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## Gutsy calls

Maybe it's just me, but I noticed last week elected officials making some pretty gutsy calls putting the public good before their own politi-cal agenda. Maybe it's getting

Retiring U.S. Sen. Frank Lauter Retting U.S. Sen. Frank Lauten-berg raised hopes when he called for an end to the infuriating toll lines on the Tumpike. A view I am certain is shared by many. "There is a limit to our patience and we have reached it," he said.

#### l eft Out

By Frank Capace

At high peak usage Lautenberg is proposing to let the traffic pass through. Taking on any New Jersey authority, as in non-accountability to the voters, is always a daunting task Palways a daunting task Palways et al. Lautenberg really shook them up. It could be that his broad side will speed up the E-Z Pass, which has been as elusive as a rainbow for New Jersey, while these automated tolks are already operative in other states.

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The Highway Authority took a second hit from Assemblyman loo Suliga. Suliga earlier this summer conducted his own sting on the Parkway in Union County. Using staffers who pretended to break down, Suliga found some motorists were being charged for tow services supposedly being provided for free by the operator. Lest week the state admitted Suliga was right. I can't think of a time when a motorist is more vulnerable than being stuck on a highway. Suliga is poised, to introduce logislation being stuck on a highway. Suliga is poised, to introduce logislation to penalize tow operators who engage in this practice of charging when the bid that got them the job in the first place calls for no cost.

But for a minority member of Legislature, such as Suliga, there is no benefit in taking on the state unbority. When questioned by the The Record about the abuses, the suthority spokesman cited the resulting small number of complaints and gratutiously added, "I think those numbers, speak for themselves."

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What it speaks to is an authority spokesman who is speaking for the authority vendors, not New Jersey citizens. But I am encouraged that Suliga is on their tail. That will also speak for itself.

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On the Republican side, we have all had a week to reflect on Gov. Christis Whitman's decision to just say no to a U.S. Senate run. The political community has been abuzz, speculating on the so-called real reason for her decision. Consider this scenario. After two clares as governor, president of the Board of Public Utilities and chairperson of the Somerste Board of Precholders, Whitman just didn't need the fix of running again.

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Sorting through new duffel bags for DYFS, which were provided by Kidz Pax Inc., art from left, Kidz Pax Ion., art from left, Kidz Pax founders Ann Weidel of Summit, Kay Bikc of Springfied and Carol Danco of Clark, second from right, and Peter Mancusi and Cheryl Blake of DYFS.

#### Trashing the old way of doing things Kidz Pax Inc. provides new duffel bags for DYFS

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

Regional Editor

Jeanette Danco used to be terrified at the sight of black, plastic garbage bag. But she had a good reason. The 16-year-old spont the first three years of her life bouncing around four different foster homes. She was in foster care until the age of 8 when her current family was able to adopt here.

her.
Each time she saw a black, plastic trash bag, she would think to herself, "They're taking me away again," or "Am I

moving again?"
"It's bad enough moving from home to home," Jeanette

W GUTTER DAGS TOF DYFS
said, "but sometimes you're acrying your stuff in black
trash bags with holes in them that have been used before."
Kidz Pax Inc. is trying to change the stigma and offect
arsh bags have on foster children. Last week the organization presented the Division of Youth and Family Services
Metropollan Region with 800 brightly-colored duffel
bags. The nonprofit organization, founded this year by
three Union Count women, aims to continue distributing
duffel bags to be used by foster children.
The new duffel bags donated by Kids-Pax Inc. "give kids
a sense of security because their lives aren't thrown into
See MAKING, Page B2

## Public provides input on open space plan

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor Residents commended the Union County Open Space and Recreation Master Plan for its foresight to acquire open space but at the same time called on the plan to better address widtlife preservation during a public hearing on the plan to better address widtlife protection should share an equal status," said Union resident Frank Budney of the Friends of Lenape Park. "Ballfields are not the only use for the parklands but just one aspect of open space and recreation."

"Lenape Park affords park visitors a unique opportunity to view wildlife with minimal impact on the land-sape," Budney said, "yet the only improvement plans for the park concern the trap and skeet range and why it floods."

The county could save the \$3,000 allocated for why the trap boxes flood, Budney said, because the enswer is simple: the range is in the middle of a flood plain. Many of the more than 200 species of birds, mammals and repities at Lenape Park are endangered species which need habitat protection, Budney said. He suggested setting aside parts of Lonape Park as a nature preserve by installing nest boxes, trail improvements, removal and control of exolic plants and stream bank restoration.

tion project be considered for the French/Richards Cemetery and placed under the historic preservation section of the master plan. Located on the northeastern end of the park, the cemetéry contains graves dating back to 1638

to 1638. The Houdaille Quarry in Spring-field is in the process of regeneration after years of mining, said Marcia-Forman, chaivornan of the Spring-field Environmental Commission and a former mayor. She said the master plan should encourage naurral vegeta-tion returning to the quarry and make pedesterian and nature traits a priori-y. No funds were allocated in the plan for nodestrian trails while the nlan

from said the positive response to a public tour this past spring is "indicative of the interest" in the

"indicative of the interest" in the quarry. Robert Muska of the Berkeley Heights Environmental Commission brought up concerns about "unoffi-cial" parking areas within the reserva-tion which should be eliminated

Swing gates are standard procedure in Morris and Somerset county parks, he said, and the mere presence of them would help.

a presented the Planning See FEEDBACK, Page B2

#### LaCorte, Kelly seek surrogate

Democrat James LaCorte will face off against Republican Linda-Loe Kelly in November's election for County Surrogate.

The Union County Democratic Committee selected LaCorte Sept. 7 after screening several candidates while Republicans chose Kelly Tuesday night.

day night.

LaCorte is a senior partner and practicing attorney in Elizaboth with 24 years of legal experience. During his career, he also served as dry counsel to the Union county Board of Social Services. He is the son of the last Republican mayor of Elizabeth, Nicholas LaCorte.

-Keily, of Elizabeth, has a law degree but is not a practicing attorney. She is principal in an Elizabeth. She served on the freeholder board from 1993 to 1996 and was vice chairman at one point. She was assistant county counsel from 1983 to 1989.

The surrogate is responsible for andling wills and reviewing court handling wills and reviewing court casts that are probate-related among other duties.

Democrat Ann Conti, who was elected to a five-year term as surrogate in 1997, died in July. She had been surrogate since 1983.

### Total Cost Per Pupil

District	1998-99	1997-98	1996-97	1995-96	Avg
Vo-Tech	\$11,676	\$13,829	\$18,395	\$18,649	\$15,637
Winfield	811,627	\$12,062	\$10,464	\$9,173	\$10.882
Berkeley Heights	\$11,317	\$11,127	\$9,252	\$9,592	\$10,322
Clark	\$10,721	\$10,818	\$9,324	\$9,521	\$10,096
Scotch Plains-Fanwood	\$9,696	\$9,646	\$10,078	\$9,856	\$9.819
Springfield	\$10,133	\$10,554	\$9,114	\$9,264	\$9,766
Westfield	\$9,392	\$9,872	\$10,093	\$9,460	\$9,704
Summit -	\$9,850	\$9,362	\$9,518	\$9,604	\$9,584
New Providence	\$9,296	\$9,636	\$9,683	\$9,678	\$9,573
County average	\$9,918	\$9,823	\$9,222	\$9,261	\$9,556
Elizabeth	\$10,713	\$9,285	\$8,935	\$8,385	\$9,330
Cranford	\$9,535	\$9,426	\$9,348	\$8,964	\$9,318
Mountainside	\$10,958	-910,819	- \$8,291	\$8,853	\$9,179
Kenilworth					
	\$10,012	\$9,776	\$8,847	\$8,005	\$9,160
Roselle	\$9,997	\$9,365	-\$8,714	\$8,523	\$9,150
Plainfield	\$8,914	\$8,840	\$9,052	\$8,909	\$8,929
Linden	\$9.658	\$8,724	\$8,542	\$8,483	\$8.852
Rahway	\$9,017	.\$8,875	\$8,259		\$8,730
Roselle Park	\$8,673	\$8.681	\$8,138	\$8,485	\$8,494
Hillside	\$9,445	\$8,948	\$7,923	\$7,508	\$8,456
Garwood	\$9,476	\$8,964	\$6,174	\$7,566	\$8,045
Union	\$7,970	\$7,874	\$7,511	\$7,224	\$7,645
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The Total Cost Per Pupil includes costs for tuition expenditures, transpondation, other current expenses, equipment, facilities/acquisition, and restricted expenses less non-public services and adult schools. The total of these expenditures is divided by the average daily enrollment plus students sent out of district for a total cost per pupil. Next week: Total Comparative Cost Per Pupil, which represents expenditures that can be compared fairly to other districts of similar operating or budget type. The components that make up Comparative Cost Per Pupil include classroom instruction, support services, administrative costs, operations/maintenance of plant, food services, extracurricular costs and other costs.

### Outbreak not likely

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer
The recent outbreak of St. Louis
Encephalitis that has killed three and
infected more than 40 others in New York has telephones ringing off the hook at the Union County Mosquito Control Bureau. But officials say the frightening scenario is unlikely to occur here.

Although recent media publications have indicated an outbreak could happen free and icid Union County as one of the counties without a mosquito control commission in force, 
according to Union County Manager
Michael Lapolla, nothing could be 
further from the ruth. In fact, the 
county has had a Bureau of Medighiol 
Control silently working behind the 
scenes since the early 1900s and was 
the first state in the union to take measures to bring the problem under control back then.

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trol back then.

Carolyn Vollero, chief inspector for the cousey-busede, explained that for the county is has basically been "business as usual," despite the outbrack. Vollero received her certification and advanced training under training under the tutelage of Wayno Crans, the Rutgers professor who is an expert in the field and recently widely quoted in the See MOSQUITO, Page B2

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## Making foster care 'less traumatic'

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black trash bags." Benette said. Foster kids can feel
more secure and have something to hold their lives in,
she said, as they move from home to home. "You don't
think of carrying your belongings when you think of
trash bags."

When Jeanette started living with her current family,
her mother, Carol, lined garbage cans at home with
hight, colorful plastic bags instead of black ones 'to
reassure her daughter that she wasn't going anywhere.
Carol Danco, along with Ann Weidel of Summit and
Kay Blick of Springfield, founded kidz Pax this year.
The three were at a lunchound last year, talking about
what Carol's daughter Jeanette remembered most about
her years in foster care. Within five minutes, Weidel
said they had a name for their organization.
Last week's contribution of bags will be enbugh to
last the rest of the year for DYFS. Next year's goal is to
provide 1,500 duffel bags, While the organization's
overhead costs for stationary and postage can run several hundred dollars, Weidel estimated Kidz Pax will need
nearly \$40,000 to reach next year's goal. It costs \$19 to
stuff each duffel bag with items for toddlers and infants
up to age 3, while for ages 3 and up, it costs \$27.

Once Kidz Pax has a steady supply for the DYFS Metropolitan Region, which serve Essex, Union and Middlesex counties, Weidel said they will reach on to other parts of the state Financial assistance will be sought through community agencies, like the United Way, foundations grants: and, corporate giving programs.

Kidz Pax is "helping make föster care more humane and a lot less traumatic," said Cheryl Blake, regional supervisor for foster care operations.

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In addition to donations from corporations, Kidz Pax, has received support from individuals, as well, "Every-time Igo somewhere and tell someone about Kidz Pax, they donate," Weidel said. "I get a call almost every diy."

Kidz Pax gots help stuffing duffet bags with necessities such as toothbrushes, from organizations like the

Kidz Pax ges neip summing outer ones wan incom-ties such as toothbrushes, from organizations like the Ladies Auxiliary of the Cedar Grove VFW Post 6255, Junior League of Elizabeth and Plainfield, The United Way of Union County and the Stirling Brownie Troops.

If you are interested in helping Kidz Pax Inc., call (732) 574-0824 or (908) 665-9155, or write to Kidz Pax Inc. at 111 Emerald Place, Clark, 07066.

