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The county could lose its unity

According to members of the soon to be Democratic majority of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, you the people voted for a change of government earlier this month. Considering how the Republican candidates won 13 of the county's 21 municipalities — most of western Union County — it seems the Democrats' constituency consists of Elizabeth, Linden, Rahway, Plainfield and four small towns.

Those who either voted Republican for freeholder or didn't vote had better prepare for "the change" the Democrats think they have a

Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg
Regional Editor

mandate to effect, because that split in the electorate should be considered a sign of government to come. There will be two Union Counties, with an elected majority of freeholders representing one.

Of course, the divide in the electorate isn't just geographic, it is demographic. The split between those who feel they own the county government from those who feel dependent upon it is defined, because let's face it, when the county Democrats talk of using public money and facilities to provide "job training," they're not worrying about the career prospects of Summit High School's class of '97. Instead, they are aiming to buy future votes in the East with tax dollars collected from the West, while simultaneously giving lucrative government jobs for their friends.

Before anyone reaches for the phone to yell at me, let me say that I know the intent to curry favor applies to both parties. The difference seems to be the Republicans' method of buying votes involves letting taxpayers keep their own money. In turn, that results in benefits for all county residents, not just those who accept government largesse.

Regarding government jobs, well, that works both ways as well, but the difference between the two parties will be demonstrated best when the Democrats choose the next county manager.

A Board of Chosen Freeholders under the direction of Linda Stender and Dan Sullivan will not cause the end of the world, but don't expect great things to happen either.

The Democrats were effective campaigners, but that is not the same as providing good government. Their road to victory began in the freeholders' meeting room, where the Republicans made every effort to present themselves as the taxpayers' enemy. When they weren't stonewalling the Democrats' efforts to audit the Union County Utilities Authority's books, the Republicans were talking about finding money for county jail inmates.

Because the most interesting conversations among the freeholders are held in private, it's hard to distinguish sincerity from posturing, but that role reversal has been the most striking trait of the 1996 Board of Chosen Freeholders.

It's been a strange sight. With more than a month to go before the Democrats officially retake the majority of the freeholder board, it would be foolish to speculate on the members' plans for our county and unfair to criticize actions that have not been taken. However, based on what I've learned from all of the current freeholders and the two freeholders-elect, I wouldn't be surprised to see the county's \$274 million budget grow.

That growth will outpace the rate of inflation, and will result in tax hikes and greater indebtedness — all trademarks of the last Democratic-controlled Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Sheriff aims for firearms safety for children

Sheriff Ralph Froehlich has started a campaign to make look alike guns in accessible to children and to teach children preventative safety tips.

On Wednesday, Sheriff's Officer Ann Marie Ungvarsky was given a starter pistol by a visitor entering the courthouse. The visitor said he had taken the pistol from his son who had planned to bring it to school. Further investigation revealed that this pistol and others like it can be purchased through mail order catalogs.

It is this availability of replicas, starter pistols, and authentic-looking toy guns that caught the sheriff's attention, he said.

"What does it take for society to say enough? Firearms are the fourth leading cause of unintentional death among teenagers," he added. "The National School Safety Council reported that an estimated 135,000 youths carried a gun to school during one school year. We try to educate our children about the dangers of firearms, yet unscrupulous manufacturers and retailers make replicas available that spell potential for tragedy."

The sheriff also is calling on the Legislature to review the laws that govern toy sales and the catalogue sales of replicas and starter pistols.

"Our children are our future. They are our most valuable resource. If we can fight to protect the environment, then why aren't we fighting to protect them?"

Froehlich has experience in the effort to protect children from handgun accidents.

In 1990, his office produced a video for school-aged children, "Get Away & Get A Grow-up." The video and

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classroom presentation, similar to the National Rifle Association's Eddie Eagle program, teaches young children to seek adult help if they found a gun while at play or home.

This program was such a success that a sequel was developed for teenagers, "Teens and Guns: An American Tragedy." This video program, directed toward junior high and high school students, presented the tragic chain of events that occurs when a teen brings a gun to school, and the profound consequences for everyone involved.

The program was presented to more than 5,000 students in Union County and has been acclaimed and distributed to schools and police departments across the country.

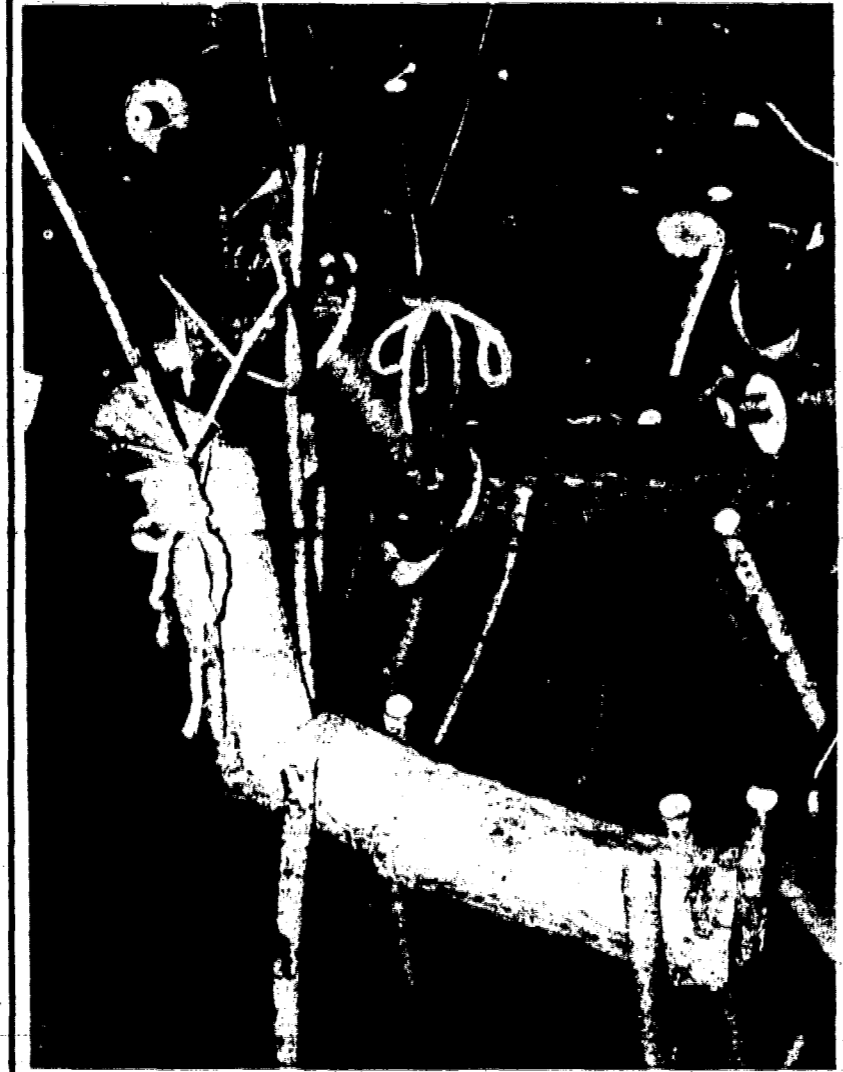
The sheriff has had more than 35 years in law enforcement. After examining this gun and other toy replicas, he concluded that there is a possibility that a police officer may not be able to distinguish them from real guns, which may result in tragedy.

Froehlich is asking corporations to act responsibly and discontinue the manufacture and distribution of these items.



Sheriff's Officer Ann Marie Ungvarsky and Sheriff Ralph Froehlich display a starter pistol submitted by a parent who'd taken it from his son. While the gun does not discharge bullets, it could, the sheriff said, result in tragedy if a police officer is confronted by a child wielding one.

Awaiting wood



Several of Santa's reindeer, as crafted from logs and branches by Westfield resident William Holt, await takeoff at Trailside Nature and Science Center's nature boutique. The boutique will be held Dec. 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. Trailside is located on Colles Avenue in the Watchung Reservation in Mountainside.

Once court clerks, 3 are administrators

In a ceremony presided over by Chief Justice Deborah T. Poritz on Friday, administrators from three municipal courts throughout the county were among 41 from around the state to become the first certified municipal court administrators in the nation.

Linda Chieffo, of Westfield; Anita Ruscansky, of Roselle and Jean D. Ruland, of Summit, had been known as their towns' court clerks. As municipal court administrators, they now are responsible for managing all aspects of those courts. Their role has evolved as the laws enforced by the courts have grown more complex and as technology and automation have become more essential to administering the courts.

New Jersey's Municipal Court Administrator Certification Program, established by the Legislature and approved in June by the Supreme Court, reflects the growing complexity of New Jersey's 537 municipal courts. Approximately 6 million cases are filed in the municipal courts each year, from motor-vehicle and local ordinance violations to disorderly persons offenses.

The certification program is designed to respond to the growth and development of the municipal courts; to further professionalize the municipal courts; to promote public confidence in the courts; and to continue to attract and retain qualified administrators.

Under the certification program, applicants must complete an examination process administered by the Supreme Court's Municipal Court Administrator Certification Board. The three-phase examination consists of an educational and training component offered by the Administrative Office of the Courts; written and oral examinations; and completion of a written court-improvement project.

At the ceremony, the 41 administrators were certified under a grandfather clause in the law that permits certification of court administrators or clerks who had served continuously for five years preceding Feb. 15, 1994, the effective date of the law.

Each of the 41 administrators demonstrated their knowledge and skills by passing written and oral exams administered by the board.

The process also has continuing education, certification renewal and certification revocation processes to ensure the administrators maintain their levels of professionalism.

County residents sue bank

Cranford law firm says CoreStates reneged on deal

Eighty employees and former employees of CoreStates Financial Corp., based in Pennsylvania, have filed a lawsuit against CoreStates in the US District Court for New Jersey.

The suit, which stems from the merger of United Counties Bancorporation with Meridian Bancorp, and the subsequent merger of Meridian into CoreStates in April, alleges violations of both federal and state laws, including claims under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and securities violations and fraud.

The employees, many of whom are Union County residents, have asked the court for an immediate injunction to stop these practices by CoreStates. They are being represented by Daniel J. McCarthy and Robert J. Blend of Rogut, McCarthy & Blend of Cranford.

"We have joined together in this lawsuit to stop what we think is an extreme example of the corporate greed and fraud," said John Kalamaras, one of the employees. "They took our benefits and then fired us because it was cheaper."

A spokesperson for the banking corporation said CoreStates could not comment on pending litigation.

Regarding the case, McCarthy was hesitant to discuss it, saying he'd hoped CoreStates would "do the right thing voluntarily for its former employees, and that the case wouldn't be reduced to an issue of winning or losing."

McCarthy also had commented that the allegations filed against CoreStates are a violation of the agreements established within the merger.

The employees asserted that CoreStates discriminated against them and others, approximately 200 employees, in favor of the out-of-state employees. The benefits denied include medical insurance, salary continuation and life insurance benefits.

"Without these benefits, many of these employees will not be able to procure alternative benefits for financial and other reasons," said Thomas Iorio, a vice president and employee of more than 25 years displaced by the merger. According to the civil action brief submitted to the court, "the actions by CoreStates to discriminate against these employees is without basis in law or fact and evolves solely from the institutional greed and arrogance of CoreStates."

Some of the terminated employees were notified that they had been fired by CoreStates, after, in many cases, more than 30 years of service.

"It's just plain wrong that CoreStates is not living up to its commitments," said James Green, a severed officer after 16 years of service. "While CoreStates' executives continue to receive their big salaries and golden parachutes, we get manipulated. They must be held accountable."

"Another displaced employee, James G. Hickman, a vice-president with more than 26 years of service said, 'CoreStates should be required to live up to its own CoreValues, where CoreStates leads one to believe that it values its people and integrity.'"

Hickman referred to the ethical constitution published in the CoreStates newsletters, otherwise known as CoreValues, wherein it is stated that CoreStates "will strive to be recognized as an organization of the highest ethical standards and unquestioned integrity."

The complaint filed by the terminated employees claims that in press releases, publications, proxies and agreements to merge, CoreStates promised all employees would be entitled to receive certain health and severance benefits after the merger as CoreStates employees. These benefits were known as the "Partnership Guarantee Contract" and were promised because CoreStates recognized that as a result of the merger with Meridian, many employees would lose their jobs. CoreStates estimated a pre-tax savings of \$186 million as a result of the merger, in part from firing these employees.

Prior to that merger, CoreStates had promised the plaintiffs they would be entitled to receive certain health and severance benefits as CoreStates employees.

The Partnership Guarantee Contract called for employees to be divided in essentially two groups, those with six months to 10 years of service and those with 10 years or more. The former category would receive six months of salary and benefits continuation, and employees with 10 or more years would receive a full year's salary and benefits.

Subsequent to the Meridian-CoreStates merger, CoreStates has chosen to renege on their agreement, insisting that the former United Counties employees were not active employees of CoreStates for at least six months or longer.

Parks' pest policy



Parks and Recreation Director Chuck Sigmund and Freeholder Henry Kurz, at left, talk shop during registration for the county's Integrated Pest Management Seminar at Trailside Nature and Science Center. The IPM, attended by more than 100 people, included seminars on dealing with indoor pests and birds, and turf pest control. Representatives from Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County, the state DEP and US Department of Agriculture supplied the information.

COUNTY NEWS

Help wanted

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Union County, RSVP, a program of Catholic Community Services, is accepting applications for volunteers who wish to serve with Travelers Aid of New Jersey.

Travelers Aid has been operating at the International Terminal B of Newark Airport since 1992. New volunteers will be assigned to Terminal C, handling domestic flights. Training and parking are provided by Newark Airport and Travelers Aid. For more information, call Jo-Ann Crotena, RSVP director, at (908) 709-2152 or 709-2150.

Teen Arts

The Union Center National Bank, at 2455 Morris Ave. and 2003 Morris Ave. in Union, will host the Union County Teen Arts Touring Exhibit through Nov. 29.

The exhibit consists of 26 pieces of art selected from the 513 visual art works shown at the 1996 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

Craft fair

On Nov. 30, Union Catholic Regional High School is sponsoring an indoor craft fair and holiday gift market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school, located at 1600 Martine Ave. in Scotch Plains.

More than crafters will display a variety of seasonal, decorative and functional crafted and new gift items.

There is ample parking, and refreshments will be available throughout the day. Photos with Santa will be available between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

For additional information, call (908) 889-9475.

Position open

Like working with artists, teachers and students? The Union County Teen Arts Festival has a volunteer position open for volunteer recruitment coordinator. The part-time position is from November to April. Duties include community outreach, communication with interested volunteers, scheduling and volunteer management at the festival.

The Union County Teen Arts Festival, sponsored by the County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation, is a

two day celebration of the arts held annually at Union County College in Cranford. The event, scheduled for March 26 and 27, is open to all students from public, private and parochial middle and high schools in the county.

At the festival, 3000 students participate in performances, critiquing seminars, master classes and workshops with a staff of 50 professional artists in visual arts, music, creative writing, theater and dance.

Volunteers are needed to assist artists with workshops, manage performance sites, and staff information stations.

Anyone interested may call (908) 558-2550.

Crafters wanted

St. Theresa School on Clinton and Liberty streets in Linden will hold a Christmas Craft Show Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Crafters interested in participating may call (908) 862-1619 for more information.

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Women's work week



As part of its acknowledgment of National Business Women's Week, the Board of Chosen Freeholders honored the recently merged Business and Professional Women's Club of Berkeley Heights, Clark and Westfield. From left: County Manager Ann Baran, BPW Legislative Chairperson Denise Dagostaro, Freeholder Linda Stender and BPW Vice President Marcella Gaughan.

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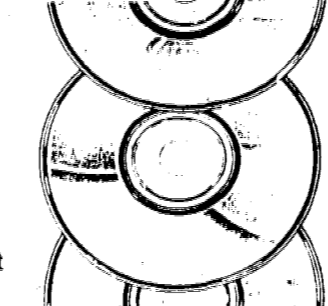
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Best Undressed Union resident gets some decent exposure

Editor's Note: This is the second half of a two-part story about A.J. Campo and Centerfolds Star-Studded Male Revue.

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

A good man is hard to find, as the old adage says. In the first part of this story which ran last week, the secret to finding good men was revealed by A.J. Campo, "The Italian Stallion," Union resident and exotic male dancer. After seeing his male revue "Centerfolds" at the Haledon Police Athletic League fundraiser in September, I became convinced that Campo was a man with a tale to tell. He bared his soul in the following interview, giving an inside look at the world of exotic male dancing.

Campo, whose mother still calls him "Angelo," called himself "a late bloomer." He was named "Best Dressed" in his senior year at Union High School, although he weighed in at only 135 pounds. Campo reports becoming very healthy and exercise conscious during his freshman year at DeLeo College in Florida, where he did some modeling. After graduating with a degree in finance and economics, Campo worked on Wall Street until the stock market crash of 1989 put him out of a job. An aspiring entrepreneur, he began developing several endeavors, but the initial need to channel profits back into the businesses found "The Italian Stallion" short of cash.

