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YOUR HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER

IWF Pro Wrestling Fundraiser

EDISON—Take an adrenaline-fueled ride and witness the Independent Wrestling Federation live on Thursday, July 26, 7:45 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Rd., Edison. The event, 'Retribution,' is a fundraiser to benefit JCC Youth Activities. Highlighting the card is special double main event, along with appearances by several local stars.

Former WWF/WCW superstar The Patriot invades Edison in the hopes of claiming gold as he

Local Student On Dean's List

AREA—Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has announced the names of students who made the Institute's dean's list for the spring semester. The dean's list recognizes full-time students who maintain grade-point averages of a minimum of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0 and have no grades below "C."

Shaun R. Humiston of South Amboy, majoring in Electronic Media, Arts & Comm., has made the dean's list.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, founded in 1824, is the nation's oldest technological university. The school offers degrees in engineering, the sciences, information technology, architecture, management, and the humanities and social sciences. Institute programs serve undergraduates, graduate students, and working professionals around the world.

challenges two-time IWF Heavyweight Champion Roman. The Patriot wants revenge against the brash kingpin after Roman turned his back on the fans and aligned himself alongside The Winner's Circle. The Winner's Circle, led by South Plainfield's own Mr. Mike Winner (AKA: Mike Winner, 23, a 1996 graduate of South Plainfield High School), looks to continue its path of destruction throughout the IWF.

In a grudge match with no rules, Kevin Knight takes on 'Debonair' Damian Adams, another Winner protege. Knight is seeking vengeance against Adams for his role in recently costing him the IWF Title to Roman. This is sure to be a wild

affair.

Fun-loving former American Champion Biggie Biggs tangles with rival Hadrian in a Fatal Finish Match, where the first man to execute his finishing maneuver is the victor. During this bout, the turbo-mouthed Winner will be handcuffed at ringside to popular IWF Commissioner and Iselin native AJ Sparxx.

Iselin's Rob Eckos (AKA: Rob Strauss, 17, a 2001 Graduate of JFK High School) will do battle in a Triple Threat Match against Tony Balboa (AKA: Anthony Patanella, 20, Clark, NJ) and Ryan Lockhart with manager Alicia. Also, Josh Daniels faces 'High Profile' Dylan Night with manager Candi, while Rapid Fire Mal-

donado with manager Allison Danger, meets the punishing Dr. Hurtz in a Bullrope Match.

Tickets are \$13 for general admission. Kids 12 and under get tickets for just \$6, and groups of 8 or more persons receive a \$2 discount per ticket. Advance tickets are on sale at the JCC, 1775 Oak Tree Rd., Edison, by calling (732) 494-3232, or on-line via the IWF Web Site at www.WrestlingIWF.com.

This event serves as IWF Fan Appreciation Day, where fans will have a chance to win special door prizes along with other give-a-ways. There will also be an autograph and photo session with the wrestlers, and wrestling souvenirs and memorabilia will be available.

Niemiera Named "Physician Of The Year" At Raritan Bay Medical Center

PERTH AMBOY — Perth Amboy resident Mark Lee Niemiera, MD, has been named 2000 Distinguished Physician of the Year by the Board of Directors of Raritan Bay Medical Center.

The award recognizes Dr. Niemiera for "exceptional service to Raritan Bay Medical Center and for promoting medical staff, administration and Board of Directors solidarity."

During the past year, he has also made a significant contribution to the medical center as

the Chair of the Length of Stay Committee. In addition to his clinical responsibilities, Dr. Niemiera has offered valued support and insight serving as Secretary Treasurer of the Medical Staff, and presently as Vice President of the Medical Staff.

Born in Perth Amboy, Dr. Niemiera has shown his loyalty to his hometown. He currently resides in Perth Amboy, his practice is in the same town and he limits his practice to Raritan Bay Medical Center.

"An honored legacy long

preceded my arrival at Raritan Bay Medical Center and while I endeavor to perpetuate that legacy, I am duly humbled by this recognition. Under the leadership of our Board and Mr. Keith McLaughlin and the medical directorship of Dr. John Middleton, Raritan Bay Medical Center has transformed itself into a state-of-the-art health care facility for Central New Jersey. It has, and continues to be an honor to be part of that process," shared Dr. Niemiera.

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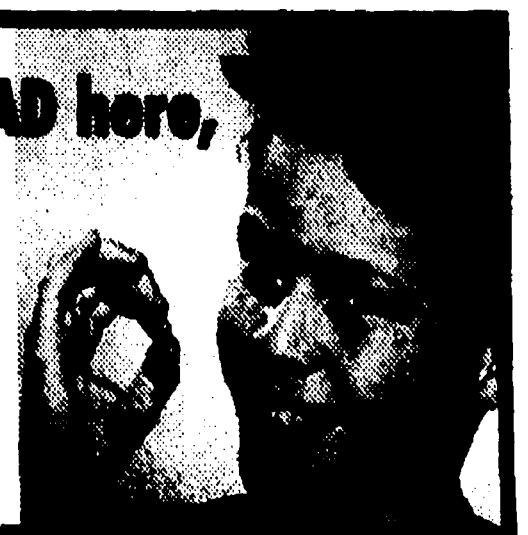
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YOUR COUNTY NEWS

Dennis G. Sullivan Named President Of Middlesex Water Company

MIDDLESEX COUNTY — Dennis G. Sullivan has been named President and Chief Operating Officer of Middlesex Water Company, an Iselin-based investor owned water utility. J. Richard Tompkins will continue to oversee daily activities of the Company as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer.

Sullivan, 59, joined Middlesex Water in 1984 as Corporate Attorney. He was elected Assistant Secretary-Assistant Treasurer in 1988 and Vice President-

General Counsel in 1990. He was elected to the Company's Board of Directors in 1999 and was named Senior Vice President and General Counsel in 2000. Sullivan is an Officer and Director for several of the Company's subsidiary operations including Tidewater Utilities, Inc. in Delaware, and Utility Service Affiliates, Inc. Prior to joining Middlesex Water, he was employed in private law practice as an attorney in Garden City, N.Y.

He received his J.D. from St. John's

University School of Law in 1980 and is licensed in New York and New Jersey. He is active in numerous industry associations including the Public Utility Law Section, New Jersey State Bar Association and the New Jersey Utilities Association. He serves on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Water Companies. Sullivan is a resident of Freehold.

Middlesex Water Company, founded in 1897, supplies water service for domestic, commercial, industrial and fire

protection purposes. The investor-owned utility has several wholly-owned subsidiaries including Tidewater Utilities, Inc. in Delaware; Pinelands Water Company and Pinelands Wastewater Company in Southampton Township, NJ; Utility Service Affiliates, Inc., a contract operations subsidiary, and Bayview Water Company in Cumberland County. Another subsidiary, Utility Service Affiliates (Perth Amboy), Inc., created in 1999, operates the water and wastewater utilities for the City of Perth Amboy.

BASF And Chamber Sponsor Energy Forum

MIDDLESEX COUNTY — "Don't Get Caught With Your Power Down." The "New" Energy Crisis" is the topic of the upcoming Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce Technology Council program to be held July 16.

Hosted by BASF's South Brunswick site located on Cranbury Road, the program will begin with a continental breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and conclude at approximately 10:30 a.m.

"High raw material and energy costs are major concerns for both businesses and individuals," said BASF South Brunswick Site Manager Bill Gossett. "BASF is pleased to join with the Chamber's Industrial Technology Council to sponsor this energy forum which will focus on various aspects of energy conservation and efficiency."

The keynote speaker for the

event will be United States Senator Jon Corzine. Following his presentation, a panel of experts will address questions such as: On Site Power, Can It Work For You?; How To Survive The Permitting Process; Conservation, Savings and Rebates—Get Your Share Of The Dollars; How To Make Your Facility More Energy Efficient.

Panelists include: Jim Ratschin of High Energy Electric Testing, Inc., moderator; Rich Bernhardt of John Winston Engineers & Consultants, Rich Erickson of PMK Group and Laurie Wiegard of eENERGY-Solve.

There is no charge to attend but space is limited! Call (732) 821-1700 for more information and directions. Register on line at <http://www.mcrcc.org>.

Free Concerts

MIDDLESEX COUNTY — The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Department of Parks and Recreation will present a series of free concerts on Sunday, July 15.

The first concert will be at Johnson Park, River Road, Piscataway from 3-4:30 p.m. featuring Ed Szymborski and "Just Us."

The second concert will be at Warren Park, Florida Grove Rd., Woodbridge from 6-7:30 p.m. featuring Nick Novicky

and the Verstyles Polka Band.

