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Hartz asked for environmental impact study

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The planning board was greeted with applause from 125 or so residents at its Aug. 1 meeting when it voted to require a developer seeking to build a 905-unit apartment complex at 750 Walnut Ave. to provide an environmental impact statement.

Board members wondered whether the 30.5-acre parcel of land had been impacted by previous tenants, such as J.B. Williams Co., which made Geritol, Somnax, Serutan and others.

The Hyatt Hills Golf Complex, which borders the site to the southwest, was built on land once owned by General Motors. Approximately 15 years ago, GM paid tens of millions of dollars to remediate the Clark site that once housed a factory and is now a nine-hole golf course.

Other members of the board want to know whether the ground at the site could support the weight of three, five-story buildings and two, four-story buildings Hartz Mountain Industries is seeking to construct. Additionally, the developer proposes building two clubhouses, two pools and enough parking spaces for about 1,800 cars on the site.

When the subject of an environmental impact statement was first broached at the meeting, Deputy Mayor Ann Dooley said: "I make a motion to request, actually to demand, an EIS."

After the unanimous vote had been taken and the audience's applause had subsided, board member Peter Taylor asked James Rhatican, vice president of land use and development for Hartz Mountain Industries, if he "had any objections" to providing an environmental impact statement.

Rhatican referred to the fact that Hartz Mountain Industries began the application process to have the site rezoned from industrial to "inclusionary residential development" in March 2017.

"Well, it took a year to ask for it, but other than that," Rhatican said. "It won't be at the next meeting, I can tell you that. The application was deemed complete so I think given the delay is a little inappropriate but we understand the sensitivity of the issue."

Rhatican indicated it would take about six weeks to complete the statement. He said the project's planner would be able to testify at the board's Sept. 5 meeting. The project's traffic engineer is scheduled to testify at a special Sept. 12 meeting of the board.

Much of the Aug. 1 meeting, which ended a little past midnight, focused on Hartz Mountain's plans for parking on the site.

James Martell, Hartz Mountain's civic engineer on the project, said each of the 1,775 spaces proposed in the conceptual plan presented to the board is 9-by-18 feet. Board

members said the township's ordinance calls for spaces to be 10 feet wide.

When asked by members of the board if the ordinance had been "ignored" when the conceptual plan was created, Martell said: "The ordinance wasn't ignored, but we took our lead from the state's parameters relative to the size of parking spaces."

It was also pointed out by board members that the town ordinance calls for a break between 12 consecutive parking spaces. Martell said none had been incorporated into the conceptual plan.

Taylor pointed out that increasing each space size from 9 feet to 10 feet would result in the loss of 177 spaces.

The board also asked Martell about a detention basin along Walnut Avenue. Taylor asked if there would be an impact on parking and building layout if a larger basin was necessary.

That led to a clash between Rhatican, Taylor and Dooley about what is required by the developer for the application.

"I am just going to interject to say that your ordinance on what's required for a rezoning application does not require any of this, and I think the intent, I suspect, in drafting the ordinance that dictates what has to be submitted is that these are issues that are reserved for the site plan process and not for a conceptual rezoning application,"

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Photo by Chuck O'Donnell

WHO TURNED OUT THE LIGHTS? — A Union police officer directs traffic at the intersection of Vauxhall Road and Stuyvesant Avenue on Tuesday evening after a downed power line in the Stanley Terrace area knocked out electricity, including to the traffic signals, to about 1,500 customers for more than two hours, the township reported on its Facebook page citing PSE&G.

Summit ranked best school district in county Westfield, Berkeley Heights ranked second, third

By Brian Trusdell
Regional Editor

Summit has the best public schools in Union County and the fourth-best in New Jersey, according to the website Niche in its annual survey of New Jersey's public education districts.

The ranking for 2019 puts Summit one place above last year's classification.

Union County moved two more schools into the top 20: Westfield, which jumped 11 spots to No. 15, and Berkeley Heights, which climbed five spots to No. 20.

Niche, based in Pittsburgh, Pa., previously went by the name "College Prowler" and published college guidebooks; it gave Summit an overall grade of A-plus, judging it and 383 other school districts on a weighted basis of eight criteria ranging from academics to sports.

Summit, Westfield and Berkeley Heights all received an overall grade of A-plus as did Cranford, which moved up 12

places from last year's rankings to No. 28.

The rankings are based on factors such as academics, accounting for 50 percent of the overall score, and include state assessment proficiency, SAT and ACT scores, and survey responses on academics from students and parents.

Rankings also include a teachers' grade, worth 15 percent of the overall score and based on teacher salary, teacher absenteeism, state test results and survey responses about teachers from students and parents.

Two criteria were worth 10 percent each: culture and diversity, and parent-student surveys. Another two categories accounted for 5 percent each: health and safety, and resources and facilities. Clubs and activities, and sports were each assigned 2.5 percent of the overall grade.

County school districts that received grades of A are: Scotch Plains-Fanwood at

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One-seat Raritan Valley service to be suspended

Off-peak one-seat service on the Raritan Valley Line will be temporarily suspended beginning Tuesday Sept. 4, and is not expected to resume until early next year, NJ Transit said in a Aug. 3 release.

The move will be accompanied by a complete shutdown of the Atlantic City Rail Line, all to complete the transit authority's continued installation of positive train control equipment on its rail fleet throughout the state.

"We regret the inconvenience this will cause our customers on the RVL and ACRL," NJ Transit Executive Director Kevin Corbett said in the release. "That's why we've maintained the same level of

RVL service to/from Penn Station New York with connections at Newark Penn, and are offering a range of options with discounted fares to and from Philadelphia to continue meeting the travel needs of our ACRL customers."

This is the second schedule change in four months to the rail passenger system for the purpose of installing PTC, a hardware component installed on locomotives and cab cars that requires a person to be actively engaged in driving the train.

Federal investigators are probing whether the engineer in a 2016 Hoboken crash that killed one and injured several others, suffered from sleep apnea at

the time of the accident.

In June, service was altered on several lines including the discontinuation of certain trains on the Northeast Corridor, Morris & Essex and North Jersey Coast lines. Similarly, service on those lines are not expected to resume a full schedule until early 2019 also, NJ Transit said at the time.

"We have made substantial progress on

our PTC project and we're continuing to ramp up installation — in fact, our PTC project completion percentage has increased from 13 percent to 52 percent in the last three months alone. As we push to complete PTC installation, I ask for customers' patience during this process as the end result is a safer railroad for everyone," Corbett said.



File Photo

The one-seat ride option on off-peak hours on the Raritan Valley line will be suspended starting Sept. 4 so NJ Transit can install positive train control safety equipment throughout its rail fleet.

Suspect arrested in Newark homicide

A Hillside man has been arrested in the killing of a Roselle man on July 5 in Newark, the Essex County Prosecutor's Office announced in a release.

Antwan Malone, 31, of Hillside, has been charged with murder, felony murder, kidnapping, conspiracy and weapons charges in connection with the death of John A. Sosa on Brunswick Street in Newark.

Sosa, 48, was found unresponsive in the rear of an apartment building on Brunswick Street and pronounced dead at the scene.

Malone was taken into custody July 7, at a residence in Hillside by members of the U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force, assisted by the Hillside Police Department and the Union County Sheriff's Office.

Malone was to be remanded to the Essex County Correctional Facility in Newark, pending an appearance in the Essex County Central Judicial Processing Court, according to Chief Assistant Prosecutor Thomas S. Fennelly of the Prosecutor's Homicide Unit.

The investigation of this homicide remains ongoing. Anyone with information about this homicide is asked to call the Essex County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at 877-847-7432.

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Elizabeth author offers ways to generate extra income

By **Chuck O'Donnell**
Staff Writer

ELIZABETH — Owning a machine that prints money is the stuff of dreams for many people.

Owning an ATM might just be the next best thing, according to Sonel Soulouque.

In his new book, "My Side Income: 7 Ways to Put More Money in Your Pocket," the Elizabeth author details ways to earn supplemental income that have worked for him.

Owning an ATM is one of the easiest and least-known ways to generate extra cash.

"I thought every ATM machine belonged to a bank or a financial institution," Soulouque said. "And then, when I did my research I found out that you can individually own your own machine. This attracted me and then I called an ATM company and they said, 'Yes, you can own your own machine.'"

Finding ways to supplement his paycheck as French teacher at Elizabeth High School and sharing them is important to Soulouque, who self-published the book this year. In "My Side Income," he lists the ways in categories, including: offline, online, micro-entrepreneurship and passive income. He said he was prompted to write the book after seeing people around him working harder and harder just to make ends meet. Others have lost their jobs and don't know how they will survive. His message is this: Rest assured, there are ways to deal with financial difficulties.

"The book is very helpful," said Yvan Maxie, a longtime friend of Soulouque who owns Optimum Financial & Tax Services in Elizabeth. "Even myself, I have been in business for over 20 years and I get some good ideas from this book. It's a very good resource, especially for small businesses. I did not know how to get started. For me, it is like a map."

"There are ways to adapt and thrive even if you are out of work," Soulouque said. "I wanted my book to show people there are always ways they can earn extra money. There are opportunities if you work hard."

One of the easiest opportunities is buying and installing an ATM. And, considering that half of the estimated 3 million ATMs in the United States are privately owned, it is becoming more popular.

In "My Side Income," Soulouque demonstrates that an ATM's ability to generate income is a simple matter of math, especially if it's installed in a place that generates a lot of foot traffic.

According to the book, about 3 to 5 percent of people who pass an ATM will stop and withdraw money. The aver-



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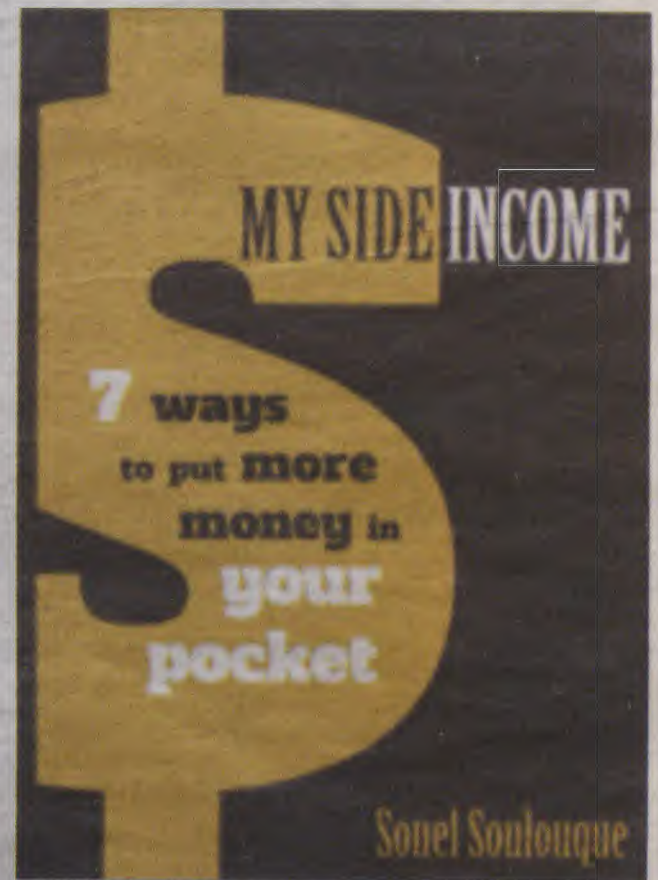
Sonel Soulouque, who calls himself a 'microentrepreneur,' has some big ideas. His first book, 'My Side Income: 7 Ways to Put More Money in Your Pocket,' offers tips on how to supplement a regular income.

age machine does about 80 transactions a day; at \$2 per transaction, that's \$1,600.

There are a few things to keep in mind. For instance, the ATM should be installed in a place that has security cameras and must be restocked with cash. Some ATM owners pay a company to do this, but the author suggests, "If you don't want to pay a company to do it for you, you can do it yourself and you can save that money."

Saving money, working hard and getting ahead were lessons Soulouque learned while growing up in Haiti.

"Growing up, I saw my dad," he said. "Even though he had a full-time job, he was always working on the side to make money to buy things we needed and I saw it when I came here, too."



One of Sonel Soulouque's ideas to earn additional income is to buy and install an ATM in a busy location.

Soulouque's father was a machinist, but often would buy clothes at flea markets and resell them to his friends at church to earn a little extra money. Soulouque may have inherited that strong work ethic, but he also knows how to reward himself. He likes to travel. Sometimes, as he is lying on a tropical beach, he reflects on all his hard work. He wants others to know that his book can help them get ahead, too.

"The answer is out there for you, but only if you have the will to do it," he said. "If you have the will and the passion, you will succeed."



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Man is charged with taking upskirt photos at Union Target

Accused of same act in Utah two months ago

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

UNION — A New Jersey National Guardsman recently charged with using his cell phone to take photos up a woman's skirt at the Target store on U.S. Route 22 had also been charged with a similar act at a mall in Utah in June, police said.

Stephen Grogan, 41, of Dingmans Ferry, Pa., was arrested on a felony charge of invasion of privacy July 27.

Union police were called to the store at 11:45 a.m. by a security officer who reportedly observed a man squatting near female shoppers with his phone in his hand.

The man had left the store, but the employee gave the police a description of his car, and a patrol officer approaching the store on the westbound side of Route 22 saw a car matching the description on the eastbound side of the road. The officer turned around, headed east and saw the car pull into the Walmart parking lot, police said.

The officer's investigation led to Grogan's arrest for taking photos under the dress of a 24-year-old woman. She was still inside the store and was unaware Grogan had taken photos of her, police said.

Police said Grogan was released with an Aug. 13 date in Union County Superior Court.

