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Hillside High placed on 'lockdown' after bogus gun report

By Rebecca Panico
Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — Hillside High School briefly went into lockdown May 23 after a male student made a call to police falsely claiming he had a gun, authorities said.

Police received the cellphone call around 11 a.m. and traced it to the high school, authorities said.

"A student in the high school was determined to have called, but no gun was found and the school is safe," local police said in a statement later the same day. "Two students are being questioned by detectives and an investigation is under way."

The school was placed on lockdown as a "preventative measure" until police found the caller, authorities said.

Parents and guardians could be seen walking into the high school on Liberty Avenue around 12:45 p.m. to take their children home. By that time, police had cleared the scene and students could be seen in what appeared to be gym class at the Phil Rizzuto Field behind the school.

One high school senior told LocalSource at the scene that the lockdown lasted at least 30 minutes.

"You're neutral," Christian Branch, 18, said of his reaction to the lockdown. He said he also saw students' parents lined up outside the school soon after the incident.

It was not immediately clear if any charges had been filed in relation to the incident.

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Photo by Rebecca Panico

Hillside High School on Liberty Avenue was placed in a lockdown on Wednesday, May 23, due to a threatening phone call.

June 5 primary plays role of undercard, main event

By Brian Trusdell
Regional Editor

In some cases, the June 5 primary election is just the preliminaries. In several towns, like Linden and Union, where one party dominates politics overwhelmingly, the primary is tantamount to the final verdict of the November general election.

From the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives to local council seats, the primary is everything from a show race to essentially the must-win event.

At the highest level, U.S. Sen. Bob Menendez is looking for a third term. He is seeking the Democratic nomination against political novice Lisa McCormick, who lists her address as Rahway. McCormick is the owner of CMD Media, which publishes a "community news website" from the combined resources of weekly newspapers such as the Clark Patriot, South Amboy Citizen and Perth Amboy Gazette.

Menendez has been endorsed by all 21 county Democratic Party organizations, despite being brought up on federal bribery charges last year and being "severely admonished" by the Senate for his actions that led to his indictment and prosecution. That case ended in a

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PATRIOTIC PRIDE — Memorial Day was commemorated across the county on Monday, May 28, with parades and remembrance services, and many American flags. For more photos, see pages 8 and 17.



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Carter takes Green's Assembly seat

Union County Freeholder Linda Carter took the oath of office on Wednesday, May 24 to fill the vacant state Assembly seat of Jerry Green, surrendering her county post and becoming only the second person to hold the position from the 22nd Legislative District since 2001.

Green died in office on April 18 from an undisclosed illness at the age of 79.

The 22nd Legislative District encompasses Clark, Fanwood, Linden, Plainfield, Rahway, Scotch Plains and Winfield as well as towns from Middlesex and Somerset counties.

It was nominally a Republican stronghold until redistricting after the 2001 election, when it became solidly Democratic.

James Kennedy occupies the other Assembly seat from the 22nd and Nick Scutari won the Senate spot in November after Ray Lesniak retired to run for governor. Carter was selected to replace Green at a May 19 convention of the Union County Democratic Party in Scotch Plains. Green, who was the longest-serving Assembly member, had been absent from the Assembly after winning re-election to a ninth term in November.

Union County Democrats are to meet again — the third time in as many months — on May 31, to select Carter's replacement on the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and to nominate a candidate to run in the fall to complete her unexpired

term. The term runs through 2019.

Prior to joining the Assembly, Carter was elected as a county freeholder in 2010, and became freeholder chairman in 2013. She has previously served as a commissioner of the Middlesex County Utilities Authority, commissioner of the Raritan Valley Rail Coalition, and councilwoman at large for Wards 1 and 4 in Plainfield, where she also held the position of council president.

She is a public school teacher in Passaic and was formerly employed by AT&T.

The Plainfield Democratic Committee on May 26 selected Plainfield Councilwoman Rebecca Williams to replace Carter.

Linden Chalkboard Correction

In the May 24 edition of Union County LocalSource, the ward City Councilman John Roman represents was incorrectly identified.

He represents the 6th Ward. It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the attention of the editor. If you believe that we have made such an error, send an email to Regional Editor Brian Trusdell at btrusdell@thelocalsource.com, or call 908-686-7700, ext 128, weekdays before 5 p.m.



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Christian Breskin, above, was 25 when he died of an opioid overdose.



NJ Sharing Network kicked off its 5K race/walk season in Long Branch on May 20.

Mother of organ donor takes up cause in 5K

By **Rebecca Panico**
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — As soon as Cynthia Kudron received a call from her fiancé saying that paramedics were at her house in Cranford, she knew that her 25-year-old son, Christian Breskin, was gone.

"As I drove up my street, it was just very overwhelming to see fire trucks here, EMS, police," Kudron recalled of Aug. 17, 2017. "It was like, 'oh my gosh what is going on?' I just didn't understand it."

Breskin had been found unconscious by his younger sister in his bedroom, after he overdosed on an unprescribed opioid, his mother told LocalSource. He spent five days on life support at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Rahway before he died Aug. 22, 2017.

Despite Breskin's death parts of him still live on since he was an organ donor. His heart, kidneys, corneas, liver, tissue and some bones have been donated, some to recipients as far as California, Kudron said.

Kudron is participating in NJ Sharing Network's 5K Run/Walk in New Providence on Sunday, June 3, to raise awareness for the nonprofit that helped place her son's donated organs with people in need.

"They continue staying there with you," Kudron said of the NJ Sharing Network's team. "Somebody passes away and then you're left alone. But they're there."

Last year, the nonprofit organization raised \$1.1 million through its fundraising events, which began in 2011. This year, it hopes to raise \$1.25 million for research, family support and education about the benefits of organ donation. Kudron will be walking in the June event as captain of the Goobies team, in memory of her son. The team's name is derived from the movie, "The Goonies," one of Breskin's favorites.

"This is tragic," Kudron said. "I'm hoping some of his friends see this is what happened to him and I hope they're cleaning up their act."

Breskin grew up in Cranford, where he attended high school. He eventually graduated from Lincoln Tech and was working as an electrician, his mother said. He was a "big gamer" and had an interest in BMX biking and skating.

"We would go on vacation he would just start talking to people," Kudron said. "He was just a very outgoing kid and he was a hard worker."

Breskin was living at home with Kudron while working to become a master electrician. She said she had good com-

munication with her son, and doesn't believe he had an opioid addiction. She suspected he was experimenting with opioids as "a one-time thing." She called his death a "total mistake."

"He did have a marijuana problem, but it was subsiding," she said. "Plus, he was being drug-tested anyway."

Kudron, who works as a secretary for the New Jersey State Policemen's Benevolent Association in Woodbridge, said many people outside of her family aren't aware of how her son died. She said when speaking at a recent PBA convention about her son and his organ donation, attendees were "all in shock."

Kudron has been trying to move forward since her son's death. She just cleaned out his bedroom last week and hopes to meet with some of the recipients of his organs one day.

"It really is a good thing to do," she said of organ donation. "He ended up under a bad circumstance, but he ended up being a hero in the end because he saved a lot of lives."

The NJ Sharing Network's 5K Run/Walk in New Providence is a certified race. The run begins at 8:30 a.m. at 691 Central Ave. in New Providence, and the walk begins at 10 a.m. To learn more, visit www.njsharingnetwork.org/5k.

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Kean to launch eight new academic programs

Kean University will offer a doctor of occupational therapy program, one of eight new courses of study to be introduced in fall 2018, the school announced in a May 3 release.

Also being introduced are: a doctorate in counseling and supervision, a master's-level special education program and five bachelor's degree programs in the fields of pre-law, business and health.

The doctoral degree in occupational therapy will be the first of its kind in New Jersey. It is an entry-level doctoral degree open to anyone with a bachelor's degree who wants to prepare for a career in occupational therapy and also wants to develop advanced skills in one or more of the following areas: clinical practice, research, administration, leadership, program and policy development, advocacy, education and theory development.

This program has applied for accreditation and has been granted candidacy status by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association in Bethesda, Md.

The counseling and supervision is 58-credit program that is the first in the country to integrate trauma-informed counseling in a scholar-practitioner-advocate model. The program will apply for the Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related Educational Programs accreditation in 2019.

The master's degree in special education, applied behavioral analysis and autism spectrum disorders option will be a 39-credit program with a concentration in ABA and ASD. The successful completion of the program will enable graduates to take the Behavior Analyst Certification Board exam in ABA and upon passing, serve as a board certified behavior analyst in schools.

There will be five new bachelor's degree programs.

- The degree in community health education prepares students for careers in community and public health education. With advisement, students can use this program as preparation for graduate study in public health and selected health professions.

- The degree in therapeutic recreation prepares students for jobs as recreation therapists in a variety of therapeutic settings, working with children and adults with



Photo Courtesy of Kean University

Kean University will offer eight new undergraduate and graduate-level degree programs starting in the fall, including therapeutic recreation, which will prepare students for jobs as recreation therapists in a variety of settings, including working with children and adults with disabilities.

disabilities, or for graduate-level study in the health fields.

- The degree in psychology with a forensic psychology option prepares psychology majors for forensic and law enforcement jobs in a variety of settings and for application to graduate programs in psychology or law.

- The degree in history with a pre-law option is designed to develop critical thinking and logic skills to prepare students for law school and other careers in the legal profession. It combines courses in history with political science, communications and philosophy elec-

tives to foster original thinking and lifelong learning.

- The degree in management with a human resources management option prepares students for employment in human resources in a variety of organizations, including business, government, education, military and non-profit.

"With these programs, Kean is adding to its in-demand academic offerings that prepare our graduates to excel in a competitive job market," Kean University Provost Jeffrey H. Toney said in the release from the school.

Tour of Mountainside Gardens set for June 9

The Mountainside Restoration Committee will conduct its "Tour of Mountainside's Gardens" on Saturday, June 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A special lunch for tour attendees will be held from noon to 4 p.m. at the Publick House restaurant, 899 Mountain Ave. in Mountainside.

Six private home gardens will be decked out in "late-spring splendor," according to a press release from the committee.

Tour participants can begin their visits in the morning and lunch afterward, or lunch first and tour in the afternoon in any order they wish.

One of the gardens on the tour is a contemporary Southwest-inspired layout in which the homeowner has collected plants from within the United States and beyond, based on their

tolerance for the Mountainside climate. The garden is designed to com-

plement the lines of the home and features many exotic cactuses, eight species of yucca trees, monkey puzzle trees and succulents.

Other gardens on the tour are specifically themed and will feature uniquely decorated tablescapes, raffles, a boutique, special displays and refreshments.

Advance tickets may be purchased online at www.mountainsidehistory.org; or at Christoffers

Flower & Gift Shop at 860 Mountain Ave. in Mountainside. Limited tickets also will be sold on the day of the tour at each tour location. A rain date of June 10 is planned.

Proceeds from the tour and lunch benefit the Mountainside Restoration Committee for the restoration and maintenance of the historic Hetfield and Levi Cory houses.



A contemporary Southwest-style garden featuring cactus, palm trees and succulents is one of the six private gardens to be featured during the Mountainside Garden Tour on Saturday, June 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Three Union County McDonald's fined for child labor violations

By Rebecca Panico
Staff Writer

UNION COUNTY — Three McDonald's restaurants in Union County and eight others in the state were found to be in violation of child labor laws after a federal Department of Labor investigation, officials announced May 18.

S&P Enterprises, the McDonald's franchisee, paid \$8,829 in penalties to "resolve" the violations, federal officials said. The three Union County locations were in Rahway, Roselle and Elizabeth, and the others were located in Bergen, Morris and Passaic counties.

The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division investigation found that S&P Enterprises employed 16 minors, ages 14 and 15, who worked after 7 p.m. during the school year and more than three hours on a school day. The minors also worked more than eight hours on a non-school day and more than 18 hours during a school week, according to a U.S. Department of Labor release.

"Child labor laws protect the educational opportunities of minors, and ensure that their employment does not come at the expense of their health or well-being," WHD Northern New Jersey District Director John Warner said in a statement. "This case demonstrates how child labor violations can occur when front-line supervisors do not comply with the law's requirements, and fail to monitor minor employees' hours."

S&P Enterprises, based in Central Valley, N.Y., could not be reached for comment. An employee who answered the phone at the company's Rahway location said they did not have contact information for the franchisee.

Department of Labor spokeswoman Joanna Hawkins said the investigation first spanned from late 2015 to 2017, in the company's Florham Park restaurant. The other 10 locations owned by S&P Enterprises were investigated between 2016 and 2018, she added.