He "got his feet wet" dancing on an amateur basis for private parties. When a fellow Union High graduate introduced him to Steve Lyons of Centerfolds in 1994, Campo took advantage of the opportunity to join a professional group.

"As you continue to work out and then you get some professional people approaching you, you never thought that was possible until you start to make money on how you look."

Campo's business expertise was not lost on Lyons, who had run Centerfolds singlehandedly for more than 17 years. Lyons gave promotional and marketing responsibilities to Campo.

"I don't know if you'd call it full-time, but I'm much more involved in it than I ever thought I would be. When I got in, I was a fresh mind, and really excited about what was going on."

Centerfolds management is especially concerned about the image the group presents.

"It's tough because there's a certain image of male dancers. The best way to keep a positive attitude about it, and to have people have a good image of us, is to have them come and see the show in the first place." If this is impossible, videos of Centerfolds shows are available.

"And also meeting myself and Steve. We're not just two guys from the gym who just want to take our clothes off and go out and pick up a couple of phone numbers for the night. This is, in no uncertain terms, a business for us."

Campo and Lyons take great care to develop shows that attract and maintain attention while entertaining the audience.

"Each dancer has their own particular personality that we stress that they should portray on the stage. You start off with the person's individual personality. And me, looking very Italian, I do a Godfather act, I do a couple of Italian acts, so I am billed as 'The Italian Stallion.'"

Acts are also built around the



A.J. Campo, 'The Italian Stallion' raises heart rates and funds at the Haledon Police Athletic League fundraiser. To see more of Campo and Centerfolds Star-Studded Male Revue, call (908) 687-4470.

dancer's personal credits, such as performing for film or television, or posing in magazines. "From that, we build a persona for each guy."

Campo listed many ways an act can be constructed, such as basing it on a particular song, or on a character like a construction worker or "Phantom of the Opera." A great deal of time and trouble is taken to perfect the act, according to the dancer, by making sure costumes, music, and performances are just right.

"The set we normally do is any-

where from three to four minutes; we have to portray that character in a very short period of time. The costumes and the music have to be right on, because we're not up there for too long before the clothes come off. So, it's got to be quick."

Campo says an act is performed an average of five times before it is perfected. "And a couple of times it bombs, because it just may be a song doesn't fit right, a song may be too long or may be too short, or the girls may not understand what it is or what

it's about." The group works with disc jockeys and choreographers to keep the acts on track.

Proper conduct is paramount. "We stress professionalism."

"I approach everybody that we are there for fun. It's nice, clean fun. It has to do with attitude. You have to approach it with a sense of class, a sense of class when you go up to somebody, to stay within that line of being dull and being very sensual without doing things that are offensive to people. Sitting on a person's lap, or giving them a hug, or having them put their hands on your chest, there's nothing wrong with that. But there are certain times when you can cross that line. That's what deems a person a professional, when they are able to walk that line and not go overboard either way."

I related this comment to my memory of a moment at the PAL function when Lyons first waltzed an elderly lady around the dance floor, then picked up a younger lady, laid her on the floor, and did pushups over her while she giggled uncontrollably. Campo nodded in agreement.

"You learn to tell, when you approach somebody, by their faces, by their actions, the way they react to you, how far you can go with them. If you see they're a little nervous but they're open, you might push the envelope a little bit. If you see they're not really into it, you just say thank you, give them a little kiss, and you walk away. It comes with experience."

"We don't want to offend anybody, we want them to walk away having enjoyed the show."

Campo says Lyons makes a special point of focusing on the reason the group goes to so much trouble — the ladies in the audience.

"Since 90 percent of our business is bachelorette parties, he likes to focus certain girls and why they're there. They're there for a special reason, if there's a birthday girl, a divorcee, a bachelorette. Believe it or not, to a lot of our shows, younger generation girls will bring their older grandmothers who are turning 80. Steve many times pulls women up on stage that are 83, 84, 85-years-old."

Campo remembered one particular show when Lyons did the jitterbug with an 85-year-old guest.

"He had us all come out and give her a hug, and she got on the mike and said, 'If I die tomorrow, I'll know I went to heaven today.'"

Campo squirmed slightly in his seat when I asked if he is ever uncomfortable with women putting money in his G-string.

"I'm pretty comfortable with getting money, but it's something you become used to. At first, it's a little intimidating, it's a little nerve-racking, but, again, it's just a business. You maintain a certain professional level, that's where your comfort zone is, because you know it's a job."

"And you also know that the person on the other end is having a good time, too. So, you know there's something gained by all parties."

Does Campo ever encounter people who turn up their nose at the way he makes his living?

"There's a few people who haven't been at the shows, that when they hear what I do, they're very judgemental about it, or ignorant about it, until they take the time to talk to me, and find out that I'm laughing all the way to the bank!" the dancer laughed.

"What I hear is a lot of women saying, 'It's about time. For years women

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Young director comes to Union to live the dream

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Agustin Fernandez has traveled a long, long way — both literally and figuratively. A Cuban native, he arrived in the United States undecided as to the path his life would take. Now he is an actor and a writer with an important message about what he has learned along the way: He is currently directing a comedy play, "The Drone Age" at The Grove Street Playhouse in New York City. No matter how you look at it, this Union resident's success story seems nothing less than magical.

I met Fernandez at Van Gogh's Ear, a charming and unique coffee house in the heart of Union Center. Over herbal tea and cappuccino, we talked about how far he has traveled to find himself.

Born in Cuba, Fernandez moved to Miami in 1982. "I'm Cuban, everybody Cuban moves to Miami," he laughed.

Fernandez spent his youth doing what young people have done for centuries — searching for his path in life. The search took him to many places, into the Marine Corps, and finally to Union in 1989, where he enrolled in Kean College with the intention of going on to law school.

In 1993, Fernandez took an acting class in the hope that it would help him with litigation. He had no idea that this simple decision would lead him to earning the lead role of "Paul" in Kean's production of "A Chorus Line."

"So here I am, dancing and singing, and just a few months before I was a

marine. I wasn't spoiled yet with all that acting class stuff, so it came out natural, and I guess that's what he was looking for, the director, that is. I just did it, you know. I think, whatever, it just worked."

It worked well enough for Fernandez to stand out from the chorus line and be noticed by a performing arts manager, who approached the young man about becoming a professional actor. He booked Fernandez for a one-man show called "After Murdering a Black Family in Scarsdale," which was performed at the La Tea Theatre in NYC in 1994. After that, according to Fernandez, "I quit everything and just started doing that."

And it is no wonder that Fernandez made the decision to concentrate solely on his art, because it has kept him very busy. In the past three years he has appeared in six plays, four limited distribution films, and had three television roles. Fernandez had an opportunity to work with Jerry Stiller and Anne Meara in the film "Celebrity." Soap fans may remember him as "Robert," friend to character Tad Martin on ABC's "All My Children," and as "Jose," one of the newly introduced Hispanic characters on "One Life to Live." Most recently, Fernandez portrayed drug dealer "Ross-Morales" on an episode of the prime time show "Law and Order" which aired last month.

He's also done several commercials, and said he had the most fun doing spots for WKTU FM radio. His face appears on posters in subway stations, on the sides of busses and on television.

"That was fun. All I did was dance and bug out."

Fernandez just finished a starring role in "Nick," a soon-to-be released independent film, and is in pre-production for the film "Birds of Prey." Meanwhile, he has written two films, one of which was a silent film called "Paloma," and two plays. His most recent, "Nice Dogs," will be performed as part of a double feature with "The Drone Age." Lastly, Fernandez has just been hired to write a screenplay.

And as if this were not enough success for any one person, Fernandez has come full circle to his newest challenge — directing. "The Drone Age" author Ron Yacovetti also co-produced Fernandez's one-man show, and the two stayed in touch while pursuing individual creative endeavors. According to Fernandez, when he read the script for Yacovetti's "The Drone Age," he immediately knew he wanted to direct it.

Through his art, Fernandez has discovered that he is socially conscious and has endeavored to project some of his opinions in his writing. However, what he finds refreshing about "The Drone Age" is that it is a departure from that.

"My show has nothing to do with a kind of ethnicity or racism, it doesn't say black, white, Hispanic; it doesn't say anything. 'The Drone Age' is a comedy about technology, and how technology is making us lazy, sitting at home with the remote."

Although Fernandez gives much

credit to Yacovetti, who also stars, the young director is excited about the way he feels he has shaped the production.

"He talks about things that we take for granted in everyday life, and it makes you realize, 'Oh, my God, I DO do that, I can't believe I'm doing that. And it's a really good script, and he is really, really funny with it."

"But the brilliance of it is, it's not a preachy show at all. You don't get the feeling he's preaching at you. He's just venting a little bit and talking, and it's so funny."

Fernandez wrote and stars in the second half of the double feature, "Nice Dog." The characters are a man, a woman, and a dog. When I assumed he was playing the man, Fernandez teased me, saying, "No, I'm the dog."

"They're both kind of the same, the man and the dog, that's the point. There's a method to our madness!" he laughed.

While exploring his creative side, Fernandez realized a few truths about doing comedy productions. Always attracted to productions with a message, he told of injecting comedy into his work as early as his one-man-show.

"I think that relaxes people, you know, when you sneak it in. I think the best way to get to people is to make them laugh, you know, you break them down."

"This show doesn't preach, but it does make you think a little bit, and if

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Artist turns scientific process into an art form

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

The fields of art and science blend about as easily as oil and water. Most visual artists wouldn't touch anything remotely scientific with a 10-foot paintbrush. In spite of this, many contemporary artists find themselves to be dissatisfied with traditional materials, exhibited by numerous experiments with mixing of media, or even the combining of paints to form a new visual form. This year, one artist dared to go where traditionalists fear to tread. After a long and dynamic career as an artist and musician, Christine Dolinich-Matuska has turned scientific imaging into a creative process.

Matuska, a Rahway native, met me in the lobby of the Union County Arts Center in Rahway, where her work can be seen through Monday. As coordinator of visual arts shows at the arts center, it turns out that her exhibit was a replacement for another artist who had to cancel at the last minute. Having heard a great things about Matuska's work, I was glad the scheduling conflict had resulted in an opportunity to view her exhibit, and surprised to learn about the scientific spin which characterizes her recent efforts.

Having worked in mixed media since 1973, Matuska has quite a resume. Her work has been featured in regional and national exhibitions in Los Angeles, Delaware and Houston, as well as museums and university galleries in New Jersey. A graduate of

Douglass College, she spent a year in England studying at Oxford University, and also studied at Westminster Choir College and Rutgers Innovative Center for Printmaking. She has worked as a critique leader for the Union County Teen Arts Festival since 1986 and as a professional evaluator for the Union County Arts Grants Committee. Linden residents may remember her music school, Linden Music Studio, which was located on Wood Avenue approximately 15 years ago. Landlord expansion forced Matuska to move the school, renamed Union County Conservatory, to her hometown.

Matuska said that she has always worked with mixed media, taking time to explore myriad creative possibilities. From works as small as a few inches in height to pieces 6 to 8 inches tall, the results are visual and textual explorations. This summer, Matuska discovered an imaging process called dyesublimation printing, originally designed for medical procedures such as endoscopy. The potential for expansion of her current media works caught her innovative eye.

"I didn't really have an interest that much in computer-generated images, but when I saw this equipment, what was attractive to me was the quality of the images. It was so accurate in terms of reproducing half-tones and clear lines. But also, it's such a hands-on thing, because each one of these is done by hand. I take the print that I make, which I can manipulate size-wise; I can change the size or use a

cross-section of it, and blow it up and manipulate the colors. But then once I get that result, I tape the print on in different ways, and press it by hand. I feel that natural gesture is important to my work, so that even in a printing process, it has to involve that."

Matuska purchased the state-of-the-art medical equipment, and for this artist, dyesublimation printing has become like an extension of her paintbrush.

"It's incredibly accurate. All of the detail is picked up."

She described the printing process, in which dye pigments are transferred from a solid to a gaseous state while bypassing liquid form. To use the equipment, Matuska takes a piece of art and scans it with a video scanner. The result is similar to a photographic print, except it is composed of dye pigments. Then, a heat and pressure process is utilized to print each piece onto the background of choice.

"And I'm printing them on all sorts of things, paper, canvas, even objects such as these steins," Matuska said eagerly, a little surprised and relieved at her success with equipment which wasn't designed for her purposes. Her latest experiment involved reproducing her images on a wood surface, also a success.

"The clarity is really incredible. What's interesting about it, too, is that I have work of all different types, mixed media constructions, works on

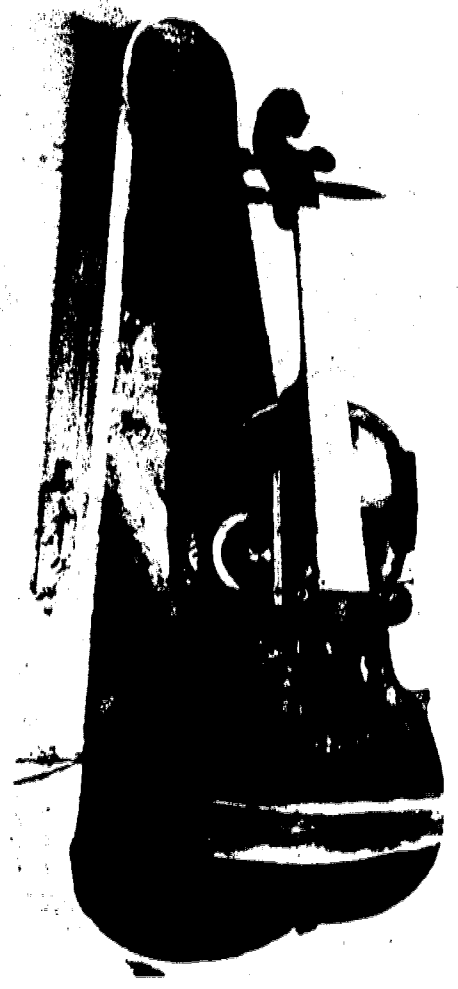
paper, all different sizes, and it's kind of a way to tie them all together and use them in a new way. The resulting pieces fit together as a group, and yet they are from totally different types of work."

Some examples of works the artist has transferred with dyesublimation are "Blue Nile," a three-dimensional work consisting of branches attached to wood and colored paper, collage and acrylic. Another sizeable work, "Rattle and Rattle Rest," was made from a violin and violin case. Matuska turned the violin into a rattle, attaching bells, crystals and sheet music, among other things. Both works have been reproduced onto several different backgrounds using the dyesublimation process, including ceramic steins which the artist proudly displayed.

"I use a lot of found materials. I've always liked working with found materials for many reasons. First of all, they're personal in that they're kind of one-of-a-kind things, like these branches. And yet, in a way, it adds another dimension that the branches had a history of their own. They bring their own history to the work and I think the feeling of those objects comes through in the work, and I think even in the prints."

According to the artist, art has been a part of her life since before school age. Matuska's father, a retired design-

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"Rattle and Rattle Rest" is a work of art reproduced onto a series of surfaces through dyesublimation printing. This piece and other works by Christine Dolinich-Matuska can be seen at Union County Arts Center through Monday. For information, call (908) 499-8226.

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DINING REVIEW

November 21, 1996
LIBERTY PUB
Homey atmosphere surrounded by friendly staff.

By Rande Bayer-Spittel
Staff Writer
Looking for a bite to eat in a homey atmosphere surrounded by friendly staff? Try Liberty Pub. The pub is located in downtown Hillside in the same building as Liberty Manor, just off Liberty Avenue.

The pub is a true sports bar with two pool tables, a dart board and sports murals painted on the walls. It also features a good selection of beer, with everything from Budweiser to Molson in bottles and a good selection of beer on tap including Red Wolf, Wyenlite and Coors as well as full drink service.

But what is new at the pub is Carol's Kitchen.

The kitchen now offers lunch and dinner at the pub with daily blackboard specials and a menu featuring sandwiches and delicious hot buffalo wings.

Last Thursday, the special was homemade meatloaf, believe it or not, not an easy dish to make well. This old staple of the suburban kitchen gets people opinionated, and I must say Carol's is

better than my grandmother's. Not an easy thing to do. The special had a generous serving and, at under \$6, was just the right price. But for those in the mood for more traditional bar fare, try the buffalo wings. The wings were hot and spicy, just right to be washed down by a good mug of cold beer.

Carol's Kitchen has been open only a few weeks, so look for the menu to expand.

The menu features traditional sandwiches and burgers, and there is nothing on the menu over \$6.

Carol's Kitchen has been open only a few weeks, so look for the menu to expand and change to suit the needs of the crowd.

A quiet place to get a good sandwich for lunch, the pub turns into a rowdier place at night.

Featuring drink specials and live entertainment on Thursday,



Photo By Ted Matthews
Nadine, left, and Melissa Gaitka are bartenders at Liberty Pub in Hillside.

