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## Changing numbers

It was not a major part of Freeholder Chester Holmes' remarks on Sunday, but still important. Speaking at the swearing in ceremonies for his second term, he called on the county to study carefully and better understand the new census numbers which are becoming available.

From Holmes' perspective these numbers help to identify the changing trends in our country. They are an important tool in the preparation of grant applications for human services, public safety and economic development.

## Left Out

By Frank Capece

About 50 miles down Route 1 from Elizabeth, our Legislature will soon handle the question of how they use the Census to set up our legislative and congressional seats. A concern remains that use of statistical sampling to make up the short count by those who did not complete the census is fair. Others believe only the hard numbers can be used. It promises to be a hard partisan battle in a place where numbers count very much.

For less theoretical is the bad news on the transit and energy fronts. The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey will hold four hearings between Jan. 16 and 18 on its proposal to raise tolls on the tunnels, bridges and PATH lines.

The PATH fare could jump as much as double and the Friday night trip to New York could go from \$4 to \$7 through a tunnel. The irony in terms of the PATH fare is that the very weekend the Arabs were again cutting oil production, we are seeing plans to increase mass transit costs.

Steve Coleman is a spokesman for the Port Authority. With previous stints as a transportation reporter and time at NJ Transit, this former Union County resident knows the trains pretty well. He points out that the PATH has not been granted an increase since 1987.

The money from the increase is earmarked for new cars and an improved signaling system to speed the trip. The toll increase will help improvements at the airports and the need for expansion at the Goethals Bridge.

But an increase in mass transit at the very time we again have to be energy conscious is at best bad timing, and at worst — worse. Freeholder Dan Sullivan took part in the successful effort seven years ago to stop a PATH increase. On Sunday he said, "Nothing has really changed. Increase in the PATH fares will only work to discourage mass transit, when we should be encouraging its use."

My own suspicion is that the

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## Chairman praises past; presents new programs for 2001

### Focus on schools, vets, volunteers

By Mark Hrywna  
Regional Editor

A program to link public libraries with schools, expanding the Office of Veterans Affairs and the creating an Office of Volunteer Services were among the new initiatives announced for 2001 during Sunday's annual reorganization meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, who was sworn in as chairman for 2001, praised past chairmen — Freeholders Dan Sullivan, Nicholas Scutari and Linda Stender — for programs developed during their tenures leading the Democratic-controlled board.

Mirabella, who also serves as Roselle Park's Democratic chairman, vowed to continue several programs started under previous chairmanships, including the Freeholder Scholars Program, which covers tuition at Union County College for students who maintain a B average or better and whose family earns less than \$75,000 annually; the HEART grant program, which provides funds to local artists and performers, and Senior Scholars, allowing seniors to take courses for free at the county college.

While lauding previous programs, Mirabella presented his own ideas for the new year. Access 2001 will be a "cooperative project designed to link the county's public schools with its public libraries." The county spent nearly \$3.5 million on Access 2000, started in 1998, an initiative designed to provide high-speed Internet access, software and computers for public schools.

"We will create an Access 2001 web site with links to all schools, databases, library information links and resource services."

"We will bring school and public librarians and technology coordinators together for information sharing

and professional development and training."

The Office of Volunteer Services will serve as a clearinghouse for agencies, schools and organizations that seek volunteers. The Office of Veterans Affairs will be expanded to provide a toll-free 800 number with more staffing reallocated to handle phone calls and be available to provide information to veterans.

Mirabella also stressed the importance of business attraction and retention efforts in announcing a fourth initiative, New Millennium...New Jobs, which will expand the customer skills training programs at the Retail Skills Center in Elizabeth. The departments of Economic Development and Human Services "will be linked to carry out this new initiative through the Workforce Investment Board and the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee."

In regard to the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, approved by voters in November, a public advisory committee will be appointed to provide recommendations to the freeholder board on how to spend the nearly \$5 million generate annually through a dedicated tax. He expects the advisory committee to be appointed "up and running" in six to eight weeks.

The new chairman did not have dollar figures associated with any new programs yet, but stressed that the new projects do not provide for new positions or increases in the budget. "It's an opportunity to reallocate versus establishing new positions."

County Manager Michael Lapolla is expected to submit his 2001 executive budget to freeholders on Tuesday.

"I'm anxious to see the results of last year's overspending," Republican County Chairman Ron Frigerio said Tuesday. While county officials say the new initiatives will not increase



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Alexander Mirabella is sworn in to his second term as freeholder by his father, former Elizabeth Police Chief Gene Mirabella, and from left, wife Phyllis, a Roselle Park councilwoman, daughter Micayla, son Alexander, and mother Grace.

the budget, "Let's see what actually happens," Frigerio said. "They keep spending down the surplus."

"It's so important because the economy is not as strong as it was. Maybe voters will pay more attention when there is something other than a boom going on."

"There are items we've been pointing out for years that I hope will be noticed."

"Clearly, we're not expanding because there are no new positions," Mirabella said. "If improving access for volunteers is unnecessary and improving access and assistance to veterans is unnecessary than he's clearly wrong," the chairman said of Frigerio's criticism.

The 2000 budget was the first in county history to surpass \$300 million, approved by freeholders at \$306 million. For the fourth consecutive year, however, the amount to be raised through taxes either remained the same or decreased and for the first time accounted for less than half of the revenue in the budget.

Mirabella was sworn in to his second, three-year term on the board along with running mates Chester Holmes of Rahway and Deborah Scanlon of Union. Joanne Rajoppi of Union officially took the oath of office for her second term as county clerk.

"This freeholder board is on the same page," said Assemblyman Neil

Cohen, one of many Democratic leaders on hand during Sunday's meeting. "When I was on the freeholder board, we had nine pages, and three was a majority," said Cohen, the municipal party chairman in Roselle. He served one term as a freeholder in the late 1980s followed by a stint as the party's county chairman.

In his remarks after being sworn in, Holmes cited accomplishments during his first term as a freeholder but also urged the county to study the new Census data thoroughly.

The data are "critically important when submitting applications for funds. The Census tells us more than the population. We must study and understand the numbers."

## Freeholders may take show on the road in 2001

By Mark Hrywna  
Regional Editor

Every Thursday night, the Board of Chosen Freeholders gathers on the sixth floor of the Administration Building in Elizabeth for its meeting. In 2001, board members might abandon the friendly confines of the freeholder meeting room to conduct some meetings in other municipalities within the county.

Alexander Mirabella, who was sworn in as the board's new chairman during Sunday's reorganization meeting, said the idea is an "effort to bring county government closer to residents."

"We will announce the venues in advance and encourage all to come and see first-hand how county government works for them."

The new chairman is aiming for the first meeting outside of Elizabeth in March, but that will depend on how many municipalities express interest in hosting meetings. Staff members are currently exploring the logistics of conducting meetings around the county, he said. Mirabella hopes for freeholder meetings outside of the county seat every three months.

Republican County Chairman Ron Frigerio encouraged the freeholder board to conduct meetings around the county. "It's a worthwhile effort. Anytime you can get citizens to participate is good."

"It might be a step to help people realize there is a county government and freeholders," said Frigerio, who noted the freeholders used to do the same thing in the 1970s and 1980s.

"It's was done at one point years and years ago," Mirabella said. "Not everyone has an opportunity to come to meetings in Elizabeth."

"It's something new to break out of the mold."



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Assignment Judge Edward Beglin Jr. swears in Joanne Rajoppi to her second term as county clerk, as her family, from left, sons Peter and Andrew Pappas, and mother Mildred, hold the bible.

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## County chapter of NAMI will meet on Jan. 23

The newly reorganized Union County Chapter of The National Alliance For The Mentally Ill is chartered under the New Jersey State NAMI Chapter and holds regular meetings at the Osceola Presbyterian Church in Clark on the fourth Tuesday of every month. The next general meeting will be Jan. 23. The topic to be presented will be "Coping Skills for the Care Giver" by Mary Joe Willemsen and Ellen Marotta from Catholic Community Services of Newark. Other topics for the upcoming year will include anxiety, suicide, and discussions on the new changes in Social Security benefits.

NAMI Union is performing award-winning work for the community such as NAMI Union President Joann Mehalick's "2000 Meritorious Affiliate Member Volunteer Award" presented by NAMI State last October. But "awards are not enough," said Mehalick.

"We have to be recognized by the people of Union County and we need to mobilize with the community so the mental, emotional and physical wounds of our disabled citizens can heal."

For more information on how to join, volunteer, or sponsor, call Mehalick at (732) 381-7719, or Treasurer Brent Willemsen at (908) 233-0462.

## 'Strengthening Families' program every Tuesday

On Tuesdays through Feb. 27, the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Program of Union County will be presenting a training program for parents and their 10- to 14-year-old children, entitled "Strengthening Families" from 7 to 9 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 1171 Terrill Road, Scotch Plains. While the program starts at 7 p.m. families are welcome to come at 6 p.m. and brown bag their dinner together.

The program, developed by Iowa State University, will build skills and reinforce information to help you in your parenting role. At the same time, skills needed by your child to set goals, deal with peer pressure, and make good friends, will be explored. The program itself is divided into an adult tract and a separate tract for children. The tracts meet simultaneously, but in different rooms in the building.

Topics covered in the adult tract are: Love and Limits, Making House Rules, Encouraging Good Behavior; Using Consequences, Building Bridges; Protecting Against Substance Abuse, and Putting it all Together. The course will be taught by Elizabeth Levin, the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union

County Family Life Educator and a parent of two daughters.

Topics to be covered in the children's tract are: Having Goals and Dreams, Appreciating Parents, Dealing with Stress, Following Rules, Dealing with Peer Pressure, Peer Pressure and Good Friends, and Putting it all Together. These topics will be taught by using fun hands-on activities and a minimum of lecture by Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Agent James Nichnadowicz, a father of four children.

The cost for the program is \$25 per family, which covers registration for two parents and all children aged 10 to 14, and includes on-site childcare for children younger than 10. The program is limited to only 15 families.

Register early by listing the names of all family members who will be participating, include names and ages of children needing childcare. Mail the list along with a \$25 check made out to Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County to: Ellen DiIorio, RCE of UC, 300 North Ave. East, Westfield, 07090-1499.

If you have any questions call (908) 654-9854, or e-mail to levin@ac-sop.rutgers.edu.

## A change worth studying

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Port Authority, still reeling from the recent snow removal battle with Mayor Rudy Giuliani, has a very political plan. It is two steps forward in announcing the increase and then one step backward in lowering the amount if the public heat at the hearings gets too much. In this manner, everybody gets something. The Port Authority gets a moderate increase, the opponents can claim a partial victory and the commuter gets it stuck to him, but not too bad.

In another blow, turn off the light again may be heard in our homes. Staci Berger of New Jersey Citizen Action is predicting the price of electricity "will go through

the roof within two years" in New Jersey. She predicts the same problems facing California will visit us here in New Jersey.

Energy officials predict the growth and the eventual building of power plants is cyclical and that the price will again drop. But in the short term, others will have to join me in my antiquated training from childhood of shutting off lights whenever I leave a room.

We may have to stop watching television in different rooms, start sharing rides to work and actually talking to each other. Now that will be a change worth studying.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

## Winter coat drive

The coming of winter is the time for a "legal" cover-up, a warm one for men, women and children in need. Union County employees and members of the Union County Bar Association donated 40 new or pre-owned/gently used coats and jackets to the bar association's warm winter coat drive in cooperation with the United Way of Union County.

The outwear was given to the Salvation Army on East Jersey Street in Elizabeth to be distributed to needy individuals who go to their soup kitchen or food pantry and are in need of warm outwear for the winter. There is never a charge for these items.

The warm winter outwear is collected in Elizabeth at: the Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad St.; the new Annex, Elizabethtown Plaza, and the Andrew K. Ruotolo Building, 32 Rahway Ave.

The coat drive, which began in October, will continue through the month of December. If anyone would still like to donate a new or gently used coat or jacket, they may be brought to any of the collection points. "We ask that they be in clean, ready-to-wear condition, on hangers and have size tags," said Freeholder Chairman Daniel Sullivan. New hats, gloves, mittens and scarves are also welcome. Currently, the greatest need is for children's warm winter coats.

Anyone with questions may call County Counsel Carol Cohen at (908) 527-4250 or Union County Bar Association Executive Director Jeff Clark at (908) 354-5984. All donated items will be given to local United Way agencies to be distributed throughout Union County.

## Caregiver support group

The next Caregiver/Alzheimer Support Group of Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County will meet from 1 to 2 p.m. on Jan. 18 in the Family Conference Room of the facility, 40 Watchung Way, Berkeley Heights.

This professional support, education and information group for caregivers and family members, held the third Thursday of each month, is free, open to the community and facilitated by Kathleen Balascio, a Runnells Specialized Hospital licensed social worker.

The support group shares information on the disease, research updates, practical care techniques and a list of community resources. An important part of the meeting is the time devoted to discussing the frustrations individuals feel in caring for those stricken with Alzheimer's disease.

Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County sponsors the meetings in conjunction with the Greater New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, an organization committed to easing the burden and finding a cure for Alzheimer's, the nation's fourth-leading fatal disease among adults, afflicting some four million Americans.

For more information on this wheelchair accessible program, call (908) 771-5834.

The 2001 scheduled is as follows:

Feb. 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, and Dec. 20. Call Kathleen Balascio at (908) 771-5834 if you would like to attend.

## Blood drives scheduled

The Blood Center of New Jersey will conduct blood drives on Friday and Monday from 3 to 7 p.m. at Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union.

For more information call (800) BLOOD-NJ.

## Celebrity bartenders to raise funds in Union

The 2001 Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee recently held a planning session for the annual Celebrity Bartenders Fund-raiser which will be Jan. 21 from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Union Township Knights of Columbus Hall on Jeanette Avenue.

All proceeds from the event will be used to put on the fifth annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in the Township of Union. This parade is the fastest growing in the state, attracting more than 10,000 people for the last several years.

