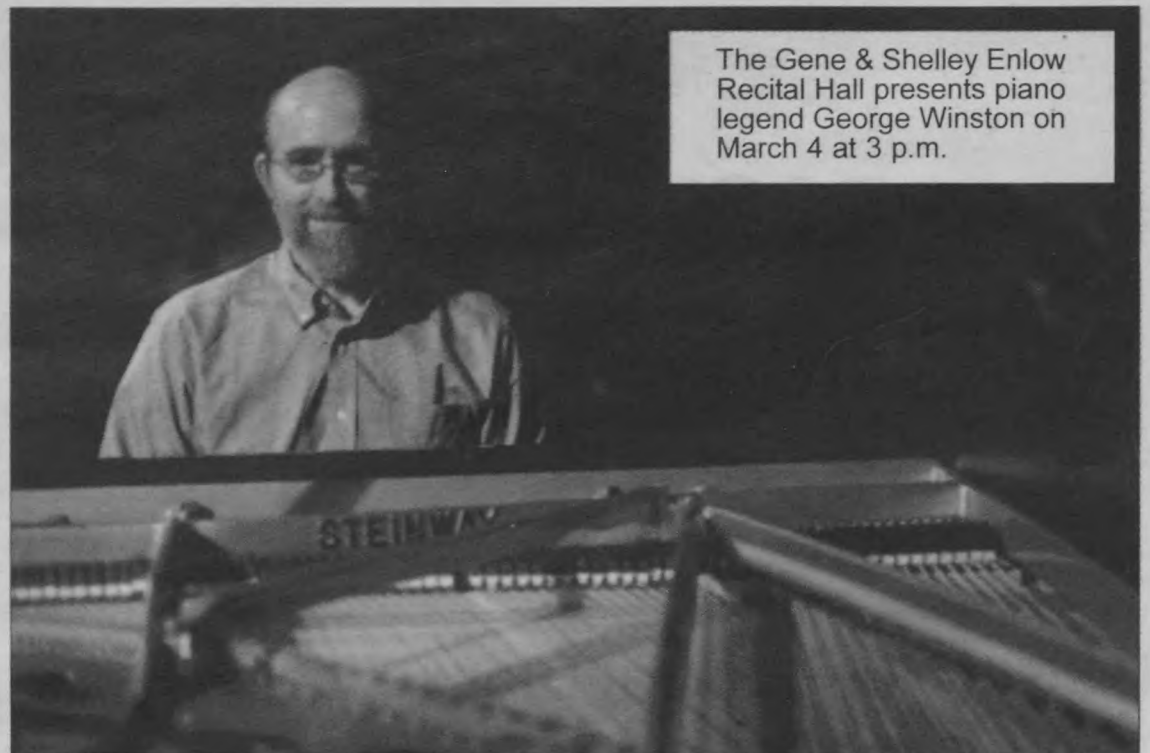
Following the wonderful "Sun Valley Mountains," by Clair W. Johnson, writing as Gene Ogden, the NJWA Band brought forth the explosive march, "Parade of the Athletes," written by the Russian, Zinovy Binkin, who had composed music, overtures, rhapsodies, fantasies and more than 60 marches for the USSR Defense Ministry Band. A fine concert march by Frank Erickson, "Toward the Summit," was performed.

Toplansky introduced the 1918 "Vera Waltzes," by discussing the works of Australian composer, Alex Lithgow, and explaining that this work was the only non-march piece Lithgow wrote. The conductor continued to talk about the other musical numbers, including the march from the film, "The Benchwarmer," originally titled "The Substitute," by Isaac Dunayevsky. Toplansky mused that he wanted to talk about the composers while the members of the band "rested their lips."

Highlighting the next expansive number was memorable selections from "South Pacific," Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "beloved 1949 Broadway production, which ran for 1,925 performances."

Following the conclusion of "Chili Sauce Rag" of 1911 by Henry A. Fischler, and "Cherokee," the Edwin Franko Goldman march of 1921, the sated members of the audience reluctantly left, humming the left-over "Some Enchanted Evening," from "South Pacific."

At the same time, they also may have been murmuring, "Some enchanted afternoon."



The Gene & Shelley Enlow Recital Hall presents piano legend George Winston on March 4 at 3 p.m.

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'Love will come' with the music of George Winston

The Gene & Shelley Enlow Recital Hall presents piano legend George Winston on March 4 at 3 p.m.

Performing selections from his recently released solo piano recording, "Love Will Come — The Music of Vince Guaraldi (Vol. 2)," the concert is a rare opportunity to see the renowned musician in the intimate and acoustically pristine concert venue at Kean University.

Guaraldi is the late jazz pianist, popularized by his now iconic underscoring of the Peanuts television specials. George Winston is a noted composer and he will delight audiences with his original works at Enlow as well. Self-described as a "rural folk piano" player, he was among the earliest and most successful proponents of the genre of contemporary instrumental music later dubbed "New Age."

Although born in Michigan in 1949, he was raised primarily in Montana, where the extreme seasonal changes he experienced greatly influencing the pastoral feel of his music. Some of Winston's most profoundly beautiful works — "Autumn," "Winter Into Spring," "December," "Summer" — are based on the stunning magic of the changing seasons.

"My biggest inspiration is the seasons," said Winston, "because the seasons are color, and they're different every place; for example if it's winter, it's a different kind of winter in one place than the other. Growing up, there was one radio station, no television, so the seasons were the entertainment; you rake the leaves and jump in a pile, or go out and sled, or go swimming in the summer. The seasons were the movies and the TV and all of the entertainment, the seasons were it. That just stayed with me, that's the main thing, I'm always thinking of it. I might be in a big city, or in the country, but it's still you know, the same date everywhere."

Tickets to George Winston at Enlow Hall can be purchased by calling Kean Stage Box Office at 908-737-7469, online at <http://enlowhall.kean.edu>, or in person at Kean University's Wilkins Theater Box Office. Enlow Recital Hall is located at 215 North Avenue, Hillside.

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A garden-tour challenge, filled with plenty of desperation

I have exactly 93 days to get as close as I possibly can to garden perfection. The seconds are slipping away fast, and every day the deadline looms large in my imagination.

I got myself into this by saying a single word: Yes.

In this case, it was in answer to a request to open my garden for a fundraising tour. Of course, there will be plenty of other gardens open for this event, but that doesn't take the pressure off.

The owners of those gardens

The Gardener's Apprentice

By Elisabeth Ginsburg

might have people to help, easier schedules, or low-maintenance plants. They might not be completely neurotic about chickweed or, worse, they might not have any chickweed. Of course, if they are

organic gardening/foraging locavores, they might actually eat their chickweed. I can't even contemplate that.

I was honored to be asked, and basked in a rosy glow for at least 10 minutes — until the terror set in. I did the math. When you subtract time for sleeping, work, unexpected emergencies, volunteer commitments and the rest of life's minutia, 93 days suddenly seems a lot like 93 minutes.

It has been such a mild winter that now, in mid-February, the

snowdrops are already up, a few crocuses have bloomed, and a handful of my neighbors' early daffodils are showing color and preparing to fling back their petals. The roses are breaking dormancy. If the warm weather continues at this rate, everything will be ahead of schedule. Who knows? We might have asters and chrysanthemums by May.

I can't worry about that too much. I have to worry about cutting back every growing thing on the property, mulching every piece of

bare earth, edging every bed, moving plants around, dividing and replanting, raking out the privet hedges, weeding ceaselessly and filling holes in the beds and borders. The porch railing needs a coat of paint. The top of my predecessor's ornamental wishing well is too disintegrated to be billed as an artistic ruin. It has to go, and I will definitely need people to make it vanish.

Then, there is the question of access. All the groundcovers, vines

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(Continued from previous page) and other impediments creeping into paths must be dealt with severely. The Gloire de Dijon rose that grows like it is on steroids has to be cut back and relocated so it won't be tempted to abduct a garden visitor.

The hollies have lost their elegant shapes and are beginning to look like giant green sasquatches. Even with a sturdy ladder and an extension pruner, the hollies will be too much for me. Now is an excellent time to call the tree surgeon.

And what about the long narrow strip behind the garage? It would look lovely ornamented with a line of large pots overflowing with colorful tuberous begonias and coleus. If I don't get those begonia tubers now, they won't be big enough to have an impact.

Any day now, the lovely woman in charge of the garden tour will call me to arrange to come around and see my garden. It is still in the throes of winter doldrums and, on gray days, looks like it could easily belong to the long-neglected estate of Miss Havisham of "Great Expectations."

The last time I opened the place for a garden tour was five years ago, in the fall.

When the woman in charge did her walk-through several months in advance of the event, she said, "Well, this is quite the cottage garden, isn't it?" What she really meant was, "I put this mess on my garden tour and now I will never live it down." The garden is much changed and improved since then, but I fear that if it is inspected before spring cleanup, I may well

get booted from the tour.

Given that I am clearly neurotic about the whole thing, but I am not wishing for that; pride is also a factor in the equation. I like a challenge and know that deadline pressure can be the mother of inspiration. My garden will undoubtedly be fertilized with abundant amounts of desperation come May, but at least desperation is free and available in limitless quantities.

Maybe the answer to the chickweed problem is to find some local foragers who would be delighted to harvest and eat it.

Elisabeth Ginsburg, a resident of Essex County, is a frequent contributor to Worrall Community Newspapers. The writer archives past columns at <http://www.gardenersapprentice.com>.

UCC holds annual Black Deaf Forum

On Saturday, the Union County College S.I.G.N. Club invites the public to attend their annual Black Deaf Forum.

Presenting will be Claudia Gordon, the first Deaf African-American lawyer from Washington, D.C. All members of the public, including interpreters and deaf members of the community, are invited to attend this

free event. It will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Roy Smith Theater on the Cranford campus. A reception will follow.

Union County College's Cranford campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave. For directions or more information about Union County College, go to www.ucc.edu.

Tour de force



Due to the steadily growing interest in the Tour de Elizabeth, the 2012 bike ride will have a new location for the annual 15 mile recreational bicycle ride through the City of Elizabeth. The event will begin at 7:30 a.m. and finish at Winfield Scott Plaza directly in front of Elizabeth City Hall within the Historic Midtown Elizabeth Special Improvement District, on May 20. Riders should either contact Tour Headquarters at 908-289-0262, e-mail elizabethnj@groundworkusa.org, or visit the Groundwork Elizabeth and City of Elizabeth websites at www.elizabethnj.com, and www.groundworkelizabeth.com and the Tour de Elizabeth Facebook page.