Friday and Saturday nights, the bar offers a good place to get away from the grind with friends and, best of all, no cover charge.

So if you can't get down to the shore but you feel the need for good music, good friends and

good food, head across town to the Liberty Pub, where a good time is had by all.....

This column is intended to inform our readers about dining opportunities in the area

FALL DINING Out on the **TOWN**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Dancers seek opportunities to raise funds for groups

(Continued from Page B3) were exploited, now it's the women's time to exploit the men."

Campo became more serious as he discussed how he would like to give something back to the women who make the revue a success. He hopes to attract the attention of The Make-A-Wish Foundation, The Coalition for Battered Women, and foundations supporting breast cancer research.

He reported revenue from the PAL fundraiser to be between \$2-\$3,000 net profit, adding that the group raised nearly \$10 thousand for an AIDS fundraiser.

Centerfolds has appeared on the Donahue, Sally Jessy Raphael and Gerardo talk shows, and has been featured in two Lifetime cable television specials. The group was interviewed on 103.5 FM radio, and performed at the opening of a ladies fitness center. Centerfolds dedicates every appearance to Rosie O'Donnell, in the hope

of garnering an invitation to appear on her show.

"We always liked Rosie, and Rosie's from Long Island, and we wanted to go out as guys from Long Island. Plus, Rosie has that type of personality that she would be able to accept this, and have fun with it, as opposed to maybe Barbara Walters, who might be a little stiff about it. Rosie would have a blast with it, and that's what we want, we want the whole atmosphere to be fun."

Future goals include obtaining a nightclub of their own, or at least a regular location in New Jersey to facilitate fundraiser appearances.

But regardless of the size and scope of the opportunities offered Campo, he remains selective about his commitments. He turned down an offer to pose for Playgirl magazine because the scene he was to appear in "lacked class."

"I always believe in being a gentleman. If you do it with style and class and grace, no one can fault you for it."

For now, Campo will continue to earn his living with style and class and grace — and business savvy. He will continue to appear with the rest of Centerfolds Star-Studded Male Revue — Danny, Joey D. and Anthony — at the Escape Supper Club in Long Island every Friday and Saturday, and at any fundraising functions that come along.

But for how long? "Male dancing — I don't know. The entertainment business — I hope forever, in some way, shape, or form."

I have only one thing to say about the form of A.J. Campo's entertainment. Nice butt.

'Pirates' converge on Linden High School

Dozens of excellent operatic voices echoed through the new showcase auditorium Saturday night at Linden High School when the Ridgewood Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company performed "The Pirates of Penzance."

The nearly-full auditorium, containing youngsters to senior citizens, proved that Mayor John T. Gregorio and the Cultural and Heritage Committee of Linden and Armando Canda, chairman, can cultivate the need for higher entertainment in Union County.

The audience, in a constant state of mirth, applauded the crazy antics of W.S. Gilbert, who wrote the book for "The Pirates of Penzance," or as it is known, "The Slave of Duty," and the marvelous music of Arthur Sullivan.

In colorful costumes, the opera company gleefully enacted the absurd story of Frederic, the pirate apprentice, who, in the name of Queen Victoria, was quite by accident legally bound to pirates rather than pilots. His nursery maid, hard of hearing, was to apprentice Frederic to becoming a pilot of a ship, but instead turns him into a pirate. At the age of 21, of course, after

Theater View

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

fulfilling his contract, he is to go his own way, except for the fact that his birthday falls on Feb. 29. And so, as a Leap Year baby, he is unreasonably bound to the pirates until he is 84-years-old.

Also, this young man, searching for a maiden of 17, discovers Major-General Stanley, who appears with about 18 pretty daughters, and Frederic has quite a selection.

These professional performers, directed by Edward Schmiedecke, conductor, and Gregory R. Parvin and Amy Eckert, respective stage and assistant stage directors, were evidently quite at home in both Act 1, in a rocky sea-shore on the Coast of Cornwall, and Act 2, a ruined chapel by moonlight.

One of the numbers, familiar to audiences, sounded like "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here," from

which, no doubt, the song originated, and the other songs were equally delightful.

Kevin A. Conn, who plays the major-general, and the father of 18 or more daughters, was exceptionally funny — particularly in his effeminate, delicate song and dance routines. Troy Gordon as the Pirate King was a comical character, as was John B. Holmboe as Samuel, the lieutenant. Jack Strangefeld as sergeant of police, with his marvelously funny face, was especially amusing.

Saturday was a most unusual evening of theater, and Gregorio and the Cultural and Heritage Committee of Linden are to be commended. Three years ago, the Ridgewood Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company successfully performed Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado" in the newly-renovated auditorium of Linden High School. After the success of the second and most popular "The Pirates of Penzance," perhaps next season, we will see another of the dozen or more musical productions of Gilbert and Sullivan. This reviewer is certainly looking forward to such a future event.

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You're really on top of things this week—you can do no wrong! Push hard for what you want. Even if you need to go out of your way, now is the time to do it. You're generally sort of shy, but you begin to let your guard down. Get excited—your dreams are finally within your grasp!

GEMINI May 22-June 21

It may be time to seek an expert's advice on a recurring problem. You've handled it on your own long enough. A friend will try to repay an old debt this week—let him or her do it. It's been put off long enough. This weekend is the perfect time to put a romantic plan into effect.

CANCER June 22-July 22

Go for team objectives early in the week. A friend may be able to help in an area you can't, so don't be afraid to toss the ball if you get stuck. It's time to get paperwork done that you've been putting off. Getting started is half the battle!

LEO July 23-August 23

Your boss may overload you this week—hang in there. It's the perfect time to show your stuff! You'll also be gaining experience that will eventually be beneficial. Be thankful and keep your energy level up!

VIRGO August 24-September 22

It's time to shine early in the week at work—you can do no wrong! Push hard for what you want. Even if you need to go out of your way, now is the time to do it. You're generally sort of shy, but you begin to let your guard down. Get excited—your dreams are finally within your grasp!

LIBRA September 23-October 23

Put your house in order this week. Unexpected guests may surprise you this weekend. You'll feel better if you're prepared. Spend some time with your mate. He or she may be feeling a bit neglected lately because of your hectic schedule.

SCORPIO October 24-November 22

It's time to make a move at work that you've been contemplating for a long time. You've got nothing to lose. Don't wait until late in the week; complications will arise. You've made mistakes before; now use what you've

learned from them. A relative inspires you.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Your mate is no help in your present dilemma. He or she seems to be unable to relate. Don't worry—it is only an isolated incident. It is best to avoid an argument and handle your problems on your own this week.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 20

The beginning of a romantic adventure is right around the corner. It may be what you've been waiting for. Take the time to relax while you can—your moments of leisure may soon be few and far between!

AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

Your mornings could be tough this week, but don't worry. You know how to handle it. Put those good organizational skills to work. Old methods will work best for new problems. Start a new novel. It may be the best therapy to ease your mind.

PISCES February 19-March 20

You and your coworkers make a great team this week. You're finally starting to work together to your benefit. You'll all be in a productive mood, and a lot will be accomplished. There is still a slight conflict between you and a close relative. Do your best to smooth it over.

Artist sublimate scientific printing process

(Continued from Page B4) ner for an engineering corporation, taught his daughter perspective by showing her how to draw on isometric paper. She went on to study art extensively, pursuing part of her education in England. The contrast between what she learned abroad and at home sowed the seeds for her current form of disciplined experimentation. "I think I had an unusual background in a way, because when I spent the year at Oxford, the approach was very different from the training I was getting in the United States. And it was a more traditional kind of approach, where every day for about 4 hours we would sit and sketch from life. Over here, it was a more experimental approach right from the start, at least at the college level. Not that it wasn't disciplined here," she added. "But it was a different kind of discipline."

because it teaches you to observe. And it really makes you focus, because you have to sit there and study it, and I think that's important."

Matuska says she also learned discipline from the study of music, which began at the age of 5.

"It teaches you discipline and it teaches you gradual building. It's a steady kind of discipline. I think it helps you become more thorough, too, about exploring different avenues."

The musical influence is apparent in the multiple exposure of "Rattle and Rattle Rest," and in "For Debussy," an artistic interpretation of one of Matuska's favorite tunes. Sheet music is interspersed with colors on a paper background through the dyesublimation process. The colors in this print differ from the original work, and she explained the result as intentional, another byproduct of her avid experimentation. "Technicians of the Sacred," is a large work Matuska said was inspired by a group of instruments from a South American jungle. She reduced the size of the work and

reproduced it on canvas and on a stein through dyesublimation. To conflict a lot with the ornamentation."

In addition to the creative work that can be done with dyesublimation, Matuska has discovered a practical aspect as well. Her neatly-sized reproductions are well suited for display at the arts center.

"It's a wonderful space, and I think it's really a better space for smaller work, because the larger work tends

Because of her lengthy and diverse career, Matuska is considering a retrospective exhibit in the future. Matuska's printed steins are on display at American Art Forms gallery in Freehold. The artist will be on hand to discuss her print exhibit tomorrow and Nov. 29 between noon and 2 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. A reception is planned for Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. The exhibit may also be viewed before and after performances at the theater, and at other times by appointment. For information, call the Union County Arts Center at (908) 499-8226.

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Sincere, attractive professional, 47 years old, blonde, 5'7", 135 lbs. Looking for a long term relationship. BOX 12919

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57 yr old, 5'5" black female. Looking for a educated and employed black male, 21 to 26, with a medium build for friendship. BOX 14638

ENERGETIC FEMALE
Attractive, divorced black female, 5'8" 120 lbs, 139 pounds, mother of three. Enjoy dining, movies, shopping, theater, and more. Looking for a good looking, kind, caring, honest, sincere, romantic, handsome, muscular, black male, 27 to 45. BOX 14853

LET'S TALK
Single 19 year old full figured black female. Looking for a single black male, 19 to 26, for friendship. Enjoy pool, sports, music, and more. BOX 14921

A HAPPY PERSON
37 yr old, 5'8", non smoking, non drinker. Looking for a single, friendly, 5'7" or taller, for friendship and a possible long term relationship. BOX 39729

2ND GRADE TEACHER
35 year old never married, attractive, slim, petite, outgoing female. Seeking an outgoing, fit, Jewish male, 30 to 45, who is a non smoker, good humored, loves sports, doesn't mind a frugal, and has a positive self image. BOX 10786

LONELY LADY
33 year old single mother of three. Looking for a handsome gentleman who enjoys soft music, dancing and dining, and more. Give me a call. BOX 15284

SIGNIFICANT OTHER
38 yr old Attractive single Jewish professional female, 5'4" and 108 lbs. I am financially and emotionally independent, childless and a non smoker. Seeking a fit, single, white male, 40 to 55, who is a non smoker and drug-free, for a long term relationship. Essex County. BOX 14693

ZEST FOR LIFE
Attractive, active, slim, 41 yr old, divorced white professional female. Have many interests. Missing that special someone. Seeking a romantic, good natured, professional white male. BOX 15367

IT THE BILL?
Attractive 40 year old white female, 5'7" and 110 pounds. Looking for a healthy, fit, professional white male, 40 to 50, with a medium build, for friendship and a possible long term relationship. BOX 39568

LOVE LIFE!!
Very attractive 40 yr old single black professional woman 5'5" and 140 pounds. Looking for a honest, good physical condition, financially sound, who enjoys life, fun, the arts, the theatre, movies, skiing and more. BOX 39591

TENDER FEMALE
Attractive, divorced female, 45, 5'4" and 125 pounds. Enjoy dining, the outdoors, dining out and more. Looking for an intelligent white male, 46 to 54, for a long term relationship. BOX 15720

GOOD NATURED FEMALE
23 year old single white female, 5'4" and 105 pounds. Enjoy talking, reading, dancing, quiet times and more. Looking for a marriage minded white male, 26 to 32. BOX 15725

A SIGNIFICANT OTHER
Low maintenance, single, 45, 5'4" and 108 lbs. I am financially and emotionally independent. Looking for a fit, single, white male, 40 to 55, for a long term relationship. No drugs or smokers. BOX 39695

FUN LOVING FEMALE
Down to earth 44 year old female, 5'8" and 135 pounds. Enjoy dining out, riding, cooking, walking, theatre and quiet times at home. Looking for a tall, attractive male, 6' and over, 45 to 55, who is a non smoker, and sincere. BOX 37475

THE BEAUTY OF WINTER
54' female with brown hair and hazel eyes. I'm attractive, intelligent and caring. Enjoy good conversation, walking, concerts, movies, the theatre and more. If you are a white male, 40 to 57, someone fun loving, easy going and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining, movies, going out and in, NYC. Atlantic City, and more. BOX 39268

BE MY KING
28 year old queen sized, single black female. I am adventurous, spontaneous, fun loving, energetic, and loving. Enjoy movies, dining out, quiet nights at home and more. Looking for a single white male, 28 to 37, for a long term relationship. BOX 39776

FULL OF LIFE
29 year old full figured, single, hispanic female. Looking for a single male who enjoys movies, dancing, movies, amusement parks and more. If this sounds like you, please leave me a message. BOX 15111

GOOD NATURED GAL
Attractive 38 year old divorced white female, 5'5" and mother of two. Enjoy dining and romantic. Looking for a single or divorced white professional male, 36 to 45, who is a non smoker with a great sense of humor. BOX 36670

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
38 year old single white female with no children. Looking for a man who would rather go fishing than play tennis. Enjoy travel, art, music, movies and more. BOX 37557

WANNA KNOW MORE?
46 yr old, 5'7", non smoking, attractive white professional female. Enjoy life, laughter, good times, dancing, theater, etc. Seeking a good looking, intelligent, romantic, professional. Must be honest and serious about a monogamous relationship. BOX 11212

BACK TO THE BASICS
Seeking single white male, 45-60, who is unfit, unattractive and enjoys the simple things in life. Must have tennis and love fishing. I smoke and drink a lot of coffee. BOX 12710

JUST CALL ME UP!
19 year old Christian and attractive, 5'8" female. Seeking a Christian male, 19-23, 5'8" and up. BOX 39914

SENSE OF HUMOR
Single attractive, intelligent, slim brunnette female, 5'10" and late 40s. Enjoy travel, art, music, movies, and sports. Seeking a college graduate who is intelligent, sincere, fun loving and who shares the same interests as mine. Call BOX 39580

SWEET AND SINCERE
47 year old single black female, 5'8" and 140 pounds. Looking for a serious, single, white male, 30 to 45, for a long term relationship. Must be 200 pounds for friendship and a possible relationship. Enjoy dining out, quiet evenings at home, movies, walking in the park and more. BOX 36816

OUTGOING LADY
Very pretty single Jewish female, 29, 5'7" and 125 pounds. I'm gentle, compassionate, cheerful, down to earth, affectionate with old fashioned morals and values. Enjoy cooking, movies, sports, book stores, picnics, and quiet, romantic evenings. Looking for a nice, single white Jewish or Christian male with similar moral values. BOX 37117

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Divorced white female looking for a gentleman, 58 and over, for companionship. If you're interested, please give me a call. BOX 16000

ENERGETIC LADY
44 year old, 5'8" single white female. I'm athletic and active. Enjoy dining, movies and more. Looking for a non smoking, single white male for a long term relationship. BOX 16090

RESCUE ME...
Very attractive, petite female secretary. Looking to be dragged away from a boring office by a very attractive male, 26 to 36, with long dark hair, an intriguing mind and lots of energy. BOX 16090

CULTURED FEMALE
Professional 40 year old divorced black female who is vibrant, honest, caring and witty. Enjoy movies, dining, dancing and quiet times at home. Looking for a single or divorced, professional male, 40 to 50, who is a non smoker and drug free. Possible long term relationship. BOX 39729

LOVING & TENDER LADY
38 yr old, 5'7" single white female. I'm athletic and active. Enjoy dining, movies, and more. Looking for a single white male, 30 to 43, with similar interests for a long term relationship. BOX 39974

LOOKING FOR MR RIGHT
Professional 45 year old single black female, outgoing, caring, attractive and financially independent. Looking for a professional, single black male, 45 to 52, 6' or taller, 180 to 230 pounds, with good physical fitness and a possible long term relationship. BOX 39974

SEEK A HONEST MALE
Attractive 25 year old black female and mother of two. Looking for a man, 23 to 30, who enjoys talking, walking, conversation, movies, quiet times at home and more. If you are interested, please leave me a message. BOX 39987

TALKATIVE FEMALE
23 year old full figured black female. Enjoy walking, talking, going out and more. Looking for a single white male for a possible relationship. BOX 12345

I'M WAITING
19 year old African American who likes to sing and love. Looking for a black Christian male to sing with. Be a professional with and have fun. BOX 14918

FIRST TIME AD
Attractive single white mother, 27, 5'9" and 142 pounds. Looking for an attractive, single white male, 30 to 45, for friendship and a possible relationship. Enjoy dining, pool, romance and more. BOX 15134

