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Infrastructure should not be put aside

Dwight Wiggins runs efficient refineries from Bayways in Linden to those in California. He doesn't sound like the engineer he is, when he waxes philosophically about his favorite topic — building things. With a Southern drawl straight out of Warner Brothers central-casting, he reminded me again the other day about his core belief in value added.

In Wiggins' world, it is important that each endeavor, be it building a structure or relationship, is as important to end with a better situation than that which you found.

Left Out

By Frank Capace

Sitting in traffic more frequently, it's clear to me that we need some value added as it relates to our infrastructure of roads, bridges and sewerage systems. As it is, we are going; it doesn't look like we are even going to break even, let alone improve our delivery system.

The National Behold! American Coalition has been traveling around the county arguing we must allocate dollars to rebuild our highways, schools and public works systems. The substance of their argument is that our very competitiveness as a nation, and very ability to move goods and people, is threatened by our inattention to our delivery system.

With the national surplus hovering over a billion dollars, the pressure to use a portion of the money for investment in our future is picking up steam.

At the beginning, the blame for our public works mess is by no means centered on any one villain. Urban mayors place the blame on unchecked suburban growth, the sprawl which came at the expense of "industrial" and "residential" cities. I recall Mayor Robert Ellenton of Clark having to deal with the delivery problems of a sewage system which in part is made of clay and wooden pipes.

A political spin is that officials desperate to please taxpayers offer maintenance to curb spending. After all, does anyone really care or understand inflow, infiltration, structural defects, or design phase? This week, thanks to County Engineer Armand Fiorilelli, a new villain, the inconvertible delay in getting State and federal approval even after the money is allocated has been pointed out to me.

But before we all march off praising engineers, a reality or gut check is in order. The cost for bridge and road work is staggering. Recent estimates put the Jefferson Avenue bridge repair in Rahway at \$650,000. The Goodman Crossing bridge in Clark is pegged at \$500,000. The Liberty Avenue bridge in Hillside will run \$750,000.

Why, just the 1999 basic repair. See OFFICIALS, Page B2

Democrats sweep freeholder seats

By Tom Canavan, Editor in Chief

The Union County Board of Freeholders will remain in full Democratic control with the victory Tuesday night of Democratic incumbents Dan Sullivan, Mary Rutoilo and Lewis Mingo Jr.

Sullivan, who is completing his first full term as a freeholder, and Rutoilo and Mingo, who were campaigning for election to the seats to which they were appointed eight months ago, won handily over their Republican opponents, Juan Fernandez, George Gore and Andrew MacDonald.

In a national race, Democratic incumbent Sheriff Keith Inglehith displayed his popularity in the county by defeating Republican opponent Esther Guzman-Mateoli by a more than 2-1 margin. Without the towns of New Providence and Westfield, and not counting absentee ballots, Inglehith tallied 62,885 votes to Guzman-Mateoli's 26,192 votes.

With all but the same top vote-getter in the freeholder election, tallying 55,159 votes, Sullivan received 34,528 and Mingo received 33,026. On the Republican ticket, MacDonald received 32,752 votes, Fernandez received 31,768 votes and Gore received 31,327 votes.

By 10 p.m. Tuesday and with 13 towns having reported their results, Union County Republican Chairman Frank McDermott told a sparse and somber crowd at the Westwood in Garwood that "it was not a good day or a good night or a good year for the Republican Party."

Conceding the election to the

Democrats, McDermott said, "I don't believe this is a reflection of the candidates or of the party in each community."

McDermott was referring to some surprising results that came from Republican strongholds in Union County such as Scotch Plains, Westfield and Cranford. In Scotch Plains, voters gave Rutoilo, Sullivan and Mingo 3,247, 3,159 and 3,014 votes respectively, while giving MacDonald, Fernandez and Gore 3,047, 2,851 and 2,824 votes respectively.

In Cranford, voters gave Rutoilo, Sullivan and Mingo 3,338, 3,230 and 3,004 votes respectively, while giving MacDonald, Fernandez and Gore 3,150, 2,967 and 2,936 votes respectively.

But it was in the Democratic strongholds such as Elizabethtown, Plainfield, Linden and Hillside, where the Democrats trounced their opponents. Voters in Elizabethtown cast more than 9,000 votes each for the three Democrats compared to more than 2,000 each for the Republicans. The same held true in Linden, where Democrats each received more than 6,000 votes to the Republicans' 1,000 votes each.

The atmosphere in Mountainside, where the Democrats gathered at L'Affaire restaurant on Route 22 to receive the results, was one of jubilation as local Democrats from various towns throughout the county showed up to offer their congratulations to the freeholders.

"Our agenda was one Union County," Sullivan said, remarking about the victories not only in Democratic strongholds but in some Republican ones as well. "For



Mary Rutoilo



Dan Sullivan



Lewis Mingo Jr.

us to have victories in these towns, the voters saw our accomplishments and agreed with the direction this board is taking the county."

Sullivan also said he thinks the results included backlash for the Republican Party for what he called negative campaigning. "You have to give people a reason to vote for you, and the Republicans did not do that," he said.

The current freeholder chairman, President Bill Clinton's, sex scandal would play a role in this year's elections against Democratic candidates, Rutoilo said. "I didn't think Clinton would affect the legal level. I know that the president's problems did not reflect on us."