Detective Capt. Scott Breslow confirmed that Grogan had been charged with taking similar photos of women in June in Salt Lake City.

One woman, who requested her identity be withheld, told KSL-TV in Utah that a man had reached for a pair of jeans she was standing over in an American Eagle Outfitters store, and noticed that the man's cell-phone camera was pointed under her dress. After observing him do the same thing to another woman shopper, she alerted store security.

The man fled. Later, the victim posted a photo she had taken of the man on Facebook, and he was identified as Grogan. According to a published report in the Deseret News of Salt Lake City, police interviewed Grogan two days later and charged him with two counts of voyeurism by electronic equipment, a misdemeanor.

Another woman said Grogan had taken a photo under her dress while she was on an escalator, according to the article.

Grogan had been in Utah for military training, according to the article.



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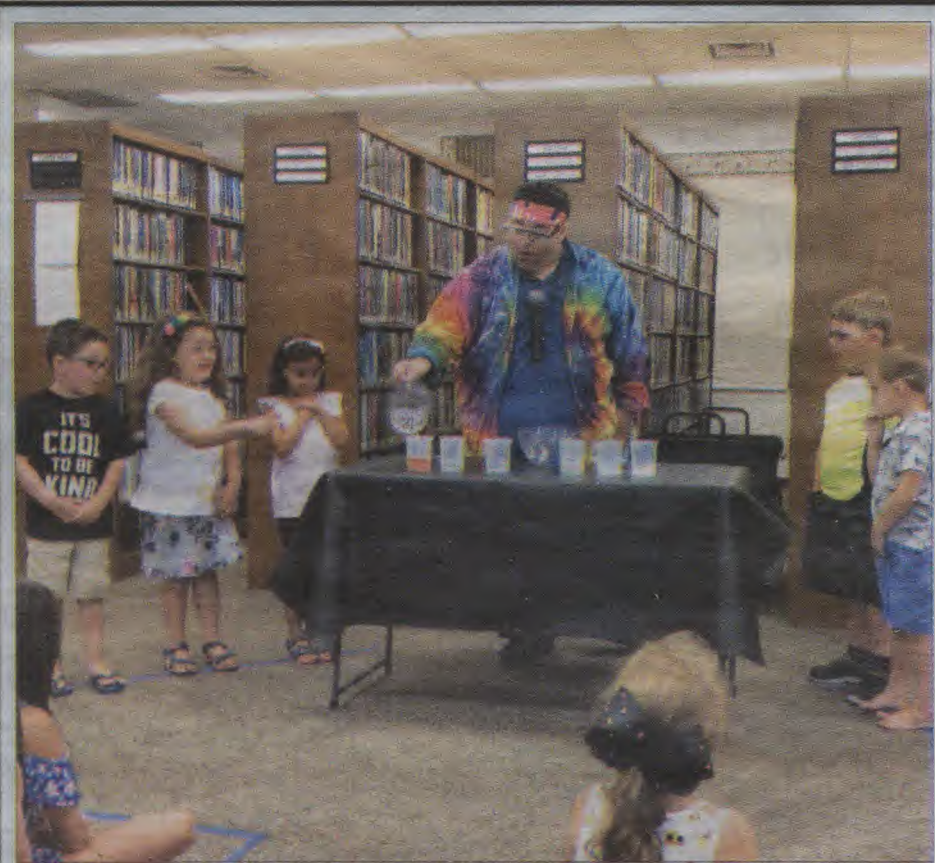
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Study predicts 39 percent spike in Cranford student population

School board expresses concern regarding apartment complex proposed for 750 Walnut Ave.

By **Chuck O'Donnell**
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The superintendent of schools and the school board president issued a joint statement expressing concern that a proposed 905-unit apartment complex planned at 750 Walnut Ave. would have a “dramatic and substantial impact” on the school district.

The statement by Superintendent Scott Rubin and board President Kurt Petschow come in the wake of a study commissioned by the district that revealed Hartz Mountain Industries’ plan for the site could potentially increase the student population in the township by 39 percent.

According to the study conducted by Ross Haber and Associates, the apartment complex could add as many as 353 students to Cranford schools.

“The demographic study that was recently completed projects that 750 Walnut development plan could have dramatic and substantial impact on the school community,” according to an email statement by Rubin and Petschow to the LocalSource on Aug. 3. “We are therefore extremely concerned about the district’s ability to maintain and enhance the outstanding level of quality education that children of Cranford currently enjoy, given our current level of resources.”

A recently released ranking of New Jersey schools by Niche.com listed Cranford as the 28th-best public school district in the state.

The Haber study, completed in May, stands in stark contrast to Hartz’s projections on student-population growth. James Rhatigan, vice president of land use and development for Hartz, told LocalSource in a June 16, 2017, telephone interview that the complex would add about 1,846 people to Cranford’s population,

‘Adding 905 units on 30 acres would cause our schools great hardship.’

**— Cranford school board member
Maria Lokith**

including 136 school-aged children.

According to the Haber study, Hartz arrived at its projections using an inaccurate formula. The Hartz study, also referred to as the Rutgers Study, was “based upon data collected prior to 2006.” Therefore, it does not consider such factors as the collapse of the housing market, the changes in the rules governing Mount Laurel housing and changing economic trends.

Instead, the Haber study “looked at the impact of similar types of units” in Monroe, Ridgewood, Summit, Westfield and Fair Lawn. According to the study, “these are all districts that we have provided multiple projection reports to and have found our results, based upon the parameters we used,” to be accurate within a plus or minus 3 percent range.

According to the Haber study, the proposed complex at 750 Walnut Ave. would increase the school population to the point that the town might have to build new schools to accommodate it.

A design concept unveiled at the July 18 Cranford Planning Board meeting gave residents their first glimpse at what the proposed 905-unit apartment project. A series of architect’s renderings depicted three five-story buildings

and two four-story ones constructed on the 30.5-acre tract on the boundary with Clark on the corner of Walnut Avenue and Raritan Road, bordered by a freight rail line to the northwest and Hyatt Hills Golf Complex to the southwest.

The designs, which included two pools with clubhouses, several courtyards and 1,775 parking spaces, were unveiled to 70 or so residents as Hartz Mountain Industries continued its application to get the site rezoned to eliminate the office and warehouse uses in favor of a multifamily residential use. It is attempting to leverage Mount Laurel housing rules in order to convince town officials to approve the project.

Architect Bruce Englebaugh’s concept showed that 28 one-bedroom, 82 two-bedroom and 29 three-bedroom units in the development would be classified as Mount Laurel housing.

A Superior Court judge ruled that Cranford has until Dec. 31 to satisfy its Mount Laurel housing obligations.

Several members of the Cranford school board attended the planning board meeting Aug. 1, but did not speak during the public portion. Maria Lokith, a school board member, said the board had passed a resolution stating its concerns about the planned apartment complex.

“Adding 905 units on 30 acres would cause our schools great hardship,” Lokith said via Facebook Messenger on Aug. 3. “The increase in population would be detrimental to the way we currently utilize our existing school buildings. Our schools are not equipped to handle this influx of students. ... Cranford is a sweet place to live with small-town charm. We hope to keep it that way for generations to come. This development is not what our schools need if we want to continue to function at the high level of success we have today.”

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Craig Combs, a Township of Union resident, is in his first year as centerfielder and pitcher for the Elizabeth Resolutes. He said there is a lot of pride wearing the same Gothic-style E on his uniform as the original Resolutes, who were one of New Jersey's top amateur teams from 1866-1878. In 1873, they became New Jersey's first professional sports team.



Photo Courtesy of Paul Salomone

Members of the Elizabeth Resolutes and New Brunswick Liberty after a game in the spring. The teams will play a doubleheader Saturday, Aug. 25 at noon at East Jersey Old Town Village in Johnson Park on River Road in Piscataway. One game will be played by 1870 rules, the other will be played by 1858 rules.

Union man pays homage to national pastime's past

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

UNION — Craig Combs was tested in his first game with his new baseball team when he was forced to sprint, slide and stretch to snare a sinking line drive.

He used instincts, hustle and athleticism to make the highlight-reel catch. He didn't, however, use a glove.

Combs is the centerfielder, pitcher and one of the newest and most exciting players on the Elizabeth Resolutes, a team that strives to play the game exactly as the original Resolutes did when they often ranked as a top New Jersey amateur team from 1866 to 1878.

When the team joined the National Association for a brief period in 1873, it became the first professional sports team in New Jersey.

This isn't your father's baseball team, however. More like your great-great-grandfather's, considering members play by the rules employed in 1870.

Combs, a Union resident, and his teammates pay homage to a bygone era when the pitcher stood closer to the plate, the ball was not so tightly stitched, "base ball" was spelled with two words and the players didn't use gloves. A batter is a "striker," a pitcher is a "thrower" and cell phones aren't allowed anywhere near the field.

Each member of the Resolutes is expected to take his role in maintaining historical accuracy seriously, even if a screaming liner comes in his direction — he's expected to make every attempt to catch it.

"I don't want to sound smug," Combs said recently, "but when you're really into a sport and you're a ballplayer, you just kind of do it. You roll with it. You just want to win or be the best you can be while you're playing the game. You're just thinking, 'I have to make this play.' And you take it one play at

a time, one pitch at a time."

He said his hands sometimes get a little bruised from making catches, but it's a small price to pay to be a member of the team and honor the game's past.

Peeling back the layers of time and revealing the game that was beginning to capture the imagination of a nation recovering from the Civil War draws people like Combs to join the Resolutes, as opposed to joining local beer league teams, said Paul Salomone, a Westfield resident who founded and manages the team.

The Resolutes, based at Rahway River Park, play almost every Saturday in the spring and summer against the Monmouth Furnace, the Brooklyn Athletics, Flemington Neshanic and other historically authentic teams in the area.

"It's a love of baseball," Salomone said. "It can't be any other thing. There's just that much respect for the history of the game. You could go out and play modern baseball anytime without learning to play barehanded or wearing an ancient-style uniform that's heavy. You wouldn't have to worry about learning ancient sports. You wouldn't have to worry about traveling to the extent that we have to."

The Resolutes' roster is stocked with retired postal workers, television reporters, musicians and others from various walks of life. Combs, who does audio and video work for J.P. Morgan in New York and is an audio engineer for recording artists on the side, said that once players slip on the uniform with the Gothic E, there's an instant bond. Even players on opposing teams feel like friends.

"It's kind of crazy to say it because when you play regular rec league baseball, that camaraderie isn't really there," Combs said. "When I meet guys for the first time in this league, there's an instant bond. Good words are spoken between people. If you played well, someone will stop you and

say, 'Hey, you had an amazing game today. You were on base every single time you were up today.'"

That said, Combs was hesitant to join the Resolutes at first. He had a friend on the team who urged him to join. When he was told they play without gloves, Combs famously said, "Hell no."

But, he came to a game and fell in love with it, and by Wednesday or Thursday each week, he's already thinking about Saturday morning's game.

"And honestly," Combs said. "it depends on who we're playing. If we're playing the (New Brunswick) Liberty, who we play pretty often, I'm running it through my head. I know I'm going to face Krawler and he's a big hitter and I know I have to get back on him," he said, referring to a slugger named Matthew Kouyoumdjian.

The Resolutes and Liberty — another team Combs also occasionally plays with — will play a doubleheader Saturday, Aug. 25, at noon at East Jersey Old Town Village in Johnson Park on River Road in Piscataway. One game will be played by 1870 rules, the other will be played by 1858 rules.

Combs' best game to date came against the Liberty. He went 5-for-5 with four or five stolen bases. He's also making strides pitching in the period-correct underhand fashion.

Combs was throwing during batting practice one day when Salomone noticed he had potential. He throws a fastball and a change-up, and his repertoire has expanded to include a knuckleball.

"You use the same exact grip as throwing overhand," Combs said. "You just throw it underhand and hope for the best. I'm not shy of throwing that, but Paul likes to rein me in a little bit."

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Photo Courtesy of the Summit school district website

Summit schools climbed one spot in the annual ranking of New Jersey public school districts by the website Niche.com to No. 4 in the state, while Westfield, Berkeley Heights and Cranford, all of which earned a grade of A-plus, were listed in the top 30.

Summit schools ranked best in county, fourth in NJ

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No. 35, six places lower than last year; and New Providence, which fell seven spots to No. 42.

Springfield received a grade of A-minus and climbed three places to No. 71. Roselle Park was given an overall score of B-plus and came in at No. 96, down three places, while Clark also had a B-plus score and was ranked 117th, a leap of 14 places.

Union was the only other school district in Union County ranked, coming in at No. 148 with a overall grade of B, down from No. 120 last year.

Niche ranked 149 public school districts in New Jersey.

Schools for which data could not be found for at least 50 percent of the factors

being judged were excluded from the rankings while those with 50 percent or more, but lacking one of the required elements, were only assigned letter grades.

Garwood and Winfield Park were not included in the rankings and not given grades, as in the previous year.

Union County school districts that received only a letter grade are: Rahway, Linden, Kenilworth and Elizabeth at C+; Hillside received a C; and Plainfield and Roselle each were given a D.

Millburn took over the No. 1 spot as the best school district in the state, replacing Princeton, which fell to No. 2. The West Windsor-Plainsboro district remained at No. 3. Summit moved past Livingston, which dropped to fifth in the rankings.

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Environmental study sought for 750 Walnut

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Rhatican said. "I think we are going beyond what we are required to do for a zoning application."

That didn't sit well with Taylor.

"I disagree because the word 'concept' is to show what something could actually happen or take place. And you have parking spaces that are too small, you have detention basins that are undersized. It's going to change the whole concept of the plan and what we may get is nothing like what we see today. So, we need to ask these questions to find out if indeed this plan has any validity to it."