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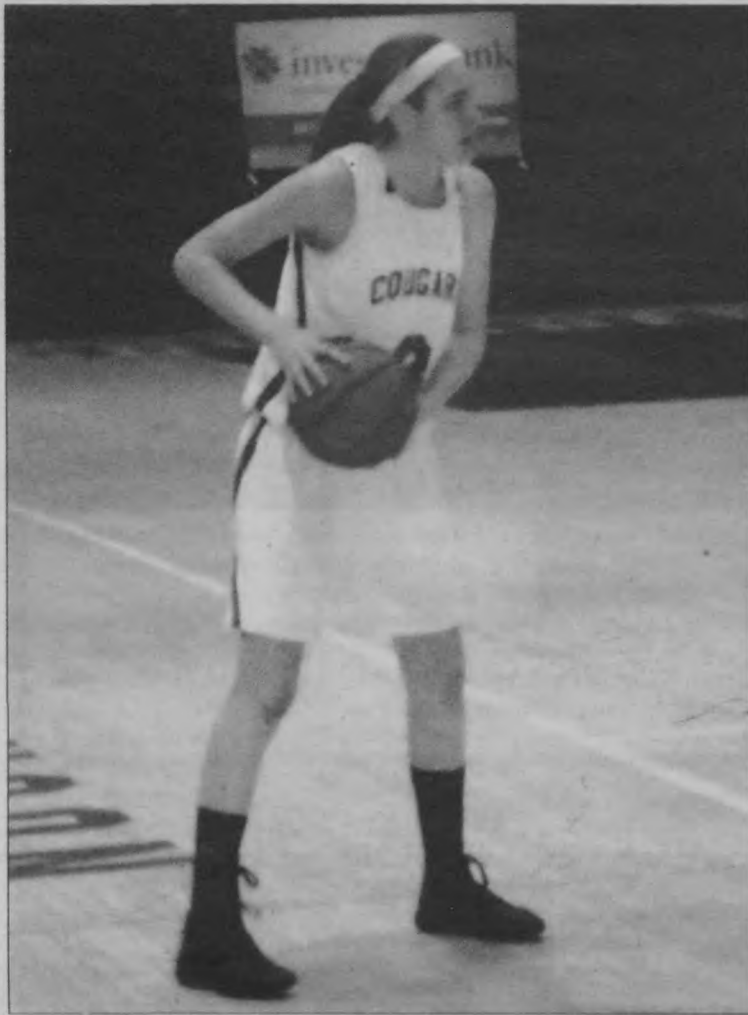
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Above, the Cranford girls' basketball team is led by the outstanding play of senior Morgan Miller (No. 3). Below, GL is sparked by the stellar performance of senior guard Alyssa Polimeni (No. 14).



Best girls' hoop squads to battle for UCT crown *2-Cranford vs. 1-GL Sunday at Kean*

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

CLARK — Both winners delivered the knockout punch right before intermission.

Cranford's decisive 62-48 win over third-seeded Dayton began with a 6-0 run in the final three minutes of the second quarter.

Governor Livingston's dominant 61-35 triumph over fifth-seeded Summit was decided by a first half-ending 14-2 run after the Highlanders fell behind by four points at the start of the second period.

There you have it.

This is one of those years that there's no doubt the top two girls' basketball teams in the county made it to the championship game.

After each posted double-digit victories in Monday night's 37th annual Frank J. Cicarell semifinals at Johnson, it will be second-seeded Cranford taking on top-seeded Governor Livingston in Sunday's 5 p.m. final at Kean University's Harwood Arena in Union.

The last time GL lost was its only defeat of the year, a 49-44 Mountain Division home setback to Cranford on Feb. 13. The only quarter Cranford won in the game was the second, but it was the best quarter the Cougars played this year as they outscored the Highlanders 24-6 after senior guard Morgan Miller made a half court shot at the first quarter buzzer.

GL began the season 17-0 and is now 22-1 and on a five-game winning streak. The Highlanders were to host Watchung Hills last night in their only other game this week, which was to be Seniors Night.

The last time Cranford lost was the only time it was defeated at home as well this year, falling to GL 42-38 on Jan. 19 in Mountain Division play. GL senior forward Rebecca Johnson scored the last four points of the game after it was tied for the final time with under a minute to go.

Cranford, which will not play again until Sunday, has won 13 straight since its loss to GL. Cranford's three losses are by a total of eight points. Both teams are not far away from being undefeated right now.

This is the first time the top two seeds reached the final since top-seeded Scotch Plains defeated second-seeded and in-town rival Union Catholic in the 2004 final for its first championship.

GL, in the final for the second straight season, is still seeking its first county crown. The Highlanders lost to two-time defending champion Roselle Catholic 33-26 in last year's final at Kean.

Cranford is in the final for the first time since winning its only title in 2006. The Cougars won the crown that season as the top seed.

Sparked by a transition game that can often put teams to sleep, Cranford scored the final six points of the first half to take a 28-19 lead at intermission.

Cranford then made its first five shots and six of its first seven in the third quarter and built a lead of 18 at 46-28 before Dayton closed the period on a 4-0 run.

"When we play good defense and get after the ball, our offense usually flourishes," Cranford head coach Jackie Dyer said.

After Dayton senior guard Emily MacDonnell scored on a layup to pull the Bulldogs to within three at 22-19 with 3:36 left in the second quarter, Cranford moved quickly following a MacDonnell missed free throw.

Miller got the ball to junior guard Mairead McKeary for an inside basket and then Miller, after a steal, passed to junior Kaitlin McGovern for another inside hoop.

Following a steal by McKeary, which was Dayton's fifth turnover in the period, junior forward Jessica McCoy passed to junior guard Jenna Goeller inside for another close-range basket.

Cranford's transition game, which worried Dayton head coach Dave Rennie the most, was in high gear.

"Once we were really moving the ball around we got pumped up," said McCoy, who led all scorers with 22 points, including two three-pointers. McCoy also contributed 10 rebounds, three blocks and two steals as part of an all-around outstanding game.

"At the end of the second quarter Morgan and Mairead came up with those steals and we took advantage," McCoy said.

Cranford didn't cool off during halftime, with the Cougars on fire from the field as the third quarter progressed. McCoy produced three field goals among Cranford's first five shots that all went in.

"Our shooting was definitely on this game," McCoy said. "I'm so happy it was."

Goeller's third three-pointer gave Cranford its biggest lead of 22 at 56-34 early in the fourth quarter.

Dayton managed to go on a 12-0 run right after that to get it to 10 at 56-46 with 2:03 left.

However, after a Cranford timeout, the Cougars quickly produced consecutive baskets, with McGovern and then McCoy scoring inside.

Dayton was led offensively by senior guard Jen Kuczynski, who scored all 14 of her points in the second half.

Dayton, as the 12th seed, upset fourth-seeded Cranford 43-42 in last year's quarterfinals at Rahway. The teams split Mountain Division games this season, with Dayton winning 46-43 at home on Jan. 6 and Cranford coming out on top 54-36 at home on Feb. 2.

"Losing to them last year was really upsetting," McCoy said. "They were kind of a no-name team and we thought it was our year to win it."

"Hopefully, this is our year."

"The third quarter was crucial for us," Dyer said. "We continued what we started to do in the second quarter, which was playing good defense and getting in good position to score."

Cranford's only scorer that did not finish in double digits was junior forward Kaitlin McGovern, who poured in seven points. However, she blocked five shots, including three big ones in a first quarter that saw Cranford only up by one at 14-13. Miller and MacDonnell only took one shot each in the first eight minutes.

"Kaitlin did an awesome job," Dyer said. "She was there for our help defense."

Goeller, Miller and McKeary each scored 11 points, while MacDonnell and starter Nikki Athan scored nine each for Dayton and Anna Lies seven.

Dayton had a four-game winning streak snapped and fell to 18-7. The Bulldogs will look forward to next week's North 2, Group 1 playoffs.

"When we lost to Dayton last year it was disappointing because they were in the lower division," Dyer said. "I think we were a little too comfortable."

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Outstanding matchup is set for a college venue

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"This time we kept the lead. We were happy with the lead, but not satisfied and that was a big reason why we kept it."

A three-point basket by senior guard Kelly Osmulski put Summit in front of GL 16-12 with 6:07 left in the second quarter. A banker basket off the glass by junior reserve Carly Wilson gave the Hilltoppers an 18-14 advantage with 4:58 remaining before intermission.

It was at that point that GL had enough.

An Alyssa Polimeni pass to Erin Ferguson inside made it 18-16. A Polimeni free throw pulled the Highlanders to within 18-17.

Then reserve Alyssa Cranston scored inside to give GL the lead for good at 19-18 with 3:38 left.

The Highlanders, using their height advantage, were now rolling.

Polimeni came down with the ball the next two possessions - with Summit turning it over in between - and found Ferguson underneath for 21-18 and then Ferguson underneath again for 23-18.

After a basket by Osmulski halted a 9-0 GL run, Polimeni found junior Mallory George underneath to put the Highlanders up 25-20.

Summit turned the ball over again, with GL taking advantage as Cranston nailed a three-pointer from the right side to make it 28-20.

Polimeni followed with a three-pointer of her own from the left side and then Sam Dowling made one of two free throws to give GL a 32-20 halftime cushion.

The Highlanders won the third quarter 17-5 for a 49-25 lead. The fourth quarter was just a formality.

"They got the ball inside to Ferguson and we, obviously, had no answer for that," Summit head coach Brian Erickson said.

"That's why they're No. 1 in the county and the top seed."

Polimeni and Ferguson finished with 15 points each, George with 13 and Dowling with 10. Ferguson, arguably the best rebounder in Union County, grabbed 17 boards and George nine.

"We knew that Summit was going to come out with a lot of energy," Polimeni said. "We looked to get the ball up to Erin and she was open. Even if Erin wasn't open we would look for her to fight for the ball."

Summit entered its first game against GL in two years with a nine-game winning streak and a 16-1 mark since Jan. 5. The Hilltoppers, who will host Lyndhurst Wednesday night and then play at Union Catholic Friday afternoon, fell to 18-5. They will look forward to next week's Central Jersey, Group 2 playoffs.

"If we do what we want to do we're very difficult to beat," Ferguson said. "That means focusing on our game plan."

Limiting a new opponent this season to less than 40 points and getting the ball inside at will sounds like GL was more than up to the challenge in knocking off a Summit squad that was playing extremely well.

"We challenged our big players and Erin got hot," GL head coach Andy Silvagni said. "We were running everything we had for our big players."

While GL was the underdog in last year's final, the Highlanders will not be perceived in the same manner this time.

"With the talent that we have we expected to get back to the championship game," Silvagni said.

Summit received 13 points from Osmulski and nine from senior guard Kate Martino.

NOTES: During the spring, Cranford has had GL's number in UCT championship games.

Cranford softball beat GL in the 2006 and 2010 finals, while Cranford baseball defeated GL in the 2007 and 2011 championship games.