## Hearing draws opposition from citizens

By Philip Sean Curran Staff Writer

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While Union County officials are
still pondering whether to join a lawsuit against the state, citizens and local officials residents came out condemmed a decision by the state
Department of Corroctions during a
public hearing last week.

The-state-Department of Corroctions has plans to build a minimum
security detention center at East
Jersey-State-Prison-for-violent-sexoffenders.

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Residents packed the Woodbridge
High School auditorium Sept. 8. At
times boisterous, the crowd booed

state officials, in panicular Cov.
Christle Whitman, who was not there.
Had she been, she would have heard
taunts: Ilke, "Build it in Christle's
backyard."
Instead, the New Jersey Building
Authority sat on the auditorium stage,
having scom heaped upon them for
well over two hours.

Leading-the-opposition-was Woodbridge Mayor James McGreevey. The
mayor, his sleeves rolled up, his voicerising and lowering, blasted state officials for choosing Woodbridge as thecenter's home.

center's home.

"And never once did this governor or this commissioner Jack Terhune)

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Even for a sitting governor, the quisite funding needed for a enate run is obscene. For a

requisite funding, needed for a Senate run is obscene. For a Democrat who has spent time trying to knock her political block off, Whitman's move was to me impressive. She demonstrated balance and perspective in joining Lautenberg in deciding there is productive life beyond elective office. That is a credo for which to take note.

office. That is a credo for which to take note.

Also on the GOP side was the publicizing last wock of the biography of U.S. Sen. and Republican presidential candidate, John McCain My advice to Vice President Albert Gore is to hope fervently that it is Bush and not McCain. Both McCain Stather and grandfather were admirals. Hig

state that Woodbridge would be the site for this facility," McGreevey said: site for this facility," McGroevey said:
"As if the state of New Jersey in the dead of right could slip in 300 convicted sex offenders into our community."

By building the center in Avenel, McGroevey said, Woodbridge's fire and first aid departments would be burdened.

burdened.

The center would be home to 300 violent sex offenders, ones either found-not guilty by reason of insanity.

or were unfit to stand trial. State officials intend on building the center, which will cost \$22 million, over strong objections.

# Mosquito control has been around

(Continued from Page B1) modia regarding the subject.

According to the inspector, because the county has a preventative program in force all the time, the odds of an outbreak happening here are low. Also important to understand, she explained, is that there are many factors involved in an outbreak shat must take the area of the chain of events that must take the chain of events that must take of mosquitoes in New Jersey, 3,000 worldwide, and while several species are known to carry SLE, in this case and yone, the Culex pipiens, is the culpit-However, only fewer than only in the work of the county in the county of the county in the culpit However, only fewer than only in the work of the culpit However, only fewer than only in the work of the culpit However, only fewer than only in the work of the culpit However, only fewer than only in the work of the culpit However, only fewer than only in the work of the culpit However, only fewer than culpit

broading is the key to keeping the county safe from SLE and the bureau does this by stringent preventative measures that are ongoing throughout the breeding season.

"It takes an ongoing proactive program of mosquito control and identification to ensure we are not hit like New York has been," said the chief inspector, explaining the county has up to 17 employees in the field every day who collect water samples and check "light traps" on a regular schedule.

schedule.

The bureau also responds to resident complaints regarding high concentrations of mosquitoes in a certain area, as well as identifying unusual specifies. But the county does not use pesticides in the erradication of mos-

quitoes, preferring instead to use a mineral oil-based, non-toxic, product that tackles the problem in the larvae stage.

More often than not, said Vollero, mosquito larvae find an excellent breeding place in old tires, bird batts, swimming pools, wading pools, wheelbarrows, even empty soda cars, flower pots or house guitters that are clogged with debris. According to the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, just a single discarded tire in a yard can broed tens of thousands of mosquitoss in one season.

Residents can call the county hot-line at (908) 654-9835 for more infor-mation about mosquitoes, SLE or to request testing for a particular area.

Feedback still sought on rec plan ment for another 30 days. Comments should be mailed to: Union County Planning Board, c/o Richard S. Mull-er, Department of Economic Develop-

Political decisions refreshing

ment, Division of Policy and Plan-ning, 6th Floor, Administration Build-ing, Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, 07207.

own courage as a P.O.W. during Vietnam is remarkable.

But beyond his own healthy rebellious streak, McCain is rebellious streak, McCain is genuinely modest over his accom-plishments. I sense that if elected he will serve courageously with his own moral compass. But if not elected, he will still be an American success story.
President Woodrow Wilson was

President Woodrow Wilsort was fond of saying that the person who spends his time worrying about re-election probably doesn't merit to be re-olected. Lately though five seen this streak of officials more worried about the public good than their own personal agenda. Refreshing indeed.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

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Board with a plan to develop and
improve an area called Keller's
Grove, near the Passaic River in Bergkeley Heights, it has been closed due to
vandalism and illegal dumping but
Muska suggested opening it again to
create a small play area with picnic
tables,

tables. Planning Board Vice Chairman Livio Mancino of Kenilworth said the county should have a centrally-located park that could host special events. Because the county lacks a central facility, he said, some special events must go elsewhere. Mancino emphaiszed that municipalities must look to acquire more land.

"Acquisition is a must. It should be

"Acquisition is a must. It should be at the foreforont of the park system." Other topics of concern raised by the public and board members were the deterioration of Echo Lake and the overabundance of Canadian Geese at

lakes and parks.
The master plan is open to com-

themserves."

He called it a "double whammy" for Union County taxpayers because free-holders should pay for the promotion from their campaign funds but also because they're helping a private developer.

"Some people would like to make it an issue but we're proud of the work we're doing in Union County," Precholder Chalman Alexander Mirabella said.
"There are freeholder who appear in the ad that are not running for election."
Coorge Devanaey, director of the Department of Economic Development which is choordinating the project, said the Retail Skiths Center will provide jobs for county residents, something that cannot wait until after November's election.



"have decided to go on television and not only promote the program but themselves."

Regional Editor

Frecholders are appearing on the small screen to show off their achievements and make Union County residents aware of a program which provides them free retail training. The Jersey Gardens Mall, scheduled to open next month in Elizabeth, will feature the Retail Skills Training Center offering career training and job placement services for county residents at no cost.

The Board of Chosen Freeholders will spend approxiately \$75,000 to air a 30-second commercial more than 1,000 times over the next several weeks on local cable stations throughout the county. The commercial is scheduled to air on several cable networks including ESPN, CNN, USA, Lifetime, BET and TNT. The total budget for the commercial is \$75,544.

"The Retail Skills Training Center will help resident, acquire the job skills necessary to earn a decent wage and join the workforce. It's important that we let people know that we are a proud community and welcome all to share in what we have to offer," Scutan said.



ThT. The total budget for the commercial is \$75,544.

Several freeholders appear in the commercial telling viewers about the Retail Skills Training Center including incumbents Nicholas Scutturi, freeholder chairman, and Linda Stender.

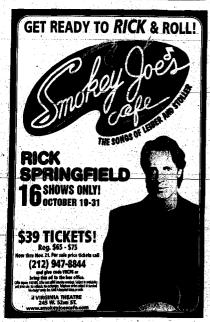
Wally Shackell Ir. of Cranford, a Republican candidate in November's freeholder election, is concerned that six weeks before the election, freeholders.

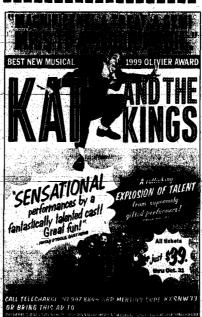
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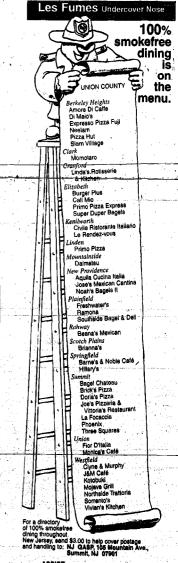
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# **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

# Paper Mill's 'Mame' 'coaxes the blues right out of the horn'

Broadway has come to Millburn at long last in all of its glory in an exquisite musical revival of Jerry Herman's "Manne." The Paper Mill Playhouse has staged numerous productions throughout its 60 years shat have rivaled the gitter of Broadway, but this time, Paper Mill Executive Producer Angelo Del Rossi, in association with Gene R. Korf; Del Rossi's associate, Roy Miller, the versaille, extremely talented director, Robert Johanson; and the incomparable scenic designer, Michael Anania, have actually crossed she line and outdone themselves with their season opener, "Marne."

actually crossed the line and outcome themselves with their season opener, "Mame."

The production also was made possible by a grant from the Blanche and Irving Lauric Foundation. How thrilling it would be to imagine, during the matinee performance last Sunday, composer Herman — who has gloried in his other spectacular creations of "Hello, Dolly!," "La Cage Aux Folles," "Mack & Mabel" and "Milk and Honey" — Angela Lansbury, who originated the musical reading and the street of the musical Lansbury, who originated the musical cole of Mame; and Beatrice Arthur, who originated the role of Vera Charles, in the audience to winess the perfection of their 3-year-old Broadway work right here in Millburn. The musical comedy classic with a book by Jerome Lawrence and Robert The Mame" by Patrick Dennis, and the play by Lawrence and Lee, is made speciacular by the stunning performance of Christine Ebersole in the title role of a madcag socialite, who inherits her only relative, a 10-year-old nephew, Patrick, and who introduces him to her wild and worddly life. And Patrick is wonderfully played by Paul'S. Iacono, an extremely leatented youngster with expressive eyes, who can sing, dance and act with the ease of a longtime professional. And to enhance these perfor-

mors is Tony Award-winner Kelly Bishop, a marvelous, comedic actress who hails from South Orange, as Vera Charles, Mame's "bosom buddy." The rictous role of Agnes Gooch, Pat-

who hais from South Crange, a Vera Charles, Mane's "bosom budy." The rickous role of Agnes Gooch, Patrick's dowly namny, is played with guisto by Sandy Kosanberg, and she brings the house down as she is advised to go out there and "live." After all, advises Manne, "Life is a devised to go out there and "live." After all, advises Manne, "Life is a ceven more hilarious. The sielar east includes the handsome Dan Schiff, who charms Manne and the audience with his southern manners and hospitality as Beauregard Jackson Pickett Burnside; Tony Romero as Ito, Manne's furny but cribed be event, the Bannett, who plays the growmup Patrick with a flare for high society and sophistication, a natural for this kind of role. His finance, Clion's Upson, an empty-headed socialite, who delights in finance, Clion's Upson, an empty-headed socialite, who delights in hamponing het heir in bear, is comically played by Danette Holden, Also complementing the sci go. "An international policy of the promote of the property of the promote o

delight in more than a dozen costum changes in so amazingly short a per iod of time; superb choreography by Michael Lichtefeld, assisted by Melissa Rae Mahon; molodic musical Melissa Rae Mahon; molodic musical direction by the reliable Jim Coleman, whose orchestra is way above the stage to make way for the goings on at ground level, and the spectacular scenery and props that come from above and rise from below as only Anania can create, the production has superb direction by that fine and inimitable director, Johanson

All of the musical numbers are memorable, such as the title song, which is as "inspirational" and "sensational" as the woman and cast who



Christine Ebersole, left, makes merry because 'It's Today' in the title role of 'Mame,' while her 'bosom buddy,' Vera Charles, played by Kelly Bishop, right, shares a startling astronomical discovery — the man in the moon is a lady. The two star in the Paper Mill Playhouse revival of the Jerry Herman musical currently in Millburn. The stage musical will run through Oct. 24.

sing it; "If He Walked Into My Life," also sung by Bbersole in such a dramatic and emotional way that it brought goose bumps to the audience, and then tears to the eyes of a reviewer; "My Best Girl," touchingly sung

by Iacono and Barnett; the lively "We Need a Little Christmas," sung by Mame and cast; "Bosom Buddies," a show-stopper, marvelously offered by Ebersole and Bishop; "Open a New Window," "The Man in the Moon,"

The Paper Mill Playhouse has brought pride and honor and excel-lence to its production of "Mame,"

performance when the audience gives it a standing ovation — and refuses to leave the theater.