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said, "People are interested in hearing about the issues and what it is that we will do to fix them. Our opponents need to do that, not what they would do if elected."

Rutoilo said the "big ticket" of keeping taxes stable during her three-year term.

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said, "It seems some of our national congresses got to us."

Formerly, checking the Republican poll's supporters, "It was a long hard-fought campaign. This is something, unfortunately, you can't help. But he added, "This is not where it stops," alluding to a possible run in the future.

McDonald did the same.

To the Republican supporters at the Westwood, he said, "We must continue to fight, for the message of taxation and better representation."

In Plainfield, where Mingo and Gore reside, Mingo received 4,962 votes, while Gore received 4,519 votes.

Rutoilo and Mingo were appointed to the freeholder board eight months ago in the wake of resignations by Walter McNeil Jr. and Carl Cohen.



Officials and family gather at Field 8 in Warinanco Park to dedicate the area to Dick Archer.

Warinanco's Field 8 dedicated

Field 8 in Warinanco Park might have seemed a strange place to sit and talk about a man who everyone seemed to like — a man who was gone. It might have seemed strange, except to the many individuals who knew the late Dick Archer. Archer's favorite place to be was field 8 and so it was dedicated in his name with the placement of a plaque in back of home plate.

Dick Archer became an umpire with the Amateur Softball Association in 1950, the year he graduated from Rahway High School. In just 14

years, he was appointed to the position of New Jersey A.S.A. umpire-in-chief. Although he contracted polio at the age of 13, had several operations on his leg including, not that long ago, a total knee replacement and other health problems, they didn't keep him from the umpiring that he loved so dearly, or belonging to groups like the Amateur Athletics Union or the Golden Gloves Association. He was a man who wouldn't let it keep him away.

Archer attended softball clinics against doctors' orders, scheduling

his days around his softball activities and left the hospital home for unrequited activities. After his son, Brad, was named to the A.S.A.'s National Indicator Fraternity, which consists of umpires who successfully completed three national tournaments, it is said that Dick made an amazing recovery in six weeks. Dick and Brad Archer are the only father and son to be accepted into this fraternity out of about 1,200 members.

Dick would place his lawn chair to the right of the monument we came to see. FIELD, Page B2

State to assume incinerator debt

By Sean Dally, Staff Writer

The Union County does not own the state government's \$13 million, New Jersey voters cast their ballots for a \$100 million bond referendum that would forgive state loans to New Jersey's five regional incinerators.

Among these are the \$293 million Union County Resource Recovery Facility in Rahway. This incinerator is owned by the UCUA and leased to Cogent Martin Systems at a price of \$775 million.

The bond referendum will authorize Trenton to issue \$100 million in state bonds — basically, to take out a loan.

James Kennedy, chairman of the UCUA Board of Commissioners, didn't think the referendum would have much effect on the UCUA.

"I think people think that, because it says incinerator, it has something to do with us and it doesn't."

The money from these bonds will be used to forgive the interest loans to the incinerators in effect, they won't have to pay them back.

According to UCUA Commissioner Bill Riocco, the UCUA has already paid back \$1 million of this loan.

These loans were made back in 1995, according to UCUA Commissioner Bill Riocco.

The money was to be used to make capital improvements to the incinerator to build new facilities and buy new equipment.

However, this money is now being used to reduce the UCUA's tipping fee and stranded debt.

The tipping fee is the per-ton fee paid by owner and other organizations to dispose of their garbage at the incinerator. Right now, that tipping fee is \$50 for the 10 Union County towns that signed garbage disposal contracts with the UCUA.

The stranded debt, on the other hand, is the debt that the UCUA would still have if the facility was sold and the state paid for the remaining debt. According to Riocco, the UCUA still has about \$100 million in stranded debt.

The stranded debt is important to the incinerator's supporters.

The UCUA is paying this debt with an Environmental Investment Grant. The EIC is worth \$18.5 million included in the tipping fee for towns that signed a contract with the UCUA and added 10¢ to top of the tipping fee for any towns that did not.

By comparison, the UCUA's operating costs take up \$2.60 of the incinerator's tipping fee.

According to Riocco, the referendum probably will reduce the EIC. Riocco will likely file the referendum.

"It's the state coming to the aid of what they required the counties to do," he said.

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This year's deer hunt may be last in Watchung Reservation

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The deer hunt will continue in the Watchung Reservation. However, the 1999 hunt may be the last one.

These are the findings of a report on this year's hunt, which was released by the Watchung Reservation Deer Hunt Subcommittee, Oct. 20. Copies of the report were still being printed Oct. 23. According to Dan Bernier, chief of the county Bureau of Park Operations, about a hundred copies will soon be available to the public.

According to Bernier, the report concludes that the hunt may have to last just one more year in order to reach its goal of 20 deer per square mile in the three square-mile reservation. The deer hunt subcommittee agrees with this finding.

In all depends on the total bag for the 1999 hunt, though. Hunters will have to kill at least 118 deer to reach this goal.

According to counts taken in March and April, there are about 180 to 200 deer in the reservation right now.

"Considering hunts in the past, it can't get 118 in the future, there will be no more hunt," he said.

This depends on how many deer are left in the reservation, Bernier added.

In March and April, after the hunt, the county will count the deer using infrared detectors on planes and spotlights. If the county sees only 60 deer in the reservation, the hunt may end.