FIRST UCT SEMIFINAL AT JOHNSON

3-DAYTON (18-7)	13	6	13	16 - 48
2-CRANFORD (22-3)	14	14	18	16 - 62

DAYTON BULLDOGS (48):

15-Anna Lies, senior, 2-0-3-7
10-Jen Kuczynski, senior, 3-2-2-14
3-Emily MacDonnell, senior, 3-1-0-9
1-Ricci Rajoppi, sophomore, 0-0-1-1
14-Nikki Athan, sophomore, 1-1-4-9
23-Heather Fritzen, junior, 3-0-2-8

Starters: Lies, MacDonnell, Kuczynski, Fritzen, Athan

Totals: 12-4-12-48

CRANFORD COUGARS (62):

13-Mairead McKeary, sophomore, 3-0-5-11
20-Jessica McCoy, junior, 8-2-0-22
22-Kaitlin McGovern, junior, 3-0-1-7
4-Jenna Goeller, junior, 1-3-0-11
3-Morgan Miller, senior, 1-3-0-11

Starters: Miller, Goeller, McCoy, McGovern, McKeary

Totals: 16-8-6-62

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SECOND UCT SEMIFINAL AT JOHNSON

5-SUMMIT (18-5)	8	12	5	10 - 35
1-GL (22-1)	10	22	17	12 - 61

SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS (35):

22-Nicole Johnson, senior, 2-0-1-5
11-Kate Martino, senior, 3-0-3-9
14-Kelly Osmulski, senior, 3-1-4-13
10-Amanda Murphy, senior, 0-0-0-0
24-Olivia Galuppo, senior, 0-0-0-0
23-Fionna Flannery, senior, 1-0-0-2
21-Carly Wilson, junior, 3-0-0-6

Starters: Martino, Osmulski, Johnson, Murphy, Galuppo

Totals: 12-1-8-35

GOV. LIVINGSTON HIGHLANDERS (61):

14-Alyssa Polimeni, senior, 2-2-5-15
42-Sam Dowling, senior, 2-1-3-10
22-Erin Ferguson, junior, 6-0-3-15
15-Mallory George, junior, 6-0-1-13
22-Rebecca Johnson, senior, 0-0-0-0
3-Bari Machado, senior, 0-1-0-3
10-Alyssa Cranston, junior, 1-1-0-5

Starters: Polimeni, Dowling, Ferguson, Johnson, George

Totals: 17-5-12-61

UCT CHAMPIONS:

2012 - Cranford vs. Governor Livingston
2011 - Roselle Catholic / 2010 - Roselle Catholic
2009 - Roselle Catholic / 2008 - Westfield
2007 - Scotch Plains / 2006 - Cranford
2005 - Scotch Plains / 2004 - Scotch Plains
2003 - Roselle Catholic / 2002 - Roselle
2001 - Union Catholic / 2000 - Union
1999 - Summit / 1998 - Union Catholic
1997 - Elizabeth / 1996 - Elizabeth
1995 - Elizabeth / 1994 - Linden
1993 - Linden / 1992 - Union Catholic
1991 - Linden / 1990 - New Providence
1989 - Union Catholic / 1988 - Union Catholic
1987 - Union Catholic / 1986 - Union Catholic
1985 - Hillside / 1984 - Plainfield
1983 - Plainfield / 1982 - Plainfield
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1979 - Plainfield / 1978 - Mother Seton
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Hillside girls' basketball wins Valley title at 14-0 Comets in states next week

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Talk about a turnaround!

The Hillside High School girls' basketball team, taking advantage of dropping down to the Union County Conference's lowest division, captured the Valley Division championship with a perfect 14-0 league mark.

Of the six boys' and girls' basketball UCC division winners this season, the Hillside girls' were the only team to win their division undefeated.

The boys' champions were Plainfield winning the Watchung Division at 10-1, Rahway capturing the Mountain Division at 13-1 and Roselle claiming the Valley Division at 11-1.

The other two girls' champions were Roselle Catholic repeating as Watchung Division champions at 13-1 and Governor Livingston winning the Mountain Division at 13-1.

Hillside defeated Roselle Park 73-16 at home last Friday in its final Valley Division game. As a result, the Comets improved to 17-4 overall.

Playing as a member of the UCC's Mountain Division last year, Hillside finished 2-17 overall and 1-11 in the Mountain Division. Hillside did not play two of its 14 Mountain Division games and its only division win was a 44-34 home triumph over Elizabeth.

The Comets have been sparked by the play of a freshman class that includes Afeni Richardson, Yasmine Robinson-Bacote, Tia-Monique Cole and Chioma Emeana.

Senior point guard Khadijah Callahan has been outstanding, with other contributors including junior 2-guard Rah'Shanai Coleira and junior forwards Jasmine Lombard and Jovania Pierre.

Other varsity players include senior Joshlynn Moore, junior Jasmine Crockett and sophomore Shantay Boyd.

Hillside was scheduled to play at Oak Knoll (13-10) Tuesday at 4 p.m. in a conference-crossover clash.

The Comets earned the second seed for the Central Jersey, Group 2 playoffs and in the first round will host 15th-seeded Bordentown this Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Here's a look at Hillside's perfect 14-0 Valley Division championship record:

Dec. 16: Hillside 50, St. Patrick 36 - at St. Patrick

Dec. 20: Hillside 45, Kent Place 34 - at Kent Place

Jan. 3: Hillside 55, Rahway 44 - at Hillside

Jan. 5: Hillside 53, Rahway 49 - at Rahway

Jan. 10: Hillside 65, St. Mary's, Elizabeth 13 - at St. Mary's, Elizabeth

Jan. 13: Hillside 57, Brearley 21 - at Hillside

Jan. 20: Hillside 54, Benedictine 25 - at Benedictine

Jan. 24: Hillside 58, Roselle Park 20 - at Roselle Park

Jan. 26: Hillside 65, St. Patrick 40 - at Hillside

Jan. 27: Hillside 55, Kent Place 33 - at Hillside

Feb. 2: Hillside 64, St. Mary's, Elizabeth 12 - at Hillside

Feb. 3: Hillside 46, Brearley 33 - at Brearley

Feb. 7: Hillside 67, Benedictine 28 - at Hillside

Feb. 17: Hillside 73, Roselle Park 16 - at Hillside

Classes for new softball umpires start Monday

Men and women who enjoy the game of softball can be a part of the game by becoming certified Amateur Softball Association (ASA) softball umpires. The Greater Union County ASA Softball Umpires Association, in cooperation with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Department of Parks and Community Renewal, will conduct its annual softball umpires training program starting Monday.

The training classes will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday evenings from Feb. 27 through April 2 at the Union County Administration Building in Elizabeth.

More information may be obtained by calling 908-313-0983.

Dayton junior Cioffi commits to Rutgers football

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Anthony Cioffi always dreamed of playing football at Rutgers. The Dayton junior put in the hard work necessary to achieve that goal and on Sunday told new Rutgers head coach Kyle Flood that he would gladly accept the scholarship offer Rutgers made to him.

Although Cioffi's signing day is still almost exactly a year from now, he made it clear that Rutgers is his one and only choice.

"I would have to respectfully decline any other offers," Cioffi, 17, said Monday. "It wouldn't be right to talk to other colleges once I made a commitment to one. That's not how I was raised."

Regarding the discussion of Cioffi leaving Dayton to play at another school his senior season because head coach Joe Goerge resigned, Cioffi was just as adamant in saying that those rumors are not true.

When asked if he is going to play his senior season at Dayton, Cioffi said, "yes." When asked if playing for Dayton is where he wants to be this fall, he said, "exactly."

"Coach Goerge was a big part of it, a great guy and a great coach," Cioffi said. "He's an extension of my family and I loved playing for him."

"I wanted to help put Dayton on the map, that was my main goal. I told my father (Jerry) that I wanted to help turn Dayton into something and not just a run of the mill Group 1 school."

A starter at running back his freshman year and then at quarterback his sophomore and junior seasons, Cioffi helped lead Dayton to its first playoff appearance in 21 years in 2009 and the program's first playoff win in 29 years in 2010.

"I know my senior year will be a lot of hard work and I'm up for the challenge," Cioffi said.

Cioffi spent the day at Rutgers Sunday, meeting with Flood before attending the Rutgers-Syracuse men's basketball game.

"In the beginning of the day he (Flood) brought me into a room with my family and said that he wanted to offer me a scholarship," Cioffi said.

"Then he said to take the day to think about it and get back to me."

Rutgers targeted Cioffi (6-0, 180) as a defensive back. On defense he played safety for Goerge and defensive coordinator Bob Martin, who is also his basketball coach.

"The basketball game was unbelievable, a great experience," Cioffi said. "After the game I went back and talked to him (Flood) and said, 'yes', immediately."

Cioffi's time spent at a four-day Rutgers camp at the end of last June only enhanced his decision.

"Overall, it was the experience I always wanted to have," Cioffi said. "We would go down to the field, come back and eat and there would be triple sessions for all four days of the camp."

"I felt like I could do it. It was perfect." Cioffi was courted by assistant coach Robb Smith, who was on Greg Schiano's staff and remains on Flood's staff as the defensive coordinator.

"They want me to play defensive back and maybe have something to do with special teams, possibly as a kick returner," Cioffi said. "I'll attack it full force, head on. I want to gain 15 more pounds, build more muscle and want to be an impact player right from the start."

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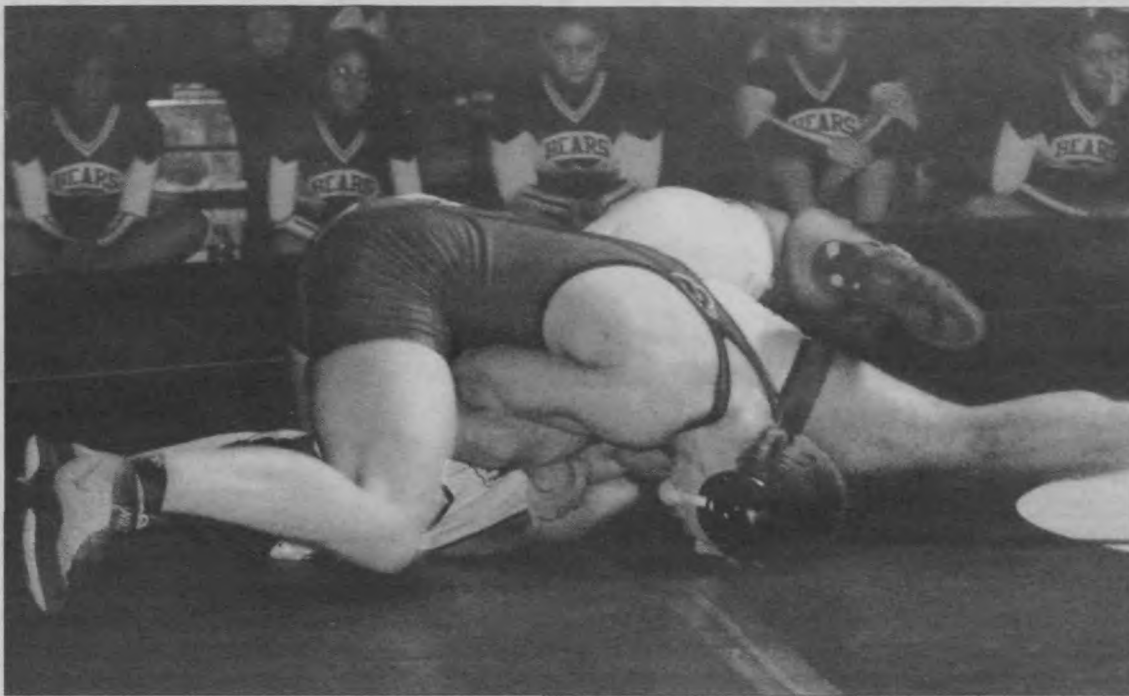


Photo by JR Parachini

Roselle Park senior Vic Pozsonyi, top, captured the 182 pound championship to help Roselle Park win the District 10 title for the third time in four years.

Roselle Park and Linden capture district crowns

Region 3 finals at Union on Saturday

Roselle Park managed to finish first and Seton Hall Prep second in District 10 wrestling at Millburn last Saturday.

The Panthers finished second to Seton Hall Prep last year after finishing first ahead of second-place Seton Hall Prep in 2010.

Roselle Park captured District 10 for the third time in the past four years, winning it again in 2009. Brearley won District 10 for the first three times in 2006, 2007 and 2008.

Linden captured the District 11 championship at Westfield for the first time.

Gov. Livingston placed third in District 12 at South Plainfield, with host South Plainfield winning once more.

First-place, second-place and third-place wrestlers from districts 9-12 began competing in Region 3 at Union last night, with competition to continue tomorrow night and conclude with the finals Saturday.

This is the first year that the eight regions began on Wednesday instead of on Tuesday.

Wrestlers that place either first, second or third in region competition will advance to the NJSIAA Tournament at Atlantic City's Boardwalk Hall March 2-4.



