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Work harder

The movement at the stationery store on St. Georges Avenue in Linden was pretty brisk by 6:40 a.m. on Monday. Commuters and tradesmen were making a pit stop for coffee or newspapers as the day's work began.

Based on the new census data, it is clear we work pretty hard in the Garden State. The good news is that based on the new numbers we have jumped from third to number one in terms of the state with the highest medium household income. Based on the rest of new, we may have to work harder.

Left Out

By Frank Capace

Traveling around you don't get the impression that we think we are living in the land of luxury. Our cost of living expenses are third, just behind Alaska and Hawaii. Remember, to get to those other states you have to cross an ocean. Traveling around here is part of the problem. Almost 14 percent of us spend at least an hour a day just on our commute.

So while we are running as fast and long as we can, the economists seem to be giving us some advice — run harder. A study by Knight Ridder News Service last week revealed that many are getting deeper into debt. In fact, over the past decade the average household credit card debt has skyrocketed, almost tripling in terms of the total amount. In real numbers, which are scary, the average household owed \$8,000 on credit card debt.

Not convinced that gloom and doom is the order of the day? Let me try harder. Harvard economist Benjamin Friedman believes the average consumer with a mortgage and car loans, runs the danger of maxing out in terms of their ability to make monthly payments or actually hitting their credit limit. Remember it is estimated that consumer spending makes up two-thirds of the U.S. economy. In New Jersey, almost a third of us pay at least 31 percent of our total income just on mortgage payments.

Way back when, as an aspiring economics student, I recall Professor Bove at New York University teaching that you may not know you have been in a recession until it's too late to do anything about it. On Monday, *The Wall Street Journal* reported "with a third quarter looking weak, there is a real possibility the economy could experience the two consecutive quarters of negative growth that typically define a recession."

With the upcoming elections we may see a return to the issues of the '80s like job/creation and the need for more moderate-income housing. But in the interim, the credit counselors are pretty consistent in terms of their financial advice. They urge you to pay down the credit card debt as quickly as you can.

It's well known that interest rates on credit cards are higher than the rate to borrow money. Less known is the federal rate of

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Mayor begins accumulating political warchest for 2002

More than \$100,000 raised already this year

By Mark Hryna
Regional Editor

Still almost a year away from any potential election challenge, Linden Mayor John Gregorio has raised more money this year for his campaign in 2002 than many candidates in Union County, including the Union County Republican Committee.

According to the July 15 quarterly report filed with the state Election Law Enforcement Commission, the Friends of John T. Gregorio for Mayor received contributions of more than \$153,000 since he last was re-elected, including \$101,000 during the most recent quarter from April through June. The campaign fund had a balance of more than \$66,000 in the July 15 filing.

By comparison, the Union County Republican Committee has raised less than \$80,000 this year and the Union County Democratic Committee has raised close to \$170,000.

During the last quarter, Gregorio's campaign fund received almost \$41,000 through individual contributions of less than \$400 and \$58,500 through individual contributions in excess of \$400. Individuals who contribute more than \$400 are required to be identified on state ELEC forms.

Although he has raised more than \$150,000 since being re-elected, Gregorio already has spent nearly \$87,000, almost \$49,000 during the last quarter. A majority of the spend-

ing — about \$40,000 — was for a recent fund-raiser at the Linden Municipal Airport which several hundred supporters attended.

Gregorio had \$45,000 left over from his 1998 campaign and regularly contributes to candidates in municipal, school board, county and state elections.

"Having a sizeable warchest is a statement; it scares off people," Union County Republican Chairman Ronald Frigerio said. He was not surprised at Gregorio's fund-raising, as he is an "unrestrained incumbent."

Gregorio said he expects some primary challenge next year and also plans to be prepared with a formidable campaign with his candidates.

"These numbers are absolutely staggering," one Democrat said, speculating that the mayor might fear an election challenge next year. "For a guy with no opposition to raise that much, something's up."

But as much as one Democrat was taken aback at the amount of money Gregorio has raised, another was surprised by how little he has raised, saying mayors in large cities typically raise money throughout their terms, as much as several hundred thousand dollars, going into their election year.

"For a mayor, he doesn't have much," said Assemblyman Neil Cohen, who is Roselle's Democratic municipal chairman and a former county Democratic chairman.

"I'd consider it minimal for a mayor. I'm sure he'll do more fund-raising in the future." The mayor may be fund-raising for the whole ticket that will be running with him, not just the mayor's race. "Raising money 12 months in advance is smart."

Freeholder Nicholas Scutari, a former Linden school board member, said Gregorio surely could raise more funds if necessary. "Considering the influence and responsibilities of the mayor of Linden, and his many years as a state senator, I'm sure he can raise a lot."

During a primary challenge last year, the campaign of Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, also a Democrat, raised and spent approximately \$450,000. In Bollwage's July 15 filing a year before his primary election, the mayor had amassed a campaign balance of more than \$205,000.

In Plainfield, Democratic Mayor Albert McWilliams faces a General Election challenge from Republican Councilman Robert Ferraro. In his 20-day post primary report, McWilliams reported a balance of more than \$20,000.

A Democrat, Gregorio is in his third consecutive four-year term as mayor. He also was mayor from 1967 to 1983 and served in the State Senate.

"There's always a chance of a challenge," said Assemblyman Joseph Suliga, Linden's Democratic municipi-



John Gregorio
Linden mayor

pal chairman, adding that he is concentrating more on his own State Senate campaign this fall and two local contested council races than who might challenge the mayor in 2002. Although he was surprised the mayor had raised as much as he did, Suliga said the June fund-raiser was a gala affair.

Rarely has there been an election challenge in the Democratic stronghold of Linden during the past several years. Gregorio easily defeated Republican Joseph Letters in the 1998 General Election, and 9th Ward Councilman Robert Frazier, the lone Independent on the council, turned back a challenge from Democrat Craig Slater last year.

This year's candidates in Linden — 2nd Ward Councilwoman Virginia Graziano, 3rd Ward Councilman Thomas Boland, 5th Ward Councilman See OFFICIALS, Page B2

Detectives have new labor deal

By Mark Hryna
Regional Editor

Detectives and superior officers within the Prosecutor's Office have a new four-year contract after the Board of Chosen Freeholders approved the settlement last month.

The new contract stipulates retroactive wage increases of 1.5 percent on Jan. 1 of this year and another 1.5 percent on June 23. In each of the remaining three years of the pact, salary increases are 3.5 percent for those employees not at the maximum level of the salary guide and 4 percent for those at maximum.

Detectives and Investigators Superior Association, Policemen's Benevolent Association Local 250 represents captains, sergeants and lieutenants in the Prosecutor's Office. Director of Administrative Services Joseph Saleme said most of the 22 union members are at the maximum on the salary guide, earning an average annual salary of approximately \$92,000.

Included in the new settlement were health benefit concessions, almost identical to those agreed upon in a new contract with Union Council No. 8, New Jersey Civil Service Association, IFTPE, AFL-CIO, the county's largest labor union, Saleme said. Employees will contribute \$30 per month to their health plan and that payment will rise to \$35 in 2002 and

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The royal couple



Mary Ann Venezia and Hersz Funtowicz were named queen and king of the third annual senior prom for residents and patients at Runnelle Specialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights.

Trash hearing Monday in Linden

By Mark Hryna
Regional Editor

Scores of residents are expected to pack Linden City Hall Monday night for a public hearing on a proposed barge-to-rail trash transfer station in the city's Tremley Point section that would handle New York City's household waste.

The Board of Chosen freeholders introduced a new amendment to the county's solid waste management plan during their regular meeting on July 26. The public hearing will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Linden City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave.

A new hearing on the proposal was held after state Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Robert Shinn penned a letter to the freeholder board asking for more information about the daily processing and transport of waste and its effect on traffic and other factors, as

well as contingency plans should the facility not be able to process trash coming in.

Browning Ferris Industries is seeking a permit for the transfer station to process 100,000 tons, or 20 million pounds, of trash per day at the 32-acre site owned by Tremley Marine Terminals. One of the owners of the site is Linden Mayor John Gregorio's son-in-law.

The state Attorney General's Office has subpoenaed Linden officials for a state grand jury investigating the transfer station agreement and last week subpoenaed documents from within the mayor's office. The facility also sparked lawsuits from several Middlesex County communities opposed to the plan because the rail cars would pass through their towns.

The City of Linden is expected to

receive host community fees of anywhere from \$1.2 million to \$2.5 million under a 20-year contract with BFI. The firm also would pay for Linden's garbage collection and costs associated with the city's 25-year contract with the Union County Utilities Authority to dispose of its trash.

On Nov. 30, the freeholders approved the original plan 7-0, with then-Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Deborah Scanlon absent. Earlier that month, the UCUA Board of Commissioners recommended the plan to the freeholders by a vote of 5-1-1. The only dissenting vote from the UCUA came from the lone Republican, Walter Edmonds of New Providence, while Commissioner Charles Crane, the 6th Ward councilman in Linden, abstained, citing a conflict of interest since his city sends its trash to the UCUA.

Freeholders to vote on \$18-million bond

By Mark Hryna
Regional Editor

Roof replacement for buildings at Union County College, rehabilitation of parts of the county complex in Elizabeth, and improvements at several county parks are among the largest undertakings in the county's capital budget, which was introduced in an \$18-million bond ordinance by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

A final vote and public hearing on the bond ordinance is scheduled during the board's regular meeting on Aug. 16.