The final concert will be at Spring Lake Park, Maple Avenue, South Plainfield from 6:30-8 p.m. featuring Big Band Express (Pat Mash, Leader).

On Wednesday, July 18, there will be a second day of concerts. The first, at Thompson Park, Forsgate Dr., Jamesburg, from 2-3:30 p.m. will feature the Garden State Symphonic Band (28 pieces); and at Raritan Bay Waterfront Park, O'Leary Blvd., South

Amboy from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (rain or shine), will feature (The Big Bands of) Walt Wagner and the Serenaders (from Wilmington, DE).

In the event of rain, concerts will be held in the South Amboy Middle School auditorium. Concerts at Johnson, Spring Lake, Thompson and Warren Parks are co-sponsored by Local #204-373 and Local 746 American Federation of Musicians and the Music Performance Trust Fund.

Give A Child A Break This Summer

MIDDLESEX COUNTY — Since 1877, more than 1.7 million disadvantaged New York City children have experienced free summer vacations in suburban and small town communities. The Fresh Air Fund is seeking more families in Middlesex County to give inner-city children a two-week vacation this summer. You can help give a child a break from the heat and noise of the crowded city streets by volunteering to become a Fresh Air host this summer.

This summer, The Fund needs

more host families to carry on its 125-year summertime tradition of sharing the joys of suburban and small town life; picking berries straight from the vine, tasting honeysuckle for the first time, or walking barefoot through a grassy meadow. The friendships that develop between hosts and their Fresh Air visitors often last a lifetime.

There are no financial requirements for hosting a Fresh Air child. Hosts can select the gender and approximate age of their visitor. First-time visitors are six to 12

years old, and reinvented youngsters may participate in the Friendly Town program through age 18. In 2001, The Fund celebrates its 125th Anniversary of serving children with a wide variety of special events and volunteer opportunities.

To learn more about hosting a Fresh Air child this summer, contact Beth Sears at (732) 297-8487, or call The Fresh Air Fund at (800) 367-0003. You can also visit The Fund's web site at <http://www.freshair.org>.

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Fast Track Networking
Group Meets

MIDDLESEX COUNTY — The Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce announces the monthly "Fast Track Networking Group" meeting on Friday, July 20 at 8 a.m.

The group is open to members of the Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce who wish to expand their business networks, develop leads and share needs. The group meets the third Friday of the month. Admission is free for chamber members.

For reservations or information, contact the Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce at (732) 821-1700 or visit www.mcrcc.org.

YOUR LOCAL NEWS

D'Agnes Embraces New Role As President Of Raritan Bay Medical Center

PERTH AMBOY—Raritan Bay Medical Center entered a new era of leadership on July 1 as Michael R. D'Agnes began his new role as President and Chief Executive Officer of the two-hospital system.

The Board of Directors appointed D'Agnes after Keith H. McLaughlin announced his retirement last month. McLaughlin's term spanned 29 years at Raritan Bay Medical Center, the past 20 years as president and chief executive officer.

"The Medical Center has reached many great accomplishments and has enormous potential for new endeavors. I look forward to the creation of a roadmap for the future of Raritan Bay Medical Center and its role in providing excellent care to our community members," shared D'Agnes. "I will continue to foster the good name and reputation of this terrific organization."

D'Agnes was hired as the Executive Vice President of Raritan Bay Medical Center in November 2000. He holds 23 years of executive level experience in the health care field. His leadership has been demonstrated as the immediate past President and CEO at Bayonne Health Care System, which includes the 299 bed Bayonne Hospital and through a variety of financial and administrative capacities at Jersey Shore Medical Center and the Medical Center in Princeton.

An East Brunswick resident, D'Agnes brings his expertise and leadership close to home. "Raritan Bay Medical Center offers a very unique environment, operating two distinct facilities within Middlesex County," noted D'Agnes. "The culture of the organization and strong sense of family bonds



Michael R. D'Agnes

our facilities and extends into the community."

D'Agnes' background is firmly rooted in accounting and business administration and its application in the health care arena. He received his BBA degree from Hofstra University in 1969 and an MBA from Rider University in 1982. He is a diplomate in the American College of Healthcare Executives, a board member of the New Jersey Hospital Association, a board member and Treasurer of QualCare Inc., Chairman of the Board of St. Ann's Nursing Home in Jersey City and an advanced member of the New Jersey Chapter of the Hospital Financial Management Association.

Through its Perth Amboy and Old Bridge divisions, Raritan Bay Medical Center provides quality and compassionate health care to residents of Central New Jersey. The medical center offers a total of 501 beds, a medical staff of 500 physicians and a professional nursing and service staff of more than 2,000 who render medical-surgical, maternity, pediatric, general and critical care, as well as emergency services.

Area Student To Participate In State Internship Program

EDISON—Lauren Vas of Edison has been selected to participate this summer in an acclaimed 10 week paid state internship for Latino scholars offered by the Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development (CHPRD) in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA). A student at Rutgers University, Newark, Vas will be working at the FOCUS, Hispanic Center for Community Development, Inc., in the Project LEARN Summer Program.

Vas is one of 34 college students selected for this summer's internship program. Since 1988, the CHPRD has sponsored the Hispanic Interns in Community Service Program, which places Hispanic college students in job sites within state government

and public and private sectors. In 1991, in partnership with Rutgers University's Center for Strategic Urban Community Leadership, CHPRD added the Latino Leaders Fellowship Institute. The Fellowship Institute is an intensive training seminar that exposes students to conflict resolution techniques, good leadership qualities, and other skills necessary to succeed in the corporate world. It enables the interns to apply what they have learned at the training sessions to their respective job placements.

"Thanks to the support of the public and private sponsors and the hard work of the CHPRD and its director, Angie Armand, these students are enjoying a wide variety of work experiences and developing the skills

that they need to become tomorrow's Hispanic leaders," said DCA Commissioner Jane M. Kenny.

Interns were selected based on their overall grade point averages, demonstrated commitment to community service and leadership potential and an interview by the Review Committee.

The Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development in this state Department of Community Affairs was established to empower the state's Latino community through the process of inclusion. The Hispanic Interns in Community Service Program is one of the various programs in which the CHPRD takes part.

Problem, Solved!

WOODBIDGE—The Woodbridge High School Future Problem Solving Team proved again that they can compete on a national level. The Senior Division team consisting of Aditya Dighe, Michele Mudrak, Nina Jacob and Stephen Paskovich placed 10th in a field of 53 championship teams.

At the International Future Problem Solving Conference, held at the University of Georgia, Athens, June 7-10, these students tested their skills against winning teams from 48 other states, Australia, Canada, Chile, Malasia and New Zealand.

The Senior Division Alternate, David Cho, placed first. The Senior Individual, Ann Marie McDonald, also placed 10th. The students were faced with problems relating to Global Interdependence.

Avenel Middle School Relives Bombing Of Pearl Harbor

AVENEL—On Monday, June 18, Avenel Middle School students, Linda Pedro and Christianne Supan, presented an inter-active display of the *Bombing of Pearl Harbor*. The information for the student-generated project was gathered from traditional resources as well as from information provided by Angelo Manna, Commander of the Colonia VFW Post 6061. Earlier in the school years, Manno provided key information on World War II in the Pacific to the student-body during a two-hour program.

Roles were reversed as students Linda Pedro and Christianne Supan presented their in-depth research to Manno and their classmates. The students' presentation was previewed by

Robert McLaughlin, principal and Social Studies teacher Joseph Short. "The quality of Linda's and Christianne's project was so outstanding that we just had to invite Manno back to show him the impact he made on our students," stated McLaughlin. "The students put in a great deal of time and effort into this project."

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YOUR AREA & STATE NEWS

Firefighters Name Senator 'Legislator Of The Year'

STATE—The Professional Firefighters Association of New Jersey AFL-CIO gathered in Atlantic City recently for the signing of Senate Bill 1180, the "Police and Firemen's Retirement System (P.F.R.S.) Widow's Pension Extension Act." They also presented Senator Joseph F. Vitale (D-Middlesex) with their Legislator of the Year award.

Senator Vitale was honored for his work on behalf of the survivors of police and professional firefighters and their families through his sponsorship and support of S-1180, which provides enhanced benefits to survivors of certain P.F.R.S. members.

"I am honored to receive this award," said Senator Vitale. "It is a tangible symbol of the efforts put forth by everyone involved in the passage of this law; not just the legislators, but the families of police and firefighters throughout New Jersey who have been effected by this legislation."

S-1180 provides enhanced benefits to survivors of active P.F.R.S. members with at least 25 years of service so that they receive the same benefits as survivors of P.F.R.S. retirees.

Previously, a beneficiary of P.F.R.S. member who died in active service did not receive the benefits they would have had the P.F.R.S. member passed away during retirement.