LOOKING FOR YOU
Divorced 45, 200 pound Hispanic single female. Looking for a male, 20 to 40, who is good looking, educated, and enjoys dancing for friendship and more. BOX 15853

WILL YOU BE MINE?
30 year old single white male, 6'1" and 190 pounds. Enjoy dining, movies, dancing, the outdoors, movies, and more. Looking for a single white female, 26 to 45, for a long term relationship. BOX 14369

COMMITMENT MIND
Single white male from Essex County. Looking for a single female, of any race, for a long term relationship. BOX 39764

WELL BUILT MALE
Attractive 26 year old single male, 5'9" with dark brown hair and eyes. Personal trainer and graduate student. If you would like to know more about me, please leave me a message. BOX 39714

NEED A COMPANION
Recently divorced hardworking male. Enjoy dining out, the shore, quiet nights at home, and more. Looking for a female, 40 to 50, for friendship and a possible long term relationship. BOX 39155

APPLE PICKING MALE
Professional 37 single white male looking for a single white female, 27 to 37. Someone fun loving, easy going and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining, movies, going out and in, NYC, Atlantic City, and more. BOX 39268

HAPPY HALLOWEEN
Handsome and athletic build black male. Looking for an adventurous, fun, free, and uninhibited black female, single, 40 to 55, who has the holidays with BOX 39420

NATIVE CULTURE
51 year old looking for a Native American female with a strong, muscular build. Enjoy museums and much more. If you want to know more about me, please leave a message. BOX 39583

SOMETHING LONG TERM
Single black male, 41, 5'9", well built. Seeking a single, well educated or divorced female for a one-on-one, long term relationship. Want someone drug-free and domestic violence free. Seeking a female, 30 to 45. BOX 15756

GET TO KNOW ME...
39 yr old never married, childless, white male seeking a possible inter-racial relationship. I am clean cut, a non smoker, social drinker, good humored, 5'8" and weigh 185 lbs with a solid build. Enjoy spectator and participating sports, movies, dining out, football, good music, outdoors, etc. BOX 37718

PROFESSIONAL MALE
Single white professional male, 37, 5'9" and 175 pounds. Looking for a single white female, 27 to 37, who is easy going, romantic and family oriented. Enjoy dining in and out, Atlantic City, traveling, and the simple things in life. BOX 11527

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Divorced white male, 50, 6' and 215 pounds. Enjoy dining, movies, and more. Looking for a special lady who is sincere, level headed and has lots of crushed love. Hope to talk to you soon. BOX 14323

LOOKING FOR LOVE
27 year old single white male. Looking for a single white female with a female of any race. If you're interested, please leave a message. BOX 15409

ARE YOU FOR ME???
Bright Italian male, 5'7" with brown hair and eyes. Looking for a single white female who knows how to have fun. A lady who is attractive, fit and emotionally stable. Enjoy dining, movies, dining out, Sunday drives and more. BOX 15601

ARE YOU THE ONE?
22 yr old, single white male, 6'3", 220 lbs. Seeking a full figured single female of any race and age, who lives in the Essex County area. Enjoy dining, long walks, movies, sporting events, etc. Want a long term relationship. BOX 10780

BEING TOGETHER
Never married, 37 yr old, single white male, 5'11" and 165 lbs. Looking for a single white female, 27 to 37, who is outgoing and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining in and out, movies, romantic walks in the park, and more. BOX 40054

WHERE ARE YOU?
Seeking a full figured gal. My interests are movies, old cars from the 50's and 60's, etc. BOX 13971

SEEK SPECIAL LADY
40 year old single white male, 5'8 1/2" and 175 pounds. Looking for a single white female, 27 to 37, who is outgoing and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining in and out, movies, romantic walks in the park, and more. BOX 40054

LET'S HIBERNATE...
Together, 37 year old single white professional male. Looking for a single white female, 27 to 37, who is outgoing and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining in and out, movies, romantic walks in the park, and more. BOX 40054

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NIGHT ON THE TOWN
Single white male, age 37, 6' 180 pounds, good build and mustache. Hair, hazel eyes, and facial hair. Looking for a single white female, 30 to 45, who is outgoing and a romantic at heart. Enjoy dining in and out, movies, romantic walks in the park, and more. BOX 10780

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Director uses humor to connect with audience

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you're laughing it's just a lot easier to get you to open up."

Getting people to open up and break down barriers has been another process of discovery for Fernandez regarding his new role as director. He has discovered some special things about the role, and about himself.

"I think directing for me is a challenge. Sometimes when you explain something, you understand it as you are explaining it, even about yourself. With actors, I say 'You're up there and you need to be vulnerable,' and as I'm saying it I'm realizing that that stuff applies to me," Fernandez said excitedly, "and I'm forcing myself to look at things that I didn't want to look at before. And to break down barriers, like at some point an actor being conscious about his looks and I say 'You can't be conscious about your looks; don't be afraid to be ugly.' And it hits you in the face that you're afraid to be ugly every day of your life."

Fernandez is especially proud of Yacovetti's role in "The Drone Age," as he has seen his friend grow a great deal as a performer.

"Directing is being a dad. You know that he's making a mistake, but how you say it is going to make the difference between whether he can fix the mistake or not. And you have to make him feel like he's the greatest. You have to make them feel like they look good no matter what they do and that you are going to accept them no matter what. And then they become unafraid to take the chances, they become unafraid to go the distance for you, and that's when magical stuff happens."

"You start realizing all the mistakes your parents made," Fernandez said jokingly. Then he added more seriously, "And you start realizing all the great things your parents did, too."

Speaking of parenting brought Fernandez around to a social issue he feels very strongly about — allowing society to dictate what you can and cannot do with your life.

"I think the biggest mistake anyone can make with children is making them feel like they can't, making them feel bad. I have issues with welfare, I feel welfare creates that mentality of 'you can't,' and it's the same thing with the actors."

Fernandez has certainly not allowed anything to limit what he feels he can become.

"I don't think I'm stereotyped or I'm judged because I'm Hispanic. I'm an actor, and I'm a person who has the same problems as everybody else. It just so happens that I speak Spanish, and it just so happens that I'm a minority, but that doesn't make me any different. Working with Ron, who is totally white-bread American, he has a lot of the same problems that I have, which are just human issues."

But Fernandez does have a few things to say about the kind of roles he has typically been offered.

"I've played so many bad guys," he said. "I guess you've got to play the bad guys first."

Only a few of Fernandez's roles have departed from the stereotypical drug dealer/gangster. One such role was 'Armand' the gay hairdresser in "Celebrity."

"That was a lot of fun," Fernandez laughed.

"Sometimes you look at your mom, and she says, 'How come you are always the bad guy?' I say, well, you know, I'm working, but I ask myself sometimes, too."

"But I don't take it like that; I don't think it's a racist thing. If we want people to have different views about us, it's up to us to change that. I'm just there doing my job, and when I get a chance to have a voice, then somebody will have to form their opinion from when they hear me speak. That's why I'm doing my own stuff, because there are a lot of misconceptions with a lot of the roles out there."

"I've written movies about drug dealers, too," he added. "It's a reality, you know, but it's not all of us."

For Fernandez, real happiness being able express himself creatively.

"You know how when you're a little kid, you always wish you had magical powers. The other day, I'm walking in the city, and thinking, 'What if I had magical powers? What would I do?' It turns out what I would do is facilitate a way for me to keep making movies and making theater shows, and I realized I don't even need magical powers anymore."

Agustin Fernandez is not only in the process of becoming an actor, writer, and director. He is simply becoming.

"The Drone Age" and "Nice Dog" will be performed Monday and Tuesday at 8 p.m. at The Grove Street Playhouse, 39 Grove St., New York, NY. The show will be performed twice per month or more depending on response. For reservations and information, call (212) 604-4188.

'Mostly Music' holds concert this weekend

Mostly Music Chamber Series has opened its seventeenth season, presenting concerts in Maplewood and Westfield. Acclaimed violinist Ani Kavafian and Carter Brey, the newly-appointed principal cellist at the New York Philharmonic, will host five concerts at each location.

Carmit Zori was awarded top prize in the Nuamberg International Violin Competition and has an active career as soloist and chamber musician. Lawrence Dutton is the violinist of the Emerson String Quartet, one of the premier quartets of our time. Paul Neubauer is an Artist Member of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and tours internationally as a viola soloist and chamber artist.

Maplewood concerts will be held at Prospect Presbyterian Church, 646 Prospect St., on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. Westfield concerts take place at Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., on the same day at 8 p.m. Single tickets at the door are \$20, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for students. For information, call (201) 762-8486.

The next concerts are scheduled for Sunday.

Theater audition schedule

The following auditions are scheduled for the next few weeks:

- Sunday and Nov. 30 at 2 p.m. and Nov. 29 at 7:30, "Rehearsal For Murder," Westfield Community Players. Auditions will be held at the theater, 1000 North Ave. West, Westfield. Interested parties should call Director Deborah Dreyer at (908) 968-4940.

- Dec. 1, 4 - 7 p.m. and Dec. 2, 7 - 10 p.m., "La Cage Aux Folles," Union County Arts Center. Audition location is the theater, Irving Street, Rahway. For information, call (908) 499-0441.

- Dec. 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m., "Agatha Christie's 'Murder at the Vicarage,'" Carnival Productions. Audition location is El Bodegon

restaurant, 169 W. Main St., Rahway. For information, call Bill Van Sant or Wendy Cinquanta at (908) 388-0647.

- Dec. 15 at 3 p.m., "Cabaret," Linden Summer Playhouse. Audition location is the Reformed Church, Wood Avenue, Linden. For more information, call Andy King at (908) 518-1995.

Union band concert

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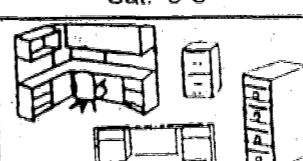
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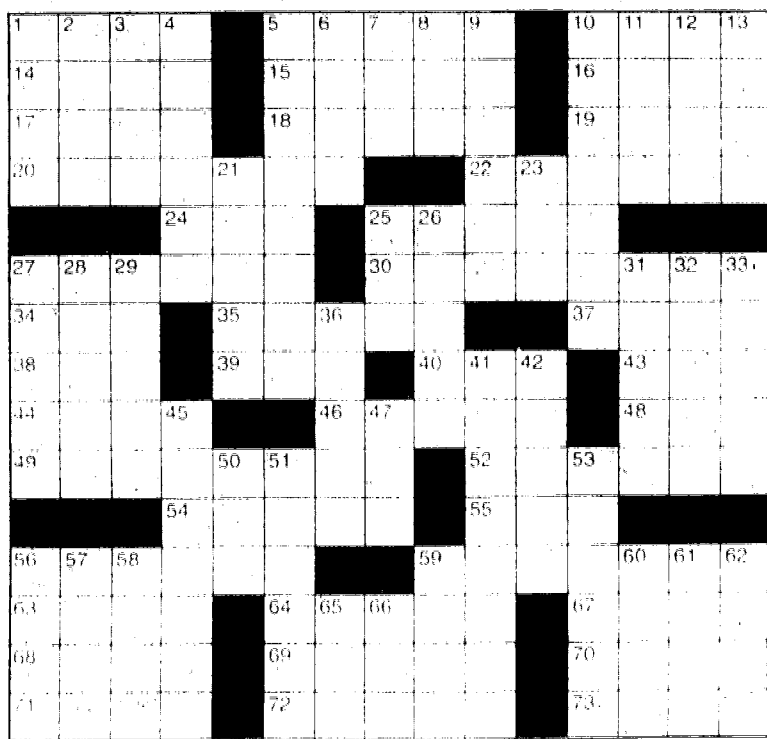
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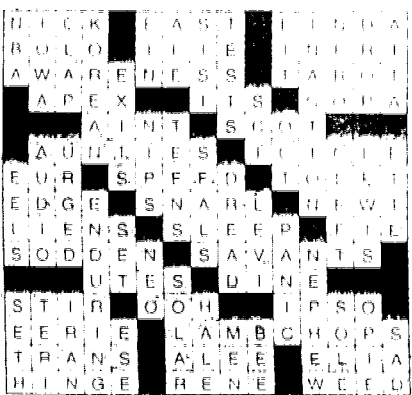
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:



Angel of mercy is tortured like the devil in 'Heaven's Prisoners'

When Phil Janou got out of film school, he, like other graduates, dreamed of one day making a big budget film. The only calling card he had was a student film he had directed. It seems that was all he needed. Only a couple of months into looking for work, he received a phone call at home from a powerful Hollywood hotshot.

"My mother told me Steven Spielberg was on the phone," Janou recalled. "I thought she was joking." She wasn't. Spielberg had seen Janou's student film and felt he deserved a shot at the big leagues. The result, Janou's silver screen debut, was the off-beat comedy "Three O'Clock High."

Stylish and fast-paced, the movie received mixed reviews and died at the box office. It has since become a home video cult hit. Since then, Janou has made, among others, "U2 — Rattle and Hum" and the great thriller "State of Grace," starring Ed Harris, Sean Penn and Gary Oldman. These films also received mixed reviews, and it is now apparent that Janou is not a critic favorite.

Still, he appears to be one of the most consistently solid directors around today. "Heaven's Prisoners" is Janou's fifth film and it is one of the year's most overlooked pictures. Alec Baldwin stars as a former detective who left the force because of the "problems," and now lives on the bayou and makes his money by running his own boat and bait shop. The trouble begins when he and his wife see a small plane crash a few hundred yards offshore.

Baldwin puts on some air tanks and dives to the rescue, but is only able to bring up one of the passengers, a young girl. He takes her to the authorities and a strange series of events begins to unravel, throwing Baldwin in the middle of drugs and murder. Strange people begin to pay him visits at odd hours, asking him for the location of the plane cargo. They also tell him to watch his step, and that maybe he should move.

Baldwin, having detective blood running through his veins, can't help but jump back into the clue game; and he starts snooping around. He begins to track down the people behind the plane ride and the cargo, and pays a visit to a local bar. It quickly becomes obvious that he should have taken the earlier advice because a couple of days later he is dragged into the woods by a man the size of a grizzly

The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

bear and beaten to a pulp. As he lays semi-conscious, another man comes out from behind a tree and tells Baldwin that if he doesn't keep his nose out of other people's business his head may become disconnected from his body. Oddly enough, the detective's blood is really pumping now and Baldwin, looking for more clues, calls on a childhood friend, Eric Roberts, to help him with some useful information. Roberts, though once a pal, is now a powerful crime boss who lives in a mansion with his sultry wife, played by Terry Hatcher.

Roberts advises Baldwin to drop the whole investigation; that it's not worth being thrown into a meatgrinder. Baldwin again ignores some sound advice and a few days later some thugs pay a visit to his home and send some bullets into his wife's head. The detective is both crushed and supercharged for revenge. A local stripper and friend, played by Mary Stuart Masterson, comes to his aid with sympathy and information.

The story twists on and on at a relentless pace with barely enough time to catch your breath. There's a well-done foot chase that has Baldwin and his target jumping across rooftops and tumbling down staircases. Terri Hatcher gives a charged performance as Robert's double-crossing moll.

Trivia Question: Name the Stanley Kubrick films which starred Kirk Douglas.

Answer: "Paths of Glory," "Spartacus."

New on video: "The Nutty Professor," comedy; "Mission Impossible," action; "Independence Day," action.

A resident of Mountinside, Jim Riffel is the author of "The Video Detective's Guide to the Top 100 Films of All Time."

RCHS play performance

The Roselle Catholic High School Performing Arts Club will present "A Midsummer's Night Dream" today through Saturday at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$8.00. For more information on tickets or directions, call 245-2350.

CRAFT

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 23, 1996
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ORGANIZATION: RCHS Mothers Club, 908-245-2350

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ORGANIZATION: Womens Fellowship of Battle Hill Moravian Church

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Film festival plans weekend retrospective

The New Jersey Film Festival has scheduled the following films for this week:

Friday
"Oscar Micheaux Retrospective: Body and Soul," 1924.

Oscar Micheaux reputation as the foremost producer, director and distributor of all-black films was firmly established between 1919 and the 1940's, and survives today despite the fact that nearly all his films are lost. "Body and Soul," one of his greatest films, stars Paul Robeson as a fire-and-brimstone preacher who exploits the deep religious faith of his poor black parishioners for his own gain.

Saturday
"Oscar Micheaux Retrospective: Murder in Harlem," 1935.

In Micheaux rarely-screened black murder mystery, a black lawyer and the woman he loves sleuth together to clear her brother's name after he is wrongfully accused of murder. An engaging film in the style of "The Wrong Man," and way ahead of its time.

Screening location for both above is Scott Hall #123, near the corner of College Avenue and Hamilton Street, College Avenue Campus, Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Tuesday
"Notorious," 1946, directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

After a decadent young woman marries a Nazi spy in order to obtain information for her intelligence agent lover, she drinks a poison that will slowly kill her, unless she is given an antidote in time. Sexually frank, nail-

bitingly tense and with an amazingly suspenseful climax, "Notorious" is a classic film from the master of suspense. Starring Ingrid Bergman and Cary Grant.