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# State's community theaters gather for annual awards

The movies have the Oscars. Television has the Emmys. Broadway has the Tonys, and music has the Grammys.

But for fans of New Jersey entertainment, it's the Perrys that count. Sponsored by Recognition of Excellence in Community Theater, a Clifton-based, statewide organization declicated to promiting the state's community theaters, the Perry Awards were presented Sunday evening at the Berkeley-Carteret Oceanfront Hotel in Asbury Park, honoring the best and brightest on the local stage, Sunday's ceremony was the second annual event sponsored by R.E.C.T.

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"To tell you the truth, I was stunned," said Rita Greco of Mystic Vision Players in Linden, which earned seven nods, six of them for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamocat."

"My name is up there among the nominoes because I was the production coordinator for "Joseph" she continued. "But there are so many hands in the pie, you couldn't do in without all these other people." The nominations for "Joseph" she continued. "But there are so many hands in the pie, you couldn't do in without all these other people." The nominations for "Joseph" poople are Greco's daughter, Barbara Jude Greco, who earned two nominations for her work on the Andrew Lloyd Webber rock opera: Best Direction of a Musical and Best Chorcography. Greco was nominated as a chiector, Act. T. was RE.C.T.'s predecessor.

"This is only my second time directling," Barbara Greco said. "I havent directed since 1995 and this was only my second time doing it, so I was really excited. I've been chorcographing forewer."

Like many, the honor for the Grecos lief in the nomination, especially considering the number of productions reviewed statewide this year.

"I think all the nominees are wonderful. I think for them to be nominated is the real coup," Rita Greco said. "Being nominated is really the ultimate for me."

However, the Linden resident and teacher at Roselle Catholic High School doesn't hesitate to give credit where it's due.

"For Joseph," Barbara did a lot of the work," Rita Greco said. "Everybody had a hand in It. I certainly don't think it was me, but T'm honored and happy for Myste. Vision."

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MVP is going into its cighth season. "It started with 10 of us — all friends—sitting around my living room." Barbara Oreco recalled. "We did a production of "Godspell" as a fund-raiser for a church. On our 10th anniversary, we're plaining to do "Godspell" again, taking it back to the same church. And perhaps beyond."

MVP will perform next in Linden's 50th anniversary Halloween parade. After that, they plan to say "thank you" to the Linden Presbyterian Church, providers of their rehearsal space for the last seven years, with a Christmas concert; "Yuletide Carol," the theater's sixth holiday performance for the hunch.

Theater runs in some families. It certainly runs in the Grecos. And even a

little beyond.

"He's a wonderful performer — actor, singer, dancer — and it took a load off
my mind knowing I had somebody strong in my lead," Barbara Greco said of
her leading man, and boyfriend, Kevin Brady, also a nominoe.
Brady scored his nomination for "Joseph" in the category of Bast Actor in a
Masical. The Linden firefighter describes the nomination as "an honor. It really

is an honor. Just to be nominated is a wonderful thing for everybody, all the nominees, it's not really something that you plan on performing for, but it's nice to be recognized."

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Sometimes that recognition brings good-natured ribbling with the appliance.

Like many of his colleagues in community theater, Brady finds mixing his day
job with his off-hours passion can lead to some kidding.

"Well, lony lell the firment he basic necessities about my shows, but I do
got a lot of support from them," Brady said. "And of course, hand in hand, I take
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get a lot of support from them," Brady said. "And of course, hand in hand, I take a tot of joking. They like to bust my chops about it, especially now that our shows are run on channel 36. They'll track me down at whatever firehouse I'm

at and either praise me or laugh. It's funny.
"But it's good," he continued. "They all respect the things I do and when it

un."
Unlike many of his contemporaries, Brady has no training:
"More than anything, I'm a singer," he said, "I had a great music teacher in
grammar school, and he introduced me to musical theater. When I got to Linden

High School, I was lucky — he was transferred over there. He had me audition for every choir, every show." Brady sings with the Cranford-based Celebration Singers, performing on holidays at the Cranford Methodist Charch. His next performance will be for a fund-riser for Cranford Methodist, organized by the township's high school.

In neighboring Rahway, Camival Productions was nominated for five awards of its own, but not in the same categories as Mystic Vision: Camival produced no musicals this year, receiving their nominations instead in the Play and Technical divisions.

of its own, but not in the same categories as Mystle Vision: Carnival produced musigles this year, receiving their nominations instead in the Play and Technical divisions.

"think I found my calling 20 years too late." said Rahway resident Mark. Szabo, co-producer of Carnival's Beit Play nominee, "A Voice of My Own." Primarily an actor, Szabo stepped behind the sceness this past season, carning his first statewide theater nomination. He also found the experience to be an education on what it takes to get the show up and running. "It's far and away completely different from eating. An analogy would be that producers are like mengers and lation and attitude."

Despite the work involved in the new position, Szabo found one unexpected reward. "At least you don't have to memorize lims," he joked.

A first-time performer with Carnival, Elleen Hladky found herself with a nomination in the category of Featured Acress in a Play, competing against another Carnival nominee: Melliss Blevins, who appeared in "A Voice of My Own." Hladky described her rote in "Veronica's Room" as that of "a totally wacked-out breach. She murdened her sizter at 15 and her well-to-do Bestonian family covers up for her and locks her in her room." Hladky not only playd Veronica, but Veronica's mom, an Irish housekeeper, "and at least four other roles."

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Not surprisingly, Hladky found the role exhausting. "The director gave us dialogue tapes to listen to. But it was still a tough challenge, going from a Boston account to an Irish accent. It's exhausting, switching roles back and forth." Several other Union County readinest received nominations. Garwood's Stuart Hershkowitz received a first-lime nomination for his role of Tevye in Piddler on the Roof" at Phylomose 22 in East Branswick, a role hol lass played 25 years ago in high school. A native New Yorker — "I've lived in all the boroughts except Staten Island" — Hershkowitz has made his forme in New Jersey for the last five years. Prior to coming to the Garden State, Hershkowitz was a resident member of the Ryan Repertory Company at the Harry Warren Theater in Brooklyn.

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Steve Fakelman, Hershkowliz' follow cast member from Winfield Park, received his second nomination, and his first since 1996. Fakelman, a Best Featured Actor in a Musical nominee, played Perchik, who falls in love with Hodel, one of Teyle's daughters.

one of Toyo's daughters.

Behind the scenes, Pat Stanga, also from Winfield Park, was nominated for his citoreography for the Sayreville Main Street Theater Company's production of "Oypay." Starega has also been a director; although, if presented with a new show, he perfers strictly choreography. "If it is the first time. I'm doing a show, I'd just rather choreograph; I can get a better feeling of the show from the inside with the way."

out that way."

But the only award going on a Union County mantel went to director Michael Driscoll for his work on "The Heiress" for the Franklin Villagers Burn Theater. Driscoll, from Liden, has been directing for only two and a half years, after having been an actor for 25. "The Heiress" is his seventh show. He received a directing nomination two years ago for "Italian-American Reconcilitation" and was nominated twice as an actor

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"It sounds like a cliche, but If you have people who trust you and can concep-tualize your work, you can do a good job," he said about his new field. "And if you don't, then it's a struggle and a fight." With three productions to direct next your, plus a part-ime job, Driscoll said he is too busy to go back to acting.

According to Chris Firagerald, norminations committee chairman for

year, plus a part-time job, Lriscoit said ne is too usery to go and a conding to Chris Fitzgarald, nominations committee chairman for R.E.C.T., almost 160 shows at more than 60 member theaters were considered for this year's honors. From this wealth of talent, only seven nominitees are chosen for each of the 26 categories.

For Fitzgarald, a longtime Cranford resident, one of the main rewards is the joy experienced by the nominitees and the winners.

"It's really the reason why I spend so much time going out and doing all the reviews," he said, "Just to see the pride and the excitement and their eyes light up. It's really an indescribable thing. Because they do work so hard, they put their heart and soul into it, it's just such a fun thing to do.".

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However, not every opening might brings such magic.

"The hardest part of the process," Fitzgerald said, "is going to see a show where the actors, sectioses and toch popele have put so much of thomselves into t and it turns out to be a less-than-excellent show. That is probably the most sear-trocking appect of this."

The eligibility period runs from Aug. 1 to July 31, with between 25 and 30

or viewers going out and critiquing shows. Each category is reviewed separately on a standardized scale of 1 to 10.

"Joe (Schreck, R.E.C.T.'s executive directory compiled all the data and he does that on a monthly basis." Higgereld side. (So a season's cand all he has to do it guther up 12 compilations of data and combine them all. But it does take a lot of man hours.

The work paid off on Sunday, when the stars of the local stage gathered at the Berkeley-Carteret, cheering and shouting and applicating for one another. More stands to the stands of which will be shouted as the stands of which will be shouted as the stands of which will be shouted as the stands of the stands of which will be shouted the stands of the stan

#### Winners announced in annual theater awards

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Wilderness;" Attic Ensemble; Wanda Maragni, Producer Best Direction of a Musical: Bruce Clough, "Little Shop of Hor-rors," Peddie Players

Best Direction of a Play: Michael Driscoll, "The Heiress," Villagers Theater

Best Actor in a Musical: Louis eele, "Falsettos," Playhouse 22 Best Actress in a Musical: Ellen Cusick, "Blood Brothers," Villa-gers Theater

Best Actor in a Play: Dan Dom-igues, "Ah, Wilderness," Attic

nsemble
Best Actress in a Play: Anne
"The Heiress," Villagers

Best Featured Actor in a Musi-il: Jefferson Heller, "Mame,"

Park Players Best Featured Actress in a

Best Featured Actress in a Musical: Danielle Fiorello, 
"Grase," Villagers Theater 
Best Featured Actor in a Play, 
Joffrey Norman, "Jeffrey," Old Library Theater Company 
Best Featured Actress in a 
Play; (tie) Lynn Lazar, "Jeffrey," 
Old Library Theater Company, 
Dawn Wilczynski, "Our Town," 
West Milford Players 
Best Ensemble Actor in a Muscald Michael Costa, "Flow to Succeed in Business Without Really 
Tying," Stegersters 
Best Ensemble Actress in a 
Musical: Amy Carr, "Olivert,"

Play: Cathy Von Broekhoven, "Steel Magnolias," Iron Mountain Stage Company Best Musical Direction: Alan J.

Meeker, "Brigadoon," Sayreville Main Street Theater Company

Best Choreography: Laurie Ann Mango, "Brigadoon," Sayre-ville Main Street Theater Company

Best Stage Management: John Torzewski, "42nd Street," Show Kids Invitational Theater

Best Production of an Original Musical: "1998 Holiday Concert;" Voices for Life; Richard Ragsdale and Peter Loehner, Producers

Best Production of an Original Play: "The Unusual Suspects;" Old Library Theater Company; Diedre Friel and Peg Peet, Producers

Best Set Design: Bill Blach, "Family Business," Edison Valley

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Scesselberg, "Spider's Web," Villagers Theater
Best Sound Design: Tony Kirk,
John Kelmök and Paula Bailey,
"Steel Magnoliss," Iron Mountis," Iron
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Kanouse, "The Little Poxes,"
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Molly McCloskey Barber teaches Molty McCloskey harber teacher acting, characterization, scene study and public speaking for the American Performance Studios. Barber has appeared in several films and com-mercials in addition to her work on the television series "Romper Room" on Channel 9 and KTV. She has perof Channel y and Channel of the Chan

in Mountainside

Soprano Jeannette Ferrell Maraffi teaches piano and vocal production for the American Performance Studios. She has performed opera and in concert in Italy, Germany, Belgium, Ireland, and throughout the eastern United States and for several years was a featured performer on a popular includes jazz, Broadway shows, clas-sical recital reperiore, and opera. Maraffi peforms and coaches singers in Rome as a member of the Rome Festival artistic staff. Locally, she has sung as the soprano soloist with the Oratorio Singers in Westfield and at First Night 1998. Maraffi has served as musical director for the Bicenten-nial Celebration Show in Westfield, at Edison Intermediate School and at the Deerfield School in Moutainside.