The Celebrity Bartenders Fund-raiser will feature various celebrities from the sports world and daytime television. Last year's event drew close to 1,000 donors. Organizers of this year's event will look to top that figure.

## Grant-writing workshop

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs invite Union County nonprofit organizations to attend a grant-writing workshop on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. The snow date is Jan. 18.

The workshop will provide specific information about the guidelines and application for the Union County Arts Grant Program, which is funded in part by the Local Arts Program of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Arts organizations and all nonprofits that wish to offer an arts project to the public are eligible to apply for grant funds. Arts activities taking place between Jan. 1, 2002 and Dec. 31, 2002 are eligible for consideration.

"An organization's success in obtaining grant funds depends upon its ability to convey the importance of its projects with a well-constructed proposal," said Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Affairs Program Advisory Board. "This free workshop will take you through the step-by-step process of writing this grant and discuss the specific components of successful grant writing."

"The purpose of the grant program is to enrich the quality of Union County by stimulating and supporting the production, presentation and creation of the arts," said Marcia Cohen, chairman of the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

"We are very proud that the New Jersey State Council on the Arts has

designated our Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs a Major Arts Service Organization for the fourth consecutive year," Cohen said.

For information or to register for the event, call the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, at (908) 558-2550. Relay users dial (800) 852-7899 or e-mail: scoen@unioncountynj.org.

## Disaster planning workshop on Jan. 25

Discover how to protect your organization's valuable records, books, photographs and artwork from faulty plumbing, fire damage or natural disasters at the workshop, "Prepare for the Worst — Disaster Planning, Before, During & After...Safeguard Your Property Against Emergencies!" on Jan. 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave.

"This is a chance to learn about which steps to take in an emergency and how to prepare a plan to deal with disastrous situations," said Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "Permanent damage or loss is reduced when priorities and instructions are available and updated."

The workshop leader, Gary Saretz-

ky, has been the county archivist for Monmouth County since 1994. He oversees how public records and historical documents are stored and preserved.

Saretzky has 30 years of experience in managing and organizing collections of papers and historical documents.

"Individuals and organizations with either volunteer or paid staff will be introduced to salvage techniques such as freezing, air drying or even water immersion — whether to try these methods for themselves or to be better informed when dealing with the experts," said Marcia Cohen of Summit, chairman of the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

The workshop is supported in part by a grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission, Department of State.

Registration, along with an \$8 fee, is required by Jan. 22.

To request a brochure or more information call the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202, at (908) 558-2550. Relay users call (800) 852-7899, or e-mail: scoen@unioncountynj.org.

Assistive services are available upon advance request.

## Officers certified



Three Union County police officers recently completed a training course to earn one-year certification to conduct child safety seat checks, including, from left, Officer Michael Wiegus of the Roselle Park Police Department; Officer Michael Halloran of Union County Police Department; and background, instructors Ed O'Connor and Dan Shine, a senior highway safety specialist, respectively for the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety; instructor in training, Christine Marcantonio; Lt. Jeff Foulks of the Union County Police Department, and instructor, Jennifer Schneider, manager of public relations and safety for the AAA New Jersey Automobile Club.

## County clerk appointed to steering committee

Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi of Union was appointed recently to serve as a member of the National Association of Counties Community and Economic Development Steering Committee by NACo President Jane Hague.

NACo's 11 steering committees form the policy-making arm of the association. Each committee is comprised of 60 to 90 county officials who meet several times during the year to examine issues critical to local government.

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## Festival will honor Tchaikovsky

The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra will present an exciting three-week festival focusing on the music of Tchaikovsky now through Jan. 28.

The festival, titled "The Meanings of Tchaikovsky," encompasses three weeks of orchestral concerts under the baton of Music Director Zdenek Macal and will also feature guest appearances by violinist Gil Shaham, pianist Gerhard Oppitz, cellist Daniel Lee, soprano Sally Wolf and tenor John Daniecki. The programming will also include many of Tchaikovsky's rarely performed interpretations of great works of literature such as his "Hamlet," Op. 67; Manfred Symphony, Op. 58, and "Francesca da Rimini," Op. 32. The festival will include numerous special events including chamber music, a choral program, a film screening of Ken Russell's Tchaikovsky biography, "The Music Lovers" and a symposium. Pre-concert Festival Preludes will precede each orchestral performance. In total, "The Meanings of Tchaikovsky" encompasses 17 events in eight locations, three of which in Essex County.

"What is the bearing of Tchaikovsky the man on Tchaikovsky the composer," asked Festival Consultant and Humanities Coordinator Joseph Horowitz. Much of the programming of "The Meanings of Tchaikovsky" searches to answer this question. Horowitz will host many of the special events and pre-concert Festival Preludes. He has also written special program notes for the festival.

"Tchaikovsky wrote every kind of music, but if you look at what is played, what is popular, it's just the three last symphonies, 'Romeo and Juliet,' the Violin Concerto, the First Piano Concerto, the 'Capriccio Italian,' 'Swan Lake,' 'Sleeping Beauty,' 'The Nutcracker' and a few others," said Maestro Macal. "For the 2001 Winter Festival we're doing some of the best-known Tchaikovsky, but also a lot of other things, with a concentration on literature. This is an area in which he has perhaps done more than any other Russian composer," he said.

**The Meanings of Tchaikovsky — Week One**  
The festival opened Wednesday with "Tchaikovsky Up Close," hosted by Joseph Horowitz and Maestro Macal. This festival kick-off featured chamber music including the Valse Scherzo, Op. 34; Meditation, Op. 42, and the Piano Trio, Op. 50, featuring NJSO Concertmaster Eric Wyrick, principal cellist Jonathan Spitz and pianist Pedja Muzijevic.

The orchestral program begins with the "Herbert R. and Evelyn Axelrod Concerts," an annual NJSO event that features a young artist from The Curtis Institute of Music. These performances will feature cellist Daniel Lee, who will join Maestro Macal and the NJSO in performances of the original version of Tchaikovsky's Rocooco Variations for Cello and Orchestra, Op. 33. The program also features Tchaikovsky's "Hamlet," Op. 67, and the beloved Symphony No. 4 in F minor, Op. 36. Performances take place today at 7:30 p.m. and Friday at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall, at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Pre-concert Festival Preludes for these performances will focus on "Tchaikovsky and Shakespeare," including excerpts from Tchaikovsky's incidental music from "Hamlet" brought to life with the help of actors from the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival. Festival Preludes takes place one hour and 15 minutes prior to performances.

**The Meanings of Tchaikovsky — Week Two**  
The second week of the festival begins with a special program titled "Tchaikovsky and the Piano," and will feature return engagement by the husband-and-wife duo of Maxim Mogilevsky and Svetlana Smolina — two of the artists who performed in last season's Rachmaninoff Piano Spectacular. The program features many of Tchaikovsky's works for one and two pianos including the Sonata in G major, Op. 37; "The Seasons," Op. 37, performed by

Mogilevsky, with readings by Smolina; Pabst's Concert Paraphrase on Themes from "Eugene Onegin" for Two Pianos, and much more. Joseph Horowitz will host the event. "Tchaikovsky and the Piano" takes place Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Victoria Theater at NJPAC in Newark.

The orchestra performances of week two of the festival mark the return of heralded violinist and NJSO audience favorite Gil Shaham, who will perform Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 35. Maestro Macal will conclude the program with Tchaikovsky's monumental and rarely performed "Manfred," Op. 58. Performances take place Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. and Jan. 21 at 3:30 p.m. in Prudential Hall at NJPAC in Newark. Pre-concert Festival Preludes will be hosted by Princeton University Prof. Simon Morrison. The topic for the discussion will be "Tchaikovsky and Byron." Festival Preludes takes place one hour and 15 minutes prior to these performances.

**The Meanings of Tchaikovsky — Week Three**  
The final week of "The Meanings of Tchaikovsky Festival" will begin with a special screening of Ken Russell's 1971 film biography of Tchaikovsky titled "The Music Lovers." The film stars Richard Chamberlain and Glenda Jackson. Joseph Horowitz hosts the screening. "The Music Lovers" will take place Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Billy Johnson Auditorium at The Newark Museum in Newark.

The final orchestral programs of the festival feature three rarities. Maestro Macal and the NJSO will be joined by acclaimed pianist Gerhard Oppitz in performances of the original version of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 2 in G major. The version most often heard today was a revised version by Alexander Siloti. The performance continues with Sergey's Taneyev's completion of Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Duet," a work based on the famous "Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture," and originally sketched as an idea for an opera. Soprano Sally Wolf and tenor John Daniecki will be the featured soloists. The program concludes with the powerful "Francesca da Rimini," Op. 32. Performances take place in Prudential Hall at NJPAC in Newark Jan. 26 at 8 p.m., Jan. 27 at 8 p.m., and Jan. 28 at 3 p.m. Sally Wolf will perform three Mingon songs from Wilhelm Meister as set by Tchaikovsky and Schubert as pre-concert Festival Preludes for these performances. Joseph Horowitz will host these preludes, titled "Tchaikovsky and Goethe." These orchestral performances have been sponsored in part by PNC Bank.

A special Tchaikovsky Festival Symposium will take place Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. at Robeson Hall, on the Rutgers University, Newark campus. The panelists will include Joseph Horowitz, Simon Morrison of Princeton, Caryl Emerson of Princeton and Michael Pisani of Vassar. The symposium will encompass the following: a presentation on Ken Russell's "The Music Lovers" in comparison with Visconti's "Death in Venice," — with film clips; "Tchaikovsky and Romeo and Juliet" — with a live performance of the balcony scene featuring actors from the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival; and "Tchaikovsky, Russianness, and the West" — with slides of 19th-century Russian paintings. The Symposium has been made possible in part by a grant from the New Jersey Council on the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The symposium is presented in association with the American Musicological Society, Northeast Chapter, and the School of the Arts at Rutgers University, Newark.

Call the NJSO Ticket Office at (800) 255-3476, Monday to Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; or NJPAC at (888) 466-5722. Tickets are now on sale for all events. Check the NJSO's web site at [www.njsymphony.org/Tchaikfest](http://www.njsymphony.org/Tchaikfest) for a complete listing of events.



A trio of dynamic actors — from left, Cotter Smith, Jack Willis and Judd Hirsch — share the stage in the Paper Mill Playhouse's dazzling production of Yasmina Reza's 'Art,' playing now through Feb. 4.

## Paper Mill Playhouse's 'Art' is a masterpiece of 'middle-age crazy'

As dazzling in its own way as the blinding white painting at the center of the plot, "Art," the current offering on the Paper Mill Playhouse stage in Millburn, opened Friday with energy, tension and quite a few belly laughs.

Yasmina Reza's internationally acclaimed seriocomic drama, translated by Christopher Hampton, focuses on the complexities of a friendship between three middle-aged men, a relationship thrown into a tailspin when one of them acquires a 4-by-5-foot, all-white painting for an astronomical 200,000 francs.

While on the surface, an extravagant purchase would not seem to be enough fodder to fuel the roughly-90-minute one-act, it's the rich and resonant subtext that drives this piece of theater, sometimes at breakneck speed. Director Judd Hirsch, who also plays Marc, does both the script and the audience justice, deftly peeling back the layers of these multi-faceted relationships, slowly exposing each man's essence with clarity and precision.

Joining Hirsch on stage are Cotter Smith as Serge, the owner of the controversial work of art, and Jack Willis, as the beleaguered Yvan. All three actors imbue their characters with a quiet desperation, which adds depth and texture to the "middle-age crazy" conflicts each is facing. The result bears no resemblance to the whining of the men of "thirtysomething," but is as unique as it is universal, and deeply affecting while it is maddening and hilarious. While each role could mutate into a caricature, the actors create distinct and vibrant individuals. Hirsch approaches the character of

### On the Boards

By Bill VanSant  
Associate Editor

Marc with an intriguing juxtaposition of power and warmth, layering it with an argumentative, dissatisfied veneer. His rantings over the purchase of the painting would be ludicrous were it not for the textures and levels the actor brings to the role. In Hirsch's hands, the man is fascinating and frustrating, touching and maddening.

Hirsch's directorial handling of the script is smooth and fluid, with impeccable pacing and energy, railroading to a gut-wrenching and riotous confrontation. The effective manner in which the character's internal thoughts are delivered directly to the audience matches the abstract, detached nature of the painting in tone, creating a seamless yet surreal experience.

As Serge, Smith seasons his performance of a rational, erudite sophisticate with a supercilious air that, at times, justifies Marc's rage. He allows the audience to see that beneath the measured tones which so infuriate his friend is a man on equally unsteady ground. The dichotomy Smith creates is compelling and enigmatic.

Willis' Yvan is a wonder to behold. As the complacently less-than-happy friend caught between Marc and Serge, he defies the traps of such a role and even makes Yvan's tendency to whine a vital, living part of an

excellent performance. His wedding-blues monologue and the mileage he gets out of a simple, repeated "Yes" are alone worth the price of admission.

Ani Blackburn's set design — a versatile monochromatic-beige interior, serving as all three men's apartments — underscores the common thread in each character's conflict. Brilliant lighting design by Cletus Karamon is complemented by David Paterson's sound, giving the production a feel not usually found on the Paper Mill stage. Jude Ciccollella's original music is hauntingly appropriate and effectively used.

The power of this production gains intensity as it propels us deeper into the heart of these relationships, tapping into universal hopes and needs. Often with a piece of art, the longer you look at it, the more you find yourself thinking and feeling. So it is with "Art."

"Art" runs through Feb. 4 at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn. For information on tickets, see the "Theater" listing in the Stepping Out calendar in this edition.

**Bill Van Sant,**  
Editor

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## County announces availability of grants

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders invites community arts organizations, schools and other nonprofit organizations that plan to present cultural programming to apply for funding from the Union County Arts Grant Program.

Funds for this program are made available through the Local Arts Program of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State.

"The purpose of the grant program is to enrich the quality of life in Union County by stimulating and supporting

the creation and presentation of the arts," said Freeholder Daniel Sullivan. Arts activities taking place between Jan. 1, 2002 and Dec. 31, 2002 are eligible for consideration.

