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Final Hurdle Cleared For Perth Amboy's Commuter Ferry Service

PERTH AMBOY—Mayor Joseph Vas met with NJ Transit Executive Director George Warrington on Monday to bridge the gap that had stalled Perth Amboy's commute ferry service to Manhattan from getting off the ground. Perth Amboy, pursuant to an initial promise by NJ Transit, had been attempting to obtain a schedule of train crossing over the North Jersey Coastline Bridge that traverses the Raritan Bay.

Perth Amboy had repeatedly requested this schedule in order to work its ferry departures and arrivals around the train passings so that there would be sufficient time to open the

bridge in order for the ferries to pass through. In Monday's meeting, Warrington confirmed a timetable that can accommodate the city's ferry service without causing a conflict with train passings.

The city intends to operate two 250-passenger commuter ferries from a site on the Raritan River near the Victory Bridge. The city has chosen this site after meeting with NJ Transit more than two years ago and receiving a guarantee that the bridge openings could be worked out. The site boasts obvious benefits over all the other areas along Perth Amboy's coastline, including its immediate access to major state

highways such as Route 287, the Garden State Parkway and Route 9.

In addition, the site can accommodate the much-needed parking that a commute ferry service would require. However, the site lies west of NJ Transit's North Jersey Coastline service bridge. The city has begun working on making commuter ferry service a reality in 2000 by acquiring 25 acres of property along the Raritan River.

The city then entered into a redevelopment agreement for the property with Lighthouse Fast Ferry of West Caldwell and secured all the necessary development permits required by the state and federal government.

However, the one hurdle remaining was confirmation of the train schedule in order to accommodate the ferry passings. Now after several years of planning, much anxiety and arduous negotiations with NJ Transit, Vas says the city is poised to begin commuter ferry service to Manhattan by next year.

The service will make three hourly trips into Manhattan on weekday mornings between 6 and 8 a.m. and five hourly return trips in the evening between 4 and 8 p.m. The service will make two stops in lower Manhattan, one at Wall Street-Pier 11 and another at Pier 34, both in fewer than 45 minutes.

New Mayor Inherits Old Bills

CARTERET—Outgoing Mayor Jim Failace will be leaving behind a deficit of about \$3 million in the municipal budget and his successor is considering a variety of cost-saving measures and planning to seek advice from the community.

Failace, who was defeated in his bid for a second term, said it was not unusual for the town to experience a financial shortfall at the start of the year.

"Every year we have a deficit," said Failace, who blamed salaries and health insurance expenses for increased costs of about \$2 million, along with a \$1 million reduction in the borough's sur-

plus account, as the chief reasons for the deficit.

"There's been a deficit every year in the last three years," said Failace. "Whenever you use surplus, that then becomes your initial deficit the following year."

Mayor-elect Daniel J. Reiman said the budget crunch is partly due to "credit card style government" that borrowed heavily at the outset of Failace's term.

Reiman acknowledged that health insurance increased \$450,000 and salaries will rise by \$400,000, but said the biggest new expense is

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Dowdell Library Of South Amboy Sets New Circulation Mark

SOUTH AMBOY—The Sadie Pope Dowdell Public Library of South Amboy announced this month that it has set a new annual circulation record. From January-October, South Amboy's public library has circulated 50,139 items. The previous record of 49,961, established in 1995 has been eclipsed with two months still remaining in the year.

According to the latest statistics available from the New Jersey State Library, the Dowdell Library has one of

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Tech 2000 Gives Free Computers to Wardlaw-Hartridge Teachers

EDISON—Put in your time, get the training, and you could be rewarded with a new computer. That's what five teachers from The Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison found to be true when their new Dell computers arrived in early fall.

The program itself is called Tech 2000 and was initiated by the Freeholder Committee of Public Health and Education, chaired by John Pulomena. It provides a free computer to a teacher in public and private schools who can meet the educational criteria of taking at least 20 hours of instruction on

the computer.

"This is providing a stimulus to 25 towns in Middlesex County," said Pulomena. Five million dollars has been earmarked for this five-year project to bring educators into the 21st century. "The kids seem to have been born knowing how to use the computer well," he said, "but the teachers needed this incentive to be able to feel comfortable."

Under the instruction of W-H School's Computer Science Department Chair Rhona Esermer, the five women from the independent school underwent hours of tutoring before or after the school day. "The by-product of this program is the good time we're having together learning," said Debbie Kendall, a recipient.