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Wendy's and in 1997 and 1998 mem-bers of the class traveled to Rome to participate in the Rome Festival. Members of the classes have also per-formed for the Children's Specialized Hospital Holiday, Boutique at the Hospital Holiday, Boutique at the Westfield Armory and for the Neigh-borhood Council Street Fair on Cac-ciola Place. In June 1999, members of the American Performance Studios presented a benefit recital,

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"This is our third time at the Manor," said Fontanelli during a recent chat. "We sing together and make beautiful music, but Tony Buonawo and I also sing individually and independently," Fontanelli, who made her Camegie Hall debut his past February together with Olga Brecakin, Maxico's premier concert violinish, that also starred in the American Opera Musical Theater, was presented at the inaugural Town Hall Sunday Afternoon Opera Series in Manhatan, has appeared on Italian and American Opera Ruisian Indiana and American Opera Series in Manhatan, has appeared on Italian and American Opera Series in Manhatan, has appeared on Italian and American radio, television, opera and in concers. In addition to singing interna-tionally with the Mantovani Orchestra, the soprano sang at the



Cristina Fontanelli

White House and at Gracie

Mansion.

"During our performances at the Menor in the past," she recalled, "we were specializing in popular and opera singing. This year, we're going to do a sort of classical program with a for of italian love songs, arias, ducts. We have been singing on and off for past years — both of the past years and careers. But we love performing at the Manor. Everything there is



Tony Buonauro

absolutely breathtaking — particularly the gardens. And the people there do everything so meticulously."

Recalling

meticulously." Recalling her engagement at the White House, Fontanelli said shenever met the president. "Clinton was called away on a crisis, but I met Hillary, She was lovely and very gracious. And when I visited Gracie Mansion, Mayor Guilliani

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impressed me as a real person. I was even more impressed by the people who work for him, all of whom have the most genuine feeling and respect for him."

And speaking of being impress-du, last year Fortanelli "was on a very, very exotic tour of many places, and Africa impressed places, and Africa impressed me the most. I sang concerts in Kenya.—The-people-there are not used to hat kind of music, but they liked it. And I loved the place. I was able to go on a safar. I saw wild animals, and I must admit I was a little given the safar. I must admit I was a little given to the proper of the proper of

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"The Manor's Le Dome," he said during a conversation the other morning, "is a lovely room — a grad, intimate setting for Cristina Fontanelli and I to do our love songs. We make a great duo. We pretty much have the same affinity for music. We both appreciate opera, a, Neopolitan love songs and great Broadway music. We are trained opers singers, who are equally comfortable in cabaret settings."

an ideal showcase for this kind of program because it's run on a high culinary art that is elaborate at the Manor. You know," he smiled, "that lends itself to the highest forms of opera."

Buonauro, who had appeared at the Manor's Special Events, the "Culinary Fantasia" evenings, received standing ovations. He has appeared at Camegie Hall in New-York, in a Verdi concert with the New York Grand Opera and has performed major operatic roles no: performed major operatic roles not only in the United States, but in Japan, Shanghai, Hong Kong and

Singapore.

"After West Orange," he said,
"I'll be heading for Alaska. I'll
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The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will present a two-day fastival of jazz, food and kids' activities titled "lersey Jazz by the Lake" Friday and Saturday at Nomahegan Park, Springfield Avenie in Cranford, across from Union County College. Admission and parking are free.
Continuous entertainment will be provided by premier jazz performent at the second annual "Jersey Jazz by the Lake." The festival runs from \$ to 10 p.m. Friday and from noon to 10 p.m. Saturday. The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will present the festival.

"The board is delighted to present an exciting two days of well-known jazz musicians for the enjoyment of the residents of Union County." said Nicholas P. Soutati, chairman of the Freeholder board. "The first annual "Jarsey Jazz" was such a success last year, and we look forward to continuing a tradition of great—matel- and great- food, along, with additional resture and spease food, along, with additional resture at "Jersey Jazz" is the resum of the Kida Kingdom Traveling Jubilee taking place Friday from \$ to 8 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 8 p.m. A kids's stage with mational children' entertainers and acts, rides, arts and crafts, pony rides, hay rides and much more is available for family fun.

"The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders hopes that residents of our county use advantage of this free concert." Scutaria added. "The two-day feet."

Kids Kingdom."

Women in Jazz is the theme for Friday evening, with the Marian McParlland

Trio headlining the show. Joining the line-up Friday will be Dominique Bade,

Diane Moser's Composers Big Band, and Lenny Roberts and the Crossroads.

Diane Moser's Composers Big Band, and Lenny Roberts and the Crossroads Trio.

Celebrating what would be Duke Ellington's 100th birthday, headlining standy avening will be The Duke Ellington Chesters directed by Pail Ellington. Joining the line-up Saturday starting at noon, will be Bant Force, Russell Ourn & Ethnomusicology, the Alan Pasqua Trio with John Patitucel and Pater Enkins. The Atomic Friebalts, and the Ed Palermo Big Band.

"The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders believes strongly in making this county place where we want to work, five, and raise our children. As part of its responsibility to its residents, we are pleased to present events like 'Irrays Jazz by the Lake' that promote the quality of life for all our residents." Scutari added.

Directions and further- information. San. be. obtained, by, calling (908).

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The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is presenting "Jersey Jazz by the Lake" along with its sponsors, Comcast, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Mack-Cali, Edwards & Kelcoy, Union Center National Bank, Union Hospital, Continental Artitines, and NJ Transit.

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#### MARCO POLO Tavern & Restaurant

By Bill Van Sant
Associate Editor

The charm of the Nopolitan ambiance that greets visitors to Marco
Polo restaurant in Summit is but a hint of the delights that lie in store.
Whether dining in the family-style lower dining room or in the more logant upstairs hall, each with their own bar, the same menu is offered, featuring a wealth of sumptuous Italian treats.

Rather than chooses one-appears, state-of-with the hots antipastic platter, a sampling of Marco Polo's hot appetizers which includes suffedmustbroom-cape Carbonary, museols, states of which includes suffedmustbroom-cape Carbonary, museols, states of the states of fried mozezarella and zucchimi sticks.

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olive oil and herbs, while the tasty house meriot is full-bodied and highly santic.

Of the many entrees, we chose the veal madiers and flounder Florentine. The susceed veal scallopine, in a madiers wine sace with procession and mastrocors, was served in a hearty portion, and it is a good thing—even after finishing, you want more. The flounder—broiled to a tender, flaky consistency—is staffed with splanch and shrimp, making for a saclood lover's fantasy. Although lacking somewhat in the aesthetic persentation, the fresh taste of the flounder and the richness of the stuffing more than make up for what's missing in the visual department. Capping off a wonderful meal requires an equally wonderful dessert, and visitors to Marco Polo will not be disappointed. Our selections were the terrutifo and a silice of cappuccino toes. The terrutifo, a bon-bon of spicel disc creams surrounding a cherry and coused in rich chocolate, is served in quarters and statestively decorated with whipped cream. The toric is so light one fears it might float off the plate before that last delicious bits has been savored.

Perfectly accompanying our desserts were espresso and cappuccino. The espresso is full-bodied, featuring a strong coffee state without any bitterness, while the richness of the espouscino begs to be lingered over. For the health conscious, Marco Polo offers Brummel & Brown yogur spread as an alternative to butter and, even in the smokking section, constitution guarantees a relatively smoke-free meal.

Between the extensive mean and impressive wine list, the ambiance and the impreced service, an evening you won't soon forget swaits you at Marco Polo.

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#### Westfield Players mount '99-2000 membership drive

Westfield Community Players membership drive for the 1999-2000 millennium season is now underway.
Membership Director Letty Hudak
noted that this year, a \$35 membership provides tickets to all four of the new season's shows as well as a newsletter and notification of special events. The cost of membership, she

events. The cost of membership, she added, is almost a 40-percent savings over buying tickets to all four shows individually.

Individual memberships can be obtained for \$35 each and checks payable to Westfield Community Players can be sent to Letty Hudak at 409 Harison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090, Curtison and the sent to Letty Hudak at 409 Harison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090, Curtison and the sent to Letty Hudak at 409 Harison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090, Curtison and the sent to Letty Hudak at 409 Harison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090, Curtison and Letter members are added to the sent members and the sent members are added to the sent rison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090, Cur-rent members are urged to watch the mail for their renewal information while others can call the theater at (908) 232-9568 and leave a message. All shows open on a Saturday night and run Friday and Saturday evenings

for three or four weekends, making it easy to have a local night out to experience live theater.

The first show of the upcoming seasn is the hit Broadway comedy by Ken Ludwig, "Moon Over Buffalo," opening Oct. 16 ending with aspecial 3-p.m. matinee Nov. 7.

The Broadway hit that defined the film noir genre, "Laura" by Vera Cas-pary and George Skiar, follows Jan. 8 and concludes Jan. 22, 2000. Show and concludes Jan. 22, 2000. Show three is Arthur Miller's gripping dra-ma, "The Price" opening March 11 and concluding March 25, 2000. The season finale is "Brigadoon" the lush and haunting musical by Frederick Loewe and Alan Jay Lerner, opening May 3 and concluding June 10.

WCP, founded in 1934, is one of the oldest community theaters in New Jersey.

#### Playhouse to present classic Saroyan play

Princip and rust united to the play takes the audience into Nick's Bowing in Broadway in 1939, the play takes the audience into Nick's Pacific Street Saloon and Entertainment Palace, where an assortment of characters await the impending World War II. From this group, several manustic connections emerge, mowing the, plat forward to its conclusion. Performances of "The Time of Your Life" will be presented Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 mm. and Stundays at 2 pm. through Oct. 17. Tick-tes for this and all playhouse shows are \$\$ for general admission and \$\$ for senior citizens and students, except on Fridays when all tockts are \$\$. The remainder of the Elizabeth Playhouse's season will be comprised of "Harvey" by Mary Chase, Nov. 19 to Dec. 19, "Nothing But the Tutth" by James Montgomert, Jan. 210 epeb. 20, 2000, "The Forciager" by Larry Shue, March 17 to April 7, 2000; "and "Of Human Bondage" by Karon Senones, May 12 to June 4, 2000.

Season subscriptions are available, offering all five shows for the price of four. General admission subscriptions are \$32, while senior citizens and students pay \$24.

Ticket reservations and additional information can be obtained by calling (908) .355-0077.

#### Works of authors offers unique glimpse at history

- The greatest gift I received as a child from my parents was a love of reading. No, let me put that more directly. What I learned from my mother that has most informed an enriched my life is not just to read, but be stimulated by what I read to extend my thoughts and ideas.

This came to mind recently when reading an insightful and educational historical novel, "Citizen Washington" by William Martin. About the public accomplishment and personal historical novel, "Citizen Washington" by William Martin. About the public accomplishment and personal happiness of George Washington, "Citizen Washington" is made lively and engaging by its reliance on the writings of others of his time who knew this great and lonely man. Ceorge Washington was influenced by the arguments and writings of those around him. Unlike Thomas Jefferson, who can be accussed of talking a good game, Washington, for example, not only struggled with slavery as an institution and his pert in it, but commanded Negro troops in his Revolutionary army with colorbiindness and freed his slaves at his death.

death. What particularly interested me, however, was the record of impact of the revolutionary writings of Tom Paline in "Common Sense" on the general and the colonies. It was, indeed, one of the singular moments in the history of the persuasive written word.

word. My mind wanders to three women writers speaking to their age with such immense influence. I'm thinking of the British Virginia Woolf communicating on the potentiality of women in "A Room of One's Own" and "Orlando". I'm thinking also of the WE Englander Harriet Beecher Stowe in her nation-shaking book "Uncle Tom's Cabin," writing on the shame

On the Arts

By Jon Plaut

of slavery. And recently, I have been thinking of and talking with my students about the American scientist Rachel Carson, who mothered contemporary environmental thought with "Silent Spring."