Finance Director Lawrence Caroselli said the total net debt for the county will rise to \$273.3 million with the passage of the latest bond ordinance. The county pays off approximately \$13 million to \$15 million in debt principal annually.

The total debt is approximately 0.81 percent of the county's average qualified value of the last three years. Bond capacity is 2 percent of the total qualified value.

The downpayment on the bond ordinance will be \$689,610 with \$17,375,590 of bonds and notes to be authorized.

Nearly \$3.5 million will be spent on reconstruction of the running track at Meisel Avenue Park in Springfield, the development of Phil Rizzuto Park in Union, improvements to Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside and Warinanco Skating Center in Elizabeth, restoration of the Deserted Village in Watchung Reservation, and the construction of garages, and buildings at several golf courses.

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Officials stockpile campaign funds

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Gene Davis and 7th Ward Councilman Ralph Strano — all were unopposed in the primary. Strano and Graziano, however, each face Independent candidates in November's General Election.

Linden council members up for re-election have a fraction of Gregorio's political war chest. Boland, with \$7,000 on hand, and Strano with \$5,500, are the only council candidates with any substantial campaign funds, according to recent ELEC reports. Council President Robert Bunk, who will be up for re-election with the mayor next year, had a closing balance of slightly less than \$10,000 in his July 15 report, with no contributions during the last quarter.

"We don't raise a lot of money. We do more grassroots campaign," Suliga said of the local council campaigns.

The Linden Democratic City Committee had raised more than \$20,000 this year, but had a closing balance of less than \$15,000 in the July 15 filing. The Linden Democratic Club, meanwhile, reserved contributions of almost \$30,000 this year but had cash on hand of less than \$4,000.

The only other candidate in Union

County with any significant campaign funds raised is Elizabeth's 1st Ward Councilman Manny Grova. A Democrat aligned with Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, Grova also is not up for re-election until 2002 and has \$42,000 on hand. Grova's election fund received nearly \$50,000 in contributions during the last quarter while spending about \$19,000. To date, Grova has raised \$167,000 while spending \$126,000.

Individual contributors are limited to donations of \$2,200 annually to a candidate's campaign fund. Fourteen contributors to Gregorio during the last quarter gave the maximum. Among those that contributed the maximum allowed were prominent

law firms who do work for the city, including Weiner Lesniak of Parsippany; Garubbo, Romankow and Rinaldo of Westfield; City Prosecutor Louis DiLoro; Skoloff and Wolfe of Livingston; and DeCotis, Fitzpatrick, Glock, Hayden and Cole of Teaneck.

Others who contributed the maximum \$2,200 included Starwood Ceruzzi, the developer for the Linden Municipal Airport project; Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 34 of Linden; Ward and O'Donnell Property Development Co. Inc. of Linden; Suples, Clooney and Co. of Elizabeth, the city's auditing firm, and Linden Motor Freight, among others.

Fatal vision goggles available for programs

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COUNTY NEWS

Senior outreach services

The Union County Division on Aging in the Department of Human Services has announced its schedule for the month of August for its outreach services and nutrition program for senior citizens. The division is continuing its effort to improve the diets of senior citizens in Union County by hosting a farmers market and providing vouchers for fruit and vegetables in conjunction with its regular program of assistance with applications for vital services.

Union County residents aged 60 and older who attend an outreach event can receive vouchers worth \$20 that are redeemable for their choice of fresh New Jersey fruits and vegetables at the farmers market or at other authorized produce markets in the county.

Union County representatives from the Division on Aging will also be available to offer information and provide assistance in completing the necessary applications for a multitude of programs, including gas and electric support, pharmaceutical assistance, home energy assistance, Supplemental Security Income, counseling on health insurance for Medicare enrollees, and the SHARE food program. Bilingual staff members will be available to assist the senior citizens. The dates, times and locations for

the farmer markets and outreach services are:

* Tuesday: PROCEED office, 1126 Dickinson St., Elizabeth, 10 a.m. to noon.

* Aug. 21: Nora Gardens, 1175 Burnet Ave., Union, 10 a.m. to noon.

* Aug. 28: Gill Apartments, 40 Mesher Ave., Cranford, 10 a.m. to noon.

For more information on the Outreach Services Program and other programs offered by the Division on Aging, call the division's toll-free number at 888-280-8226.

4-H Club registration

If you are in first through eighth grade and like pets, science, gardening, cooking, archery, or reading a good book, then consider joining a 4-H Club this fall. Club activities depend on what club you join. If you join a pet club you'll learn about proper pet care and make crafts for pets, like a birdhouse, picture frame for your pet, or treats for your dog. If you join a garden club you'll make corsages or grow flower seedlings. No matter what club you join, the activities are fun.

Being a member of a 4-H club also helps you make something of yourself. You'll learn how to make decisions, work in a group, and be a part

of a team. This will happen as you work with the other members of your club to plan a community project like a pet show for a nursing home, or a club display.

The following 4-H clubs are taking registrations for membership Sept. 1: pet clubs, pet foster care, book reading, gardening, science, government, math, archery, cooking, Lego construction, performing arts and a horse club. Most of the clubs meet at the Union County Administration East Services building at 300 North Ave. East, Westfield.

The gardening club meets at the Union County Vocational and Technical Schools on Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. The Archery Club meets on Sundays at Lenape Park in Cranford.

Clubs are open to all boys and girls who live in Union County. Parents are sometimes asked to volunteer to take turns monitoring crafts projects and snack time. For the exact day and times that clubs meet, call the 4-H office at 908-654-9854, or e-mail your mailing address to nichmadowicz@aesp.rutgers.edu.

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Freeholders approve labor contract

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\$40 in 2003 and 2004. Employees will begin copayments for prescriptions and doctor's office visits, according to Salemme. As also stipulated in the Council 8 contract, doctor's office visits will include a \$5 copayment in the first two years of the contract and \$10 in the third and fourth years.

Another similarity in the two contracts are changes in sick time buyout for employees. Under previous contracts, there was a maximum buyout

of \$10,000 for unused sick time, according to Salemme. Under new terms, the buyout will be based on how many sick days an employee retires with: 100 to 200 days, a maximum of \$10,000; 200 to 300 days, \$12,500; 300 to 400 days, \$15,000, and 400 or more days, \$18,000.

The county is in various stages of negotiations with unions whose contracts expired at the end of 2000. Salemme said a memorandum of agreement has been reached with the park foremen's union while the union

representing sheriff's officers ratified a new agreement which should be presented to the freeholders this month. The county still is in arbitration with the union representing corrections officers as well as rank and file prosecutor's detectives.

Also still in negotiations are the teamsters secondary supervisors union representing employees in the Division of Social Services while negotiations with the sheriff's and corrections supervisor unions have not commenced yet, Salemme said.

In the end, we will just have to work harder

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borrowing has dropped faster than the drop in credit rates. Credit debt is the second most costly; only the loan sharks charge more.

You should take a moment and try to decipher the Federal Disclosure Statement, single spaced on the back of your credit card bill. My favorite is

the relation that my MasterCard use "is governed by the federal law and laws of Virginia."

Over the coming months we should watch closely the analysis on just how well the anticipated second half recovery is doing. After all, now that we are number one, we have more to be concerned about.

I suspect the advice will finally be to just work harder.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

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NJPAC receives \$15 million in gifts to secure future

A total of \$15 million in new gifts aimed toward helping to secure the financial future of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center was announced recently by NJPAC officials.

Motivated, in part, by a generous lead-challenge grant from Josh and Judy Weston, the trustees of the Victoria Foundation awarded \$5 million to NJPAC, marking the largest gift in its 76-year history. A third, substantial gift is from the Jon and Joanne Corzine Foundation.

The NJPAC Board of Directors is currently studying the size and scope of the institution's endowment needs and has yet to announce its ultimate campaign goal.

"The New Jersey Performing Arts Center has become a center of gravity for New Jersey's residents and companies," said Joe Weston, the retired chief executive officer of automatic data processing and member of the NJPAC Board of Directors. "For too long, many New Jersey companies and individuals view themselves as an appendage, looking at New York, rather than their own state for philanthropic giving. Our gift says we believe in the Arts Center and are proud to contribute to the enduring viability of an institution that has added so significantly to the quality of life in New Jersey."

"NJPAC has accomplished so much in such a relatively brief period of time," said Percy Chubb II, Victoria Foundation president and a founding member of the Arts Center's Board of Directors. "The trustees of the Victoria Foundation are very pleased to commit the resources to help NJPAC sustain its level of achievement and grow into an exemplary cultural institution for the 21st century."

"There is no question that the New Jersey Performing Arts Center is a major success story," said Catherine M. McFarland, executive officer of the Victoria Foundation. "When the

foundation first invested, more than a decade ago, in the whole idea of an arts center in Newark, New Jersey, we had a very clear vision of what we wanted NJPAC to be. And it is delivering on every level."

"The New Jersey Performing Arts Center has quickly established itself as a New Jersey landmark and world-class performing arts institution, whose offerings are as diverse and well-produced as any we've seen," said United States Senator Jon S. Corzine and his wife, Joanne. "Through this gift, we hope to encourage others in New Jersey's philanthropic and corporate communities to embrace this cultural gem and the artistic and economic renaissance of Newark that it represents."

In announcing the historic gifts, Arts Center President and Chief Executive Officer Lawrence P. Goldman said, "We are very fortunate that NJPAC has been a huge success — embraced by lovers of arts from New Jersey's cities, suburbs and beyond. Now the priority is to lock in the success — and the only way to do that is to build a substantial endowment. Only an endowment can create long-term stability. Only an endowment will protect NJPAC for our children's children. These gifts from these wonderful, amazing, generous philanthropists are helping to create an irrevocable insurance policy for NJPAC's future."