"We are pleased to continue the Arts Education Special Project initiative this year," said Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Affairs Advisory Board. "It enables schools as well as other organizations to apply for funding to enhance arts education and teacher professional development."

The Union County Arts Grant Program is administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development. The division was designated a Major Arts Service Organization by the New Jersey State Council for the Arts for the fourth consecutive year.

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# Union natives come back as 'Showstoppers'

By Bea Smith  
Staff Writer

Two professional performers who had been show stoppers in Union for four years when they appeared in Union High School productions, are prepared to stop a new show with their versatility and talents. Gregory Allan Bock and Nicole Martone have been putting together their third annual cabaret show since November, scheduled in the Ballroom at Costa del Sol, 2443 Vauxhall Road, in Union called "Broadway Showstoppers...3" scheduled Jan. 19 with a 6:30 p.m. dinner and 8 p.m. show, and Jan. 20, with a 5:30 dinner and 7 p.m. show; a 9:30 p.m. one-hour pre-show open bar and a 9:30 p.m. show.

"This has been our third Broadway show in Union, and fourth, total — we performed in the Crystal's Grand Ballroom during our first year," said Bock, who, accompanied by Martone, visited this office Monday morning.

"We have professional people and Union High School alumni in our show, including Kathy Brier and Bryette Calloway, both from New York City, and both professional actors," said Martone, "in addition to Nick Basile, Meghann Dreyfuss, Darren Meyer and Allan Snyder." The accompanist will be Paul Johnson, with special guests, Michael Bellina, Steel Burkhardt and many surprise guests.

The two had just completed the fund-raising show, "Guys and Dolls" in Union, and went right into the production of "Broadway Showstoppers...3" in New York City.

"We will have excerpts from well over 20 shows," said Bock, "and a little over 30 actual songs."

There will be music from "The Music Man," "Annie Get Your Gun," "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," and "Miss Saigon."

"These will all be brand new offerings," said Bock. "Our major feature, however, will be a tribute to the rock musical. We will present music from the start of rock music, 'Hair,' of 1968 to the present day 'Hair' of the 1990s, 'Rent.' We will also feature excerpts from Broadway and movie musicals, such as 'Tommy,' 'The Wiz,' 'Jesus Christ Superstar,' 'Smokey Joe's Cafe,' 'Footloose,' 'The Rocky Horror Show' and 'Saturday Night Fever.' We always sell out. People who have seen us always come back. They get their groups together, get to eat a lot of good food and have a lot of fun."

"I think the people are happy to get one of the best meals in town and a show that gets better and better," added Martone.

"The morning after we did 'Guys and Dolls,' I had four phone calls from people who want to see the cabaret show. One person ordered 16 tickets," said Bock. "They all become one big happy family."

Costa Del Sol seats about 200. "Last year, we had over 260 people for a performance, and we managed to squeeze them in. It really was so packed that when the show was over, that when the people wanted to give us a standing ovation, they couldn't stand up."

"You know people are so into community theater. They always were so sup-

portive with the shows at the high school. They seem to want more and more. They're so receptive. And the best part of it all is that they've seen us grow up."

"Now, they're seeing professionals, and some from New York," added Bock.

Bock, who graduated from Tisch School of the Arts at New York University in 1999, where he performed in "Street Scene," "The Threepenny Opera," and "Ivanov," has been on a national tour of "Forever Plaid" and "Hair." He also appeared in films and television, "SNL," "Sex & the City," "Guiding Light" and "15 Minutes."

"Now, I'm actually in three acting unions," he said.

Martone, who will graduate from the Tisch School of the Arts at NYU in May, has starred in New York in "City of Angels," "Gift From the Heart," "Company," "A World to Win," and "Wilbur and Me." She wrote and performed "This Woman's Work."

She appeared in many Union High School plays and received the 1997 Paper Mill Playhouse Rising Star Award for Outstanding actress. Martone conducts an educational workshop with children from all over the tri-state area.

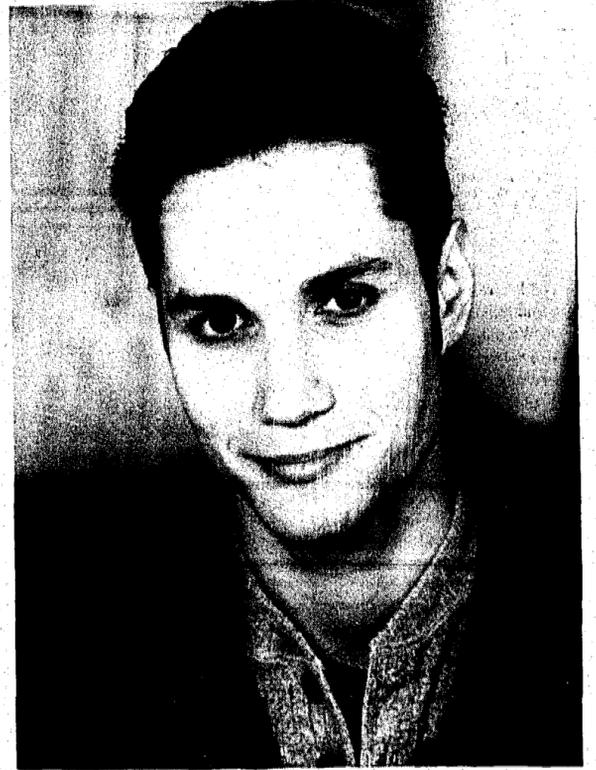
"I'm going to tour this summer with the theater workshop company called 'Camp Broadway,' a performing art company for children," said Martone. "We start in June and pick up kids in each city. The kids learn how to improve their community theater skills and leadership. And it's great fun for me. I get to see the country," she said.

"This is a good time to do our Broadway cabaret show," said Bock. "We both have a little time off."

"And it's nice to have everyone in the surrounding area get to experience this kind of theater, and get to know us," said Martone. "The people want to see us no matter what we do on stage, because we're local and they know us, and we love what we're doing. We have 10 days of intense rehearsals. We've been putting together the format since November and hardly had time to relax — on our vacation time. We don't do the show to make money. We do it for the people, who will come to see us in any production."

"Tino Mendes, the owner of Costa del Sol, allows us to be crazy in what we do. But the people like it. And he's the perfect host. It's a great place to have a show. The ballroom is very tight, very personal, and one doesn't have to go out of town to see a show of this caliber. It's right here."

"I look at this," said Bock, "as the final sendoff for me. February will be the launching of my big-time career. I firmly believe this."



Gregory Allan Bock will team up with fellow Union High School alum Nicole Martone for the third annual cabaret show, 'Broadway Showstoppers...3' at Costa del Sol, 2443 Vauxhall Road, in Union on Jan. 19 and 20.

## Cranford Dramatic Club seeks performers for 'Sound of Music'

The Cranford Dramatic Club will conduct open auditions for its spring production of "The Sound of Music" Jan. 27, 28 and 30 at the CDC Playhouse, 78 Winans Ave., Cranford.

Auditions Jan. 27 at 1 p.m. are for the Von Trapp children only, Jan. 28 at 1 p.m. and Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. for all other parts. Production dates will be May 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 18, and 19. The show will be directed by Ken and Mary Webb. The musical director will be Tom Pedas.

Auditioners should be prepared to sing a song either from the show or of their own choice, and should bring sheet music. There will be a small dance/movement audition as well as readings from the script. The following is a list of characters:

- Maria Rainer: 20s, female lead, governess of Von Trap children, must be a very strong singer and move well.
- Capt. Georg Von Trapp: mid-40s to 50s, male lead, strong distinguished military type, sings "Edelweiss."
- The actors playing Capt. Von Trapp's children should be strong singers with an ability to harmonize. All children must also move well, especially Liesl. Any prior choral experience is a plus.
- Liesl, 16; Friedrich, 14; Louisa, 13; Kurt, 10; Brigitta, 9; Marta, 7; and Gretl, 5.
- Mother Abbess: mid-40s and older, Mother Superior at Nonnberg Abbey, a strong character needing a strong singing voice.
- Sister Berthe, Sister Margaretta and Sister Sophia: These three nuns are small, good character parts; age is variable, all must sing well with the ability to harmonize.
- A Nun's Chorus: There will be a nuns' chorus. All should have strong voices with ability to harmonize. Prior choral experience is a plus.
- Rolf Gruber: 17, telegram delivery boy, must sing and move well.
- Elsa Schraeder: late-30s, glamorous character, the Captain's ladyfriend, must sing well.
- Max Detweiler: mid-40s to 50s, friend to Von Trapp, charming, comedic relief, must sing.
- Franz, the butler: Age variable, character part, a non-singing role.
- Frau Schmidt, the housekeeper: Age variable, character part, a non-singing role.
- Others: There are several small speaking roles for both men and women, playing party guests and Festival contestants.

Scripts are now available at the home of Bob and Sandi Pells. Call them at (908) 276-6113 to make pick-up arrangements. For other information, call Ken or Mary Webb, co-directors, at (908) 653-0781.

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**Baladi**  
By Gerard A. Frank  
Staff Writer

If you're hungry and want a change of pace from the usual dining fare, why not try some Egyptian food served at Baladi on 515 Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair?

Baladi's is open from Tuesday to Sunday from 5-11 p.m., is closed Mondays and has parking in the rear.

Baladi's is owned and operated by chef Neamet El Sayed, a native of Cairo, Egypt, who has brought his mother's recipes along with his training at the Culinary Institute of America to create a menu as diverse as it is delicious.

There are two types of mezze, Arabic for appetizers, hot and cold. Baladi serves eight cold appetizers ranging in price from \$18 for the mezze platter, which is a sampling of five cold appetizers: muhammara — roasted red pepper and walnut puree; hummus — chick pea puree with tahini, lemon juice and garlic; baba ghanouge — charred eggplant puree with tahini, lemon juice and garlic; lebna — yogurt dip with cucumber and mint; and zetuun — marinated Egyptian olives.

They also serve 11 hot appetizers ranging in price from \$9 down to \$7. Some examples are samek bahari — juniper berry crusted Maine sea scallops with garlic salsa; gulash bil gibna — baked phyllo in a thin crust with gibna domiati, pine nuts and spinach; and shish tawouk-coconut yogurt marinated chicken kebab with sweet potato and couscous.

El Sayed recommended my companion and I try the gulash bil gibna and the shish tawouk and we were not disappointed.

The gulash bil gibna was tender and had a flaky crust filled with an Egyptian-type cheese with nuts and spinach that was superb. It melted in our mouths. The shish tawouk was on a wooden skewer and was char-broiled on the outside, but the chicken was tender on the inside. The coconut yogurt as a marinade added a special taste to the tender chicken.

Baladi's serves a dozen entrees ranging from the lahma dani, which at \$20 is the most expensive entree on the menu, and is pomegranate marinated roasted rack of lamb with leek onion tart and cilantro sauce. This is what my companion ordered. The lamb was so tender it fell off the bone with barely a touch of the touch.

I had the basha's hareem, at \$19, which is skewered spicy lamb kofta and cubed marinated rib eye with vermicelli rice and English sweet pea stew. Delicious is inadequate to describe the taste of the meal. The meat was fork tender and just dissolved in my mouth.

There are several desserts from which to choose, but we were told the dessert menu would be changed as of yesterday.

My companion ordered what was called the Cleopatra's Kiss, an apple tart with cinnamon ice cream.

Although Baladi doesn't serve alcohol, diners are allowed to bring their own bottle. The restaurant serves a non-alcoholic drink made of apricot, pomegranate, lime juice and a touch of mint called the Baladi cocktail.

There is live entertainment in the form of a belly dancing, with two performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 and 9 p.m. There is a special showcase on the last Thursday of the month featuring six to eight dancers. For information, call 509-6544.

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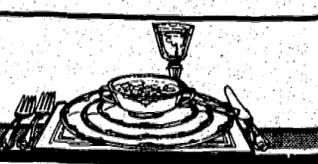
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# Leisure Lifestyles The Potting Bench

## Plants, ground can survive winter's ice with proper care

By Jeff Rugg  
Copley News Service

**Q.** My husband said that he could use fertilizer as an ice-melting chemical and not hurt the grass. Is he right, and what kind can he use?

**A.** Well, he is partially right. The chemical component of fertilizer is made from a variety of salts. The salt used for most ice melting is made from calcium chloride or sodium chloride, both of which will kill plants. The sodium in sodium chloride also damages the soil itself so that plant roots cannot grow in it.

Fertilizers are designed to supply plants with specific nutrients at specific times in their growth cycle. Winter is not one of those times, so using fertilizers won't help the plants at this time. If a lot of fertilizer is used, it will be just as harmful as other salts in the soil when spring arrives. Some portions of the fertilizer will wash into the storm sewers and fertilize the streams, creating algae blooms and other problems.

As in many other cases in gardening, it is best to use the products as they are intended to be used and, so, you should follow label directions. If the fertilizer bag says it can be used as an ice melter, then go ahead and use it the way it says on the package; otherwise don't.

Now, having said all that, there are ice-melting salts that are based on potassium salts. Potassium is a major nutrient used in many fertilizers. It is not necessarily needed in many soils, but it does not harm the soil and can counteract some of the effects of other ice-melting salts.

One potassium-based ice melter that I know of is called GroundWorks Natural Ice Melter. Call (800) MELT-ICE for information, or check [www.xnyth.com](http://www.xnyth.com).

There are many companies working on making an ice-melting product that will not harm plants, roads and bridges. Some are based on renewable corn byproducts. The good that salts do is counteracted by the harm they cause to roads, bridges, rivers and streams.

One such product is called Ice Ban, a natural liquid concentrate from the wet milling of corn and the production of alcohol. It is not harmful to vegetation — it actually puts valuable nutrients into the soil and may enhance vegetation growth. Ice Ban is less corrosive on metal than other anti-icing chemicals. In fact, it actually inhibits corrosion caused by chloride salts. Testing indicates that it is less corrosive than water. Check out the web site [www.iceban.com](http://www.iceban.com) for details.