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If a Bible-like work were being written to embody ideas in these last two centuries, there would be a proper's section containing the writings of these three women, on freedom, on women's development, and on the danger to our world from our environmental misconduct.

mental misconduct.

Soon before my mother died, I asked what was the biggest change she witnessed during her lifetime. Now my mother—Beverty Carlson Plaut of Northhampton, Mass.—replied that it was not technology or media or world events, but the status of women.

media or world events, but the status of women.

I am not sure I truly believe the pen is mightier than the sword, as witness the Holocaust, but Rachel Carson started a popular revolution in the way we view our responsibility for the centh itself as we turn toward the 21st century. In some linear way which I am sure a historian could races, it is not much to a jump to Yaclay Havel, the Czech president and patriot calling in the Sept. 23 "New York Review of Books" for the "wealthy Democrate West to undertake a moral self-examination that would make it more impossible to sacrifice the future for the present."

## Kean art gallery preps for homage to Hollywood

"The Art of the Movie Poster," an exhibit of 100 original posters from the first century of American movies, will be on view throughout October at Kean University. The show marks the opening of the University's new Design Center that has been created to educate the public about the role of design in society. The posters in this inaugural exhibit demonstrate the obverful impact of graphics on the attitudes and illusions people have about both Hollywood and American culture.

For most of this century, even well into the age of television, posters were the primary means of selling movies. Posters were part of massive promotional campaigns created by the studios to draw crowds to the latest hot products from Tinseltown. Typical campaigns included a slew of posters is various sizes and designs, from small lobby cards to billboard-size graphics for the theater's exterior.

"The Art of the Movie Poster" exhibit includes 100 original postrs of the dramatic 27-by-41-inch size known as "one-sheets." They range from a melodramatic 1913 poster advertising the film "The Storm," to a rousing image for 1999's "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace," with every decade in between represented.

"They were created to sell the movies, but they really reflect our cultural fantassies," says exhibit organizer and designer Alan Robbins, a professor of design at the university and the director of the new Design Center. "These are fantassy images that project the way the image makers in Hollywood or Madison Avenue think we dream of glamor, romance, courage, evil, and fun and danger. Every desidesses and oily villains, beaming virgins and teasing bad girls, seductive scoundels and adorting lovers."

Some of the best posters, like a striking one for the 1924 film "Nurse

Some of the best posters, like a striking one for the 1924 film "Nurse From Brooklyn," are more powerful works of art than the films they

promoted. Some, like the classic image created for the 1939 film "Gone With The Wind," seem to perfectly capture the mood of the movie. Still others, like a poster for the re-release of the movie "Psycho," have little connection to the movie itself. But whatever their connection to the movie they promoted, the posters have an impact all their own.

Martin Holloway, chairperson of the university's Department of Design, who helped plan the exhibit, believes the power of the graphics adds to the success of these posters. The designers who worked ou these posters were master of the use of composition and color to manipulate motions of the viewer, even through the changing graphic styles of the decades. The type alone, most of it created through the mostly lost art of hand-lettering, is a study in graphic impact."

The exhibit displays for the first time a tinty part of the vest movie poster collection of Jay Lesiger, a New York hortelier, who has amassed thousands of posters over the past 30 years. "My father tan a movie thear in Brooklyn, so I grew up with these images," he says. "To me they are a gateway to the fantasy land of Hollywood: each one tells a story of stardom won and lost, of battling egos and love affairs, and of course the movies, both classics and flops."

Text entries that accompany the posters throughout the exhibit reflect the three different approaches of the exhibit's creators ... the cultural impact of the Images, the graphic styles represented throughout the century, and tiddlist of the inside floilywood stories behind the films. "The Art of the Movie Poster" will be on view and open to the public from Oct. 4 through 30. Ethibit hours are Treatdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 on 8 pm., and Saturdays from noon to 5 pm. The exhibit is on display in Downs Hall on the university's South Campus, at the corner of Morris and North avenues in Elizabeth.

For more information about the exhibit, call the Design Center at (908) 527-3059.

# students that dance was more than just doing the steps. Westminster was loss this June as the curtain closed on their final dance. The callber of training received at

The Westminist Parce. Studios of Union will not be opening its doors for all classes this year: directors Karen Silva and Maryann Barraco have decited no end their 21-year-career as professional dance trainers. In 1978, the Westminster Dance Studios, at that time known as the Academy of Ballet, began teaching classical ballet technique to students in the Union County area. The school, a non-profit organization, was then located-on-East-Jersely-Street in. Elizabeth. The Academy of Ballet was the official school of the Westminster Dance Theaer, The Westminster. Dance Theater. The Westminster Dance Theater performed for years, touring the state appearing in dance festivals and charity events. The tour-ing group also visited a plethora of public and private schools throughout the state bringing all children, regard-less of background, an understanding of the art of dance.

The Westminster Dance Studios the school became known in 1990, continued to teach with a high level of communed to teach with a high level of professionalism. Westminster was no ordinary local dance studio. Silva and ordinary local dance studio. Silva and Barraco emphasized the need for discipline and personal understanding of the dance as an art. Dance was taught as an art of expression as well as discipline for the body. Westminster had a place for every type of dancer

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### Carnival season subscriptions available

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has begun work on the 1999-2000
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company performs out of El Bodegon
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—The season will begin Cett 22 with
"Dangerous Comer" by J. B. Priestley, suthor of the Tony Awardwinning 'An Inspector Calls' Misting equal parts mystery and psychological study, the play examines sixpeople — relatives and business assoclates — who gather for a social evening only to have their worlds torn
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a string of questions which ultimately unravels the fabric of each character's life, shattering their illusions and exposing their hypocrisy in the process.

Starring in the show are Daynon Blevins of Franklin Park, Syndi E. Cirillio of Bridgewater, Jean Kuras of Glich Ridge, Tracey Ramidneili of Whippany, Mark Szabo of Rahway, Hope Weinstein of Westfield, and Gordon L. Wiener of Edison.

The remainder of Carnival's sea

Head" by Catherine Butterfield.
For the first time, Carnival has made available a season subscription made available a season subscription package. While the price of individual tickets and meal-and-show package has gone up 52 this year, subscriptions are now-available—at last year-prices. Full-season subscription prices. Full-season subscription prices are \$30 for general admission, \$24 for dinner-and-show packages, and \$60 of unacheon-and-show or buffer-and-show packages, and \$60 of unacheon-and-show or buffer-sand-show packages.

More information can be obtained calling general manager I equanta at (732) 388-0647.

# CDC kicks off season with nostalgic musical

The Cranford Dramatic Club, New Persey's oldest continually setive community theater company, has announced its millennium program for the 1999-2000 season.

CDC will kick off the season with one off the most popular musicals of the decade, "Porever Plaid." a play that taket the audience back to those wonderful singing groups of the 1950s, such as the Four Lads and the 1950s, such as the Four Lads and the Platters. Performances for this nosulajic and humorous production will be. Oct.: 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23.

The second production of the season is one of the greatest musicals of the American theater, "Mame." This tuneful extravagara runs three weekends from Feb. 11 to 26, 2000.

the American theater, "Mame." This tuneful extravaganza runs three weekends from Feb. 11 to 26, 2000. The final show of the year is the hilarious farce, "Lend Me a Tenor," which will be presented from May 5 to 20. to 20.

Individual tickets are \$15; howevin dividual tickets are \$15; hogger-in, a three-show subscriptors is cur-rently available for \$35 and a two-show mini-subscription for \$25. Tick-et reservations and more information can be obtained by calling the box office at (908) 276-7611. The theater is located at 78 Winans Ave, in Cranford and has free on-site parking. In addition to this regular season slate, the Cranford Dramatic Club is also offering a children's theater produc-tion of the musical "Aladdin" Dec. 4 and 5 for the special rate of 55 for children and senior citizem, and \$7 for adults. for adults.

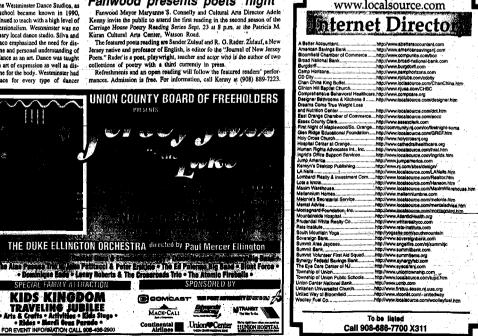


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Members of the St. Peter's Prep faculty and staff, as well as coaches, sudents and teachers, will be present to distribute information and ransver questions about the school, and tours of the campus and school facilities will be provided. Applications for the class of 2003 will also be available at the open house. Last year, more than 400 families attended the Fall Open House.

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For more information or for directions, call (201) 547-6420.

#### Back-to-school night is invaluable for parents

Within the text few weeks, every school in this cominy will open its doors to parents who want to come and meet their children's instructors. Sadly, these important parent-teacher "get-togethers" are often overlooked and the number of people participating continues to be low. "Parents have to attend back-to-school night, 'explains Petert, 'erbansky, author of the book "The Secrets of Academic Excellence." "There really is no other way permits can find out what their child will be learning throughout the upcoming\_school year. More importantly, parents will acqually get to meet the person who is assigned to instruct their child ... and that's the teacher!"

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Besides discovering the class curriculum and the teacher's lesson plan, Verbansky say shat this evening conference also offers parents an opportunity to learn more about how their child will approach a typical school clay, "When you attend a back-to-school night, you usually bring your child slong. By following them around the campus or school and seeing their reactions to the whole learning environment, you'll gain insight into their minds at an academic attitude," he said.

Verbansky suggests that parents who take the time to attend back-to-school night are often the ones whose children do better in school. "Whon you understand the atmosphere your child attends day after day, you are in a good position to help your child succeed in school," he continued. "You will understand your child's teacher and also have some idea of the instructor's unique personality. This information will help your child to better meet the teacher's needs."

For more tips on how parents can holp their kids succeed in school, Verbansky has put together a free guide for parents, "The Biggest Scholastic Mitakes Persons Make and How to Avoid Them." To get it, send a long, self-addressed stamped envelope to Verbansky at P.O. Box 2090-345, Upland, CA 91785. To order his book, call (909) 981-6032.

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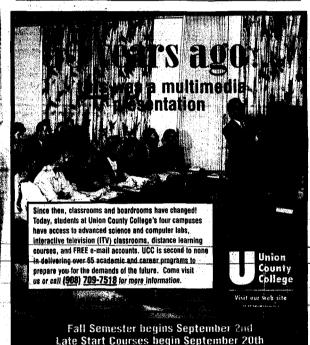
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# Trailside planetarium kicks off fall programs

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• Two public planetariums are offered on Sundays at 2 and 3:30 p.m. Each program includes a look at the curron right sky Planetarium shows are appropriate for ages 6 years old to adult. A variety of shows have also been designed for younger children, between the ages of 4 and 6 years old, who are accompanied by an adult. who are accompanied by an adult. Admission is a nominal fee and on a

first-come, first-served basis.

• "Night Out With the Stars" is a • "Night Out With the Stars" is a series of plantearium programs con-ducted once a month from September to December for families with child-ron 6 years old and oldor. The first program, titled "Harvest Moon," will be conducted Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. The programs will start inside the planetarium and be followed by an evening viewing session under the stars to acquaint young and old alike with the high sky. Patricipants are encouraged to wear warm clothing, shing a blanker or layer chair, and bring binoculars or a telescope, if they have one. Perengistration is required and the fee is \$4 per person.