"This kind of thoughtful philanthropy is right on the mark," said Arthur P. Ryan, NJPAC board chairman and chairman and chief executive officer of Prudential. "At this time, it is especially significant as the economy slows, for the Arts Center, or any nonprofit organization, to build reserves and ensure its fiscal future. That's why these generous gifts and votes of confidence from the Victoria Foundation, the Westons and the Corzines are particularly important."

"This is very good news for the City of Newark and the State of New

Jersey," said Newark Mayor and New Jersey State Senator Sharpe James of the multi-million dollar grants to the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. "Once again, the eyes of the world are on Newark and the message these gifts is delivering is that a successful, inclusive arts center can make a big difference in the self-image of a city and its people." Mayor James is a member of the NJPAC Board and Executive Board.

Endowments

On the statewide front, the three endowment gifts will also trigger contributions into the recently enacted Cultural Trust which was designed to help support endowments, capital projects and the financial stabilization of New Jersey's arts, historical and humanities organizations. "The Cultural Trust was a very significant factor in our discussions with each of these donors," said Goldman. "These gifts will leverage an additional 20 cents on the dollar for NJPAC's endowment, according to the trust's enabling legislation. Additionally, these gifts to NJPAC will trigger almost \$15 million of state dollars into the trust. Clearly, these funds create a larger pool accruing to the benefit of countless smaller New Jersey cultural organizations. We are very excited that the generosity of the Victoria Foundation, the Westons and the Corzines will have a profound ripple effect impacting on excellence in cultural programs throughout the state."

Victoria Foundation

"The world is looking at Newark differently today, a direct result of the Arts Center's achievements," continued the Victoria Foundation's McFarland. "Children and families, in Newark and beyond, are having their artistic and educational horizons expanded. And the city's downtown is bustling with activity — new restaurants, corporations and law firms relocating, a renewed nightlife, and an emerging professional sports scene. There is a new pride in Newark since

NJPAC opened its doors, and it is resonating throughout the state, across America and internationally. The trustees of the Victoria Foundation voted to continue its support of NJPAC, in an historic way, because we believe that NJPAC is fulfilling its promise with great sensitivity and alacrity."

The Victoria Foundation's history with NJPAC dates back to 1988 when trustees awarded a small grant to "Renaissance Newark" to help formulate a proposal to convince state officials that Newark was the best location for a proposed performing arts center. The first direct Victoria Foundation grant to NJPAC came a year later to support an economic impact analysis to assess the likely effect an arts center would have on Newark, New Jersey and the region. The positive results of the economic impact analysis were the impetus for the Victoria Foundation to provide \$100,000 in general operating support in 1990.

In 1991, the Victoria Foundation made a \$2.5 million capital grant to NJPAC, its largest single commitment to date. A special component of the gift allowed NJPAC to accelerate its community outreach and educational programs, particularly for Newark's children. In 1998, the Victoria Foundation trustees approved a second \$2.5 million grant for administrative support of NJPAC's programming and arts education departments; general operating support, and for the renovation of what was to become the Luzzati Technologies Center for Arts Education, home of NJPAC's Arts Education programs, which serve more than 125,000 children, parents and educators annually.

"We are particularly gratified that the NJPAC Arts Education program, which grew out of our initial funding, is recognized as one of the best in the country," added Victoria President Chubb. "NJPAC is bringing together children of diverse backgrounds, pro-

viding comprehensive arts training for the state's teachers, offering scholarship opportunities to talented youngsters and giving dozens of New Jersey-based artists the chance to work in their chosen field."

Founded in 1924, the Victoria Foundation is a private foundation that focuses on education, urban environment, neighborhood development and urban revitalization, and youth and family issues in Newark and in urgent environmental problems within New Jersey. Victoria Foundation grants are awarded to projects and institutions that are attempting to deal with a broad spectrum of community needs and to build upon a wide variety of community strengths.

Josh and Judy Weston

Josh and Judy Weston are longtime supporters of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, beginning their advocacy when Josh served as chairman of the Partnership for New Jersey in the mid-1980s.

When the Westons, who reside in Montclair, issued their challenge grant to NJPAC, it was with the hope that their gift would inspire similar philanthropy from others in New Jersey. "If anyone has done relatively well in our society," Weston continued, "it is not solely attributable to their own abilities. It is attributable to living in a country that permits that kind of success. If you are one of those people, it is appropriate and far to give back to the society that made your achievements possible."

"To use the lingo of the entertainment world, Josh and Judy Weston are superstars," says NJPAC President and Chief Executive Officer Goldman. "They have made a magnificent and hugely generous gesture and they've done it in a way that is totally sensitive to NJPAC's current and future needs. There can be no doubt that the Weston challenge is being instrumental in advancing significant philanthropic conversations with others both inside and beyond

NJPAC's current donor family. If we scripted this ourselves, we couldn't have done a better job."

The Westons' philanthropy embraces both local and global organizations. Mrs. Weston serves as a volunteer in the education department of the American Museum of Natural History and is active with the Adult School of Montclair. In addition to serving on the NJPAC Board of Directors, and its newly created Endowment Task Force, Mr. Weston serves on the boards of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra and the Liberty Science Center. He is chairman of the Executive Committee for the United Nations Association of the United States of America, a non-profit, non-partisan national organization dedicated to enhancing U.S. participation in the United Nations.

The Jon and Joanne Corzine Foundation

Jon and Joanne Corzine's involvement with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center also dates back to its capital phase, to which they were Governors' Circle-level contributors. Senator Corzine is a member of the NJPAC Board of Directors and chairman of its Council of Trustees. The Jon and Joanne Corzine Foundation is a private foundation dedicated to support of educational and cultural institutions.

"Some years back, we were told that we should get to know this Wall Street executive," said NJPAC's Goldman. "Instantly, Jon Corzine understood what the Arts Center could mean economically for Newark, New Jersey and the region. With equal speed, we understood that Jon was a principled, thoughtful and motivational leader. To have Joanne Corzine care so deeply about what NJPAC is doing for children and for cultural diversity in New Jersey was a big-time plus."

Next week's edition will feature a preview of NJPAC's 2001-02 season.

Paper Mill unveils 2001-02 season; 'Chorus Line' to lead offerings

Paper Mill Playhouse, the State Theater of New Jersey, under the leadership of Executive Producer Angelo Del Rossi and Artistic Director Robert Johanson, has announced its 64th season of musicals, plays, concerts and family events, which run September through July 2002.

The season opens with the Broadway phenomenon, "A Chorus Line," Sept. 5 through Oct. 14. After a smash hit run at Goodspeed Musicals, Paper Mill will present Tony Award-winner Debbie Gravitte in the new version of Cole Porter's "Red, Hot and Blue," Oct. 24 through Dec. 2. After an acclaimed sold-out run last year, New Jersey Ballet's lavish production of the family favorite, Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker," Dec. 21 through 30, celebrates its 31st year at Paper Mill. Judd Hirsch had such fun performing at Paper Mill in "Ars" last season, he returns to reprise his Tony Award-winning role of the feisty octogenarian Nat in Herb Gardner's "I'm Not Rappaport," Feb. 20 through March 24, 2002. Spring 2002 heralds two great American musicals, Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I," April 3 through May 19, and Lerner and Loewe's "My Fair Lady," June 5 through July 21. Paper Mill will soon announce its surprise third show, which will run from Jan. 9 through Feb. 10, 2002.

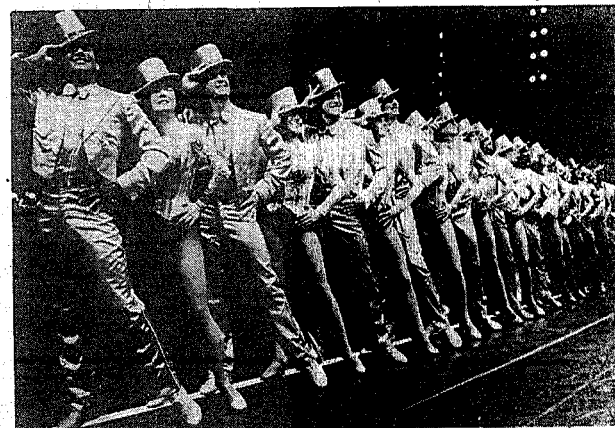
Superstars in concert
Continuing a Paper Mill tradition, the greatest stars from the entertainment industry will appear in concert at the playhouse throughout next season. Back by popular demand is Broadway legend and cabaret sensation Barbara Cook Sept. 25. Broadway's original Tony Award-winner Donna McKechnie recreates her electrifying "A Chorus

Line" dance solo, "The Music and the Mirror" in "Inside the Music" Oct. 2. Remember the songs, "A Horse With No Name" and "Tin Man"? America, one of the great influential groups of the 1970s, will perform Oct. 9.

Talk about a sister act — Broadway sensations Liz Callaway and Ann Hampton Callaway will star in "Sibbling Revelry" Nov. 6. Variety hailed "Sibbling Revelry" as "glorious." Always a sellout is "An Evening of Doo-Wopp" Nov. 13. Her concert is just about sold out; that's no surprise to Linda Eder fans. After a standing room only engagement last season, Eder returns for a "Holiday Concert" for the entire family Dec. 5. New Jersey's own John Pizzarelli makes a long-awaited Paper Mill debut with "The John Pizzarelli Trio and the Big Band Christmas Celebration" Dec. 7. "A Crook Christmas with the Preservation Hall Jazz Band" will be staged Dec. 10. Back by popular demand are "Christie the Ladies" March 19, 2002 and America's favorite funny man, Jackie Mason, for five performances from May 20 to 24, 2002. As the season continues, Paper Mill will be announcing more great superstars in concert.