Most of the damage to roads is caused by the repeated freeze/thaw cycles they endure. Roads in cold climates — plant zones four and farther north — stay frozen most of the winter. Roads in plant climate zones seven, and farther south, do not freeze very often each winter. That leaves zones five and six — where the roads repeatedly freeze and then melt — worse off. That is why Illinois roads are so much worse than Wisconsin roads.

When the road is warmer than freezing, it soaks up a little water, like a sponge. When the water freezes, it expands and makes tiny cracks that can soak up more water when the temperatures warm up.

Potassium-based ice melters keep the water liquid for longer periods of time and at colder air temperatures than other salts, so the water can evaporate or drain off the pavement before refreezing and cracking the concrete.

It is best to not use any ice-melting salts on concrete that is less than 1 year old and to not use it on concrete that is already damaged. Damaged concrete should be sealed before adding salts.

There are some liquid ice melters that use ethylene glycol, which is used in antifreeze for your car. Do not use it around plants or if you have pets. Dogs find the sweet taste a treat, but ethylene glycol is poisonous. It is applied with a sprayer, but the mist can be harmful to humans, as well.

**Q.** We seem to get an ice storm each winter and some of our trees bend over with the weight of the ice. What can we do to keep them from breaking?

**A.** It is amazing how far south ice storms can reach. Only a few areas of our country are immune to them. The southern edge of the Snow Belt can get freezing rain several times a year, while the Gulf Coast can get them once every few years.

They can do a great deal of damage if the ice gets to be a couple of inches thick. When it is that thick, large trees and limbs can just snap off and there is nothing you can do about it. A thick glaze of ice can snap small twigs, even if it is only on one side of the trees.

Check multi-stemmed plants and evergreens to see if they need to be supported before there is a chance of damage from ice and snow. Branches that come off the vertical trunk and stay almost vertical are at the most risk. Branches that are almost horizontal are at the least risk. Any branch or trunk that has disease problems and is beginning to rot is at more risk of breaking.

Some varieties of trees, like the common Bradford Pear, have almost all their branches coming off at narrow angles. Sometimes, they are bushy enough to have so many branches that no one branch gets too much weight, but other times the tree just splits in half.

Prune vertical and weak branches out of the tree. Use props of strong boards under large horizontal branches before the ice storm. Guy wires can be used to support the tree and can be used between trunks on multiple trunked trees.

Be careful if there is an ice buildup already on the plants, because ice can snap the branches off if you try to get the ice off. Cold branches are already brittle, but the ice makes it worse.

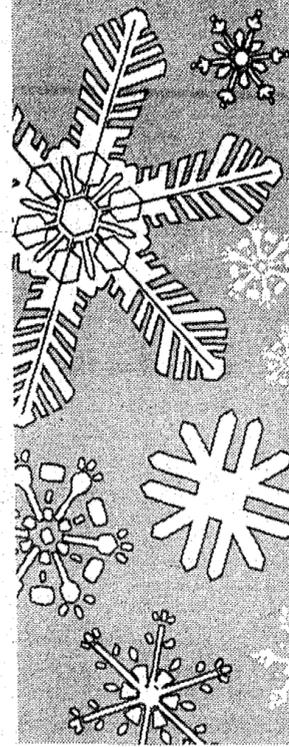
Gently brush off heavy wet snow as soon as possible to prevent breakage. Be careful if the snow is sticking because of freezing rain underneath.

E-mail questions to Jeff Rugg at [agreenerview@altavista.com](mailto:agreenerview@altavista.com).

### GARDENTIP

#### Melting ice the friendly way

Salts used for melting ice and snow can be very damaging to lawns, plants and driveways.



■ Potassium-based ice melters are friendly to plants and lawns. GroundWorks Natural Ice Melter is one product. Call (800) MELT-ICE for local dealer information or check [www.xnyth.com](http://www.xnyth.com).

■ Some companies are working on making ice melting products that will not harm plants, roads and bridges. Some are based on renewable corn byproducts. One such product is called Ice Ban, made from the wet milling of corn and the production of alcohol. It is not harmful to vegetation. Ice Ban is less corrosive on metal than other anti-icing chemicals — it actually inhibits corrosion caused by chloride salts. Check [www.iceban.com](http://www.iceban.com) for details.

■ It is best not to use traditional melting salts on concrete that is less than 1 year old, and do not use on concrete that already is damaged.

■ There are some liquid ice melters that use ethylene glycol, which is antifreeze. Do not use these melters around plants, or if you have pets. Dogs find the sweet taste a treat, but antifreeze is lethal and there is no antidote.

■ Sand and gravel are good neutral alternatives to chemicals.

## It's time to start envisioning what next year's landscape will look like

By Jeff Rugg  
Copley News Service

With the winter holidays only a couple of weeks ago, I begin thinking about next year's landscape. I look at the areas of my yard that are not finished and I dream of what possible solutions could fix them. I also look at the tools and products I used this year to see if they lived up to my expectations.

Here are a few items that I used this year that I liked and would recommend to you.

The first is a Garden Marker from DP Industries that I put to the test for a whole year. I like to have my plants labeled in the garden until I get to know them and can get them drawn on my landscape plan. I also like to label areas that I have planted bulbs, again until I can remember where they are. I do not like the miniature cemetery look a lot of labels sticking up in the garden can look like.

I have used several brands of permanent and laundry markers to write on labels. In this test I labeled several bulbs with several brands of marker on each tag, both facing the sun and on the shady side of the tag. The only marker that lasted was the Garden Marker. This company also makes wooden, plastic and metal tags for the plants. I find that the tags that come with a plant do not last and have growing information that I want to keep in a folder, so I recommend using the metal tags as a more permanent solution. Call (800) 430-5607 for information on where to get it.

Are you a computer person or a book person? Usually I like books, but Hortipedia makes several CDs that I find useful. They have CD-ROMs on trees, shrubs, roses,

houseplants, vegetables, annuals, perennials and several other plant categories.

The nice thing about using the computer is the ability to search for a subject and to watch "how to" videos. There are more pictures than a normal book can publish; the general CD on plants includes 7,000 plant descriptions and more than 4,000 photos. This CD cost about \$10 more than the others that are about \$40 each. Call (888) 445-6618 for more information. They are also on the web at [www.hortipedia.com](http://www.hortipedia.com).

When I spend a lot of time in the garden, my knees take a beating. I used a couple of products this year that helped a lot. If I was going to be moving around a lot, I used the kneepads from Tommyco. They come in other colors, but I liked the black ones that seem to hide the dirt better. They have a lot of comfortable padding and a quick Velcro strap that was easy to adjust over long pants or take off quickly. They make a kid's version and seat cushions with garden pictures on them. Call (800) 563-3723 or check [www.kneepads.com](http://www.kneepads.com) for local dealers.

If I was going to sit or kneel in one place for a while I liked using the kneepad seat cushion from Stanlar Industries. At 16 inches wide and one inch thick, it is wide enough for sitting, but I would like it to be another couple of inches long for kneeling. It is made from closed-cell foam so it does not soak up sweat or water and can be washed off when too dirty. It also makes a great insulated seat when canoeing, camping or sitting on those cold aluminum benches at high school football games.

A multiseason product that I have been finding new uses

for is the Velcro Plant Ties. It comes in a half-inch-by-30-foot roll and cuts easily to any length you need at the time. It has hooks on one side and loops on the other so it latches to itself. I used it to tie my tomatoes to the cages and it will work with any type of vine or sapling that needs to be secured to a trellis or post.

It has weathered well and it can be reused. It will also be a terrific help in quickly securing Christmas tree lights to

tree branches. I am sure if you have some on hand, you will find many uses for it.

As always, I am not paid to use these products or talk about them, nor do I pay for the products. I test what I have on hand, but do not always have all models or brands of a product to test. If I find a product that is worthy of your use, I will let you know; if it fails to meet my satisfaction, I will not let you know.

### 'The Art of Bread Making' at Miller-Cory Museum on Sunday

The Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, will feature a program on "The Art of Bread Making" by Mae Frantz of Cranford. The program is scheduled for Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Frantz will present a dissertation on the relationships of beer to yeast and yeast to bread. History has traced that bread was made more than 4,000 years B.C. in Egypt and Mesopotamia. Bread was one of the oldest foods known to man. Various bread tastings will be available for visitors to the museum.

Volunteers dressed in authentic period costumes will guide visitors through the pre-revolutionary farmhouse and welcome questions about life in the early colonial days in New

Jersey. Be sure to visit the museum gift shop with its many unique items, including cookbooks, crafts, gifts and educational items.

Call the museum at (908) 232-1776 for information regarding weekly group tours by appointment or the Showcase of 18th-Century Skills, which visits local schools and organi-

zations with its outreach program. Beginning in March, the open-hearth cooking demonstrations will resume. On Jan. 28, "Oxen — The Colonial Farmer's Partner in Work" will be featured. Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults, 50 cents for students, and children younger than 6 years old are free.

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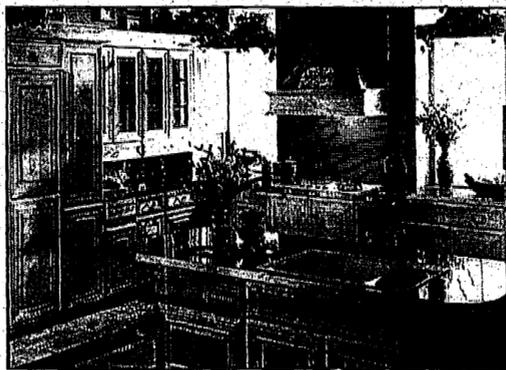
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## County college conducts registration for spring classes

For students who wish to enroll in a full degree program, as well as those who want to take a course or two to get their feet wet in a college environment, Union County College is conducting registration for spring semester classes at its campuses in Cranford, Elizabeth, Plainfield, and Scotch Plains. The college conducts classes during daytime, evening and weekend hours to accommodate the scheduling needs for most every student.

Students can choose from courses in many disciplines in comfortable lecture halls and state-of-the-art computer, scientific, and engineering laboratories, using high technology training equipment. Faculty frequently enhance their lectures through the use of multimedia presentational software, the Internet, laptop computers, Interactive Television, and active learning instructional techniques, among other innovations. Many distance learning options, including telecourses and online courses, also will be offered. A growing number of courses feature internships in practical employment settings.

Credit courses will be available in Accounting, American Sign Language/Deaf Studies, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Civil Construction Engineering Technology, Communications, Computer Science, Criminal Justice, Dental Assisting, Dental Hygiene, Economics, Education, Electrolgy, Electromechanical Technology, Electronics & Electromechanical Engineering Technology, Engineering, English, The Institute for Intensive English, Fine Arts, Fire Science Technology, Gerontology, History, Human Services, Interdisciplinary Studies, Interpreting Spoken Language, Manufacturing Engineering Technology, Marketing, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering Technology, Medical Assisting, Medical Laboratory Technology, Modern Languages, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Office Administration, Paramedica, Philosophy, Physical Education, Physical Therapist Assistant, Physics, Practical Nursing, Psychology. In addition, Radiography, Respiratory Therapy and Restaurant Management are offered.

A facility on the Plainfield Campus has been specifically designed for the American Sign Language, Emergency Medical Technician, and Paramedic courses. Students are provided with increased opportunity for hands-on practice sessions. The ASL laboratory allows students to enhance their learned skills through the use of specialized videotaping equipment. EMT and Paramedic students have expanded breakout rooms and equipment that affords them as realistic an experience as possible during training programs.

Registration office hours are from 8:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Mondays through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, on the Cranford, Elizabeth, and Plainfield campuses. Students are not required to sign up for classes at the specific campus where they wish to study.

For more information should call the college's Admissions Office at (908) 709-7500.

### Mothers, More offers ways to pursue career while caring

Interested in learning about unique ways to pursue a career while caring for your children? On Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. Lisa Culhane of Flexible Resources, a consulting and staffing agency located in Montclair, will discuss nontraditional work arrangements for professionals including permanent part-time, innovative job-sharing and telecommuting. The presentation, courtesy of the Union County Chapter of Mothers & More, will take place at Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford.

For over a decade, Flexible Resources has been at the forefront of the changing workplace. By championing the value of work-life balance, and helping companies craft and staff flexible work arrangements, Flexible Resources has witnessed first hand the emergence of work-family balance as a corporate issue. During this session, Culhane will share Flexible Resources' experience and pro-

vide insights and tools to assist in the successful transition into a flexible work arrangement.

Mothers & More is an international not-for-profit organization supporting women who have altered their career paths in order to care for their children at home. What began as one Illinois mother reaching out to another in 1987 has now grown to almost 8,000 members in over 180 local chapters in the United States and Canada. The Union County chapter offers a variety of activities including evening discussion groups, guest speakers, mom's night out, book discussion and weekly daytime play gatherings.

The Union County chapter holds meetings on the first and third Wednesday or each month at Hanson House. New members are always welcome.

For more information call Jennifer at (732) 382-7578 or Tricia at (908) 232-7352.

### ECEDC, NJAWBO team up for marketing workshop

Did you know that it takes an average of eight contacts to close a sale? Do you spend at least 40 percent of your time selling and marketing your product or service? If you would like to learn more tips, join other small business owners at a 2-1/2 hour workshop jointly sponsored by NJAWBO's Women's Business Center and the Union County Economic Development Corporation on Jan. 24.

The Marketing Magic Workshop is designed primarily for women business owners who are looking for some solid tips in marketing their products or services. The goal of the course is to help the small business owner gain an understanding and the practical skills of how to better promote their business.

"There are so many misconceptions about marketing. As a result, people don't often spend their time and money wisely," said Victoria Fann, director of marketing for NJAWBO's Women's Business Center and Marketing Magic instructor. "Marketing boils down to a simple formula with five key ingredients: time, creativity, consistency, variety and follow-up. In this class, you'll learn how to use all five."