"This bill allows the families of hardworking men and women to collect their pension if their loved one dies while still on active duty," said Senator Vitale. "These brave men and women risk their lives on a daily basis to protect us, the least we can do is provide their families with a measure of comfort rather than withholding their rightful benefits based on a technicality."

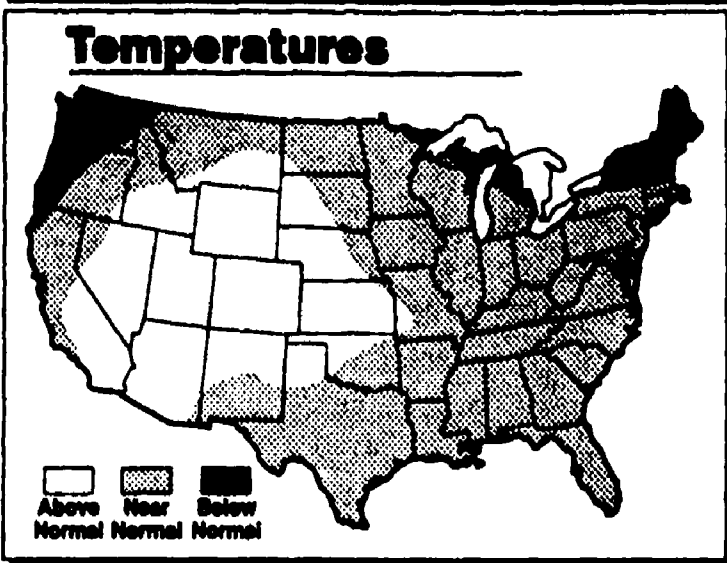
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LOCAL 7-DAY FORECAST

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
							
Sunshine; breezy later on.	Mostly clear.	Mostly sunny.	A good deal of sunshine.	Sunshine; warm and humid.	Warm with partial sun.	Partly sunny and warm.	Warm with clouds and sun.
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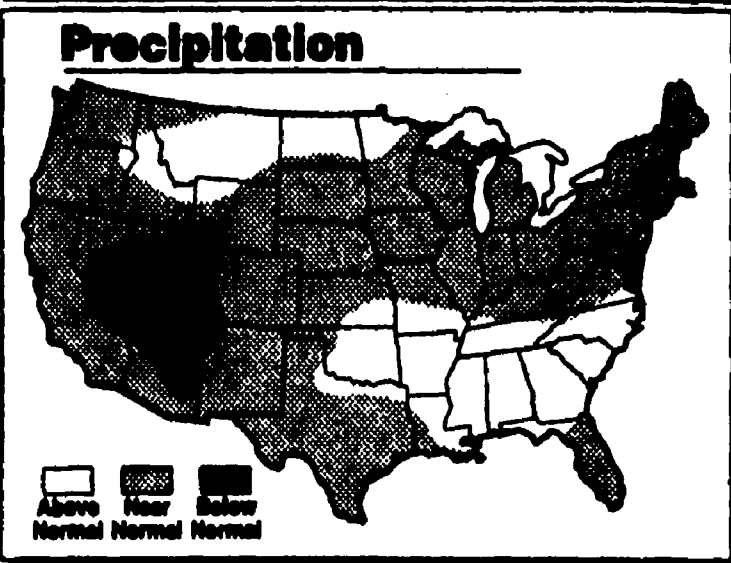
THE WEEK AHEAD...



NATIONAL SUMMARY

Showers and thunderstorms will be common across the Southeast, Gulf Coast and southern Plains during the period. Warm weather will dominate the Southwest, Rocky Mountains and Plains. Temperatures may average 10 to 15 degrees above normal across the regions. Elsewhere, cool weather is expected across New England and the northern Great Lakes.

THE WEEK AHEAD...



U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Atlanta	90 71 pc	87 73 pc	83 69 t	81 72 sh
Boston	78 58 pc	78 62 s	80 64 pc	84 63 s
Chicago	78 60 s	82 64 pc	81 65 s	84 60 pc
Cleveland	76 56 s	78 58 s	78 64 s	82 82 s
Denver	85 58 pc	88 60 s	85 60 pc	85 63 pc
Des Moines	80 63 pc	84 58 pc	78 64 s	83 60 s
Detroit	78 54 s	80 62 s	82 64 s	82 60 s
Houston	94 76 s	92 74 pc	92 74 s	92 74 pc
Indianapolis	81 59 s	79 60 s	81 65 s	84 63 s
Kansas City	90 70 c	88 66 pc	88 68 s	90 66 s
Los Angeles	84 66 pc	86 68 s	86 66 s	86 66 s
Miami	93 80 sh	92 78 pc	90 78 pc	91 77 pc
Minn.- St. Paul	78 60 pc	80 62 pc	84 66 t	82 64 t
New Orleans	92 78 pc	92 78 t	92 76 s	94 74 pc
New York City	78 62 pc	78 62 s	80 64 s	86 66 s
Omaha	86 64 c	88 64 pc	88 64 pc	88 64 s
Phoenix	105 84 pc	108 84 pc	107 84 pc	106 73 pc
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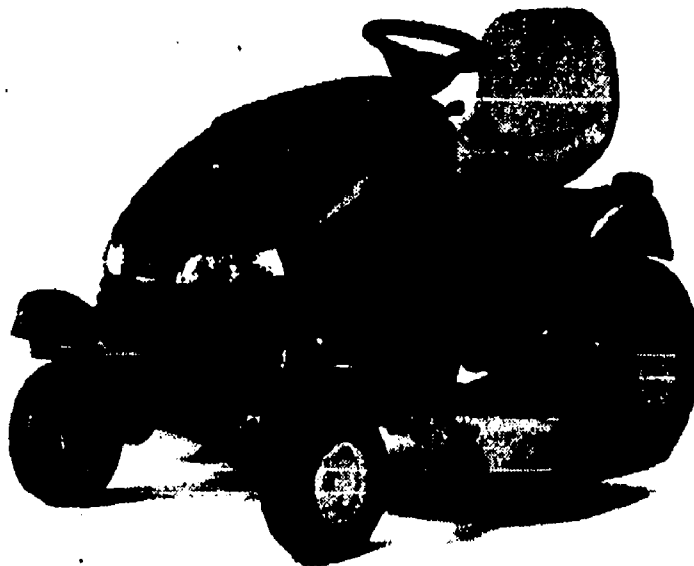
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Moonrise		Moonset	
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Fri.	12:30 a.m.	1:04 p.m.	
Moon Phases			
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July 13	July 27	Aug 4	
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WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

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Berlin	65 53 c	64 51 c	65 50 sh	68 56 pc
Buenos Aires	54 48 pc	57 50 c	55 48 c	58 47 c
Cairo	101 69 s	100 70 s	101 70 s	98 70 s
Jerusalem	87 60 s	86 60 s	87 60 s	87 60 s
Johannesburg	65 41 pc	63 42 pc	66 41 c	61 39 pc
London	64 49 pc	61 52 c	60 47 sh	61 49 r
Madrid	95 57 pc	92 56 pc	77 57 c	80 51 c
Mexico City	75 53 c	74 55 r	72 54 r	75 56 sh
Moscow	80 66 c	74 60 r	80 61 pc	83 63 s
Paris	61 43 pc	60 47 c	61 44 c	64 47 c
Rio de Janeiro	75 66 r	72 58 c	70 57 pc	71 59 pc
Rome	82 60 s	81 60 pc	80 63 pc	81 67 pc
San Juan	89 77 c	89 76 pc	88 76 pc	89 76 pc
Seoul	84 74 r	90 74 pc	90 73 s	88 72 s
Sydney	60 51 sh	63 47 c	57 41 pc	58 42 pc
Tokyo	86 77 pc	85 78 c	86 77 r	85 73 pc
Toronto	60 43 c	66 46 pc	69 52 pc	76 59 pc
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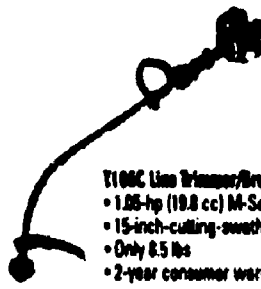
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YOUR LOCAL NEWS

Area Student Graduates From Bryn Mawr College

WOODBIDGE—Elissa G. Underwood from Colonia was one of the 432 students who took part in Bryn Mawr College's 116th commencement exercises on May 20.

Elissa G., daughter of Linda Underwood was awarded a bachelor of arts degree *magna cum laude* in Growth & Structure of Cities. She is a graduate of Colonia High School.