Special family events
Paper Mill is committed to creating programs and events for the entire family, and the theater said it believes the performing arts are a vital aspect of society and teach the children about humanity.

Based on the top-rated Nickelodeon animated children's series, "Franklin's Big Adventure" is now an hour-long live-action musical. The children can join Franklin, See SEASON, Page B5



The singular sensation that is the cast of 'A Chorus Line' shares what they did for love in the landmark musical, scheduled for Sept. 5 through Oct. 14 at the Paper Mill Playhouse.

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Popular band to 'cruise' into county

The Sensational Soul Cruisers will rock Echo Lake Park in Mountaintide with their top of the line Motown music Wednesday at the seventh free evening concert of the Union County Summer Arts Festival.

"We are pleased to have this extremely popular group back for the eighth year in a row," said Union County Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella. "We can expect a full slate of Motown, disco, rhythm and blues, and classic soul tunes."

The 11-piece band is no stranger to the stage. Along with their consecutive performances in Union County, the Sensational Soul Cruisers have also performed across the country in the finest clubs, theaters and arenas. Members of this dynamic band include Smokey Noble, Kimline Thomas, Linwood Peel, Jerome "J.D." Dean, Joe "Nappy" Martin, Stan Tartas, Jimmy Bevan, Bill Williams, Gary McKeen, Mike Dalena, and "Scream'n Steve" Barlotta. The Sensational Soul Cruisers per-

form the music of the top singers and bands from the 1960s back to the 1990s. Songs may include soulful hits as "If You Don't Know Me By Now," "It's Your Thing," "Love Train," "Treat Her Like a Lady," "Could It Be I'm Falling in Love," and many more.

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders presents the concert free of charge. All the Summer Arts Festival concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Avenue end of Echo Lake Park in Mountaintide. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets are encouraged. There is a refreshment stand available at approximately 6:30 p.m. The rain site for all concerts is Cranford High School on West End Place off Springfield Avenue in Cranford. For up-to-date concert/rain information, call the Department of Parks and Recreation 24-hour hot line at 908-352-8410 after 3 p.m. on the day of the concert.

For other information, or to find out more about Union County recreational activities, call the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4900.



The Arbor Chamber Music Society celebrates 10 years with a musical party for its sponsors at the home of Michel and Marie Mercier in Mountaintide. Joining in the festivities from left, Michel Mercier, violinist Maria Bachman, pianist Lenore Davis, Bruce Adolph, cellist Aleis Garlach, violist Danielle Farina, and Marie-Danielle Mercier. Mrs. Mercier, who is an accomplished organist, is slated to perform in one of Arbor's upcoming season's concerts.



Sensational Soul Cruisers
www.SoulCruisers.com

The Sensational Soul Cruisers will appear in a free concert, sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders in Echo Lake Park Wednesday.

Vendors sought

The Garwood Chamber of Commerce will have its annual Kid's Festival and Street Fair Sept. 9 from noon to 5 p.m. on Center Street, Garwood; raindate is Sept. 16.

The Garwood Chamber of Commerce is seeking quality crafters to participate in the event. Merchandise must be of high quality and made by the crafter, not purchased and resold. A crafter space is 12 by 10 feet; cost is \$50.

Interested crafters can contact Alice Lefebvre at The Crafty Kitchen, 477 North Ave., Garwood, 908-789-0217 for an application form.

Arbor Chamber Society marks 10 years

To celebrate its tenth anniversary, the Arbor Chamber Music Society thanked its sponsors with a champagne supper and a musical treat at the home of members Michel and Marie-Danielle Mercier in Mountaintide recently.

The group was entertained and intrigued by a Mozart Murder Trial, by composer Bruce Adolph, built around Mozart's G-minor piano quartet. Adolph, who is the pre-concert lecturer at Lincoln Center, performed the narrative, while pianist Lenore Davis, who is also Arbor's founder and artistic director, joined violinist Maria Bachman, cellist Aleis Garlach, and violinist Danielle Farina in playing.

The society held its first concert at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit in 1991. In subsequent seasons, concerts were held in various locations in Summit, then Maplewood, and since 1998 in Westfield. The society has grown tremendously, adding special children's concerts, and bringing its featured performers to Westfield High School and to the Youth Orchestra of Essex County to give

Master Classes to students. Arbor also joined with the Westfield Symphony Orchestra in performances last season, and plans to continue this relationship.

The society receives grants from the Frank and Lydia Bergen Foundation, Hayward Industries, Lucent Technologies, Simpson Home Improvement, Chase Manhattan Bank, The Westfield Foundation, and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts through grants administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and by the Essex County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs.

The 2001-02 season's four Westfield concerts will be held in a new location, the Presbyterian Church sanctuary, still on Sundays at 4 p.m. Maplewood concerts will remain in the same location, Saturdays at 8 p.m., in the Burgdorff Cultural Center. To find out about the Arbor Chamber Music Society's 2001-02 season visit www.westfieldnj.com/arbormusic, or call 908-232-1116.

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Located in the Murray Hill Inn in New Providence, Gio's Cucina di Mare is a veritable passport to a four-star Mediterranean restaurant. Specializing in Italian cuisine with an emphasis on seafood, "cucina di mare" translates from Italian to "kitchen of the sea." My dining companion and I began with an appetizer: The fresh mozzarella platter... complete with roasted peppers, sundried tomatoes, and tricolor pasta... was light and flavorful. Our pasta course consisted of fettuccine alla vodka and penne d'agrigento. The vodka sauce was zesty and rich. The agri-gento sauce not found on many menus in this area was a delight, the perfect blend of sundried tomatoes, arugula, fresh fennel and, of course, garlic.

We moved on to our next destination; the main course. And what a main course! I savored the filet mignon and gambardi Montecristo... or, on these shores, filet mignon tenderloins and shrimp, sautéed in a mushroom brandy sauce. The steak was as tender and juicy as the shrimp were plump and succulent, and both were beautifully complemented by the sauce.

My companion enjoyed the misto frutti di mare, a beautifully presented broiled seafood combination featuring shrimp, king crab legs, scallops, baked clams, filet of lemon sole and stuffed shrimp, all floating in a delicate lemon-butter sauce.

For dessert, we sampled the tiramisù... a revelation of flavor... and the raspberry mousse, which was rich and fluffy, served in a chocolate crust. Perfectly complementing the meal were cups of robust espresso and creamy cappuccino.

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• The most lavish "Nutcracker" in New Jersey returns for its 31st holiday season at Paper Mill. New Jersey Ballet's presentation of Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker" is for the entire family and will run for 16 performances from Dec. 21 through 30.

For the second year, Paper Mill Playhouse brings an extraordinary array of flexible subscriptions and membership options to make it easier and more affordable than ever before to enjoy the theater's theatrical offerings. With seven options available this season, there is something for everyone. Call the subscriber hot line at 973-379-3717, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Paper Mill Playhouse 2001-2002 season
 • "A Chorus Line" — Sept. 5 to Oct. 14. Book by James Kirkwood and Nicholas Dante; music by Marvin Hamlisch; lyrics by Edward Kleban. Original direction and choreography staged by original Broadway cast member Bayou Lee; musical direction by Fran Lieberberg.

One of the longest running Broadway musicals, "A Chorus Line" gives an exclusive look backstage at the realities of show-business through the true life stories of dancers, who reveal their hopes, fears and frustrations as they vie for a place in the line. This singular sensation won nine Tony Awards, including Best Musical and Best Book, and for its dazzling choreography and exuberant score, as well as a Pulitzer Prize, and features the instant hit, "What I Did For Love." One of the most exciting and evocative shows, "A Chorus Line" exemplifies the quintessential Broadway musical.

• Cole Porter's "Red, Hot and Blue," Oct. 24 through Dec. 2. Music and lyrics by Cole Porter, book by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse. Directed by Michael Laedke; choreographed by Andy Blankenbuehler; musical direction by Tom Hume. Starring Tony Award-winner Debbie Gravitte and featuring Paper Mill favorites Bruce Adler and Michael Gruber.

Only the amazing Cole Porter would combine cynicism and debauchery, piousness and prison cells in a rollicking romp where the laughter stops only for his red hot hits including "I've Got You Under My Skin," "Ridin' High," "Just One of Those Things," "It's De-Lovely" and "Red, Hot and Blue." A huge hit at Goodspeed Musicals, "Red, Hot and Blue" delivers delicious dances, tons of wit and a truly sexy score. If you loved last season's "Anything Goes," you'll flip for this "new" Cole Porter, Lindsay and Crouse smash.

• To Be Announced, Jan. 9 through Feb. 10, 2002, a third show will be announced soon.
 • "I'm Not Rappaport," Feb. 20 through March 24, 2002. By Herb Gardner. Tony Award-winner, Best Play

and Best Actor. Starring Judd Hirsch. Directed by Daniel Sullivan, 2001 Tony Award-winner, Best Director of a Play for "Proof."

Just when you thought there would never be another joyous, laugh-filled comedy, along comes this delightful Tony Award-winning play with Hirsch in a return to his Tony Award-winning role.

Set in a secluded spot in Manhattan's Central Park, two octogenarians are determined to fight off all attempts to put them out to pasture. Together, they relive their glory years and dream the dreams of younger men again. Time Magazine called "I'm Not Rappaport" "the funniest and most touching play of the season."

• Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I," April 3 through May 19, 2002. Fiftieth anniversary celebration and the Richard Rodgers centennial. Directed by Mark S. Hoebber; musical direction by Tom Helm.

"The King and I" brings to life the compelling saga of the proud yet "barbaric" King and the independent British schoolteacher who tames him. The *New York Times* calls "The King and I" "a beautiful excursion into the rich splendor of the Far East." The songs tumble forth like precious jewels, including "Shall We Dance?," "Hello Young Lovers," "We Kiss in a Shadow," "Getting to Know You," "I Whistle A Happy Tune" and "I Have Dreamed."

• Lerner and Loewe's "My Fair Lady," June 5 through July 21, 2002.

Can English phonetics professor Henry Higgins transform cockney guttersnipe Eliza Doolittle into a refined lady? "On the Street Where You Live," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?" and "I Could Have Danced All Night" are a few of the songs in this beloved musical. From the Embassy Ball to the Ascot Gavotte to the stunning Covent Garden flower market, "My Fair Lady" is a feast for the eyes and ears presented in the grandest Paper Mill style.

Superstars in concert

• Barbara Cook — Back by popular demand. With musical director and pianist Wally Harper. Sept. 25 at 8 p.m. \$50, \$35.

• Donna McKechnie — "Inside the Music." Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. \$35, \$25, \$15.

• America. Oct. 9 at 8 p.m. \$50, \$35.

• Just added — "An Evening of Dou-Wop." Nov. 13 at 8 p.m. \$32, \$42.

• "Sibiling Revelry" with Liz Callaway and Ann Hampton Callaway. Nov. 6 at 8 p.m. \$60, \$45, \$30.

• Linda Eder — "The Holiday Concert." Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. \$75, \$65, \$55.

• The John Pizzarelli Trio and His Big Band in a Holiday Celebration. Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. \$60, \$45, \$35.

• A Creole Christmas — Preservation Hall Jazz Band. Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. \$50, \$38, \$30.

• Just added by popular demand. Get Your Irish Up with Cherish the Ladies. March 19, 2002, at 8 p.m. \$42, \$32.

• Jackie Mason — The Millennium Tour. Five performances only, May 20 to 24, 2002. \$75, \$50, \$40.



Among the concert performers in Paper Mill Playhouse's 2001-02 season are Broadway and cabaret legend Barbara Cook, above, and '70s pop-rock superstars America.

Special Family Events

• "Franklin's Big Adventure" — Dec. 8 and 9 at 2 and 5 p.m. \$12, \$20, \$30.

• "The Nutcracker" — 16 performances, Dec. 21 to 30. \$40, \$36, \$28, \$20.

All titles and dates are subject to change.

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ing professional regional theaters, Paper Mill has presented a cavalcade of stage and screen personalities including Jose Ferrer, Celeste Holm, Joan Blondell, Uta Hagen, Billie Burke, Lillian Gish, Dorothy Gish, Helen Hayes, Basil Rathbone, Eve Arden, Claudette Colbert, Cyril Ritchard, Gloria Stuart, Shelley Winters, Tallulah Bankhead, Liza Minnelli, Rip Torn, Jane Fonda, Van Johnson, Maureen O'Sullivan, Sandy Duncan, Gene Wilder, Betty Buckley, Deborah Gibson, Gene Wilder, Don DeLuise, Vincent Gardenia, Ginger Rogers, Jason Roberts, Betsy Palmer, Jerry Stiller, Anne Mearns, Tony Roberts, Dolores Gray, Kitty Carlisle Hart, Julie Harris, William Shatner, Carol Channing, Ann Miller, Eddie Bracken, Chita Rivera, and the list continues to grow as does the exciting and rich history of the playhouse. Proclaimed the State Theater of New Jersey, Paper Mill has 1,200 seats in its beautifully appointed, air-conditioned, fully accessible, state-of-the-art facility.

Mystic Vision Players to hold auditions

Mystic Vision Players of Linden will conduct auditions for the female version of "The Odd Couple" Sept. 4 and 5 at 7 p.m. at the Linden Presbyterian Church, 1506 Orchard Terrace, at the corner of Harvard Road in Linden.

This hilarious female version by Neil Simon is true to form of the Simon style. Characters include Olive Madison, a disorganized, loud

40-year-old; Florence Unger, another 40-year-old who is an anal-retentive neat-freak; Renee, a funny, outgoing female of any age; Mickey, a police woman of any age; Sylvie, a compulsive smoker of any age; and Vera, who is dim-witted, but very interested in winning the game of Trivial Pursuit the girls play weekly. Vera, also, can be any age. Lastly, the script calls for

two brothers of Spanish nationality. These two are very ethnic and good-natured.

The auditions will include script readings. Show dates are scheduled for Nov. 2, 3, 9 and 10 at 8 p.m. For directions or information, call 908-925-9068. "The Odd Couple" will be directed by Amy Levine.

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HEALTHY LIVING

Chiropractor offers advice to avoid backpack-related strain

By Dr. Michael Baremboym
Correspondent

Chiropractors have long recognized the spinal health hazards of heavy backpack use. Now, research presented at the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation's annual meeting exposes yet another potential danger of heavy backpacks.

They promote falls in students who wear them. Specifically, students who carried packs weighing 25 percent of their body weight exhibited balance problems while performing normal activities such as climbing stairs or opening doors, in turn, upping their risk of falls. In controls, students who carried packs weighing 15 percent of their body weight maintained their balance moderately well. And, those carrying 5 percent of their body weight were most effective at maintaining balance, compared with their

peers who carried more weight.

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, there were more than 12,700 visits to emergency rooms in 1998 for backpack-related injuries to 5- to 18-year-olds. A recent survey of 101 doctors conducted by the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons revealed that 58 percent of the orthopedists polled reported seeing kids with back or shoulder pain related to backpacks. More than 70 percent of the orthopedists surveyed indicated that heavy backpacks can become a clinical problem in school-age children if not enough attention is made to decrease some of the weight being carried in the packs. The survey, and other reports, also indicate that a backpack could cause a clinical problem when the contents weigh 20 percent more than the child's body weight.

In an effort to reduce the backpack

related injuries, we are offering the following suggestions for parents and students. As always, have your child examined regularly by a chiropractor so that any potential spinal or postural problems can be addressed and corrected.

Things to look for when buying a backpack for your child

1. Look for backpacks with wide, padded shoulder straps. Narrow straps dig painfully into shoulders and can hinder circulation, causing numbness or tingling in the arms, which over time may cause weakness in the hands. Padded shoulder straps help absorb the load.
2. Look for backpacks with "S" shaped shoulder straps, which will ergonomically contour to your child's body.
3. Consider the weight of the back-

pack when empty. For example, a canvas backpack will be lighter weight than leather.

4. Look for backpacks with a waist or chest strap. This will help keep the load close to the body and help maintain proper balance.
5. Look for backpacks with a built-in support.
6. Look for backpacks with a lumbar pillow.
7. Make sure the backpack is not too heavy. Students of all ages seem to be carrying heavier loads. Even when worn properly with both straps, leaning forward to compensate for this extra weight can affect the natural curve in the lumbar, or lower back region. Extra weight may cause a rounding of the shoulders and an increased curve in the thoracic, or upper back region. As a result, the student may experience back, shoulder and neck pain. A good rule to follow

is to carry no more than 10 to 15 percent of one's body weight.

8. Consider purchasing a backpack with wheels.

Recommendations for backpack use

1. Wear both shoulder straps. Slinging a backpack over one shoulder causes a person to lean to one side to compensate for the uneven weight, curving the spine. Over time, this can cause lower and upper back pain, strained shoulders and neck, and even functional scoliosis, or curvature of the spine. Teenage girls are especially susceptible to scoliosis.
2. Distribute weight evenly across your back. The more spread out a load is, the less strain it puts on any one part of your body. Load pack so the heaviest items are right next to your back.
3. Snug shoulder straps so the pack

fits close to the upper-part of your back. The further a backpack's load is from your back, the more it pulls you backward and strains muscles between your shoulders.

4. Use the waist belt, and side/chest straps. Keep the load close to your hips. Keeping the pack close to your hips also shifts "work" to your legs.
5. The bottom should rest in the curve of your lower back and the top touch just below the big knob on your neck, the vertebral prominence.
6. Neatly pack your backpack, and try to keep items in place.
7. Try to make frequent trips to your locker, between classes, to replace books.

Dr. Michael Baremboym maintains an Advance Chiropractic Clinic at 57 Brant Avenue, Suite 101, in Clark. For information, call 732-340-1006.

Continued exercise is linked to managing depressive symptoms

By Alison Ashton
Copley News Service

Research has linked aerobic workouts with reducing symptoms of depression in elderly patients, but do the mood-boosting effects last if patients stop exercising?

Scientists at the University of California at San Diego say no. "To reap the beneficial effects of exercise on mood, you have to continue to exercise," says the study's lead author, Donna Kratz-Silverstein Ph.D. "Exercising will not protect against a future depressed mood if you stop the exercise."

Published in recent edition of the American Journal of Epidemiology, the study confirms that exercise lifts spirits, at least during the time frame when exercise takes place. The study followed 944 older residents of a San Diego County community to determine their levels of depression and exercise in the 1980s and again in the '90s.

During the '80s, residents who exercised at least three times a week did not have depressive symptoms. Researchers revisited the study participants in the '90s to compare those who were still exercising with those who had stopped. The exercisers continued to have few or no signs of depression. But those who had stopped working out had levels of depression that matched residents who had never exercised.