Another recipient of a new computer is Sandra Dreier who is elated with it. When asked how she planned to use it, she

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YOUR COUNTY NEWS

MCIA 2003 Recycling Schedules

AREA—The Middlesex County Freeholder County Improvement Authority has announced the 2003 curbside pick-up schedules for the 17 municipalities in the MCIA recycling program.

A brochure containing the schedules has been mailed to all households in Cranbury, Dunellen, Helmeta, Highland Park, Jamesburg, Middlesex Borough, Milltown Monroe, New Brunswick, Old Bridge, Piscataway, Plainsboro, Sayreville, South Amboy, South Plainfield, South River and Spotswood.

Residents of these towns who have not received their 2003 recycling brochures by Dec. 1 should call 1-800-488-MCIA or e-mail the MCIA Recycling Division at mciaarecy@superlink.net.

"For the second year in a row, Middlesex is number one among New Jersey Counties in terms of recycling, and for the sixth consecutive year, we've met or exceeded New Jersey's mandated recycling level," said

Middlesex County Freeholder Director David B. Crabel, the MCIA's Freeholder liaison.

"We're successful for two reasons: Our residents are enthusiastic and very cooperative and the MCIA and the County Division of Solid Waste provides more opportunities for recycling than any other County in the state," he said.

MCIA Executive Director Richard Pucci said the 2003 brochure contains information on the County's new consumer electronics recycling program. The list of household battery drop-off sites has also been expanded.

"Our 17-town recycling coalition proves that there is strength in numbers," he said. "While the markets for recyclable material have fluctuated in recent years, our group negotiating power ensures the financial stability of our program."

For more information on recycling in Middlesex County, visit the MCIA's award-winning web site, at www.mciauth.com

Thanksgiving Recycling Tips From The MCIA

AREA Thanks to the enthusiasm and cooperation of County residents, Middlesex ranks first among New Jersey Counties in the amount of material we recycle and in the percentage of the waste stream recycled.

In an effort to insure that we retain that top rating in 2002, the Middlesex County Improvement Authority (MCIA) offers the following Thanksgiving recycling tips and reminders:

• **Large amounts of recyclables:** If you are hosting a big crowd for dinner and expect to have more recyclables than usual for your next pick up, call 1-800-488-MCIA or e-mail at mciaarecy@superlink.net a few days before your pick up date.

"Large amounts of recyclables disrupt collection schedules," explained Edward Windas, the MCIA's recycling manager. "We know the days after a holiday will be heavy, but any advance warning we can get is a big help."

• **Heavy containers:** If you have a recyclable overflow and have to use additional containers, make sure the loads are not too heavy and that your additional containers are no more than 32 gallons in capacity.

"If you can't lift the container and have to drag it to the curb, the collector probably can't lift it either, and he's supposed to pick it up and throw the recyclables into the truck," said Windas.

• **Plastic and foil containers:** Plastic food and

leftover containers and foil trays, roasting pans and pie pans are not recyclable. If you don't wash and re-use them, throw them out with your regular garbage.

• **Corrugated cardboard and paper boxes:** If food has touched a box—even a corrugated cardboard box—the box must be disposed of with your regular garbage. Only clean, dry cardboard and paper boxes are recyclable.

However, if the box has a plastic liner preventing the food from touching the cardboard, you may remove the liner and recycle the box.

• **Rinsing cans and bottles:** Take an extra few seconds to rise aluminum cans and glass jars before placing them in your recycling bin.

"In the rush to get a big dinner on the table, good recycling habits can fall by the wayside," Windas said. "But proper rinsing keeps animals and bugs away from your recyclables and makes the whole process a little less messy for everyone."

• **Composting:** If you compost, be sure to separate your table scraps.

Turkey carcasses and bones, gravy, fats, grease and food scraps containing dairy products should not be placed on your compost pile because they are likely to create odor problems and attract pests.

Hub City Trolley Route Revised

AREA—Effective immediately, the route of the Hub City Trolley has been revised. The trolley route will begin at the George and Albany Street intersection to provide user-friendly connections for individuals

arriving in New Brunswick by train or bus.

Starting at 7:30 a.m., the Hub City Trolley completes nine loops daily throughout New Brunswick, Monday–Saturday. The route includes stops at

Robert Wood Johnson Hospital, St. Peter's Hospital and 20 other locations. There is also a stop along the route in North Brunswick near the Remsen Avenue and Nassau Street intersection.

The Hub City Trolley is wheelchair accessible and free to riders. The revised Hub City Trolley schedule is available on the trolley or by contacting Middlesex County Area Wide Transportation Services at (732) 249-1100, ext. 2532, or (732) 745-5050.