Bryn Mawr College President Nancy J. Vickers gave remarks and conferred the following degrees: 311 bachelor of arts degrees; 32 master of arts degrees; 47 master of social service degrees; 21 master of law and social policy degrees; 4 doctor of philosophy degrees in social work and 17 doctor of philosophy degrees in arts and sciences.

Knights Of Columbus Installs Officers

SAYREVILLE—The new officers of The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Victory Council 2061, Sayreville, will be installed on Saturday, July 21, in a special ceremony held during a 6:30 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Victories Church, Sayreville. A dinner in their honor will follow.

The officers for the 2001-02 Columbian Year are Chaplain Very Reverend Terrance Lawler; Grand Knight James Morey; Deputy Grand Knight Anthony Gerbino; Chancellor Kevin Kosobucki; Financial Secretary Daniel (Chuck) Czernikowski PGK, PFN; Treasurer Edward Tauber; Recorder Jeff Brophy; Trustees Fred Morrow PGK, James Poltrictzky PGK, John Schnitzer PGK; Advocate James Bowes; Warden Anthony Moskal; Inside Guard Brian Earls and Outside Guard Joseph T. Halmi. Officers serve for the Columbian Year, July 2001 through June 2002.

All are invited to attend the celebratory dinner after the church ceremony in the council home, Washington Road in the Parlin section of Sayreville; the cost is \$30 per person and includes a complete meal, open bar with music and dancing. Call (732) 257-2061 for more details and reservations. Please leave a message if you reach Knights voice mail.

A "Grand" Day, Indeed

WOODBIDGE—On June 15, Oak Ridge Heights School #21 opened their doors for the 2nd Annual Grandparents Day program.

Miss Zellner and Miss Trask, both kindergarten teachers, presented the attendees with the days' itinerary. Children joined their grandparents side by side. The remaining children were then introduced to their surrogate grandparents and everyone gathered together to work on patch blankets.

Later, refreshments were served and the children sang songs which turned out to be the highlight of the day for adults present.

This program was made possible by a grant from the Board of Education, Mr. D'Orsi and his staff and the 53 grandparents who attended the morning and afternoon sessions, 11 of whom were surrogate grandparents and members of Senior Citizen's Club of Colonia.



SURROGATE GRANDMOTHERS—From (L.) Betty Donnelly who has 24 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren to love; and (R.) Gladys Matusko who has 7 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren of her own.

Military Briefs...

Larrea Reports For Duty

PERTH AMBOY—Marine Corps Pfc. Winder B. Larrea, son of Tula V. Viteri of New Brunswick and Manuel A. Larrea of Perth Amboy, recently reported for duty with Headquarters Battalion 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Larrea is a 2000 graduate of New Brunswick High School and joined the Marine Corps in June 2000.

Fulton Graduates Combat Engineer Course

EDISON—Marine Corps Pfc. Edward K. Fulton, Jr., son of Mary E. Fulton of Fords and Edward K. Fulton Sr. of Edison, recently graduated from the Marine Corps Basic Combat Engineer Course at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the five-week course, Fulton received instruction on the fundamentals of engineering support for combat units, including the procedures for building and repairing bridges, roads and field fortifications. Fulton also received training on demolition concepts, land mine warfare and camouflage techniques.

Fulton will accompany Marine Infantry forces to build roads, set up camps and fortify living areas.

He is a 1997 graduate of Metuchen High School and joined the Marine Corps in August 2000.

Morel Joins Marine Corps

PERTH AMBOY—Marine Corps Pvt. Starlyn L. Morel, son of Alma Dominquez of Perth Amboy, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Morel successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

In addition to the physical conditioning program, Morel spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning: first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training.

He also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage and commitment and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Morel is a 2000 graduate of Perth Amboy High School.

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AREA — Still have to file your 2000 income tax return? Consider using IRS e-file instead of filing a paper return. IRS e-file is easier and more convenient than ever before. It is the fastest, most accurate way to file your tax return. IRS e-file is available until October 15, 2001, for filing your 2000 income tax return.

"IRS e-file continues to offer the benefits of a more accurate return, electronic confirmation of receipt of your return by the

IRS within 48 hours, faster refund, and convenient payment options," said Gregg Semanick, IRS spokesperson in New Jersey. "Your chance of receiving an error notice is reduced."

IRS e-file is more accurate with a less than 1% error rate."

You have two ways to file electronically. First, you can use tax preparation software on your own home computer and you can file 24 hours a day, seven days a week from the comfort of your home. Second,

you can have your return prepared or transmitted by a tax professional who offers electronic filing. You can also simultaneously e-file your New Jersey state income tax return. It doesn't get more convenient.

Remember that individuals who have not yet filed a tax return for 2000 will not get an advance payment check until the IRS processes that return. While it is still available, go paperless and use IRS e-file to file your 2000 tax return.

The IRS does not offer free e-file software or direct filing. If you want to e-file your own return, visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov and click on "Electronic Services" and then on "IRS e-file Partners Page - For Individual Taxpayers" for a listing of companies, tested and approved by the IRS, that offer taxpayers affordable, convenient, user friendly e-file options. If you'd rather have your 2000 tax return prepared by an Authorized IRS e-file Provider in your area contact the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 or if you have Internet access, visit the IRS

website at www.irs.gov and click on "Electronic Services" and then "IRS e-file for Individual Taxpayers." Under "IRS e-file Resources" fill in your zip code for a listing of tax professionals or firms in your local area who have been accepted into the IRS electronic filing program.

Either way you choose, "kick the paper habit" and use IRS e-file to file your 2000 income tax return. Remember that IRS e-file is only available until October 15, 2001, for filing your 2000 income tax return.

New Housing Law To Benefit Senior Homeowners

AREA — New legislation was recently passed that will have a great impact on senior homeowners with respect to the reverse mortgage industry. Shortly before leaving office, former President Bill Clinton signed into law a federal housing bill that makes certain changes to the federal reverse mortgage program. This new law, called the "American Homeownership and Economic

Opportunity Act," provides senior homeowners the opportunity to utilize a greater portion of their reverse mortgage proceeds when purchasing Long-Term Care Insurance or when refinancing their existing reverse mortgage. In the near future, HUD will be releasing clarifications as to how all reverse mortgage lenders should carry out the wording of this new legislation.

The new law specifically states that reverse mortgage borrowers will now have the option to waive the up-front premiums that are paid for Mortgage Insurance if the loan proceeds are used to purchase qualified Long-Term Care insurance plans. During the sale of the property, if the home value is lower than the amount owed, the Mortgage Insurance Premium, or MIP, which is charged by the Federal Housing Administration, is used to offset any difference in values thus protecting both the borrower and the lender.

When refinancing, current reverse mortgage borrowers will have the opportunity to take advantage of the previously described MIP waiver, yielding even higher monetary results than before. The legislation also waives the required third party counseling when refinancing if the homeowner has received counseling within the last five years. This free counseling ses-

sion is required of all new reverse mortgage borrowers. In addition, HUD will also establish procedures to help homeowners determine whether or not a refinance is the right option for their situation.

Reverse mortgages are considered a versatile retirement planning tool that empowers seniors to have greater control over their current financial situation, and their lives. Senior homeowners who are at least 62 years of age can qualify for this program. It is a loan that is primarily based upon the age of the borrower(s), home value and current interest rates. Proceeds are paid either as a lump sum, received in monthly installments, placed into a line of credit (line of credit option not available in Texas), or a combination of these options.

Monthly installments can be received for as long as the borrower lives in the home or for a fixed period. There is no repayment required of any kind until

the home is sold or the borrower(s) permanently move from the residence. To increase senior access to the loan, there is no income or credit qualifications required when qualifying for this loan. The proceeds can be used in any manner the borrower wishes but are most often used to make home repairs or supplement income.

According to statistics collected by the industry, more than 50,000 reverse mortgage loans have been originated to date. Currently there are three reverse mortgage programs available: the FHA Insured Home Equity Conversion Mortgage, or "HECM," the Fannie Mae Home Keeper reverse mortgage and jumbo reverse mortgages available from Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation of Irvine, CA.

Several independent agencies provide free information on the reverse mortgage. They are: AARP (800) 209-8085 / www.aarp.org/revmort or the National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association (NRMLA) (202) 939-1760 / www.reversemortgage.org and Fannie Mae's Office of Public Information at 1-800-7FANNIE (1-800-732-6643). You can also receive general information on this program via the Internet by visiting www.reversemortgage.com.



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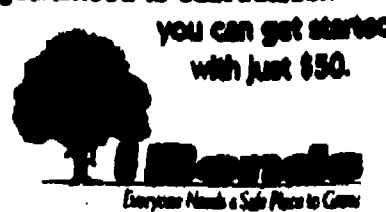
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POPCORN "A.I."