The Marketing Magic Workshop is scheduled for Jan. 24 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the offices of UCEDC, Room A/B, Liberty Hall Corporate Center, 1085 Morris Ave., Union.

Union County Economic Development Corporation and NJAWBO's Women's Business Center are both committed to providing training and support to women business owners. "Partnering with the Women's Business Center in order to offer a workshop such as 'Marketing Magic' to the women business owners of Union County made a great deal of sense," said Maureen Tinen,

president of UCEDC. "The success of women-owned businesses will further ensure the economic vitality that Union County is currently experiencing," Tinen said.

NJAWBO's Women's Business Center specializes in entrepreneurial training for women business owners. The center offers several courses addressing the needs of both the neophyte as well as the seasoned business owner. Union County Economic Development Corporation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to stimulating economic growth within Union County. Its services include a full-range of financing programs, business mentoring, assistance with procuring government contracts, training in E-commerce as well as the provision of general business information.

If you would like to register for the Marketing Magic workshop, or if you would like general information about NJAWBO's programs, call NJAWBO at (732) 560-9752 or e-mail at wbcnj@njawbo.org. If you would like to learn more about the programs and services of the UCEDC, call (908) 527-1166 or visit their web site at www.ucedc.com.

Bill Van Sant, Editor

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### Art association continues classes into new year

The Linden Art Association, a non-profit organization for all ages, recently began its 46th year of weekly evening classes Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Sunnyside Recreation Center, on Melrose Terrace at Orchard Terrace.

Anyone interested in joining this group to discover and/or develop their talents in visual arts is welcome to stop by on a class night to see the members working on their varied projects under the guidance of a very versatile professional instructor.

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## Day classes at Vocational-Technical Schools begin Jan. 22

Day classes for the spring semester at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools begin Jan. 22. There are still openings in the following courses which will be offered to adult students on a full or part-time basis: A/C, Heating & Refrigeration Technology, Automotive Technology, Baking, Carpentry/Construction, Cosmetology and Culinary Arts.

The class times for all programs except Cosmetology and Culinary Arts are 8 to 10:40 a.m. and 12:10 to 2:50 p.m. Cosmetology runs from noon to 6:30 p.m. and Culinary Arts from 2 to 7:50 p.m. All classes are Monday through Friday.

According to the Day Admissions Office at the Vo-Tech, the A/C, Heating and Refrigeration program remains one of the most popular programs at the school. This industry provides the technology to control the climate and environment in which we live. The know-how to install, control, maintain and service environments for people, products and perishables is essential to our lives today.

The Automotive Technology program offers state-of-the-art ASE — Automotive Service Excellence — certification training in Brakes, Steering & Suspension, Engine Performance, Heating & Air Conditioning Systems, Electrical Systems, Engine Repair and Transmissions. Included

in the Auto Tech day classes is an introduction into the Dynamometer inspection training.

The award-winning Baking program at Vo-Tech offers the very best in Commercial training. In the program, students learn to bake breads, cakes, pies, pastries, cookies, muffins as well as fancy desserts and specialty items.

With new home construction on the rise and remodeling booming, the Vo-Tech is again offering Carpentry/Construction to meet the demands of the industry. This program continues to have one of the highest job placement rates at the school.

The Cosmetology program is offered on a full-time

basis only. In one school year's time, students can complete the required 1,000 hours in order to take the required state State Board of Cosmetology licensing exam.

The Culinary Arts program prepares students to enter the hospitality industry as a chef, sous chef, banquet cook, relief cook, garde manager or prep cook. Talented culinary professionals are in great demand and the vo-tech continues to offer job placement assistance to its graduates.

For information about the spring semester offerings, call the Day Admission Office at (908) 889-8288, Ext. 340 or 341.

## County offers Older Work Program for residents 55 years of age or older

Did you know that the Union County Older Worker Program assists older people to locate employment opportunities with local companies? The program is sponsored by the Union county Department of Human Services through its Division on Aging and Division of Workforce Development. The only requirements of the program are that a person be 55 years of age or older and a Union County resident who is looking for work.

"One of the myths surrounding older people is that once retired, they cease to contribute. This could not be further from the truth," said Freeholder Lewis Mingo Jr., liaison to the Advisory Council of Aging. "Many older workers continue to remain active, earning, contributing members of the community. As you may know, society as a whole is aging and the seniors of Union County are actively working well into their 70s and 80s."

Why is there a specific employment program for older workers? The Division on Aging, always striving to be aware of the needs of the county's older residents, saw the need to provide employment opportunities for them.

"Many people retire and realize after doing so that full retirement is not for them," Mingo said. "Some people need to work to supplement their income because Social Security is not enough to sustain them. In addition, recent changes in the Social Security earnings lim-

its have made employment very attractive to older people."

Many people have been downsized or displaced from jobs they thought they would stay at until retirement, only to find themselves looking for full-time employment at a later age. Some of these people are not old enough for Social Security or pension. If this sounds like you, the Union County Division on Aging suggests the Older Worker Program might be for you.

The Older Worker Program offers its clients a multitude of services. Each client is interviewed beforehand and apprised of these services so they can make an informed decision as to what path is best for them. A lot of emphasis is placed on the client's skills, experience and what their needs are at the present time.

Many employers believe the level of maturity and years of experience older workers bring to a job is surpassed only by their ability to do a job well and their ability to learn new skills. More than 80 Union County employers have participated in this unique program. Jobs include full- or part-time and every effort is made to place each person in a position where they will succeed.

To learn more about the Older Worker Program, call Donna Farrell at the Division on Aging, toll free at (888) 280-8226 or at (908) 527-4858 to schedule an appointment.

## Women for Women hosts education programs

As part of its continuing Community Education program, Women for Women of Union County Inc. is sponsoring three new workshops in January. The agency offers several workshops each year, open to the public at no charge, on a variety of interesting, timely subjects. Women for Women suggests an optional \$5 donation to help cover administrative costs for these and future workshops.

On Monday from 7:30 to 9 p.m., personal life coach Jami Novak will present "Creating a Life You Love to Live," at the Westfield Community Board Room at 425 E. Broad St., Westfield, a workshop that will explore ways to enhance your life. Information about Novak's services and newsletter can be found at her web site, [www.lifeulove.com](http://www.lifeulove.com).

On Jan. 25, Denise Lauria-Costa, licensed social worker will present "Understanding Attention Deficit Disorder" from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Women for Women's offices at 1801 E. Second St., Scotch Plains. The workshop will help parents, educators, family and friends to better understand this diagnosis and treatment options. During this segment, Lauria-Costa will provide a foundation of positive, proactive support and information for families facing the challenges of ADHD. Women for Women stresses that since space at this location is limited to 20 registrants, you must register for this workshop in advance by calling Women for Women's administrative office to guarantee your seat.

From 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Jan. 29, professional financial planner Sue Tamburro will present "Investing — What You Need to Know" at the Westfield

Community Board Room at 425 Broad St., Westfield. Tamburro is currently employed with a major global investment and banking firm, and has an extensive background as a business owner. In this workshop, she will offer her expert tips to help you gain the confidence and knowledge needed to meet the challenges of the stock market and to create and manage a healthy nest egg.

Anyone interested in attending any or all of these workshops should call the office in advance to pre-register.

Women for Women of Union County, founded in 1984, offers counseling, legal consults, referrals, peer support and social opportunities for women and families regardless of their financial means. The agency also soon will feature a new reference

library with a variety of informational books and pamphlets that visitors may check out or use on the premises, as well as internet-connected PC resources. Exciting volunteer opportunities are also available.

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## Magnet school information session scheduled for Jan. 20

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the campus of Union County Vocational Technical Schools, 1776 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains. The information session will answer questions about the curriculum and programs at the school.

The Magnet High School offers an

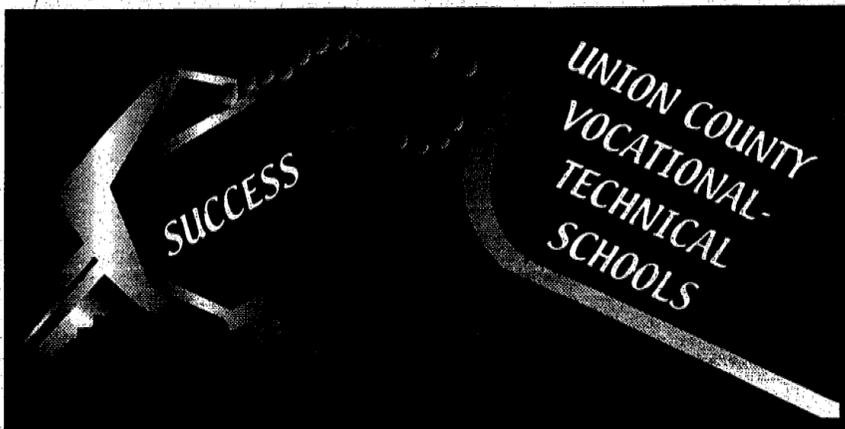
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More information about the school can be found at [www.ucvts.tech.nj.us](http://www.ucvts.tech.nj.us). To make reservations for the information session call the Admissions Office at (908) 889-3800, Ext. 201.

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## ART SHOWS

**OUR VIEW: A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE** on Life in Union County, a traveling exhibit sponsored by Community Access Unlimited, features the work of 10 adults with developmental disabilities.

The exhibit will tour the county. For information on the reception, call (908) 354-3040, ext. 304.

**ARTIST RON HEDRICK** will have his work on exhibit at Evalyn Dunn's Gallery in Westfield.

Gallery hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. The gallery is located at 549 South Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-0412.

**CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE**, works from the Merck 2000 Union County Juried Art Show, will be on exhibit at the Freeholders' Gallery on the sixth floor of the Union County Administration Building in Elizabeth through Friday.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, as well as Thursday evenings. Admission is free. The Union County Administration Building is located at Elizabethtown Plaza at Rahway Avenue in Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

**RECENT WORKS** by artist William C. Sturm will be on exhibit at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in Union Public Library through Wednesday.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Union Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 851-5450.

**NEW JERSEY PHOTOGRAPHY FORUM** sixth annual Juried Show will be on exhibit at Children's Specialized Hospital during the month of January. Exhibit hours are 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily. CSH is located at 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside.

**3 WOMEN: ELEMENTS OF THE ABSTRACT** will be on exhibit at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway through Feb. 2. An opening reception will take place Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Gallery hours are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.; and by appointment. The Arts Guild of Rahway is located at 1670 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call (732) 381-7511.

**ARTIST WOJTEK GILEWICZ** will have his works on exhibit at the Skulski Art Gallery of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark Friday to Feb. 9. The opening reception is Friday from 8 to 10:30 p.m.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, 5 to 9 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. For information, call (732) 382-7197.

**THE BOUND BROOK CYCLE** by artist David Ambrose will be on exhibit at the Tomasulo Gallery in the Kenneth McKay Library on the Cranford campus of Union County College Jan. 19 through Feb. 22. An opening reception will take place Jan. 19 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday to Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. UCC's Cranford campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. For information, call (908) 709-7155.

## AUDITIONS

**THE NEWARK SCHOOL** of the Garden State Ballet will conduct auditions for fall scholarships for boys and girls 7 to 12 years old Saturday, Jan. 20 and 27. For complete information, call (973) 623-1033.

**AUDITIONS** for 7th- to 12th-graders for "Godspell" by John Michael Tebelak and Stephen Schwartz will be conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. at the United Church of Christ, Congregational, 220 W. 7th St. in Plainfield. The show runs March 17 to 25. For information, call the Westfield church at (908) 233-2494 or the Plainfield church at (908) 755-8658.

**CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB** will conduct auditions for "The Sound of Music" by Rodgers and Hammerstein Jan. 27, 28 and 30 at the CDC playhouse, 78 Winans Ave., Cranford. Auditions for the von Trapp Children — two boys, 14 and 10 years old, five girls, 5 to 16 — will be Jan. 27 only at 1 p.m. All other roles will be auditioned Jan. 28 at 1 p.m. and Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. The show runs May 4 to 19. For information, call (908) 653-0781.

**PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE** will conduct auditions for the children's chorus of "Carousel" by Rodgers and Hammerstein Feb. 10 at the playhouse, Brookside Drive in Millburn. Children whose names begin with A through L sign up at 9 a.m. in the theater lobby; names beginning with M to Z at noon. Auditions should prepare music from the show; an accompanist will be provided. For information, call (973) 379-3636, ext. 2278.

**MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS** of Linden will conduct auditions for the New

Jersey premier of "The Teachers' Lounge" Feb. 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. at the Linden Presbyterian Church, Orchard and DeWitt terraces. Show dates are May 4 and 5. For information, call (908) 925-9068 or send e-mail to mysticvp@aol.com.

**NEW JERSEY INTERGENERATIONAL ORCHESTRA** is accepting applications and will conduct auditions for instrumentalists for the 2000-01 season. For information, call (908) 709-0084 or (609) 208-0029.

**WESTFIELD GLEE CLUB** will welcome student and adult male singers for its 76th season. The Glee Club rehearses Mondays from 8 to 10 p.m., in the choir room of the Westfield Presbyterian Church, Broad Street and Mountain Avenue in Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-0673.

## BOOKS

**AUTHOR JAN BARRY** will appear at the Town Book Store of Westfield Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to sign copies of his new book, "A Citizen's Guide to Grassroots Campaigns." The Town Book Store is located at 255 E. Broad St., Westfield. For information, call (908) 233-3535.

**AUTHOR JOHN THOMAS** will appear at the Town Book Store of Westfield Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. to sign copies of his new children's book, "Bini Bindu and the Lost Turban." The Town Book Store is located at 255 E. Broad St., Westfield. For information, call (908) 233-3535.