Kratz-Silverstein says exercise, not advancing age, was the key to depression in this group. "We also looked at a group of elderly residents who had not exercised in the '80s but who began exercise in the '90s. They had a less depressed mood in the '90s and scores similar to those who were exercising continuously at both points in time."

Contacts for summer fun

Now that summer's here, contact lens wearers — like everyone else — are looking for good ways to beat the heat.

The Contact Lens Council offers some tips to help users get the most out of their summer fun without giving up the convenience of contacts over glasses or more expensive laser surgery.

"Contact lenses and summer seem to be made for each other," says Edward Schilling, executive director of the CLC. "Many people in need of eye care correction have given up dealing with fogging glasses caused by moving from the heat into air conditioning, or the uncomfortable slipping that comes from perspiration build-up." By following these tips, contact lens wearers can get the most out of their summer days and nights.

For people who wear the more expensive specialty contact lenses, Schilling suggest temporarily switching to inexpensive, one-day disposable lenses. "It is easy to lose or forget your lenses while on vacation, or standing in the surf at your favorite beach," he says. "Check with your eye care professional about the suitability of these less expensive lenses as a vacation alternative. While your vision may not be perfect, it will often be good enough for the leisure activities we all enjoy."

Daily disposables offer other advantages to the vacationer and traveler as well. Risk of eye infection increases when wearing contacts in the pool or in other environments where dust and air pollution are present. While these risks can be minimized with regular cleaning and disinfecting, temporary disposable con-

Outback gingivitis

They brought backgammon boards, Bibles, peella pans, lipstick and war paint as luxury items, but none of the contestants of "Survivor — Australian Outback" thought to bring a toothbrush or floss.

Kucha tribe won a cache of toothbrushes and paste in an early reward challenge, but members of Ogakor "hopelessly" scheduled a visit to the dentist when they returned to civilization. Experts warn that weeks without decent oral hygiene, coupled with a loosey denty, will create a heyday for plaque.

"While most people don't have to worry about not being able to brush their teeth for several days, they should understand that plaque, when not removed, can harden to the point it can only be removed during a professional cleaning," says Michael McGuire D.D.S., president of the American Academy of Periodontology. "When people don't floss daily, plaque builds between the teeth, and periodontal disease often begins between teeth where a toothbrush can't reach."

A study in the Journal of Periodontology followed 15 third-year dentistry students, who gave up oral hygiene for three weeks. By the end of 21 days, all of them had signs of gingivitis, including plaque and inflammation.

But enterprising Survivors could have protected their teeth in the Outback. Research on Sudanese people found that those who use Miswak-wood chew sticks had periodontal health comparable to those who used toothbrushes.

Cats and kids

If your children want to adopt a cat, maybe you should agree. There is evi-

dence Kitty could help protect them from developing asthma.

A new study from the University of Virginia Health System, recently published in The Lancet, found that kids with a high exposure to feline allergens — such as living with a cat — developed an immune response to the pets, but did not exhibit symptoms of asthma.

The researchers studied 226 kids age 12 to 14, 47 of whom had asthma symptoms and bronchial hyperactivity, also a sign of asthma. The children had varying degrees of exposure to cats. Many kids had high exposure to cat allergens had increased antibody production but did not wheeze, cough or show other symptoms of asthma.

"The children's response to cat allergens also suggests that this form of tolerance could be a principle goal

of immunotherapy," says study investigator Thomas Platts-Mills M.D.

Feel my pain

Not everyone feels pain the same way, and a new study from the University of Alabama at Birmingham reveals African-Americans and Caucasians have different levels of pain tolerance and sensitivity. In particular, black study participants reported higher levels of chronic pain and greater sensitivity to acute pain than their white counterparts.

In a test for pain tolerance, in which blood flow was restricted to one arm while study subjects performed hand-grip exercises until the pain was intolerable, African-Americans stopped an average of four minutes earlier than whites.

The other part of the study focused on 337 chronic pain sufferers, including 68 African-Americans, who had

completed a pain treatment program. Patients were given tests to determine the impact of chronic pain on their lives, their level of disability and emotional well-being. Blacks, and whites reported comparable levels of emotional distress, but African-Americans had moderately higher levels of perceived pain severity.

Researchers aren't sure what accounts for the racial differences in the way the body reacts to pain, particularly in the levels of natural painkillers, such as endorphins and opioids, released. "It may be that measures of

both experimental pain tolerance and chronic pain severity tap an underlying construct, such as pain sensitivity, which differs across ethnicity," suggests researcher Robert R. Edwards M.A.

The study's findings are interesting, but preliminary, Edwards adds. Future research would have to include more study participants in order to consider various ethnic and cultural subgroups. Also, he notes, the study focused on pain sensitivity and tolerance, but didn't assess how patients coped with pain.

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ACCIDENTAL POISONINGS

It is scary to realize that your child has just ingested something toxic. Of the more than one million children under five who are accidentally poisoned each year, 90% of them occurred at home. The good news is that most poisonings can be successfully treated at home with a call to the local poison control center. Stay calm and gather some information before making the call. Get the name of the ingested product and the amount you suspect the child ate or drank. Look for any signs of ingestion, which can include oozing around the lips or on the tongue, pills still in the mouth, and any unusual behavior. Estimate the time since the ingestion occurred.

Remember alcohol is also a potential poison. It does not take much to cause a severe reaction in a small child. Take care not to leave alcoholic drinks within children's reach. This advice is brought to you by NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE SERVICES, located at 2780 Morris Avenue, Suite 2A in Union. We provide care for children from birth through adolescence. To schedule an appointment, please call 908-687-3300.


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EVENT: Flea Market, Collectible Show, Outdoor. PLACE: Hoffman LaRoche, Nutley, Georgia Pacific Lot on Kingsland Avenue.

SATURDAY August 11th, 2001

EVENT: RUMMAGE SALE. PLACE: St. Leo's Church, (parking lot), 103 Myrtle Avenue, Irvington.

THRIFT SHOPS

TUESDAY-SUNDAY - 2 Weeks. August 7th-19th, 2001. EVENT: The Unity Group Thrift Shop Summer Sale.

RUMMAGE SALE

SUNDAY & MONDAY August 12th & 13th, 2001. EVENT: Annual Giant Rummage Sale. PLACE: Temple Shalony Shalom, 78 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield.

HOROSCOPE

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Mysterious and uncertain best describes your current situation. Don't make any sudden moves until you are sure of your direction.

AUG. 13 TO AUG. 19

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Bill Van Sant, Editor

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 537-2001. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed Ordinance was introduced and adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, New Jersey, held on the 10th day of July, 2001.

AN ORDINANCE READOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 517-2000

AMENDING THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE UNION COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THE TREMLEY POINT MARINE TRANSFER TERMINAL, 600 TREMLEY POINT ROAD, BLOCK 587, LOT 6, IN THE CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY.

PUBLIC NOTICE

A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the Bulletin Board located at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union and a copy is available to any member of the public upon request at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders at 600 Tremley Point Road, Block 587, Lot 6, in the City of Linden, New Jersey.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT A Public Hearing will be held

at 7:00 P.M. on the 10th day of August, 2001, at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, 600 Tremley Point Road, Block 587, Lot 6, in the City of Linden, New Jersey.

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY ARISE. FORMAL ACTIONS MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF ALL OF THE ABOVE MATTERS BY ORDER OF THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS.

WILLIAM M.E. POWERS, JR., CHARTERED ATTORNEY

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT

Under the terms of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975-C:231, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, New Jersey, will hold a Regular Meeting of August 16, 2001.

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Stepping Out

AUDITIONS

MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS in Linden will conduct auditions for the female version of "The Old Couple" by Neil Simon Sept. 4 and 5 at 7 p.m. at the Linden Presbyterian Church, 1506 Orchard Terrace. The leads — Olive and Florence — should be approximately 40 years old. Also being sought are four women and two men of any age. Performances are Nov. 2 to 10. For information, call 908-925-9068.

BOOKS

UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY Book Discussion Group will cover "Cornell's Mandolin" by Louis DeBarnieres Aug. 15 at 7 p.m. Union Public Library is located at 1930 Morris Ave. in Fibiger Park. For information, call 908-851-5450.

BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

JEWISH BOOK LOVERS meets at 7:15 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, the third Monday of each month. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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

AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERESTS meets the second Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

CLASSES

NEW JERSEY WORKSHOP FOR THE ARTS is currently accepting registration for 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 908-789-9698.

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 focus on song selection and interpretation, ensemble work, voice, and musical theater movement and dance. Private lessons in voice and/or acting are available. Westfield High School is located at 728 Westfield Ave. For information, call 908-233-3200.

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

CONCERTS IN THE PARK, sponsored by the Linden Department of Recreation, will run through Aug. 14 at various parks throughout the city.

Tuesday, Wilson Park Jimmy Surr and His Orchestra, rain site at McManis Auditorium.

All concerts begin at 7:15 and, unless otherwise noted, rain site is the Linden High School Gymnasium.

THE SENSATIONAL SOUL CRUISERS will appear in a free concert, sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Fresheners, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Echo Lake Park, Mountaintide. The concert will take place near the Springfield Avenue entrance. For information, call 908-352-8410.

THE TIM GILLIS BAND will appear in a Mayway Show, as part of the Mayor's Summer Concert Series. The free concert will take place at the intersection of West Main and Irving streets, next to the Union County Arts Center. Audience members should bring lawn chairs. In the event of rain, the concert will take place inside UCAC.