Photo Via Google Maps

The franchisee for the McDonald's restaurant located at 2024 Route 1 in Rahway, pictured above, was one of 11 locations fined for violating child labor laws.

The Fair Labor Standards Act allows minors between the ages of 14 and 15 to work between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., or until 9 p.m., from June 1 to Labor Day. When school is not in session, minors of that age may work up to eight hours per day, or up to 40 hours for the week.

Employees can file wage complaints confidentially at www.dol.gov/whd.

According to Hawkins, the following McDonald's locations were found to be in violation:

- 176 Columbia Turnpike, Florham Park;

- 1465 Route 23 South, Butler;
- 819-835 North Ave., Elizabeth;
- 150 Route 17 South, Mahwah;
- 5734 Berkshire Valley Road, Oak Ridge;
- 54 Route 46 West, Pine Brook;
- 2024 Route 1, Rahway;
- 251 St. George Ave., Roselle;
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- 741 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne; and
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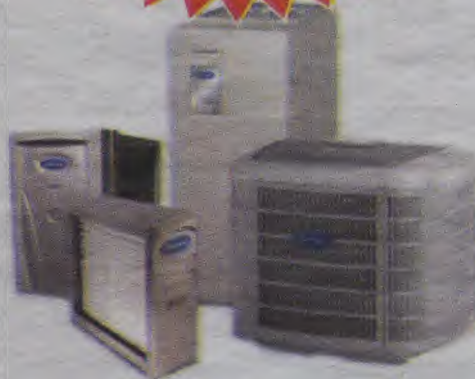
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Former MLB All-Star arrested in Linden for threatening Uber driver

Former Major League Baseball All-Star Lenny Dykstra was arrested by Linden police May 23, after he allegedly pulled out a gun and threatened an Uber driver, officials said.

The 55-year-old outfielder, who played from 1985 to 1996 with the New York Mets and Philadelphia Phillies, was arrested outside Linden Police Department Headquarters just before 3:30 a.m.

At that time officers were alerted to a vehicle that sped into the attached parking garage, Linden police said in a May 23 press release. The driver, a 47-year-old Roselle resident, was beeping the horn repeatedly until he came to an abrupt stop in front of the building, then ran from the car and told the officers that he had picked up Dykstra in Linden moments earlier for a scheduled fare. Dykstra, who has been living in Linden, reportedly tried to change the destination and, when the driver refused, Dykstra put a weapon to his head and threatened to kill him, police said.

No weapon was located, but police did recover a quantity of cocaine, MDMA and marijuana among Dykstra's belongings. Dykstra has been charged with third degree making terroristic threats and various drug offenses, the release said. He was released on a summons pending a court appearance next month.

The arrest is only the latest in a series for Dykstra, who won the World Series with the Mets in 1986, and was selected to the MLB All-Star Game three times while playing with the Phillies. Among his arrests and convictions are: pleading no contest in 2011 California State Court for automobile theft, a scheme in which he and others obtained leased vehicles using fraudulent identities; pleading guilty less than a year later in federal court to bankruptcy fraud and money laundering; and charges related to various alleged incidents of sexual assault, drug possession, fraud and indecent exposure.

Dykstra was also included in the 2007 Mitchell Report, commissioned by MLB, that identified him as one of many players who had used steroids during their career.

Investment adviser arrested for stealing \$2 million from clients

A former broker and investment adviser from Springfield has been arrested for allegedly stealing more than \$2.1 million from two clients in order to pay for personal expenses, according to a May 23 release from the U.S. Prosecutor's Office in Newark.

Gary Basralian, 70, is charged with two counts of wire fraud and one count of investment adviser fraud, prosecutors said. Basralian was arrested May 23 at his home was scheduled to appear before Judge Steven C. Mannion in Newark Federal Court.

According to the release, between August 2007 and November 2017, Basralian misappropriated at least \$738,000 from one client and at least \$1.4 million from another while serving in his capacity as an investment adviser at an unidentified securities firm.

Basralian allegedly said he would invest these funds in brokerage accounts through a securities firm or in real estate and high-interest loans, and manage them on behalf of the victims.

However, Basralian allegedly used the victims' money to fund his own personal expenditures, including payments for a BMW automobile and tens of thousands of dollars in credit card bills.

One client, who routinely provided funds to investment accounts managed by Basralian, at his direction, eventually began addressing checks to "Masters Financial"

believing they would ultimately be deposited into her investment accounts at the securities firm for which Basralian worked, according to prosecutors.

Instead, the funds were reportedly deposited into an account controlled by Basralian, which he used for personal expenses.

In 2009, Basralian allegedly began wiring funds from his other client's investment account at the securities firm into various accounts that he controlled and used the proceeds for his own benefit, prosecutors said. When asked why her account had diminished in value, Basralian allegedly sent her a phony spreadsheet showing that her money was being invested as loans to various companies that would be paid back with interest.

Each of the wire fraud counts carries a maximum potential penalty of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine, or twice the gross gain or loss from the offense.

The investment adviser fraud count carries a maximum potential penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine, or twice the gross gain or loss from the offense.

On May 22, the New Jersey Bureau of Securities, in the Office of the New Jersey Attorney General, issued a Summary Revocation Order against Basralian that revoked his agent and investment adviser representative registrations.



Photo Courtesy of the Linden Police Department

Lenny Dykstra, who won the 1986 World Series with the New York Mets, was arrested in Linden for threatening an Uber driver with a weapon.

County announces 18 miles of summer road resurfacing

Eighteen miles of county roads in 15 municipalities will be repaved this summer, the county announced in an April 27 release. The 2018 Roads Resurfacing program will begin later this summer after the county completes the 2017 roads program. The plan will cost approximately \$7.5 million, with the funding split in half between the county and state sources.

The work will be conducted at night, when possible, to minimize the need for detours during peak travel periods, the county said in its release.

The roads designated for resurfacing are:

- Mountain Avenue from Horseshoe Road to Diamond Hill Road in Berkeley Heights;
- Martine and Lake Avenue from Raritan Road in Clark to Oak Ridge Road in Scotch Plains;

- North and Midway Avenue from Terrill Road in Fanwood and Scotch Plains to East Broad Street in Westfield;
- Liberty Avenue from Conant Street to Hillside Avenue in Hillside;
- Wood Avenue from Raritan Road in Linden to State Route 27 in Roselle;
- Summit Road from I-78 in Mountain-side to U.S. Route 22 in Springfield;
- South Street from Springfield Avenue to Mountain Avenue in New Providence;
- East Seventh Street from Roosevelt Avenue to Terrill Road in Plainfield;
- Lawrence Street from East Grand Avenue to Woodbridge Road in Rahway;
- Grand Avenue from State Route 29 to U.S. Routes 1&9 in Rahway;
- River Road from the Passaic River bridge to JFK Parkway in Summit; and
- Stuyvesant Avenue from Vauxhall Road to the Essex County line in Union.

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Stay safe and have fun this summer

Now that we are past Memorial Day and summer has unofficially begun, before we embark on any warm-weather activities, it's time to consider safety. We know you're waiting for the punchline, but too many people are hurt every summer, just because they thought they were invincible and impervious to pain. You're not, so follow these guidelines recommended by the American Red Cross and have a summer to remember, not one to forget.

The first area of caution is driving. As much as we'd prefer doing more walking, ours is a very auto-friendly society. Everything we want is only 5 to 10 minutes away by car. But you know the old axiom: Most accidents happen within 1 to 2 miles of your home. With that in mind, observe these safety precautions.

- Be well rested and alert, use seat belts, observe speed limits and follow the rules of the road.
- Don't drink and drive. Have a designated driver available.
- Give your full attention to the road. Avoid distractions such as cell phones.
- Use caution in work zones. There are a lot of construction projects under way on the highways.
- Don't follow other vehicles too closely.

It's summer and, when at all possible, people are always trying to get into water. Whether its a pool, lake or the ocean, nothing is the same as immersing yourself in water. But before you take that dip, follow these guidelines.

- Ensure that everyone in your family becomes water competent. This means learn to swim well, know your limitations and how to recognize and avoid hazards, and understand how to help prevent and respond to emergencies around water.
- Adults should actively supervise children and stay within arm's reach of young children and newer swimmers. Children should follow the rules.
- Fence your pool in with four-side fencing at least 4 feet in height and use self-closing, self-latching gates.
- Wear your U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket always when on a boat and if in a situation beyond your skill level.
- Swim as a pair near a lifeguard's chair — everyone, including experienced swimmers, should swim with a buddy in areas protected by lifeguards. If in a location with no lifeguards, such as a residential pool, designate a "water watcher" to keep a close eye and constant attention on children in and around the water.

One of the best summer trips is to the beach. While

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it has numerous attractive features, the beach also has added risks, meaning you'll have to be especially careful in the water. In addition to the previous water safety guidelines, there are several more precautions you need to keep in mind when down the The Shore.

• If you plan to swim in the ocean, a lake or river, be aware that swimming in these environments is different than swimming in a pool. Be sure you have the skills for these environments.

• Swim only at a beach with a lifeguard, within the designated swimming area. Obey all instructions and orders from lifeguards and ask them about local conditions.

• Make sure you swim sober and that you always swim with a buddy. Know your limitations and make sure you have enough energy to swim back to shore.

• Protect your neck — don't dive headfirst. Walk carefully into open waters. Watch out for and avoid aquatic life.

• If you are caught in a rip current, try not to panic. Signal to those ashore that you need assistance. Swim parallel to the shore, until you are out of the current. Once you are free, swim toward shore. If you can't swim to the shore, float or tread water until you are free of the rip current and then head toward shore.

Finally, keep safe when you are cooking outdoors, especially grilling. It might seem easy, but unless you grill all the time, it will be something foreign to you. And even if you are comfortable grilling, no one expects an accident; you just have to be ready to follow these safety tips to prevent one from happening.

• Always supervise a barbecue grill when in use. Don't add charcoal starter fluid when coals have already been ignited.

• Never grill indoors — not in your house, camper, tent or any enclosed area.

• Make sure everyone, including pets, stays away from the grill.

• Keep the grill out in the open, away from the house, deck, tree branches or anything that could catch fire.

• Use the long-handled tools especially made for cooking on the grill to keep the chef safe.

It's summertime and everyone should enjoy the warm weather and the more stress-free times that come with this season. A way to ensure you have good times is to exercise good judgment and follow these safety tips.

Then you'll be making wonderful memories that last a lifetime.

Town meetings matter

LEFT OUT

BY FRANK CAPECE

During the commercial break of a personal favorite, reruns of "Supermarket Sweep," I flipped over to the telecast of the Cranford Township Committee meeting. Also, like a television repeat, there was the praising of valuable volunteers, as well as Mayor Tom Hannen — with a cherubic smile and quick thank you — parrying a contentious citizen. And there were a lot of good deeds acknowledged. But this night there was another development.

When Dr. Frank Krause strolled to the podium, it was expected — like a dull toothache — he would speak to the original guidelines in establishing the Downtown Management Corporation as if they were the holy grail.

But this night was reminiscent of ex-Yankee — and current Berkeley Heights resident — Steve Balboni and his career .229 batting average striding to the plate. He would occasionally hit a booming shot out of the park.

Krause mixed philosophy and hard numbers in discussing the future of the downtown. He referred to calculations that 89 percent of the downtown management costs are borne by the residential taxpayers. With the community tug-of-war of how exactly the future development should take place, Krause effectively cautioned the group of eager beavers to tread softly in over-developing the downtown.

It's a discussion that needs more focus. From this corner, the fear is that two steps forward, one step back by the eager beavers should be watched. The numbers by Krause, if true, establish who should be the ultimate decider.

Across the county in Springfield, ex-Mayor Clara Harelik spoke on the technical deficiencies on a proposal to regulate construction sites. She didn't object to the overall regulation for safety reasons. It was the devil in the details that motivated her. Harelik objected to the requirements over extensive fencing.

The Springfield proposal includes: "For subdivisions and new single family construction it shall be the responsibility of the contractor/owner to install fencing around the exterior perimeter of the construction area."

Harelik was quoted as saying, "You can adequately protect the subdivision by fencing in the property being worked on."

Whatever happens on the fencing in Springfield and in the Cranford downtown, the meetings brought forth some interesting dialogue and the important discussions may remind us to check in more often than just during commercial breaks.