**AUTHORS DR. SCOTT GREENBERG**, Dr. Michael Gazsi and Gary Skole will appear at Barnes and Noble in Springfield Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. to promote their new book, "Self Care Anywhere." Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

**AUTHOR ZOLTAN KARPATY** will appear at Barnes and Noble in Clark Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. to promote his new book, "The Visitor." Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road in Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

**SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD** Reading Group will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. The group, led by Kevin Muller, will meet the third Friday of each month to read a Shakespeare play out loud. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

**THE WOMEN'S READING GROUP** at Barnes and Noble in Clark will meet Jan. 31 at 7:30 p.m. The group meets the last Wednesday of each month to read. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

**BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT WOMEN**, a book discussion group at Barnes and Noble in Springfield, will meet Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

**JANE AUSTEN MYSTERY SERIES** Reading Group will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m. The group will meet the second Thursday of each month through January to discuss books by Stephanie Barron, skipping the month of December. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

**JEWISH BOOK LOVERS** will meet at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. The group meets monthly. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

## CLASSES

**ARTIST JOAN MCKINNEY** will present "Watercolor Charm," an artist demonstration sponsored by the Westfield Art Association, Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Community Room of the Westfield Municipal Building, 425 E. Broad St., Westfield. Admission is free. For information, call (908) 687-2945.

**MUSICIAN DAN ALDERMAN** and teacher Hope Blecher-Sass will appear at Barnes and Noble in Clark Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. to lead a workshop of projects related to the 100th day of the school year. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road in Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

**NEW JERSEY WORKSHOP FOR THE ARTS** is currently accepting registration for the fall session of its Music Studio. Lessons include instrumental, voice and music theory, with beginner through advanced classes. Additional courses include art classes for children and toddlers, the Westfield Fencing Club and the Drawing Workshop. Classes take place at 150-152 E. Broad St., Westfield. For information, call (908) 789-9696.

**WESTFIELD YOUNG ARTISTS' COOPERATIVE** will offer professional classes in the performing arts.

Beginners, intermediate and Advanced Acting classes will concentrate on improvisation, character development and scene study. Also offered are four levels of tap and three levels of musical theater, which focuses on song selection and interpretation, ensemble work, voice, and musical theater movement and dance. Private

lessons in voice and/or acting are available.

The Westfield High School is located at 728 Westfield Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 233-3200.

**LINDEN ART ASSOCIATION** will offer classes in visual arts in five-week segments on Wednesday evenings. The sessions are as follows:

- Jan. 17, 24 and 31, and Feb. 17 and 14
- Feb. 21 and 28, and March 7, 14 and 21
- March 28, and April 4, 11, 18 and 25
- May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30.

Classes meet at the Sunnyside Recreation Center, Melrose Terrace at Orchard Terrace. For information, call (908) 486-1408.

**MUSIC FOR CHILDREN** in Westfield offers various music classes to children between the ages of 10 months and 8 years old. For information on class offerings or to reserve a space at either open house, call (908) 232-4881.

## CONCERTS

**A WINTER SOLSTICE CONCERT**, featuring Windham Hill artists Liz Story, Lisa Lynne and Sean Harkness will be presented Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$18 and \$25. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.



**UNION HIGH SCHOOL ALUM** Nicole Martone will perform in third annual cabaret show, "Broadway Showstoppers...3" at the Ballroom at Costa Del Sol, 2443 Vauxhall Road, Union, on Jan. 19 and 20. For more information see the Theater listings on this page.

**CHORAL ART SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY** will perform Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" and Mozart's "Requiem" in concert Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Westfield, Mountain Avenue and East Broad Street.

**CHUCK MANGIONE** will be presented in concert Jan. 27 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$20 to \$28. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

**SUBURBAN COMMUNITY MUSIC CENTER** in New Providence will present its "Sundays at Three" concert series in the coming weeks. All concerts are at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and students.

Jan. 28: Pianist Aya Hamada  
Feb. 11: Violinist Elena Kvares  
The "Meet the Orchestra" series will take place Feb. 4 at 2 and 3:15 p.m. for 3- to 8-year-olds, featuring the New Jersey Youth Symphony. Tickets are \$5 per person, or \$15 for the four-concert "Meet the Orchestra" series.

The Suburban Community Music Center is located at 570 Central Ave. in Murray Hill. For information, call (908) 790-0700.

**WESTFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** will be presented in concert Feb. 3 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$25 to \$40. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

**THE LETTERMEN** will be presented in concert Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$17 to \$24. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

**BARNES AND NOBLE** in Clark will present musical performances throughout the winter. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. in the cafe section. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, including a concert schedule, call (732) 574-1818.

**MUSIC IN THE CAFE** in Barnes and Noble in Springfield will feature free musical performances in the coming weeks. All concerts will take place in the coffee lounge area of the store from 8 to 10 p.m.

Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

## CRAFTS

**SUMMIT FOLK DANCERS** will meet Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at The Connection in Summit. Upcoming meetings are Jan. 12 and 26, and Feb. 9. Fee is \$2. For information, call (973) 467-8278.

## DISCUSSION

**THE EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITERS CIRCLE** will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. The Writers Circle meets the second Monday of every month and new members are always welcome. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

## FILM

**ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY** will sponsor a series of free film classics at the Main Branch in the coming weeks. All films begin at 10 a.m.

The Main Branch of the Elizabeth Public Library is located at 11 S. Broad St. For information, call (908) 354-6060.

## THEATER

**PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE** will continue the 2000-01 season with "Art" by Yasmina Reza, directed by and starring Judd Hirsch. The show runs through Feb. 4 at the theater on Brookside Drive in Millburn.

Evening performances are Wednesdays to Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are Thursdays and Sundays at 2 p.m., and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m.

Special performances are audio-described performances Feb. 1 at 2 p.m., Feb. 3 at 2:30 p.m. and Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m., each with a sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain; and a sign-interpreted performance Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$37 to \$60. For information, call (973) 376-4343, or buy tickets with Visa, MasterCard or Discover at www.papermill.org.

**WESTFIELD COMMUNITY PLAYERS** will present "A Shot in the Dark" by Marcel Aichard, adapted by Harry Kurnitz, through Jan. 20. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12. For information, call (908) 232-1221; for group rates, call (908) 232-9568.

**CABARET COSTA DEL SOL** will present "Broadway Showstoppers III," on Jan. 19 and 20. Shows are Friday at 8 p.m. with dinner preceding at 6:30 p.m.; two shows on Saturday at 7 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. Costa Del Sol is located at 2443 Vauxhall Road in Union. For tickets call (908) 964-3352.

**ELIZABETH PLAYHOUSE** will present "Awake and Sing" by Clifford Odets Jan. 19 through Feb. 18. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets Saturdays and Sundays are \$8 for general admission, \$6 for students and senior citizens; Fridays, all tickets are \$5. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

**UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER** in Rahway will present the touring company of "Five Guys Named Moe" Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

**UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER** in Rahway will present the one-man show, "Unforgettable: The Nat King Cole Story," Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$18. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

**THE AMAZING KRESKIN** will be presented by the Union County Arts Center in Rahway Feb. 2 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

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## Mother Nature's powerful force 'darkens artist's soul' at UCC

From Jan. 19 to Feb. 22, "The Bound Brook Cycle," by artist David Ambrose, will be on exhibit at the Tomasulo Gallery, in the Kenneth McKay Library, on Union County College's Cranford campus. This exhibition is a reflection of Ambrose's experiences during and after Hurricane Floyd ripped through New Jersey in 1999.

This natural disaster flooded most of Bound Brook to the second-floor level, ruining businesses, buildings, and the lives of many people, who are still recuperating from the experience more than one year later. Although Ambrose's own studio was located in the middle of an area that flooded, he considers himself extremely lucky that he suffered no water damage.

For Ambrose, this exhibition of paintings and drawings is an expansion of the themes and techniques that he has worked with throughout his career, but since his experience with Hurricane Floyd, his post-flood work has become darker within the context of his imagery and techniques because, according to him, the flood had "darkened (his) soul."

Ambrose's artistic works consist of lace and crochet paintings, which, prior to the development of "The Bound Brook Cycle," were predominantly influenced by images, mostly photographs or old floor plans, of medieval or renaissance churches or cathedrals. Using the architectures of the churches and cathedrals as the basis for his art, Ambrose sews together crochet doilies and antimacassars, lace tablecloths and occasionally simple tiered circle skirts. He then dips these delicate fabrics into gesso in order to stiffen them, stretches them out, and paints over them. His overall color scheme on these works uses earth tones and flesh tones, depicting damage and erosion, decay and

crumbling — in fact, time itself. In comparison, Ambrose's works in "The Bound Brook Cycle" have an even darker overall tone reflecting how withdrawing floodwaters leave thick, dark residue on the land. Although the colors in these lace paintings are generally darker than his previous pieces, the colors are still rich and can be described as mysterious and compelling. On many paintings the textures became denser with areas of color pooling or congealing into dusky pads.

Working in this darker palette during the past year, has brought Ambrose renewed interest and emphasis on drawing, and thus, he reestablished and revitalized several techniques from his past practices in his series of "Deluge Drawings." With the use of heavy-duty staples he separates sections of dark watercolors or graphite.

Main St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 381-6455.

**CROSSROADS** in Garwood presents a series of jazz, blues and comedy concerts. Every Sunday is Comedy Night at 7:30 p.m. Every Tuesday is the Jazz Jam. Every Wednesday is The Juggling Sons. Every Thursday, ladies drink half-price.

Today: Soft Parade in a tribute to The Doors

Friday: Billy Hector  
Saturday: High Jump  
Jan. 18: Simon's Awake  
Jan. 19: Blunt Force  
Jan. 20: Skydog in a tribute to The Allman Brothers  
Jan. 25: Sprooloo  
Jan. 26: Hudson River Rats  
Jan. 27: Joe Taino and The Blue Flames  
Feb. 4: Richie Havens

Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave. in Garwood. For information, call (908) 232-5666.

**EAT TO THE BEAT** Coffeehouse in Rahway will feature appearances by musical artists during January.

Eat to the Beat Coffeehouse is located at 1465 Irving St. in Rahway at the corner of East Cherry Street. For information, or to sign up for Open Mike Night, call (732) 381-0505.

**FLYNN'S IRISH PUB** and Steakhouse in Rahway will present entertainment at various times throughout January.

Flynn's Irish Pub is located at 1482 Main St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 381-4700.

**HILLTOP CAFE AND GRILL** in Summit presents "From Broadway to the Silver Screen" every Sunday at 6 p.m., preceded by an all-you-can-eat dinner from 5 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$29.95 and reservations are required. The Hilltop Cafe and Grill is located at 447 Springfield Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 277-0220.

**TAVERN IN THE PARK** in Roselle Park will present Teddy Halek in "An Evening of Frank Sinatra" Saturdays at 9 p.m. Tavern in the Park is located at 147 W. Westfield Ave., Roselle Park. For information, call (908) 241-7400.

**VAN GOGH'S EAR CAFE** in Union will present a series of musical events in the coming weeks. Tuesday nights are "Acoustic Tuesday," with open mike from 8 to 9 p.m. for folk singers, poets and comedians, followed by a featured folk performer. Open mike participants sign up at 7:30 p.m., and get 10 minutes at the microphone. Jazz and blues are featured Sundays at 8 p.m. Cover charge is \$3 for all Sunday concerts.

Van Gogh's Ear is located at 1017 Stuyvesant Ave. in Union Center. For information, call (908) 810-1844.

**THE WAITING ROOM** in Rahway will present musical entertainment during January. Every Wednesday night is Open Mike Night.

Saturday: Bad Attitude  
Jan. 27: Live Animals

The Waiting Room is located at 1431 Irving St. in Rahway at the corner of Lewis Street. For information, call (732) 815-1042.

**THE WASHINGTON AVENUE PUB** in Linden will present karaoke and the 100-Proof Duo Band every Saturday night. In addition, Monday features Football Food Specials, and Thursday is Ladies Night. The Washington Avenue Pub is located at 704 Washington Ave. in Linden. For information, call (908) 925-3707.

# Healthy Living

## Inactivity and depression reach their peak after the holidays

By Jack Williams  
Copley News Service

If your health is where your heart is this time of year, blame it on the season: shorter days, colder nights and enough Christmas-inspired carbohydrates to sugar-coat your arteries.

No wonder January is the month of renewal, recovery and resolve, when gyms are packed like shopping malls in December. The body, after all, can only take so much down time.

Or can it?  
For as many as 6 percent of Americans, the holidays signal a downward spiral of inactivity and depression that reaches its nadir in January and February. They're victims of a loosely defined malady known as seasonal affective disorder, or SAD. Temporary, to be sure, but traumatic enough to inspire treatment with everything from lamps that emit artificial sunlight to prescription drugs.

These winter blues may be compounded by the stresses of holiday shopping and social commitments.

So why fight it? For those of us who aren't in the grips of SAD, this may be the ideal time to ease up on our regular exercise regimens.

After all, we have Covert Bailey's permission.

"I urge people to keep in mind that winter is a slow, down time for nature in general," said Bailey, the wise and whimsical author of the popular "Fit or Fat" books.

"Bears and other animals hibernate," Bailey said. "Trees lose their leaves. For those of us who find winter depressing, maybe we should kick back and watch the leaves fall for a while."

We could also take a cure from the sun, which has been known to take a few days off from time to time. In Alaska, where SAD sufferers may represent as much as 9 percent of the population, it barely rises above the horizon in December.

Not too uplifting for anyone prone to dark moods.

"If a person tends to be depressed, or perhaps even is severely clinically depressed, winter will probably exacerbate it," Bailey said. "Unfortunately, there's a quack on every corner suggesting a remedy, trying to sell you vitamins or a lamp, when you may be clinically depressed to start with."

"The list of possible causes for depression or feeling low during winter goes on endlessly. So the suggested cures are almost endless."

There is a danger that people going through a seasonal depression may blame their condition on winter or the weather in general. That in itself could be sad — they could be overlooking or ignoring the true underlying cause.

The fact is, people such as Bailey, who hikes and play tennis as part of his fitness lifestyle, tend to handle the changing seasons with relative equanimity.

"Fit people take the extremes of temperature and darkness better than unfit," Bailey said.

December, with its built-in distractions, may be universally the worst time to start a diet or fitness regimen. The best time? When the weather is most favorable and outside demands are less daunting.