Not Quite The Real Thing



By Michael S. Goldberger

One Popcorn, Poor • Two Popcorns, Fair • Three Popcorns, Good • Four Popcorns, Excellent



It's difficult to succeed when you venture the impossible. But you've got to give Steven Spielberg credit for trying anyway. With "A.I." (Artificial Intelligence) he attempts to discover not only the secret of life, but the essence of love as well. Gee. Either one of those would be hard enough. Yet when he comes up short, we are disappointed. Had it worked out, we'd all owe Mr. Spielberg big time. But as it stands, we are only in the director's debt for a spiffy retelling of Carlo Collodi's "Pinocchio." Granted, it's a grand, sci-fi recounting of the famed fable, but alas, "Pinocchio" just the same.

Nevertheless, this is the work of a master craftsman with a storied vision, even if that vision is overly derivational this go-round. Though only just above average by Spielberg standards, "A.I." is still quite a vibrant and intriguing entertainment until about the 7th inning stretch, when it begins to search in vain for answers to all the great questions it has asked.

But holding matters together even past the film's noticeable fault lines and supplying the effort with an originality all his own is Haley Joel Osment. He's David, the little boy robot purchased by Monica (Frances O'Connor) and Henry Swinton (Sam Robards) to assuage the pain and loneliness incurred when tragedy befalls their real live son. With his stunning performance here, Master Osment proves that he's the most natural child actor since Shirley Temple.

Set in the not too distant future that Kubrick was so fond of painting, where things are so much the same and yet so very different, technology tries to compensate for Mother Nature's unsympathetic whims. The polar ice caps have begun to melt and, because of its pre-

carious location, New York is half covered with water. But all is not lost. In one of the film's more subtle ironies, things seem to be just fine in nearby New Jersey.

That's where David was created. A prototype, he's a new kind of mecca (mechanical life) designed to fill a specific demand. And, sad to note, that need is a far more pertinent indication of this civilization's faltering condition than a few melting icebergs.

You see, David is the first robot designed to love. Just utter seven words in a certain sequence and he's imprinted for eternity. And so that's just what Monica

Swinton does.....just a few short months before she finds out that her son Martin has made a miraculous recovery. Upon the human child's return home, he and David add a whole new dimension to the notion of sibling rivalry. Of course the robot kid gets the short end of the stick. He's ditched in the woods with no more courtesy or ceremony than is accorded an unwanted cur.

Just as it took French social historian Alexis de Tocqueville to make poignant observations about the American character, it is the film's neatly turned thesis that outsider David can tell us something about human love. And in several ways he does.

Combining sci-fi speculation about the world to come with an archival smattering of fairy tale sentiment, Spielberg launches David on his odyssey in search of requited love. Which means trying to stay clear of the futuristic salvage guys who would do robots harm. Reminding of something you'd expect in a Star Wars episode, if these bounty hunters have it their way they'll pull David apart and sell him for scrap. Or, worse yet, they'll peddle him at the "flesh fair," a robotic version of the cruel contests held back in the gladiator days. But no matter. Remember, David's imprinted. The little guy has it in his artificial mind that the Blue Fairy will cast a spell and get his Mom to love him. Nothing else matters. But where is she? Fellow robot Gigolo Joe says Dr. Know in Rouge City knows. We're surprised he stops short of recommending the Wizard of Oz.

By this time, it becomes obvious that Ian Watson's screenplay based on a short story by Brian Aldiss has already seen its finest moments. And aside from Jude Law's late but nonetheless great stint as Gigolo Joe, David's traveling companion whose name says it all, the real inspiration in

"A.I." has come and gone. Thus the unsatisfactory conclusion to David's quest reminds of the meandering, overstuffed style a desperate student might employ in answering an essay question that eludes him.

Still, the special effects from George Lucas's Electric Light and Magic Co. are prestigiously cutting edge, the art direction successfully ferries us to a hypothetical time and place,

and the grandeur of the presentation is unmistakable. Only a troubled ending keeps "A.I." from being A-O.K.



"A.I.," rated PG-13, is a Warner Bros. and Dreamworks Pictures release directed by Steven Spielberg and stars Haley Joel Osment, Frances O'Connor and Jude Law. Running time: 135 minutes

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**Report
From
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Government regulation. Two words that can strike terror in men and women throughout our state. We have rules about wearing seatbelts and helmets. The law restricts the driving habits of young drivers. Regulations, while at times viewed as burdensome, often have beneficial goals. Seatbelts and helmets save lives. The restricted licence for young drivers saves lives. The trick is to keep the burden proportionate to the benefit sought. Not always an easy task.

But there aren't always regulations where they're needed. Imagine a senior citizen building with the elevators so small that they cannot fit an ordinary ambulance stretcher.

Far fetched? Not really. Currently, the only law regarding elevator size applies only to high-rise residential buildings, not low-rise apartment buildings. The distinction is between six floors or more, which is a high rise, or five floors or less, which is not high rise. The difference on paper may seem inconsequential. But in an emergency, it can be a matter of life and death.

Last year, members of a local First Aid Squad responded to an emergency in a low-rise apartment building. The call resulted in having to rush an ailing senior citizen to the hospital. After the first aid squad members placed the patient on the stretcher, they found out that they couldn't fit the stretcher into the elevator. The elevator was too small to

fit an open stretcher. They had to carry the patient down four flights of stairs, stopping at each floor to perform CPR and other treatments.

Why would anyone build a building with an elevator that's too small? There are two reasons. First, because the law says you can. And second, which goes with the first, because it is cheaper. In the building in question a larger elevator might have cost \$30,000 to \$50,000 more. Not a small amount of change. And in construction, like in everything else, it pays to be cost conscious. Unfortunately, not figured into that equation is the human cost. If a life could be saved by having a larger elevator, is \$30,000 to \$50,000 too much?

To protect people who will live in buildings like the one I mentioned, and to make the work of our emergency personnel a little easier, I have sponsored legislation that would require all new residential building elevators to accommodate an open stretcher. A-1706 would require the Commissioner of Community Affairs to modify the State Uniform Construction Code for newly constructed buildings to include an elevator which would accommodate dimensions of at least 24 inches by 76 inches—roughly the size of an open stretcher. This legislation has passed both the Assembly and the Senate and is sitting on the Acting Governor's desk waiting to be signed.

Yes, regulations can be a nuisance. But sometimes they have a purpose. Requiring larger elevators may be more costly at first. But it will be priceless in terms of lives saved.

U.S. Senate Tells HMO's They Shouldn't Make Health Care Decisions

by Senator
Robert G. Torricelli

What could be the final battle in the crusade to pass meaningful HMO reform was fought in the U.S. Senate during the closing days of June. A bi-partisan Patient's Bill of Rights passed the Senate, guaranteeing medical protections for the 2.3 million New Jersey residents enrolled in HMO plans. The vote of 59 to 36 is evidence of the widespread support for this legislation, however, it now faces an unclear future and a veto threat by President Bush.

For too long HMO reform was one-sided and bottled-up by partisanship. A recent national study found that each day of delay on this issue has very real consequences. Every day, 41,000 patients experience a worsening of their condition; 35,000 patients have needed care delayed; 10,000 patients are denied a diagnostic test or treatment and 7,000 patients are denied a referral to a specialist.

No issue will touch more families than HMO reform. Today, more than 90 percent of working Americans receive insurance from their employer. Most do not have a choice about the type of coverage. This means that many working families are stuck with an HMO despite any concerns they may have with the quality of care they receive. Over 160 million Americans and 33 percent of New Jersey residents are enrolled in an HMO. A vast majority of these Americans are in favor of and are demanding fundamental change in the way HMOs provide care.

Most Americans believe, as I do, that doctors, not HMO

accountants, should be in control of medical decisions. Unfortunately, today we are faced with a situation where those decisions are disproportionately in the hands of insurance company bureaucrats. That is why, from patients to doctors, there is unanimity in making some common sense reforms. The legislation passed by the Senate is supported by more than 500 doctors and patient rights groups, and will finally extend patient protections to all Americans in an HMO.

Under current practices, many HMOs force a patient with a chronic condition, like heart disease to be treated by only the family doctor. The Senate bill will guarantee access to a cardiologist or other needed specialist, even one outside his or her network.

Currently, if a patient is sick or suffers an injury while traveling or on vacation, they must get prior approval from the HMO before going to the emergency room. This new legislation will ensure that a patient could go to the nearest emergency room without having to first get permission from the HMO.

Under current HMO policies, many women must obtain a referral from their primary care doctor before seeing an OB/GYN. This bill will guarantee access to an OB/GYN without a referral. HMOs often force a child with a chronic, life threatening condition

to seek approval from a primary care doctor before seeing a specialist. This bi-partisan bill would ensure a child with cancer, for example, would have the right to see a pediatric oncologist whenever the care is needed.