Screening location is Indigo Jones Coffee Bar, 369 George St., New Brunswick.

All film programs begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday shows are presented for no charge. Tickets to these shows cost \$5 for general public, \$4 for Rutgers Film Co-op/NJMAC Friends, and tickets may be purchased at 6:30 p.m.

The New Jersey Film Festival Fall 1996 is funded and sponsored in part by the Rutgers Film Co-op/New Jersey Media Arts Center, which offers this state's only media arts center with programming year round; offering over 100 annual film screenings and events. Founded in 1982, the Rutgers Film Co-op/New Jersey Media Arts Center draws thousands of viewers from throughout the state.

'Dreamgirl' in Elizabeth

The Elizabeth Playhouse will open "Dreamgirl" by Elmer Rice tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. It will run for five weeks on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. "Dreamgirl," not to be confused with the musical, is about young Georgina Allerton and her daily trials and tribulations.

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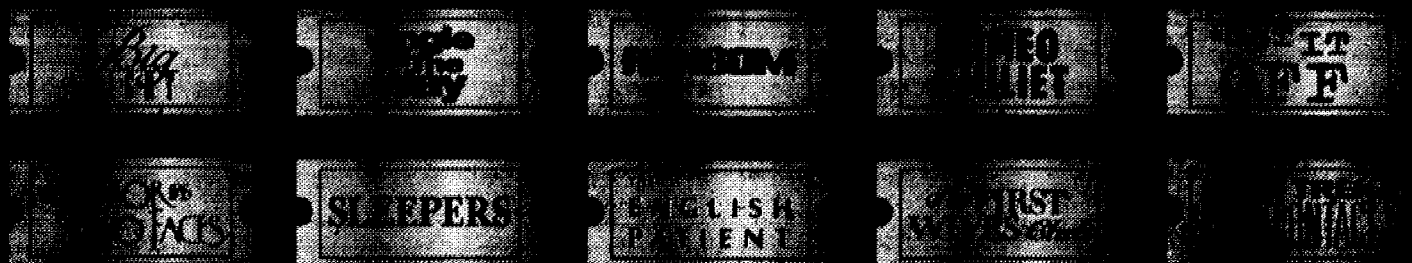
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- Baby Safety Seminar**
This seminar, taught by pediatric CPR instructors, teaches parents the basics of Infant CPR and baby-proofing the home.

For more information about any of these programs, or to register, call Women's Health Education at (201) 533-5360.

Same-day surgery center to open in the spring

Planning is progressing for the construction for the Overlook Hospital's John E. Reeves Ambulatory Surgery Center, which was approved by the New Jersey Department of Health in July. The Ambulatory Surgery Center, which is the beneficiary of funds raised at the hospital's 90th Anniversary Gala, will be a state-of-the-art center occupying 17,334 square feet in the hospital's Center for Community Health. The center is tentatively scheduled to open in the spring of 1997.

The new same-day surgery center, dedicated in memory of John E. Reeves in appreciation of his many lasting contributions to Overlook Hospital, will be a self-contained unit offering reception, registration, pre-surgical testing, private pre-operative waiting rooms, five same-day surgery operating rooms, one minor procedure room, a standard primary recovery room, and step-down stations. Additionally, there will be limited business services and administrative areas as well as staff and support areas such as locker rooms, restrooms, central processing sterile storage, and anesthesia.

The newer quarters will enable Overlook to handle the expected increase in patient volume, as well as improve the surgical experience for patients and their families. A growing number of Overlook's 15,000 annual surgical procedures are now performed on an outpatient basis. While ten years ago, 20% of the surgical cases were ambulatory; now, because of advances in minimally invasive procedures and increased pressure from payers to control costs, over 65% of Overlook's surgical cases are ambulatory.



On September 28, Overlook Hospital celebrated 90 years of service to the community at its "Wonderful World of Medicine and Magic" gala. Celebrating at the gala, front row, from left — Alicia Clarke, Arthur Johnson Regional High, Clark; Touby Drew, Summit High; JoAnn Gemenden, Bureau of Environmental Affairs head; Ben Laganga, Division of Emergency Management chief; Madeline Flahive, Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County; and Carol Dellolacchio, Election Board. Standing from left — John Boles, Affirmative Action head; Jennifer Applebaum, Arthur Johnson Regional High, Clark; Anthony Infantini and Yai-Dea Young, New Providence High.

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With the annual flu season on its way, parents should be advised that prolonged cold and flu symptoms in children during the upcoming winter may indicate a sinus infection or other more serious problem, reports Kenneth F. Garay, M.D., FACS, medical director of the Center for Sinus and Nasal Disease.

"Sinus infections are extremely common in children and can lead to more chronic difficulties if not promptly treated," explains Dr. Garay. "Any child with cold or flu symptoms that last a week or longer should be examined by a physician."

Dr. Garay states that child sinus infection symptoms tend to differ from experienced by adults. Common symptoms include persistent nasal discharge, post-nasal drip and cough that worsen when a child is sleeping or lying down, nasal-sounding speech, diminished sense of smell, sore throats, headaches and facial pain, bad breath and unpleasant taste in the mouth, and upper teeth soreness which may be present if maxillary or cheek sinuses are infected.

"Children who have symptoms for more than a month are deemed chronic and at risk for a host of problems," says Dr. Garay. "Young children with untreated chronic sinusitis may experience middle ear infections, stomach pain, nausea, and other manifestations."

The potential causes of sinus infections include breathing cold or dry air, severe allergies, enlarged tonsils, upper respiratory infections, and obstruction of the nasal passages.

Dr. Garay points out that this condition is not limited to children. Parents, because of their close contact with their children, run a greater risk of catching a cold or flu which may lead to a sinus infection if they ignore a worsening condition.

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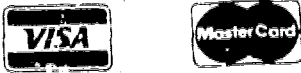
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Clark

Walter and Valentina Gabela sold property at 31 Colonial Drive to Teresa Reis for \$186,000 on Aug. 26.
Thomas and Alice M. Peteresak sold property at 2 Georglan Drive to Gregory D. Lindsey for \$142,000 on Aug. 27.
Elizabeth Bednar sold property at 724 Raritan Road to Mark Bednar for \$230,000 on Aug. 27.
William A. Miskowitz sold property at 5 Pine St. to Richard L. Duffy for \$210,000 on Aug. 27.
Daniel J. and Karen A. Shimkus sold property at 24 Kathryn St. to Andreas Meyer for \$171,000 on Aug. 29.

Elizabeth

Ileana Martinez sold property at 1012 North Ave. to Raul J. Guerrero for \$160,000 on Aug. 26.
Urban Resource Corporation sold property at 502 Fulton St. to Derrick Richardson for \$170,000 on Aug. 26.
Heygo Inc. sold property at 117 Franklin St. to Carlos Sosa for \$131,000 on Aug. 27.
Ford Consumer Finance Co. Inc. sold property at 517-519 S. Bond St. to Manuel Fernandez for \$80,000 on Aug. 29.
Ford Consumer Finance Co. Inc. sold property at 1026 Bond St. to Manuel Fernandez for \$80,000 on Aug. 29.
Chuk-Kwai Lau et al sold property at 14 Sayre St. to Manuel H. Ramos for \$155,000 on Aug. 29.
Donald J. and Susan Sheehan sold property at 1007 Fanny St. to Juan C. Verdon for \$100,000 on Sept. 3.
Marjorie A. Quick sold property at 150 Elm St. to Robert B. Staffa for \$85,000 on Sept. 4.

Hillside

Paul R. Garcia et al sold property at 857 Westminster Ave. to Daniel Santiago for \$114,000 on Sept. 3.
Audrey Malone sold property at 1529 Bond St. to Arobindo Erawoc for \$135,000 on Sept. 4.

Kathryn C. Hauck sold property at 1273 Robert St. to Romy Canepa for \$116,000 on Sept. 4.

Kenilworth

Warren and Michele Reino sold property at 303 N. 17th St. to William Dalton for \$132,000 on Aug. 28.
Andrew and Helen Shemchuk sold property at 320 N. 21st St. to Salvatore Candarella for \$176,000 on Aug. 29.
Alois and Helena Svitak sold property at 316 Coolidge Drive to John J. Swandrak for \$141,000 on Aug. 30.
George and Patricia Mazzueco sold property at 342 Beechwood Ave. to Steven Velestin for \$203,500 on Sept. 3.

Linden

Barbara Gomez sold property at 551 E. Curtis St. to Frank Savarino for \$120,000 on Aug. 29.
Samuel and Harriet Drapkin sold property at 12 Drapkin Ave. to Raya Falik for \$175,000 on Aug. 29.
Mary Yawomisky sold property at 414 Ainsworth St. to Elena Dunnege for \$95,000 on Aug. 29.
Charles and Kathleen Young sold property at 230 Morningside Ave. to James A. Sethman for \$167,500 on Aug. 29.
James A. and Jan M. Sethman sold property at 651 McGillvary Place to Randy Lopez for \$104,500 on Aug. 29.
Anna Sabawa sold property at 1316 Harding Ave. to Jitendra Patel for \$132,000 on Aug. 30.
Mary E. Pingor sold property at 18 Chatham Place to Daniel Cruz for \$110,000 on Aug. 30.
Stanley and Carol Stefanowicz sold property at 345 Morrilstown Road to Antonio Guerrero for \$202,000 on Sept. 6.
Teresa Fitz sold property at 319 Kennedy Drive to Joseph R. Alexander Jr. for \$111,000 on Sept. 6.

Mountainside

Joseph and Sharon Demato sold property at 130 Mountainview Drive to George Kepping for \$326,500 on Aug. 28.

Hillside

Arthur H. Prinz sold property at 151 Sunrise Parkway to Carlos Rothstein for \$190,000 on Aug. 29.
Ronald R. and Jeanne A. Salvo sold property at 320 Tanager Way to Michael Sottosanti for \$310,000 on Aug. 30.

Rahway

Marietta Parkin sold property at 348 Berthold Ave. to Rene C. Lopez for \$122,000 on Aug. 23.
Mary S. Nash sold property at 1437 New Church St. to Patrick R. Nash for \$131,040 on Aug. 23.
Kathleen George sold property at 254 Rudolph Ave. to James P. Algeo for \$146,500 on Aug. 23.
Kevin and Stefanie Oates sold property at 2248 Church St. to Jose Ferreira for \$116,000 on Aug. 23.
Louis and Betty Bartromo sold property at 253 Dukes Road to Joan C. Carroll for \$117,000 on Aug. 26.
Julia Goldstein et al sold property at 508 E. Milton Ave. to John M. Reaves for \$80,000 on Aug. 30.
Richard C. and Patricia M. Parker sold property at 318 Orchard St. to Albert R. Zehl for \$115,000 on Aug. 30.
John and Anna Elichko sold property at 504 Valley Road to Leon Ginter for \$123,000 on Aug. 30.

Roselle

Susan E. Massaro sold property at 651 Elm St. to Franklin J. Jackson for \$120,000 on Aug. 27.
Deborah M. Stahl et al sold property at 249 W. 5th Ave. to Anthony Bongiorno for \$127,500 on Aug. 27.
Robert S. and Margaret Klose sold property at 1265 Wheatshaf Road to Babatunde Alabi for \$105,000 on Aug. 28.
Richard M. and Marilee Candino sold property at 12 Westbrook Court to Brenda McClendon for \$125,000 on Aug. 28.
Heygo Inc. sold property at 2 Normandy Place to Roberto Flamini for \$150,000 on Aug. 30.
Rita L. Valls sold property at 217 W. 5th Ave. to Terry Wilkins for \$160,000 on Aug. 30.
Alexander and Susan Krawec sold property at 363 W. 5th Ave. to Francisco Carmo for \$115,000 on Aug. 30.
Dominick Serudato et ux sold property at 209 Grace St. to Deleon Lane for \$120,000 on Aug. 30.

Roselle Park

Gary and Carmella Motyczka sold property at 127 Walnut St. to Ada I. Tricoche for \$159,000 on Aug. 29.
George A. and Margaret C. Daum sold property at 547 E. Grant Ave. to Christine M. Franov for \$152,000 on Aug. 30.

Summit

Anthony J. and Teresa L. Huck sold property at 20 W. End Ave. to Cynthia A. Gavenda for \$315,000 on Aug. 22.
Richard S. MacIntosh et ux et al sold property at 71 Valley View Ave. to Peter J. Snieckus for \$445,000 on Aug. 22.
Andrew D. and Patricia M. Beamer sold property at 25 Colony Drive to Michael K. McMahon for \$350,000 on Aug. 22.
William D. and Teresa Winslow sold property at 46 Rotary Drive to Roger C. Hoffman for \$627,600 on Aug. 26.
Glen E. and Cindy M. Curley sold property at 3 Evergreen Road to Gordon Vanummers for \$315,000 on Aug. 28.
Spencer L. Woodard Jr. et ux sold property at 4 Blackburn Place to Jonathan W. Hitchon for \$392,000 on Aug. 28.
Rodney J. and Kelley J. Simpson sold property at 15 Irving Place to Stephen Sipe for \$280,000 on Sept. 3.

Union

Bristol Oaks LP sold property at 817 Inwood Road to Citicorp North America Inc. for \$103,370 on Aug. 12.
Joseph M. and Maria A. Sousa sold property at 213 Astoria Place to Joseph L. Cannon for \$255,000 on Aug. 19.
Anna Paterck sold property at 545 Winchester Ave. to Antonio R. Torres for \$180,000 on Aug. 21.
Marie Manzione sold property at 127 Walton Ave. to Peter Labelia for \$185,000 on Aug. 21.
Henry R. and Susan Burawski sold property at 986 Moessner Ave. to John J. Vallejo for \$157,000 on Aug. 22.
Benjamin T. and Sandra Lawson sold property at 759 Inwood Road to Henry R. Burawski for \$183,000 on Aug. 22.

Robert L. and Joanne M. Ghiretti sold property at 2480 Dorchester Road to Carlos H. Gameiro for \$141,500 on Aug. 22.
Collective Bank sold property at 1221 Kelly St. to Yolanda Mendoza for \$137,000 on Aug. 22.
Nicola DeCillis sold property at 1100 Lowden Ave. to Raul Andrade for \$224,000 on Aug. 23.
Harold C. and Lydia Schmidt et ux sold property at 2058 Balmoral Ave. to Segundo F. Ogang for \$165,000 on Aug. 23.
Ewald A. and Juliane Funk sold property at 2458 Brentwood Road to Zuraide D. Moura for \$185,000 on Aug. 23.
Sam and Anne Braun sold property at 713 Winchester Ave. to Arun C. Shah for \$174,500 on Aug. 26.
Suzanne G. Tice sold property at 714 Colonial Ave. to John Wilson for \$166,000 on Aug. 26.
Stanley Lipson sold property at 1030 Liberty Ave. to Ahmed F. Aly for \$149,900 on Aug. 26.
Mary Giller sold property at 2234 Balmoral Ave. to Edward A. Kipp for \$165,000 on Aug. 27.
Kathleen M. Shannon sold property at 1667 N. Andrew St. to Amos Vavilius for \$130,000 on Aug. 27.
Jacqueline Straitman sold property at 388 Huguenot Ave. to James A. Ryan Jr. for \$120,000 on Aug. 28.
Rosa M. Magaldo sold property at 2670 Spruce St. to Edmund N. Osian for \$156,000 on Aug. 28.
Arthur and Dorothy Goorn sold property at 852 Niles Road to Robert Buchanan II for \$161,500 on Aug. 28.
Catherine Barone sold property at 1048 Potter Ave. to Adelino Pinhanos for \$155,000 on Aug. 29.
Firpo and Carmen Guerrero sold property at 156 Parkside Drive to Henry Ryngele for \$275,000 on Aug. 29.
Edward J. Reilly III et ux sold property at 2147 Kay Ave. to Carlos Miranda for \$152,500 on Aug. 29.
Edward F. and Carol S. Bradley

sold property at 2010 Morrison Ave. to Tavia A. Page for \$148,000 on Aug. 29.
Rose S. Intrabartola sold property at 2259 Fern Terrace to Jean Brun for \$136,000 on Aug. 29.
Pasquale and Maria Arpino sold property at 331 Ohio St. to Tanya R. Smith for \$187,500 on Aug. 30.
Fernando and Rosa Faria sold property at 316 Trotting Road to Rosemarie Malcolm for \$245,000 on Aug. 30.
Rita J. Klopheus sold property at 724 Arnold Place to Jose A. Almeida for \$250,000 on Aug. 30.
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Commonwealth Savings	800-924-9091	0	7.88	0.00 7.88	7.38	0.00 7.38	6.00 0.00 N/P Q
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First Savings Bank SLA	908-225-4450	350	7.38	3.00 7.74	7.38	0.00 7.38	7.00 0.00 7.73 F
First Union Mortgage Corp.	800-332-6830	375	7.13	3.25 7.49	6.63	3.13 7.18	N/P N/P N/P
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Gibraltar Savings Bank	201-372-1221	350	N/P	N/P N/P	8.13	0.00 8.19	8.00 0.00 8.23 H
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West Essex Bank, FSB	201-575-7080	350	7.88	0.00 7.88	7.63	0.00 7.63	6.88 0.00 6.88 F
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But given the complexity of today's vehicles, many motorists, including former do-it-yourselfers, are looking for professional technicians as "tune-ups" have become "engine performance diagnoses" and on-board computer systems, electronic climate control, anti-lock brakes, digital dash boards, and other advanced systems grow popular.