This year's hunt, which stretched from mid-January to mid-March, killed 169 deer, far below the 146 that was reported earlier.

In 1997 the county about \$58.47 to kill each deer with volunteer hunters from the county and the public, for a total cost of \$8,536.62.

This cost compares favorably with the cost of the previous two hunts, said Bernier. The 1997 hunt killed

185 deer and cost the county \$10,476.75, with each deer costing about \$56.63 to kill.

The 1999 hunt will be similar to this year's hunt, with 30 hunters hiding around bait stations in the reservation. The hunt is expected to last a total of 30 days, depending on the weather.

The deer are being killed because they overgraze plants in the reservation, including landscaping plants on the property of homeowners living near the reservation.

They have also been blamed for increasing traffic accidents. The deer, which can weigh up to 200 pounds, often dart out in front of traffic and can damage vehicles.

Bernier said there have been complaints about deer from other parts of the county. However, there has been no discussion yet about whether the hunt would be expanded outside the Watchung Reservation.

Not everyone loves the hunt. Nearby residents have complained about the noise from the hunt. The hunters use shotguns loaded with so-called "slug" ammunition to kill the deer.

Opponents of the hunt have also accused the county of not looking into "non-lethal" means of controlling the deer population.

The most well-known method is "immunocontraception," also known as "gender" or "sex" vaccines. It involves injecting female deer with a dart filled with a contraceptive vaccine.

The county has studied one such vaccine — called porcine zona pellicida or PZP — with the Humane Society of the United States.

County officials do not like PZP because deer have to be hit with two PZP darts spread out over several days to prevent births.

The Humane Society has been testing PZP in the Frélinghuysen Arboretum, but has encountered a lot of difficulty in use. County officials have said that PZP won't work in the Arboretum — which is a closed area rather than an open forest — if it will work in the forest itself.

However, Nina Austenberg, Regional Director of the Humane Society, said that PZP has been successful in the Arboretum. The problem lies with the vaccine, she said, not with one of its components.

According to Austenberg, PZP darts contain an "adjuvant" along with the vaccine.

The adjuvant helps the vaccine do its work, but unfortunately isn't approved by the Food and Drug Administration. Without this approval, any deer dosed with PZP have to wear ear tags to warn hunters against using their meat. It's this ear-tagging that makes the Arboretum experiment so labor-intensive.

There are other vaccines and chemicals that are awaiting FDA approval, said Austenberg. These would not require deer to have their ears tagged.

Another Humane Society experiment with PZP has very successful, she said.

This is a six-year experiment on Little Island in New York. The experiment, on a herd of about 220 deer, covers 16 communities and has a 90 percent success rate. This experiment is being done on a free-ranging herd.

According to Austenberg, PZP could be used successfully in the reservation — that is, if it didn't involve ear-tagging and if it was used on a smaller herd.

Austenberg said that the county government does want to eliminate the ear-tagging.

Field 8 dedicated to Archer

(Continued from Page B1) "I would like to see the field dedicated to Archer," said Union County Freeholder Alexander Mirabella. "From this vantage point, the Archer honored many of the great softball players and teams that played throughout the game on Field 8. As an opponent, I am proud to have hundreds of umpires, who worked tournament games, in addition to umpiring at four national tournaments."

A new NEA Deck Archer gave

everyone something to strive for with his first rule for umpires — be perfect and get better as each pitch goes along.

"This man who called Rainbow home for all but about five years when he lived in Avenel, loved Warinanco Park here in Union County and especially Field 8," Mirabella added. "He felt that Warinanco Park had the best fields in the state of New Jersey to conduct softball tournaments."

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Officials should eye infrastructure

(Continued from Page B1) facing the county could be \$1.7 million.

Thankfully, we have been lucky with the bipartisan support by Union County officials to improve the situation. The needs, however, continue to grow.

In a time of relative prosperity, our transportation problems still have an uphill battle. Just the basic dredging of the harbor to a bare minimum to keep the port open requires serious dollars. The Arthur Kill deepening cost \$275 million, triple the cost of 10 years ago.

A lot of the problems are not only of an engineering of dollar

frature. The future is no longer something to plan for or in which to invest. Supposedly part of the American dream is the belief that the future, for ourselves and generations not yet born will be better. That seems to be missing in the current equation.

Still, we share frustrations at traffic jams caused by inadequate mass transit and highways or lack of alternatives. But if we don't follow the lead of people like Wiggins and improve our situation, we will be in the old bind that we can pay now or pay a lot more later.

Frank Capace, an attorney, is a resident of Cranford.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Union County Arts Center to present 'The Nutcracker'

Nothing else does 'Christmas' quite like 'The Nutcracker'. The Union County Arts Center in Rahway will present a 'fabulous and fascinating' version of the classic Tchaikovsky ballet on Dec. 12 at 8 p.m.

For more than 40 years, 'The Nutcracker' has been delighting people of all ages. The enchanting music of 'The Nutcracker', created by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky with its magical story by E.T.A. Hoffmann, continue to create this exquisite ballet that has become a festive holiday tradition.