HMOs typically have the last word when they decide to deny a needed test, procedure or treatment. We will guarantee medical decisions by HMO bureaucrats will be subject to a swift internal review and a fair external review process. And when reckless medical decisions made by HMOs injure or kill, they are shielded from any responsibility. Now we will finally ensure that all Americans will have the right to hold HMOs accountable in court.

With the passage of this historic legislation, we have put the medical decisions back where they belong, in the hands of you and your physician. This is not a Democratic or a Republican issue. It is an issue of compassion versus profits. The Senate has taken the first step of passing this legislation and it is now up to the House of Representatives and President George W. Bush to help us finish the job. They should do it not to score political points, but to protect more than 160 million Americans.



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LINT FOR THE BRAIN BY HENRY DAMEN

To boost lackluster sales of electric cars, the City Council of San Jose, CA, has voted to allow free parking for zero-emissions vehicles. But the parking places won't be getting a lot of wear and tear. Although northern California is home to many environmentalist wackos, precious few have stood in line to buy an electric car, according to The San Jose Mercury News. Could it be the \$45,000 price tag? Or the

pathetic 75 to 125 miles per charge the thing gets?

Non-owners include San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzales who recently purchased a brand new gas-guzzling large SUV. "Next time, I hope to have the opportunity to buy an electric car," he told reporters. How special. Meanwhile, he and other city leaders are elated about the new policy, which they say puts San Jose on the "cutting edge" of

environmental policy in the nation.

Let's see, what is more idiotic here: an SUV-driving mayor who boasts of his environmental initiatives, parking places set aside for phantom cars, or incentives to use electric cars when the whole state is one big rolling blackout?

and then there's...

Parents are considering legal action over an assembly program that was held as part of Santa Rosa (CA) High School's "Week of Diversity" program. Parents were given a schedule of the week's seminars in advance and could have their kids opt out of

programs they found objectionable.

But somehow they were never told about, "Sex and Stuff" assembly. Attorney Brad Dacus, who represents parents, says the program included inappropriate sex scenes. It recommended an alternative to intercourse. Not abstinence. Of course not! No...it recommended alternative sex acts. One event that took place, says Dacus, was "the simulation of sex between two individuals behind a sheet." Dacus says the parents won't accept a simple "Golly gee, we're sorry." He wants schools in California and around the country to know that they'll be held accountable when

the rights of parents are violated this way. The school is, ahem, "investigating" the matter.

I doubt anything is going to come of this—a public school teaching diversity, simulated sex and stuff—in California? What chance do the parents have?