The following tips from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence should make finding a qualified automotive technician easier.

Ask a number of friends or business associates if they can recommend someone; a consensus is usually more reliable than counting solely on one person's judgement.

Be sure to call the local Better Business Bureau or consumer organization and inquire about the reputation of the place of business in question. Look for a relatively neat, well-organized facility with up-to-date equipment and polite service personnel willing to take the time to discuss your repairs. Policies concerning diagnostic fees, labor rates, guarantees, and other policies should be posted.

Check around for an auto technician certified by the non-profit National Institute of Automotive Service Excellence. ASE certifies automotive technicians by means of nationally administered tests. Technicians voluntarily take these competency exams in from one to eight automotive specialties, such as Engine Repair or Brakes. There are also exams for medium/heavy truck and collision repair technicians, engine machinists, and parts specialists.

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meaningful to the technician, they're reassuring to his employer, and important to you. They are the extra assurance that your technician knows his or her stuff. And, all ASE certified technicians must recertify every five years in order to remain current with technology and to stay in the program.

Currently, there are about 375,000 ASE-certified technicians across the country. Shops that employ these certified technicians often display the blue and white ASE outdoor sign and post their technicians' credentials in the customer service area.

Officials with the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence remind motorists that their involvement is important, too. Among ASE's recommendations:

Read your owner's manual. Become familiar with the basic components and systems.

Follow the manufacturer's service schedules.

Make note of noises, unusual odors, changes in performance, and handling.

When describing your vehicle's problem(s), be concrete, but resist the temptation to diagnose.

Have small problems repaired before they become major headaches. Keep good records.

To help motorists get their vehicles ready for winter, ASE has prepared a brochure, "Don't Get Stuck Out in the Cold." For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped, business envelope to: ASE Winter Brochure, Dept. CCC-R95, P.O. Box 347, Herndon, VA 22070.

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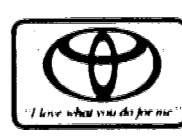
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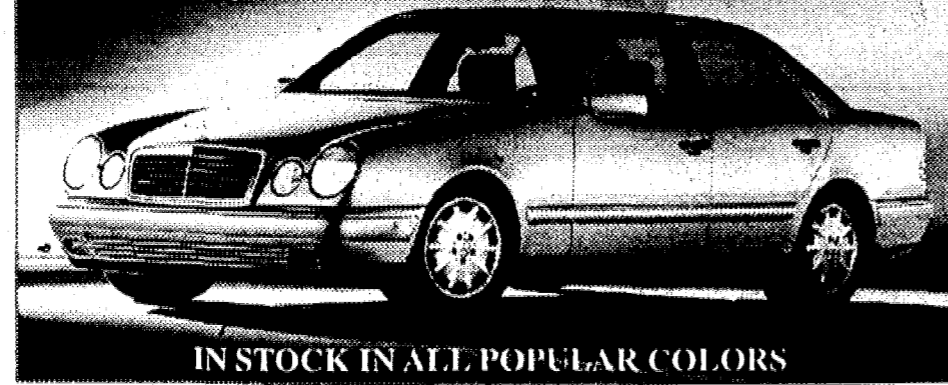
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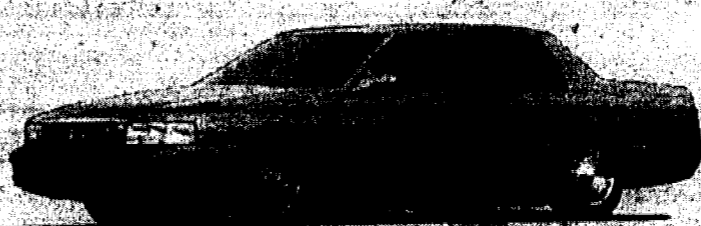
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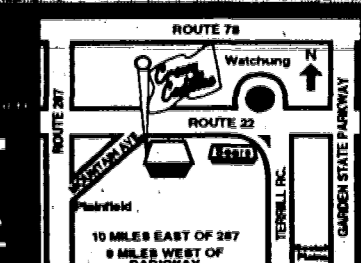


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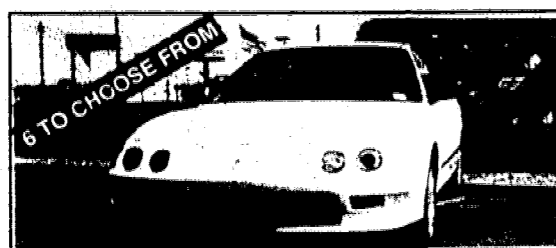
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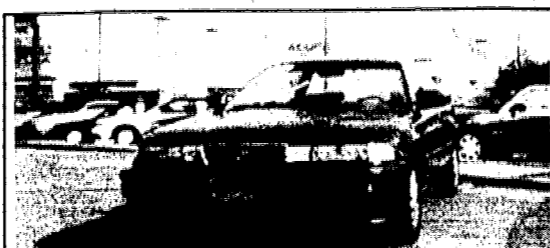
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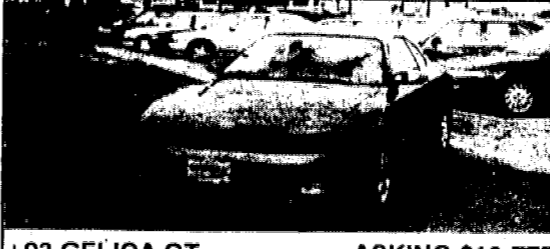
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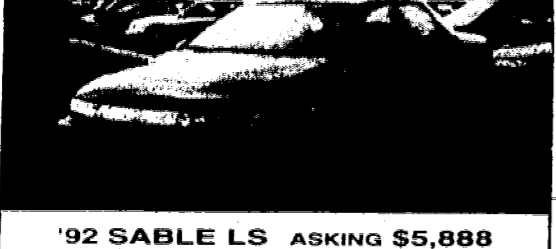
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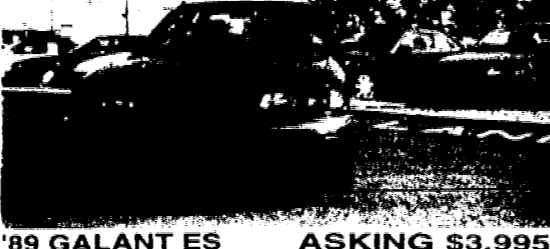
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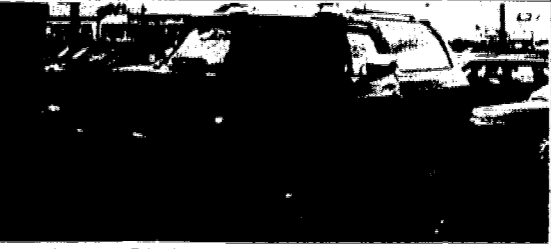
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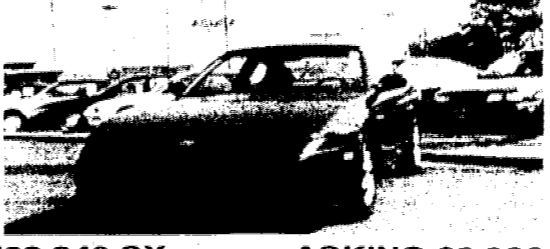
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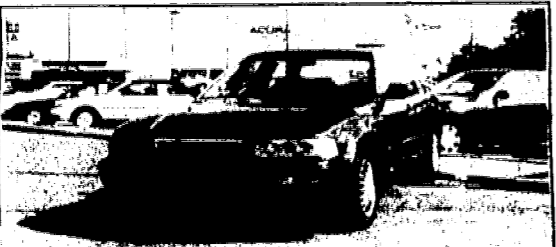
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Capture the joy of the holidays with great photos

Gifts, gatherings and a roll of film featuring Uncle Ned's thumb are holiday traditions shared by families nationwide. Is there anything more disappointing than having photos of your family's previous moments spoiled by imperfect photographic technique? Fortunately, many of today's point-and-shoot cameras feature metering systems, autofocus and autoflash, enabling anyone to take great pictures. This year, Mike Corrado, a photo expert from Nikon, offers some other tips to ensure the best holiday photos.

- Avoid dark facial shadows. Use your camera's flash when taking people photos. Turn the anytime flash feature on, and revelers will be perfectly fit.
- Use the right film, usually 400 speed film indoors and 100 speed outdoors. For a good general film, 200 speed is an excellent choice.
- Turn on as many room lights as possible to eliminate red-eye. This, combined with the red-eye reduction feature on many cameras, will prevent the devilish glow that comes with flash photos.
- Candid holiday photos look best. Grandma's spontaneous look of delight is better than any posed photo could be.
- Move the subject out of the center of the frame. To make photos more interesting, try moving the subject to the side of the photo. Cameras with focus lock make this easy.

'Fragrance makes the man' can be holiday gift theme

With the holidays close at hand, the pressure of buying the perfect gift for your man is paramount.

Gifts for husbands, dads and boyfriends need not be extravagant, but should reflect his personality or interests. And you should be able to get a big hug of appreciation for your selection.

"The best gifts remind people of shared fun times, intimate understanding or recurring "themes" in a relationship," says Ann Gottlieb, creator of popular scents from Faberge's Brut Actif Blue to Calvin Klein's CK One. "Fragrance is as personal as it is affordable, because evaluating the "personality" of a scent to match that of a special man is perceived to take great thought."

The makers of Brut, the #1 international men's fragrance and toiletries brand, and Ms. Gottlieb, fragrance expert, offer value-hungry shoppers these reasons to consider fragrance and toiletries the perfect he-gifts for the holiday.

- For the traditionalist: If you can't afford season baseball tickets or a new grill, fragrance is a great way to move beyond socks, ties and flannel pajamas. Typically, traditional men feel most confident in fragrances that include combinations of spice and musk, such as Original Brut for Men, because they are classic scents that complement without overpowering.
 - For the adventurer: "Fresh" is the fragrance buzzword for a younger generation of men who engage in or fantasize about rugged adventure. Clean, energizing scents, the year-old Brut Actif Blue among them, are generally created from varying combinations of fruit skins, and might include French grass and musk notes as well. "The gift of a fresh fragrance tells a man that's he's exciting without having to splurge for the snowboard or a white-water rafting trip," says Gottlieb.
 - For the channel surfer, or everyman: If you want to get a laugh out of your channel surfing man, make sure his stocking includes a Brut Clear Gel Deodorant or Anti-Perspirant. Beyond the refreshing neatness and efficacy of clear gels, Brut's first-ever "click control" mechanism allows men to click to their deodorant just as they click their television remotes.
- Many manufacturers offer special holiday gift sets, attractively packaged and tailored to specific fragrance and toiletry preferences. Brut offers 14 different gift sets this season, including regular and trial-size items and travel bags priced from \$2.99 - \$10.99.
- When shopping for men this holiday season, you don't have to get expensive, just creative. Personal gifts abound if you know your man, your budget and good value.

Computer gifts make the grade for the holidays

Getting high grades from computer users who want to get more out of their computers in less time are some new software packages that are easy to learn, inexpensive and help you avoid some of those confusing product manuals and expensive training classes.

A good example of this is Jones Digital Century, Inc.'s "Everything You Wanted to Know..." and eight disc, CD-ROM training library that offers eight essential training courses for some of the most popular Windows 95-based software applications, plus the Internet. It is available at a value-based retail price point of \$29.95. This set takes users through basic functions to each program's more advanced features. Included are: Discovering the Internet, Learn How to Use Netscape Navigator, Microsoft Access 7.0, Microsoft Excel 7.0, Microsoft PowerPoint 7.0, Microsoft Windows 95, Microsoft Word 7.0, and Quicken 5 for Windows.

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Dress your house this season

When it comes to getting the house ready for the holidays, a few special touches are all you need to capture the spirit of the season. Create a feeling of warmth by grouping candlesticks of all shapes and sizes for a cozy glow, fill simple country crockery with clove-dotted oranges and use greenery to add color whenever you can. These suggestions and more, from the home designers at Velcro USA, manufacturers of Velcro brand fasteners, will help get you started.

- Interwine garlands of fragrant evergreens with gauzy red and gold ribbons to frame exterior and interior doorways. Use Velcro brand Sticky Back tape instead of hooks and nails. Attach tape to surface and ribbons; press together firmly to attach.

- Layer your table with contrasting cloths, a solid atop a pattern and gather the top layer at each corner to reveal the cloth beneath. Accent with a sumptuous bow affixed with Velcro Sticky Back tape.

Fashion outlet provides bargains on a grand scale

Grand Larceny, located on Route 22 East, Springfield, offers a wide variety of name brand clothes at costs one can afford.

The store offers everything from fun wear to casual and career wear. There is also a wide assortment of accessories such as pocketbooks, jewelry, scarves, hats, and bra sets to create any style.

The prices range from \$6 to \$30.

District Manager Justine Bantang has been employed by the chain for nearly one year and said Grand Larceny has a broad assortment of styles and brand names to accommodate everyone in junior, miss, and plus sizes.

"We offer moderate prices and better brand names at 20 to 40 percent below department store prices. The customer can get everything in the store except shoes."

Bantang said shoes may be a future possibility. The chain has been in business since nine years and is going strong.

Other Grand Larceny stores are located in Edison, Fairlawn, Hackensack, Denville, Wayne, West Orange, and Spring Valley, NY.

'Tis the season to spend money wisely

'Twas the month before Christmas and all through the mall, the smell of burning plastic filtered through the hall. The shoppers were charging their gifts with delight and no concern of pending financial plight.

Millions of holiday shoppers dust off their credit cards and hit the malls this month, happily charging everything from toys to tinsel. Unfortunately, many a shopper's holiday glee will become holiday gloom once their January credit card statements arrive.

The American Collectors Association, Inc., the trade association for professional debt collectors, offers the following advice to help consumers avoid post-holiday payment shock.

- Limit spending. Determine how much you can afford to spend on holiday gifts before beginning your shopping excursion. Stick to your budget.

- Make a list and check it twice. Create a list of people for whom you need to purchase gifts and how much you will spend on each one, making sure not to exceed your allotted budget. As you shop, record each gift and its cost next to the receiver's name, then add up your expenses so your credit card bill won't take you by surprise.

- Use cash whenever possible. If it is necessary for you to charge a number of gifts, put them all on one credit card, so you won't be juggling several bills in January. Look into applying for a special holiday card

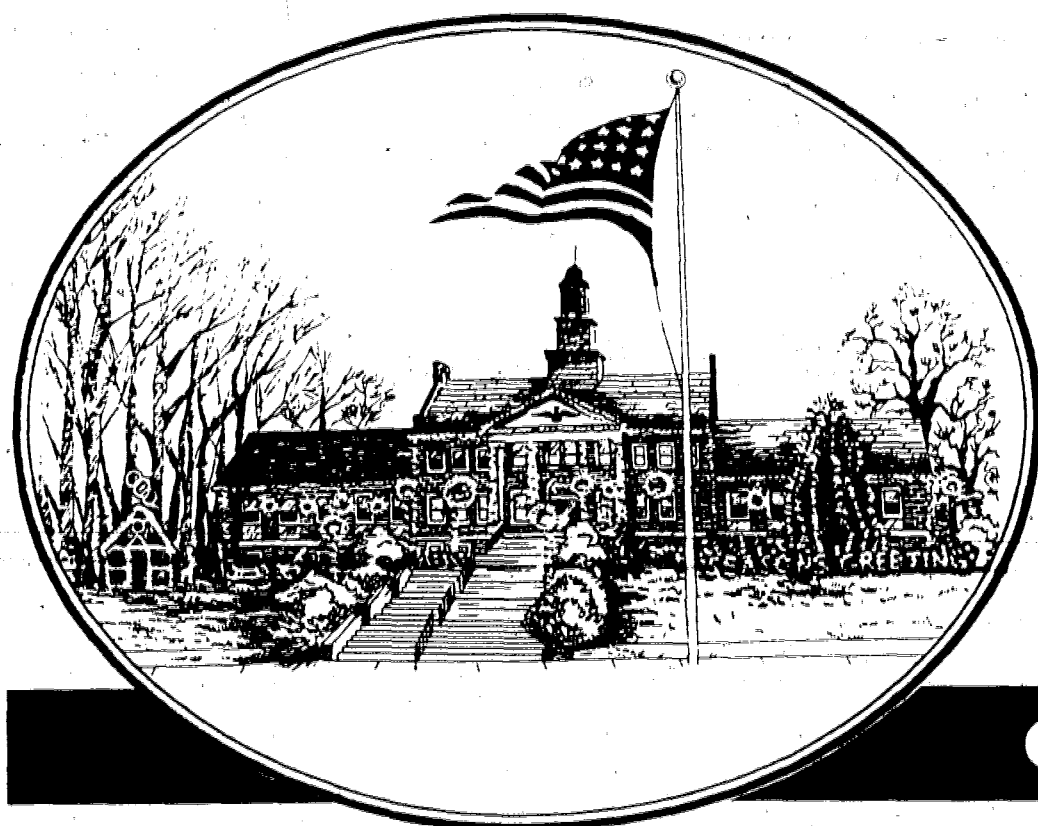
with a credit line that equals what you have to spend, and that can be destroyed after the holidays.