The local officials themselves have their own watching to complete. Weaving its way through the Legislature is a bill that would cap sick leave payouts to public employees at \$7,500 or whatever they have already accumulated. One ex-Union County chief bagged more than a \$100,000 in unused sick leave.

Former Gov. Chris Christie called them "boat people," since the paid unused sick time allowed retirees to buy a boat.

State Senate President Steve Sweeney said last week that, "large payouts for years of accumulated unused sick time are an extensive burden on the state and municipal government and taxpayers. We have to find responsible ways to identify cost savings in government so that revenue can be devoted to vital needs."

And I thought the \$5,000 bonus on "Supermarket Sweep" was a big number.

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Why the bad rap, New Jersey?

POINT OF VIEW

BY ROSE BENNETT GILBERT

for miles along the highway, I quipped to my car mates, "One place I know I'll never live: New Jersey."

Two years later, I was unpacking in Princeton, a two-hour train ride to a new magazine job in magical Manhattan. Preppy, elegant Princeton quickly quelled my own prejudices and converted me into a zealous Jerseyophile. Now, after raising my family in Maplewood, I'm more eager than ever to bat back the derisive snorts and lame jokes everyone seems to lob at my adopted "home state."

But New Jersey gets the last laugh. Those smelly oil refineries gave us the cheapest gas in the United States. And we still don't have to pump it ourselves.

New Jersey may be small — approximately 7,354 square miles — but it's rich, fourth richest median household income in the United States — just behind Maryland, Alaska and Hawaii. Geographically rich, too. "Down The Shore" we own a great swath of the Atlantic Ocean. In mid-New Jersey, rich rolling farmlands grow everything from thoroughbred horses to some of the world's best tomatoes. Hence, "the Garden State" on our license plates. Then come lakes and mountains, including the mysterious Ramapos up near the N.Y. border, home to a reclusive clan

some say descended from Indians, runaway slaves and Hessian mercenary soldiers who skedaddled after Washington crossed the Delaware and routed them out of Trenton the day after Christmas in 1776.

And that's just New Jersey's past. Check out "Who's Who From New Jersey" in recent years. Frank Sinatra, of course, born in Hoboken. Bruce Springsteen, "Born in the USA," read: Long Branch. Jon Bon Jovi, Jon Stewart, Martha Stewart, Queen Latifah, Count Basie, Meryl Streep, Jack Nicholson, Jerry Lewis, Kevin Spacey, John Travolta and Whitney Houston.

Plus heavyweight thinkers, shakers and movers like Alfred Kinsey, researcher; Buzz Aldrin, astronaut; Samuel Alito and Antonin Scalia, Supreme Court justices; Grover Cleveland, U.S. president, no less; writers Stephen Crane, James Fenimore Cooper, Philip Roth, Dorothy Parker and William Carlos Williams; and at least one, one-off genius, Albert Einstein, who was born in Germany but lived and worked in Princeton, where novelist Joyce Carol Oates still does live and work. New Jersey can also claim Malcolm and Steve Forbes, capitalists; Charles Addams, cartoonist; Alice Waters, the mega-foodie; basketball giant Shaquille O'Neal; and the three brothers who founded Johnson & Johnson in 1886.

With such world-class stars, why all the raspberries for the Garden State?

Cliches die hard. Ask Cleveland, its repu-

tation still singled by the 1969 fire that broke out on the polluted Cuyahoga River. Even Washington, D.C., is plagued by a 200-year-old rumor that it was built on top of a swamp. It wasn't. Just feels that way in the summertime.

Our own lovely Meadowlands lie behind another black eye for New Jersey. The town of Secaucus teemed with pig farms well into the 20th century. Those pigs, some 75,000 strong, dined well on leftovers shipped over from New York restaurants. But when the wind blew east from Secaucus, it smelled even worse than the oil refineries.

The pigs are gone now. In their stead come herds of New York shoppers, intent on hogging bargains in the Secaucus luxury shopping mecca.

The Meadowlands itself, once rumored to be the mafia's dumping grounds for people they'd unfriended, now caters to the more sportsmanlike.

Top racehorses compete at the Meadowlands track. And the Giants and Jets play their NFL games in the Meadowlands stadium. That's the New York Giants and New York Jets, by the way.

No one seems to care that they're actually in New Jersey.

Rose Bennett Gilbert is a syndicated columnist and a zealous trustee of the South Orange-Maplewood Adult School.

My plans were cut short by the spring rains

In his novel, "An International Episode," author Henry James says, "Summer afternoon-summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language."

I agree with him, but the flip side of that quote might be something like, "Rainy weekend, rainy weekend; to me those have always been the two most disappointing words in the spring gardening season."

Last week I wrote about my quest to make my garden glorious — or at least extremely presentable — in the eight hours of time that I reckoned were available before the Memorial Day Weekend. Now Memorial Day is upon us. The garden outside my window would be harder to mistake for an unmowed hay field, but it is nowhere near glorious. Rain-pouring, soaking, cold, unrelenting rain-accounts for the ongoing glory deficit.

I awakened clothed in hope last Saturday, and augmented that hope with a sweater, hooded raincoat, waterproof garden clogs and heavy garden gloves. It was a great day for weeding, with onion grass and dandelions popping right out to the ground. I filled half of a large lawn and leaf bag in the first 30 minutes, after which I was cold, soaked and ready for a cup of hot tea.

Instead of abating by afternoon, as is common for spring rain, the chilly monsoon continued all day, ruling out mowing, hedge trimming, or, in fact, much of anything else.

THE GARDENER'S APPRENTICE

BY ELISABETH GINSBURG

I groomed the houseplants and seethed in frustration. There was nothing left to do except go grocery shopping, which I hate. By the end of the day, the cupboards were stocked, but the garden was practically under water. The only available enjoyment was watching the birds frolic in the vast puddles.

Sunday was only marginally better, but I weeded again and plucked a great deal of ivy from various garden beds, the sides of my house, and the fence that surrounds the backyard. Ivy eradication is intensely satisfying, even as it brings to mind the myth of Sisyphus and his unending task of pushing a boulder up a mountain only to have it roll back to the bottom again.

After the soggy weekend dripped into history, my only recourse was to labor in increments at the end of each weekday. I did that, working incrementally. The lawn got mowed, the string trimming happened and more weeds left the scene. While I worked, the roses, iris and clematis, which had been waiting patiently for a few rays of sunshine, moved closer to blooming. I took a break from the more back-breaking tasks to plant a new variegated iris and pot up a rose in a decorative container. I may install small bedding dahlias at its feet just before I walk out the

door for Memorial Day Weekend.

In the end, I did not get my eight hours, but managed just over three. Shrub pruning is barely started, but I used up 70 of the 80 minutes I allotted for mowing and trimming. The south side of my front garden is now more or less clear of self-sown maple seedlings. I may have actually removed enough ivy so that it can't recover all of its lost ground before I resume the effort next week.

In the 15th century, theologian Thomas à Kempis wrote, "Homo proponit, sed Deus disponit" or "Man proposes, but God disposes." Gardeners are among those who understand the real meaning of those words — especially after a monsoon weekend.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Pedestrian bridge

To the Editor:

In order to safely enhance Linden pedestrian foot traffic across a major highway, and limit one's risk, a pedestrian bridge linking a Shell Gas station to Wheeler Park should be swiftly constructed. Considerations for undertaking such an endeavor originate in the safety aspects of pedestrian and bicycle traffic across U.S. Routes 1 & 9.

The very young, those who have endured a lifelong disability, those who function solely with a cane or wheelchair, those who are easily distracted and clouded by electronic

Next week, I will look over the situation and get back to work. I'll check the forecast, water the bedding plants in my holding area and make a new deadline. In other parts of the country, Memorial Day is only the start of the gardening season, so I am probably way ahead of my fellow horticulturists in Anchorage, Alaska, or Edina, Minnesota. That is enough to make me believe that the coleus will be in pots before Labor Day.

Elisabeth Ginsburg, a resident of Glen Ridge, is a frequent contributor to Worrall Community Newspapers. The writer archives past columns at www.gardenersapprentice.com.

devices, senior citizens, and others would benefit. Parents could once more safely escort their children to the multiple events and wonders at Wheeler Park for an engaged family activity together.

The elderly, those of young at heart and those whose lives have been severely disrupted by disabilities would all benefit.

Perhaps N.J. State Sen. Nicholas Scutari of the 22nd Legislative District would gladly lend his collaborative support for this lifesaving bridge.

Michael Smith
Linden

UNION COUNTY QUALITY OF LIFE

Union County offers resident ways to improve themselves, improve the community or help others. Find out where to volunteer, donate, check up on health, take classes or attend workshops.

National Trails Day will be held on June 2

The 50th anniversary of National Trails Day will be held Saturday, June 2, at Watchung Reservation, located at Historic Trail in Mountainside. Trailside Nature and Science Center will host four different guided hikes and an Adopt-a-Trail volunteer activity along with special programs throughout the day for all ages. The event is free, and free parking is available.

JVS receives citizenship and immigration grant

Jewish Vocational Service of MetroWest NJ offers a curriculum on the U.S. citizenship exam and interview, and the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark provides legal assistance in completing the N-400 Application for Naturalization through Monday, July 2, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Linden Public Library, located at 31 E. Henry St. in Linden.

All prospective registrants must bring a green card in order to be considered. For more information, email ikramers@jvsnj.org, call 862-704-2283 or visit www.jvsnj.org/make-a-tax-exempt-donation.

'Bee Day' at Hanson Park

The Hanson Park Conservancy, 38 Springfield Ave. in Cranford, will host "Bee Day" on Saturday, June 23. At 2 p.m. Grant Stiles, of Stiles Honey, will present "Fundamentals of Beekeeping and the Importance of Honey Bees in Our Society." At 3:15 p.m., there will be a story time. This is a free event and recommended for

ages 8 and younger, but all are welcome. At 3:45 p.m., there will be a bee craft.

In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held at Cranford Community Center at 220 Walnut Ave. in Cranford. For more information, visit www.hanson-parkconservancy.com.

Loss of a child prayer service

The Bereavement Ministry of the Church of the Little Flower will offer the Loss of a Child

Prayer Service on Sunday, June 3, at 2 p.m. in the church, located at 310 Plainfield Ave. in Berkeley Heights. All are welcome. For more information, email bereavement.lf@gmail.com or call 908-464-1585.



NATIONAL TRAILS DAY — The 50th anniversary of National Trails Day is Saturday, June 2, at Watchung Reservation in Mountainside.

'Strides4Strength' walk scheduled for June 10

The third annual "Strides4Strength: A Walk to End Domestic Violence" will be held Sunday, June 10, at 10 a.m., at Nomahagan Park in Cranford. Registration begins at 9 a.m. There is a fee to participate.

Homefirst to participate in Generosity Walk/Run

On Sunday, June 10, Homefirst Interfaith Housing and Family Services Inc. will participate in the Generosity Series 5K Walk/Run at Oak Ridge Park, 136 Oak Ridge Road in Clark to raise at least \$10,000, all of which will be used to con-

tinue to provide housing and wraparound support services to families that are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.

Continuing ed at UCC

The Office of Continuing Education at Union County College has posted its summer brochure online and registration is now open. Classes are offered for adults and youth, ages 11 to 18, and programs run from the end of June through August. Youth programs begin the week of June 25. For more information about available classes, visit www.ucc.edu/ce. To enroll, visit www.ucc.edu/continuing-education/instant-enrollment, call 908-709-7600 or visit 1033 Springfield Ave. in Cranford.

UCC to host 'The Time is Now' on June 1

Union County College, Kellogg Building Room K-157, located at 40 W. Jersey St. in Elizabeth, will host a free yoga, meditation class and emotional wellness event for women titled, "The Time is Now," on Friday, June 1, from 6 to 9 p.m. Attendees should wear comfortable clothing appropriate for yoga, and bring their own yoga mats. Preregistration is required online at ucnj.org/womans-yoga. For more information, email jerdos@ucnj.org.

Metrofuser training

Laser printer parts manufacturer Metrofuser announces training dates for the repair and service of Hewlett-Packard laser printers, at 475 Division St. in Elizabeth. Seating is limited to eight students. For more information, visit www.metrofuses.com. The dates are as follows:

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Cops handle shoplifting, burglary, theft calls

Union County police departments have released the following reports of incidents to which officers recently responded:

Clark

• May 21: At 1:24 a.m., in the vicinity of Brant Avenue, police arrested Stephanie Bolden, 24,

of Rahway on an outstanding warrant in the amount of \$500 out of Rahway. She was subsequently turned over to the Rahway Police Department.