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"Afterschool Skywatchers" is a
workshop series for children in 1st
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3:30 to 4:45 p.m. beginning Oct. 6.
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#### Union Municipal Band begins season

Uniton Mutulcipal and began its fall season Monday at the Hannah Caldwell Elementary School Auditorium.

The band is a 65-member unit that presents standard band music throughout the year. This year, the band will present nine concerts. The first concert will take place in the auditorium of the Hannah Cald well School, 1120 Conumerce Ave. in Union, Oct. 25 at 745 pm.

Organizers invite musicians from Union and the surrounding communities to join the band. Musicians interested in staing part are saked to call the band director, John Burnell, at (973) 377-8058. The band is in need of a impanist, two bassonists, two trombonists, one allo saxophonist and one bass clariposist. Other instrumentalists are always welcome.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Focus on social involvement. Share your creative ideas with friends and associ-ates. You're on the right track for a

ates. You're on the right track for a new hobby or sport. GEMINI (May 21 June 21): Discip-line is your key word. Take care of routine duties and assignments with-out heisitation. Make a decision in favor of a longitime partnership. CANCER (June 22-July 22): Follow work money in a compilizated leight your money in a complicated joint investment. Be sure to put all of the important terms in writing. Make a

important terms in writing, make a pitch for a new product or service.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't let some disturbing news upset your mood all week. Take advantage of an opportunity to socialize with loved ones. You deserve to have some fun,

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Evaluate the significance of a special relationship. List the pros and cons and work on improving your weaknesses. Strive to maintain a balance between giving

to maintain a bilance between giving and taking.
LiBRA (Sept. 23-Oet. 23): A positive outlook comes in handy this week.
See beyond lack and limitations.
Children and their creative expressions inspire you. Observe them while they're at play.
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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Relationships are highlighted. Work along with your partner on issues of trust and honesty. One cycle ends, and another begins in the world of finance. Be thrifty!

If your birthday is this week, the coming year could possibly be one of the most creative or spiritually arding periods in your life. Ger your cgo out of the way and it cyour-self be guided by your inner voide and instincts. Communication takes on an unusual stant. Your thoughts are offboat yot insightful. Share your findings in a timely manner. Also born this week; Bill Murray,

Rickie Lake, Kevin Sorbo, Mike Do glas, Will Smith, Heather Locklear Ray Charles, Rob Morrow, Jason Alexander and Catherine Oxenberg. nith. Heather Locklear.

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Bautin High School Class of 1959 reunion is scheduled for Sept. 18 at The Westwood in Garwood. 8 at For information, contact Jeanne Kritzer-Decker at (909) 241-9082.

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Oct. 9. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000. • Cranford High School Class of 1973 reunion is scheduled for Oct. 9. For information, contact Reunion. • Union High School Class of 1954 reunion is scheduled for Oct. 10. Con-tact UHS Class of 1954 Reunion, 250 Class Aug. 1100.

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Battin High School in Elizabeth
Class of 1999 has scheduled its 60th
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Rosalte Catholic High School Class of 1989 reunion is scheduled for November. For Information, write to: K. Russell-MeGowan, T. Cottage Place #2, Medison, NJ 07940.

Jonathan Dayton High School Class of 1949 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 5, 6 and 7. Por Information, contact Lorraine Wagner Hildebrant at (732) 270-6437.

Cranford High School Class of 1979 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 6 at The Westwood in Carwood. For information, contact (800) 772-9556 or (203) 227-0187.

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Arthur L. Johnson High School Class of 1974 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 19. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

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# HEALTHY LIVI

Reporter finds more than fear when facing radiation therapy

It's frightening enough to be diag-osed with breast cancer, but one can nosed with breast cancer, but one can become even more apprehensive about the forthcoming treatments following a dreaded operation and a lengthy healing process. It is only when a hand-wringing patient is introduced to a medical staff that is kind and gentle, compassionate and understanding that one can still one's racing heart and try to promptize one;'s stine. try to normalize one's rising

blood pressure.

And I can personally attest to all of this, because I experienced the whole process, from the discovery of a lump five years ago, to the removal of the breast, to the multiple tests and many visits, to the ultimate second lump found on the sear tissue just less December.

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to the unimate second nump found on the unimate second nump found on the scar dissue just last December. Fortunately, the various doctors and specialists I visited last winter before being exposed to the frightening thought of a series of realistic treatments, were warm, kind, thought-tul and encouraging. The first doctor, John Rieckers of Maplewood, with a soft smile, minimized the diagnosis, sent me to my wonderfully fineling sent me to my wonderfully fineling work or moved the "superficial though malignant hump" in a same day surgical procedure at St-Bambaba Medical-Center, Livingston, then sent me to an equality caring fonelogist, Dr. Stuart Leitner, who prescribed medication and sent me to an an endearing radiologist, Dr. Ralph Bastman, in the Cancer and Oncology building of St. Bambabs.

He patterned a program of 38 radia-tion treatments — 28 consecutive daily treatments, then a three-week rest, and 10 more to completion. And in order to give me an idea of what these treatments would be like, he had his nurse, Harriet Suckno, a marvelous an with a smile that enguifed the entire room, show a tape of what the huge, compelling machines looked like, and what an easy, painless procedure it would be.

The importance of a deeply understanding, soft-spoken crew of doctors,

#### Reporter's Notebook

nurses and technicians, all specialists in their own way, was all that was necessary to put a patient at ease in order to face the impending machinery.

order to face the impending machinery.

On the first day, in the towering building behind the hospital proper, where a paint could park with the least amount of problems. I walked into the building and was greeted by a receptive receptionist, Laura Anello. Following a consultation and examination by Dr. Eastman and Nurse Harrlet, who explained that the gown ordonned was worn "with the front in front to avoid any embarrassment," a friendly technician, Ann Weldon, filled a questionnaire and directed me to a small waiting norm. Before long, a young, handsome technician with a vary sense of humor, Estaban Ramirez, came for me, and with a warm gesture, and tender hands — they all had tender hands — took me the most off of the hands — took me the most off of the hands — took me the

She explained the nature of the series of three treatments that I was to be exposed to that afternoon, and with an "I'll be right back, Bea," disappeared. The machine hummed for 30 to 40 seconds, and the first in the series of treatments was over. The next two were the same. And before I had time to worry about it, I was off table and dressed.

Only once during my treatments

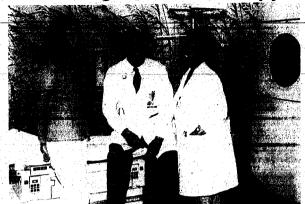
did I become confused about which door to take to get to my car, and one of the wonderful technicians, Bill

And so, the treatments continued. At And so, the treatments continued. An on on time was I flightened or apprehensive. Of course, after the 28 radiation treatments, my skin was red, but that was why I was given three weeks to heal. And before I knew it, the weeks had passed; I'd made sorthe friends with patients in the waiting room, and I knew that part of my life was over.

Thanks to Dr. Fastman, a man who always gives his full attention in the Department of Radiation and Oncology. Eastman, who settled "for radiology, Eastman, who settled "for radiology after doing a surgical internship at the State University of New York in Syracuse, and a half year of surgical residency," said, "I switched to neuro-surgical residency at Albert Einstein the Brons, and after a year, decided to switch carreers to radiology and oncology. I felt," he continued, "that there's not too much chance to think there's not too much chance to hink-brings over, and I needed more thought about what you have to do. I'm somewhat of a perfectionist. You always try to be compassionate with patients. They need this. Certainly, I, "don't have a crystal ball to reading future, but I just try to have them cher-ish each day, to smell the roses, and in the present, enjoy life."

Nurse Harriet, who graduated from the Beth Israel Medical Center Nurs-ing School, had been a private duty nurse for about 20 years. "I came to St. Barnabas 26 years ago," said the registered nurse. "Now, I'm a patientcare coordinator in the radiation department. I understand what people feel when they come here, and I hope I can ease son ne of their anxieties. think it is so important to give good emotional support. I went through a serious injury in my life, so I know what it's like to be a patient — how scary it is."

The reason that radiology technician Beth, who graduated from St.



The staff at the Cancer and Oncology Center at St. Barnabas Medical Center take a break between freating patients. From left are radiation therapy technician Beth Ellen McKnight, Dr. Raiph M. Eastman and Harriet Suckno R.N.

Barnabas School of Radiation Therapy, is so special, is because "I absolutely love what I do. I get to meet 30 or so people a day for 30 or more

treatments. And I get to make friends. I think you have to be a people person to do what I do. This is definitely not a 9-to-5 job, I'll tell you that," she said.

"I try to understand what they're going through, and I want to help them to the best of my knowledge. "I try. In fact, we all try!"

#### County residents are opera competition finalists

Two Union County-residents will compete as finalists in the 1999 Violetta DuPont Opera Vocal Competition Sept. 25 at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham-Madison Campus. The vocal competition begins at 8 p.m. in Lenfell

Roselle resident Louise Fauteux and Union resident arles Reid are the finalists

Opera at Florham, a professional company in residence on FDU's Florham-Madison Campus, chose Fauteux and Reid and six other individuals as finalists from more than

200 entries. The eight finalists will present selections from their favorite composers. Reid has chosen to perform a selections from Mozart's "Don Giovanii" and "Die Zauberfloe," "Lonely House" from Kun Weill's "Street Scene," and "Le Reve" from Massenet's "Manon."

The first-, second- and third-prize winning conte will return for future operatic cabarets sponsored by at the Florham.

Admission is \$15 per person. For reservations call the Opera office at (973) 443-8620.

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relations, Jamina Sciego of Cancer Formerly at the Office of Cancer Communications at the National Cancer Institute of the National Institute of Health in Bethersh, Md., Scheytt will be personeting the Oncology Product Line of Overlook Hospital and within the entire Atlantic Health System, which also includes Morristown Memorial, Mountaintide, and The General Hospital Center at Passale. Scheyt will be working closely with the Advisory Board at Passale. Scheyt will be working closely with the Advisory Board at cannot be advised to the Cannot C

Most recently a senior executive in the health care division at Porter Novelli, a global public relations firm headquartered in Manhattan, Scheytt m viannattan, Scheytt omoted oncology and cardiovascu-products worldwide for Novartis armaceuticals in East Hanover and one-Poulenc Rorer in Collago

Scheytt received her bachelor's degree from Vassar College and her master's of public health from Col-umbia University, and lives in New Providence. She is a volunteer and active supporter of the St. Hubert's

conformation, obedience, agility, herding and sledding. Overlook is an Atlantic Health Sys-Overlook & an Atlantic Health Sys-tem 490-bed major teaching hospital in Summit. Accredited by the Joint tactic radiosurgery program. The hos-pital's broad range of services includes the Valerie Center, a pediatric cancer program; Neuroscience Center; cardiac catheterization labor

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#### Art **SHOWS**

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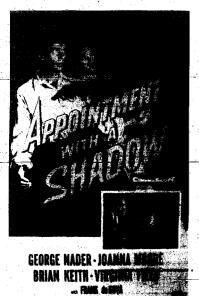
will take place today.

The library is located at 404 Chest-nut St., Roselle Park. For information, call (908) 245-2456.

SUMMIT FRAME & ART will exhibit SUMMIT FRAME & ART will exhibit paintings by American artisls dating from the mid 19th to early 20th centuries.

The gallery is located at 465 Spring-field Ave. in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-8665.

IE SUMMER SALON exhibit will be display through Friday at Eugenie altery in Scotch Plains.



APPOINTMENT WITH A SHADOW is among the films to be highlighted in an upcoming exhibit of the artwork of movie posters at the gallery at Kean University.

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CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSP-TAL in Mountainside is hosting the New Jersey Photography Fourth's IIM annual Juried Exhibit through Sept. 28. More than 300 fine art photographers were invited to submit their work from which more than 75 entitle have been selected for display.

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The exhibit is open to the public from The exhibit sopen to me public from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily. Admission is free. Vistors are requested to enter the hospital through the Ambulance Entry. The artists' works are for sale. A portion of the sale proceeds will benefit the hospital. CSH is located at 150 (800) 852-7899.