- Be interest-conscious. Be wary of department store cards and cards offering deferred payment plans since most charge hefty interest rates. Use a deferred interest card only if interest will not accrue until the first payment is due, and if you will be able to pay off all or most of the bill immediately.

- Be a savvy shopper. Take advantage of outlet malls and holiday sales. Rather than buying expensive wrapping paper, ribbon and bows from department stores, pay cash for those items at a dollar store. Also, consider giving gifts that are easy on the pocketbook such as an enlarged snapshot capturing a memorable event or a goodie basket filled with homemade treats.

- Prepare for next year. Start a holiday savings account and add to it each month. Then, throughout the year, hit retailers' clearance sales — you'll find great deals on gifts and, by buying a little at a time, you'll avoid last-minute shopping next year.

Consumers who are experiencing problems paying their holiday bills should contact ACA for information on working through their financial difficulties. For a free informational brochure, write to Solving Payment Problems, American Collectors Association, Public Relations Department, P.O. Box 39106, Minneapolis, MN 55439-0106.



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With higher demand, store gains 'exposure'

By Chris Suswal
Staff Writer

Community Camera Center in Rahway offers much more than any of the local camera stores. There is also a Community Camera Center located in Colonia as well.

Steve Cuttler, owner of both stores, indicated that the center was able to expand because of the high demand of customers that branch out into the Edison, Woodbridge, and Colonia areas.

"We are not just your ordinary corner camera store," he said.

Community Camera Center offers state-of-the-art photograph processing as they sell equipment for every price range. The merchandise includes a wide variety of digital camera equipment that cannot be found at every camera store in the area. Community Camera Center sets itself apart by offering cameras like the Kodak DC-20. This particular camera includes film developing capability that many area sports teams, news media companies, and police departments rely on.

The Kodak DC-20 comes priced under a few hundred dollars as the more advanced cameras could sell for far more. Their full gamut of equipment lets Community Camera Center operate among the camera business elite.

"We have some heavy hitters as our customers," Cuttler said. "People rely on us to contribute for their catalogues and evidence gathering equipment. The digital photo production can be hooked up into the more advanced computers to allow broadcasters to relay news photos instantly to their destinations."

"We will assist our customers and let them be as creative as they want to get. We have everything the photo enthusiast could want," Cuttler said.

Community Camera Center locations are 1489 Main St. in Rahway and 572-9 Inman Ave in Colonia.

Cuttler has been the owner since 1969 and has continued to build a reputation for good service as well as a large and continually growing clientele. Community Camera Center's major customers include the New York Mets Baseball Club. They provide services for the team's photography department in all aspects. They are involved in production of promotional materials as well as the team's yearbooks. The store even offers a graphics department and can make poster-size prints up to four feet large.

This holiday season, teach a child a lesson

When you give children a book, you give them more than something to pass the time with.

By giving a book you help to develop a love of language and verbal skills which are necessary to achieve and accomplish in this highly technical society. And while this is the raison d'être of children's books, added benefits are the stimulation of a child's imagination, the knowledge gained about human behavior in the wider world, and the fostering of ideals which become a part of the child's value system.

That's why books should be chosen carefully, selected for their inspiring imaginative content and for beautiful illustrations.

Some books, however, can be enjoyed equally by both parents and children, and "A City In Winter," rivetingly written by Mark Helprin and stunningly illustrated by Chris Van Allsburg, is certainly one of them.

Helprin is the author of many books, including "Winter's Tale" and Van Allsburg is author of two Caldecott winners, "The Polar Express" and "Jumanji," which was made into a movie starring Robin Williams.

This spellbinding tale reveals a city veiled in snow, at once divine and deadly, and the young girl who is destined to make it her own.

Children's books should be chosen for imaginative content and beautiful illustrations.

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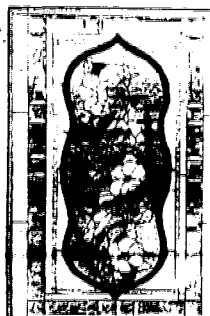
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MADD guides holiday drivers safely home

Hoping to put more drivers on the road to safety, Mothers Against Drunk Driving is offering a free Safe Party Guide to help prevent alcohol-related traffic crashes, which too often go hand-in-hand with holiday celebrations.

The guide, which includes great non-alcoholic drink recipes for Mild-Eyed Margaritas and Holiday Punch, is part of

MADD's year-long Designated Driver campaign, which focuses on four of the deadliest holiday periods of the year: New Year's Eve, St. Patrick's Day and the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends.

For a free copy of the guide or more information on the Designated Driver program, contact your local MADD chapter or AAMCO dealer.

Lamps are not the only things that can light up the holidays

By **Jacque McCarthy**
Associate Editor

If you happen to be driving east on Route 22 in Green Brook, you can't miss seeing Lamps 'N Things, a home accessory and design store which has graced that stretch of road for 17 years. The store's appearance is very important to owner Gail Bacelar, who doesn't want anyone to be misled by the name.

"It's not just a lighting store," said Bacelar.

Indeed, lamps are not the only thing that Bacelar offers her customers. The list of 'things' available for home beautification is long — from vases and flower arrangements to paintings and mirrors. The owner puts her own creative spin on the designs, making vases out of lamps, for example, and customizing anything in the store to meet the customer's needs. Don't like the base on that lamp? Bacelar will happily change it to any other which might catch your eye, and the same goes for lampshades, which can be alternated, re-covered, or re-designed.

Bacelar's specialty, however, is her stained glass. She will match colors and designs to your wallpaper, fabric, tile, artwork, carpeting — anything you have in mind. Not limited to lampshades, Bacelar also creates stained glass panels for doors and cabinets and wall sconces — all specially designed to match your decor.

You can also find furniture at Lamps 'N Things. Bacelar laughed as she described all the tables she has in stock.

"Coffee, dining, end tables, you name it," she said.

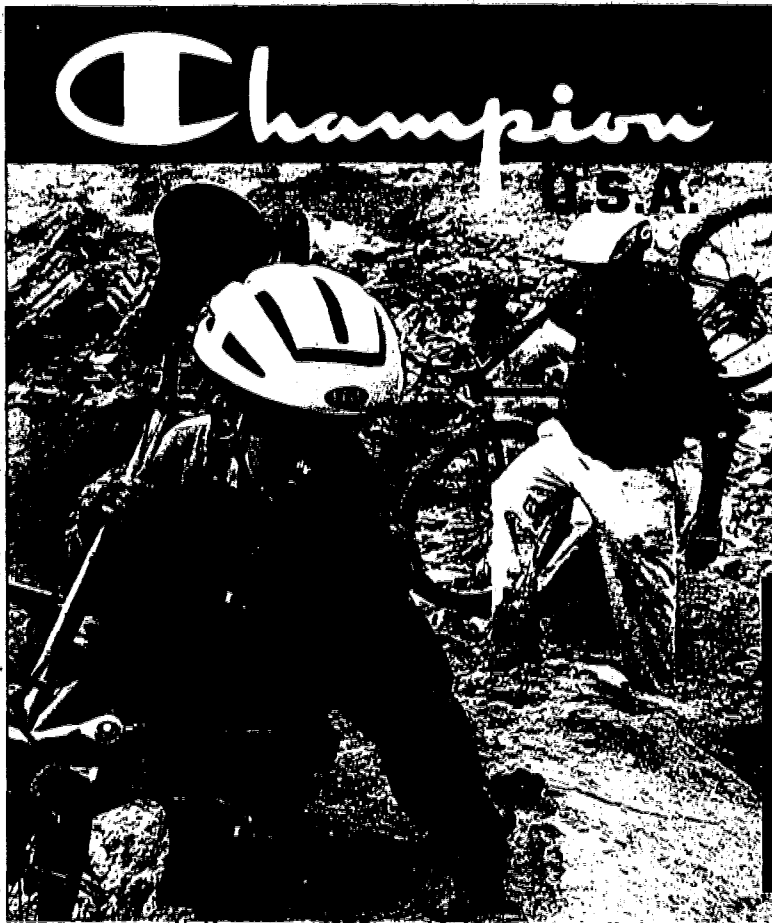
In the lighting vein, Lamps 'N Things also provides lamp repair, and a selection of candle items for interim lighting needs.

"When you pass my store, it looks like a little house," Bacelar said. Passers-by will concur, and may be tempted to pay a visit to Bacelar's ornate home-away-from-home.

Lamps 'N Things is located at 137 Route 22 East in Green Brook. The store will be open 7 days a week for the rest of the holiday season — Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. and Thursday noon to 8 p.m. Although the store does not usually run sales on customized items, some discounts are offered in stock items.

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• Silvery Surprises

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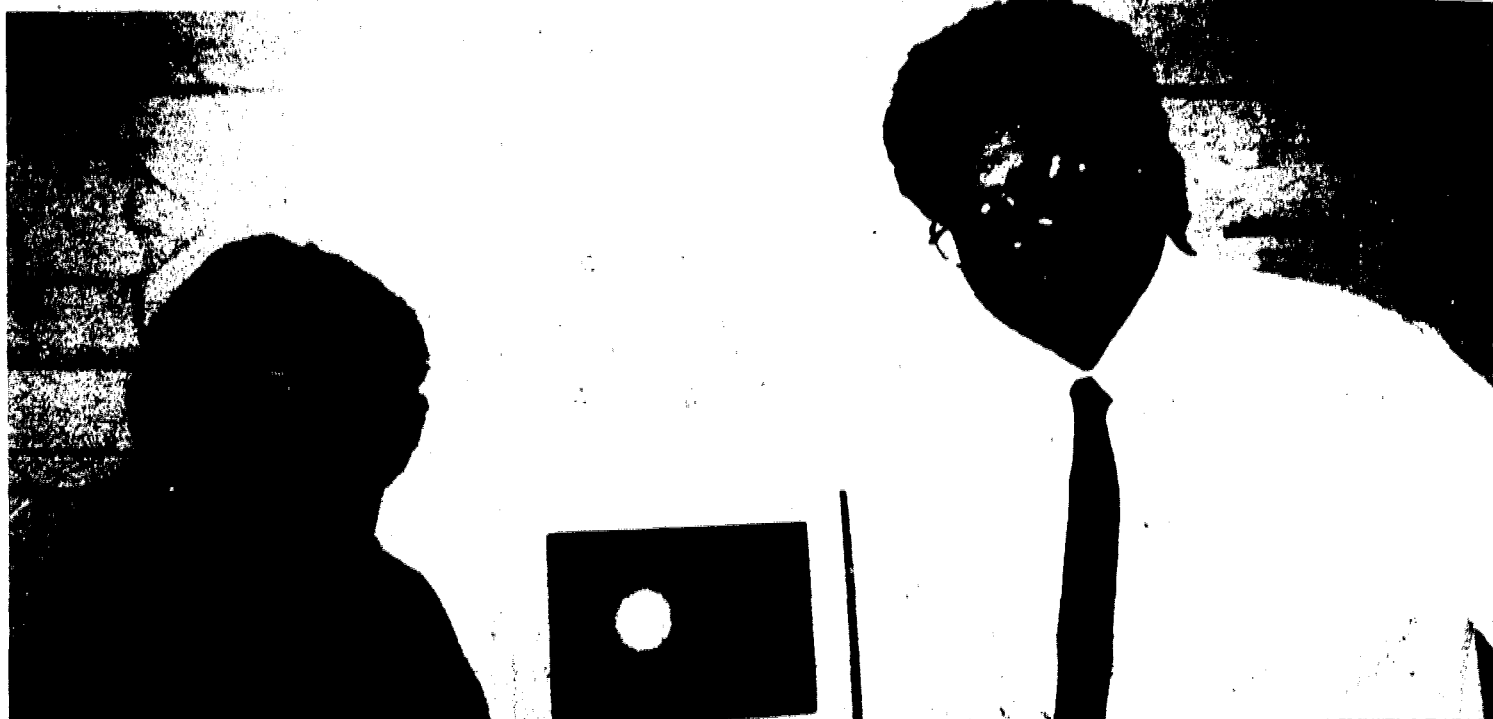
• Clinique For Men Travel Plans

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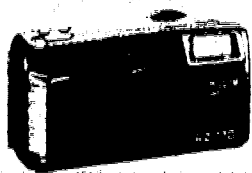
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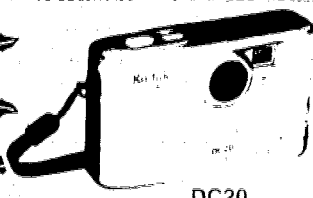
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"I'd much rather see my sons outside riding bicycles than sitting in front of the television or playing video games," said Sherry Niemeier, a mother of two boys, ages 4 and 7. "My older son already spends most of the day sitting in a classroom."

Since many parents share Niemeier's sentiments and are choosing gifts that promote a healthier lifestyle, bicycle manufacturers and retailers are preparing for a busy holiday season.

"Parents have become increasingly concerned about how children spend their leisure time," said Steve Richman, vice president of marketing at Murray Bicycles. "As a result, they are purchasing more bicycles for their children, because biking offers a healthy alternative to many other activities."

Many doctors agree that the resurgence in bike usage among children is a positive development in today's television-oriented society. "Children tend to stay fit naturally, unless they aren't given the opportunities to exercise," said Nashville pediatrician David Moroney. "Lack of physical fitness during development years contributes to obesity and other poor health habits in later years."

That's what makes exercise toys like the bicycle so important. Getting your children out in the fresh air is one of the best things you can do for them this holiday season."

Murray offers bicycles for children of all ages. The Whiplash series is currently the hottest bike on the market, and Murray is expecting the new boys' 20-inch, six-speed Whiplash with Quick-Shift, Grip Shift to be in demand for the holidays.

"Kids like the Whiplash bikes, because the curved-tube frame gives the bikes a sleek, aerodynamic look," said Richman. "Parents like the fact that there is a range of styles and prices from which to choose."

All Whiplash bikes have sturdy and uniquely designed frames, cross bar handlebars for easy steering, turbo-power pedals, anatomical saddle for a more comfortable ride and power-studded dirt tires to tackle most terrains.

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Living graciously — In terms of individual style, it may mean different things to different people. But what it means to everyone is living well and comfortably, in a manner that reflects one's unique aesthetic sense and domestic or professional sensibilities. And though it may be difficult to define, it is impossible to miss.

There are some spaces — homes, offices, stores — which possess a certain unmistakable quality that sets them apart from — and head and shoulders above the rest. Maybe it's the furnishings, or the layout, or the obvious attention to detail. Usually it's a combination of such elements that contributes to the overall feel of a room, and one of the most important elements of intelligent, gracious, distinctive design is lighting.

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Westfield Vacuum and Lighting features lighting fixtures by such leading manufacturers as E.L. Metropolitan Lighting Fixture Co., and Illuminating Experiences, Inc. In fact, the line of Strauss Crystal fixtures that Rubin carries, which is authentic Bohemian crystal, is produced by the number one manufacturer of such items in the world. As Gerry noted, "There's no one bigger."

And all of these lines and designs are exclusive to Westfield Vacuum and Lighting. "You won't find the kind of fixtures we carry in any other store outside of Manhattan," said Gerry. "We are the exclusive distributors of these quality fixtures in this area."

The Cable Lighting system, which features the kind of illumination used in such places as the Sears Tower, museums, houses of worship, even the famous Planet Hollywood, where distinctive lighting is important, comes in a surprising and delightful variety of designs from hot-air balloons to bi-planes to aerobats.

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intends to avoid. "I don't carry what everyone else has. I wanted unique pieces of the finest quality and design that have the added appeal of durability. These fixtures are not only beautiful, they will last a long time."

The fixtures Gerry displayed in the store were some of the most stunning and unusual creations I have ever seen. From elegant hand-carved all wood or solid brass chandeliers to hand-blown (and signed by the artist) Murano glass lamps to alabaster wall sconers, if you can't find it at Westfield Vacuum and Lighting, or in one of the many catalogues available in the store for leisurely perusal, it probably doesn't exist.