A design concept unveiled at the board's July 18 meeting gave residents their first glimpse of the project. Rhatican said the plan is to develop the site in two stages. First, the office building that was once a home for Bank of America would be knocked down and two buildings housing a total of 433 apartments would be constructed.

Then the warehouse on the property would be razed and three more buildings with a total of 472 units would be built in the second phase.

Hartz Mountain is applying to have the site rezoned to eliminate the office and warehouse uses in favor of a multifamily residential use. It is attempting to leverage Mount Laurel housing rules to convince town officials to approve the project.

Hartz Mountain architect Bruce Englebaugh's concept showed that the the project would include 28 one-bedroom, 82 two-bedroom and 29 three-bedroom units that would be classified as Mount Laurel housing.

A Superior Court judge ruled Cranford has until Dec. 31 to satisfy its Mount Laurel housing obligations. The 1975 N.J. Supreme Court's Mount Laurel decision required all municipalities in the state to zone for a "fair share" of housing to all "economic strata, including low and moderate income." It later created the "builder's remedy" to coerce the towns into meeting the court's demand.

The Council on Affordable Housing was then created by the state Legislature to determine quotas and identify techniques municipalities could use to comply with affordable housing obligations, determined within set time periods referred to as "rounds."

Lawsuits and disputes on COAH's quotas for the last round led to a disbandment in 2010, leading the courts to reinsert themselves into the issue last year.

The first round of quotas included the years from 1987 through 1993. The second was from 1993 through 1999, and third is 1999 through 2018. For each round, municipalities were to project housing needs, account for the court's "affordable" housing mandate, and zone accordingly.

Cranford was deemed to be failing to meet its early round obligations, resulting in years of litigation surrounding property on Birchwood Avenue near the Kenilworth border. In 2008, the township was sued by Cranford Development Associates under the builder's remedy provision as it sought



Photos by Chuck O'Donnell

Above: James Rhatican, vice president of land use and development for Hartz Mountain Industries, left, and James Martell, Hartz Mountain's civic engineer on the 750 Walnut Ave. project, during the Cranford Planning Board meeting Aug. 1. Below: Hartz Mountain Industries' concept design of the 905-unit apartment complex it proposes to construct at 750 Walnut Ave. in Cranford.



to construct apartments with affordable units on Birchwood.

Nearly five years later, in 2013, Judge Lisa Chrystal granted CDA the right to construct a 360-unit complex and also granted Cranford immunity from further Mount Laurel lawsuits until Dec. 31.

Since 2013, circumstances have changed as Cranford successfully reduced the Birchwood development to 225 units. While Cranford has a little more than a year until its immunity from builder's remedy lawsuits expires, it asked the court in July 2017 to consider the new circumstances and extend the immunity for rounds two and three from 2018 to July 15, 2025.

However, in a ruling in September last year, Judge Camille M. Kenny pointed to the reduced density at Birchwood, saying Cranford had not satisfied round two obligations — being 20 units short — and ordered the township to address those requirements before proceeding to round three.

Since Kenny refused to consider Cran-

ford's proposed changes to round three obligations, it also negated Hartz's attempt to intervene and force the town to include 750 Walnut Ave. in those quotas.

Hartz Mountain began its testimony to have the 750 Walnut Ave. site rezoned for "inclusionary residential development" at the planning board's May 16 meeting. The proposed site of the apartments is currently zoned for uses such as professional offices, healthcare facilities, distribution centers and research laboratories.

At the July 18 meeting, Matt McDonough, a commercial real estate broker, testified on Hartz Mountain's behalf that the current office building is unlikely to attract new tenants in the future. He said the building is antiquated by today's standards, among other things, it was constructed with limited window space. McDonough said many companies are choosing to set up their offices in urban settings such as Hoboken and Jersey City that are more appealing to prospective employees.



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NEW PATHWAY — The Park Line Trail will extend from the Overlook Medical Center in Summit along a 1.2-mile route through eastern Summit, ending at Briant Park on the Springfield border.

Summit foundation receives \$200,000 grant to build pedestrian park

The Summit Park Line Foundation received a \$200,000 matching grant from the Reeves Foundation to support its Park Line project, a 1.2-mile linear pedestrian park being created on the abandoned Rahway Valley Railroad line.

The Park Line Foundation applied for a matching grant and was required to raise a minimum of \$200,000 to receive funding from the foundation. With grants from the Summit Area Public Foundation, Overlook Foundation, Overlook Medical Center and through donations by Summit residents, the Park Line Foundation raised more than \$225,000 of the \$3.2 million dollars needed to complete the project within a 12-month period, and qualified for the matching grant.

In early 2016, the Summit acquired rights from the state to build the park. Once completed, Park Line will extend from the edge of the downtown Summit at Overlook Medical Center, along a 1.2 mile path through eastern Summit, ending at Briant Park on the Springfield border.

The Summit Park Line Foundation and concept was created by former Summit Councilman Dr. Robert Rubino, who realized the potential for a park similar to Highline Park in Manhattan.

For more information on the Park Line Foundation and the Summit Park Line project or to make a tax-deductible contribution, visit <https://www.summitparkline.org>.

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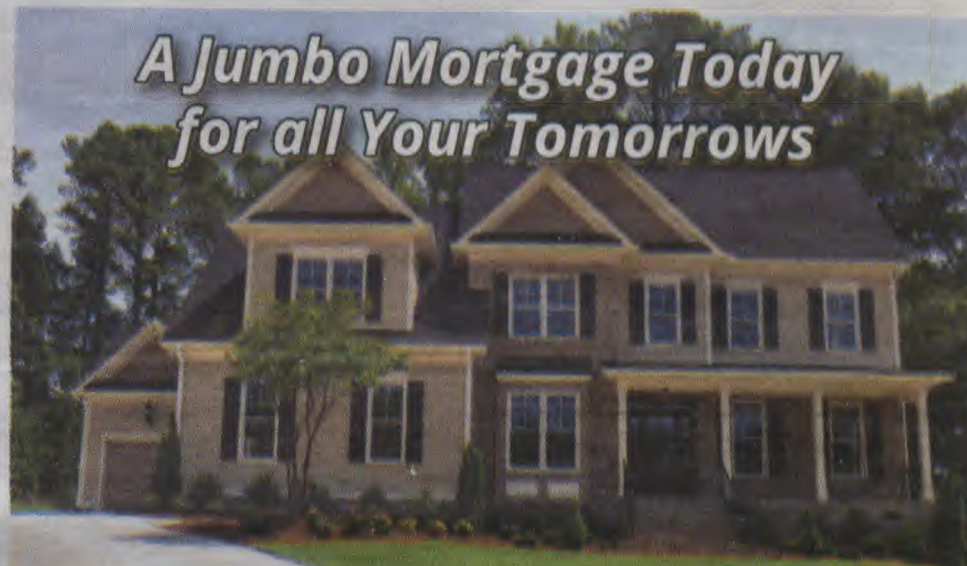
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Don't put it off; lose weight, get healthy

If summer does one thing, it reminds us how much we need to lose weight. Other times of the year, especially in the winter, when it's cold out, we can hide ourselves in layers of clothing and fit right in with everyone else. During the summer months, however, when shorts and a T-shirt are the usual fare, there is simply no place to hide.

And then, when we try to do some of those typical activities during summer, at the beach, park or even our backyard, we find ourselves gasping for air. Who knew those extra pounds could have such an impact on all aspects of our life?

The middle of summer might seem an unusual time to think about losing weight, but keeping fit and healthy is a lifelong battle that we do year-round; there is no vacation if you want to look good and feel good.

But we're so inundated with diet plans and exercise regimens that a person might feel overwhelmed and choose to just do nothing.

Unfortunately, doing nothing is the last thing you want to do.

According to the World Health Organization, worldwide obesity has doubled since 1980. In 2008, more than 1.4 billion adults 20 years of age or older were overweight. Imagine how much that number has increased in the past 10 years.

Being overweight or obese is the fifth leading cause of death in the world and at least 2.8 million adults die because of it each year. In addition, 44 percent of diabetes patients, 23 percent of those with ischaemic heart disease — also known as coronary artery disease — and between 7 percent and 41 percent of certain cancer cases are attributable to being overweight or obese.

It's not just about how you look or feel; it's about staying alive.

A recent article in Medical News Today recommended the following science-backed ways to lose weight.

If you're having difficulty figuring out which path to take, these researched methods offer a way to avoid the confusion and lose weight.

- Try intermittent fasting. Several studies have suggested fasting, one day on and one day off, or two out of seven days. On fasting days, eat 500 to 600 calories. On non-fasting days, adopt a healthy eating pattern.

- Track your diet and exercise. Researchers esti-

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mate that in 2017 there were 3.7 billion health app downloads by the end of the year. Tracking what you eat and how many calories, when compared to what activities you do, is a good way to manage your weight. Even a device as simple as a pedometer can be an effective weight-loss tool.

- Eat mindfully. Pay attention to what you eat and enjoy the experience. Avoid distractions while eating, such as TV, a laptop or phone. Eat slowly; when you take the time to savor each bite, you give your brain time to recognize signals that you're full. Choose foods that are full of nourishing nutrients and will satisfy you for hours, rather than minutes.

- Eat protein for breakfast. Protein can regulate appetite hormones to help people feel full. The hormonal effects of eating a high-protein breakfast can last for several hours. Good choices for high-protein breakfasts include eggs, oats, nut and seed butters, quinoa porridge, sardines and chia seed pudding.

- Cut back on sugar and refined carbohydrates. The Western diet is increasingly high in added sugars, which has definite links to obesity, even when the sugar comes in beverages rather than food. Watch out for refined carbohydrates, including white rice, bread and pasta. Extra glucose enters the blood and provokes the hormone insulin, which promotes fat storage in the adipose tissue, contributing to weight gain. Switch instead to whole-grain rice, bread and pasta, instead of the white versions; fruit, nuts and seeds, instead of high sugar snacks; herb teas and fruit-infused water, instead of high-sugar sodas; and smoothies with water or milk, instead of fruit juice.

- Eat plenty of fiber. This increases the feeling of fullness, and may help you to achieve weight loss. Fiber-rich foods include whole-grain breakfast cereals, whole-wheat pasta, whole-grain bread, oats, barley and rye; fruits and vegetables, peas, beans and pulses; nuts and seeds.

- Balance gut bacteria. The human gut hosts a vast number and variety of microorganisms, including approximately 37 trillion bacteria. Some types can increase the amount of energy a person harvests from food, leading to fat deposition and weight gain. Some foods increase the number of good bacteria in the gut, including a wide variety of plants, fermented foods — such as sauerkraut, kimchi, kefir, yogurt, tempeh and miso — and prebiotic foods, including

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Cryan votes 'no'

LEFT OUT

BY FRANK CAPECE

It doesn't have the drama of the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court, but state Sen. Joe Cryan raised some eyebrows when he recently cast the only nay vote regarding the reappointment of Anne Patterson to the New Jersey Supreme Court.

Patterson was expected to sail through the process after receiving glowing praise from Gov. Phil Murphy, who, by renominating her, was promoting her to lifetime tenure on the bench.

At the time, Murphy said: "I am pleased to uphold the practice of reappointing good, fair-minded and qualified justices regardless of their past affiliation."

This response was seen as a rebuff to ex-Gov. Chris Christie, who refused to renominate sitting justice John Wallace because of the governor's opposition to affordable housing positions.

Enter newly minted representative Joe Cryan and his vote against Patterson, which is recorded as 30-1. Speaking to Cryan, he carefully outlined his position.

He started by saying there was nothing personal against Patterson. What it did reveal was that Cryan had methodically studied her opinions and felt she was just too conservative for New Jersey.

Mindful of the nominations of President Trump, Cryan articulates his fear that the decisions of a growingly conservative U.S. Supreme Court would drive down to New Jersey.

Cryan uses terms like "basic rights" and says Patterson's interpretation of our state constitution is not in line with his district, which includes Elizabeth, Union, Hillside and Roselle.

The math is that Patterson, 58, and originally a Christie appointment, will sit on the court for the next 11 years. There is no doubt her views will significantly impact the direction of the court.

One editorial said, "Murphy's choice to reappoint Justice Patterson reaffirm that judicial independence trumps political expectancy." Maybe so, but this corner couldn't help but think that "independence," which has brought the affordable housing mess to our county, should leave some doubt that it's not all it's cracked up to be.

The whole issue of lifetime tenure, which is given statutory protection from the Supreme Court all the way down to municipal clerk's office, raises question as to the benefit of the practice.

For Cryan, whose family political lineage brings forth the conclusion that he knows how to count, he knew his vote would be a lonely one, but still a vote he wanted to make.

Back from Reno

Union County residents can be relieved that, from the frequent dispatches of Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, she has returned from her Reno, Nev., seminar. She returns with her award from the high-sounding "International Association of Government Officials." For the uninformed, this North Carolina group sponsored the event in Reno and the taxpayers of Union County paid for Rajoppi's trip.

The "Union County Votes" mobile app developed by her staff was acknowledged. Rajoppi, smiling with a plaque, in a self-issued press release, proclaimed "Recognition by one's peers on an international level is an honor."

Heck, they sure must be proud in North Carolina.

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OPINION

Wealthy hands that created exquisite gardens

THE GARDENER'S APPRENTICE

BY ELISABETH GINSBURG

I love the stories of famous gardeners — past and present — and read as many of them as I can. When I noticed that veteran pop biographer Meryl Gordon had written a biography of Bunny Mellon, I had to get my hands on it.