Photo by JR Parachini

The Governor Livingston wrestling team - which won a conference title, placed second in North 2, Group 2 and posted an outstanding 22-3 record - finished third in last weekend's District 12 Tournament at South Plainfield. The Highlanders also paced Union County in victories this season.

DISTRICT 10 AT MILLBURN

TEAMS: 1-Roselle Park 186.5. 2-Seton Hall Prep 166.5. 3-Union 122.5. 4-Madison 113. 5-Barringer 90. 6-Columbia 73. 7-Summit 69. 8-Irvington 57. 9-Millburn 47. 10-Chatham 38.5.

FINALS:

106: John Devito, Roselle Park, pin Khari Jarrett, Columbia, 2:39.

113: Brenden Calas, Seton Hall Prep, tech. fall Nicholas Testa, Summit, 17-0 (4:40).

120: Sam Calis, Seton Hall Prep, tech. fall Nelson Mendez, Barringer 20-4 (5:24).

126: Patsy Davis, Madison, tech. fall Dylan Pollock, Millburn, 21-6 (5:33).

132: Eamonn Gaffney, Seton Hall Prep, dec. Dylan Mulcahy, Chatham, 6-1.

138: Michael Cali, Seton Hall Prep, dec. Obinna Nwanonyiri, Columbia, 6-2.

145: Willie Cowans, Barringer, dec. Pete Willis, Madison, 6-3.

152: Brian Merkle, Roselle Park, won by decision.

160: Phil Woods, Roselle Park, won by pin.

170: Stephen Gibki, Union, dec. Steve Loevsky, Roselle Park, 5-4.

182: Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, injury default, Kevin Matlon, Seton Hall Prep.

195: Anthony Iarussi, Summit, dec. Nick Haboj, Madison, 3-1.

220: Jake Cocchiarella, Union, pin Vincent Picarelli, Roselle Park, 3:23.

HWT: Kristian Lewis, Union, dec. Rodney Cenat, Columbia, 2-1.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS:

106: Casey Egan, Seton Hall Prep

113: Ryan Nobrega, Union

120: Andy Santamaria, R. Park

126: Nicholas Abott, Summit

132: John Costa, Madison

138: Christian Munoz, Barringer

145: Pearse Sweeney, Seton Prep

152: Isaac Antonetty, Barringer

160: Ishmael Crawford, Irvington

170: Chris Auriemma, Columbia

182: Dan Syzdek, Union

195: Brian Homere, Union

220: Donovan Mantone, Madison

HWT: Tom Penn, Chatham

DISTRICT 12 AT

SOUTH PLAINFIELD

TEAMS: 1-South Plainfield 264.

2-Watchung Hills 199.5.

3-Governor Livingston 148.

4-Plainfield 72. 5-Johnson 60.5.

6-Middlesex 60. 7-Colonia 45.5.

8-New Prov. 39. 9-North Plain. 32.

FINALS:

106: Alex Pollera, WH, maj. dec. Carmine Boccellari, New Prov. 9-0.

113: Jon Mele, GL, dec. Raymond Jazikoff, South Plainfield, 13-6.

120: Troy Heilmann, SP, dec. Mike Magaldo, Watchung Hills, 5-0.

126: Anthony Ashnault, SP, maj. dec. Alex Murray, WH, 15-6.

132: Scott DeVecchio, SP, maj. dec. Matt Coppola, WH, 19-9.

138: Tyler Hunt, SP, pin Anthony DiRosa, Watchung Hills, 2:28.

145: Corey Stasenka, SP, dec. Mike DiVito, Watchung Hills, 5-2.

152: Dylan Painton, SP, pin Derrick Washington, Plainfield, 2:43.

160: Mike Carroccia, WH, dec. Inan Sikel, South Plainfield, 9-6.

170: Alex Lundy, South Plainfield, dec. Ryan Dobbs, GL, 1-0.

182: Michael Molinaro, South Plainfield, dec. Zach Heissler, GL, 7-5.

195: Ives Viola, Colonia, maj. dec. Sal Montuori, Johnson, 16-4.

220: Tory Russell, SP, dec. Anthony Carbajal, Watchung Hills, 8-2.

HWT: Juwan Proctor, Middlesex, pin. Tony Manganiello, GL, 2:23.

DISTRICT 11 AT WESTFIELD

TEAMS: 1-Linden 133.

2-Brearley 131. 3-Westfield 129.

4-Cranford 119. 5-Scotch Plains 119.

5-Scotch Plains 103. 6-Elizabeth 74.

7-Rahway 67. 8-Shabazz 8.

FINALS:

106: Nick Tekula, Linden, dec. Nick DeMarco, Brearley, 4-1.

113: Devin Jefferson, Rahway, pin. James Thevenin, Elizabeth, 4:57.

120: Mike Kalimtzis, Westfield, dec. Gavin Murray, Cranford, 2-0.

126: Ian Henry, Cranford, maj. dec. Ralph Stadtler, Elizabeth, 10-2.

132: D'Ondre Floyd, Elizabeth, maj. dec. Diego Attaca, Linden, 15-4.

138: Ellis Opoku, Westfield, pin Mateo Perez, Elizabeth, 3:58.

145: Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, pin Justin Becker, Rahway, 5:36.

152: Sean Cannon, Scotch Plains, dec. Corey Markovitch, Cranford, 5-1.

160: John Balboni, Brearley, maj. dec. Travis Foster, Linden, 8-0.

170: Joey Balboni, Brearley, dec. J.P. Christiano, Cranford, 7-2.

182: Jeff Velez, Brearley, maj. dec. Kieran Cline, Westfield, 15-3.

195: Anthony Tanes, Brearley, dec. Robert Clark, Linden, 9-3.

220: Andrew Jacobs, Scotch Plains, pin Jeff Weiss, Cranford, 3:52

HWT: Sumir Burns, Linden, pin Kyle Kania, Westfield, 1:19.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS:

106: J.T. Beirne, Scotch Plains

113: Tom Cunningham, S. Plains

120: Josh Sheehy, Linden

126: Brian Lapham, Scotch Plains

132: Matt Barber, Westfield

138: Steve Carrion, Scotch Plains

145: Mike Steinfeld, Scotch Plains

152: Colin Barber, Westfield

160: Jimmy Dwyer, Cranford

170: Brian Bulger, Westfield

182: Rob Kessler, Cranford

195: Nick Knepper, Westfield

220: Chris Gonzalez, Linden

HWT: Anthony Tufaro, S. Plains

NOTES: Brearley and Cranford shared the title last year after Brearley won it outright its first year in the district in 2010. Brearley also narrowly placed second in District 10 in 2009, after winning the district every year from 2006-2008.

152: Dylan Painton, SP, pin Derrick Washington, Plainfield, 2:43.

160: Mike Carroccia, WH, dec. Inan Sikel, South Plainfield, 9-6.

170: Alex Lundy, South Plainfield, dec. Ryan Dobbs, GL, 1-0.

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195: Ives Viola, Colonia, maj. dec. Sal Montuori, Johnson, 16-4.

220: Tory Russell, SP, dec. Anthony Carbajal, Watchung Hills, 8-2.

HWT: Juwan Proctor, Middlesex, pin. Tony Manganiello, GL, 2:23.

NOTES: Third-place qualifiers for GL were Joe Colder at 106, Ryne Morrison at 120, Ryan Hoy at 132 and Shane Haddad at 160.

Grapplers that placed third for Johnson were Charlie Hudak at 113, Brian Mooney at 126 and Ed Olenick at 220.



Photo courtesy of Jane Vecchione

Roselle Catholic captured a fourth consecutive league title, winning the Union County Conference's Watchung Division championship for a second straight season at 13-1. Back Row, from left, are Tyis Mullen and Danielle Hunter. Middle row, from left, are Dolapo Balogun, Ashley Skrec, Zhane Irby, Allieyah Cubbage, Niavanni Grant, Katie Tobie, Renee Oliver and Tori Pozsonyi. Front Row, from left, are Tyffani McQueen, Marcia Senatus, Edlyne Darius and Danielle Franklin.

RC girls' basketball wins 4th straight division title

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

The Roselle Catholic girls' basketball team captured a fourth consecutive league title after finishing 13-1 to win the Union County Conference's Watchung Division championship for the second consecutive year.

Roselle Catholic split with Linden, beating the Tigers 50-45 at home on Dec. 20 and falling 39-31 on the road Feb. 4. Last year, the Lions also went 13-1 in their first year in the Watchung Division, splitting league contests with Roselle.

Summit won the UCC's first Watchung Division championship in 2010.

Roselle Catholic captured the Mountain Valley Conference's final Mountain Division championship in 2009 and in 2010 the Lions won the UCC's first Mountain Division crown.

Roselle Catholic, with an overall record of 17-6, was to host Colts Neck Wednesday afternoon in preparation for its first state tournament game.

According to the Non-Public, South B bracket listed on nj.com, Roselle Catholic is the sixth seed and will host 11th-seeded St. Patrick in a first round game Tuesday night at 6.

The Lions previously competed in Non-Public, North A and won that section in 2005.

RC boys' sought UCT title contest

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Roselle Catholic managed to defeat St. Patrick once in two tries so far this season.

If the Lions wanted to reach the county championship game for only the second time and for the first time in 49 years, the had to beat the Celtics again last night.

Third-seeded Roselle Catholic (15-7) was face second-seeded St. Patrick (14-8) at Kean University's Harwood Arena in Union in last night's second 76th annual Frank J. Cicarell boys' basketball Union County Tournament semifinal.

The first semifinal, which was to be played Tuesday night at Roselle Catholic, featured fourth-seeded Elizabeth (16-5) vs. top-seeded Plainfield (20-3).

The winners will meet in the championship game Saturday at 6 p.m. at Kean.

UCT BOYS' BASKETBALL FINAL

Saturday, Feb. 25

At Kean University

Semifinal winners, 6 p.m.

Roselle Catholic was one win away from getting back to the final for the first time since 1963. The Lions have never won the state's oldest county tournament. St. Patrick was attempting to reach the final for a record 20th consecutive season.

The last time the Celtics did not play in the championship game was in 1992.

Roselle Catholic and St. Patrick split Union County Conference-Watchung Division games, with the Celtics winning 61-56 at Kean on Jan. 5 and the Lions coming back in

the second half to claim a 49-46 win at the Elizabeth Dunn Center in one of the Jan. 28 House the Homeless Classic games.

Both teams won their quarterfinal games at Johnson Saturday by at least 20 points, with Roselle Catholic handling sixth-seeded Rahway 81-61 and St. Patrick downing seventh-seeded Roselle 89-65.

"We thought we could give Rahway trouble with length," Roselle Catholic head coach Dave Boff said. "They like to score a lot on turnovers, but we took care of the basketball and also didn't bail them out with any silly fouls."

Senior center Jameel Warney scored 17 points for the Lions to increase his school-record career total to 1,631.

The Lions also received six points and 10 rebounds from Union junior transfer Tyler Roberson, who is coming back from a hamstring injury he suffered early in Roselle Catholic's Jan. 24th home game vs. Plainfield.

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SCOTCH PLAINS

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-002292-12
Superior Court of New Jersey
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Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: DAWN DOUGHLIN, his/ her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest
KWASI WAHTUSE, his/ her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 101, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which MidFirst Bank is plaintiff, and DAWN DOUGHLIN, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-002292-12 within thirty-five (35) days after 02/23/2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after 02/23/2012, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. This action has been instituted for

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the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 09/29/2006 made by DAWN DOUGHLIN and KWASI WAHTUSE, wife and husband as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Horizon Home Loan Corporation recorded on 10/12/2006 in Book 11888 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0835 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, MidFirst Bank, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 12/4/2009, and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1533 East Second Street, Unit 4, Building B, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076, also being Lot 1 in Block 204 02.