And for those customers who may not be sure what they want or need, Gerry is fluent in all aspects of lighting design and installation (he worked for years in the field before opening Westfield Vacuum). Taking the time to give each of his customers individualized attention is a big part of what makes Westfield Vacuum and Lighting stand out. "I'm here to help," said Gerry. "My experience can guide those who are unsure or unfamiliar with all the facets of lighting design. It's far wiser to take your time and make an informed decision that you can not only live with, but love for years to come."

For an illuminating experience, visit Westfield Vacuum and Lighting, located at 249 E. Broad St. Store hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. To speak with Gerry personally call 654-1000.

Personalized holiday gifts solve the shopping dilemma

One of the most challenging things to do during the holidays is to come up with a gift for that special someone who probably has everything. You search and search for that perfect tie or sweater, yet you still can't come up with a gift that will stand out from the crowd.

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More popular gift items for the 1996 holiday season range from custom-etched wine bottles to a wide variety of keepsake items such as "Baby's First Christmas" romper or a "Couple's First Christmas" ornament.

The following are some of the more popular and best-selling personalized holiday gift items for this year:

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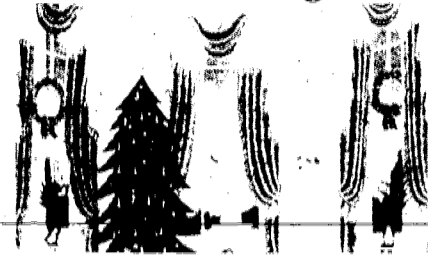
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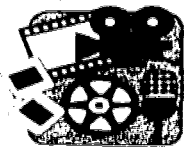
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So how do you wrap a crystal candy dish? Or a dried flower wreath or little red wagon? Here are some holiday mailing tips from the experts at Pak Mail Centers of America:

- Protect fragile items with Styrofoam peanuts rather than newspaper.
- Use new, full-strength boxes. Don't wrap your boxes in brown paper.
- Make sure your box is the right size for its contents. If it is too large, a gift that isn't cushioned properly will shift in transit. If the box is too small, your cushioning material will be ineffective.
- U.S. Postal Services recommends closing boxes with 2 inch-wide, 60-pound craft paper tape. Don't use transparent, masking or duct tape or string.
- Put address labels inside your packages, as well as on the outside.
- Consolidate your shipments. Remember,

one 20-pound box costs less to ship than two 10-pound boxes.

- For peace of mind, use insurance. And ship to a business address if possible. It's also a good idea to ask for acknowledgement of delivery so packages won't be just "dropped off."
 - Avoid bulky, lightweight items — they may have to be sent at an oversized rate.
 - Remember, the Postal Service's weight limit is 70 pounds. The weight limit for United Parcel Service is 150 pounds.
 - Ship early to avoid the rush. Pak Mail's experts for most packages being sent overseas by air or within the United States by parcel post. The early deadline for UPS deliveries is Dec. 11. If you're sending your gifts by air, they should be on their way by Dec. 19 — Dec. 21 at the latest, to get there for Christmas.
- And your cards? The Pak Mail Pros suggest mailing them by December 5.
- Are you still worried about that crystal candy dish? Let a local mailing center pack it for you to ensure safe delivery.

Herbs are gift that keep giving

Want to spice up the holidays? An all-in-one, indoor herb planter kit makes it easy. The entire family can delight in this low-tech, high-yield gift that features six different culinary herb seed packets for planting: oregano, chives, thyme, parsley, basil and sage.

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Thinking ahead will keep up your spirits this year

"This the season for surprises, which can be fun if you're prepared. Holidays mean good food, good cheer and hopefully some well-deserved relaxation for the person providing the cheer.

The secret to comfortable holiday entertaining is planning ahead and stocking up your pantry for any surprise. One well-planned trip to the store and you're ready for anyone who drops by. Here's a shopping list and one surprisingly terrific, no-fail recipe for creamy Pina Colada Cheesecake — a golden tropical treat to serve expected or unexpected guests.

Pina Colada Cheesecake:

- 1 1/2 cup vanilla wafer crumbs
- 1 cup flaked coconut, toasted
- 1/3 cup margarine, melted
- 1 can (6 oz) Dole Pineapple juice
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 3 pks (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened
- 3/4 cup plus 2 tbsp sugar, divided
- 1/4 cup dark Jamaican rum or 2 tsp. rum extract
- 1/4 tsp. coconut or vanilla extract
- 2 cups frozen nondairy whipped topping, thawed
- 1 can (20 oz) Dole Crushed Pineapple
- 1 tbsp cornstarch

Combine crumbs, coconut and margarine in medium bowl. Press mixture on bottom and sides of 8 or 9 inch springform pan. Chill.

Pour juice into small saucepan. Sprinkle gelatin over juice, let stand 5 minutes to soften gelatin. Cook and stir until gelatin dissolves, remove from heat. Set aside.

Beat cream cheese and 1/4 cup sugar in large bowl until smooth. Beat in gelatin mixture until well-blended. Beat in rum and coconut extract until blended. Gently fold in whipped topping. Spoon into prepared crust. Chill 6 hours or until set.

Combine undrained pineapple, cornstarch and remaining 2 tablespoon sugar in small saucepan. Cook and stir until mixture boils and slightly thickens. Chill. Spoon over top of cheesecake. Garnish with additional toasted coconut, if desired.

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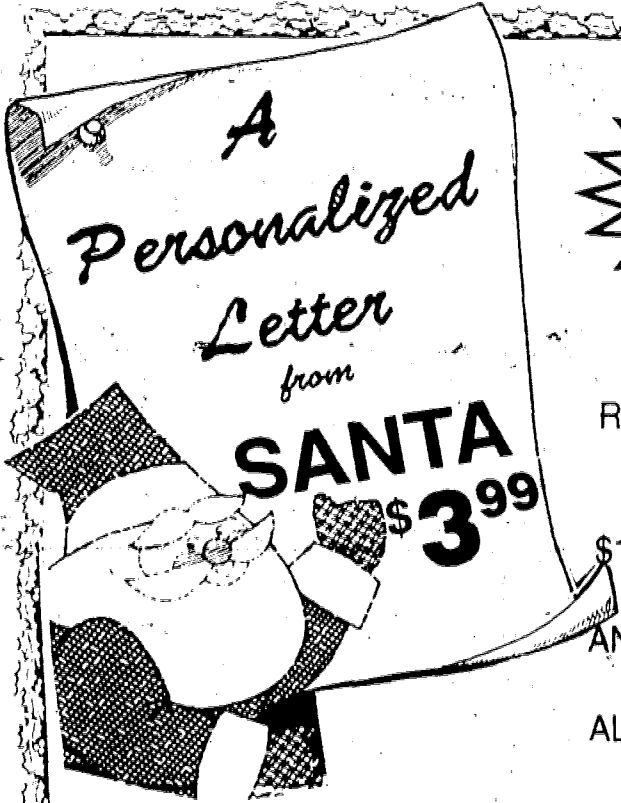
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The early bird at the mall can reduce shopping stress

Shopping for gifts can often take the "happy" out of holidays. A recent survey conducted for Marshalls Inc. by Opinion Research Corp. of Princeton, found that 60 percent of consumers surveyed cited crowded shopping malls as their number one complaint about holiday shopping. One in four consumers — 24 percent — are shopping earlier now than they used to, most likely to avoid such holiday headaches. Heading to the stores early is one way to relieve some of the stress associated with holiday shopping, according to Marshalls' shopping expert Jennifer Newstrom, who has other ideas to make giving a bit more joyous.

"Shopping early is a great way to beat the holiday crowds," said Newstrom, "but people's hectic schedules don't always allow for planning ahead." For those who cannot help but leave their shopping to the last minute, Newstrom has the following suggestions to make the process an easy one.

- Before leaving the malls, make a list of gift-ideas for the people you're shopping for — something only 18 percent of people do. Shopping with a list narrows down the items to choose from and keeps shoppers focused, allowing them to get in and out of stores as quickly and painlessly.

- Another source of holiday tension comes after the season's end — when the bills roll in. In order to avoid the stress of managing the high cost of gift-giving, head first to an off-price store like Marshalls, where prices are 20 percent to 60 percent less than at department stores. On a tight budget, there's no sense spending more money than necessary for quality gifts!

Learning toys will keep tykes busy year round

No matter where parents turn today, it seems there are toys, toys, toys, all vying for their little one's attention.

Even after the holidays, you always seem to be trying desperately to make your way through the maze of play-things. What kind to get? What will be a passing fad? Are there any that are more than just some flashy Hollywood movie promotion?

There are a lots of toys that stimulate children's minds, encourage social development, nurture creativity and even help physical development. Some of the best names in childplay have toys designed just for those growing infants and toddlers. They are virtually indestructible and keyed into just what children do when they are allowed to play naturally.

Kids love to climb and crawl and explore — everything. This can sometimes get them into trouble. Rather than stifle this adventurous nature, consider Little Tikes Activity

Gym. This brightly colored toy is a four-walled climbing/sliding toy for toddlers. There's even a little area beneath the wide slide that offers a special, completely safe hiding place for the tiny tot.

Play Hut is an award-winning company that has received praise from many sources. Its Magic Ball Zone has been given the Toy of the Year Award. The large version of this toy is a hot attraction at fairs and amusement parks including Universal Studios where kids jump, hop and roll around in the soft multicolored balls. Now you can bring that fun home.

Don't forget wooden toys. One of the best is the Thomas the Tank Engine railway set from Learning Curve Toys. It's based on the popular PBS series.

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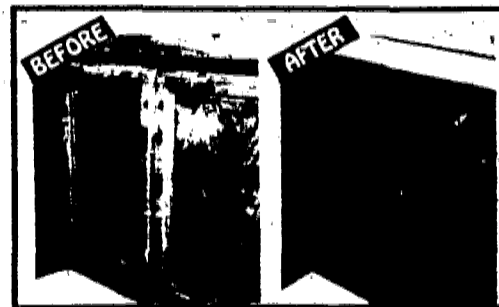
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Home Depot can help you prepare for the holidays

As the holiday season approaches, practical items for the home are at the top of most gift lists this year. Home Depot's "Top Five Holiday Gift List" will help both early and last minute shoppers with their purchases. Listed is an assortment of useful and fun gifts that will please family members, friends, neighbors, or that special teacher. Gift prices listed range from \$15 to \$150. All items are available at your local Home Depot.

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Not quite sure how to do those projects? Pick up a copy of the book "Home Improvement 1-2-3" for around \$25, or the CD-Rom for around \$30, when you go into Home Depot to get your project supplies. The 480-page book is a collaboration of information from the aisles and experts of Home Depots across the country.

A strand of pearls is a 'cultured' gift

Looking for the perfect gift can be confusing. There's so much to choose from. Smart shoppers stick to the classics — gifts that never go out of style.

Few are immune to the charms of such classic gifts as Chanel No. 5, red roses, champagne or, for special occasions, cultured pearls.

The pearl, with its warm inner glow and shimmering iridescence, is a perfect complement to any wardrobe. Cultured pearls are versatile, always in fashion and have an understated elegance matched by few precious jewels.

How do you choose the perfect pearl gift and get the best value for your money? Here are some tips from the Cultured Pearl Information Center:

- Consider luster, a combination of surface brilliance and a deep sealed glow. The luster of a good quality pearl should be bright, not dull. You should be able to see your own reflection clearly on the surface of a pearl. Any pearl that appears too white, dull or chalky indicates low quality.

- Check the surface for disfiguring spots, bumps or cracks. The cleaner the surface of the pearl, the more valuable. If you find cracks on the surface of the pearl or chips near the drill-hole, its durability will be severely diminished.

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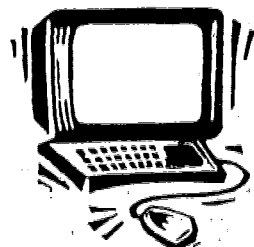
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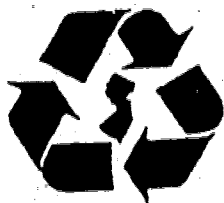
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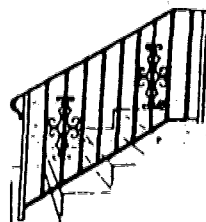
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Fraud never takes holiday, so learn to protect yourself

Thirty-three percent of all credit card purchases take place between Thanksgiving and Christmas each year. Along with the hordes of shoppers comes a heightened potential for fraud.

This season is a peak time when people are vulnerable, according to Charlotte Rush, a vice president of Consumer Affairs for Master Card International.

"Although new technologies such as encrypted security codes and computers that uncover atypical charge activity have reduced fraud losses, shoppers continue to be at risk during this time of year as billions of dollars nationwide are charged to credit cards for gifts and travel expenses," Rush said.

Protect yourself. Criminals are ready to take advantage of the holiday surge in credit card spending, so Rush urges cardholders to take the following steps to help protect themselves before and during their shopping trips:

- Sign new cards as soon as you receive them.
- When leaving home, take only the cards you need.
- Keep cards in your wallet or purse, not in your pocket.
- Keep a list of account and issuer phone numbers in a safe place.
- Check sales receipts for accuracy before signing.
- Make sure the sales clerk returns your card.
- Keep carbons from sales receipts or insist that the sales clerk tear them up.
- Keep all credit card receipts.
- If your card is lost or stolen and you don't have the issuer's phone number handy, you can call MasterCard at (800) 247-4623, or call collect for out-of-the-country calls at (314) 275-6690. If necessary, a replacement card can be issued within 24 hours in the United States and 48 hours overseas.
- MasterCard offers three free brochures that shoppers will find helpful: "Defending Yourself Against Credit Card Fraud," "Shopping With Your ATM Card" and "How To Be A Smart Shopper." To order, call (800) 999-5136.

If you become a victim:

- Contact the card issuer through its 800 number immediately. With MasterCard's Cardholder Protection Program, consumers are not responsible for unauthorized credit card charges if they report a card lost or stolen within 24 hours of discovery.

Consumers worldwide can access MasterCard "Pointers" — the MasterCard World Wide Web site on the Internet — by entering the Internet address on their computers: <http://www.mastercard.com>.

Rushing through your shopping can be hazardous to your health

During the holiday season, at last minute shoppers hurry to complete their gift-buying or return their gifts later on, shopping becomes an increasingly serious undertaking.

Navigating your way through a mall or store is also serious business — especially with coats, bags and boxes in your arms as you use crowded escalators and elevators. Schindler Elevator Corporation has developed some "rules of the road" so holiday shopping stays festive and safe.

Escalators:

- Don't overload your trip. If your hands are full, take the elevator. Placing packages on the steps or balancing them on the handrail may endanger you or other passengers. Shopping carts, strollers, or wheelchairs should never be taken on the escalator.
- Watch children. Never allow children to use an escalator unattended. When traveling with a small child, hold his or her hand, and help children to step onto and off the escalator. No matter how tempting it is to make that distinctive "squeaky noise," do not let children drag their feet along an escalator's side. A shoe can become caught between the step and the side panel, causing serious injury.
- Never sit on the escalator. Serious injury can result if clothing, shoelaces or fingers get caught between the closing stair steps, between the escalator step and side panel, or in moving parts at the top and bottom of an escalator. The best way to ride an escalator

is to stand squarely on the center of the step, facing forward, with feet slightly apart and without touching stationary sides.

- Hold the handrail. The handrail can provide stability and balance for passengers. Always hold the handrail when riding the escalator. When boarding or exiting an escalator, step — don't slide on and off. After exiting, move away from the end of the escalator to leave room for other exiting passengers.

Elevators:

- Don't try to force or pry the elevator doors open. Press the "door open" button to keep the doors open. It can be hazardous to use your hand, briefcase or even an umbrella to prevent the doors from closing.
- Passengers closest to the doors exit first. Don't worry about gender or age. If the elevator stops before your floor, step aside to let other passengers enter or exit easily and safely.
- Watch your step. When you enter or exit the elevator, make sure the elevator is level with the floor and step over the threshold. Be especially careful if you are wearing high-heeled shoes.
- Stay calm. In the unlikely event than an elevator stops between floors, use the alarm button or the elevator's telephone or intercom to request assistance. Never attempt to climb out of a stalled elevator. Unless a trained emergency crew assist you, the safest thing to do is wait for help.



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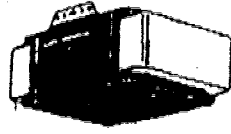
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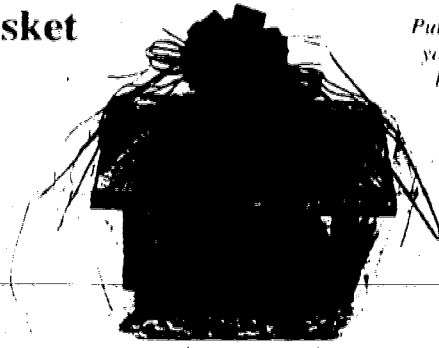
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