• May 20: At 2:28 a.m., in the vicinity of Terminal Avenue, police arrested Maucelio Cifuentes, 37, of North Plainfield for driving under the influence. He was released pending a court date.

• May 19: At 4 p.m., at 77 Central Ave., police arrested Anthony Wiggins, 46, of East Orange, for shoplifting merchandise valued at \$339.90 from the Marshalls Department Store on

Central Avenue. He was subsequently released pending a court date.

• May 19: At 2:43 p.m., at 36 Valley Road, police arrested Raymond Scura, 28, of Staten Island, N.Y., on an outstanding no-bail warrant out of White Marsh, Pa., and a warrant out of Marlton. He was subsequently transported to the Union County Jail.

• May 16: At 6:45 p.m. on Central Avenue, police arrested Alex Palomino, 37; Clark Yanez, 28; and Emmanuel Ortiz, 25, all of Paterson, for shoplifting merchandise valued at \$966.76 from the Marshalls Department Store on Central Avenue. Palomino was also charged with hindering apprehension, and he had a no bail warrant from Mercer County. Palomino was turned over to the Mercer County Sheriff's Department, and the remaining suspects were subsequently released pending court dates.

• May 14: At 6:21 p.m., on Central Avenue, police arrested Joseph Cavallo, 25, of Atlantic Highlands for shoplifting merchandise valued at \$193.31 from the ShopRite Supermarket. He was subsequently released pending a court date.

• May 14: At 1:20 p.m., police took a report of a burglary to a residence on Thomas Drive. The incident is under investigation.

• May 13: At 4:36 p.m., police took a report of a theft of a package from the front steps of a residence on Hillside Avenue. The incident is under investigation.

• May 11: At 11:24 p.m., in the vicinity of Brant Avenue, police arrested Shakur Chavies, 19, of North Plainfield for possession of a controlled dangerous substance. He was subsequently released on his own recognizance pending a court date.

• May 7: At 9:48 p.m., in the vicinity of Union County Parkway, police arrested Jerry Saint-Florant, 27, of Linden for

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obstruction and resisting arrest. He was released with a court date.

Cranford

• May 21: At 1:45 p.m., in the vicinity of Raritan Road and Centennial Avenue, police arrested Jivin Kissoon, 26, of Rahway for driving while intoxicated and use of a controlled dangerous substance. He was processed and released pending a court appearance. Additionally, he was issued motor vehicle summonses for maintenance of lamps and not having a valid insurance card in his possession.

• May 17: At 8:12 p.m., in the vicinity of North Avenue East and the Garden State Parkway, police arrested Charles McKoy, 19, of North Plainfield for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was processed and provided with court date. Additionally, he was issued motor vehicle summonses for a seat belt violation, no driver's license in possession, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle.

• May 14: At 9:10 p.m., in the vicinity of Raritan Road and Mohawk Drive, police arrested Jason Goggins, 43, of Jer-

sey City for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was processed and provided with a court date. Further investigation revealed that Goggins had multiple warrants for his arrest, and he was remanded to the Hudson County Jail.

• May 12: At 11:04 p.m., in the vicinity of Garden State Parkway, police arrested Diamonte Robinson, 22, of Miami Gardens, Fla. for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. Further investigation revealed he was a wanted person out of Miami-Dade, Fla. He was processed and remanded to the Union County Jail pending extradition.

• May 12: At 2:10 a.m., in the vicinity of Raritan Road and Centennial Avenue, police arrested Jocelyn Lubin, 32, of Maplewood for driving while intoxicated. He was processed and provided with a court date. Additionally, he was issued motor vehicle summonses for open container, maintenance of lamps and failure to have a valid insurance card in his possession.

• May 8: At 8:39 p.m., in the vicinity of Centennial Avenue and South Avenue East, police arrested Preston Lopriore, 23, of Red Bank and Paul Discepolo, 25, of Garwood for possession of a controlled dangerous substance, a hypodermic

syringe, and drug paraphernalia. They were processed and provided with a court date.

• May 8: At 7:40 p.m., in the vicinity of Centennial Avenue and Raritan Road, police arrested Robert Wyler, 31, of Staten Island, N.Y., and Christopher Turchi, 31, of Linden for possession of a controlled dangerous substance, prescription legend drugs and drug paraphernalia. They were processed and released pending a court date.

• May 8: At 4:10 p.m., in the vicinity of Myrtle Street and Baltimore Avenue, police arrested Keyne Dasilva, 21, of South Amboy for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was processed and provided with a court date. Additionally, he was issued motor vehicle summonses for unclear plates, driving while suspended and possession of a controlled dangerous substance inside a motor vehicle.

This information is provided by the Union County police departments in accordance with the Open Public Records Act. All persons charged are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



SKIN SCREENING — John Marin, a physician assistant at Metropolitan Dermatology in Elizabeth, examines Elizabeth police officer Robert Scharpnick, right, for skin cancer during a free screening event for police Wednesday, May 23. May has been Skin Cancer Awareness Month.

Photo by Rebecca Panico

Primary set to decide candidates for general election

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mistrial and federal prosecutors have chosen not to retry him.

On the Republican side, the former CEO of Summit-headquartered pharmaceutical giant Celgene, Bob Hugin, who was endorsed by all 21 Republican County heads, is facing off against construction company executive Brian D. Goldberg, who is running on a President Trump-aligned agenda.

Hugin has established his campaign headquarters in Mountainside.

For the House of Representatives, only three primary races exist in the four congressional districts that encompass Union County. The most watched is the contest for the Democratic nod from the 7th Congressional District held by Republican Leonard Lance.

Lance is seeking a sixth term in the district that represents all or parts of 13 towns in Union County, in addition to all of Hunterdon County and parts of Essex, Somerset, Morris and Warren counties. Lance is facing challenges for the Republican nomination from Lindsay Brown of Clark, a self-described “certified millennial,” and Dr. Raafat Barsoom of Annandale.

On the Democratic side, three contenders remain from what had been a field of seven as recently as February, when Westfield resident Lisa Mandelblatt abruptly resigned at the start of a debate in Springfield.

Tom Malinowski of Rocky Hill has the county Democratic Party’s endorsement against Peter Jacob of Pluckemin and Goutam Jois of Summit, who is running under an anti-Trump “Democrats #Resist” banner.

Democrats have targeted Lance as vulnerable in what they see as an anti-Trump “blue wave” movement to reclaim the House. Lance defeated Jacob 54-43 percent in 2016, and has received between 51 and 59 percent of the vote in each of his campaigns. Although District 7 has under-

gone redistricting every 10 years, Republicans have controlled the seat for all but six years, 1975 to 1981, since 1914.

Elsewhere, Democratic incumbents Albio Sires in the 8th Congressional District, which includes Elizabeth, and Bonnie Watson Coleman in the 12th, which includes Fanwood, Plainfield and part of Scotch Plains, are running unopposed. Likewise, their Republican counterparts, John Muniz in the 8th and Daryl Kipnis in the 12th, are not being challenged.

In the 10th District, Donald Payne Jr. is seeking a fourth full term of the seat he inherited from his father, Donald Payne Sr., who held it for 23 years before dying in office in 2012. Payne is challenged by Aaron Walter Fraser of Jersey City for the Democratic nomination of the district that includes Hillside, Linden, Rahway, Roselle, Roselle Park and part of Union. Agha Khan is running unopposed for the Republican nod.

Locally, most races throughout the county are uncontested. However, in a few places, some challenges exist.

Incumbent Union County Freeholder Al Mirabella is seeking re-election along with fellow endorsed Democrats Andrea Staten, of Roselle, and Kim Mouded, of Westfield, for three open seats. Staten and Mouded were selected for the endorsed Democratic line on the ballot over sitting Freeholders Bruce Bergen and Mohamed Jalloh, who are not running in the primary.

Offering a challenge are “Team Armstead Democrats” Alex Lospinoso, Patrick Gargano and Kaiby Sandoval, all of Linden. Republicans Pat Quattrocchi, Joe Sarno and Peter Kane are running unopposed on the Republican side.

Winning the Democratic nomination for a freeholder position is virtually equivalent to winning the election since no Republican has won a seat on the board since the last three left office in 1997.

Team Armstead refers to Linden Mayor Derek Armstead, who is embroiled

in what has become the nastiest of the county’s Democratic primary fights.

Armstead is running for the Democratic mayoral nomination against sitting council members Rhashonna Cosby and Gretchen Hickey.

Hickey, who supported state Sen. Nick Scutari for Union County Democratic chairman, was given the endorsed Democratic line over Armstead, who supported Scutari’s challenger, Fanwood Mayor Colleen Mahr.

Accusations of political favoritism to Hickey for her endorsement of Scutari have been compounded by counter claims of campaign-finance violations and assault against Armstead, with a dose of Cosby being accused of entering the race as a spoiler candidate. There are no Republican primary candidates running for the available seats: mayor, council president and council seats in Wards 1 and 9.

Linden is similar in political demographics to Union — Democrats dominate the town.

Jason Krychiw, who ran as an independent last fall for the township committee, and Ronnie McDowell are challenging incumbent Union Township Committee members Michele Delisfort and Manuel Figueiredo, both Democrats, for their seats.

“The Democratic primary, this year, is

more or less the election for committee,” Krychiw said. “In places like Union, which are heavily Democratic, the primary is the main event, the way I see it. It’s something me and Ronnie have tried to stress. Without a president or governor on the ballot, 1,200 people vote in the primary. And last I checked, Union had 35,000, 37,000 registered voters.

“So that’s what, 2 to 3 percent turn out to vote? We’re really trying to turn people out. If 90 percent come out, I can’t complain. But 2-3 percent shouldn’t determine it for the rest of us.”

To emphasize the importance of the endorsed ballot line, Roselle Park Mayor Carl Hokanson has chosen to run as an independent in the fall general election after Joseph Signorello III was given the favored Democratic Party blessing for the primary. William Fahoury is running unopposed for the Republican nod.

And in the 4,200 population borough of Garwood, two-term Councilwoman Sara Todisco is running with two fellow unendorsed Democrats against longtime party stalwart and incumbent Mayor Charles Lombardo and his slate.

Garwood has a split council that is controlled by Democrats. The challenge has set off a war of letters to the editor in *The Westfield Leader*, with both camps flooding that newspaper’s editorial page with several letters each week.

False reports of guns and shootings disrupt local schools

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Safety has been top of mind for local school officials, especially in the wake of recent public school shootings in other states. Most recently, a 17-year-old student was charged in connection with killing 10 people at a public high school in Santa Fe, Texas.

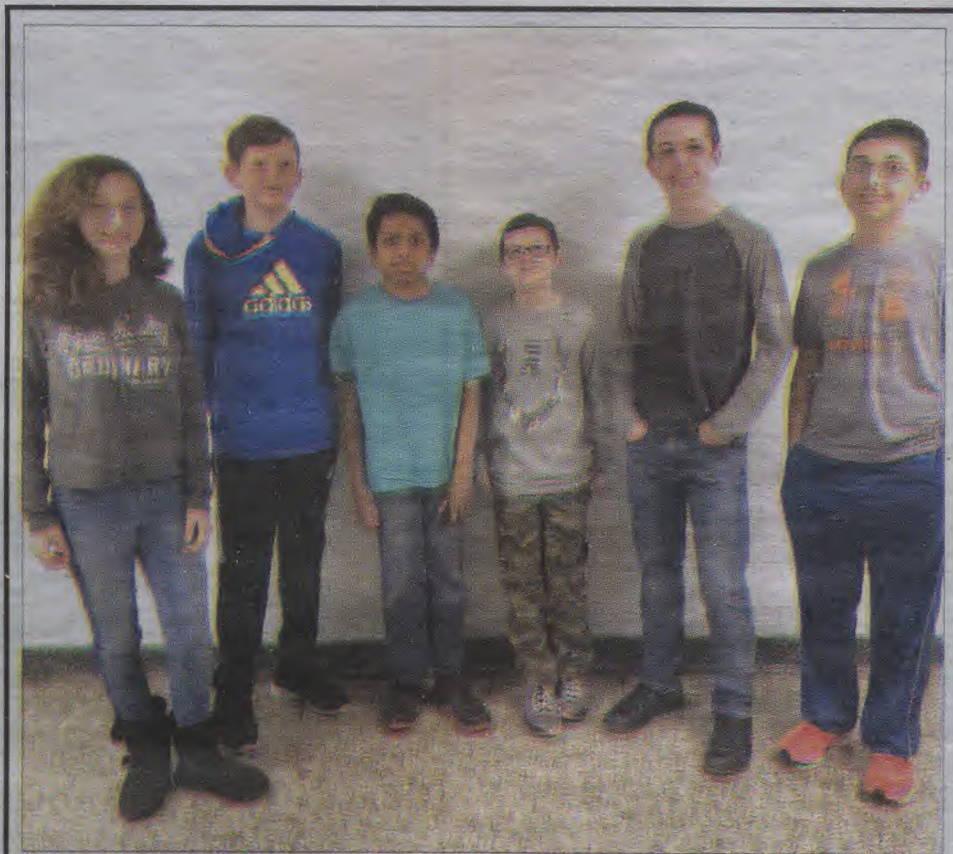
The local board of education adopted a budget on May 3, that includes a 2 percent tax increase that funds six armed security officers at each school. Funds were also allocated for the installation of new visitor-management systems at each school.