The story opens at the Stahlbaumers as they enjoy their annual Christmas party and everyone is arriving. The children, Fritz and Clara, are so excited and welcome their friends to come and play and dance.

being a bit jealous, grabs the nutcracker from Clara and promptly breaks it. As the guests depart and the family goes to bed, Clara is worried about her beloved nutcracker, she's back to the tree to check on him, where strange things begin to happen. As the tree grows, the room fills with mice. The nutcracker comes to life and, although he summons his soldiers, he cannot stop the mighty Mouse King. The Mouse King captures Clara as the soldiers seem helplessly outnumbered. The nutcracker can go on no longer and is also captured. Clara wakes a final time to see the Mouse King and he says, 'Down the mice all swarm off as they mean their leader!'

The nutcracker turns into a prince and sets Clara upon a journey to a land of snow and enchanted forests where she is welcomed by dancing Snowflakes. In the land of sweets, Clara receives a celebration of dances: The Spanish Dance, The Arabian Dance, The Chinese Dance, the Mithun Dance, the Waltz of the Flowers and as a finale, the Sugar

Pump Fairy and the Cavalier dance a 'Bas De Deux'.

The Union County Arts Center, a not-for-profit corporation, dedicated to presenting the best in the performing arts, is located in the recently restored Rahway Theater, a 1928 vaudeville and silent film house in downtown Rahway. The Arts Center is handicapped accessible, and unattended listening devices are available to patrons upon request. Major support for the Arts Center and its programs comes from the city of Rahway, Merck & Co. the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union and the Rahway Savings Institution. Other December events include 'Once on this Island Jr.', the Orchestra of St. Peter By the Sea, 'Florida Swing', 'Babies in Toyland' and 'The Lettermen'. Tickets for shows can be bought individually, although discounts are available for multiple show packages. Orders may be placed by phone with a Visa or Mastercard, or in person at Ticket Central, the UCC's box office. For more information, or for ticket availability, call Ticket Central at (732) 499-8226.

Westfield Players to complete 'Blithe Spirit'

Director Hank Glass, known for his theatergoer-friendly but appearances and directing efforts, at Westfield Community Players, is the director for the opening production of Noel Coward's 'Blithe Spirit'.

The show will comprise six days of Tuesday and Saturday 8 p.m. in the theater at 1000 North Avenue, Westfield.

'Blithe Spirit' is a play with a ghostly firm wife who continues to love and haunt her former husband. In rare Coward fashion, the play features witty, sophisticated dialogue and sharply drawn characters.

The ensemble cast features a blend of newcomers, as well as veterans of previous WCP productions. A Charles, the haunted husband, as Joseph Penczak of Westfield, and his second wife Ruth, is played by returning actress Linda Correll of Winfield. Linda Guindia of Westfield reprises her role of madam Milamie Arcott who is the ghost between the first wife, Elvira, Sarah, Selbach, Michele of Hackettsville.

Blithe, the requisite diva-widow, clamey maid, a Lisa, Siveinart of Edison, and veterans John Correll of Winfield and Elaine Doppen of Summit are Dr. and Mrs. Bradshaw, who try to soothe and humor the increasingly tormented Charles. The producer is Vince Partipatos of Roselle Park; the assistant director is Lorrie Tomato of Plainfield, and the stage manager is Pearl Gattano of Edison.

All tickets are \$12 and can be obtained at Rorden Realty in downtown Westfield or by calling the 24-hour ticket line at (908) 232-1221. Remaining shows for the season are 'Prelude to a Kiss', by Craig Lucas, on Jan. 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23, 1999; 'Rockin' on the Moon', by Clifford Odets, on March 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27; and 'Run for Your Wife' by Ray Cooney on May 16, 21, 22, June 4, 5, 11 and 12.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Booklet offers tips for teachers to make school activities appealing

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

People at Hope Blecher-Sass's book, "100th Day of School Activities," are looking for ways to make school activities more appealing to teachers and students. She started the book in 1997, when she was a teacher at the 100th Day of School celebration in her school.

The book is a collection of 100 activities that can be done in the classroom. It includes ideas for reading, writing, math, science, social studies, and art. The book is available for purchase at the publisher's website, www.100thdayofschool.com.

Blecher-Sass, who is a teacher at the 100th Day of School celebration, said she was inspired to write the book because she wanted to share her ideas with other teachers.

She said she has received many positive responses from teachers who have used the book in their classrooms.

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100th school day means plenty of fun activities

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Staff Writer

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A harvest fest



Union County Freeholder Chairman Daniel Sullivan, right, and Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, left, stopped at the recent Harvest Festival at Translucence and Science Center in Mountaiole. Melissa Carter, is a Red Hawk dancer of the Manahatta Indian Council of New York City.

Arts Center provides 'passport to culture'

More than 1,000 children from 45 municipalities were magically transported to Bali recently by the shadow puppetry of Wayang Kulit in a special day of the 10th Performance Arts Center's Bali Atlantic Passport to Culture School Fine Performance Series event.

The first performances, which drew children from schools including Newark, Orange, Red Bank, Perth Amboy, and Mountain Lakes, opened a season that will attract more than 65,000 students and their teachers to NJPAC. More than 35,000 other children will also see the mysterious NJPAC puppets in their schools.

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 A small problem may come up at work. Stay calm, cool and collected, and in the end you'll handle everything just fine. Remember, life and the year is approaching. You can't put off that goal too much longer. Take some time off work and a weekend getaway.

Taurus
April 21-May 21
 Have a close friend have you in mind to help. It's time to get some of the recognition you deserve. Enjoy it, and carry that good feeling home with you. Someone in your family will need some cheering up this week, and you can be there.