"Bunny Mellon: The Life of an American Style Legend" is about a woman known in her lifetime for incredible wealth, peerless taste and gardening acumen. I knew that she had designed the White House Rose Garden during the Kennedy era and had a vague idea about her gardening library, but that was all. As the 516-page biography illustrates, there was much, much more.

Bunny's birth name was Rachel Lambert. She was the daughter of Gerard Lambert, a merchandising/PR genius who made millions by convincing us all that bad breath was a major societal problem for which Listerine was the only cure. By doing that, Lambert took his small family pharmaceutical company and made it a business powerhouse that became the Warner-Lambert Co.

Gerard Warner and Listerine provided the Lambert family with great wealth and gave his younger daughter an enviable start in life. The nickname "Bunny" came early on and stuck with Rachel Lambert through childhood, two marriages and a very long life.

Bunny also developed an early passion for gardening and nature, thanks largely to her grandfather, who filled a nurturing role that did not seem to interest anyone else in Bunny's life. She began gardening early, at

the same time that an artistic bent compelled her to sketch things that she saw and, perhaps just as important, things that she dreamed of. She continued the sketching habit throughout her life.

Bunny's first marriage produced two children, but was interrupted by World War II. The separation and anxiety caused by war, added to suspected infidelity, contributed to the subsequent divorce.

Bunny then married Paul Mellon, a widower who was heir to a banking fortune and, for a time, the fifth richest individual in America. The marriage to Mellon made many things possible for Bunny, but also brought her a large measure of grief. Through all of that, gardening was her salvation.

The Mellons were jet setters from the beginning of their marriage and eventually had homes in Upperville, Virginia, New York, Paris, Cape Cod and Antigua. Bunny decorated all of them and made substantial gardens at each one. The gardens at the Mellons' home base in Upperville were widely considered some of the most perfectly designed and exquisitely executed in the United States, if not the world. Bunny, a self-taught gardener and garden designer, was responsible for all of them. Maintenance was largely handled by a very large, well-trained staff, but when Bunny was in

residence at any of her homes, she would put on her designer gardening clothes and go out with her clippers in hand. She reportedly had a strong grip until she was well over 90 because of that perpetual pruning.

During the 1950s, the socially prominent Mellons met another socially prominent pair, the John F. Kennedys. Bunny and Jacqueline Kennedy became close friends and the couples socialized, even though Paul Mellon was a staunch Republican. The relationship, and Bunny's reputation as décor and garden style-setter, led President Kennedy to ask her to redesign an outdoor space on the White House grounds into a rose garden that would be both useful for public events and beautiful. After first turning down the assignment, Bunny agreed, and the Rose Garden was created. To the end of her life, Bunny considered this her crowning achievement.

Though she never accepted money for garden designs, she went on to work on other significant landscapes. When tragedy struck, she also organized and arranged the flowers for John F. Kennedy's and Robert Kennedy's funerals.

Bunny Mellon was all about flowers — arranged throughout her living spaces and furnished lavishly in her landscapes. Despite the artifice necessary to produce those wonderful floral and horticultural effects, she aspired to the "natural" look. Her mantra, often repeated during her lifetime, was "nothing should be noticed."

As every serious gardener knows, it

takes an awful lot of work to make things look simple.

Throughout her life, Bunny did what we now call "professional development," reading everything she could get her hands on about horticulture, nature and plants. Her wealth made it possible to amass an incredible collection of garden literature, from which she created a horticultural library at her Upperville home. Under the terms of her will, the library, now professionally cataloged, housed and staffed, became an endowed resource for garden researchers.

Bunny Mellon died at the grand age of 105 in 2007, but not before she made some unwanted headlines. In old age, she believed that presidential candidate John Edwards might be the next John F. Kennedy. After much personal attention from Edwards, she was persuaded to contribute millions to his campaign. Much of the money was used to support Edwards' mistress, a fact that was unknown to the aged widow.

The Edwards imbroglio was a sad coda to a life full of peaks and valleys, beauty and purpose. Bunny Mellon had many flaws, but I find her inspiring because she never stopped looking for inspiration — in flowers, gardens and life itself.

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

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Help for Sam's Club workers

To the Editor:

It has been approximately six months since a cold-blooded and cruel statement written on a scrappy piece of paper indicated that the 187 employees of Sam's Club in Linden had been callously advised that their work services were no longer required.

Union County has attempted to assist these newly unemployed personnel by offering the "American Job Center," which advises such unemployed victims of a sudden Sam's Club-like meltdown. The "American Job Center," it is said, offered career counseling, along with training, with some format of career advancement.

As their New Jersey state unemployment revenue expires, the 187 former employees of Sam's Club, who worked tirelessly to maintain the outlet as a viable merchandising commodity, are "rewarded" with a sudden, permanent loss of their work positions. May one advise a financial correction on two fronts to assist 187 unemployed personnel?

The latest corporate financial revenue stream emitting from Sam's Club is over \$56 billion on an annual basis. Perhaps, Sam's Club can offer its former employees a measure of such revenue to assist in Christmas bills, car payments, rent, debt

and other financial obligation an ordinary family may encounter.

A second proposal is as follows: that all Linden city stores that employ 50 or more people submit an annual report to the mayor to determine their financial viability.

Such information, could launch additional aid from the county and state to ensure their services to the Linden community.

Michael Smith
Linden

Now is time to lose weight, get healthy

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many fruits and vegetables, especially chicory root, artichoke, onion, garlic, asparagus, banana and avocado, as well as oats and barley.

- **Get a good night's sleep.** Numerous studies have shown getting less than 5 to 6 hours of sleep a night is associated with increased incidence of obesity. Poor quality sleep slows down the process in which the body converts calories to energy, called metabolism. How long someone sleeps also affects the regulation of the appetite-controlling hormones leptin and ghrelin. Leptin sends signals of fullness to the brain.

- **Manage your stress levels.** Stress triggers the release of hormones such as adrenaline and cortisol, which initially decrease the appetite as part of the body's fight or flight response. When people are faced with constant stress, however, cortisol can remain in the bloodstream longer, which

will increase the appetite and potentially lead to eating more frequently and in larger amounts. If you don't use all of this extra sugar, your body will then store it as fat.

It is important to remember that there are no quick fixes, especially when it comes to weight loss.

The best way to reach and maintain a healthy weight is to maintain a nutritious, balanced diet. This should include 10 portions of fruits and vegetables, good-quality protein and whole-grains.

It is also beneficial to exercise for at least 30 minutes a day. Talk with your doctor or health care provider before beginning any diet or exercise regimen. And remember, you are not alone. So start as soon as possible and stick with it.

This is about your health and well-being. This is about how much you get to enjoy your life. This is a matter of life and death.

Shoplifting, DWI, drugs occupy local police departments

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

Cranford

• July 28: At 9:58 a.m., police arrested Clifford Lawson, 60, of Newark for allegedly shoplifting a pair of sunglasses from a business on South Avenue West. He was processed, provided with a court appearance date and released on his own recognizance.

• July 28: At 4:14 a.m., police arrested Simon Laurent, 39, of Roselle, near North Avenue West and Alden Street for driving while intoxicated. He was processed and provided with a court appearance date. He was also issued summonses for careless driving delaying traffic and having no valid registration card.

• July 24: At 11:54 p.m., police arrested Evan Korunow, 25, of Westfield during a motor vehicle stop on South Avenue East for possession of prescription legend drugs and drug paraphernalia. Korunow was processed and provided with a court appearance date and also issued summonses for using a cell phone while driving, not having a valid insurance card and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Clark

• July 28: At 7:54 p.m., police arrested Charles Frankenberger, 68, of Clark for allegedly shoplifting \$70.79 worth of merchandise from the ShopRite supermarket on Central Avenue.

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• July 27: At 1:52 a.m., police arrested Joshua Hill, 20, of Sewaren for possession of a controlled dangerous substance during

a motor vehicle stop near the Garden State Parkway entrance.

• July 25: At 9:31 a.m., police arrested Michael Rodriguez, 30, of Paterson near Westfield Avenue for possession of a controlled dangerous substance. He was later

released pending a court date.

• July 23: At 3:46 p.m., police arrested Art Brownlee, 19, of Clark for shoplifting from the Acme supermarket on Raritan Road. He was later released on his own recognizance pending a court date.



Photo by Jim Lowney, Courtesy of Union County

LOT OF BLUE — Union County Sheriff Peter Corvelli join Undersheriffs Dennis Burke, Mickey Colon and Jonathan Parham to congratulate the graduates of the 2018 Union County Sheriff's Youth Police Academy during a ceremony at the Rahway High School Performing Arts Center recently. More than 100 middle and high school students from throughout Union County graduated this year's program.

TOWN NEWS

Cranford

Historical Society hosts programs offered

The Cranford Historical Society hosts several events throughout the year.

• From Sunday, Sept. 9 to Thursday, May 30, 2019, the Crane-Phillips House Museum will be open every second and fourth Sunday, from 2 to 4 p.m., for museum tours and programs.

• Sunday, Sept. 23, from 2 to 4 p.m., curator Gail Alterman will do a demonstration on "How We Dress" at the Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave.

• Sunday, Sept. 30, from 2 to 4 p.m., is a museum tour at the Crane-Phillips House Museum.

• Sunday, Oct. 14, from 2 to 4 p.m., is a museum tour at the Crane-Phillips House Museum.

• Sunday, Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 21, from noon to 5 p.m., is the "Four Centuries in a Weekend" program at the Crane-Phillips House Museum. The theme is inventions.

• Sunday, Oct. 28, is Halloween Spooky Stories and Crafts for children 3 years and older. Space is limited so registration is required. To register, call 908-276-0082 or send an email to cranfordhistoricalsociety@verizon.net.

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• Sunday, Nov. 11, from 2 to 4 p.m., curator Vic Bary will give a PowerPoint presentation on "Cranford in WW1" at the Crane-Phillips House Museum.

• Sunday, Dec. 9, from 2 to 4 p.m., is a museum tour at the Crane-Phillips House Museum.

To become a member of the Cranford Historical Society, obtain a membership form from the Cranford Library, Hanson House office, Crane-Phillips House Museum or at cranfordhistoricalsociety.org.

Cranford church hosts grief support group

The Cranford Alliance Church will offer the GriefShare support group on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. from Sept. 6 through Dec. 13. GriefShare is a 14-week series and support group for people grieving the death of someone close, where the bereaved are surrounded by others who understand the pain of loss. The ministry team consists of trained individuals who bring their own experience to this group.

A registration fee covers materials and scholarships are available. For more information, visit www.griefshare.org, or contact the church office at 908-276-1617 or at office@cranfordalliance.org.

Linden

Nonprofit hosts high school development program

Better Than Yesterday, a Linden-based nonprofit organization, is launching its "21 Gaps Back2School Program," from Aug. 20 to 24, at the Linden Multi Purpose Center, 1025 John St. The program is open to area students entering grades 8 through 11. Registration is required and seating is limited.

21 Gaps is an evidence-based support program for students, designed to fill the gaps in public education curricula. During the weeklong program, students receive instruction to help develop skills and behaviors that can improve the success rate of high-school graduation, college acceptance and graduation and the achievement of post-graduation life goals. Topics include note-taking and study skills, time management, social etiquette, self-motivation and conflict resolution.

For additional information, visit www.21gaps.org.

Workshop educates on social security

Matthew Wegryn, of Foresters Financial, will be at the Linden Public Library, 31

E. Henry St., on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 10:30 a.m. to present "Savvy Social Security Planning." Wegryn will discuss when to apply for Social Security benefits, and how to maximize benefits.

To register for the program, call 908-298-3830, ext. 10. For additional information about the program, please email Matthew.Wegryn@foresters.com.

Roselle Park

Join the Roselle Park volleyball league

The Casano Community Center is holding registration for the Roselle Park Volleyball League through Friday, Aug. 10. All games will be played in the Community Center's backyard starting Wednesday, Aug. 22.

Registration is free for Roselle Park residents only. Residents must be 18 years of age or over and will require valid ID or proof of Roselle Park residency. Games and practices will be played based on the registration. The Casano Community Center is located at 314 Chestnut St. and is open from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. from Monday to Friday. To volunteer as a referee or coach, or for more information, contact Rupen Shah at 908-245-0666.

OPINION

To adopt or not to adopt?

"I'm thinking about adopting a kitten," I announced to my 6-year-old granddaughter, Olivia.

"Really, Grandma?" she answered, beaming with happiness. The smile on her face stretched from ear to ear.

At the time, I needed a cuddly little buddy to take my mind off the recent loss of a loved one. A new life and a kitten is just what the doctor ordered — Dr. Dolittle that is. Currently I have three cats; Oliver, a 16-year-old tomcat, and two female adults, Baby and Cookie. I didn't know if they wanted a new addition to the family, but Olivia and I certainly did.

My fiance, Art, and I had talked about getting a fourth cat. Well, I talked about it and he rejected the idea. He thought three cats were enough and a fourth would be overkill. Now I would go in for overkill. Since Art was a member of NASA, my thinking was to pick out a cat and name it after an astronaut or a planet. That way Art could never be angry with me, and my need for a kitten would be solved.

When I mentioned the idea to my family, they all wanted to join me when the time came to pick out a kitten. I could envision eight of us walking through the front door of an adoption agency to choose one tiny little kitten and the volunteers thinking this would be a big payday for them. Won't they be surprised to find out that our posse would

HEADS UP!

BY IRENE MARAN

be bringing home just one kitten. I knew my decision would be difficult with other family members trying to sway my decision, but in the end the final choice would be mine.

Before visiting the Monmouth County SPCA, I called to see if they had kittens and the cost of adoption since everything is going up. "We have millions of kittens," I was informed, and the cost is \$150. That cost includes a chip, spay/neuter and shots. I was shocked. I told the lady if the cost were more reasonable, they might get rid of half their inventory and kittens would find forever homes.