Some health professionals suggest getting some fresh air in the morning, when, ideally, those first few rays of sunlight will brighten your spirits.

"People who have a sport are the luckiest," Bailey said. "They really don't think of it as an obligation to exercise. They don't say, 'I must do so much today and half that much the next day.'"

But sports, as we know, have their off seasons, too.

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## National fitness phone lines will be ringing this Saturday

By Jack Williams  
Copley News Service

Along with losing some post-holiday pounds, and maybe that fresh layer of fat, most of us have one goal in common to start the new year: improved health.

Whether born of guilt or ambition, this annual quest leads us down roads that the trend setters in fitness are only too happy to pave with promises.

With that in mind, here are some developments that the San Diego-based American Council on Exercise envisions in the coming year:

- The expansion of water aerobics classes to include tai chi and underwater massage, with workouts geared to seniors and the physically challenged.

- The emergence of fitness-oriented personal digital assistants, or PDAs. Remember when electronic bikes and heart-rate monitors were considered high tech? Now we've got online personal trainers, talking heart-rate monitors to provide feedback, and cell phones and PDAs to track your downloaded workout schedules while you're away from home.

- Exercise classes combining children and their parents — and not just the postnatal type for new moms and their infants — at community centers and gyms.

- Outdoor group classes, a spin-off of the popular boot camp programs, at parks and beaches. Adventure activities will add to the momentum, following on the heels of rock

climbing and mountain biking. Among them: kayaking and white-water rafting, the latter an outgrowth of the X Games-inspired adrenaline rush.

- More attention to the needs of seniors who, as they pursue their favorite sports, will seek the guidance of sports-specific trainers.

- The continuing acceptance of Pilates, yoga and the integration of mind and body classes where intensity takes a back seat to form and functional fitness.

Along those lines, a hybrid of yoga and Pilates called Yopalates will be making the rounds. And just as in yoga and Pilates, you'll probably see versions aplenty.

The theory here is that Pilates picks up where yoga leaves off, complementing the flexibility and inner peace with core strength, back strength and torso stability.

Another spinoff of yoga is "yoga spin," introduced at the innovative Chelsea Piers gym in New York City. After a group cycling workout, participants stretch the workout, you might say, by practicing Yoga asanas.

To accommodate the added attention to fitness that accompanies the new year, the council has scheduled its annual Fitness on Call event from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Saturday.

Callers nationwide can ask for free advice from dietitians, physicians and council-certified personal trainers manning the telephone lines. Among the latter: nationally known fitness gurus Keli Roberts and Karen Voight.

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"The laser allows us to make a much smaller wound on the eye, which promotes faster healing," says Ball. "In addition, the laser delivers much less energy to the delicate structures in the eye, which makes the surgery safer," adds Robbins. Both doctors agree that the breakthrough technology will greatly improve patient care. The procedure is painless and takes only 10 minutes to perform. No eye patch or stitches are necessary, and patients can resume full activities later that same day.

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**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21): Make adjustments in your point of view. Avoid an explosive argument over joint finances early in the week. Control personal spending.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22): Without a charted route, your fiscal ship could get tossed and thrown. Get your financial priorities in proper order.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Relationships require some extra attention this week. Rivals in love or business could cause problems. Strive to be more aware of others' needs.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A restless mind makes concentration difficult. Stay focused, and test yourself while gathering information for a report or job assignment.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Be firm in laying down the law and disciplining a child. Avoid taking foolish risks with your hard-earned money. Park it in a savings account.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Don't let a close friend or relative get under your skin. Take care of a domestic responsibility, and you will not have to answer to anyone.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Activities with siblings or neighbors are charted for this week. Lend your support to a community project that will benefit your neighborhood.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It's going to take patience and careful planning to dig yourself out of a financial hole. Make a few long-term investments and forget about them.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are feeling confident and optimistic about your future. Venture out and make significant progress in promoting yourself and your ideas.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Continue working behind the scenes until a special project is ready to launch. You will soon have your day in the limelight.

If your birthday is this week, watch out for conflicts involving love or money during the first half of the year. A friend is instrumental in showing you the way clear of the confusion, so follow his lead.

**HEART grants are currently available**

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders invites local non-profit organizations, individual artists and scholars to apply for funding from the Union County HEART — History, Education, Arts Reading Thousands — grant program.

Recognizing the importance of culture and the arts to the economy and quality of life in Union County, the Freeholder Board has renewed the HEART grant program for the fourth consecutive year. This innovative program supports projects related to history, and the arts and the humanities, and demonstrates a commitment to the organizations and artists of Union County.

"The response to the HEART grant program is exciting," said Freeholder Daniel Sullivan. "The recipients are a wonderful mix of visual artists, historians, composers of orchestral music, cultural organizations and civic groups."

"The services provided by these artists and organizations directly benefit the residents of our county and increase appreciation for the arts, our history, and the humanities," said Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "These cultural assets are a vital part of community life, economic development and cultural tourism in Union County."

Applications will be accepted three times a year: March, June and October. To request a HEART grant application and guidelines, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202. For information call (908) 558-2550; relay users dial (800) 852-7899. E-mail may be sent to scoen@unioncountynj.org.

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**Gallery exhibit features artist reception Sunday**

The Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway will exhibit "3 Women: Elements of the Abstract" through Feb. 2, featuring work by Judy Lyons-Schneider, Marjorie DeAngelo and Miriam Stern.

There will be a reception with the artists from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

Lyons-Schneider is a painter, printmaker, photographer and mixed-media artist. She "collages" images by layering them much in the same way as paper collages. She usually explores imagery with her camera; the telephoto lens allows her to zoom in on objects she can incorporate into her work. Her Polaroid image and emulsion transfer pieces occur as a result of her explorations with image and various mixed media. The unpredictability of the transfer technique has great appeal to Lyons-Schneider, allowing free rein to imagination and an opportunity to develop a dialogue with her work by the viewer. These works, often with unusual juxtaposition of images, are without a specific narrative but include numerous visual clues with which the viewer may connect. Pieces in this exhibit utilize photographs taken in Bhutan, Tibet, Nepal, Thailand, Papua New Guinea, West Africa, Egypt, Vermont and Staten Island.

Stern uses her computer to manipulate her photographs and transform them into something other than the obvious image. These transferred computer images become the basis for her monoprints, but the artistic process and esthetic of handwork done by the artist would be lost if the computer were the only implement used. It is the hands-on print-making process which she finds to be a wonderful new way of creating a unique image from her computer-manipulated images. The elements of spontaneity and surprise as well as the painterly touch are what make this combination of techniques and media so exciting for her.

DeAngelo of Somerset does the major portion of her photography outdoors. She does her "cropping" in the camera whenever possible and uses focus, color and close-ups to achieve different effects and give impact to the photographs.

DeAngelo shoots primarily in 35mm format, primarily in color. She seldom uses filters or teleconverters, but uses soft focus to give her pieces the appearance of a painting. Due to the unusual nature of her abstracts, some viewers think they have been digitally altered. However, none of the work in this exhibit has been changed on the computer.

To achieve her unique abstract compositions, DeAngelo extracts from the environment minute details of color, texture, line and pattern. Carefully cropped, these images become extraordinary. They are difficult to identify in their isolation, yet they become powerful images and stand on their own bold statements of our surroundings.

Gallery hours are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursdays from 1 to 3 and 5 to 7 p.m.; or by appointment. For information, call (732) 381-7511.

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Directed by Robert Johanson, with choreography by New York City Ballet principal dancer and choreographer Robert LaFosse, and musical direction by Tom Helm, "Carousel" runs for seven weeks from May 30 through July 15.

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**REUNIONS**

• Union High School, all classes, will take part in a reunion beginning with luncheon Feb. 3, 2001 in Kissimmee, Fla. For information, contact Jack Jordan, class of '36 at (516) 966-8585 or john881@webtv.net; John or Ellie Truhe, class of '45, at (609) 698-3621 or johndarme@aol.com; Dick Walter, class of '48, at (561) 395-3274 or dick1150@aol.com; or Tom Ryan, class of '51, at (561) 483-7494 or tarjer@aol.com.

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ATTENTION: WE pay you to lose weight!!! 47 people needed. Lose 20- 400 pounds. Serious inquiries only 888-471-4802, ext. 642. [www.healthandlifestyleunlimited.com](http://www.healthandlifestyleunlimited.com)

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Leading highway dealership seeks A/B technicians with knowledge of alarms of alarms & accessories installation. GM experience a must. We offer:  
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 Busy shop means you make \$\$\$ Great career move. Call Tom Bauer for immediate interview at 908-686-2800.

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 See our ad in today's paper under "RETAIL SALES OPPORTUNITIES"

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### BOOKKEEPER

For mid-size Union Township law firm. Duties include A/R, A/P plus Miscellaneous office duties. Computer experience in a network environment with knowledge of MS Office and accounting systems required. Network administration a plus. Excellent working conditions in professional environment. Send resume, salary history and requirement to: O'Brien, Lotta, Mandel & Kupfer, LLP, Attention Hiring Partner, P.O. Box 3180, Union, NJ 07083-1980. No faxes please.

### CAMPAIGN COORDINATOR FULL TIME

Welcome to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Annual Light The Night Walk. It is more than one of the largest family and friends walk programs, it's one of the largest fundraisers in the fight against leukemia and blood-related cancers. Right now, we need your help to make this program bigger and better than ever. An opportunity exists for a Campaign Coordinator. Primary duties are recruitment and special events planning. Background in sales, marketing or communications a plus, but not required. Advancement possibilities are endless. We offer a very competitive salary and benefits package. Fax resume and salary history to 973-376-7072 or mail to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 45 Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081.

CAREGIVERS NEEDED part time mornings/ afternoons, or full time for the elderly. Flexible hours. Non medical companionship, home care, and elderly related errands. No certification required. Free training provided. Driver's license and car required. Home Instead Senior Care; 908-653-0200.

CAREGIVER WANTED part time for elderly couple. Meal preparation, light housekeeping, laundry, must have car. English speaking. References required. 908-322-6658.

CHAIR-SIDE assistant for busy orthodontic practice in Millburn. Experience & xray license a must. Full time, benefits, good salary. Call Cheryl D. 973-376-7131.

### HELP WANTED

CLAIMS PROCESSOR \$20- \$40/ hour potential. Processing claims is easy! Training provided, must own PC. Call now! 1-888-679-5724 ext. 854.

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CUSTOMER SERVICE/ Part Time, 1:00pm-5:00pm. Office supply company needs person 5 days a week steady. Will train right person. \$10.00 per hour. Call Supplies, Supplies, Kenilworth. 908-272-5100.

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### HELP WANTED

DIETICIAN: PART Time Dietician or Consultant needed for Leisure Chateau Care Center in Lakewood, NJ. Nursing home experience required. Fax resume to Mr. Drew, Administrator: 732-370-8876 or call 732-370-8600 to arrange an interview.

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DRIVER FULL time. Delivery of medical supplies to hospitals and clinics in NJ/ NY area. Excellent driving record required, full benefits, early morning and day shift available. Call 10am-4pm, 908-241-1818.

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### COMPOSITION DEPT. PART TIME

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Approximately 2 1/2 hours on Tuesday and Wednesday.  
 Experience helpful, but not required. Entry level position. Call for an appointment

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 or send your resume to  
 Production Director  
 Worrall Community Newspapers  
 P.O. Box 158  
 Maplewood, N. J. 07040

### HELP WANTED

DRIVERS: NORTH American Van Lines has openings in Logistics, Relocation, Blanketwrap and flatbed fleets. Minimum 3 months O/T/R experience required. Tractor purchase available. Call 1-800-348-2147. Department NJS.

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This is a half to three quarter time position for an individual who relates well and understands the needs of children and families. Who understands Protestant belief and practice, has a relationship with Jesus Christ and is energetic, dynamic, friendly, intelligent and flexible with a sense of humor. He/she should have a college degree and some background in education and will need to be available to work Sunday mornings and some evenings, plus other times as appropriate for a total of 20-30 hours a week. Resumes should be sent to Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church, 888 Stuyvesant Ave, Union, New Jersey 07083 or Email to [John@cf-farms.org](mailto:John@cf-farms.org)

### HELP WANTED

FOOD SERVICE WORKER/ COOK: The Cerebral Palsy League, a non-profit agency that provides a variety of services to the developmentally disabled is currently in need of Food Service Worker for our private school. The qualified candidate must have a High School diploma as well as some experience in food prep. If interested, please call or send resume to: Roe Zeiss, CPL, 373 Clermont Terrace, Union, NJ 07093. 908-354-5900, extension 237. Fax # 908-354-7583.

HERBALIFE: For opportunity or products call 877-688-7428.

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- Mechanical Designer**
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Please forward your resume to:  
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[byrne@iml.com](mailto:byrne@iml.com)  
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[www.ianmartin.com](http://www.ianmartin.com)

### NEWSPAPER PRODUCTION FULL TIME

We are a group of weekly newspapers with an office in Maplewood looking for a person with good typing skills. You will compose ads from advertising layouts, build editorial pages following page layouts. Along with all phases of the production department.

Newspaper publishing and Macintosh experience helpful, but not required. Benefit plan with paid holidays. Call for an appointment.

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 or send your resume to  
 Production Director  
 Worrall Community Newspapers  
 P.O. Box 158, Maplewood, N. J. 07040

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 Call for appointment (908) 686-7700

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The Children's Institute, a school Autistic and Behaviorally Disabled children ages 3-21, announces the following openings:

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NJ State board of Education certification, experience and references required. Competitive salaries and benefits. Excellent opportunity for professional growth and development.

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We offer paid vacations, year end bonus and high volume commissions. Call 973-762-5700.

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MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN: Retirement community in Basking Ridge seeking person for general maintenance, plumbing and electrical. Up to \$12 per hour pending experience. 8:30am- 5:00pm weekdays, benefits 908-500-3860 EOE.