Gemini
May 22-June 21
 Some rough financial decisions are on the horizon. If the numbers show a loss, you may have to make some changes. Don't let the numbers drive you crazy. Take a break and get back to work.

Cancer
June 22-July 22
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Leo
July 23-Aug. 23
 This should turn out to be a good week at work. You'll finally get some of the recognition you deserve. Enjoy it, and carry that good feeling home with you. Someone in your family will need some cheering up this week, and you can be there.

Virgo
Aug. 24-Sept. 22
 Changes could be on the horizon for you at work. Keep your eyes and ears open for what's to come. If being prepared, you'll be ready for whatever is handed to you. Take some

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 23
 It's time to get out of the house and have some fun. You're starting to get in a rut. A close friend should give you the answer to a problem you've been dealing with for some time. Make that new idea at work. It could bring a great reward for you.

Scorpio
Oct. 24-Nov. 22
 Travel plans for Thanksgiving. Make sure they include servicing your car. Have your tires, brakes and fluids checked. Also, be sure to make reservations in advance. Then all your worries will be behind you, and you'll be able to enjoy the holiday.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23-Dec. 21
 You may encounter some problems with coworkers or employees this week at work. Just remember, you can't please everybody all the time. I look for some friends to step in this week. Put the work problems behind you and enjoy the time with them.

Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 20
 It's time to start watching your spending habits—before you let your holiday spending get out of control. On top of that, don't plan to make any major purchases this week. Go along with your partner's plans, even though they are not your idea of fun.

Aquarius
Jan. 21-Feb. 18
 Stop and take time to think about all the things you have to be thankful for. Even though things may seem to be a great time for you, think about what has gone your way this year. While you're at it, be sure to get someone close to you to know how much you appreciate him/her.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20
 Don't give up on your romance just yet. Maybe if you make a few adjustments, you'll find that your old partner can work things out. Start by putting work on the back burner for a few days of the weekend, and giving extra time to your loved one.

Gallery curator displays works at Washington exhibition

The works of Valeri Larkov, curator of the U.S. Tomasso Gallery, are currently being featured in an exhibition titled "Art Seen Through a Landscape." Larkov will be exhibiting the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. Larkov has been the curator of the Tomasso Gallery at Union County College's Cranford campus for the last several years. She is responsible for bringing several exhibits to the campus each year. On Nov. 20, a new exhibit of paintings of industrial landscapes by Michael McCannley will debut and run through Dec. 17. Tomasso Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Saturdays, and also from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays. For further information on the past current exhibit, call the gallery at (908) 769-9155.

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ROAMING Somerset Hills

A wealth of wonders await visitors to the Somerset Hills

By Bill Van Sant Staff Writer

Nestled in the rolling hills of Somerset County lies a veritable haven of the rich and famous. But you'd never know it driving through. A favorite spot over the years of such notables as Tommy Dorsey, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Mike Tyson and then-wife Robin Givens, the King of Morocco, and Malcolm Forbes, the area of Bernardsville, Basking Ridge and Bedminster is spotted with lush estates and magnificent mansions. But what would attract these celebrities and more to the region? "It seems to be an area that reminds most people very much of New England. There's a true New England, small town feel, yet we are very convenient to all the large amenities nearby," said Janet Parisi, a real estate agent with Coldwell Banker's Basking Ridge/Harding office since 1987. "We're kind of like that song, 'Forty-five minutes from Broadway and oh, what a difference it makes.' "We have a lot of executives in our area, junior and upward. We handle a lot of AT&T and pharmaceutical executives. We have an upscale, middle class and up clientele, all concerned with wanting a family neighborhood that offers good schools, and a safe community, all with an accessibility to employment." Most average people, however, don't have a couple of million to drop on a stately domicile. Fortunately, there's more to the Somerset Hills region than palatial estates. "I think depending on the price range, the number-one home of choice is a colonial, very traditional," comments Parisi. "The more money people spend, I think they are seeking out their privacy, some more space, some more land." Whether relocating to the area or merely visiting for the day, the region offers a wealth of attractions, be they eateries, shops, or sources of local history. Among the region's highlights is the Somerset Hills Hotel, in business in nearby Warren since 1988, offers a plethora of dining, entertaining and overnight options. The staff prides itself on being "service-oriented in a small, personalized, friendly setting." The facility's two restaurants - Christine's, featuring Italian and continental cuisine, and the Polo Lounge with its light American fare -