REFLECTIONS OF SUBURBAN LIFE, an exhibit by arist Helen Frank of Springfield, will be shown at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, Irom Monday, through Oct. 7. An opening reception will be aponsored Sept. 26 at 1:30 p.m.

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are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. As of Sept. 11, the museum will be open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to

For more information, call (973) 376-4930.

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ART IN SUMMIT, an exhibit spon-sored by Summit's Centennial Com-mittee and the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, will begin Sunday with a reception in the Palmer Gallery from 6 to 8 pm., and will continue through Oct. 31. Gallery hours are noon to 4 pm. Saturdays and Sundays, and 7 to 9 pm. Thrusdays, and 7 to 9 pm. Thrusdays, and 7 to 9 pm. Thrusdays, and 7 to 14 Aris located at 68 Elim St. in Summit. For information, call (998) 273-9125.

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JAMBABWE SCULPTURE IN STONE, an exhibit of the works of three African antists, will be on display Oct. 2 to 23 at Swain Gallarias in Plainfield. An opening reception will take place Oct. 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. Qallery, hours are Tuesdays, through Fridays, 930 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to

p.m., and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Swain Gallery is located at 703 Watching Ave. In Plainfield. For infor-mation, call (908) 756-1707.

**AUDITIONS** 

NEW JERSEY INTERCENERATION-AL ORCHESTRA will conduct audi-tions today from 4 to 7 p.m. at Cranford High. School. For information, (908) 709-0084.

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SUMMIT CHORALE will conduct auditions Tuesday following the chorale's regular rehearsals, which begin at 7:45 p.m. The chorale rehearsas in the Drew University campus, Route 124 in Madison, For information, call (908)

665-1871.
CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB will conduct auditions for "Aladdin" Sept. 26 at 2 p.m. and Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the playhouse, 78 Winans Ave. in Cranford, Auditioners should prepare a song and bring their own music. For information, call (973) 994-0290.

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CONCERTS

RAHWAY VALLEY JERSEYAIRES
will be presented in a concert of barbershop quarter missic by the Carolina
Formatic Oilb and Westfold Community Players in Rahway Valley
Jerseyaires barbershop quarter in con-

cert Sept. 25 at 8 p.m. at the CDC play-house, 78 Winans Ave. in Cranford. Tickets are \$12. For information and reservations, call CDC at (908) 276-7611 or WCP at (908) 232-1221.

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ROSELLE PARK STREET FAIR will
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p.m. on West Websel x vevnue in Inoru 1
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Admission is 33 per person, with
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(908) 788-3670. THE 10th ANNUAL FESTIFALL of Arts and Crafts will take place in West-field Sept. 26 from noon to 5 p.m. along Elm, East Broad, Prospect and Ouin-by streets in downtown Westfield. Admission is free and free parking is available. For information, call the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021.

GOLF

GOLF CLING for children ages 10 to 13 will take place at the Baltusrol Golf Club in Springlied from 10 to 11 are The clinic will raise funds for programs run by The Children's Aid Society. For information, call Freeman Miller at (212) 614-4216.

UNION RECREATION Department will sponsor weekly ceramics classes of rand 12 at the Recreation building, 1120 Ceramerse-Ave., Union, from 3:30 to information, call 5:30 p.m. For information, call 964-4828.

RADIO
WBGO Jazz 88.3 FM will air 'Humarkind', an inspiring new weekly series
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triumphs of everyday people. The
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PAPER MILL PLAYHOSE in Milburn opens the 1999-2000 season with
the tegendary musical comedy classic,
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Herman, and book by Jerome
Lewrence and Robert E. Lee. The production runs through Cot. 24. Based on
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VARIETY
VAN GOGH'S EAR CAFE in Union will present a series of jazz concents every sunday at 8 p.m. throughout the fail. Cover charge is \$3 for all concerts. Sunday — Breakwater Sept. 25 — Framework Van Gogh's Ear is located at 1017 Suyvesant Ave. in Union Center. For information, call \$40-1844.

Miller-Cory plans achaeology study of museum land

A first for the Miller Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Ave. in Westfield will take place Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. Daniel M. Sivilich — a historic

Daniel M. Sivilich — a historic archaeological specialists, a member of the Deep Search Metal Detecting Club and a member of Mott's Artillery — along with his team will do a surface survey on the museum grounds, Sivilich and his team are nationally recognized by the Society of Historical Archaeology and have been involved in conducting archaeological studies specializing in the Revolutionary War and, more recently, prehistoric New Jersey Native American sites.

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They are currently working on Monmouth Battlefield State the Monmouth Battefield State Park, having identified major lines of battle and British lines of fire; Holmdel Community Church, Holmdel, where numerous Holmdel, been recovered; Neuberger Farm, Middletown, where they discovered a potential British campsite, to name a few surveys.

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Doing the surface survey at Miller-Cory, they hope to recover artifacts that will be cleaned, cata-logued, identified and returned to the museum for display purposes.

Members of the museum's cook ing committee will prepare foods using early-American recipes over the open-hearth in the Frazee build-ing. Visitors may take tours of the charming (armhouse given by vol-unteer docents in period dress. The last tour begins at 4 p.m.

The gift shop has many colonial items including cookbooks, crafts and educational items. Admission to the Museum is \$2 for adults, \$0.50 for students, and children younger than 6 years old are admit-ted free.

on ree. 25, Ellen Hess from Tranford — a fiber artist, textile lesigner, acting president and veaving program coordinator for ter Valley Craft Center — will resent a program on quilting.

For information about the museum and its schedule of events, call the museum at (908) 232-1776.



PICTURE PERFECT would be an apt description of these handcrafted fabric frames created by Elizabeth Pencak of Avenel, one of more than 130 fine artists and craftspeople whose-work will be on display at the 13th annual Fall Fine Art and Crafts Show at Nomahegan Park, Cranford, Oct. 2 to 3. For information, call (908) 874-5247.

## Downtown Westfield to celebrate 10th annual arts and crafts festival

On Sept. 26, the streets of downtown Westfield will be brimming with shoppers, craftspeople and artists as the 10th Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts comes to Westfield. The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors this free admission event, which is now one of New Jersey's most popular festivals.

The octebration includes artists, musical enterstainment, thousands of extraordinary crafts, and plenty of tasty-feetbeal food. More-than-300-exhibits of quality crafts, and plenty of tasty-feetbeal food. More-than-300-exhibits of quality crafts, and plenty of tasty-feetbeal food. More-than-300-exhibits of quality crafts, and least present sets in Westfield will be decoured for the day.

The day's entertainment includes a jazz band, readings from three iniders' is suthers, storyteller Kathryn Weidener and a performance by The Hungary 5 Oompah Band. The stage area is at the comer of Elm and the Basts Broad streets: Musical entertainers will storl the streets of Westfield during the day. Disc jockey and singer Bob Mole of Elizabeth coordinates a full schedule of eatertainment. Maine musician Tim Janis will perform light instrumentals throughout the day on the treet, and the New perform light instrumentals throughout the day on the street, and the New Jersey Workshop of the Arts on East Broad Street will present instrumen-

at musical entertainment in the afternoon. There is ample food with more that J food vendors tempting the fair-goers. Local resturants Person's, Dordino's, Cosimos Pizza and Ching Light will be serving up Italian specialities such as calamari and pastas, and oriental mean specialities. Other items on the PestiFall menu include

Greek foods, garlic shrimp, tomato brushena, curly fries, barbecued rus and chicken and London broil. Dessert treats include fresh fruit Smoothies, deep fried Oreo cookies, zeppoles, ice cream, homemade fudge and Pennsylvatial Dutch funnel cakes.

Eshibitoris travel from all over the Eastern United States to participate in FestiFall's vast marketplace of fine art and crafts. Shoppers may be house-shrough wonderful creations of jewely, unique designe-clothing, dolls and toys, wood carving, pottery, original furniture, home and garbouse-shrough wonderful creations of jewely, unique designe-clothing, dolls and toys, wood carving, pottery, original furniture, home and garbouse-shrough shadow hoxes made from bars siding by Jack Paparo of Saugerteles, N.Y. Ben Benedict from Norwich, N.Y. uses woodturnings to make bowls, plates and bread boards. Gardon benebes and foldings donards. Cardon benebes and foldings to make chairs are the product of New York crafter Kare. Carw. Other unusual crafts include foldstart painings on antiques jewelty colleges from antique beads and findings, boossal and decoupage eggs in dozens of themes. Angela Harris sews beautiful, colorful vests and pillows uting the fraverse felt applique technique. Ocean City artist Jim Priant 'Janins' imaginative window panels justing recycled glass. Several fine artists will display and sell their original watercolors, oil palnings and photographys at FestiFall. Watercolorist Phyllis Newman of Plennington paints light-filled landscapes of colorinal garden and houses. Connecticut photographes-Duncan Hall with display and sell their folian garden and houses. Connecticut photographes-Duncan Hall with display and sell his framed from the produced the pro

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More than 30 local businesses will be selling in FestiFall. Westfrield antique dealers Backroom Antiques from Prospect Street and Mary Lou's Memorabilia. on Elm Street will show vintage jowelry, accessories and collectibles. Scort's Shoes. The Westfled "1". Castle Bootery, Classic Thyme, Just Adorable, Periwinkle's offin, Southslot Chie and CJ's Extra Innings are a few of the Westfleid exhibitors. Many churches and community groups plan to participate. Festfall include many local neopprofit and service organizations. These groups use Festfall for community visibility and important fund-raising activities.

Pony rides and a petting 200 will be located in the parking area of FNC Bank at North Avenue and East Broad Street. A motonwalk, temporary tattoos, face-painting, and sand art creations are other family activities.

"Admission and parking are free and we're inviting seveyone to come downtown to enjoy a great day of family fun," commented Debbie Schmidt of the Westfleid Area Chamber of Commerce, the event's sponsor.

Seminut or the resume cree contained of p.m. on Blm, Bast Broad, Prospect-and Quinbly streets, For more information, contact the event's promoter. The Advertising Alliance, at (908) 996-3036 or the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021. The raindate for the FestiFall is Oct. 3.

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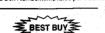
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#### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

#### Maricic is honored

Faith Maricic, a consistent top achiever in the Burgdorff ERA Westtop acriever in the Burgaorit ERA West-field office, has been honored for a second time this year as Salesperson of the Month for July 1999, with sales of six units sold and dollars amount-ing to more than \$1.6 million. Marcice has received many distin-guished awards, her latest accom-

parance mas received many distinguished awards, her lates accomplishment was earning the Burgdorff ERA Realtors' President's Council Award for 1999. The President's Council is the highest honor an associate can attain at Burgdorff ERA Realtors. The council accepts as members only the top 17 producers out of more than 950 associates each year. The requirements for membership are based on closed dollar volume production, and number of homes sold as well as meeting the criteria for the New Jersey Association of Realtors' Million Dollar Sales Club.

Maricic also has earned the NJAR

Club. Maricic also has earned the NJAR Million Dollar Club Gold Level Award. This award is the association's highest honor given to less than 1 percent of Realtors in the state for production exceeding \$10 million and 25 or more closed transactions in a single were.

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Maricic has been a member of the NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club for 11 years, attaining Silver Level in 1992, and 1996 and 1977, and Bronze Level in :87-91 and 93-97. She has been a member of the company? President's Club for five years' and ERA's Leader Circle for two years.

ERA's Leader Circle for two years.
Jean Massard, vice president and
manager of Burgdorff ERA's Westfield office, added, "It's obvious that
hard work and dedication to he
clients' needs have, resulted in high
production in yet another fabulous
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our office. We are very proud of Faith
and congranulate her on her many outstanding accomplishmenss."