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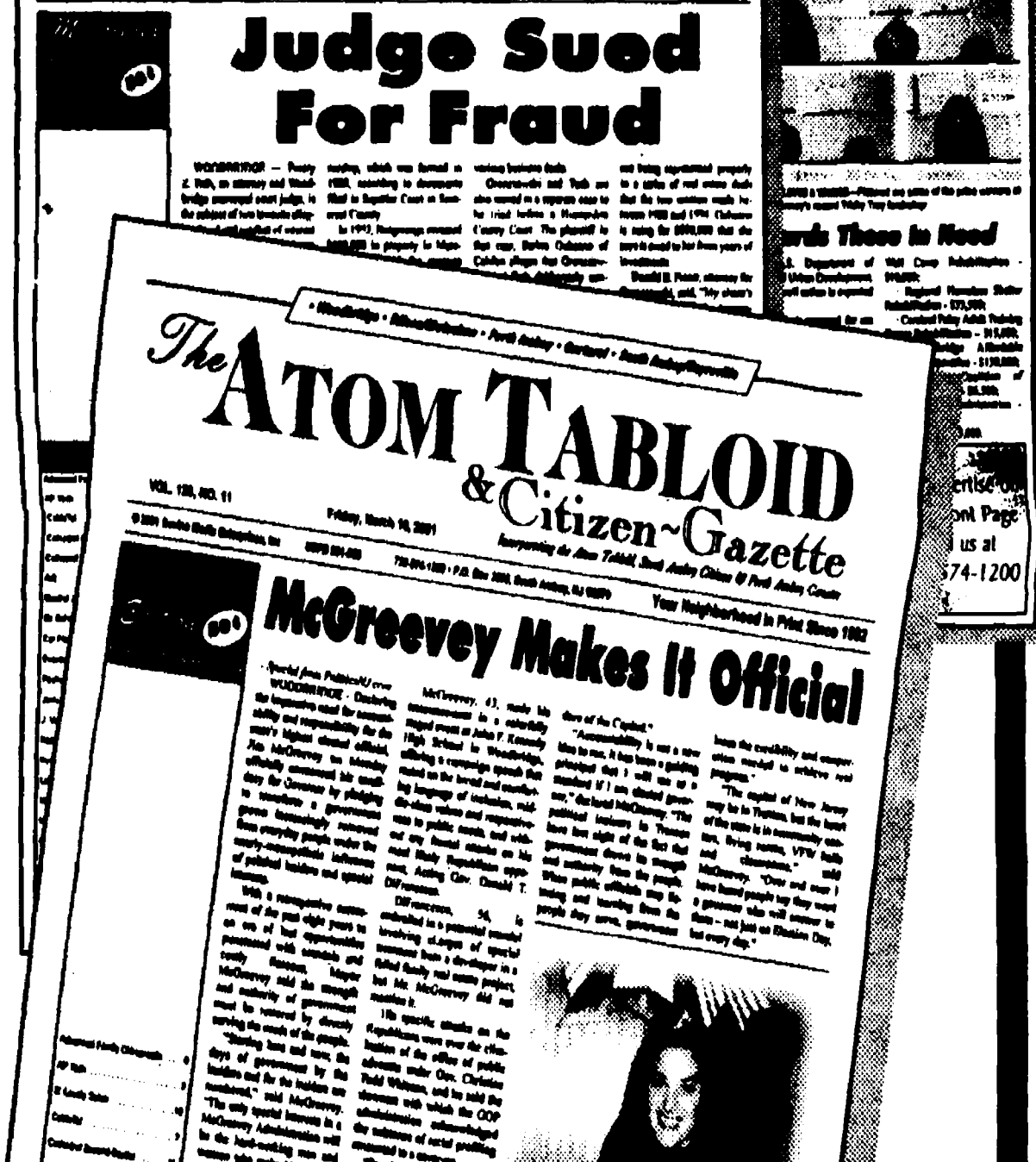
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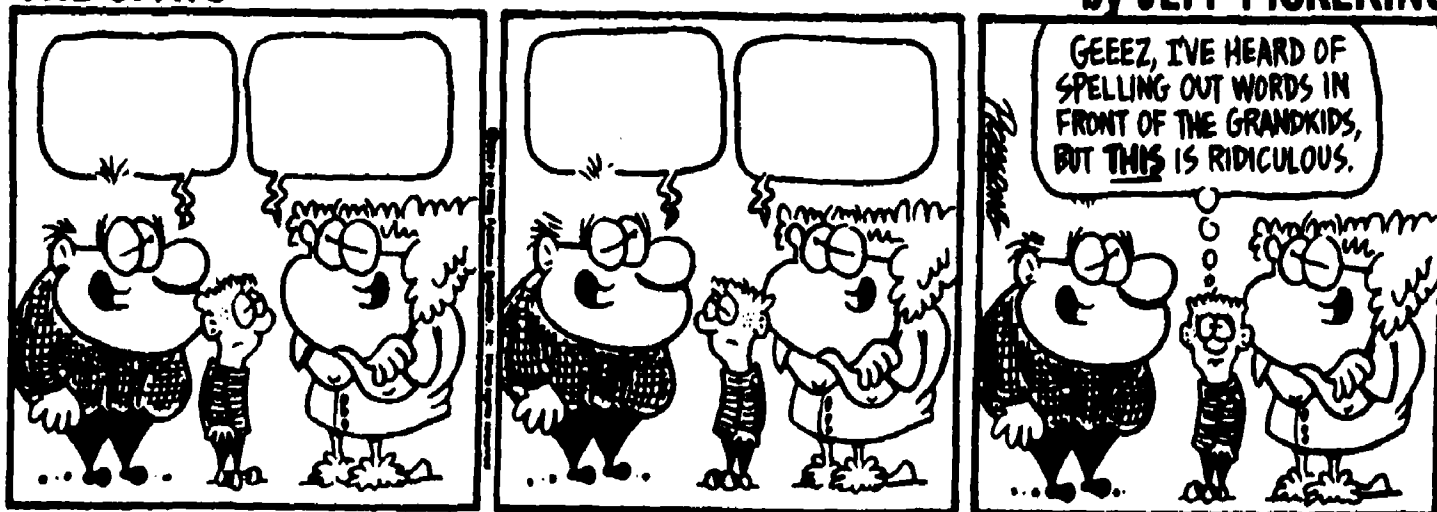
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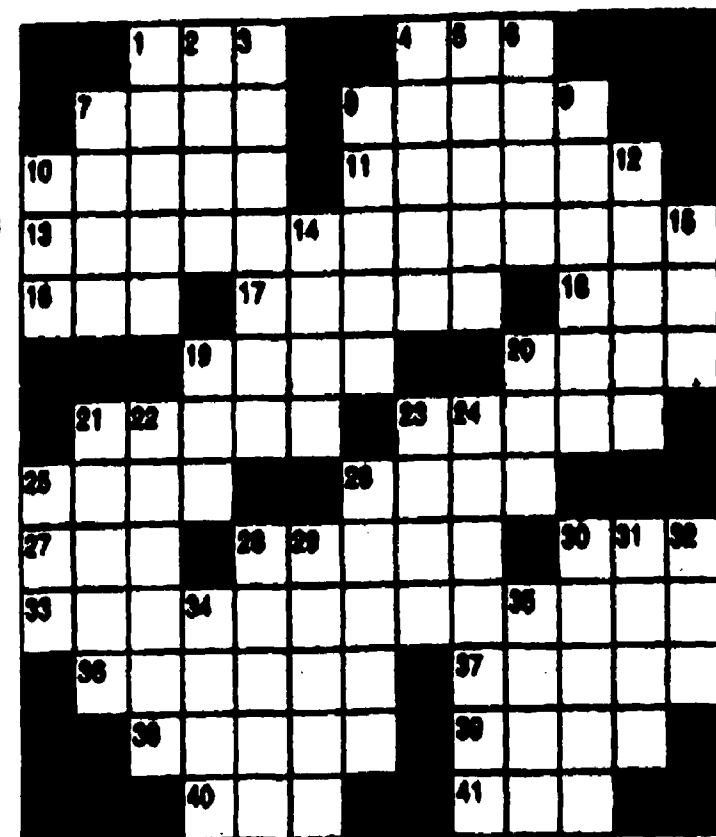
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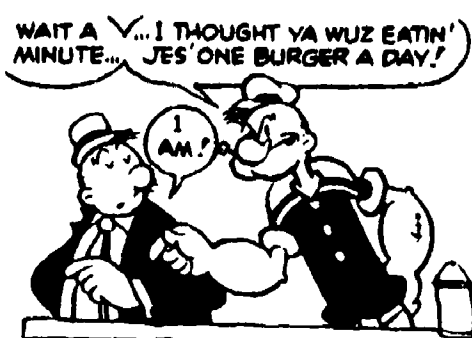
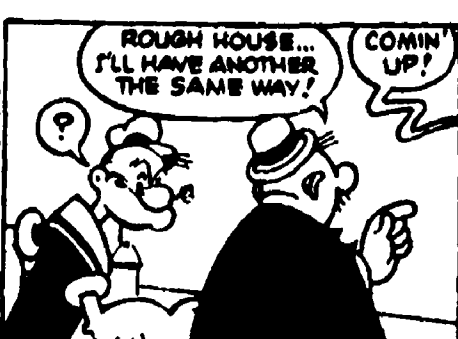
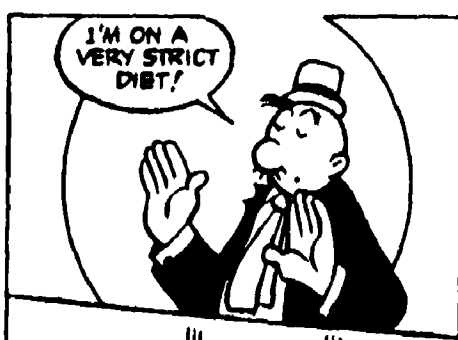
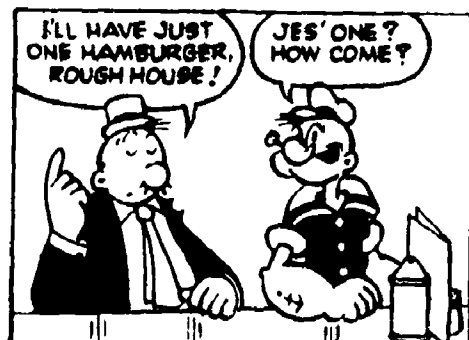
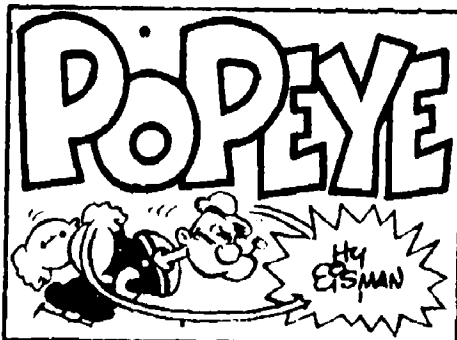
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- 19 Normandy town
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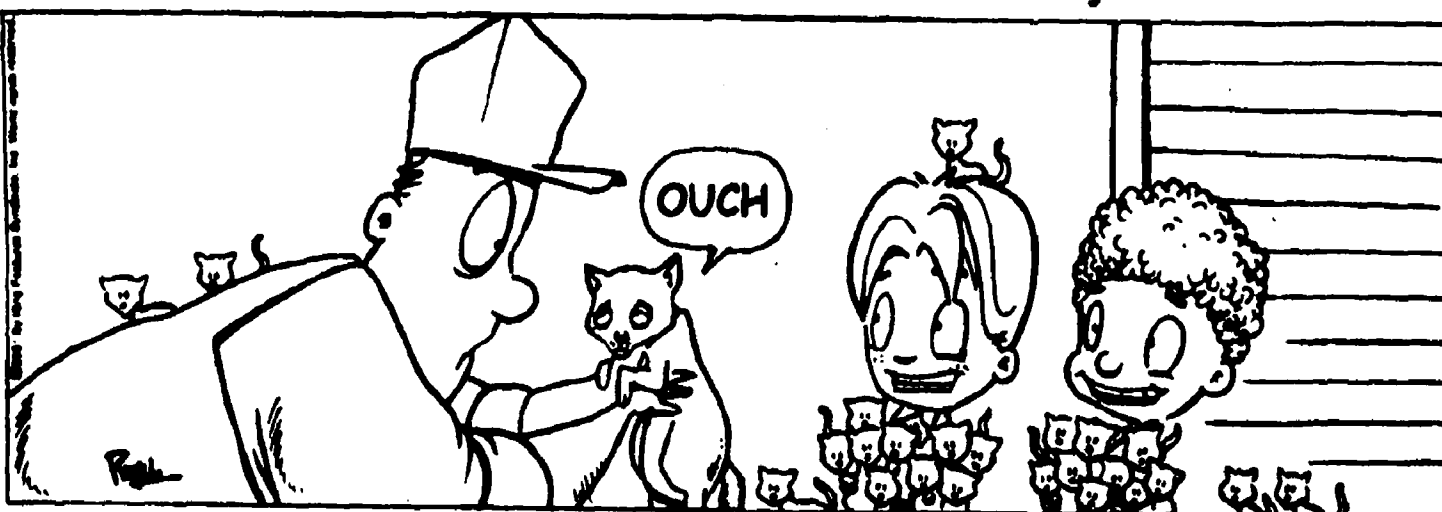
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- 12 In pursuit of
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- 23 Box
- 24 "Casablanca" cast member
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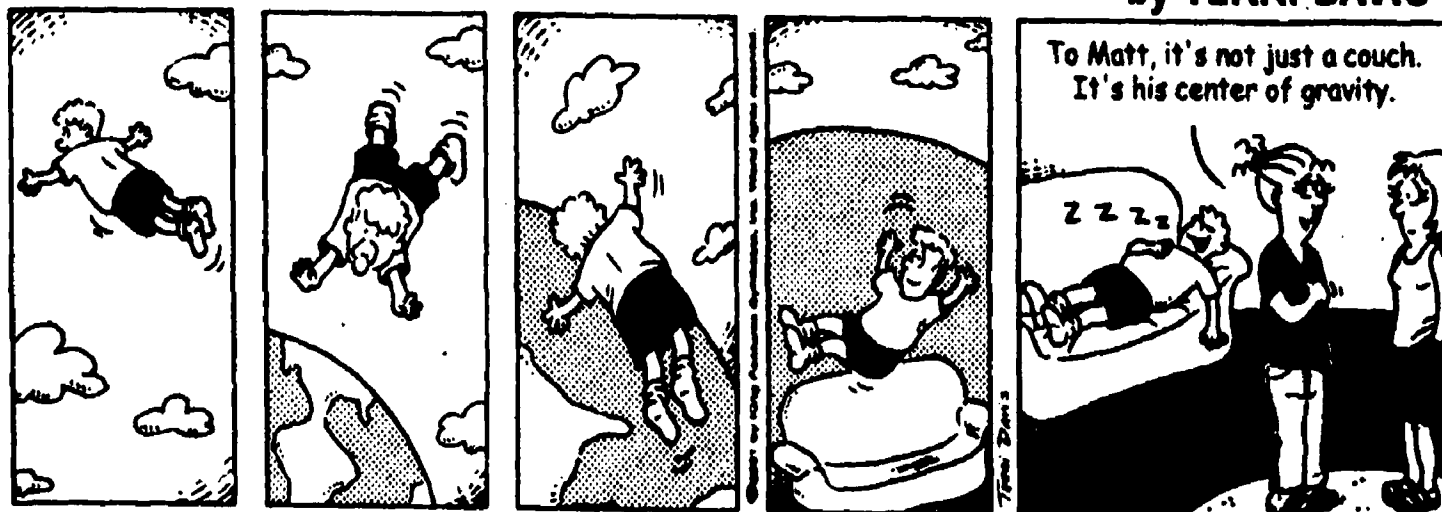
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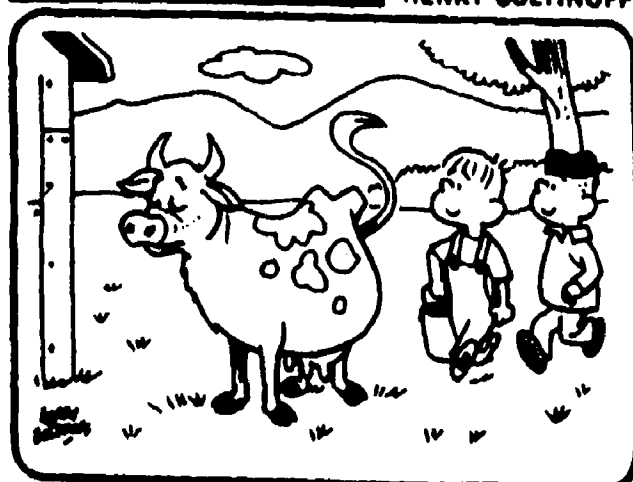
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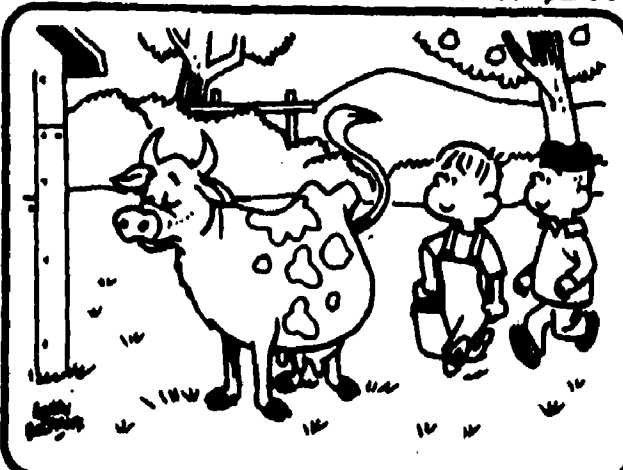