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, will present musical performances throughout the summer. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. in the cafe section. For information, including a concert schedule, call 973-376-8544.

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CRAFTS

THE HARVEST QUILTERS of Central New Jersey mail the first Monday of

each month at 7 p.m. at Cozy Corner Grasslands Quilt Shop, Park Avenue in Scotch Plains. The next meeting is Aug. 8. For information, call 908-755-7853.

FESTIVALS

KIDS' FESTIVAL AND STREET FAIR will be sponsored by the Garwood Chamber of Commerce Sept. 9 from noon to 5 p.m. on Center Street in Garwood. The rain date is Sept. 16. Crafters are being sought to participate. For information, call 908-789-0217.

FILM

UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY will present its International Film Festival through Aug. 28. Films are free and are shown at 7 and 9 p.m.

Tuesday, "Hot One Less" Aug. 21 "Kikkujin" Aug. 28 "Yoyogaga" Aug. 29. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave. in Fibiger Park. For information, call 908-851-5450.

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor a series of free film classics at the Main Branch. 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.

KIDS

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield will sponsor events for children Tuesdays and Thursdays, Tales for Tots Preschool Storytime, 11 a.m. and Saturdays, Kids Writing Workshop, 10 a.m.

For information, call 973-376-8544.

UNION RECREATION DEPARTMENT will sponsor weekly ceramics classes for children between the ages of 7 and 12 at the Recreation Building, 1120 Commerce Ave. from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. For information call 908-964-4828.

MUSEUMS

LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM in Union offers several events throughout the summer.

Wednesdays, 2 to 4 p.m.: "Tea Society" on the glass porch, \$20 per person.
Thursdays, 11 a.m. and 1 and 3 p.m.: "A Child's View of History" tours and activities for children 7 to 12 years old.
Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: "A Day in the Life of a Victorian Household"

Sept. 22 and 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: "Apple Harvest Weekend"
Liberty Hall is located at 1003 Morris Ave., Union. Tours are offered Wednesdays to Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with the last tour beginning at 3 p.m. Tour admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children; children younger than 6 are admitted free. For information, call 908-527-0400.

POETRY

POETRY OUT LOUD! will take place at Barnes and Noble in Springfield Friday at 8 p.m. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT takes place the second Sunday of every month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, at 7 p.m.

For information, call 732-574-1818.

RADIO

TRI-COUNTY UNION PARK will meet at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. The group meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays of every month. For information, call 908-241-5758.

SINGLES

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield. Donation is \$25. For information, call 908-889-5265 or 908-889-4751.

THEATER

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE will present "A Chorus Line" Sept. 5 through Oct. 14. Tickets are \$28 to \$59. Paper Mill Playhouse is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call 973-736-4343 or visit www.papermill.org

VARIETY

THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will present Open Mike Night every Tuesday at 8 p.m. and karaoke every Thursday night.

The Back Porch is located at 1505 Main St. in Rahway. For information, call 732-381-6455.
CROSSROADS, 78 North Ave., 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. For information, call 908-232-5668

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

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

HILLOP 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 breakfast from 5 to 6 p.m. Cash is \$25.50 and reservations are required. The Hilllop 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, 1017 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, will present a series of musical events. 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., preceded by 10 minutes of microphone, jazz and blues are featured. Sundays at 8 p.m. Cover charge is \$3 for all Sunday concerts. For information, call 908-810-1844.

THE WAITING ROOM, 1431 Irving St., Rahway, at the corner of Lewis Street, presents Open Mike every Wednesday night. For information, call 732-815-1042.

THE WASHINGTON AVENUE PUB, 704 Washington Ave., Linden, will present Karaoke and the 100-Foot Duo Band every Saturday night. In addition, Thursday is Ladies Night. For information, call 908-925-3707.

WORKSHOPS

DUCRET SCHOOL OF ART in Plainfield is offering summer workshops for adults and children, through August, for all levels of artists from beginners to advanced. Selected offerings are:

- Portraits in Watercolor, a two-day session today and Friday, taught by portrait artist Paul McCormack.
 - Fountain Creations, a six-week class on Monday mornings where students will design and create a working tabletop fountain.
 - The Clay Garden, a four-week class on Tuesday mornings.
- For more information, call 908-757-7171.

REUNIONS

*Rahway High School Class of 1977 is searching for classmates in preparation for the 25th reunion. Members of this class are asked to contact Charlene Rankins-Jackson at 908-491-1543 or Bob Brandon at 732-821-5774.

*Linden High School Classes of 1950 to 1959 will conduct a "50s reunion picnic Aug. 25 from 1 p.m. to dusk at Memorial Park, South Wood Avenue, Linden. Participants are asked to bring their own chairs. For information, call Gail Hudak at 908-862-4272.

*Union High School Class of 1936 will conduct its 65th reunion Sept. 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the Waterview Pavilion, 800 Route 35, Belmar. Cost is \$20 per person and includes gratuity. For information, contact Jack Jordan by email at 38-C Poplar Court, Brielle, 08730; by phone at 732-528-7251; or by e-mail at John831@webtv.net.

*Summit High School Class of 1991 will conduct its 10th reunion

Oct. 5. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.

*Union High School Class of 1951 will conduct its 50th reunion Oct. 6. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.

*Jonathan Dayton High School Class of 1951 will have its 50th reunion at the Somerset Holiday Inn, Somerset, Oct. 6.

The Reunion Committee needs help in locating the following missing classmates:

- From Kenilworth: W. Chapman, M. Chester, A. Ciemiecki, S. Dempsey, D. Easton, K. Golcher, E. Izzo, G. Lacey, J. Lobenthal-Miscione, D. McKenna, A. Rizzi, and N. Roberts.
- From Clark: R. Ehrsman, L. Miller, C. Snavely, and M. Stringham. From Mountaintide: D. Davighi, M. Gonnella, and G. Salvatore-Conn.

From Springfield: L. Berner, P. Bowman, B. Clark, R. Colby, R. Franklin, J. Keller, F. LaFond, V.

Leone, D. McCoy, J. McNeer, R. Powell, J. Preston, C. Redding, L. Rodriguez, J. Ruscansky, J. Showell-Finney.

If anyone can provide a current address or phone number on any of the above or would like more information, call John J. Mozart at 732-477-1577 or send e-mail to bjanzart@netzero.net.

*Rahway High School Class of 1951 will conduct its 50th reunion Oct. 13 at the Woodbridge Sheraton. For information, call Audrey Coleman at 732-388-2089.

*Classmates are being sought from the Class of 1961 from Jonathan Dayton and Governor Livingston regional high schools for their 40th reunion, Oct. 13 at L'Affaire, Route 22 East, Mountaintide. For information, call Beverly Rottstock (Grush) at 908-245-4333 or 800-244-5430; Millie Beurer (Scorsie) at 908-276-8283; or Donna Sayka (Prince) at 973-425-0633.

*Abramam Clark High School,

Roselle, Class of 1951 will conduct its 50th reunion Oct. 26 at Costa's in Roselle Park. For information, call Mary McLeod at 732-381-3584 or send e-mail to achs1951@yahoo.com.

*Union High School Class of 1971 will conduct its 30th reunion Oct. 27. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.

*Roselle Catholic High School Class of 1991 will conduct its 10th reunion Nov. 3 from 8:15 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. at The Westwood in Garwood. For information, or to provide details on classmates, send e-mail to Michelle Mathes at Nuoda@aol.com.

*Westfield High School Class of 1981 will conduct its 20th reunion Nov. 10. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.
*Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1976 will conduct its 25th reunion Thanksgiving Weekend. Classmates are currently being sought. For information, call Nancy Frischman at 908-580-0878 or send

e-mail to murrayco@tdt.net.

*Hillside High School Class of 1981 will conduct its 20th reunion Nov. 23. For information, call Lori Jackson-Williams at 800-342-2848, ext. 461 or Dawn Mayo-Hatchless at 908-398-0975, or e-mail at djimmon05@aol.com.

*Linden High School Class of 1981 will conduct its 20th reunion Nov. 23 at The Westwood in Garwood. Alumni are asked to send mailing addresses to Linden High 1981 Committee, P.O. Box 4425, Metuchen, 08840, or via e-mail to LindenHigh981@aol.com.

*Union High School Class of 1981 will conduct its 20th reunion Nov. 23. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.
*Saint Mary's High School, Elizabeth, Class of 1951 is in the process of forming plans for a 50th reunion in 2001. For information, call Jim Powers at 908-273-8049.
*St. Mary High School, Jersey City, Classes of 1960, '61, '62 and '63

are planning a reunion. For information, call Ken Giordano at 732-549-6600 or 732-946-7075.


*Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1976 will conduct its 25th reunion Nov. 24 in The Sherwood Room at Forest Lodge in Warren. Locations and addresses are needed. For information, call New England Reunions at 877-600-6694 or 800-693-5179.

*Roselle Park Class of 1976 will conduct its 25th reunion Nov. 25. For information, e-mail your name and address to Bob Milici at RP1stward@aol.com or Joanne (Kennedy) Smith at brjho@hotmail.com. For other information, call Milici weekdays at 908-241-5255.

*Summit High School Class of 1982 will conduct its 20th reunion in 2002. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Santos joins team

RE/MAX Action Group Realty in Roselle Park announced that Alex Santos has recently affiliated with its team of real estate professionals.

With two years of experience, Santos will be serving as a sales associate and servicing various locations throughout Union and Middlesex counties. He will be specializing in the listing and sales of residential properties and new construction.