The Hub City Trolley is funded by Middlesex County, the City of New Brunswick and the Township of North Brunswick.

Kosher Meals On Wheels Program

AREA—Jewish Family & Vocational Service have opening in its Kosher Meals on Wheels program. One hot and one cold nutritious meal can be delivered five days a week. A weekend option is available. This is a non-sectarian program for any home-bound senior over 60. The areas covered are Edison, Metuchen, Fords, Perth Amboy, Woodbridge and Highland Park. If you, a family member or neighbor feel this service would be helpful, call (732) 777-1940.

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YOUR ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Loews Offers "Big Blast Gift Pack"

AREA---Remember struggling through the holidays looking for the perfect gift for that someone special? Well, search no further. Loews Cineplex Entertainment has just made your shopping easier this holiday season by offering special gift certificates, coupons and great value packages redeemable for over an

entire year. You may even want to stock up on some for yourself! This holiday season movie lovers will have the opportunity to get fantastic movie bargains, with "Loews Big Blast Gift Pack," serving up year-round entertainment values. The Big Blast Gift Pack is part of Loews overall *Holiday Escapes Initiative*, a

series of programs and activities for the holiday season. The Big Blast Gift Pack includes eight unique coupons with deals on movie tickets, concession stand items, Loews merchandise and more.

Every Blast Pack will also include the chance to win season movie passes for two.

The lucky winner will be

able to go to the movies free at any Loews theatre for an entire year. Valued at more than \$50, the "Loews Big Blast Gift Pack" is priced at only \$25 and can be purchased online at www.enjoythereeldeal.com or at any Loews Cineplex Entertainment location throughout the country.

"We are thrilled to be offer-

ing movie-goers such great gifts and value packages this holiday season with the *Loews Big Blast Gift Pack*," said John McCauley, Vice President of Marketing for Loews Cineplex Entertainment. "Everyone loves going to the movies and here is the perfect stocking stuffer for friends and family on your holiday list."

A Judy Collins Christmas

NEW BRUNSWICK — Legendary singer Judy Collins, known for her stunning interpretations of such timeless gems as "Send In the Clown," "Both Sides Now," "Chelsea Morning," and "Amazing Grace," will make her fifth appearance at New Brunswick's State Theatre on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. Along with memorable interpretations of the music of Joni Mitchell, Bob Dylan, and John Denver, Collins will perform traditional holiday carols with her crystalline and angelic voice.

Collins will be performing onstage with New Jersey's

Princeton Pro Musica. This chorus has performed with many area orchestras, including numerous appearances with the Opera Orchestra of New York in Carnegie Hall, as well as performances with the Princeton Symphony, the Opera Festival of New Jersey, the Westfield Symphony and the Greater Trenton Symphony.

Tickets for this performance are on sale now for \$50 (Premium Orchestra/Loge), \$45 (Orchestra/Front Balcony), \$38 (Rear Orchestra/ Balcony), \$22 (Gallery). The State Theatre box office is located at 15 Livingston Avenue, New

Brunswick. For telephone ticket orders or information, call (732) 246-7469 or toll free 877-STATE-11, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Wednesday from 1 a.m.-7 p.m. Patrons may order tickets online at www.StateTheatre.NJ.org or listen to audio clips. For group sales information, call (732) 247-7200, ext. 536. The State Theatre is equipped with an assistive listening system for patrons who are hard of hearing and the main floor is wheelchair accessible. Program notes are available in large print or audio-tape format for this event.