In Union, meanwhile, authorities investi-

gated a Burnet Middle School rumor alluding to a shooting that appeared on Snapchat on May 24, according to a statement Principal Tommy Harrell sent to parents.

“After a six-hour investigation, no posting has been identified or found,” Harrell said in a phone message to parents. “It was only a rumor. We have identified the student who started this rumor and the appropriate discipline has been given.”

The Union Police Department was present at the middle school the following day as an extra precaution and to alleviate fear on the part of students, faculty and parents, he said.



WHIZ KIDS — Pictured, from left, are Carl H. Kumpf Middle School students Samantha Domenick, RJ Rooney, Ansh Gandhi, Timothy Ford, Aidan Ford and Anthony Papa. The Academic Tournament Open to Middle Schools team recently secured its place in the final competition against Bridgewater-Raritan Middle School on Tuesday, April 24.

UNION COUNTY STUDENTS

Muhlenberg students study abroad

Local students are attending study-abroad programs offered by Muhlenberg College in Europe, Asia, Oceania, Latin America and Africa. Students earn academic credit while studying abroad.

The following local students are recognized for studying abroad for the fall semester: Gal Behiri of Summit, Matthew Itzkowitz of Scotch Plains and Evan Perrotta of Cranford. Muhlenberg College is located in Allentown, Pa.

Trezza inducted

Casey Trezza, of New Providence, is among the 16 University of Scranton students recently inducted into Psi Chi, the national honor society in psychology. Qualifications for induction into the honor society include a major or minor in psychology, rank in the top 35 percent in general scholarship and superior scholarship in psychology.

The University of Scranton is located in Scranton, Pa.

Wilkes University recognizes Cahill

James Cahill, of Clark, was honored as the recipient of the The Klaus Holm Scholarship at Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. at a luncheon on Thursday, March 22. The scholarship is presented to a

student in theater arts demonstrating scholastic aptitude and potential in theater production.

Perry earns honors

Darlene Meyers Perry, of Roselle, was named to the winter honor roll list at Spokane Falls Community College in

Spokane, Wash. To earn honor roll status, students must take a full course load and earn a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher.

Binstock wins Rising Star Award

Alexandra Binstock of Union received the Rising Star Award at Cazenovia Col-

lege's 15th annual Student Leaders Celebration. The award is given to students who have developed their leadership qualities by taking advantage of the opportunities the Office of Student Life provides for students to explore and develop their leadership potential.

Cazenovia College is located in Cazenovia, N.Y.

Schetelich inducted into Wheaton's honor society

Wheaton College student James Schetelich, of Scotch Plains, was recently inducted into the college's Scholastic Honor Society. Selection is made on the basis of high scholarship, Christian maturity and general promise.

Wheaton College is located in Wheaton, Ill.

Ferrigno inducted

Amanda Ferrigno, of Union, was one of 23 students inducted into Coastal Carolina University's chapter of Lambda Pi Eta. Members were selected based on grade-point average and faculty vote.

Coastal Carolina University is located in Conway, S.C.



SCHOOL FORENSICS — St. Theresa School in Kenilworth was one of six schools to participate in the Union County Catholic League of Forensics 'Duo' Competition held at Saint Bartholomew Academy in Springfield. A total of 58 students took part in the competition Tuesday, April 17.

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WORSHIP CALENDAR

BAPTIST

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 640 S. Springfield Ave., **Springfield**. Rev. Clarence Alston, Pastor. Church phone (973) 379-1465. **SUNDAY**: 9:30 A.M. Family Bible School; 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. **WEDNESDAY**: 7:30 P.M. Mid-Week Service. Holy Communion every First Sunday. Nursery Care available every Sunday. If transportation is needed call the church office. Everyone is Welcome at Antioch.

JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL, **Springfield NJ** (973) 376-0539, visit www.tbaynj.org Senior Rabbi: Mark Mallach, Associate Rabbi: Cecelia Beyer. We offer many exciting events throughout the year, Women's League, Men's Club, a nurturing Early Childhood Program, a warm Religious school, Adult education and so much more!

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METHODIST

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

241 Hilton Ave.,
Vauxhall, NJ 07088
Phone: 908-964-1282

Pastor: Rev. Dennis E. Hughes
Sunday - Church School 9:AM
Worship Service 10:AM
Wednesday - Bible Class 6:30 to 7:30
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COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

301 Chestnut St.,
Roselle Park, NJ 07204
Phone: 908-245-2237

www.roselleparkumc.org
Pastor: Rev. Manuel P. Cruz, Jr.
11:00 AM Worship Service
11:00 AM Sunday School
Childcare Available

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF UNION, 2095 Berwyn Street, Union, NJ 07083. Rev. James G. Ryoo, Pastor. Church telephone 908-687-8077. Office hours by appointment. Sunday service at 11:00 AM includes a children's sermon. Sunday School at 10:00. Youth Sunday School during the main service. Communion the first Sunday of the month. Choir and Praise

Team. UMW group meets 2nd Saturday each month. Friday evening bible study with the pastor at 7:30 PM. We are a friendly, multi ethnic/cultural church and we welcome all!

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

KENILWORTH GOSPEL CHAPEL, 557 Newark Ave., Newark and 23rd Street, **Kenilworth**, 908-272-6131, Pastor Donald Dunkerton. Sunday 9:30 am Breaking of Bread, 11:00 am Family Bible Hour and Sunday School for all ages, Tuesday Women's Bible study at Chapel 7:00 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer and Bible Study, (childcare provided), Friday 7:00 pm Youth Activities for Grade School age, Jr. High and Sr. High. kenilworthgospel.org

PRESBYTERIAN

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1459 Deer Path, **Mountainside**, New Jersey 07092. You are invited to join us in Worship Services on Sundays at 10:30 am. This is a place for you to enjoy uplifting music and relevant messages that will energize and inspire you. We offer a warm and friendly environment with Bible study, Sunday school and active adult and youth groups. For further information, please contact Dr.

Christopher Belden, Pastor at 908-232-9490.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION OF CONNECTICUT FARMS, 888 Stuyvesant Ave., Union. Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am with nursery care, Holy Communion first Sunday monthly. Church office 908-688-3164; office hours are M-F 9:30 am - 4:30 pm Fri till 3:00. www.ctfarms.org, Rev. Roberta Arrowsmith, Pastor.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, **Springfield, NJ** 07081, 973-379-4320. Rev. Victoria Ney, Pastor. Sunday Worship begins at 10:15am followed by Fellowship Hour. Church time nursery and Sunday School for infant to second grade avail. Sunday School for grades 3-12 begins at 9:00am in the Parish House @ 37 Church Mall. For more information about Church groups and community activities or to contact Pastor Ney, please call the Church Office at 973-379-4320, or e-mail FirstPCoffice@verizon.net

PROTESTANT REFORMED

REFORMED CHURCH OF LINDEN, 600 N. Wood Ave. (corner of Wood & Henry), **Linden**. 908-486-3714. Serving Christ and the

community since 1871. Sunday worship 10:30 am. Sunday School 9:30 am. Rev. Wilfredo Rodriguez, Pastor. All are welcome, please join us. www.rclinden.com

ROMAN CATHOLIC

St. JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH COMMUNITY, 45 South Springfield Avenue, **Springfield**, New Jersey 07081, 973-376-3044. www.saintjamesparish.org. **SUNDAY MASS**: Saturday 5:00pm (anticipated), Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30am and 12:00 noon. **WEEKDAY MASS**: Monday-Friday 7:30am, Saturday 8:00am. **RECONCILIATION**: Saturday 11:00am (any time by appointment)

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I posted a recipe for beet burgers years ago that I got from a Persian cookbook and it's one of my favorites. When I went to make it today, I realized I did not have the lentils it called for or the brown rice. I decided to substitute my leftover fava beans for the lentils and my leftover millet for the rice. They came out great! I also found that by pureeing them enough in the food processor, I did not require an egg which makes these burgers both vegetarian and vegan.

Smokey Fava Bean Beet Burgers

Ingredients

3 Tbs. avocado oil, plus extra for searing
2 cups peeled and grated raw beets — approximately 1 medium beet
3 cloves garlic, crushed
1 cup walnuts
1/2 cup raisins
2 tsp. sweet smoked paprika
1/2 cup cooked fava beans
2 cups cooked millet
2 tsp. sea salt

Steps

In a medium skillet, heat up one Tbs. of the oil and then sauté the beets along with the garlic, walnuts, raisins, cooked fava beans, cooked millet, salt and paprika. Cook for 10 minutes,

stirring often.

Transfer the contents of the skillet to a food processor and pulse several times until chunky or smooth.

Lightly oil your hands and divide the dough into 8 portions. Shape each portion into a patty just under 1 inch thick.

Heat a heavy-bottomed skillet over medium-high heat and add oil to coat the bottom. Place the burgers in the skillet and cook undisturbed for 5 minutes. Gently flip the burgers and turn down the heat to low.

Cover and cook for 10 minutes, until the burgers have a firm, brown crust. Serve hot with your favorite condiments — I used a mixture of 2 Tbs. Greek yogurt, 2 tsp. sriracha sauce and 1 tsp. honey fully combined

Alma Schneider, a licensed clinical social worker and cooking coach, provides individual sessions, corporate presentations and group workshops helping individuals overcome their practical and psychological obstacles to cooking. Alma has appeared on the Today Show, TV Land and has presented at the TEDx Talks. She has also been featured in Family Circle Magazine and numerous other publications. A cookbook is in the works! For more information, contact her at alma@takebackthekitchen.com or visit her website at www.takebackthekitchen.com.



Photo Courtesy of the Township of Union

STREETSCAPE — Phase two of the Stuyvesant Avenue Streetscape Project in Union officially has begun with a groundbreaking at the intersection of Rosemont and Stuyvesant avenues.

Phase 2 of streetscape project under way in Union

Construction on the second phase of the Union Center Stuyvesant Avenue Streetscape Project has begun.

"We are so excited to see the launch of Phase II of the Streetscape," Mayor Suzette Cavadas said at an official groundbreaking, according to a release from the township. "We have already seen an increase in foot traffic and can only imagine how it will continue to grow once this project is finished."

Foot traffic, Cavadas said, is essential in revitalizing Union Center and bringing in the higher caliber retailers that residents are seeking.

Phase 1 was completed in fall 2017 and included a comprehensive overhaul of the sidewalks, curbs, lights and crosswalks on the north side of the special improvement district.

"With the new look in the north side of the center, we've already seen current retailers and property owners reinvesting because of their belief in what the comple-

tion of this project can bring," Cavadas said.

Last year Bon Chon, a Korean food restaurant, expanded to include Kung Fu Tea; Van Gogh's Ear is looking to open a bakery alongside its cafe; and new businesses, such as Movement Mortgage and Sakura Teriyaki and Sushi, have moved into the area.

The project was designed by Arterial Design Studio, with input from the township and Maser Consulting, which serves as the township's engineers.

The company took into account aesthetics, safety, and traffic concerns as well as feedback from residents on what they would like to see in the center, officials said.

Construction, performed by S. Batata Construction, began the week of May 22 at the intersection of Rosemont Avenue. This phase of the project is projected to be completed by fall.

What's Going On?

RUMMAGE SALE

SATURDAY, SUNDAY
JUNE 2, 3, 2018

EVENT: Rummage Sale

PLACE: St. Joseph's Church Gym,
767 Prospect Street, Maplewood

TIME: Sat. 9:00am-3:00pm;
Sun 12:30pm-3:00pm

DETAILS: Unique Finds. Vintage items. Clothes, Toys, Jewelry, Books, Tools, Furnishings, Small Appliances.