#### Barber nets award

Jean Massard, Burgdorff ERA vice president and manager of the firm's Westfield office, recently announced that Gina Suriano Barber has earned the New Jersey Association of Realters' Million Deltar Sales Club Silver Achievement Award for production of more than \$5 million and at least 20



"Such an exceptional accomplishment takes true dedication along with quality service to Burgdorff ERA clients and customers. It's inspiring that, following long hours of hard work, there is such a wonderful award in recognition of this associate's

Suriano Barber has won the NJAR Million Dollar Award, attaining Silver Level in 1996 and 1997 and Bronzo Level in 1989-95, and has



Gina Suriano Barber

been a member of ERA's Leader's Circle.

#### Agostinho joins RE/MAX

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Agostinho speaks three languages English, Spanish and Portuguese — to better serve his clients. A resident of Elizabeth, Agostinho can be contacted by calling RE/MAX 2000 in Elizabeth at (908) 353-7700, Ext. 312 or by e-mail to jagostinho@homes2000.net.

Salvador joins Weichert Ana Salvador, a newly licensed real estate professional, has joined the Union office of Weichert Realtors as a

Salvador, who speaks fluent Portu-guese, is a member of Weichert's International Division. She has experience in retail sales and as a stone set-ter for Krementz Jowelers. She has lived in Elizabeth for the past five

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closed transactions.

"This well earned award is a tribute to this associate's desire to push the envelope of success and willingness to go the extra mile. The entire Burg-dorff family joins in offering its hearfelt congraulations," said Massard.

O'Boyle has won the NJAR Million Award in the past, attaining Silver Level in 1994, and Bronze Level in 1991, '93, '96 and '97.

#### Massa awarded

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Mary Ellen O'Boyle

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transactions.
"Such an exceptional accomplish-"Such an exceptional accomplishment takes two dedication along with quality sorvice to Burgdorff ERA clients and customers. It's inspiring that, following long hours of hard work, there is such a wonderful award in recognition of this associate's supreme efforts," said lean Massad. Massa has won the NJAR Million Dollar Sales Award, attaining Gold Level in 1987 and 1988, Silver Level

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improves braking performance over a wide range of road surfaces and driv-

ing conditions.

A series of sensors and a small, powerful computer adjusts brake

A series of sensors and a small, powerful computer adjusts brake pressure to help prevent wheel lockup on slippery surfaces and during hard breaking on any surface. The tires retain traction, helping the driver maintain steering control. Full-range traction control, optional on LeSabres, uses both brake and engine power control for smooth operation at any normal driving speed.

operation as any speed.
Speed sensors at each wheel allow the system module to detect wheelspin by comparing the speeds of the driven and non-driven wheel from the module of the car's computer applies brake pressure to slow the spinning wheel, and simutaneously decrease the torque generated by the engine.

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## LeSabres' features address safety, comfort, convenience smooth that the driver is unlikely to notice any change at all. This feature is available on LeSabre Limited and Custom with the Gran Touring

The 2000 Buick LeSabre offers a large number of features that enhance performance, comfort and safety. Some of the Buick LeSabre's significant technical features:

• LeSabre's Personal Choice feature allows two drivers to pre-select settings of their car's comfort and security features. Upon entry, the car automatically adjusts the settings the settings can be easily changed and saved again.

Among the Personal Choice features:

features:

• Memory Driver's Seats and Mirrors, optional on LeSabre Limited only, allow the car to recall the driver's preference for the positions of the seat cushions, except the head cestraint, and the rear-view mirror.

• Audio Control, standard on LeSabre.

bre Limited and available on LeSabre Custom, enables the description and recall AM and FM radio presets audio source, such as radio, cassette

· Climate Control allows two drivers to recall their personal preference for temperature, fan and passenger climate control status. This feature is standard on LeSabre Limited, and available on LeSabre Custom.

 Delayed Locking gives the driver passengers a brief opportunity to open the car doors even after the door lock switch has been pressed. Once the last door is closed, there is a five-second delay before the car actu-ally locks. The fobs can be prog-rammed to activate or deactivate delayed locking, depending on each r's prefe

 Memory Door Locks allow the driver to choose one of second which the doors automatically lock and unlock: (1) lock all doors when the transmission is shifted out of Park, and unlock all when Park in re-engaged; (2) lock all doors when the mission is shifted out of Park, but unlock only the driver's door Park is re-engaged; (3) lock all doors when the transmission is shifted into Park; and (4) the doors stay locked until the driver or passenger unlocks them with a power door switch.

The program can also be set so here is no automatic locking or inlocking. The door program can be et differently for each fob, allowing ach driver to custom-tailor the

 Perimeter Lighting helps proa security zone around the car at night by lighting the exterior lamps of the car when the unlock button is pressed.

The headlamps, parking lamps and back-up lamps stay lit for 15 seconds. The car can also be programmed to deactivate perimeter lighting

altogether.

• Security Feedback allows the driver to choose the type of transmitter-activated feedback when locking and unlocking the vehicle with the remote keyless entry. The

No feedback when locking or unlocking the vehicle.
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3. Exterior lamps flash when lock-

ing and unlocking the vehicle.

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S. Exterior lamps flash and home chips while locking: exterior lamps flash when unlocking vehicle.

The Driver Information Center, standard on Limited and available on Custom, features a two-line, 16-character dipply on the instrument panel. Five buttons on the left side of the instrument panel allow the driver to select information such as detailed lead consumption datis, oil pressure, coolant temperature, battery voltage, oil life index, low tire pressure cooling the order of situations that command immediate atention with eight warming messages. When capitally with the dealer-installed cellular telephone, the display also communicates the phone's status.

The following features are standard

The follo llowing features are star LeSabres for ac

on all LeSabres for added convenience:

Battery Rundown Protection shats off all exterior and interior lights if any are left on for more than 10 minutes when the ignition is off. The driver can override the system and turn the lamps off manually.

A Lockoul Protection feature prevents the power locks from working if the key is in the ignition, reducing the sexibility of the driver being accidentally locked out.

Delayed Entry and Exit Lighting provides the convenience of automatic interior lighting. The interior lamps stay on for 25 seconds or until the ignition is turned on after the driver has opened the car door and for 25 er has opened the car door and for 25 after the ignition is turned

 Twilight Sentinel, an automatic headlamp control system, turns the headlamps on and off by sensing how dark it is outside. The control can be used to vary the lamp timeout. They can stay on for just a few seconds or for three minutes after the engine is turned off.

 Retained Accessory Power, standard on LeSabre, provides power to such accessories as the sound system and windows for up to 10 minutes after the ignition is turned off, even

atter the ignation is turned oft, even with the key removed. The power is shut off if a door is opened. Among other new safety features on LeSabres are high-retention front seats with self-aligning head restraints. These features can enhance the seat system performance in rear-impact collisions.

impact collisions.
In the rear impact, the new seat system is designed to absorb energy and "pocket" a properly positioned occup-ant's pelvis and lower back into the seat. The self-aligned head restraint, built into each front-seat back, uses the rearward movement of the occupant's upper torso in an accident to rotate the head restraint closer to the occupant's head. This simula cupant's head. This simple echanical device can reduce head often in contain rear impacts, and refore reduce the potential for a

whiplash injury.

Also, all front safety belts are now attached directly to the seat structure, and shoulder and lap safety belts are now provided for all three rear

passengers.

All LeSabres are equipped with PASS-Key III, a passive theft-deterrent system that works automatically when the key is inserted or cally when the key is inserted or removed from the ignition. PASS-Key III uses a radio frequency that matches a decoder in the vehicle. These codes alternate with each usage. When the PASS-Key III system senses that someone is using the wrong key, it stust down the vehicle's starter and fuel systems. With more than one trillion electronic combinations, it is virtually impossible to start the car by trial and error.

The Convenience Console onal on LeSabre Limited and Cusoptional on Lesabre Lamited and Lyas-tom, is designed to make conducting business away from the office a more pleasurable experience. This multi-faceted console includes a center arm-rest, dual cupholders, a filp-up writing surface, a large storage area and two auxiliary power outlets.

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The Instant Alarm security fea-ture is standard in the remote keyless-entry feature. Pushing the alarm bui-tion on the fob will sound the horn and flash the heedlamps and tailliamps for so long as two minutes. The alarm can be turned off by pressing the button sgain, unlocking the car with the key, or turning on the ignition.

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quency of wipes.

All 2000 LeSabres' engines comply with new On-Board Diagnostic II federal regulations, which require that the on-board computer monitors key powertrain and emission control sys-tems and alerts the dirver if these systems start to malfunction.

The powertrain control module, the sophisticated computer that controls the engine and automatic transmission, constantly monitors various engine and emission systems, including the fuel system, the catalytic converter and the exhaust gas recircula

verter and the exhaust gas recreation systems.

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Marketing themes and plans for the best-seiling Bu LeSabre in the 2000 model year are stll being develop but they will continue to emphasize the "peace of mir

message.

"That message his worked very well because it is very true to what LeSabre is," said Joseph J. Frizzimmons Jr., LeSabre's brand manager. "The key benefits of LeSabre all add up to providing customers with 'peace of mind'—benefits like outstanding quality, a reliability and durabilities."

benefits like oustanding quality, a reliability and durability reputation, asteys, security, comfort and great value. "Other cars may specialize in individual areas, but we think there's something unique about the combination of attributes offered by LeSabre. A tot of people agree, since LeSabre has been the best-selling full-size car in the United States for seven straight years."

LeSabre customers are among the most loyal in the industry with more than 50 percent of them repeat owners, according to Fitzaimmons. These owners tend to be responsible, family-centered people, he said, whose lives revolve around family, friends agd community.

He described LeSabre buyers ab being confident and

accounting to ruzammons. Insess owners tend to be responsible, family-centered people, he said, whose lives revolve around family, friends and community. He described LoSabre buyers as being confident and proud, measuring success by the overall well-being of the family. They're thoughful planners, leave little to chance and best senting but them.

ad active, full lives "Lesabre owners are motivated to create and preserve a comfortable life for their families," he said. "And their LeSabres serve to emphasize their goals of living safe; sensible, comfortable and secure lives that reflect a certain

sense of balance."

The challenge with the new model was to continue to appeal to this large group of traditional families, while at the same time widening. LeSabre's customer base.

"It's always a challenge to follow a winner," said Fixminutus. "We were descrimined to long-our-silvardwinning formula, but also to model the elements as they will

to be factors well into the future."
aspect of the LeSabre marketing effort will be to

tailor a consistent message to various audiences. Messages to traditional buyers will emphasize that the LeSabre is enhanced and improved in the areas of special interest to them. For example, we've added safety features such as side air bags and high-restinon front seast with self-aligning headrests. The messages to those buyers will also emphasize confort, tuxury, quality, success and value. The message to new prospects is 'It's new and now it's for you."

message to new prospects is 'It's new and now it's for you.'
"We'll. keep talking about the pillars of LeSabre's foundation. Among them are its reputation for quality, reliability, and durability, and safery and security, the right touches of comfort and luxury and the right price, leading to a great value. These benefits are extremely important and relevant to a broad section of the market.'

Anna S. Kretz, vehicle line executive for LeSabre, said the new LeSabre has been designed "to delight a very loyal following. Many Bluick customers have owned several following. Many Bluick customers have owned several LeSabres with a high degree of satisfaction. Our efforts with the new car were targety devoted to improving every aspect of LeSabre while stressing the core values attached to its brand image. We want to sustain its feedership posi-

spect of LoSabre while stressing the core values attached to its brand image. We want to sustain its leadership position in the large car sognem.

"One improvement alone, moving LoSabre to a new platform has brought major additional improvements. The body structure is significantly more rigid, which helps keeps the car quiet and safe introughout its life. And we've purposely selected the proven 3800 V-6 powertrain for this car because it's so admired by LoSabre customers."

Marcus J. Vinson, LoSabre's assistant brand managermantecting, said he sees LoSabre as "tried, true and fusted. It's certainly been tried by a large group of customers, it's proven true in reviews by the automotive press and in surveys by market research firms and 1<sup>12</sup> clearly trusted-based on its high owner [oyslay."

Vinson noted that only about 5 percent of LoSabre deliveries are by lease.



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