The main purpose is to "adopt out," not to make money. To me, that was a hefty price to pay for a kitten and everyone doesn't have that kind of extra money lying around to adopt one.

A friend told me to check out the Associated Humane Societies. I did and found them to be friendly, accommodating and the cost quite reasonable — only \$60 for the same services. More people can adopt at this price.

We filed out of the "Partridge Family Bus," a van and a Jeep, in a single line. Olivia was the first one inside.

"Grammy, I want that one ... no, that one!

Can't we take two? You have a big house ... we should take two!"

Everyone stood in front of a caged cubicle, like playing musical chairs, inspected the kittens and moved on to the next. This was not an easy task. We narrowed it down to three little kittens. Olivia kept repeating "Three little kittens, did they lose their mittens and are they in the Lost and Found Department?"

A tiny orange kitten that looked like a purring creamsicle was my choice. With her yellow eyes, she knew how to work the crowd. Yes, this was the one.

I filled out the necessary adoption papers

and gave the volunteer my credit card with a small donation. The workers were not only helpful but willing to work with me. I placed the kitten in my carrier and we headed out to purchase a new cat bed, toys and kitten food for the tiniest member of our family.

Before arriving home, we named our little girl "Star" because she had a twinkle in her eye and will be shining brightly for me in her new cat-friendly environment. Let the fun begin.

Irene Maran lived in Maplewood and South Orange for 40 years. Contact her at maran.irene@gmail.com.

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11:00 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Sunday School

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Bumping, dunking and hissing at Clark summer camp



SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY — Clark's summer camp this year has been hosting 700 kids daily offering animals, human hamster balls, bubble ballin, a petting zoo, brain games and a dunk tank manned by the recreation director Ralph Bernardo.



Photos Courtesy of the Clark Recreation Department



IN MEMORIAM

- BIRRITTERI – Louise, of Linden, formerly of Rahway; July 26. Was 86.
- BRZOZOWSKI – Gregory D., of Roselle Park; July 27. Brother, 43.
- CASTELLANO – Jose, of Roselle; July 27. Commercial textile dyer.
- CHU – Emma M., of Cranford; July 25. Great-grandmother.
- HECK – Robert J., formerly of Union; Aug. 1. Electrician. Husband, father.
- KIKIDAKIS – Dimitrios, of Union; July 26. Started contracting business.
- KUDLAK – Ella, of Clark; July 28. Was 89.
- MCCLAY – David II, formerly of Rahway; July 27. Retired educator, father.
- MCLEAN – Carol, of Rahway; July 30. Wife, sister and grandmother.
- MELISE – Anthony R., of Linden; July 26. Husband, father, business owner.
- ROSENBERG – John A., of Roselle Park; July 21. Husband, uncle, 47.
- TORCIVIA – Elvira C. "Vera," formerly of Cranford, Mountainside; July 25.
- VISICARO – John, of Union; July 30. Was 84.
- VOLK – Robert M., of Union; June 4. Brother and uncle.
- WARD – Jacqueline L., formerly of Rahway; July 21. Grandmother, 99.
- YESINKO – Donna, of Linden; July 27. Dietician in the hotel industry, cousin.

In Memoriam is a weekly feature compiled by the news staff from various sources. We also provide the opportunity for families and funeral directors to publish a more extensive, special notice about their loved one called an obituary. These notices are published on our website immediately and then in the next edition of this newspaper. To place a paid obituary send an email to obits@thelocalsource.com or fax to 908-688-0401. Family and friends' submissions must include sender's name, address, phone and the name of the funeral home. Call 908-686-7850 for assistance.

Elizabeth man charged with 2013 murder

A local man has been charged in connection with the 2013 strangulation killing of one woman and assault of another in an Elizabeth apartment, the Union County Prosecutor's Office has announced.

Arlie Rodriguez, 46, of Elizabeth, is charged with first-degree murder and first-degree attempted murder, the Union County Prosecutor's Office said in a July 17 release.

Elizabeth police responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Madison Avenue on May 8, 2013, according to Union County Assistant Prosecutor Bruce Holmes, who is prosecuting the case. Investigators

found the body of Patricia Parham-Hayward, 48, as well as a second female, then 59, who was not identified, suffering from visible injuries, Holmes said.

Investigators learned that a man later identified as Rodriguez allegedly spoke with Parham-Hayward on the phone just minutes prior to visiting her apartment, then entered a room with her. When Rodriguez then left the room alone moments later, he attacked Parham-Hayward's friend, Holmes said.

Rodriguez was notified of the charges July 17, having already been in custody on unrelated charges.

What's Going On?

OTHER

FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 7, 2018

EVENT: "End-of-Summer" Island-Style Dinner Party & Show Featuring Acclaimed Musician Duo "The JPs"

PLACE: Kenilworth Veterans Center, 33 South 21 Street, Kenilworth, N.J.

TIME: 6pm -11pm.

PRICE OF ADMISSION: \$55

DETAILS: Three-course Caribbean Dinner Buffet and entertaining two-hour show with live music by acclaimed Florida-based Island Duo "The JPs," featuring "Kenilworth's own" singer-songwriter Jimi Pappas on guitar and John Patti on steel drums. The informal, fun-filled evening will include a Gift Auction, 50/50, dancing and more. Advance reservations (by Aug. 24) requested. For info/ tickets: 908-709-0434 or 908-709-8957.

ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by Kenilworth Historical Society. Proceeds to benefit Oswald J. Nitschke House "living history" museum and cultural arts center elevator project.

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I like to keep a healthy salad on hand in the fridge all summer so that I don't have to use the stove when I'm hungry. This is a really simple one which makes use of the ever present cucumbers in summer.

Quinoa Salad with Corn and Cucumbers

Ingredients

- 2 1/2-3 cups cooked quinoa
- 1/3 cup toasted sunflower seeds
- 1/4 cup dried currants
- 1/4 cup finely chopped red onion
- 1 tsp. smoked salt or kosher salt
- 1 cup fresh or frozen, defrosted corn
- 1 large cucumber, seeded and chopped

Dressing

- 3 Tbs. olive oil

1/2 lemon, squeezed

Ground black pepper to taste

Steps

In a large bowl, combine all the ingredients and stir to combine.

Whisk dressing until combined and pour on the salad. Stir until all the quinoa and add-ins are coated.

Serve chilled or at room temperature.

Serves 4 to 6 as a side dish

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.

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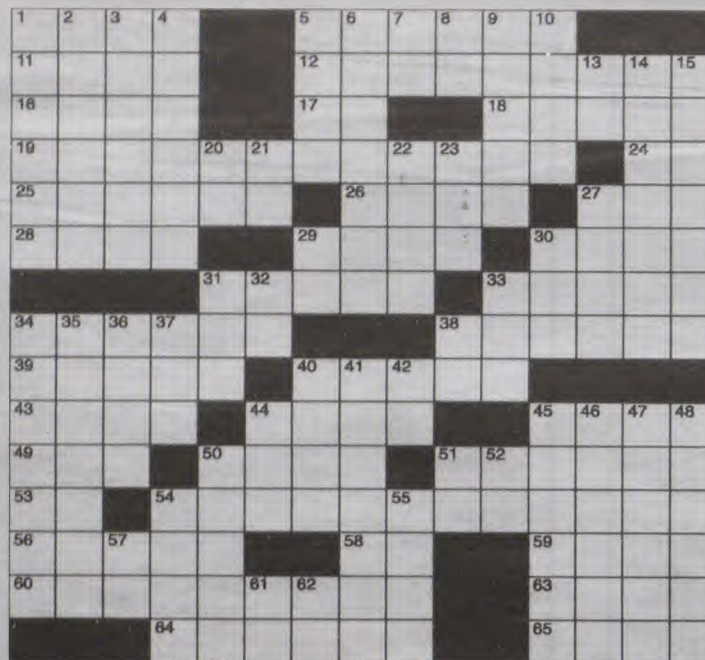
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17. An enlisted person
18. Any speed competitor
19. Manitoba hockey team
24. The Bay state
25. Trees with conelike catkins
26. Central area of a church
27. 2 year old sheep
28. Interpret written words
29. Greek goddess of youth
30. Bullfighting maneuver
31. Shapes
33. Decreased
34. Fly
38. Unbelief
39. Traditional Hindu rhythms
40. Yemen capital
43. Prayer leader in a mosque
44. A sheep up to the age of one year
45. Soldier in an airborne unit
49. What a cow chews
50. K particle
51. 50 cent pieces
53. Trauma center
54. 2011 Stanley Cup winners
56. Inner bract of a grass spikelet
58. The Show-Me State
59. Self-immolation by fire ritual
60. Offshoot interests
63. Amounts of time
64. Salty
65. Guinea currency 1971-85

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1. Existing before a war
2. Open to change
3. Gunsmoke actress Blake
4. Converted into leather
5. Boundary
6. Predominated
7. Royal Observatory
8. Promotion
9. Rich multilayered cake
10. River between Iran and Armenia
13. Carrier's invention
14. Banes
15. Catastrophe
20. Atomic #77
21. A note appended to a letter
22. Licks
23. Adam's wife
27. Counterbalance
29. Brokeback star's initials
30. Golf score
31. Manuscripts (abbr.)
32. Old English
33. Pod legume
34. Upper arm muscle
35. Japanese warrior
36. Oh, God!
37. A Scottish cap
38. Expresses surprise
40. Carbon particles
41. 4th cognomen
42. "Joy Luck Club" actress Irene
44. Holds
45. Favorable factors
46. Bird enclosure
47. Act of pay for usage
48. St. Francis of —
50. Aussie bear
51. Day-O singer's initials
52. One of the six noble gases
54. Apiary inhabitants
55. Proboscis
57. "Titanic" star's initials
61. Lincoln's state
62. Atomic #28

HOROSCOPE

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18

It will feel as if a huge burden has been lifted from your shoulders over the next few days. Whether it merely signals a change in your mental and emotional outlook the effect will be the same: a happier and healthier you.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20

Your passion for a person or for a project will be plain to see this week so give it your all. Don't worry that some people might be shocked by how fervent you are — that's their fault for not getting to know you better.

ARIES, March 21 to April 20

As far as family members and loved ones are concerned you can do no wrong at the moment. Any disagreements you may have had will just fade away. It's nice to be friends again.

TAURUS, April 21 to May 21

You need to slow down and relax for a bit. You have reached a point of diminishing returns, where what you get out of a situation is no longer worth the effort you put in. Take the hint and take it easy this week.

GEMINI, May 21 to June 21

You may currently feel a bit desperate to let those who are important to you know how much you care for them. So speak up and tell them — there's no need to be embarrassed.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22

You may be optimistic about what life has to offer but not everyone has as positive an outlook as you do. Do what you can to cheer up those whose negativity is holding them back. There's always plenty to smile about.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23

You should by now be feeling a whole lot happier about life and you will feel happier still if you make an effort to travel and get involved in lots of social activities. That smile on your face is destined to stay there for quite a while.

VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22

Times may have been tough financially of late but the worst is almost over. It's not an excuse to go on a spree. If you do you could end up back where you started — deeply in debt.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

Your outlook will improve considerably over the next few days if you have finally come to terms with the fact that life is too precious to waste time on fights and feuds.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

Make it a priority to let others know that you need some time to be by yourself. You are under no obligation to put on a show just to please other people. Please yourself first, always.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

Make sure that friends and family members know what you are doing and make sure they have a part to play. If you keep them in the loop they will repay you in rewarding ways.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

Make connections with people in positions of power. Turn on the charm and don't be afraid to approach those whose professional assistance you may need very soon.

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: Intermediate

UNION COUNTY ENTERTAINMENT

Young actors perform 'Hello, Dolly!'

Fourteen young New Jersey actors will perform in "Hello, Dolly!" with the Theater Project Jr., an eight-week course that culminates in four performances at Union County Performing Arts Center's Hamilton Stage, 360 Hamilton St. in Rahway. Showtimes are: Friday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 11, at 2 and 8 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. Many of the young people performing in the show are from Union County, including:

- Danny Pierce, Kayleigh Pierce, Kayla Lugo and Keira Coakley, of Cranford;
- Dominic Cerreto and Iviannah Cooper, of Union;
- Sasha Raab, of Berkeley Heights;
- Toby Pasternak, of Mountainside;
- Vanessa Faria, of Hillside;
- Gerard Lang, of Westfield; and
- Victor Ferreira, of Rahway.

There is a fee to attend the production; tickets can be purchased at www.TheTheaterProject.org or www.ucpac.org/events. Call 732-428-4604 for more information.

Dreamcatcher Theatre hosts new play reading

On Wednesday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m., the Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre will present a reading of "Fixed," a new play by David Lee White, which was originally commissioned by the NJPAC Stage Exchange. It was presented at Passage Theatre in Trenton, and has been revised for this reading.

Broken promises and dark humor fill White's new play about friendship, mental illness and facing the truth. The new play reading series is a chance for the audience to participate in the development of new works, both to hear the play read by professional actors and also to discuss the project with the playwright, director and actors afterward.

The Oakes Center is located at 120

Morris Ave. There is a fee for admission, and tickets can be purchased at the door. The parking lot is accessible from Ashwood Avenue, behind the theatre. For information on any of Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre's programs, call 908-514-9654, or visit www.DreamcatcherRep.org.

UC Summer Arts Festival continues in August

The Union County Summer Arts Festival concert series continues on Wednes-

days in August at Oak Ridge Park, 136 Oak Ridge Road in Clark. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m.