ORGANIZATION: St. Joseph's Church

GARAGE/YARD SALES

SATURDAY
JUNE 9, 2018

EVENT: Annual yard sale

PLACE: St. John's Orthodox Church 211 W. Grand Ave. Rahway

TIME: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

DETAILS: Clothing, furniture, antiques, old and new items, toys, and treasures to be had.

Vendors welcome \$15.00 per space Call Karen 908-405-2577

ORGANIZATION: St. John's Orthodox Church

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What's Going On is a paid directory of events for non-profit organizations. It is PRE-PAID and costs only \$20.00 for 2 weeks in Essex or Union County and just \$30.00 for both counties. Your notice must be in our office by 12:00pm on Monday for publication the following Thursday. Office is located at 1291 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083.

Clark, Cranford honor the country's war heroes

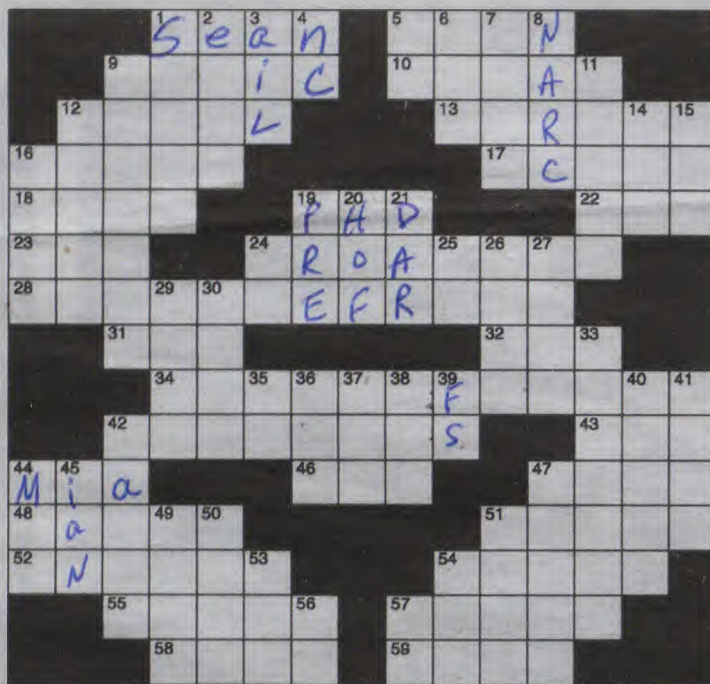


Photos by Brian Trusdell

NATIONAL PRIDE — Clark and Cranford's Memorial Day parades stepped off simultaneously on Monday, May 28, each displaying the national colors and some local pride as well. Local veterans were feted as bands, scout troops and color guards marched to honor the country's war dead.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CLUES ACROSS

1. 007 Connery
5. Presides over meetings (abbr.)
9. Trefoil
10. Father of Paris
12. Asian nut for chewing
13. Machine gun from the air
16. The communion table
17. His razor
18. Father
19. Doctor of philosophy
22. Cologne
23. Black tropical Am. cuckoo
24. Diversifies
28. Razor author 14th C
31. Maple sugar fluid
32. A corp.'s first stock offer to the public
34. The premier bike race
42. References
43. Extremely high frequency
44. Actress Farrow
46. Not good
47. State of annoyance
48. S. China seaport
51. Bengal quince
52. Provide the means
54. A large and imposing house
55. Excessively fat
57. Spars
58. Former wives
59. Repeat

CLUES DOWN

1. Podetium
2. Frankenberg river
3. Feel ill
4. 12th state
5. "Anything Goes" author's initials
6. Daily time units (abbr.)
7. Cagiva __: motorcycle
8. Drug agent (slang)
9. Study of poetic meter
11. Ceremonial staffs
12. Russian pancake served with caviar
14. Supervises flying
15. Large Australian flightless bird
16. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
19. Before
20. Hall of Fame (abbr.)
21. Constitution Hall org.
24. Atomic #35
25. Ducktail hairstyle
26. Independent ruler
27. Oval water scorpion
29. Modern London Gallery
30. On top
33. Identicalness
35. 2002 Olympic state
36. Tease or ridicule
37. Arrived extinct
38. Opposite of begin
39. Ol' Blue Eye's initials
40. South Am. nation
41. Type of salamander
42. S. China seaport
44. Woman (French)
45. 007's Flemming
47. __ Domingo
49. A French abbot
50. Gorse genus
51. An uproarious party
53. Point midway between E and SE
54. A waterproof raincoat
56. Spanish be
57. Of I

ANSWERS
APPEAR
IN OUR
CLASSIFIED
SECTION

HOROSCOPE

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18

Before others even realize what is going on, you will be way ahead of them in just about every activity. Don't spread yourself too thin though. Focus your energy in a single direction.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20

You may be feeling super confident lately but don't go too far and start thinking that nothing can possibly go wrong. There will still be factors beyond your control that could make life tough if you are not ready for them. Slow down and relax.

ARIES, March 21 to April 20

Your affairs seem to be under lucky stars at the moment but you don't really need any cosmic assistance — you are so pumped up and ready to go that you will be able to deal with whatever fate sends your way this week.

TAURUS, April 21 to May 21

Be confident in all that you do but also be careful on the work front. Rivals are clearly jealous of your success. Don't let them undermine your efforts.

GEMINI, May 21 to June 21

You will find ways to overcome any and all obstacles today. For best results, get creative and get to the root of a problem before others even realize there is a problem.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22

Find a quiet spot where you can shut out the noise and confusion of the world and then ask yourself some serious questions about who you are and what you should now be doing with your life. The answers will come easily to you.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23

What seemed difficult if not impossible for you to get to grips with yesterday will seem amazingly easy today. The task itself has not changed at all but your attitude towards it has.

VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22

Listen carefully to what your inner voice tells you today because the answers you have been looking for are much more likely to be found in the depths of your own subconscious than in the big bad noisy world out there.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

You may not want to hurt other people's feelings but you will have to be brutally honest with both friends and work colleagues today. If they cannot keep up with the pace you are setting they had best find a new partner.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

The solution to a problem you have been facing is really quite simple, so why are you having such a hard time seeing it? Most likely it's because you are still looking at the world the way you want it to be, rather than the way it is.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

Friends and relatives will be free with their advice today but what they tell you may not be what you were expecting to hear. Realize that they have your best interests at heart — and that you should heed what they say.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

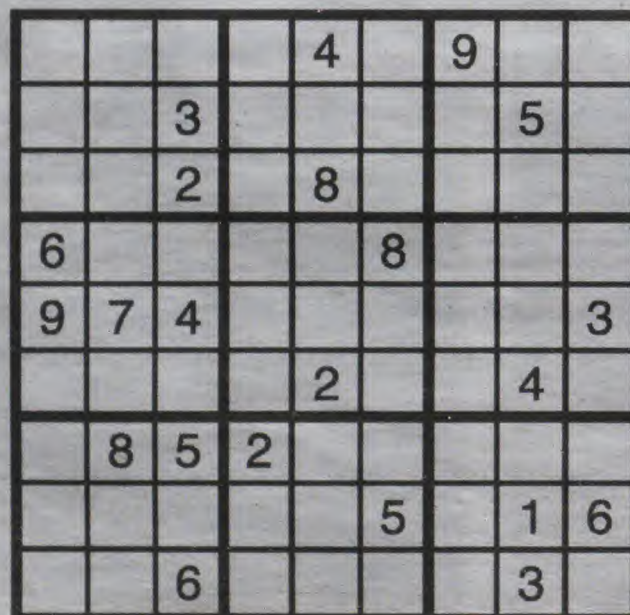
Your insights into how other people think and feel will come to your rescue today. You will be able to sense that what friends and colleagues have to say is most likely very different to what they actually mean.

SUDOKU

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWERS APPEAR IN
OUR CLASSIFIEDS SECTION



Level: Advanced

PUBLIC NOTICE

400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT. LAUREL NJ 08054 856-813-5500 Sheriff: Peter Corvelli A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office...

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18001402 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F03253116 County: Union Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION VS Defendant: ELLIOTT HARGROVE; MRS. HARGROVE, SPOUSE OF ELLIOTT HARGROVE; STATE OF NEW JERSEY...

PUBLIC NOTICE

Approximately dimensions: 118 x 33 x 123 x 33 (IRREGULAR) Nearest cross street: Forbes Street **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...

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18001815 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F04912113 County: Union Plaintiff: FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION VS Defendant: DEMOND HALL; MRS. DEMOND HALL, HIS WIFE; JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. - WESTBROOK WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Sale Date: 06/27/2018

PUBLIC NOTICE

Writ of Execution: 03/15/2018 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...

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www.auction.com or call (800)280-2832 website not affiliated with sheriff JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$233,223.10**Two Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Three and 10/100**

OBS-LEGALS

MOUNTAINSIDE

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a resolution was approved at a public meeting by the Mountaintide Planning Board on May 22, 2018. The applications were heard on April 24, 2018 at the Mountaintide Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountaintide, NJ 07092.

Jennifer and Ricardo Costa, 1266 Knollwood Road, Block 16.09, Lot 10 - Applicants proposed to demolish an existing single-family dwelling and constructing a new single-family dwelling, with variances.

Alison Griggs, 323 Partridge Run, Block 3.09, Lot 2 - Applicant proposed to construct an addition onto a single-family dwelling, with variances.

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVED Ruth M. Rees Secretary U68214 OBS May 31, 2018 (\$17.15)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: This resolution authorizes the execution of an Agreement with TMobile USA Tower, LLC resolving the Township's claims for damages arising out of bird roosting activity.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD RESOLUTION NO. 2018-159

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield ("Township") and TMobile USA Tower, LLC's predecessor (hereinafter "TMobile") previously entered into agreements regarding the use of certain Township property for the construction and operation of communications facilities; and WHEREAS, the Township has made certain claims to TMobile regarding prior and prospective damage to Township property arising out of bird roosting activity on TMobile equipment and facilities upon the leased premises ("the Claims"); and WHEREAS, the Township and TMobile desire to amicably resolve the Claims as set forth in the attached agreement requiring payment to the Township of \$5,000.00 in full satisfaction of the Claims (the "Agreement").

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Explanation: This ordinance amends the ordinance establishing the maximum base salary and compensation for certain officers, positions and employees within the Township of Springfield.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ORDINANCE NO. 2018 - 14

WHEREAS, the salaries and/or compensation of certain officers, positions and employees within the Township of Springfield that are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are required to be established by ordinance; and WHEREAS, a salary ordinance complements the Township's existing internal controls and strong accounting policies.

SECTION I - COMPENSATION

1. Commencing January 1, 2018, for the following enumerated offices, positions or clerical employments, the respective salaries or compensation set forth below are hereby established as the maximum base salary amounts to be paid conditional upon one full year of continuous employment for all full time, non-seasonal, employees who positions are not covered or governed by a collective negotiated agreement until this ordinance shall be amended or repealed, as to the respective officers and appointees to said offices, positions or employment:

Table with 2 columns: Position, Salary. Includes Township Administrator - Temporary (\$35,000.00), Municipal Clerk (\$94,245.00), Deputy Municipal Clerk (\$65,858.00), Tax Assessor (\$108,809.00), Tax Collector (\$67,628.00), Court Administrator (\$77,307.00), Assistant to the Engineer (\$113,028.00), Construction Code Official (\$49,000.00), Zoning Official (\$60,489.00), Construction Control Person (\$53,857.00), Supervisor of Department of Public Works and Recycling Coordinator (\$143,838.00), Administrative Assistant To D.P.W Supervisor (\$102,541.00), Foreman of Public Works and Assistant Recycling Coordinator (\$93,324.00), Assistant Foreman of Public Works (\$93,241.00), Recreation Director (\$83,582.00), Assistant Recreation Director (\$56,182.00), Chief Financial Officer (\$126,000.00), Assistant CFO/Assistant Treasurer (\$66,000.00), Payroll Clerk/HR Coordinator (\$64,000.00), Emergency Management Coordinator (\$9,700.00), Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (\$9,400.00), Police Chief (\$173,031.00), Police Captain (\$155,000.00), Fire Chief (\$152,417.00)

2. In addition to the above compensation for full time, non-seasonal, employees only, a longevity payment shall be paid to such employees only where specified by the Code of the Township of Springfield and/or contract. Such longevity pay shall be considered as additional compensation.