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UNION COUNTY

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE OF REGULAR PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 2012 THROUGH THE AUTHORITY'S REORGANIZATION MEETING IN FEBRUARY 2013.

In accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," P.L. 1975, c.231, the following schedule of Regular Public Meetings of the Union County Utilities Authority was approved at the annual reorganization meeting of the Authority on Wednesday February 8, 2012. The Authority gives public notice that it may act as a body, by taking official action, at any of the following meetings.

- Wednesday, March 21, 2012
- Wednesday, April 18, 2012
- Wednesday, May 16, 2012
- Wednesday, June 20, 2012
- Wednesday, July 18, 2012
- Wednesday, August 15, 2012
- Wednesday, September 19, 2012
- Wednesday, October 17, 2012
- Wednesday, November 28, 2012
- Wednesday, December 19, 2012
- Wednesday, January 16, 2013
- Wednesday, February 13, 2013**

PUBLIC NOTICE

All Regular Public Meetings of the Authority will begin at 6:30 p.m., in the Authority Meeting Room, at the offices of the Authority, located on the Third Floor of the Union County Resource Recovery Facility, 1499 Routes 1 and 9 North, Rahway, New Jersey.

Portions of all meetings may be held in executive session to the extent allowed by law.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

Township of Hillside Tax Assessor

The 2012 Tax List for the Township of Hillside, will be available for review March 1st from 8:00-4:00 at the Tax Assessor's office located at 1409 Liberty Ave., Hillside, NJ 07205
U290157 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$5.39)

UNION

UNION BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The Union Township Board of Education having found certain items of school equipment no longer necessary for school use offers them for public sale. A public sale will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at which time sealed proposals will be received in the office of the Board Secretary, Administration Building, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083.

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By Order of the Union Township Board of Education, Township of Union, County of Union, New Jersey.
DATE: February 23, 2012
U290346 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$17.64)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: February 14, 2012

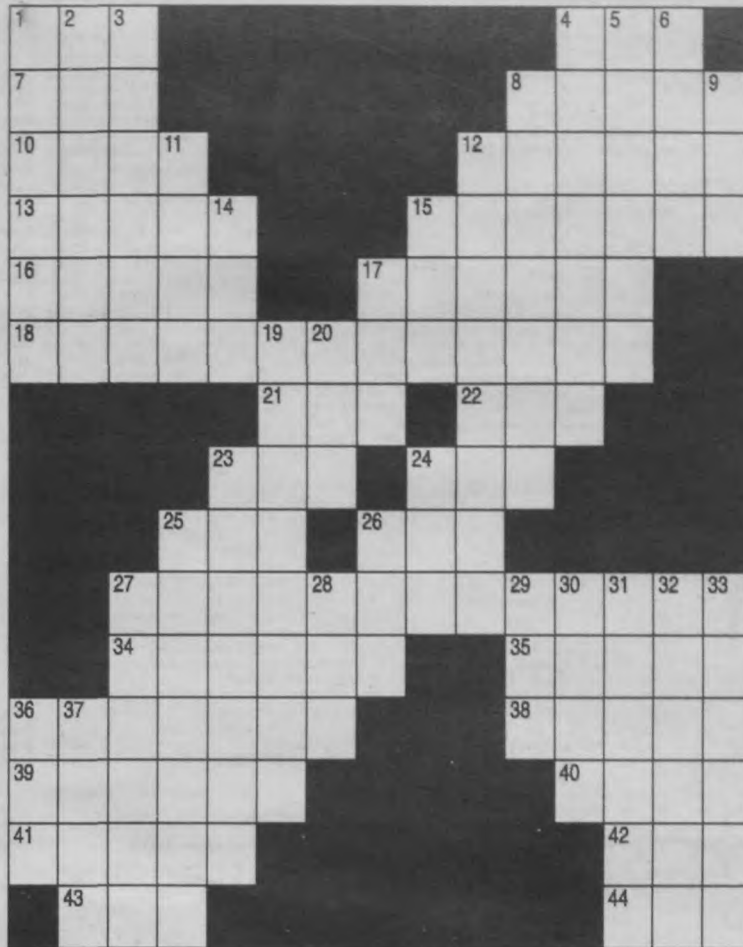
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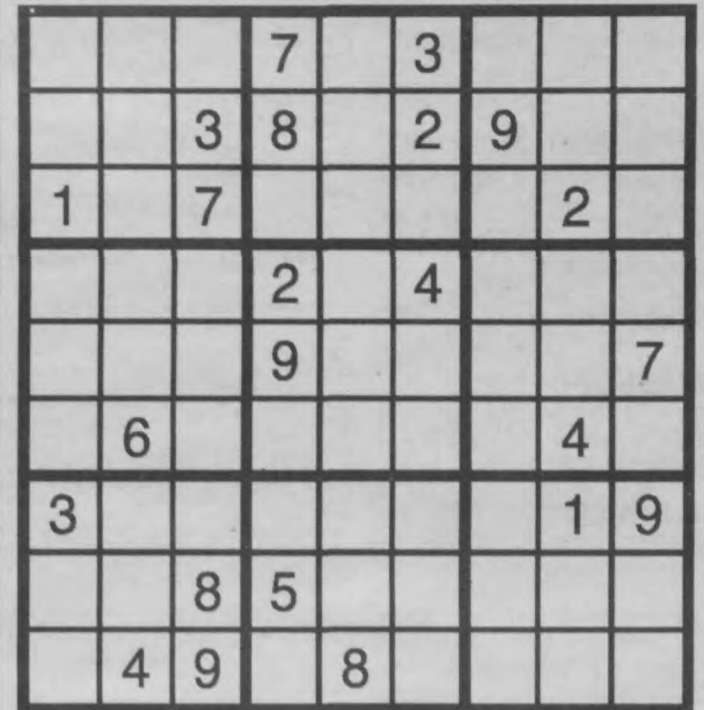
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- 4. A small amount
- 7. Comedian Jack P____
- 8. Beat with a rod
- 10. Bono's ex wife
- 12. Steal cattle
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- 15. In a crisp way
- 16. 04473 ME
- 17. One that takes a captive
- 18. The Dutchess of York
- 21. Zodiacal lion
- 22. Actor Affleck
- 23. ____ de sac
- 24. Pioneer journalist Nellie
- 25. 22nd Greek letter
- 26. I.M.____, architect
- 27. "Hangover" star
- 34. Lofty bird habitats
- 35. Devoid of intelligence
- 36. Divided into parts
- 38. Seasons of 40 weekdays
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- 1. Tortillas, cheese & salsa
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- 6. Make known
- 8. Female bow
- 9. "Partridge" star Susan
- 11. Leopard frog genus
- 12. Representative government
- 14. Japanese classical theater
- 15. Price label
- 17. ____-Magnon: 1st humans
- 19. Property of flowing easily
- 20. Snake-like fish
- 23. With great caution
- 24. Ottoman Empire governor
- 25. Changelings
- 26. Foot (Latin)
- 27. Quarter of a Spanish-speaking country
- 28. Side sheltered from the wind
- 29. Lubricate
- 30. Digits
- 31. Famous canal
- 32. Ensnare
- 33. Live in
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ANSWERS APPEAR IN OUR CLASSIFIED SECTION

HOROSCOPE

Feb. 26 to March 3

ARIES, March 21 to April 20: The work days will flow along without too many problems this week, Aries. Enjoy the smooth sailing and use it as an opportunity to catch up on unfinished projects.
TAURUS, April 21 to May 21: Taurus, a social event this week could put you in contact with some friends you haven't spoken to in a while. The occasion will be great for your social life.
GEMINI, May 22 to June 21: Gemini, working closely with someone might generate some strong feelings between the two of you. It could blossom into a romantic attraction if you choose to go that way.
CANCER, June 22 to July 22: Cancer, love and affection surround you this week. You will also display a strong unity with close friends and family members this week.
LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23: Feelings of nostalgia arise this week, Leo. Although these feelings are

positive, they may catch you off guard. Enjoy the trip down Memory Lane.
VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22: Virgo, you're getting signals from a special someone this week. This person has their eyes on you, and you will want to reciprocate those positive feelings.
LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: Libra, kindness and good manners could pay off for you this week. Someone who respects you a great deal will give you an offer you simply cannot pass on.
SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22: Scorpio, if you're attached, affection will grow strong this week between you and your partner. Someone special may approach you if you're unattached.
SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21: Sagittarius, put your knowledge and experience to work in a creative way this week. If you have been thinking about starting a new project, now is the time to begin.
CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan.

20: Capricorn, your mind will wander, but your body will stay home this week. Enjoy the time to creatively daydream and relax the days away carefree.
AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18: Aquarius, now is a very good time to loosen up and stop worrying about the trivial things that have been on your mind. It's much more about the bigger picture, after all.
PISCES, Feb 19 to March 20: Pisces, put the breaks on a big spending spree because you have to save for bigger things. Money rules all this week.
Famous folks' birthdays
 Feb. 26, Michael Bolton, singer, 58.
 Feb. 27, Josh Groban, singer, 31.
 Feb. 28, Bernadette Peters, actress, 64.
 March 1, Justin Bieber, singer, 18.
 March 2, Jon Bon Jovi, singer, 50.
 March 3, Jessica Biel, actress, 30.

Cooking on the Block

with **Chef Ellie Espo**

Quick dinner

This recipe takes about 15 minutes to prepare and is delicious with crusty Italian bread and red wine.

SPAGHETTI CACIO E PEPE

Ingredients

- 1 lb. spaghetti
- ¼ cup crushed black peppercorns, or more, to taste
- About ¾ lb. pecorino cheese, grated

Method

Cook spaghetti in salted water. Warm a pasta bowl and ladle some pasta-cooking water into it. Add the pasta and toss it with the peppercorns and cheese. Season with salt and serve.

Ellie Espo, a self-taught chef, has been practicing her craft for 30 years, currently at Tom the Greengrocer, in Scotch Plains. Her online cooking show, "Cooking On The Block, with Chef Ellie Espo," is found at www.chefellieespo.com, where you can also print out her recipes. A cookbook is in the works. She may be contacted at chefellieespo@gmail.com, or you may view her recent videos by visiting www.youtube.com/user/chefellieespo.

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Costs: Not to exceed \$18,000.00
U290342 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$15.68)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000494
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2914708
County: Union
Plaintiff: BELTWAY CAPITAL, LLC
VS

Defendant: WANDA MCNEIL; BARBARA MCNEIL; HER HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND HIS, HER, THEIR OR ANY SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST; STATE OF NEW JERSEY; DYWANN MCNEIL, SON
Sale Date: 03/07/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/01/2011

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: Township of Hillside, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey. PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1491 Liberty Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205

TAX LOT # 3 BLOCK # 405 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 47' x 102'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Clark Street

Taxes: 1st Quarter of 2012 due = \$1,748.60 (good through 2/1/12)*

*Plus interest on these figures through date of payoff and any and all subsequent taxes, water and sewer amounts.

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.

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$219,612.89 ***Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred Twelve and 89/100***

Attorney: PARKER MC CAY - ATTORNEYS 7001 LINCOLN DRIVE WEST THREE GREENTREE CENTRE - P.O. BOX 974 MARLTON NJ 08053-0974 (856)596-8900

Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$240,875.76 ***Two Hundred Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five and 76/100***

February 9, 16, 23, March 1, 2012 U289691 UNL (\$174.44)

UNION

THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION

48 HOUR NOTICE

PURSUANT TO C231, PUBLIC LAW OF NEW JERSEY, 1975, THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, HEREBY PROVIDES "48 HOUR NOTICE" OF A PUBLIC MEETING.

THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SCHEDULED A SPECIAL HEARING TO DISCUSS THE ENTERTAINMENT APPLICATION FOR RT. 22 BAR & RESTAURANT, LLC AND A SPECIAL A.B.C. HEARING FOR THE LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FOR ROUTE 22 BAR AND RESTAURANT, LLC.

(FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

TIME: 6:00 P.M. DATE: MARCH 5, 2012 (MONDAY) LOCATION: MUNICIPAL BUILDING MAIN MEETING ROOM 1976 MORRIS AVENUE UNION, NEW JERSEY 07083

EILEEN BIRCH, TOWNSHIP CLERK February 16, 23, 2012 U289859 UNL (\$36.26)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

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Dated: February 14, 2012

Awarded to: T & M Associates 11 Tindall Road Middletown, N.J. 07748

Services: 2011 Road Improvement Program - Colonial Avenue Survey, Design, Contract Administration Services

Time Period: February 14, 2012 to June 14, 2012

Costs: Not to exceed \$75,750.00 U290343 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$16.66)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK MUNICIPAL LAND USE BOARD

NOTICE OF AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 6, 2012, the Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board adopted a resolution at a public meeting authorizing the award of a professional service contract to Victor E. Vinegra, P.P., of Harbor Consultants, Inc. for Professional Planning Services.

The duration, nature, type and amount of contract are more specifically set forth in the aforesaid resolution, a copy of which is on file and available for inspection in the Municipal Building, 110 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey.

Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board

By: Loren Harms Chairman

NOTICE OF AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 6, 2012, the Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board adopted a resolution at a public meeting authorizing the award of a professional service contract to Michael A. Tripodi, Esq., as Municipal Land Use Board Attorney.

The duration, nature, type and amount of contract are more specifically set forth in the aforesaid resolution, a copy of which is on file and available for inspection in the Municipal Building, 110 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey.

Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board

By: Loren Harms Chairman

NOTICE OF DECISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following action was taken by the Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board at a public meeting held on February 6, 2012 for the below referenced matter:

Rosa Espinoza, 27 East Clay Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey - Resolution memorializing denial for a bulk variance for the construction of a pool deck on the premises located at 27 East Clay Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey, more specifically known as the Lot 28, Block 804.

The aforesaid resolution is on file and available for inspection in the Municipal Building, 110 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey.

Roselle Park Municipal Land Use Board

By: Loren Harms Chairman

U290298 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$41.65)

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 February 16, 2012 and that said ordinance will be taken up for passage, and public hearing on March 1, 2012 at 7:00 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. 2350 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 7-10(b), OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

Doreen Cali Borough Clerk

U290347 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$17.64)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional

Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

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Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the Resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: February 14, 2012

Awarded to: Hatch Mott McDonald 27 Bleeker Street Millburn, N.J. 07748

Services: Design and Construction Management Services - Municipal Building Boiler

Time Period: February 15, 2012 to October 15, 2012

Costs: Not to exceed \$112,900.00 U290344 UNL Feb. 23, 2012 (\$16.17)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000497
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1346110
County: Union
Plaintiff: EVERBANK
VS

Defendant: ALEXANDER BENKHEN, BRUCHA BENKHEN, HIS WIFE, BRIS AVROHOM CENTER
Sale Date: 03/14/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/19/2011

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 TWP of HILLSIDE, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 1025 SALEM AVE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205.

Tax Lot No. 28 in Block No. 1712 Dimension of Lot Approximately: 33 X 99

Nearest Cross Street: MADING TERRACE

BEGINNING at a point in the southeasterly sideline of Salem Avenue said point being distant 67.00 feet measured southwesterly along said southeasterly sideline of Salem Avenue from the intersection with the southwesterly sideline of Mading Terrace, running thence

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES 2012 1ST QTR TAXES OPEN

\$1,413.23 TOTAL AS OF JANUARY 24, 2012

\$1,413.23 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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$250,266.34 ***Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Six and 34/100***

Attorney: FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC 7 CENTURY DR SUITE 201 PARSIPPANY NJ 07054 (973)644-3287

Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$261,650.62 ***Two Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty and 62/100***

February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289836 UNL (\$164.64)

PUBLIC NOTICE

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Municipal Council of the City of Rahway has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. This contract and Resolution AR-47-12 authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

The contract has been awarded to Bohler Engineering 35 Technology Dr., Warren, NJ 07059-5172. There shall be no compensation for this agreement. The purpose of this contract is to provide consulting services related to the procurement of grants and funding assistance from the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. This company complies with the requirements of P.L. 2004 c.19 (N.J.S.A. (19:44A-20.5 et seq)).

Jean D. Kuc, RMC Municipal Clerk

U290176 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$13.72)

ELIZABETH

ORD. NO. 4282

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the governing body of the City of Elizabeth, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on February 14, 2012 and the 20-day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such ordinance follows:

ORD. NO. 4282

Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO O'BRIEN FIELD LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ELIZABETH AND APPROPRIATING \$2,200,000 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,090,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH TO FINANCE THE SAME.

Purpose(s): Improvements to O'Brien Field, including, but not limited to, installation of synthetic turf, drainage improvements and other recreation field and park improvements, and including all other work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Appropriation: \$2,200,000 Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$2,090,000 Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$ 0.00 Section 20 Costs: \$330,000 Useful Life: 15 Years

Yolanda Roberts City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 4282

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO O'BRIEN FIELD LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ELIZABETH AND APPROPRIATING \$2,200,000 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,090,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH TO FINANCE THE SAME.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the City of Elizabeth, in the County of Union, New Jersey (the "City"), as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$2,200,000 including the sum of \$110,000 as the down payment for the improvement or purpose pursuant to the Local Bond Law. The down payment has been made available by virtue of the provision in the capital improvement fund in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment or otherwise provided for hereunder, negotiable bonds or notes are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$2,090,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds or notes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for which the bonds or notes are to be issued is improvements to O'Brien Field, including, but not limited to, installation of synthetic turf, drainage improvements and other recreation field and park improvements, and including all other work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold,

the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The capital budget or temporary capital budget (as applicable) of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. In the event of any such inconsistency and amendment, the resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget or amended temporary capital budget (as applicable) and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. No part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 15 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$2,090,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An amount not exceeding \$330,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the improvement or purpose.

Section 7. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the City is hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 9. To the extent that any previous ordinance or resolution is inconsistent herewith or contradictory hereto, said ordinance or resolution is hereby repealed or amended to the extent necessary to make it consistent herewith.

Section 10. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

U290350 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$121.52)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway, County of Union, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on February 13, 2012. A public hearing and final adoption will be held at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway in the Municipal Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 7 p.m. Copies of said Ordinance are available at the City Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request same.

ORDINANCE - CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

O-6-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 401 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) - HANDICAPPED PARKING

The subject ordinance removes a handicapped parking space in front of 45 W. Albert St.

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290189 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$17.64)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Municipal Council of the City of Rahway has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. This contract and Resolution AR-69-12 authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk. The contract has been awarded to Prime Appraisal, Inc., 199 Main St., Woodbridge, NJ 07095 for a fee of

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\$70,000.00. The purpose of this contract is to provide tax assessor consulting services. This company complies with the requirements of P.L. 2004 c.19 (N.J.S.A. (19:44A-20.5 et seq.).

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290349 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$12.25)

RAHWAY

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY UNION COUNTY Docket No. F: 002216-12

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: HAYDEE OTERO f/k/a HAYDEE JUSTINIANO

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Plusee, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054. An Answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action in which Federal National Mortgage Association, is Plaintiff and Jose Luis Justiniano, et al, are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket No. F-002216-12, within thirty-five days (35) after February 23, 2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after February 23, 2012, (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 relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. A filing fee payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey and a completed Case Information Statement (available from the deputy clerk of the Superior Court) must accompany your answer when it is filed.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage dated May 29, 2007, and made by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Wall Street Mortgage, Inc., to Jose Luis Justiniano and Olinda Justiniano recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office, on June 14, 2007 Book 12194, at Page 0084; to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 727 Stone Street, Rahway, NJ 07065, and being also known as Lot 6, and Block 177 on the tax map of the City of Rahway, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

By written assignment dated October 18, 2010 but effective June 1, 2010, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Wall Street Mortgage, Inc. assigned its mortgage and bond/note to Federal National Mortgage Association which was recorded on October 29, 2010 in Book 1387, Page 0026.

You, Haydee Otero f/k/a Haydee Justiniano, are the holder of a docketed judgment in the Superior Court of New Jersey. Your lien is subordinate to that of Plaintiff.

You may contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-387-1835. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-475-2010 or by calling the Legal Services of New Jersey Statewide Hotline at 1-888-LSNJ-LAW (1-888-576-5529). File 069702 DATED: February 10, 2012

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK Superior Court of New Jersey U290167 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$43.61)

LINDEN

Storage Post, Inc., will sell at Public Auction under New Jersey Lien laws for cash only on March 14, 2012 at 11:00AM and on such succeeding days and times as may be necessary at 401 S. Park Ave., Linden, NJ 07036 the property described herein as belonging to:

Fabiana L. Godinho #1134: cartons, table, chairs; Regina D. Miller #2002: cartons, washer, dryer; Derrick W. Webb #2019: clothes, Dorcas F. Taylor #2201: bins, bags; Mark Rosario #2225: futon, cartons, birdcage; Shanicqua T. Greene #2233: bins, table, chairs; Tammy M. Washington Thompson #2252: bags, cartons, exercise bench; Joyce D. Faulks #3133: cartons, TVs, bin; Tyla N. Trawick #3194: TV, clothes, table; Edward W. Green #3253: bins, bags, luggage; Elizabeth R. Nichols #3351: china closet, table, chairs; Chantel Saintlouis #6045: refrigerators, TV, dresser; Jennifer Jones #2086: couches, cartons, bikes; Du Quan M. Bell #7012: cartons, bags, chairs.