While enjoying the wonderful music, refreshments may be purchased from Benito's Jersey Curbside Eats or Danny's Soft Serve Ice Cream. Attendees can also pack a picnic basket, bring lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy the music under the stars.

• Aug. 8: Rock and soul revue American Rapture will feature American pop music from the 1950s, '60s and '70s.

• Aug. 15: The Brother John Brown

Band will cover classic rock songs by bands like the Beatles, Bob Dylan and the Doobie Brothers.

• Aug. 22: Ensemble Dead on Live will perform faithful covers of Grateful Dead songs spanning their career.

UC Get Fit Yoga in the Park will be part of the pre-concert schedule, with House Yoga of Kenilworth presenting a free community class from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Bring a mat or beach towel and participate before the music begins.



STARS OF THE STAGE — Local residents Kayla Lugo, Nick Koloski, and Danny and Kayleigh Pierce dance during a dress rehearsal of 'Hello, Dolly!' which will be performed by a group of young local actors at the Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway from Friday, Aug. 10 to Sunday, Aug. 12. For details, visit www.ucpac.org.



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UNION COUNTY STUDENTS

County students make TCNJ dean's list

Several local students have been named to the dean's list of The College of New Jersey for the spring 2018 semester. To achieve this honor, a student must earn at least a 3.5 grade-point average. The following students were honored:

- from Berkeley Heights: Mark Floyd, Alexandra Mauriello, Brooke Siefert, Rachel Skerker, Drew Tweeten, Linda Zhang, Catherine Gbur, Christopher Jakuback, Danielle Petryk, Jace Tweeten and Jonathan Wong;

- from Linden: Maximillian Burgos, Jovia Ferris, Sabrina Garcia, Amanda Rego and Julio Zelaya;

- from New Providence: Kelsey Baldwin, David Colby, Kelly Endres, Kelsey Fama, Daniel Kaller, Samantha Leonardo, Katelyn Leong, Giovanna Marchini, Malay Nanavaty, Daiki Ogino, Terrence Skibik and Conor Vinaixa;

- from Roselle Park: Maggie Nese and Kirstie Patindol;

- from Springfield: Nicole Athan, Daniel Bas, Lauren Bell, Sebastian Calvo, Joseph Esposito, Jacqueline Mattoon, Jordan Mattoon, Alexa Morreale, Melissa Pearl, Claudio Sutura, Max Weissman and Michelle Woo;

- from Summit: Tayler Bolanos, Aja Christian, Alexander Crane, Whitley Cummings, Oscar Dawson, Kia Fatahi, Keller Gordon, Elizabeth Miner, Alexander Regner, Samantha Theriot and Karina Veloso;

- from Union: Ifeanyichukw Adibemma, Flora Ajayi, Matheus De Souza, Grace Gelicus, Kayla Keane, Nelson Kelly, Katelyn Kong, Natalie Matos, Giovaine Neita, Kaitlyn Njoroge, Jennifer Puschak and Dylan Teixeira; and

- from Winfield Park: Amanda Russell. TCNJ is located in Ewing.

Washington University announces dean's list

Several local students have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2018 semester at Washington University in St. Louis. To be listed, students must hold a minimum grade-point average of 3.5 for the semester.

- from Berkeley Heights: Amanda Sy and Bryan Wilensky;

- from New Providence: Betsy Ellison; and

- from Summit: Jeffrey Berkowitz, Phoebe Li, Haley Myers, Chris Ripsam and Nick Rogers.

Washington University is located in St. Louis, Mo.

Leister, Bunyaner graduate in Madison

Two local students received degrees during the University of Wisconsin-Madison's spring commencement ceremonies on May 11 and 12. Emma Leister, of New Providence, received a M.S. degree in clinical nutrition. William Bunyaner, of Sum-

mit, received a B.S. degree in industrial engineering.

Emme, Rudolph graduate from Stevenson University

Kristen Emme, of Roselle Park, and Najee Rudolph, of Springfield, recently graduated from Stevenson University. Commencement ceremonies took place on May 17 at the university's campus in Stevenson, Md.

Stevenson University announces dean's list

Several Union County students were named to the dean's list at Stevenson University for the spring 2018 semester. The list recognizes full-time undergraduate students who earned a grade-point average of 3.5 or better and must have completed 12 credits or more during that semester.

The following students were honored: Stephanie Czeslowski of Cranford; Kristen Emme of Roselle Park; Antonio Sacca of Kenilworth; Aditya Singh of Westfield; and Kalilah Underwood of Hillside.

Stevenson University is located in Owings Mills, Md.

Mack, Nieves excel at OSU

Two Berkeley Heights graduate students were named to the honor roll of Oregon State University for the spring 2018 semester. Ryan Mack and Ronald D. Nieves, both pursuing degrees in computer science, were named to the list for carrying at least a 3.5 grade-point average.

Oregon State University is located in Corvallis, Ore.

Ng earns honors at Muhlenberg College

Stephanie Ng, of Union, was named to the dean's list at Muhlenberg College for the spring 2018 semester for achieving a term grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

Muhlenberg College is located in Allentown, Pa.

Colgate University awards academic honors

Several local students have earned academic awards for their achievements at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. Locals who achieved a minimum grade-point average of 3.3 and given the Dean's Award for Academic Excellence are:

- from Fanwood: Noah Bernstein;
- from Westfield: Austin Hatch and Courtney Casale;

- from Roselle Park: Tori Pozsonyi; and
- from Summit: Margaret Magovern, Anna DiSibio, Katherine Kelly, Jack Johnson, Brynn Johnson, Coleman Bligh and John McDonald.

In addition, several students were given the Dean's Award with Distinction for achieving a grade-point average of at least 3.6. The following students were given this award:

- from Summit: Louisa Fowler, Thomas Rappleye, Kelly Habert, Madeleine McCaffery, Caroline McCumber and Samantha Puchert; and

- from Westfield: Alexandru Ionescu, Kaitlin Abrams and Jacob Wasserman.

Salisbury students honored

Five Union County students were named to the dean's list at Salisbury University for the spring 2018 semester. Bryan Sherman, Thomas Harris and Alyssa Steele, of Summit; Juliet Vapsva, of Berkeley Heights; and Victoria Isidron, of Clark, were all named to the list for earning a grade-point average of at least 3.5 for the semester.

Salisbury University is located in Salisbury, Md.

Chernoff graduates Bloomsburg University

Heather Chernoff, of Scotch Plains, graduated with a B.S. degree in education from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania during commencement ceremonies on May 12.

The university is located in Bloomsburg, Pa.

Local students named to SHU dean's list

Many local residents have been named to the spring 2018 dean's list at Seton Hall University in South Orange. Students named on the list achieved a minimum grade-point average of 3.4.

The following students were named to the list:

- from Berkeley Heights: Stephanie Bade, Stacy Barrantes, Dylan Burns, Melissa Cronin, Jessica Kelly, Pasquale Mele and Reena Yaseen;

- from Clark: Stefanie DiPaolo, Anthony Gonzalez, Konrad Kosiek, James Moran, Claudia Skiba, Brendan Stanzione, Magdalena Wozniak and Ryan Zych;

- from Cranford: Madeline Bradford, Amanda Brewster, Christopher Brindle, Samantha Dalli, Catherine Doolan, Ryan Drew, Savannah Gerlitz, Lauren Infante, Brendan Kane, Brittany Markase, Sara Matlosz, Siobhan McGovern, Matthew Orsini, Nicole Pawelko, Carley Quirin, Timothy Romero, Delaney Trotter and Aison Van Hook;

- from Elizabeth: John Alzate, Romelia Argudo, Caitlin Burd, Wendy Chen, Bryant Cordova, Keyonah Davis, Tatiana Gonzalez, Michael Granados, Alexis Hernandez, Yamiemily Hernandez, Tiffany Landazabal, Kyairaa Lero-Almeida, Mya Mayes, Taylor Morris, Ricardo Munoz, Andrea Nunez, Matthew Ortiz, Brian Santos, Britney Segura, Barbara Silva, Anthony Solano, Naomi Steven, Pablo Torres and Ewa Kowalczyk;

- from Fanwood: John Ferry and James Sherry;

- from Garwood: Yasmine Boto, Rachel Brooks, Sara Diwane and Diana White;

- from Hillside: Dominique Antoine, Michael Antuono, Giuliana De Freitas, Samadia Ferdnace, Romaro Gill and Osei Lindsay;

- from Kenilworth: Dominique Antoine, Michael Antuono, Giuliana De Freitas,

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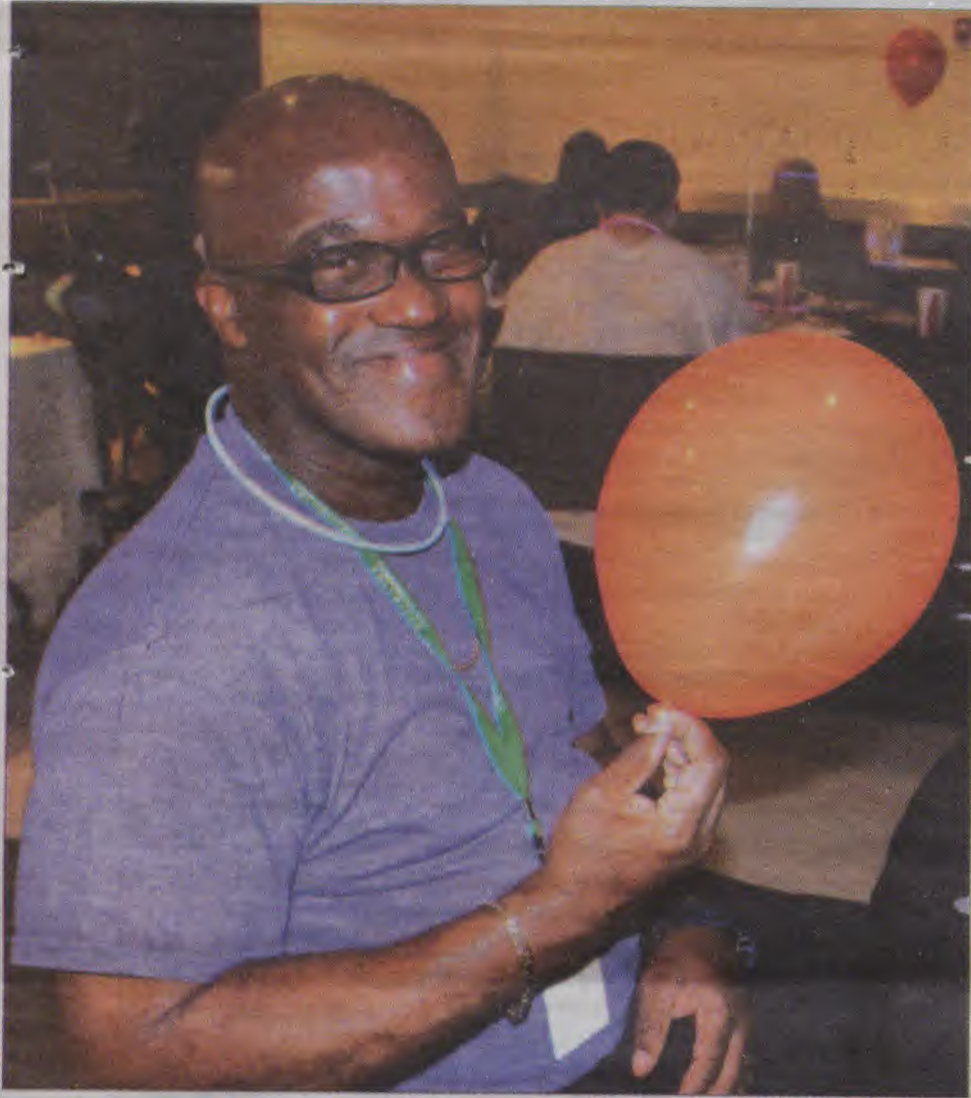
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GETTING TO BE A DISCO DUCK — Community Access Unlimited, a nonprofit agency dedicated to helping people with with developmental disabilities, held its annual prom July 27. With food, a DJ and a photo booth, the disco-themed event turned the CAU Auditorium at 80 West Grand Ave. in Elizabeth into a boogie wonderland.



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pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12, the purchase and installation of an appropriate sanitary pump and related components is available and may be procured from Pumping Services, Inc., 201 Lincoln Boulevard, PO Box 0117, Middlesex, NJ, 08846-0117 under the NJWCPS without the necessity of public bidding; and

WHEREAS, Director of Public Works and Chief Financial Officer, recommends the utilization of this procurement process as it represents the best means available under the circumstances to obtain the desired goods and to do so in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has issued a Certificate of Available Funds under account no's: C-04-15-300-000-210, C-04-15-300-000-220, C-04-16-200-000-110, which is incorporated herein by reference, for the award of a contract for the purchase and installation of a sanitary pump and related components as specified herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Committee hereby approves the following procurement via the New Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System:

a. Purchase and installation of one (1) pump and related components as set forth in the attached quotation, from Pumping Services, Inc., 201 Lincoln Boulevard, PO Box 0117, Middlesex, NJ, 08846-0117 pursuant to NJWCPS Contract, at a total cost not to exceed 42,359.00 to be completed on or before August 31, 2018; and

b. This procurement is contingent upon acceptance of the Township into the NJWCPS.
3. The Township Committee hereby authorizes and directs the Township's Mayor, Acting Township Administrator and Municipal Clerk to take all appropriate actions to effectuate the procurement, delivery and installation of the said sanitary pump and related as set forth hereinabove on an expedited basis.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Marvellen Brannan, RMC
Deputy Township Clerk
U70482 PRO August 9, 2018 (\$37.24)

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Common Council of the City of Summit has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service (or extraordinary, unspecifiable service) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Maraziti Falcon, LLP
For the Period: 12 months from the date agreement is fully executed

Services: Professional Legal Services - Redevelopment Attorney

Cost: Not to Exceed - \$50,000.00

Rosalia M. Licatase, City Clerk
Dated: 7/31/18
U70583 OBS August 9, 2018 (\$12.25)

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Common Council of the City of Summit has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as an exception pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law as it is under the current bid threshold and is proprietary hardware and software pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(dd). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Amano McGann, Inc.
Goods or Services: Purchase of Lot Count Equipment - Broad Street and Springfield Tier Garages

Cost: \$35,720.00
Rosalia M. Licatase, City Clerk
Dated: 7/31/18
U70584 OBS August 9, 2018 (\$11.76)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF
THE CITY OF SUMMIT
UNION COUNTY, N.J.