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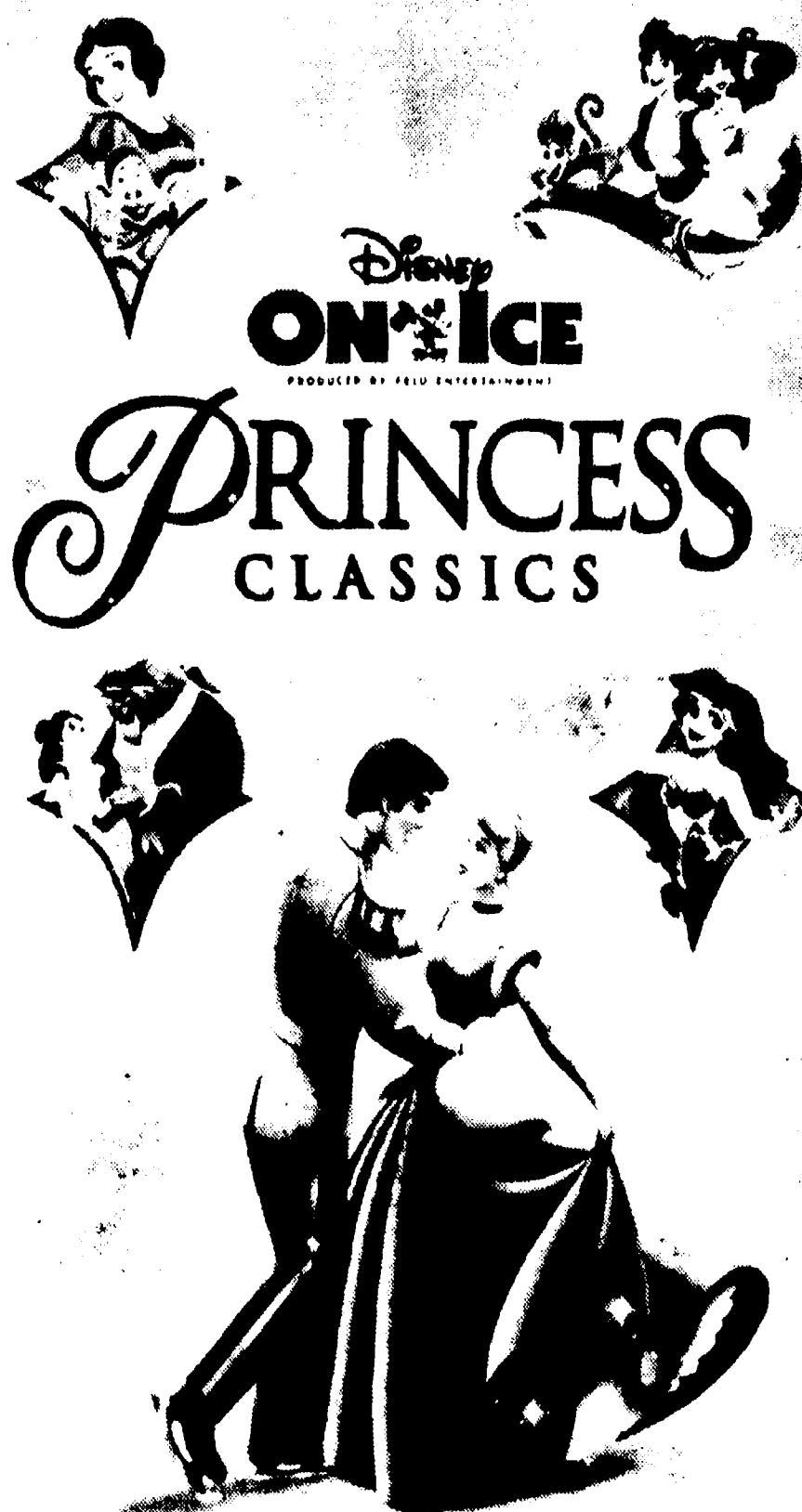
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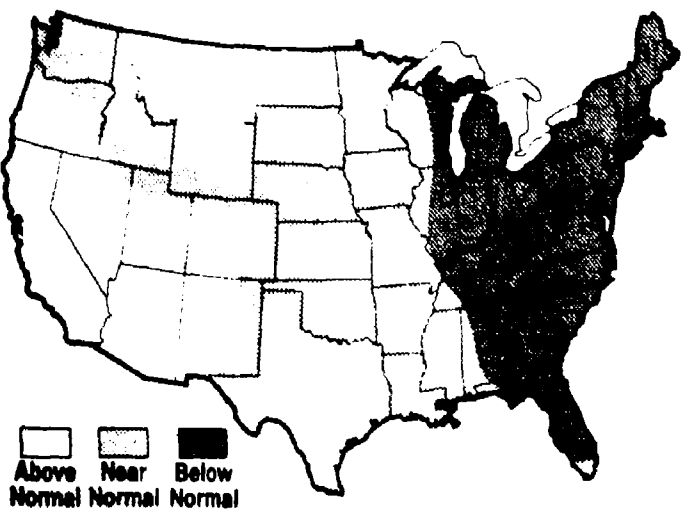
Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Rather cloudy and windy.	Mainly cloudy.	A few showers and windy.	A few clouds.	A blend of sun and clouds.	Mainly cloudy.	Partial sun and cold.	Cold with sun and clouds.
54	35	49/33	48/31	48/34	41/24	39/23	39/26

THE WEEK AHEAD...