3. Commencing January 1, 2018 for the following enumerated offices and positions, the respective compensation set forth below are hereby established as the maximum base salary amounts to be paid conditional upon one full year of continuous employment for part time, non-seasonal, employees or maximum rates of pay per hour, who positions are not covered or governed by a collective negotiated agreement, until this ordinance shall be amended or repealed, as to the respective officers and appointees to said offices, positions or employment:

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Position

Table with 2 columns: Position, Salary. Includes Mayor, Township Committee Member, Township Committee Municipal Court Judge, Rent Leveling Board Secretary, OSHA Compliance Officer, Board of Health Secretary, Registrar Stipend, Deputy Registrar Stipend, Zoning Secretary, Administrative Assistant to OEM, Administrative Assistant to Tax Collector, Administrative Assistant to Finance, Qualified Purchasing Agent, Affordable Housing Liaison, Television Equipment Operator, Plumbing Sub-Code Official, Electrical Sub-Code Official, Fire Sub-Code Official, Substitute Sub-code Official, Assistant to tax collector, Assistant to CFO, Engineering Technician, Laborer, Bus or Jitney Driver, Recreation Program Coordinator, Recreation Assistant, Recreation Building Supervisor, Crossing Guards, Fire Prevention Inspector, HR Assistant

SECTION II - SEVERABILITY

Each section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase or provision. In case any such portion of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstances, shall be adjudged or otherwise determined to be invalid, unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause or reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not effect or invalidate the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and the application of such remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III - REPEAL

This Ordinance is not meant to repeal any provisions of the Code or any other Ordinance other than those designated herein, and all ordinances or portions of ordinances which are inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed only to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

SECTION IV - EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law, and the maximum compensation levels established herein shall be effective as of January 1, 2018.

Linda M. Donnelly, does hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of NJ, held on Tuesday, May 22 2018, and that said Ordinance shall be submitted for consideration and final passage at a regular meeting of said Township Committee to be held on June 12, 2018, Springfield Municipal Building at 2 p.m., at which time and place any person or persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. Copy is posted on the bulletin board in the office of the Township Clerk.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC Township Clerk

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ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18001769 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F02928416 County: Union Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-3 VS Defendant: KEVIN WYATT; MRS KEVIN WYATT, WIFE OF KEVIN WYATT; STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA Sale Date: 06/27/2018

Writ of Execution: 03/09/2018 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.

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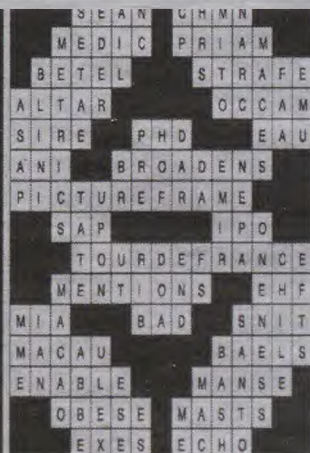
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31 Linda Lane \$379,000 5/17/2018
144 Hart St \$365,000 5/18/2018

CRANFORD

15 Morse St \$585,000 5/16/2018
42 Iroquois Rd \$455,000 5/16/2018
217 Prospect Ave, APT 1-2B \$245,000 5/18/2018
312 Lincoln Park E \$209,900 5/18/2018

ELIZABETH

1136-1138 Magie \$323,000 5/17/2018
729-731 Bailey Ave \$285,000 5/18/2018
332 Bond St \$195,000 5/21/2018
761-763 Fairbanks St \$189,525 5/17/2018
915 Sheridan Ave \$174,300 5/21/2018
826 W Grand St \$40,000 5/18/2018

HILLSIDE

196 Fitzpatrick St \$210,000 5/17/2018

27 Robbinwood Ter \$345,000 5/18/2018
900 McCandless Pl \$340,000 5/18/2018
328 Spruce St \$337,000 5/17/2018
229 W Linden Ave \$319,900 5/18/2018
231 Princeton Rd \$280,000 5/18/2018
516 MINER TER \$245,000 5/17/2018
1317 Monmouth Ave \$230,000 5/17/2018
100 Lutgen Pl, Unit C-1 \$155,000 5/21/2018
748 N Stiles St \$137,000 5/17/2018
10 N Wood Ave, #616 \$119,000 5/17/2018

MOUNTAINSIDE

308 Indian Trl \$ 466,100 5/22/2018

RAHWAY

1068 Richard Blvd \$330,000 5/18/2018
1210 Revoir Dr \$305,000 5/21/2018
1832 Paterson St \$253,000 5/16/2018
681 W Hazelwood Ave \$229,000 5/16/2018
1 CarriagePlz, 1012 \$180,000 5/22/2018
357 Sycamore St \$161,500 5/18/2018

ROSELLE

202 E 5th Ave \$280,000 5/16/2018
413 Dietz St \$280,000 5/17/2018
1303 Crescent Ave \$270,000 5/17/2018
463 Chester Pl \$215,000 5/17/2018
239 E 7th Ave \$140,000 5/21/2018

ROSELLE PARK

626 Faitoute Ave \$295,000 5/18/2018
534 E Grant Ave \$283,000 5/17/2018
531 Myrtle Ave \$241,050 5/21/2018
608 Elm St \$177,000 5/18/2018
19D W Roselle Ave \$165,000 5/22/2018

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127 Newbrook Ln \$645,000 5/17/2018
96 Warwick Cir \$530,000 5/22/2018
70 Henshaw Ave \$439,900 5/22/2018
55 Diven St \$405,000 5/18/2018
63 Tooker Ave \$360,000 5/18/2018

SUMMIT

161 Oak Ridge Ave \$1,875,000 5/16/2018
18 Joanna Way \$1,310,000 5/16/2018
275 Woodland Ave \$849,000 5/18/2018
2 Midland Ter \$750,000 5/16/2018
11 Russell Pl \$725,000 5/18/2018
38 Montrose Ave \$662,000 5/18/2018
67-73 New England 75A \$635,000 5/21/2018
122 Morris Ave \$505,000 5/18/2018

UNION

672 Winchester Ave \$430,000 5/22/2018
324 Whitewood Rd \$387,000 5/17/2018
515 Olive Ter \$374,000 5/18/2018
2267 Morrison Ave \$369,000 5/22/2018
1670 Earl St \$360,000 5/18/2018
851 Midland Blvd \$326,000 5/21/2018
701 Summit Rd \$315,000 5/18/2018
38 Jensen Ln \$310,000 5/16/2018
2605 Juliat Pl \$309,000 5/18/2018
626 Duquesne Ter \$304,500 5/18/2018
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SPORTS



One of the top fielding softball shortstops in Union County is Roselle Park senior Angelina Chacon, now in her third year at the position. Chacon and her Roselle Park teammates were scheduled to host Belvidere in Tuesday's North 2, Group 1 sectional state championship game. The winner advanced to today's Group 1 semifinal against the North 1 champion. Roselle Park was seeking to capture North 2, Group 1 for the third straight season. The Panthers last reached the Group 1 final in 2003, a year in which they won it.



Photos courtesy of Gene Nann

Roselle Park junior Maddie Hummel, who bats third in the order, began the week among the team's leaders in hits with 36, RBI with 28, home runs with three and batting average at .414. Hummel was also to be on the mound Tuesday when Roselle Park was scheduled to host Belvidere in the North 2, Group 1 sectional state championship game. See story on Roselle Park's sectional semifinal home win over neighborhood rival Brearley on next page.

**NORTH 2, GROUP 3
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
2-Gov. Livingston (16-8)
at
1-Middletown North (24-4)

**NORTH 1, GROUP 3
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
2-Sparta (19-6)
at
1-Indian Hills (27-2)

GROUP 3 SEMIFINALS:
Scheduled for today.
GROUP 3 FINAL:
Saturday or Sunday.

**NORTH 2, GROUP 1
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
6-Belvidere (15-9)
at
1-Roselle Park (24-2)

**NORTH 1, GROUP 1
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
2-Hasbrouck Heights (23-3)
at
1-Cedar Grove (24-5)

GROUP 1 SEMIFINALS:
Scheduled for today.
GROUP 1 FINAL:
Saturday or Sunday.

**CENTRAL JERSEY, GROUP 2
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
2-Johnson (19-5)
at
1-Robbinsville (23-1)

**SOUTH JERSEY, GROUP 2
SOFTBALL FINAL:**
3-Manchester Twp. (20-8)
at
1-Sterling (17-4)

GROUP 2 SEMIFINALS:
Scheduled for today.
GROUP 2 FINAL:
Saturday or Sunday.

**UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE
BASEBALL STANDINGS
AS OF MONDAY, MAY 28**

WATCHUNG DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Gov. Livingston (6-3-1)
- 2-Scotch Plains (6-4)
- 3-Westfield (5-4)
- 4-Cranford (4-5-1)
- 5-Union (4-6)
- 6-Elizabeth (3-6)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION (5 schools):

- 1-New Providence (7-1) – outright champions
- 2-Johnson (6-2)
- 3-Summit (5-3)
- 4-Union Catholic (2-6)
- 5-Linden (0-8)

VALLEY DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Rahway (8-1)
- 2-Roselle Park (8-2)
- 3-Oratory (7-3)
- 4-Dayton (4-5)
- 5-Brearley (1-8-1)
- 6-Roselle Catholic (0-9-1)

SKY DIVISION (4 schools):

- 1-Plainfield (4-0) – repeat outright champions
- 2-Hillside (2-2)
- 3-Roselle (0-4)
- 4-St. Mary's, Elizabeth (0-0)

**UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE
SOFTBALL STANDINGS
AS OF MONDAY, MAY 28**

WATCHUNG DIVISION (5 schools):

- 1-Johnson (6-2) – outright champions
- 2-Gov. Livingston (5-3)
- 3-Cranford (4-4)
- 4-Westfield (3-4)
- 5-Elizabeth (1-6)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Roselle Park (9-0) – 3-peat outright champions
- 2-Brearley (7-2)
- 3-Scotch Plains (4-5)
- 4-Dayton (3-7)
- 5-Benedictine (2-6)
- 6-Union (2-7)

VALLEY DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Summit (9-1) – co-champions
- Union Catholic (9-1) – co-champions
- 3-Oak Knoll (6-4)
- 4-New Providence (3-6)
- 5-Rahway (1-7)
- 6-Linden (0-9)

SKY DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Plainfield (8-0)
- 2-Kent Place (8-1)
- 3-Roselle (6-3)
- 4-Hillside (3-6)
- 5-Roselle Catholic (2-8)
- 6-St. Mary's, Elizabeth (0-9)

SPORTS

Roselle Park softball continues mastery of Brearley

Panthers blank Bears to advance to their 3rd consecutive North 2, Group 1 title game

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

ROSELLE PARK — Beating a team — let alone a quality one — three times in three tries in one season is a challenge many squads might find too daunting.

If the Roselle Park softball team was to reach its third consecutive sectional state championship game that's what the Panthers had to do. They had to find a way to beat neighborhood rival Brearley a third time.

More than up for the task, Roselle Park scored the game's first run in the bottom of the first to take the lead for good and then added a single insurance run in the third and four more in the sixth to prevail over Brearley once again.

For the second straight season Roselle Park went 3-0 against Brearley after the Panthers topped the Bears 6-0 in Thursday afternoon's North 2, Group 1 semifinal at Roselle Park High School.

Roselle Park won for the third straight time to improve to 24-2 and advanced to the North 2, Group 1 final for the third straight year. The Panthers were to host sixth-seeded Belvidere in Tuesday's sectional state championship game. Belvidere won at second-seeded Ridgely 3-0 last Friday.

The Panthers have now won 11 consecutive North 2, Group 1 state tournament games. Last year after sweeping Brearley in Union County Conference-Mountain Division play, Roselle Park defeated the Bears 4-3 at home in the sectional final.

Roselle Park previously swept Brearley this year in Mountain Division play by scores of 1-0 in Kenilworth and 2-1 in Roselle Park. The Panthers won the Mountain Division title outright for the third straight year this season.

Brearley finished another solid season at 14-6 and in the Mountain Division placed second.

Brearley senior right hander Michelle Capizzano finished 13-6 this year. She concluded her varsity career with more than 50 wins and 500 strikeouts.

Capizzano, who will continue playing in college at Rutgers-Newark, retired the side in order in the fourth and fifth and at one point retired seven in a row.