Take notice that the Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit will conduct a public hearing at the Summit City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on August 20, 2018, which hearing may be continued as required, on such dates thereafter as may be necessary in the judgment of the Board of Adjustment to complete the hearings and deliberations on an application for development submitted by Brendan and Jennifer Moore, regarding permission to improve the property known as 16 Blackburn Plaza, Lot 8, Block 2805 on the Tax Map of the City of Summit in the R-10 District. The applicants seek approval for the improvement of the existing home and property.
The applicants request variance relief from the

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strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance standards regulating side yard setback, lot coverage, and building coverage together with all other relief in the form of variances, waivers, interpretations, appeals, or exceptions in the strict application of the provisions of the Development Regulations Ordinance, and other relief, which may arise during the course of the hearings in this application, necessary to realize the development as set forth more specifically in the application for development on file and as may be amended from time to time including during the course of the hearings and available for inspection in connection herewith.

All maps and documents for which approval is sought are available for public inspection at the Department of Community Services at City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ during the business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the summer from Memorial Day through Labor Day, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am to 12:30 pm.
This notice is being given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12 and Article 3.16 of the Development Regulations Ordinance of the City of Summit.

DEMPSEY, DEMPSEY & SHEEHAN
Attorneys for Applicants

By: SAMANTHA T. ALFONSO, ESQ.
U70617 OBS August 9, 2018 (\$27.93)

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SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF AUDIT REPORT FOR PUBLICATION

Attention is directed to the fact that a summary of the audit report, together with the recommendations, is the minimum required to be published pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:5-7.

Summary or Synopsis of 2017 Audit Report of the City of Summit

County of Union, as required by N.J.S.40A:5-7.

Table with columns: ASSETS, December 31 Year 2017, December 31 Year 2016. Rows include Cash, Investments and Prepaid Debt Service, Taxes, Assessments, Liens and Utility Charges Receivable, etc.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCES, December 31 Year 2017, December 31 Year 2016. Rows include Bonds, Notes, and Loans Payable, Improvement Authorizations, etc.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN SURPLUS - CURRENT FUND

Table with columns: 2017, 2016. Rows include Revenue and Other Income Realized, Fund Balance Utilized, Expenditures, Total Income, etc.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN SURPLUS - SEWER UTILITY FUND

Table with columns: 2017, 2016. Rows include Revenue and Other Income Realized, Fund Balance Utilized, Expenditures, Total Income, etc.

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CLARK

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18002579
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00883815
County: Union
Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWALT, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-41CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-41CB
VS
Defendant: BRIAN M. SMITH, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND HIS/HER, THEIR, OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CITY OF NEWARK MUNICIPAL COURT
Sale Date: 08/22/2018
Writ of Execution: 04/11/2018
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(This concise description does not constitute a legal description. A copy of the full legal description can be found at the Office of the Sheriff.)
Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature

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Revenue and Other Income Realized

Table with columns: Revenue and Other Income Realized, Expenditures. Rows include Fund Balance Utilized, Collection of Sewer Use Charges, Total Income, Budget Expenditures, etc.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN SURPLUS - PARKING UTILITY FUND

Table with columns: 2017, 2016. Rows include Revenue and Other Income Realized, Fund Balance Utilized, Expenditures, Total Income, etc.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That all purchase orders be encumbered as appropriate.
2. That open purchase orders be adjusted or cancelled at year end.
3. That quotes be obtained for all purchases over the threshold.
4. That employees are only paid through proper payroll processing.
5. That all trust funds have approved budget riders.

A Corrective Action Plan outlining actions to be taken by the City of Summit to correct the above findings will be prepared in accordance with federal and state guidelines. A copy of the plan will be on file and available for public inspection with the Municipal Clerk in the City of Summit no later than 45 days from when the audit was received in compliance with directives from the Division of Local Government Services.

The above Summary or Synopsis was prepared from the Report of Audit of the City of Summit, County of Union, for the calendar year 2017. This Report of Audit, submitted by Charles J. Ferraioli, Jr., C.P.A., R.M.A. of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, P.A., is on file at the City Clerk's Office and may be inspected by any interested person.

U70589 OBS August 9, 2013 (\$172.48)

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JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$362,909.47***Three Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Nine and 47/100***
Attorney: FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP
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Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
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Anthony Drejaj was promoted to head boys' basketball coach at Linden High School. He spent the last nine years as an assistant coach there under Phil Colicchio, who is now the head coach at his high school alma mater, Elizabeth. Drejaj is a 2002 Seton Hall Prep graduate who grew up in Orange and West Orange after arriving from the Bronx. He was a standout player both at SHP and at the University of St. Louis.

Linden hoops in good hands with top assistant promoted

Drejaj: Defense to be staple of my program

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Similar to drawing up a man-to-man defense to stifle another worthy adversary, becoming a head basketball coach for the first time could not have worked out any better for Anthony Drejaj.

After acquiring the experience and learning the ropes under the guidance of Phil Colicchio — who left Linden after 21 years to become the head coach at his alma mater Elizabeth — Drejaj was the natural choice to succeed Colicchio, the person Linden's gymnasium is named after.

Drejaj, 35, is not seeking to have a gym named after him, but he does have several things in mind for the start of his head coaching career.

"My team is going to know that we will make it the hardest possible night for any opponent that comes to our gym," said Drejaj, who served as an assistant coach at Linden under Colicchio for the past nine years.

Drejaj, a 2002 Seton Hall Prep graduate who went on to play collegiately at St. Louis University, was formally approved by the Linden Board of Education July 24.

"I want to walk my own path, wear my own shoes, make my own career," Drejaj said.

Drejaj was on Linden's staff for the last three (2014, 2016, 2017) of its six state championships, which all came under Colicchio's guidance.

"I was a defensive guy and always learned that defense wins championships. Offense comes and goes, that is the most inconsistent thing in the game.

"You can travel everywhere with defense. That will definitely be the staple of my program.

"We will pride ourselves on being the hardest defensive team in the state of New Jersey if not the country."

Drejaj is from the Bronx and grew up in Orange and West Orange.

"We moved to West Orange my junior year (in high school)," Drejaj said.

Drejaj said there was no real timetable to want to make the progression from assistant to head coach.

"The further you get along into a coaching career you do start to think about it," Drejaj said. "Although I didn't apply anywhere (in recent years) I would have been open to looking at something similar to Linden if the opportunity was there."

Instead, it worked out that Drejaj continues to be right where he still wants to be. The right place at the right time? Yes.

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UNION COUNTY FOOTBALL

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IN 2018:

UNION:

Sept. 28 at South Brunswick, 7 p.m.

BREARLEY:

Sept. 7 Highland Park, 7 p.m.

Oct. 26 at Dunellen, 7 p.m.

DAYTON:

Sept. 28 at Highland Park, 7 p.m.

Oct. 12 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.

GOV. LIVINGSTON:

None.

SUMMIT:

Oct. 6 Colonia, 2:30 p.m.

Oct. 19 St. Joseph's, Metuchen, 7 p.m.

ELIZABETH:

Oct. 26 Old Bridge, 7 p.m.

HILLSIDE:

Sept. 7 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.

Oct. 13 at South River, 1 p.m.

LINDEN:

Oct. 12 South Plainfield, 7 p.m.

RAHWAY:

Oct. 5 Carteret, 7 p.m.

ROSELLE:

Aug. 31 at Bishop Ahr, 7 p.m.

Sept. 7 South River, 6 p.m.

Sept. 29 Metuchen, 1 p.m.

Oct. 20 at Spotswood, 1 p.m.

CRANFORD:

None.

JOHNSON:

Sept. 15 at Metuchen, 1 p.m.

Oct. 26 Spotswood, 7 p.m.

WESTFIELD:

Sept. 22 Old Bridge, 1 p.m.

Sept. 29 St. Joseph's, Metuchen, 1 p.m.

Oct. 27 Piscataway, 1 p.m.

PLAINFIELD:

Sept. 28 at J.P. Stevens, 7 p.m.

Oct. 27 Edison, 1 p.m.

SCOTCH PLAINS:

Oct. 19 at Colonia, 7 p.m.

Oct. 27 New Brunswick, 1 p.m.

NEW PROVIDENCE:

Aug. 30 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.

NOTES: Both Brearley and Dayton picked up a second Middlesex County opponent after Roselle Park dropped varsity football this season.

SPORTS



Photo courtesy of Anthony Drejaj

Anthony Drejaj - here standing at right in front of former Linden head coach Phil Colicchio - will now be calling the shots himself as Linden's new varsity boys' basketball coach. During Drejaj's time as Colicchio's top assistant, the Tigers went on to win the last three of their six state championships - all in Group 4.

New head coach is right where he wants to be

(Continued from previous page)

Here he explains: "I always wanted to take over at Linden. For my personal goal it wound up being exactly how I wanted it.

"In the next year or two I might have sought going after a head coaching job. When Linden opened up I knew I was definitely going after it.

"I always wanted to get into coaching, but didn't have a real time frame to become a head coach. I was fortunate enough to land the biggest public school assistant job in the state and was thrown into the fire right away."

Drejaj has now taught at Linden for going on more than five years.

"I've built many relationships, including the administration, the fans and the people in town," Drejaj said. "I'm so comfortable here.

"A lot of people reached out to me and congratulated me and wished me luck. Our fans are very proud of our sports teams here."

Drejaj, now a resident of West Caldwell, said he does not want to disclose the names of any coaching staff members until they become official.

When asked what his specific roles were when he was an assistant at Linden, this is what he had to say: "when I first got there I was not as talkative on the floor as I became.

"My first year was a feeling around period for me. I remember Phil saying to me, 'the whole team has to hear you,' when I was trying to make a point.

"The second year was better and by the time the third year came around I was way more natural with my instruction.

"Myself, Phil and (fellow varsity assistant coach) Marty Luc were on the floor doing a ton of instruction. Phil gave the platform.

"As far as scouting, Phil relied on us for that. We could sit there and watch tape for two hours. That's also (the assistants) what we did."

To play for Bob Farrell and then coach under Phil Colicchio, a high school basketball education really doesn't get much better than that. Farrell, now retired from coaching, and Colicchio are at the top of their profession.

"From Phil, what I learned most was how to try to get the most out of all of our players no matter what their skill level was," Drejaj said. "Phil is great at coaching them up and making them better than they are and getting more than 100 percent from them on the floor.

"That was a big part of our success at Linden. We didn't have the best talent, but we had 10, 12, 15 guys working as hard as they could.

"That's hard to beat."

Drejaj was a key three-year varsity player for Farrell. His first year on varsity - his sophomore season of 1999-2000 - the Pirates captured the Essex County Tournament championship and then won the Non-Public A state championship for the fifth consecutive year.

"Playing for Coach Farrell was a tremendous experience," Drejaj said.

Anthony's older brother Frank, a 1997 SHP grad, also played for Farrell and went on to play at Manhattan College.

"The most impressive thing about Coach Farrell was how even keel he was in every situation," Drejaj said. "There was never any panic. He was always mild mannered.

"He was always able to coach as opposed to losing his mind on a play. He could get mad like any other coach, but you didn't see any panic in his approach to the game. He was the same whether it was a regular season Tuesday night game or the county final."

Key Linden players lost to graduation include seniors Tavon Jones - more than 1,500 career points - and Mikey Watkins, more than 1,000 - both two-time state champions.

"Our guys this year will be our leaders," said Drejaj, who in 2006 signed a two-year contract to play for Sigal Prishtine in Kosovo's Super League, the premier professional league in that country.

"We will be coming off a season in which we will no longer have the second-leading scorer in school history (Jones). It's hard to see anyone else doing that.

"However, we do have players back like Myles Ruth (junior), Amir Williams (junior), Nashawn Holmes (junior) and Schadarac Petit-Holmes (senior). It's a solid group of kids who in practice every day last year got stronger and faster.

"Now it's their time to step in and play."

Those fans clamoring for a Phil vs. Anthony coaching matchup of Elizabeth vs. Linden will have to wait until at least February. Then it will be up to the seeding of the Union County Tournament to see if Linden and Elizabeth are destined to play each other for the first time during the 2018-2019 campaign.

That's because Linden and Elizabeth are not scheduled to play each other in the regular season. Elizabeth dropped down to the Union County Conference's Mountain Division.

There is also the possibility of Linden and Elizabeth clashing in the North 2, Group 4 playoffs.

"Phil and I have a great relationship," Drejaj said. "We're both too much of competitors to worry about each other's friendship once the ball goes up in the air. We will both do anything to win.

"After the game we can be friends again."

SPORTS

2018 Union County football schedules

2018 UNION FARMERS

Aug. 31 Linden, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 7 Elizabeth, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at Plainfield, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Phillipsburg, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at South Brunswick, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 Westfield, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Hunterdon Central, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 Bridgewater-Raritan, 7 p.m.