"I noticed the tremendous growth RE/MAX is experiencing as an international company, and I wanted to be a part of the success," said Santos. "I feel I can better serve my clients as a RE/MAX associate, with all the resources and technological services that RE/MAX makes available."

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Santos has been involved in business administration throughout his entire professional career, as well as spending some time in restaurant management. Previously affiliated with Coldwell Banker in Union, Santos attended Coldwell Banker University.

A resident of Hillside, Santos was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and is married with a one-year-old daughter. "I dedicate all of my spare time to spending quality time with my family and helping people in my community in whatever way I can," said Santos. Fishing and scuba diving are two of his favorite pastimes.

Santos can be reached by calling RE/MAX Action Group Realty in Roselle Park at 908-245-9300, Ext. 306.

Sibori is aboard

RE/MAX United in Union announced that Connie Sibori has joined its team of top-notch real estate professionals. Serving as a sales associate and specializing in the listing and sales of residential properties, Sibori will be servicing various locations throughout Union County.

Sibori speaks Portuguese, Spanish and English fluently, which allows her to serve an extremely large segment of the consumer population. "I decided to join RE/MAX because it has much more to offer than other real estate companies," said Sibori. "In addition, all the services and support that RE/MAX provides its associates makes it easier for me to provide buyers and sellers with the highest quality service."

Previously affiliated with Lucky Realty and a social worker for the state of New Jersey's Division of Youth and Family Services, Sibori continues to work with troubled teens. She also dedicates her time to tutoring adults in Spanish and English. She earned an associate's degree in liberal arts from Union County College and is presently working toward a bachelor's degree at Kean University in Union, studying bilingual education and psychology.

Sibori can be reached by calling the RE/MAX United office in Union at 908-851-2523.



Alex Santos



Connie Sibori

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Kathy Gwaldis led the office in listings sold during June. Gwaldis is a member of the 2000 New Jersey Million Dollar Club at the gold level. In addition, she is a member of Weichert's 2000 Million Dollar Sales and Marketed Clubs and Weichert's 2000 President's Club.

Lannie Ohayo led the office in list-

ings, revenue units, and dollar volume during June. Ohayo is a member of the 2000 New Jersey Million Dollar Club at the bronze level and Weichert's 2000 Million Dollar Sales Club.

Romy Galano led the office in sales throughout June. Galano is a member of the 2000 New Jersey Million Dollar Club at the bronze level and Weichert's 2000 Million Dollar Sales Club.

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Mitsubishi's upscale Lancer offers more yin, yang for your yen

By Jerry Garrett
Copy News Service

Appearances can be deceiving. The new Lancer is not a Dodge. It's a Mitsubishi. A special dispensation was needed, however, from its DaimlerChrysler corporate cousin to free up the Lancer name, which appeared

on a line of forgettable Dodge econoboxes years ago. The new small Lancer sedan is also not a Mirage replacement. Really. But when it debuts in August, the Lancer will fill the same space in the showroom that was previously occupied by the vanishing Mirage sedan, but that's beside the point, Mitsubishi claims.

The Lancer will arrive in three trim lines: ES, LS and OZ Rally — but again, don't be deceived. The OZ Rally Edition bears a kissing cousin's resemblance to the hot Lancer Evolution, now on sale in Europe.

That screaming, street-legal homologation of Mitsubishi's four-time World Rally champion is equipped with the Evolution 2.4-liter engine that churns out an unpublished number — rumored to be 300 — of turbo-charged ponies.

But the resemblance is little more than skin-deep. Rather than hot, the OZ Rally edition merely has hot flashes.

"At this point," a Mitsubishi spokesman says wistfully, "the OZ model is an appearance package only."

In America, the OZ trim level gets buyers nifty floor mats, extra slabs of cladding, white-face gauges and 15-inch rally wheels.

A one-third scale, boy-racer spoiler

is available — if you don't mind driving around with a big piece of metal waving at you from the rear view mirror like the trunk lid is open.

At the Lancer's press preview, Mitsubishi also showed off a right-hand-drive Evo VII. When will it arrive? "We can't comment about future product strategies," a company spokesman says.

Take it from us, though: Evo is on the way, probably by the 2003 model year. That, coincidentally, is when the Mirage coupe will join the sedan in Phase-Out Land.

Most likely, Mitsubishi won't yet fess up to an Evo arrival because it doesn't want to spoil the debut of the mainstream Lancer. The Mirage sedan the Lancer is replacing sold about 34,000 units — 26,000 of which were fleet sales — in 1999.

Mitsubishi's modest sales goal for the Lancer? About twice that many. That shouldn't be too difficult to achieve, given Mitsubishi's record-setting sales growth the past couple of years.

Yes, the company is still losing billions. But that's also beside the point. So is everything else that Daimler has Chrysler.

To say Mitsubishi has high hopes for the Lancer in this country — Lancer models have been in Misu-

bushi's overseas lineup since 1973 — would be a gross understatement.

"Lancer is our fourth core product," explains Marcel Millot, manager of product strategy. "We are going to be supporting it accordingly, with multi-million dollar ad and merchandising commitments. Mirage had no support, no commitment."

It also wasn't a very memorable sedan. First of all, Mirage is a subcompact, longer than that — qualifying it as a compact; Honda recently pulled off that "same class-leaping feat by plumping up the Civic.

The Mirage didn't fare too well in crash tests: The Lancer already has passed tough European and Japanese front, side, rear and offset tests. "It's a little tank," an engineer says. "The rally-tested Lancer chassis is much stiffer, beefier and tougher."

And, the Lancer is packed with a lot more yin and yang for your yen. "Think Jetta," says Millot. Mitsubishi shares every compact sedan maker's dream of finding VW's increasingly upscale buyers.

"Lancer is more upscale. We're leaving the lower end of the market to the Koreans and the Domestic," Millot says. "We're going after former Accord and Camry buyers who think those models have become too expensive."

Lancer should be available in ES trim starting at about \$14,000. Bump the price up \$2,000 for the LS, another two grand for the OZ Rally.

If the Evolution ever makes it here, be prepared to spend \$25,000, which is about what competitor Subaru is knocking down for its Impreza WRX rally rocket.

Standard features on the Lancer include a torquey 2.0-liter, 120-horsepower engine, five-speed standard transmission, a tachometer, dual front air bags, eight-way adjustable driver's seat, air conditioning, a CD-playing stereo and a plethora of power amenities. Options include ABS and side air bags.

In a short test drive around the billboard-table flat Bayou backwoods around New Orleans, we found the front-wheel drive Lancer to be extremely capable at turning left and right and steering straight ahead — things most buyers seem to want in today's automobile. Mitsubishi offerings had a reputation for neutral handling and steering accuracy.

It also burped the tires upon take-off, sipped limited amounts of petrol and turned a few heads — thanks to the banana yellow paint scheme on our test car.

Our biggest nipick was an annoying amount of white noise transferred through the rear seat cushion from the rear tires meeting the road. The hiss was in the OZ edition than in the ES, possibly because of slight differences in seating materials.

Overall, though, Lancer looks like another winner for the Diamond Star boys.

Jerry Garrett is a San Diego-based auto writer and a contributing editor to Car and Driver.

2002 Mitsubishi Lancer

On-sale date: August 10. Three trim lines: ES, LS and OZ Rally. Base price: ES, \$14,000; LS, \$16,000; OZ Rally, \$18,000. Prices are estimates and won't be finalized until near the sale date.

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Torque: 130 foot-pounds at 4,250 rpm

Transmission: 5-speed manual (4-speed automatic optional)

Acceleration: 0 to 60 mph, n/a

EPA fuel economy estimates: n/a

Fuel capacity: 13.3 gallons

Front head/leg/shoulder room: 38.8/43.2/54.1 inches

Rear head/leg/shoulder room: 36.7/36.6/53.3 inches

Length: 177.6 inches

Wheelbase: 102.4 inches

Curb weight: 2,640 pounds (OZ, 2,701)

Standard features: Air conditioning, AM-FM-CD stereo, power amenities

Safety features: Dual front air bags, height-adjustable three-point seat belts with pretensioners and force limiters, improved crash zones, side-impact beams (Optional ABS, side impact air bags)

Brakes: Front disc, rear drum

Steering: Power assisted rack and pinion

Suspension: Front Struts, coil springs; Rear: multilink with coil springs

Tires and wheels: 185/65R14 (OZ, 195/60R15)

The competition: Honda Civic, Toyota Corolla, Nissan Sentra, Mazda Protege

Where assembled: Normal, Ill.

Pluses: Economical, quick, sporty

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The Mitsubishi Lancer's back seat has decent head and leg room of 36.7 and 36.6 inches, but there is noticeable road noise transferred through the rear cushion from the tires.

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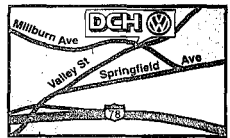
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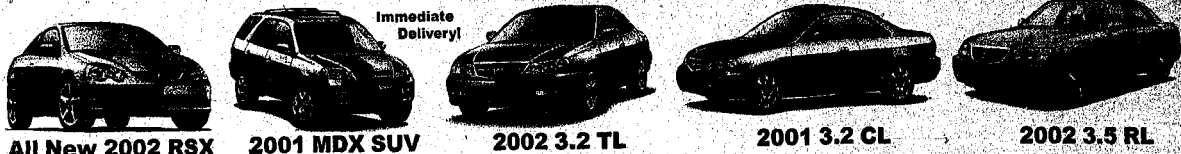
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