Roselle Park junior right hander Maddie Hummel tossed a one-hitter to improve to 20-2. The only hit she allowed came on a bunt with one out in the third.

"I was trying to throw mostly screwballs inside," Hummel said. "If they caught up to them then I tried to throw my fastball inside."

With a runner on third and two outs in the second Hummel ended the threat with a strikeout swinging of a batter who just kept on fouling pitches off before Hummel got her.

"It was tiring and motivating at the same time to try to get her out," Hummel said.

When Brearley had a runner on third again and two outs in the fifth Hummel fanned the batter at the plate looking.

Hummel pitched perfect fourth, sixth and seventh innings, while Brearley managed only one baserunner from the fourth inning on, that batter getting hit by a pitch with one out in the fifth. Hum-

mel retired the last eight batters she faced.

"We really had them down after all the times we played them," Hummel said. "I pretty much knew what to throw to (each batter)."

Driving in the runs were Merissa Gilic with an opposite field single to right in the first, Angelina Chacon with a single to center in the third and in the sixth Lexi Cieslinski with an opposite field two-run single to right and Sarah Lippin with an opposite field single to right. Roselle Park's fifth run scored as the result of a throwing error.

All six Roselle Park runs were scored with two outs.

Hummel produced two of Roselle Park's eight hits, going two-for-four with two singles.

"It was good to see us score a lot of insurance runs," Hummel said.

Roselle Park increased its winning streak against Brearley to seven. Brearley's last win against Roselle Park was an 11-0 triumph at Roselle Park on April 9, 2016.

The seven-game winning streak began with a 4-1 win at Brearley on April 25, 2016.

For the second straight season Roselle Park was to host the North 2, Group 1 final. Roselle Park won the 2016 N2, G1 championship game at Dayton by the score of 4-3.

"We want to continue working hard as a team," Hummel said. "Our last few games we've been a little flat."

Emma Cieslinski and Madison Cieslinski also hit safely for the Panthers.

Roselle Park head coach Fran Maggio really didn't need to say much since his squad had already faced Capizzano many times in the past.

"When you get to this point in the year, when you have played 26 games, you just go out and do your thing," Maggio said.

"There was no special preparation or anything to go over.

"The first time we faced Capizzano she was throwing inside and the second time she was throwing the ball outside. Today we were ready for both."

NOTES: Roselle Park won its first three state tournament games by shutout. The first won was over 16th-seeded University of Newark 14-0 in the first round and the second was against eighth-seeded Secaucus 1-0 in the quarterfinals.

The Group 1 semifinals - at neutral sites - are scheduled to be played today.

The group finals at Kean University are scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday in Union.

Roselle Park lost to Butler 4-0 in the 2016 Group 1 semifinal (North 1 vs. North 2) played at Caldwell University.

Roselle Park lost to Cedar Grove 2-0 in the 2017 Group 1 semifinal (North 1 vs. North 2) played at Montclair State University.

Roselle Park's combined record the past three seasons heading into Tuesday's scheduled sectional final was an impressive 60-25.

Roselle Park went 19-13 in 2016 and 17-10 in 2017.

NORTH 2, GROUP 1 SEMIFINAL SOFTBALL AT RP

4-Brearley (14-6)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
1-Roselle Park (24-2)	1	0	1	0	0	4	x	6	8	2

WINNING PITCHER:

Roselle Park junior RH Maddie Hummel (20-2)

LOSING PITCHER:

Brearley senior RH Michelle Capizzano (13-6)

RBI-HITS FOR ROSELLE PARK:

Merissa Gilic, Angelina Chacon, Lexi Cieslinski, Sarah Lippin.

2018 NORTH 2, GROUP 1 SOFTBALL

SEEDS: 1-Roselle Park. 2-Ridgely. 3-Hoboken. 4-Brearley. 5-Bloomfield Tech. 6-Belvidere. 7-Becton. 8-Secaucus. 9-Dayton. 10-Arts. 11-Glen Ridge. 12-New Providence. 13-Weehawken. 14-Technology. 15-Warren Tech. 16-University.

FIRST ROUND:

Roselle Park 14, University 0 - at Roselle Park
Secaucus 6, Dayton 4 - at Dayton
New Providence 12, Bloomfield Tech 9 - at BT
Brearley 11, Weehawken 1 - at Brearley
Hoboken 19, Technology 1 - at Hoboken
Belvidere 10, Glen Ridge 0 - at Belvidere
Becton 17, Arts 10 - at Becton
Ridgely 17, Warren Tech 1 - at Ridgely

QUARTERFINALS:

Roselle Park 1, Secaucus 0 - at Roselle Park
Brearley 12, New Providence 0 - at Brearley
Belvidere 13, Hoboken 0 - at Hoboken
Ridgely 4, Becton 3 - at Ridgely

SEMIFINALS:

Roselle Park 6, Brearley 0 - at Roselle Park
Belvidere 3, Ridgely 0 - at Ridgely

FINAL:

Tuesday, May 29
6-Belvidere at 1-Roselle Park

DEFENDING CHAMPION: Roselle Park

ROSELLE PARK'S 3 MOST RECENT

SECTIONAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES:

May 31, 2018: Belvidere vs. Roselle Park - at Roselle Park
Roselle Park is the top seed and Belvidere the sixth.

May 30, 2017: Roselle Park 4, Brearley 3 - at Roselle Park
Roselle Park was the fifth seed and Brearley the seventh.

June 3, 2016: Roselle Park 4, Dayton 3 - at Dayton
Roselle Park was the seventh seed and Dayton the top.

SPORTS



Photos by Steven Ellmore

Sophomores that sparked a successful Union softball season this spring included, above, pitcher Alyssa Thomas and, below, shortstop Elizabeth Arias. Union won its last six games to finish with an improved 10-11 record. The Farmers won three more games and lost one less than last year's 7-12 finish that included a season-ending four-game winning streak.



Union softball closes strong by winning final 6 contests

Young squad has much to look forward to

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

The Union softball team seemed to save its best performances for last again this year as the Farmers overcame a 1-6 start to post a 9-11 record going into their season finale.

Union was riding a five-game winning streak when it was scheduled to host Rahway May 24.

Union closed last year's 7-12 finish with a four-game winning streak following an 8-2 Union County Conference-Mountain Division loss at Brearley.

In similar fashion, Union rebounded from a 1-0 division loss at Brearley this year - on May 8 - to then knock off its next five opponents.

Union defeated Kent Place 2-0 at home on May 10, with state tournament team Kent Place owning a 10-3 record at the time.

The Farmers then defeated Dayton 3-2 at home, Millburn 7-4 at home and Union City 10-0, also at home.

Union's final road game was a decisive 21-4 triumph at Linden. Leading the way offensively for the Farmers were freshman Simone Casella with four hits and five RBI and junior Arielle Roman with four hits and four RBI.

Putting together a sensational season, Roman was leading Union in batting average at a robust .619, home runs with six and RBI with 31.

Elizabeth Arias, another sophomore, had two home runs and Casella and fellow freshman Emily Schroeder one each.

Tamia Howell, a junior, was leading the team in stolen bases with 15.

The hit leaders included Roman with 39, Howell with 28, sophomore pitcher Alyssa Thomas with 22, Casella with 18 and Arias with 15.

Thomas had a pitching record of 9-9 going into the Rahway contest. She also excelled on the mound last year as a freshman.

This season, Thomas had 144 strikeouts in 108 innings prior to the last game of the year.

Union's first win came at Valley Division foe New Providence 18-3 on April 19. Thomas struck out 10 and tossed a two-hitter. Union scored in all five innings with Casella driving in six runs and Roman five.

Union went 1-1 in Union County Tournament competition. The 14th-seeded Farmers won at home against 19th-seeded Roselle Catholic 17-0 in a preliminary round game.

In first round play, Union was defeated at third-seeded Westfield 3-2 in its final game played in April - on April 30. Westfield ended up reaching the final, losing to top-seeded Roselle Park 2-0 at Kean University.

Union took a 1-0 lead in the top of the fourth before Westfield scored all the runs it needed in the bottom of the inning. Union scored the game's final run in the top of the fifth. Roman led Union with three hits.

Union defeated Roselle Catholic again on May 4, this time by the score of 16-1 in Roselle, for its fourth win.

The Farmers finished 2-7 in the Mountain Division, with a split with Dayton and a split with Scotch Plains, beating both teams at home and losing to both on the road.

Union was not to make up its home division game against Benedictine. Roselle Park won the Mountain Division outright for the third straight season and for the second time undefeated.

Roselle Park was scheduled to host Brearley May 24 in a North 2, Group 1 semifinal. The Panthers were seeking to win the section for the third straight season.

If Union closed with a win over Rahway, the Farmers would have finished 10-11, which is three more wins and one less loss than last season.

Union also would have closed with a six-game winning streak. The Farmers have not won that many games in a row in some time.

FARMERS BLANK RAHWAY 10-0 TO CONCLUDE AT 10-11

Union won its second game in its final three by shutout and won by shutout for the fourth time this year when the Farmers closed with a 10-0 Union County Conference-crossover win over Valley Division foe Rahway last Thursday.

Union wrapped at 10-11.

"We didn't get 10-run ruled and were very competitive in all of our games," said sixth-year head coach Kristin Nunes, a former Farmer standout softball player herself and a 1993 Union grad.

"We made some errors and have to work on that, but in time we'll develop a much stronger team."

Among Union's starting nine, the only player that will be lost to graduation is center fielder Lizruby Alicea.

UNION SOFTBALL 2018:

Pitcher: Alyssa Thomas, sophomore RH

Catcher: Arielle Roman, junior

First baseman: Emily Schroeder, freshman

Second baseman: Kaitlyn Marques, freshman

Third baseman: Simone Casella, freshman

Shortstop: Elizabeth Arias, sophomore

Left fielder: Tamia Howell, junior

Center fielder: Lizruby Alicea, senior

Right fielder: Lauren Baran, junior

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COLLEGE BOUND MOUND ACE - Brearley standout senior pitcher Michelle Capizzano and her mom Renee attended a NJ Heist travel softball team College Sendoff. Capizzano will continue playing softball in college at Rutgers-Newark. Capizzano excelled on the mound the last three years for the Brearley Bears, winning over 50 games and striking out more than 500 batters.



Photo by JR Parachini

BULLDOGS SOUGHT TO PLAY SPOILERS - The Dayton baseball team was scheduled to wrap another winning season yesterday at Rahway in the final Union County Conference-Valley Division contest for both. Dayton entered at 10-7 overall and 4-5 in the division, while Rahway was 15-6 and 8-1. Rahway needed to win the game to clinch the title outright. If Dayton won, then Rahway and Roselle Park share the division crown both with 8-2 league marks. Dayton went 1-1 in the North 2, Group 1 playoffs, beating Belvidere at home and falling at New Providence.

**UNION COUNTY BASEBALL
STILL ALIVE IN STATES
AT BEGINNING OF THE WEEK (5):**

**Westfield, Scotch Plains, New Providence,
Gov. Livingston, Oratory Prep.**

TUESDAY, MAY 29

**NORTH 2, GROUP 4 SEMIFINAL:
4-Scotch Plains at 1-Westfield**

**NORTH 2, GROUP 1 SEMIFINAL:
5-Hoboken at 1-New Providence**

**CENTRAL JERSEY, GROUP 2 SEMIFINAL:
4-Metuchen at 1-Gov. Livingston**

**NON-PUBLIC, NORTH A QUARTERFINAL:
8-Oratory Prep at 1-Bergen Catholic**

**PUBLIC SCHOOL SECTIONAL FINALS
AND NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL SEMIFINALS
ARE SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MAY 31**

**UNION COUNTY SOFTBALL
STILL ALIVE IN STATES
AT BEGINNING OF THE WEEK (4):**

**Gov. Livingston, Johnson,
Roselle Park, Union Catholic.**

TUESDAY, MAY 29

**NORTH 2, GROUP 3 FINAL:
2-Gov. Livingston at 1-Middletown North**

**NORTH 2, GROUP 1 FINAL:
6-Belvidere at 1-Roselle Park**

**CENTRAL JERSEY, GROUP 2 FINAL:
3-Johnson at 1-Robbinsville**

**NON-PUBLIC, NORTH A SEMIFINAL:
3-Union Catholic at 2-Holy Angels**

**PUBLIC SCHOOL GROUP SEMIFINALS
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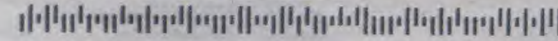


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