2018 BREARLEY BEARS

Sept. 7 Highland Park, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Dayton, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Manville, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Bound Brook, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 Belvidere, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at New Providence, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 South Hunterdon, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Dunellen, 7 p.m.

2018 DAYTON BULLDOGS

Sept. 7 Belvidere, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Brearley, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 New Providence, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Highland Park, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Bound Brook, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 Manville, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 South Hunterdon, 7 p.m.

2018 GL HIGHLANDERS

Aug. 30 Johnson, 3 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at Voorhees, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 North Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 29 at Somerville, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 13 Scotch Plains, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 19 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 27 Rahway, 1 p.m.
 Nov. 22 at New Providence, 10:30 a.m.

2018 SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS

Sept. 7 at Montgomery, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 15 Warren Hills, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 22 North Hunterdon, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 29 at Scotch Plains, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 6 Colonia, 2:30 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 St. Joseph's, Metuchen, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Immaculata, 7 p.m.

NOTES: Summit is coming off a 6-4 North 2, Group 3 playoff season in which it lost two games by a combined seven points and then its final two by a touchdown each, the first in overtime. Class of 2018 Hilltoppers who are now playing in college include Kevin Cahill at Penn State, Luca Curran at the University of Pennsylvania, Max Hayford at The College of New Jersey and Joe Shepard at Cornell University. This year Summit is one of three Union County teams situated in the new section called North 3. The Hilltoppers play only two teams from Union County - North 4 schools Scotch Plains and Cranford.

2018 ELIZABETH MINUTEMEN

Aug. 31 Bridgewater-Raritan, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at Union, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Linden, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Franklin, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 20 at Westfield, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 26 Old Bridge, 7 p.m.

2018 HILLSIDE COMETS

Sept. 7 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Roselle, 7 p.m. (RRP)
 Sept. 21 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Bernards, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Johnson, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 13 at South River, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 20 North Plainfield, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 27 Cranford, 1 p.m.

2018 LINDEN TIGERS

Aug. 31 at Union, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 7 Westfield, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Elizabeth, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Franklin, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 South Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 Hillsborough, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Ridge, 7 p.m.

2018 RAHWAY INDIANS

Sept. 7 Somerville, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Voorhees, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 Carteret, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 Immaculata, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 North Hunterdon, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 27 at Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m.
 Nov. 22 at Johnson, 10:30 a.m.

2018 ROSELLE RAMS

Aug. 31 at Bishop Ahr, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 8 South River, noon
 Sept. 14 Hillside, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 Johnson, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 Metuchen, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Bernards, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 20 at Spotswood, 1 p.m.
 All home dates will be played at Rahway River Park.

NOTES: Roselle will play its home games at Rahway River Park for the second consecutive season while the turf renovation of Arminio Field continues. Roselle is scheduled to play its four home games on consecutive weekends, all in the month of September. The Rams have twice as many Middlesex County opponents - 4 - than Union County foes - 2. Roselle opens the early weekend, with a game at Bishop Ahr of Edison on Friday night, Aug. 31. The Rams will then face South River on Sept. 8.



Photo by JR Parachini

Summit, at left, hosted Union, at right, in the game-scrimmage for both last year. The teams will scrimmage against each other again this month, with the practice to take place at Union on Aug. 24 at 11 a.m. It will be Union's game-scrimmage. Summit's game-scrimmage is set for Aug. 30 at Morristown at 11 a.m. Morristown is coached by Union alum John Power.

2018 CRANFORD COUGARS

Sept. 7 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Gov. Livingston, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 Rahway, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 Voorhees, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Somerville, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 Summit, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 at Immaculata, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 21 at Hillside, 1 p.m.

2018 JOHNSON CRUSADERS

Aug. 30 at Gov. Livingston, 3 p.m.
 Sept. 7 Delaware Valley, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at Metuchen, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Roselle, 7 p.m. (RRP)
 Oct. 5 Hillside, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 19 at Bernards, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 Spotswood, 7 p.m.
 Nov. 22 Rahway, 10:30 a.m.

2018 WESTFIELD BLUE DEVILS

Sept. 7 at Linden, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 22 Old Bridge, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 29 St. Joseph's, Metuchen, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Union, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at Phillipsburg, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 20 Elizabeth, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 27 Piscataway, 1 p.m.
 Nov. 22 at Plainfield, 11 a.m.

2018 PLAINFIELD CARDINALS

Aug. 30 at Voorhees, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 15 Union, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Linden, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at J.P. Stevens, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Elizabeth, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 20 Franklin, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 27 Edison, 1 p.m.
 Nov. 22 Westfield, 11 a.m.

2018 S. PLAINS RAIDERS

Sept. 7 at North Hunterdon, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 at Montgomery, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 22 Immaculata, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Summit, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 6 Warren Hills, 2 p.m.
 Oct. 13 at Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 19 at Colonia, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 27 New Brunswick, 1 p.m.

2018 NEW PROV. PIONEERS

Aug. 30 at Middlesex, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at South Hunterdon, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Bound Brook, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Dayton, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Manville, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Roselle Park - forfeit
 Oct. 12 Brearley, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Belvidere, 7 p.m.
 Nov. 22 Gov. Livingston, 10:30 a.m.

SPORTS

UNION BOYS' SOCCER

Sept. 4 at Bishop Ahr, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 11 Oratory Prep, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 13 at Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at Franklin, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 18 Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 20 at Johnson, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 Linden, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 29 New Providence, 10 a.m.
 Oct. 2 at J.P. Stevens, 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 4 at Oratory Prep, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 11 Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 13 at Colonia, 10 a.m.
 Oct. 16 Johnson, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 at Linden, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 20 Essex Vocation, noon
 Oct. 23 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 25 at New Providence, 4 p.m.

UNION GIRLS' SOCCER

Sept. at Columbia, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 6 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 8 at Franklin, 11:30 a.m.
 Sept. 11 at Cranford, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at Piscataway, noon
 Sept. 17 Randolph, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 20 Oak Knoll, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 22 at Montclair, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 25 at Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Cranford, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 2 Summit, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 6 at Kearny, 2 p.m.
 Oct. 9 at Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 16 at Bloomfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Millburn, 4 p.m.

NOTES: The Farmers had a fine season in 2017, producing many goals in several victories. Union won at New Providence 4-1 and then three days later won at the Academy of St. Elizabeth 6-1. Two days after that the Farmers were victorious at Rahway by the score of 7-1. Perhaps Union's biggest win last year was on Oct. 17 at home against Scotch Plains, a 2-1 victory. Scotch Plains and Westfield shared the Union County Tournament championship.

UNION FIELD HOCKEY

Sept. 5 at Newark Academy, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 8 Gov. Livingston, 2:30 p.m.
 Sept. 13 Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at MKA, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 18 Columbia, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 22 at Gov. Livingston, 9 a.m.
 Sept. 25 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 26 Newark Academy, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 1 at Mount St. Dominic, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 3 Millburn, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Livingston, 5:30 p.m.
 Oct. 10 Cranford, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 12 at North Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 15 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 17 Glen Ridge, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 23 Koinonia, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 27 at Livingston, 11 a.m.

UNION GIRLS' TENNIS

Sept. 4 at Linden, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 6 Johnson, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at Cranford, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 11 Rahway, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Kearny, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 17 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 18 Clifton, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 20 Union Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 21 Roselle, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 West Orange, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 at Colonia, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 2 Linden, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 at Johnson, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 5 North Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 8 at Rahway, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 11 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 12 Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 15 Cranford, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 16 at Roselle, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 Colonia, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 22 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.

UNION GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 4 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 6 at Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 7 Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 10 New Providence, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 11 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 12 Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 at Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 14 Columbia, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 17 at Rahway, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 20 Union Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 21 Clifton, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 24 Nutley, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 28 Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 1 at Cranford, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 2 Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 5 at Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 9 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 10 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 11 Union Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 at Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 22 at New Providence, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 26 Millburn, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 29 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 30 Summit, 4 p.m.

UNION GYMNASTICS

Sept. 11 at Piscataway, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 15 vs. Cranford and Johnson at Cranford, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 17 at Scotch Plains, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Clifton, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 24 at Union Catholic, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 27 Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 1 Johnson, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 3 at Westfield, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Cougar Invite at Cranford, 3 p.m.
 Oct. 9 at Old Bridge, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 19 UCT at Cranford, 3 p.m.
 Oct. 22 at Summit, 7 p.m.

UNION CROSS COUNTRY

Sept. 12 vs. Oak Knoll, Elizabeth and Hillside, TBA
 Sept. 17 vs. Westfield, R. Catholic, Scotch Plains at Tamaques Park, Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 22 Magee Invite, 9 a.m.
 Sept. 25 vs. Benedictine, Dayton, Gov. Livingston at Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, TBA
 Sept. 29 Six Flags Safari Run, 9 a.m.
 Oct. 2 vs. Cranford, Rahway, Kent Place at Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 16 Union County Conference at Warinanco, 4 p.m.

Oct. 24 Union County at Warinanco, 4 p.m.

Nov. 3 Sectionals, 9 a.m.

Nov. 10 Groups at Holmdel Park, 9 a.m.

Nov. 17 MOC at Holmdel Park, 9 a.m.

CRANFORD CROSS COUNTRY

Sept. 8 Roxbury Invitational, 9 a.m.
 Sept. 12 Quad Meet at Oak Ridge, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 17 Quad Meet at Warinanco, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 Quad Meet at Oak Ridge, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Stewart Invitational at Greystone Park, 9 a.m.
 Oct. 2 Quad Meet at Warinanco, 4 p.m.

CRANFORD GYMNASTICS

Sept. 12 Westfield, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 15 Johnson and Union, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 25 Dayton, 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 28 at Ridge, 3:30 p.m.
 Oct. 1 at Summit, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Cougar Invitational, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 10 at Union Catholic, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 16 Scotch Plains, 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 19 UCT at Cranford, 5:30 p.m.
 Cranford is hosting the Union County Tournament match this season because the Cougars won the championship last year.

CRANFORD BOYS' SOCCER

Sept. 6 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 8 at Gov. Livingston, 2 p.m.
 Sept. 11 at Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at North Plainfield, 1 p.m.
 Sept. 20 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 22 at Union Catholic, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 25 Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 at Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Westfield, 11 a.m.
 Oct. 2 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 6 at Linden, 11 a.m.
 Oct. 16 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 at Nutley, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 20 Union City, 11 a.m.
 Oct. 22 at Columbia, 6 p.m.
 Oct. 25 Orange, 6 p.m.

NOTES: Cranford had a solid season last year, including the No. 3 seed for the Union County Tournament. The Cougars upset Scotch Plains 2-1 in single overtime in a quarterfinal match held at Cranford's Memorial Field. Michael Carracino scored the game-winning goal eight minutes into overtime. Brian Nigro scored to tie the game. Westfield ended up repeating as UCT champions. Cranford is scheduled to play at Scotch Plains on Sept. 20 and will then host the Raiders Oct. 4. Cranford opens at home against Elizabeth on Sept. 6.

CRANFORD GIRLS' SOCCER

Sept. 5 at Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 8 at Watchung Hills, 2 p.m.
 Sept. 11 Union, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 at Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 Columbia, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 20 Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 22 West Essex, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 25 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 29 at Union, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 2 Westfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 9 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 16 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 Nutley, 6 p.m.
 Oct. 23 at Pingry, 4 p.m.

CRANFORD FIELD HOCKEY

Sept. 5 at Glen Ridge, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 8 Millburn, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 12 Montclair, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at West Essex, 11 a.m.
 Sept. 17 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 22 at Mount St. Dominic, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 24 Columbia, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 26 at Johnson, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 29 Kent Place, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 1 at Livingston, 6 p.m.
 Oct. 3 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 8 at MKA, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 10 at Union, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 15 Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 17 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 25 Newark Academy, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 27 Westfield, 11 a.m.

CRANFORD

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 6 at New Providence, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 7 at Linden, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 11 Roselle Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 Gov. Livingston, 5:30 p.m.
 Sept. 15 at North Brunswick, 10 a.m.
 Sept. 17 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at Summit, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 24 McNair Academy, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 at Rahway, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 Kent Place, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 1 Union, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 2 New Providence, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Linden, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 6 South Plainfield, 10 a.m.
 Oct. 9 at Roselle Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 10 at Gov. Livingston, 5:30 p.m.
 Oct. 18 Summit, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 22 Mount St. Mary, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 25 Rahway, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at Kent Place, 4 p.m.

NOTES: This is the 10-year anniversary of Cranford's 2008 state championship team. The Cougars won a state title and competed in the Tournament of Champions one year after winning the UCT crown in 2007. Cranford also reached the UCT final in 2008, 2009 and 2010, falling to Union Catholic all three of those seasons. The Cougars will open at New Providence Sept. 6 and then play at Linden Sept. 7. They host Roselle Catholic on Sept. 11.

CRANFORD GIRLS' TENNIS

Sept. 4 at Roselle Park, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 6 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 7 Union, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 11 at Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 13 Union Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 17 at New Providence, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 20 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 21 at McNair, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 24 South Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Sept. 27 at Columbia, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 2 at Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 4 Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 9 Roselle Park, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 11 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 12 Mount St. Mary, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 15 at Union, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 16 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 18 at Union Catholic, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 22 Verona, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 25 Dayton, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 26 at South Plainfield, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 29 Elizabeth, 4 p.m.
 Oct. 30 at Gov. Livingston, 3 p.m.

UCT GIRLS' TENNIS

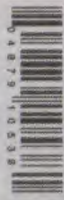
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 2013: Kent Place
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 2010: Westfield



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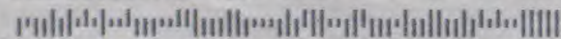
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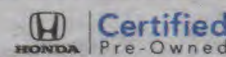
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