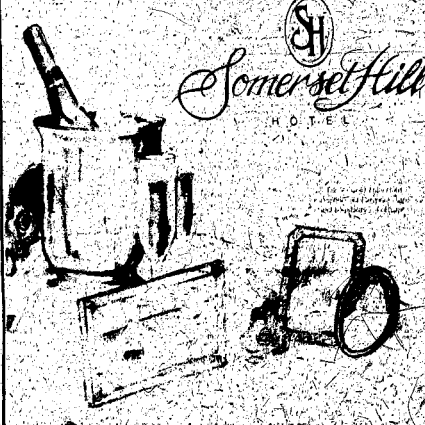
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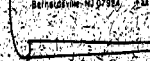
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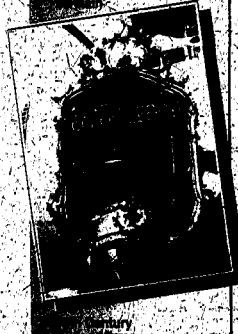
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Oliver Filley, is the chef; he's classically French trained at the Culinary Institute. It's a very upscale, high-end menu in a little more relaxed setting; a very romantic environment in the country. Reservations are recommended and jackets are requested on weekends. Patrons are invited to bring their own bottles of wine. Not far away is Ironwood, the restaurant at the Basking Ridge Country Club. Ironwood is in the unique position of being located at a private country club so the views and scenery are in line with that, but it's open to the public so anyone can dine there," said Director of Sales Jill Upshaw. "We specialize in creative American cuisine. We like to pride ourselves on having enough different variety to satisfy every taste. "We're also in the advantageous position of having our clubhouse open to the general public," she continued, "so not only can the public dine at Ironwood, they can have any type of business or social event catered right in the clubhouse. The Grain House Restaurant traces its history back to 1768, when it was built, as its name implies, to store grain. New Jersey's own Revolutionary War flag will be unfurled and displayed at a special Revolutionary War Dinner at the Grain House Restaurant in Basking Ridge Nov. 12. Along with the history of the flag, local storyteller Jack Rushing will relate a number of Revolutionary War stories and Colonial happenings in the Somerset Hills area as New Jerseyans fought for independence from British rule and settled the area. The Grain House will feature some choice brews along with a prix fixe dinner of foods savored by the colonists and served family style at individual tables. Monterey Gourmet provides an alternative to the traditional catered affair. For those who know and appreciate the difference, Monterey Gourmet remains dedicated and convinced that quality and exceptional service make the difference. Monterey Gourmet can provide full catering services including tents, rentals, full bars, location information, professional servers, bartenders, chefs, and bridal consultation. Whether at the client's home, a rented hall, or in a rented mansion, every detail is professionally planned and supervised to provide the client with peace of mind. Shopping experiences galore await the day-tripper. "We have a large selection of 19th-century and estate furnishings," says Marcello Sciarino, owner of Bernardsville Antique & Design, which the 500ft Star-Ledger 500ft called "New Jersey's upscale shopping experience." "In addition to having an auction, we bring a wide variety of people to our showroom. We have a full-time store that's open seven days a week. "We're a full-service store, from one piece to an entire home decoration. We have a decorator on staff who can assist in anyone's decorating needs." "We bring people from all over the state of New Jersey," Sciarino continues. "A lot of my clients are from northern New Jersey and western and central New Jersey, even from New York. We've been in the business for 54 years. This is our only New Jersey store; our flagship store is in Brooklyn, N.Y." "We do offer a true estate auction. A lot of the problem with the estate auctions that go on around the area is that they set up overnight and sell new stuff. Because we have a store - a permanent location - and we do an auction,

we put a lot of emphasis on quality estate furnishings, where people can feel that they buy with confidence." Over at Basking Ridge Glass and Mirror, home decorators can augment their findings with customized windows and mirrors. "We do storm doors, we do table tops, people put exercise rooms in their basements with big mirrored wall things like that," comments co-owner Debbie Loprintz. "We do all kinds of custom tub enclosures and specialty glass, like glass for little picture frames. People don't run into a store like this that much. "We do a lot of mirrors, we replace mirrors in old dressers, we do bevelled mirrors, especially in bathrooms. We mirror the back of furniture, such as china cabinet interiors. Basically anything that has a shape we can put glass on, we cut it to size." Peter Nastacio invites visitors to Autumn Traditions, while in Bernardsville, stop in and visit us at Autumn Traditions, and see our extensive collection of Hardwood furniture, as well as our other fine furnishings and accessories." Jonathan Nebut, owner of The Sports People in Fair Hills, says, "What makes this store unique is our staff's experience and enthusiasm. They pride themselves on customizing to their clients' needs, whether racing or touring or adding Madison & Mackerack Home Collection is a full-service design center and a fabulous showroom filled with furniture, antiques, accessories and art. With their attention to detail and service, Patricia Kelley and her staff will make customers feel at home whether they're purchasing a small gift or decorating an entire home. For those whose automotive tastes can be described as "high end," Tom Roastler, the owner of The Stable, has just what you need. "We sell European classic cars," he says. "We've got things ranging from 1920s Rolls Royces and Bentleys through modern-day Ferraris, Mercedes Benz, Jaguars, Rolls Royces and Bentleys. Anything that's exotic and interesting. We've got about 50 cars in stock." "We sell cars all over the

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in this truly one-of-a-kind collection. Many readers will remember reading about Tall Oaks, the Tommy Dorsey estate in Bernardsville, and the likes of Gene Krupa, Buddy Rich and Frank Sinatra hung out there with the Dorsey family, the estate was sold in 1991 to the Ferrante family. Last year, the property was purchased again, and two four-acre lots have been subdivided off the original parcel. Two magnificent homes are now available, each designed in keeping with the elegant, country traditions of Bernardsville. The home is being marketed by Miriam Egar of Prudential New Jersey Realty's Morristown office for \$1,450,000. And the of course, there's the option of living there even if a sprawling estate isn't in the budget. "The town policy is that you're nice to everybody," says Patali. "We tend to be very historic. We do offer the historic walking tour in Basking Ridge, Bernardsville is noted for its library, although the new site is under construction. The true reason that people come here, they want that small-town feel, to have people know your names, have kids being safe to go to school, walk downtown. Having a downtown center seems to be a draw and for people to have a common bond."