Donald Bader & Patrick Williams, Auctioneers as Agents. Storage Post reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel the auction for any reason. February 16, 23, 2012 U289991 PRO (\$34.30)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENTS AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Rahway, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on February 13, 2012 and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

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sey, on February 13, 2012 and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

O-2-12

Title: BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN ITS ENTIRETY BOND ORDINANCE NO. O-11-11 ADOPTED APRIL 11, 2011 AND ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR DEMOLITION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS PROPERTIES WITHIN A DULY DESIGNATED REDEVELOPMENT AREA IN THE CITY, APPROPRIATING \$200,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$200,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES OF THE CITY FOR PAYING THE COST THEREOF FOR SAID IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE CITY OF RAHWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY" TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO \$285,000 AND TO MAKE SUCH OTHER CONFORMING CHANGES AS APPROPRIATE

Purpose(s): Demolition of 65 Cherry Street and improvements thereto, improvements to Dornoch I property and to Dornoch II (Parking Lot B), to include all materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

Appropriations: \$285,000 Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$285,000 Section 20 Costs: \$75,000 Useful Life: 10 years

JEAN D. KUC, RMC City Clerk

U290171 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$31.85)

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000592 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1239210 County: Union Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS Defendant: MARCELO SOSA, MRS. SOSA, WIFE OF MARCELO SOSA, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST MAGNUS FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Sale Date: 03/14/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/05/2012

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Roselle COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 119 Independence Drive TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 5902 LOT: 11 DIMENSION OF LOT: 55' X 101.69' NEAREST CROSS STREET: Colonial Road SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$255,848.86 ***Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Eight and 86/100***

Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HWY P.O. BOX 848 - SUITE 200 MOORESTOWN NJ 08057 (856)802-1000 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$267,139.37 ***Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Nine and 37/100*** February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289837 PRO (\$148.96)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY The following Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council on February 13, 2012:

AR-62-12 A RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH FOR TUBERCULOSIS DISEASE SERVICES

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290178 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$9.31)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000773 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F00327611 County: Union Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB VS

Defendant: PORFIRIO GUTIERREZ AND MRS. PORFIRIO GUTIERREZ Sale Date: 03/21/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/31/2012

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 and the State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 613 Grier Avenue Block 4, Lot 753 Dimensions of Lot (approximately): 25' x 110.58' Nearest Cross Street: Summer Avenue Subject to: \$0.00

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION. 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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$378,367.15 Three Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Seven and 15/100***

Attorney: MC CABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C. 216 HADDON AVENUE SUITE 303 WESTMONT NJ 08108 (856)858-7080 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$381,471.19 Three Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One and 19/100*** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290278 PRO (\$145.04)

U290278 PRO (\$145.04)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000591 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F05268510 County: Union Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS Defendant: MARIA G. DE LA CRUZ, AMANDO CASTELLANO Sale Date: 03/14/2012 Writ of Execution: 12/28/2011

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 34 Cedar Avenue TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 6 LOT: 136 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100.00' x 25.00' NEAREST CROSS STREET: 125.00' from South Elmora Avenue SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$279,461.15 ***Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-One and 15/100***

Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HWY P.O. BOX 848 - SUITE 200 MOORESTOWN NJ 08057 (856)802-1000 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$288,038.95 ***Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Thirty-Eight and 95/100*** February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289948 PRO (\$143.08)

U289948 PRO (\$143.08)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000588 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F05208210 County: Union Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS

Defendant: JOSE MARTINEZ, ANITA GARCES Sale Date: 03/14/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/06/2012

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 11 Stewart Place TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 6 LOT: 1385 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 115' x 15.31' NEAREST CROSS STREET: 200' from Rosehill Place SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$352,756.16 ***Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Six and 16/100***

Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HWY P.O. BOX 848 - SUITE 200 MOORESTOWN NJ 08057 (856)802-1000 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$360,079.54 ***Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Seventy-Nine and 54/100*** February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289949 PRO (\$141.12)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000784 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F05261710B County: Union Plaintiff: TD BANK, N.A. VS Defendant: LUIS RODRIGUEZ AND ANA M RODRIGUEZ TERRAMAR REALTY, L.L.C., TERRAMAR PROVISIONS, L.L.C., d/b/a TERRAMAR BAR RESTAURANT SOVEREIGN BANK, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, NANCY L. MUELLER, MD, PA, ATLANTIC CREDIT AND FINANCE

Sale Date: 03/21/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/31/2012

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 premises to be foreclosed are commonly known as 515 East Elizabeth Avenue, City of Linden, County of Union, State of New Jersey. Said premises are also known as: Block 176 Lot 20 Approximate dimensions of premises: 35 feet X 120 feet Located approximately 140 feet from the intersection of Elizabeth Avenue and Maple Avenue

A more complete legal description of said premises can be found in Deed Book 5457 at Page 633. Sale is subject to numerous judgments against persons by the name of LUIS RODRIGUEZ and/or ANA RODRIGUEZ which may or may not be against the mortgagor, subject to outstanding real estate taxes due, including tax sale certificates, of approximately \$22,365.00 as of February 8, 2012.

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$141,510.29 One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Five Hundred Ten and 29/100***

Attorney: OSTROWITZ & OSTROWITZ 225 GORDONS CORNER RD MANALAPAN NJ 07726 (732)446-2800 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$145,089.50 One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eighty-Nine and 50/100*** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290285 PRO (\$141.12)

U290285 PRO (\$141.12)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000754 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4908809 County: Union Plaintiff: VALLEY NATIONAL BANK VS

Defendant: JOSEPH M. QYATTA AND PRISCILLAR W. QYATTA, h/w Sale Date: 03/21/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/13/2012

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 Borough of Roselle In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 451 West Second Avenue, Roselle, NJ Tax Lot # 1 in Block # 5402 Dimensions of Lot (Approximately): 60 x 100 x 60 x 100 Nearest Cross Street: Located on West Second Avenue on the Corner of West Second and Clover.

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$302,667.52 Three Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven and 52/100***

Attorney: SCHILLER & PITTENGER, P.C. - ATTORNEYS 1771 FRONT STREET SUITE D SCOTCH PLAINS, NJ 07076 (908) 490-0444 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$314,955.77 Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Five and 77/100*** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290267 PRO (\$113.68)

U290267 PRO (\$113.68)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway, County of Union, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on February 13, 2012. A public hearing and final adoption will be held at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway in the Municipal Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza, on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 7 p.m. Copies of said Ordinance are available at the City Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request same.

ORDINANCE - CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY O-8-12

AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14). The subject ordinance authorizes the exceedance of budget appropriation limits.

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290193 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$17.15)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith, was finally adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway, County of Union, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on February 13, 2012. Copies of said Ordinance are available at the City Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request same.

ORDINANCE - CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY O-1-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 401 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) - HANDICAPPED PARKING

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290187 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$12.74)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

The following Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council on February 13, 2012: AR-63-12 A RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH FOR SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE SERVICES

Jean D. Kuc, RMC City Clerk

U290184 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$9.80)

U290184 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$9.80)

PUBLIC NOTICE

**RAHWAY
PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY
The following Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council on February 13, 2012:
AR-61-12
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS FOR HEALTH OFFICER SERVICES
Jean D. Kuc, RMC
City Clerk
U290177 PRO Feb. 23, 2012 (\$8.82)

PUBLIC NOTICE

**MOUNTAINSIDE
LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public hearings will be held by the Planning Board of the Borough of Mountainside, in the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside NJ on Thursday, March 8, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. on the following applications:
Trilos Realty (Echo Park Restaurant and Grill), 1079 Route 22, Block 24.A, Lot 1 - Continuation of the application. Applicant proposes a Site Plan and Development, Change of Tenancy and renovations to an existing restaurant. Existing variance includes lot width under 125 ft. - 200 ft. on Route 22. New variances include retail sales, use variance, front yard under 30 ft. - 50 ft. on Route 22 where 13.48 ft. is proposed, lot coverage over 75% where 83 percent is proposed, parking space 250, front yard parking, loading spaces and signs.
American Aluminum Company, 230 Sheffield Street, Block 7.Mk, Lot 28 - Applicants are proposing to install solar panels on the roof of a commercial building and also to install a gas generator in the side yard of a commercial building. There are no existing variances. New variances include a use variance for solar panels. Solar panels are considered an accessory structure. Other variances include performance standards for noise, and accessory structures within ten feet of the principal building where four feet is proposed.
Pupo, 328 Darby Lane, Block 7.1, Lot 14 - Applicant proposes to construct a second story addition. Existing variances include lot area under 15,000 square feet, lot width under 100 feet, and lot area within 150 feet. New variances include foundation area over 15 percent where 17.9 percent is proposed and ground projections over 3.75 percent where 3.9 percent is proposed.
ASC Mountainside Realty, 1450 Route 22, Block 3.C, Lot 9 & 12 - Applicant proposes a Site Plan, Change of Tenancy and Change of Use for physical therapy services. Existing variances include front yard under 50 feet, and parking in the rear yard. A new variance includes insufficient parking, where 223 spaces are provided and 230 are required.
JMK Auto Sales, 391 Route 22, Springfield and Mountainside, Block 24.J, Lots 4 and 4.A - Applicant proposes to construct an extension of stair towers and a vehicular ramp to provide rooftop parking. Existing variances include retail sales and a use variance, front yard under 30 feet. - 50 feet on Route 22, lot area under 26,000 square feet, lot width under 125 feet, lot coverage over 75 percent and accessory structures. New variances include height over 35 feet where 52 feet is proposed, vehicle parking, and outdoor storage of vehicles.
County of Union Maintenance Building - Applicants propose a conceptual review and site plan to construct an addition onto an existing maintenance garage, and retaining wall, in the Echo Lake Park.
All applications are subject to the Mountainside Land Use Ordinance and bulk variances may be required. If requested by the board, additional variance and waiver relief may be required.
Other issues may be discussed and action may be taken.

Ruth M. Rees
Secretary
U290358 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$47.53)

**MOUNTAINSIDE
PUBLIC NOTICE**

TAKE NOTICE that on the 8th day of March, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., a hearing will be held before the Borough of Mountainside Zoning Board of Adjustment at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey regarding the application of JMK Auto Sales, Inc. for preliminary and final site plan review and for permission to extend three (3) stair towers and the vehicular ramp assembly above the roof for access and egress and to park vehicles on the roof deck. The applicant further seeks to increase the height of the building from a previously-approved and existing 40 feet to 52 feet. The applicant seeks a variance by reason of extending the height of the building over 35 feet as required in Section 1013(c)(1) for the storage of vehicles outdoors pursuant to Section 1003(1)(2) and (c)(e)(g). The applicant shall also see any other variances or requests that may be necessary as

evidenced by the plans now on file or as may be modified at the request of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
This application is made for premises located at 391 Route 22 East, Springfield, New Jersey and designated as Lots 4 and 4a in Block 24J, on the "Borough of Mountainside Tax Map".
The application, plans and survey are on file in Town Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey, and are available for inspection.
Any interested party may appear either in person, by agent or attorney, and present any objections which you may have in granting this Application.
BRUCE M. PITMAN, ESQ.
ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT
U290359 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$24.50)

**SUMMIT
BID NOTICE
CITY OF SUMMIT**
PROJECT: 2012 Sanitary Sewer Repairs
DEPARTMENT: Department of Community Services
Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Department of the City of Summit, Union County, New Jersey at 11:00 A.M. prevailing time, Tuesday, March 13, 2012 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey for:
2012 Sanitary Sewer Repair
in accordance with the specifications and proposal forms for same which may be obtained at the office of the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. during regular business hours, 7:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday for a refundable fee of \$25. Said fee will be returned to all bona fide bidders if specifications are returned within 10 business days.
All bids shall be addressed to **DAVID L. HUGHES, PURCHASING DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, 512 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, SUMMIT, NJ 07901**. Bids, along with bid securities, must be enclosed in a properly SEALED envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and the NATURE OF THE BID CONTAINED THEREIN.
A Bid Security is required in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid, not to exceed \$20,000, in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the City of Summit.
Bidders, when appropriate, shall comply with the provisions of the following laws of New Jersey: N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. (Prevailing Wage Act); N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (Corporation and/or Partnership Owner Information); and any subsequent amendments thereto. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action) and N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 (Business Registration).
The Common Council reserves the right to reject all bids or proposals, waive any minor defects, and in the case of a tie, award on the basis of reasonable grounds, or accept the bid that in its judgment will be for the best interests of the City of Summit, and consider bids for sixty (60) days after their receipt.
No charge shall be made or recovery had for publishing any official advertising unaccompanied by such statement of price.
Cured in place lining, existing clay pipe, 8"-18"
4513 LF total
Repair existing manhole inverts
7 Units
David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 2/7/2012
U290128 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$40.67)