Maintenance

**Boiler Operators**

Union Hospital, an affiliate of Saint Barnabas Health Care System, is seeking Boiler Operators to work Per Diem hours. We also have a Saturday 7am-3pm shift available. Blue seal required. Hospital experience preferred.

Please send or fax resume to: Human Resources, Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union, NJ 07083; Fax (908)851-7535; E-mail: unhjobs@abhcs.com. EOE

**Union Hospital An Affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System**

MEDICAL ASSISTANT, Internists office, Union Center. Computer literate. Knowledge of CDM, CPT codes, EKG/ lab a plus. Fax resume: 973-376-4892.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT/ BOOKKEEPER, immediate opening, excellent salary. Car necessary. Fax resume: 973-994-2598.

MEDICAL BILLER/ CODER needed for Livingston cardiology practice. Minimum 3 years experience in computerized billing and electronic claims transmission. Familiarity with MCR plus HMO regulations required. Fax resume to: 973-994-9408.

MEDICAL CLERK, part time. Challenging job in an expanding health care field requiring mature, intelligent person willing to be trained in medical history taking. Knowledge of computers and good communication skills is helpful. 3 days a week from 8:00am-4:00pm. Call Nancy at 973-376-0990 or fax resume at 973-376-1599.

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OFFICE ASSISTANT, Full time, experience in A/R, A/P, Invoicing, quickbooks, for wholesale importer, Linden NJ, car necessary. Excellent salary plus benefits, call 908-862-2888 Alan.

OFFICE ASSISTANT: Private Optometric practice in Millburn has a great opportunity for an assistant to take charge and grow. You can put your talent to work assisting, instructing and generally helping our contact lens patients. Experience with processing medical claims forms. This is a full time position. 5 days 1 evening no weekends. Call 973-487-1122 after 10am.

PART TIME Sales in small book store. Saturdays needed. Must love books. Call 973-783-4225.

PART TIME Office Worker. Flexible hours. Computer knowledge and organizational skills important. Minimum knowledge of A/P, A/R Perfect for mother or student. Please call 908-436-0400.

**See PUZZLE on Page B10**

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**HELP WANTED**

**PART TIME**  
After school Program of Maplewood/South Orange seeks adult leaders for state licensed elementary and middle school sites in a recreational program designed for children of working parents. Various starting times available: 2:30, 2:45 or 3:00 to 6:00pm daily, following school district calendar through June. Qualified applicants must be reliable, have EXPERIENCE leading GROUPS of children and have own transportation. Hourly salary based on experience. Call 973-762-0183 or send resume to: After School Program of Maplewood South Orange, 124 Duncnell Road, Maplewood, NJ 07040 or fax cover letter and resume to 973-275-1692.

**PART-TIME:** Secretary wanted once or twice a week for job in home. Light typing, bookkeeping needed. Non-pressing job. Work at your own pace. Salary negotiable. Please call/ send resume to: 973-564-9703. Fax 973-564-9532.

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Business Broker has immediate opening for experienced real estate sales person or broker. Very lucrative position, 5 day week, no nights, clients furnished. Estimated 38 years. Serious replies only. Call now at 908-688-7000.

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**RECEPTIONIST**, Full time/ part time position available in fine salon in Maplewood for pleasant, responsible person. Excellent salary/benefits. Wonderful opportunity for growth to management position. Let's talk. Anthony Garubo Salon and Day Spa, 973-762-1212.

**RESEARCH LABORATORY** in Union needs part time bookkeeper with 3-5 years experience. A/P, A/R one day per week. General ledger knowledge helpful, not necessary. Fax resume to: 973-744-2285.

RETAIL

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Human Resources Department  
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**FULL-TIME ENTRY LEVEL**—Busy dental lab office in Florham Park is seeking a bright, dependable, organized individual who works well independently. Valid NJ drivers license and good driving record a must. Call 973-377-4455 weekdays 9am-5pm.

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**TEACHER ASSISTANTS** Per Diem: The Cerebral Palsy League, a non-profit agency that provides a variety of services to the developmentally disabled is currently in need of Teacher Assistants on a per diem basis for our private school. The qualified candidate must have High School diploma as well as experience with physically disabled children. If interested, please send resume or call: Roe Zeiss, CPL 373 Clemont Terrace, Union, NJ 07083. 908-354-5800 extension 237. Fax # 908-354-7563.

**TEACHER ASSISTANTS**  
Program Expanding for 2000-2001 School Year  
NEW FACILITY

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**THE CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE**  
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Verona, NJ 07044  
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Equal Opportunity Employer

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**TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY** looking for representative to market services. Work independently, set your own hours. Will train and certify. Call 800-798-6658.

**TELEMARKETING/ PART TIME** no selling, hourly plus bonuses. Day or evening hours. Call Mary or Greg between 9am-3pm. 908-851-9640.

**THE CHURCH** of Saint Catherine of Siena, Hillside, NJ is looking for a part time organist/ choir director. Basic commitment (ten hours) entails one Saturday evening mass, three Sunday masses (12:15pm choir mass). The choir meets one night a week. This will be a salaried position. If interested send a detailed resume to Rev. Richard A. Villanova, Pastor, 19 King Street, Hillside, NJ 07205.

**TRAIN** for a career in Medical Billing-Coding: Kean University Continuing Education in association with Condensed Curriculum International is offering an affordable evening program starting soon. Textbooks included. Registration 908-527-2161; Information 800-441-8748.

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**UNION COUNTY Jewish Day Camp** seeking summer staff: June 28th-August 21st. Certified lifeguards, Music & Dance specialists, Senior counselors, Junior Counselors (ages 16 & up). Call for applications & interview: 908-289-8112, Jani, Larry, Devra.

**WHEN REPLYING TO A UNION COUNTY CLASSIFIED BOX NUMBER**

please address envelope to:

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P.O. Box 158  
Maplewood, NJ 07040

**EMPLOYMENT WANTED**

**EXPERIENCED WOMAN** seeks job as companion for elderly with light housekeeping. Good references, call 973-416-0575.

**IF YOU** are looking for someone to clean your house, call me. 973-344-8248 after 3:00pm. Transportation and references available. Eli.

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• Certified Home Health Aides  
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973-763-6134  
Medicaid Accepted  
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**A-NANNY JOBS**  
Full Time Live Out/in.  
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Part Time \$9-12 hour  
Car, References, Experience required  
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**PERSONALS**

**ERICA KANE** what are you up to? Find out! Call 908-688-9898, ext. 3250. InfoSource is a 24 hour a day telephone information service. Calls are free within your local calling area.

**LOST & FOUND**

**FOUND** WHITE and Orange Cat in back parking lot of 42 W. Holly Street, Cranford, January 7th. Please call 908-497-1344 if you know anything about this cat.

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**Cranford**  
Donald and Linda Pawluk sold property at 27 Seneca Road to Robert M. and Lenore Argen for \$439,000 on July 13.

George B. and Margaret Skidmore sold property at 34 Central Ave., to Thomas M. and Carolyn Gunning for \$320,000 on July 14.

Constance S. Hellhake sold property at 102 Makatom Drive to Henry and Judith M. Devenny for \$346,000 on July 14.

**Elizabeth**  
Antonio Migliorino sold property at 31 Prospect St., to Marlon and Guillen E. Alvarado for \$150,000 on July 6.

Carlos S. and Maria Suagua sold property at 337 Bond St., to Paulo Gomes for \$177,500 on July 12.

Jose J. and Maria C. Figueiredo sold property at 1033 Kilsyth Road to Adilla M. Coimbra for \$280,000 on July 12.

Joseph E. Sisk sold property at 31 Delaware St., to Benjamin and Digna Jacobson for \$115,000 on July 12.

Capital Holdings and Invs. Corp. sold property at 16 Rankin St., to Brenda Colon for \$135,000 on July 12.

Julio C. Alfonso Jr. sold property at 511 Burnham Road to Argemiro and M. Zamora for \$160,000 on July 13.

**Linden**  
Jeanette A. Iraggi sold property at 300 W. Linden Ave., to Tammerlayn Vonhohenzollern for \$140,000 on July 5.

Michael and Laura Lamera sold property at 137 Harvard Road to Carol Pankiewicz for \$175,000 on July 6.

Rossini and Carmel Saint Louis sold property at 928 E. Curtis St., to Adrinia Ormond for \$83,700 on July 10.

James C. Watson sold property at 919 Middlesex St., to Jacky Olivier and F. Corvington for \$134,500 on July 10.

Andrea Perez sold property at 726 Allen St., to Eunice Urdinola for \$140,000 on July 10.

John Yackanin sold property at 500 Morningside Ave., to Esther and Zvi Moyal for \$155,000 on July 13.

### Rahway

Ruth A. Evans sold property at 2087 Kmak Place to Mark Meyer for \$141,000 on June 30.

Douglas and Robin Wynn sold property at 583 Teneyke Place to Gregory and Sharon L. Harris for \$225,000 on June 30.

Martin M. and Darlene M. Motto sold property at 759 Nicholas Place to Eugene Kobylarz for \$190,000 on July 5.

Ernestine Grizzell sold property at 1801 Bond St., to Joseph and Thelma Phillips for \$129,500 on July 11.

Sam Russo sold property at 286 W. Lincoln Ave., to Jimmy and Rosa M. Barrientos for \$132,500 on July 12.

### Roselle

Barbara and Sharie R. Hughes sold property at 142 First Ave., to Leslie Quaynor for \$275,000 on June 30.

### Roselle Park

Antonina Grabowski sold property at 124 Dalton St., to Stanislaw and Krystyna Swirko for \$140,000 on June 29.

### Springfield

Gerald Bloch and Roslyn Bloch sold property at 53 Country Club Lane to Nicholas S. and Lisa Iarossi for \$280,000 on July 11.

### Summit

Dorothy C. Clark sold property at 31 Montrose Ave., to Loreto and Josepine Evangelista for \$332,000 on June 30.

Oscar W. and Ashley S. Cranz sold property at 19 Beekman Terrace to Joanne T. Castillo for \$423,000 on July 7.

Robert H. and Shirley M. Faitoute sold property at 266 Woodland Ave., to David P. and Christina C. Burns for \$325,000 on July 11.

Michael J. Wroblewski sold property at 43 Sheffield Road to Carlos and Nuris P. Molina for \$330,000 on July 11.

Duncan D. and Barbara H. Sutphen sold property at 84 Dale Drive to Douglas M. and B. Cohen for \$887,500 on July 13.

Joseph T. and Patricia J. Diaz sold property at 50 Twombly Drive to William J. and Maureen T. Harvey for \$449,000 on July 14.

Michael I. and Maria H. Cole sold property at 96 Portland Road to Joseph T. and Patricia J. Diaz for \$835,000 on July 14.

Thomas P. and Alice B. Gibbons sold property at 27 Gloucester Road to Martin R. and Anne Wise for \$1,095,000 on July 14.

May L. Merchant sold property at 49 Evergreen Road to Juan Villa for \$325,000 on July 17.

### Union

James F. McGeorge sold property at 2169 Morrison Ave., to Laila S. and Battle R. Wilson for \$155,000 on June 29.

William E. and Beverly Barlow sold property at 1628 Van Ness Terrace to Stacey Lewis for \$175,000 on June 29.

Robert C. and Michele A. Quast sold property at 658 Salem Road to Kathleen L. Cacchiola for \$172,000 on June 30.

Seymour S. and Phyllis Eisler sold property at 1036 Sterling Road to Tal Sadan for \$180,000 on June 30.

Linda P. Watts sold property at 1467 Burnet Ave., to Richard and Ana E. Camacho for \$130,000 on June 30.

Francisco and Maria L. Santos sold property at 1514 Rose Terrace to Sulemana and Folake G. Fuseini for \$155,000 on June 30.

Gregory and Joann Gitto sold property at 556 Robinson Terrace to Elena Villa and Elvira Villa for \$205,000 on June 30.

Nicholas S. and Lisa Iarossi sold property at 786 Evergreen Pkwy., to Faustino and Maria S. Ramos for \$217,000 on July 5.

Theresa Martin sold property at 143 Washington Ave., to Juan D. Lopez for \$165,000 on July 10.

Walfrido and Maria Gisbert sold property at 800 Colonial Arms Road to Ronald Ward for \$207,000 on July 10.

David Sabia and Nancy Sabia sold property at 853 Mitchell Ave., to William P. and Wan G.Z. Eng for \$239,900 on July 12.

Patricia J. Demeola sold property at 1076 Reeves Terrace to Gladys and Carratu W. Petrone for \$160,000 on July 14.

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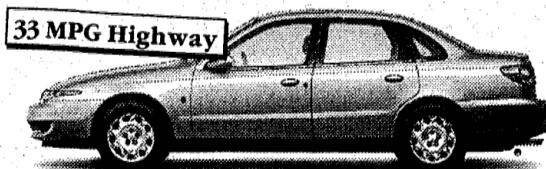
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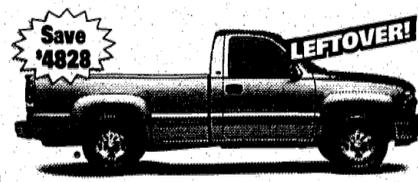


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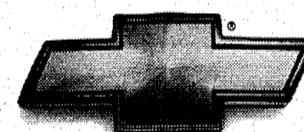
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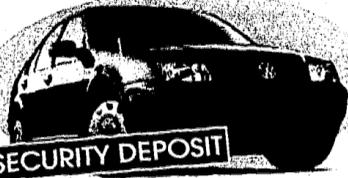
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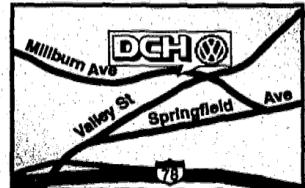


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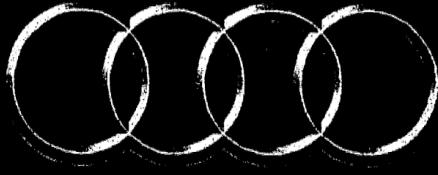
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