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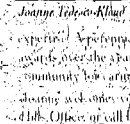
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1 YR ADJ	4.88	0.00	5.00	APP	4.75	2.50	6.98
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Automotive

Isuzu adds unique touches

Isuzu Motors Limited unveiled to the American press their latest addition to SUVs, the Isuzu-VX-2, with its sharp lines and taut contours, convey a keen-edged look. Its spartan proportions, along with sport front and rear overhangs and Bunch wheels mounted with 255/60R18 tires, give the VX-2 a safe-to-ride mobility and the clear sense of a vehicle the toughest terrain.

Unique touches such as individually rear-ventilating roof panels, above driver and passenger seats, and a full-size spare wheel on a tie-rod, are tucked away in an integrated aluminum frame, making the package illustrate Isuzu's approach to SUV design.

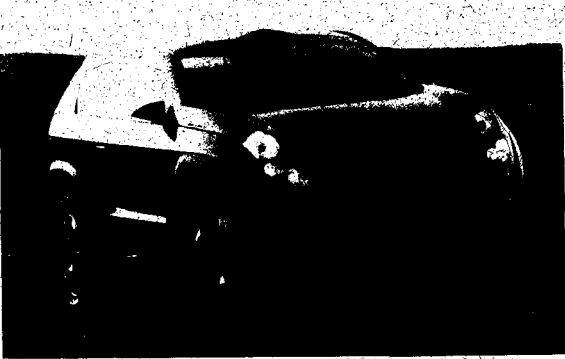
The four-spoke exterior design motif carries over to the interior with its advanced, hi-tech cockpit. The instrument panel and doors are color coordinated with the body, while the door trim color is in sharp contrast.

A color rear view video monitor with an integrated GPS navigation system is provided to assured good rear visibility.

Powering the VX-2 is a 3.2-liter gasoline engine, coupled to a four-speed automatic transmission and Torque-On-Demand, four-wheel drive system.

The VX-2 is equipped with four-wheel ventilated disc brakes, and ABS. Suspension is a forged aluminum double wishbone and torsion bar independent suspension in front and double wishbone and coil spring suspension in the rear. Dampers are high efficiency, twin-tube, remote reservoir shocks. Traction control gives the VX-2 unprecedented wheel travel.

Equipped with dual air bags, four-point rally-type seat belts for



The VX-2 encapsulates one of Isuzu's visions of how SUV technology will look in the future. The VX-2 conveys a sporty image along with Spartan proportions. The truncated front and rear overhangs and large 18-inch wheels guarantee lightness and minimal rolling resistance.



both front and rear passengers and high-efficiency projector beam headlights for improved night time visibility, the VX-2 seats four. The VX-2 is a continuation of the evolution of the SUV as demonstrated by Isuzu's VehiCROSS. The VehiCROSS won a special award from the Japan Car of the Year selection committee for "proven design consistent with high-level performance."

Benz to enhance production of its sport utility vehicle

In response to ever-increasing market demand for its award-winning Mercedes-Benz M-Class, Daimler-Benz will expand the availability for the successful sport utility vehicle to Europe with supplementary assembly in Graz, Austria.

Up to 30,000 additional M-Class Vehicles will be assembled at Steyr-Daimler-Puch Fahrzeugtechnik AG, Co KG, exclusively for European markets, subject to final agreement with the Austrian Partner, Mercedes-Benz M-Class facility in Tuscaloosa, Alabama is already increasing from 65,000 to 80,000 units per year.

Jürgen Hubbert, Daimler-Benz management board member and CEO of Mercedes-Benz car body plant in Graz, Austria, said: "With the expansion in Graz, we will effectively and efficiently accelerate Mercedes-Benz production in a factory that has proven to be a high yielding and successful partner. We will be able to increase our capacity in Graz with reduced investment and in less time and in cooperation with Chrysler, also create synergies in logistics."

Daimler-Benz has had a long association with the area of vehicle assembly and engineering development. Since 1979, the Mercedes-Benz G-Class or "Gelandewagen" has been produced in Graz. Well known for their all-wheel drive expertise, Steyr-Daimler-Puch has also assembled the new E320 sedan and wagon with the 4Matic option since 1996. In neighboring Graz plant, Chrysler assembles the Grand Cherokee and Voyager minivan for European markets.

The Tuscaloosa, Alabama plant will remain the primary vehicle production source for the M-Class. Even with its own recent \$40 million expansion and its planned 20 percent increase in production in 1999, the flexibility of plant expansion to meet the anticipated worldwide demand for the M-Class brings the next two years' production to 100,000 units.

Current M-Class suppliers in North America and Germany will continue to provide vehicles and components for the vehicle built in Graz, Alabama.

Since the M-Class was introduced in North America in September 1997, more than 60,000 M-Class vehicles have been sold in the United States and Canada, and more than 300,000 have already been delivered in Europe.

"Thanks to the hard work and flexibility of our entire American team, we can keep up with the worldwide demand for the M-Class," said Dieter Zetsche, Daimler-Benz management board member for sales. "In fact, we can't bring them to Europe fast enough, which is why we've decided to find this supplementary production source."