**SUMMIT
TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on March 5, 2012 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 74 Essex Rd., Block 2305, Lot 16.
The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows:
Applicant proposes an addition expanding the second story over an existing one story wing. Due to irregularities in the shape of the lot and the position of the existing home on the lot, which is currently in violation of the side yard requirement, the proposed addition will require relief for 1.3' encroachment into the side yard.
Applicant requests any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing.
The application forms and supporting documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected 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.
Paul J. Guagliardo & Victoria Perla Guagliardo,
Applicants
U290158 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$21.07)

**SUMMIT
NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**SUMMIT
CITY OF SUMMIT
NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT
HEARINGS**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Common Council of the City of Summit will meet at the City Hall in the City of Summit on Tuesday evening, March 6, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of considering the report and maps of the Tax Assessor, dated September 1, 2011 for Ordinance 09-2858 and the revised Tax Assessor's Report, dated December 7, 2011 which includes a revised Cost Sheet for Ordinance 10-2929 with reference to the assessment of lands and real estate benefited by reason of the improvements, as follows:
Various Roads, Curb & Sidewalk Improvements.
A portion of various roads including Parkway Terrace, Larned Road, Mountain Avenue, Blackburn Road, Morris Avenue, Baltusrol Road, Pearl Street, Lenox Road, Springfield Avenue, Essex Road and Argyle Court in and by the City, by the construction or reconstruction therein of granite block curbs and concrete sidewalks being adjacent to those lands designated on the official tax map of the City as Lots 23 to 26 in Block 4706, Lot 8 in Block 1809, Lot 1 in Block 3915, Lots 24 to 26 in Block 4205, Lots 1 to 7 in Block 2501 and Lots 15 to 19 in Block 3501, including all structures, appurtenances, equipment, site work, work and materials necessary therefore or incidental thereto, and prescribed by Ordinance #09-2858, passed on June 16, 2009.
11 New Providence Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements.
Closing of an existing septic system and installing a new sanitary sewerage pumping station at 11 New Providence Avenue and being designated on the official tax map of the City as Lot 7 in Block 1502, including all structures, site work, equipment, work and materials necessary therefore or incidental thereto and prescribed by Ordinance #10-2929, passed on December 7, 2010.
Said report and maps are now on file in the office of the City Clerk, and said Common Council will at that time or at any subsequent meeting adopt and confirm said report with or without alteration as it may deem proper.
David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 2/7/12
February 23, March 1, 2012
U290129 OBS (\$69.58)

**SUMMIT
BID NOTICE
CITY OF SUMMIT**

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Community Services
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2012 Sanitary Sewer Repair
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**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, Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on March 5, 2012, which hearing may be continued, as required, 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 Matthew and Alexis Cohen, regarding permission to improve their property known as 22 Kings Hill Court, and designated as Lot 17, Block 3005 on the Tax Maps of the City of Summit in the R-15 District. The applicants seek approval for disturbance of steep slopes to improve the outdoor living area.
The applicant requests variance relief from the strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance standards regulating disturbance of steep slopes 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 Applicants
By: **JAMES G. WEBBER, ESQ.**
Dated: 2/14/2012
U290354 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$31.36)

**SUMMIT
NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION**
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John Mell
Applicant
U290352 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$19.60)

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U290353 EAG Feb. 23, 2012 (\$50.47)

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U290357 EAG Feb. 23, 2012 (\$27.44)

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HEARINGS**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Common Council of the City of Summit will meet at the City Hall in the City of Summit on Tuesday evening, March 6, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of considering the report and maps of the Tax Assessor, dated September 1, 2011 for Ordinance 09-2858 and the revised Tax Assessor's Report, dated December 7, 2011 which includes a revised Cost Sheet for Ordinance 10-2929 with reference to the assessment of lands and real estate benefited by reason of the improvements, as follows:
Various Roads, Curb & Sidewalk Improvements.
A portion of various roads including Parkway Terrace, Larned Road, Mountain Avenue, Blackburn Road, Morris Avenue, Baltusrol Road, Pearl Street, Lenox Road, Springfield Avenue, Essex Road and Argyle Court in and by the City, by the construction or reconstruction therein of granite block curbs and concrete sidewalks being adjacent to those lands designated on the official tax map of the City as Lots 23 to 26 in Block 4706, Lot 8 in Block 1809, Lot 1 in Block 3915, Lots 24 to 26 in Block 4205, Lots 1 to 7 in Block 2501 and Lots 15 to 19 in Block 3501, including all structures, appurtenances, equipment, site work, work and materials necessary therefore or incidental thereto, and prescribed by Ordinance #09-2858, passed on June 16, 2009.
11 New Providence Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements.
Closing of an existing septic system and installing a new sanitary sewerage pumping station at 11 New Providence Avenue and being designated on the official tax map of the City as Lot 7 in Block 1502, including all structures, site work, equipment, work and materials necessary therefore or incidental thereto and prescribed by Ordinance #10-2929, passed on December 7, 2010.
Said report and maps are now on file in the office of the City Clerk, and said Common Council will at that time or at any subsequent meeting adopt and confirm said report with or without alteration as it may deem proper.
David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 2/7/12
February 23, March 1, 2012
U290129 OBS (\$69.58)

**SUMMIT
BID NOTICE
CITY OF SUMMIT**

PROJECT: 2012 Sanitary Sewer Repairs
DEPARTMENT: Department of Community Services
Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Department of the City of Summit, Union County, New Jersey at 11:00 A.M. prevailing time, Tuesday, March 13, 2012 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey for:
2012 Sanitary Sewer Repair
in accordance with the specifications and proposal forms for same which may be obtained at the office of the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. during regular business hours, 7:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday for a refundable fee of \$25. Said fee will be returned to all bona fide bidders if specifications are returned within 10 business days.
All bids shall be addressed to **DAVID L. HUGHES, PURCHASING DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, 512 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, SUMMIT, NJ 07901**. Bids, along with bid securities, must be enclosed in a properly SEALED envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and the NATURE OF THE BID CONTAINED THEREIN.
A Bid Security is required in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid, not to exceed \$20,000, in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the City of Summit.
Bidders, when appropriate, shall comply with the provisions of the following laws of New Jersey: N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. (Prevailing Wage Act); N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (Corporation and/or Partnership Owner Information); and any subsequent amendments thereto. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action) and N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 (Business Registration).
The Common Council reserves the right to reject all bids or proposals, waive any minor defects, and in the case of a tie, award on the basis of reasonable grounds, or accept the bid that in its judgment will be for the best interests of the City of Summit, and consider bids for sixty (60) days after their receipt.
No charge shall be made or recovery had for publishing any official advertising unaccompanied by such statement of price.
Cured in place lining, existing clay pipe, 8"-18"
4513 LF total
Repair existing manhole inverts
7 Units
David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 2/7/2012
U290128 OBS Feb. 23, 2012 (\$40.67)

**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, Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on March 5, 2012, which hearing may be continued, as required, 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 Matthew and Alexis Cohen, regarding permission to improve their property known as 22 Kings Hill Court, and designated as Lot 17, Block 3005 on the Tax Maps of the City of Summit in the R-15 District. The applicants seek approval for disturbance of steep slopes to improve the outdoor living area.
The applicant requests variance relief from the strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance standards regulating disturbance of steep slopes 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 Applicants
By: **JAMES G. WEBBER, ESQ.**
Dated: 2/14/2012
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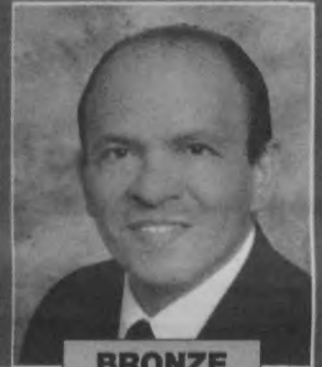
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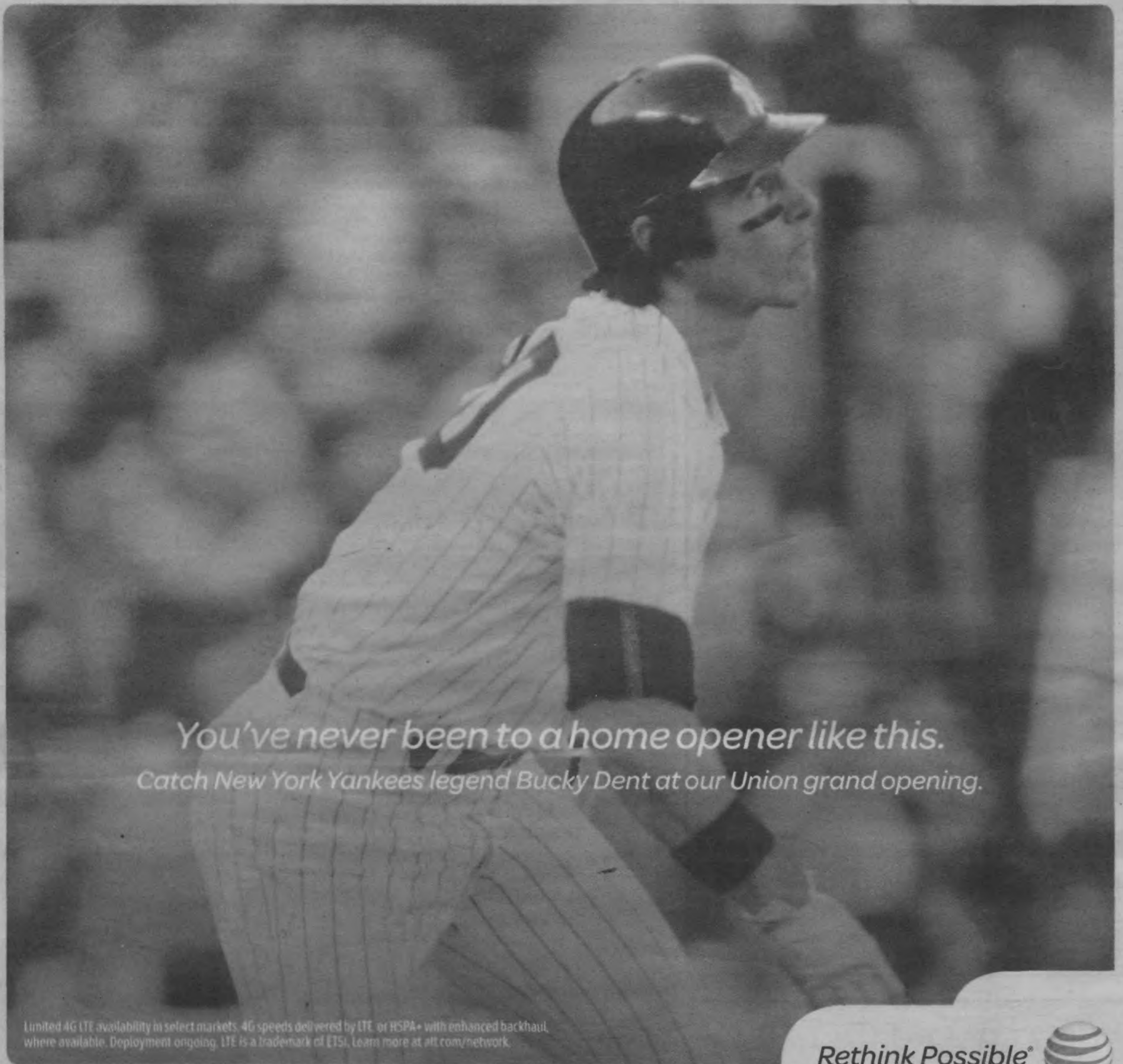
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