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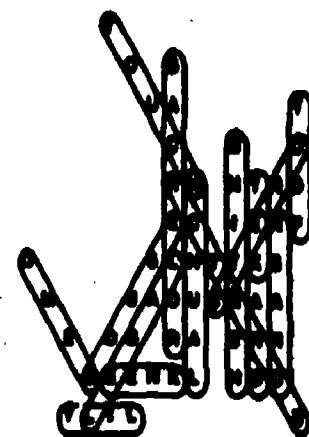
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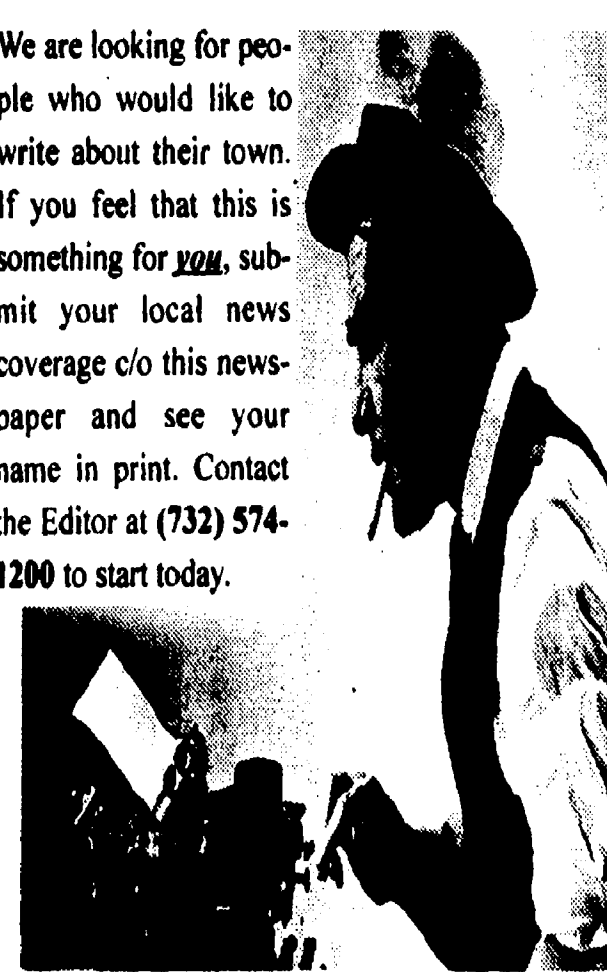
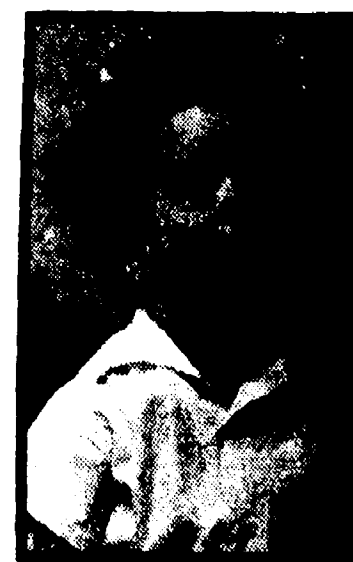
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"Retractable awnings give consumers options," said Chris Olivieri with Somfy Systems, Inc., the leading manufacturer of motors and controls. "With a flip of a

switch, an awning can provide either full sun exposure or much needed shade, adding both comfort and value to a home."

Awnings have long been popular because of aesthetic enhancements

they add to a home and their ability to provide shade-a key benefit in an age

when the public is increasingly concerned about the harmful effects of UV rays.

In addition to dressing up a deck or doorway, awnings have also been proven to lower indoor temperatures and protect furniture, carpet and drapes from fading. A leading trade organization found that approximately 40 percent of heat build-up in the home was the result of heat coming through windows.

Retractable awnings are easy to install and don't require outer supports, which leaves more living space on a deck or patio. In addition, Somfy offers electronic options, which includes sun and wind sensors that extend the awning when the sun shines and automatically retract

the awning when high winds threaten damage.

Aesthetically, retractable awnings also are designed to blend in with the lines of a home, creating an attractive outdoor living space. And homeowners choose fabric to suit their tastes-bold or muted colors in stripes or solids.

Many fabricators recommend that consumers select a fade-resistant fabric such as Sunbrella for their awnings. The 100 percent solution-dyed, woven acrylic fabric is known for its strength and resistance to the sun and rain as well as its elegant appearance.

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Sail tickets cost \$12 for children (12 and under) and \$25 for adults on the afternoon sails and \$26 for all passengers on the sunset sails.

Free walk-abouts are offered on Saturday and Sunday, July 14 and July 15 from 12 noon-5 p.m. during the Wooden Boat Show.

The sails depart from the Island Heights Yacht Club.

Call 800-485-3072 to reserve a sail or further information.

The Schooner A.J. Meerwald

is owned and operated by the Delaware Bay Schooner Project, a non-profit 501 (c)(3) education organization. Proceeds from the sails help to support DBSP's educational programs serving over 50,000 children and adults annually.

The Delaware Bay Schooner Project received an operating support grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission, a Division of Cultural Affairs in the Department of State.

VFW Names Officers

HOPELAWN—The Hopelawn VFW Memorial Post #1352 and its Ladies Auxiliay installed the following officers for the year 2001-02.

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