The Steyr-Daimler-Puch facility in Graz has been a successful partner for Daimler-Benz. In January, 1998, the plant built 107,000 Mercedes-Benz G-Class vehicles and more than 14,000 M-Class vehicles with 4Matic. The plant has been built there. The Chrysler Jeep Grand Cherokee plant in Graz has an annual capacity of 27,000 vehicles, while the Chrysler plant has an annual capacity of 60,000 vehicles. In 1997, Chrysler began production in Graz in 1991.

Tips offered during breakdowns

Because even the best-maintained vehicle can develop a mechanical problem, it's critical that motorists know how to handle unexpected situations on safety. The AAA "New Jersey Automobile Club" offers the following tips:

The first rule when your vehicle begins to malfunction is to pull over to the side of the road, turn on your emergency flashers, and exercise caution when exiting the vehicle. If necessary, exit from the passenger side of the vehicle to avoid the risk of being struck by traffic.

Envoy boasts new headlamps

GMC's new uplevel Envoy is the first sport utility in the world to have High Intensity Discharge headlamps. Created by Delphi, Interior and Lighting Systems, Envoy's unique HID reflector optics headlamp system is designed for optimum illumination as well as enhanced styling.

The white light emitted by HID lamps provides approximately 30 percent more effectively, and illuminates road surfaces better than conventional halogen or incandescent systems. Utilizing a ballast, inverter, arc tube and reflector, HID generates more light per watt, but uses less electrical energy and runs cooler than conventional systems.

Current halogen low beam headlamps require 55 watts of energy to provide 1,500 spherical lumens. HID requires about 42-43 watts to provide more than 3,000 spherical lumens. Additionally, HID lamps have more ballast life because of the use of arc tubes and the elimination of filaments.

HID lighting has numerous benefits over halogen and incandescent systems including improved driver safety. Due to increased light spread, driver eye strain and fatigue are reduced. HID lighting also enhances the phosphorus in road signs and lane markers, making recognition easier and quicker than with conventional systems. Improved efficiency and increased output of HID lighting make a reduction in lamp size possible. A lamp size reduction, as evidenced by the Envoy, can enhance styling flexibility and overall exterior appearance.

Here's how the state-of-the-art HID lighting system works through the combined efforts of a ballast, inverter, arc tube and reflector:

- The ballast regulates the power supplied to the arc tube/inverter assembly during arc initiation and arc steady state conditions.
- The inverter is an electromagnetic transformer that receives current from the ballast and steps up voltage to start the arc light source under all ambient conditions.
- The arc tube is a small quartz glass enclosure containing gaseous metal halide elements and low voltage. When current passes between the electrodes in the gas in the tube, ionization occurs, an arc is struck and light is emitted.
- The reflector disperses high-intensity light in a precise, controlled beam.

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Learn what safety features are all about

Automotive safety features protect you, your passengers and your property. Features which help you avoid an accident in the first place and help features which help you and your family survive an accident. When you shop for a car, you should know what safety features are all about.

Driver and Front Passenger Seats — Purpose: Cushion and support occupants in the event of a frontal impact. Availability: Driver side air bags are found on subcompact, luxury sedans, minivans and sport utility vehicles. Passenger side air bags found on larger sedans and minivans. Car, Truck, Standard: Safety belts. 1989 Ford Escort: An anti-lock steering wheel should not be used that the driver should not be used to eliminate the "steering wheel lock" caution. Air bags protect you from frontal impacts and they work best when you most need your seat belt.

Integral Child Seats — Purpose: Protects infants in case of an accident without needing to install a child safety seat. Availability: On Chrysler minivans and larger full size sedans. Volvo's 850 has a fold-down seat with

rest designed to serve as a booster seat for toddlers. Cost: Standard sport minivan or up to \$500. 1984 and 1985: Make sure your kids are within the child's specified age, age and weight range.

Anti-lock brakes — Purpose: Prevents steering loss and skidding during emergency stops, regardless of road conditions, even if you slam on the brakes.

Availability: Standard on higher priced cars and all Chevrolets. Optional too on most model lines, including minivans, pickup trucks, and sport utility vehicles. Cost: Less than \$500 to more than \$1,000.

Look out for Rear-wheel-only ABS systems, help control the rear from sliding on slippery roads but do not prevent the front wheels from skidding while steering. Wheel wheel ABS is better.

Traction Control — Purpose: Keeps the driving wheels from spinning when you accelerate on slippery roads. Availability: More expensive luxury cars and larger sedans. Cost: About \$1,000. Look out for "Stumble systems" apply the brakes to the skidding wheels, more sophisticated systems also cut engine power.

All-Wheel Drive — Purpose: Supplies driving power to front and rear wheels simultaneously for balanced and predictable handling, as well as added traction on slippery roads. Availability: From low-priced subcompact to premium European luxury models, minivans and sport utility vehicles. Cost: About \$1,000 and up.

Look out for "Don't confuse AWD with the driver controlled four-wheel drive systems used for off-road vehicles, which should not be used on city pavement or at highway speeds."

Four-Wheel Steering Package — Purpose: Headlight washers and wipers and mirror defrosters keep the headlights and outside rearview mirrors clear during slippery driving conditions. Availability: Still largely limited to more expensive models, though some sport utility vehicles have headlight washers. Cost: Standard equipment or less than \$500.

Look out for: Any model minivan, hatchback, or station wagon can be equipped with a rear-window wiper and wiper. Only the least expensive economy "family" come with rear window defrosters.

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