NATIONAL SUMMARY

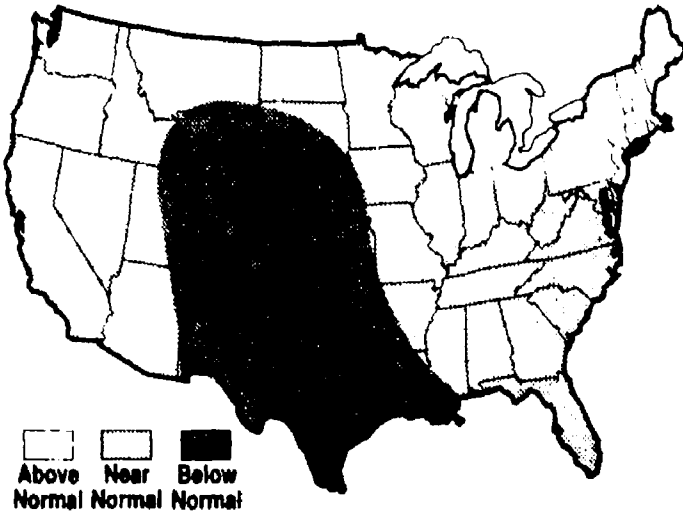
THE WEEK AHEAD...

Temperatures



A ridge of high pressure aloft along with an offshore flow will result in warm weather in California and the Desert Southwest through the period. The same ridge will provide warmth to the northern Plains. Storms will bring precipitation and chilly conditions to the East. Showers and thunderstorms will be common in Florida.

Precipitation



U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Atlanta	63 43 pc	56 40 pc	56 39 s	58 33 pc
Boston	50 37 c	48 34 r	46 35 pc	48 36 c
Chicago	42 28 pc	40 30 pc	44 31 c	42 19 c
Cleveland	41 31 sn	38 33 pc	44 31 pc	40 27 pc
Denver	65 37 s	62 32 pc	42 28 c	53 32 c
Des Moines	50 32 s	53 30 s	42 29 c	48 30 s
Detroit	42 30 c	40 28 pc	44 32 c	44 20 c
Houston	70 44 s	68 44 s	70 46 pc	72 48 pc
Indianapolis	50 32 pc	49 32 pc	45 31 pc	42 28 pc
Kansas City	60 38 s	62 38 s	50 32 c	46 23 pc
Los Angeles	78 52 s	76 52 pc	74 52 pc	70 46 s
Miami	81 67 c	79 66 c	78 66 sh	76 64 pc
Minn.-St. Paul	40 28 s	46 30 s	40 24 c	33 19 c
New Orleans	71 49 s	66 46 s	65 48 s	65 41 s
New York City	54 44 c	50 40 sh	48 38 pc	50 38 c
Omaha	60 34 s	60 36 s	52 28 c	44 22 pc
Phoenix	82 54 s	80 52 s	78 52 s	76 50 pc
San Francisco	64 52 s	64 54 pc	64 52 pc	61 45 s
Seattle	54 42 pc	52 37 pc	49 37 s	47 41 s
Washington	56 40 c	51 36 pc	53 38 pc	53 35 pc

SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset
Thu.	6:50 a.m.	4:35 p.m.
Fri.	6:51 a.m.	4:35 p.m.
	Moonrise	Moonset
Thu.	5:42 p.m.	8:19 a.m.
Fri.	6:29 p.m.	9:20 a.m.
Moon Phases		
Full	Last	New
Nov 19	Nov 27	Dec 4
Weather (W):		
s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy,		
c-cloudy, sh-showers,		
t-thunderstorms, r-rain,		
sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.		

WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Amsterdam	43 41 r	42 41 r	49 42 c	47 41 r
Berlin	42 39 sh	42 41 r	45 41 r	47 41 c
Buenos Aires	71 49 s	72 53 s	79 59 s	83 64 s
Cairo	85 59 s	83 56 s	82 56 s	77 56 s
Jerusalem	74 50 s	72 51 pc	71 48 s	68 49 s
Johannesburg	87 60 s	85 61 pc	86 62 pc	85 60 pc
London	47 44 r	45 44 r	51 44 c	50 42 r
Madrid	50 34 pc	54 42 pc	49 37 r	53 46 r
Mexico City	63 36 pc	64 39 s	66 42 pc	66 44 pc
Moscow	43 38 r	42 39 c	44 37 c	41 34 r
Paris	45 38 r	41 40 r	43 40 r	45 41 r
Rio de Janeiro	84 72 pc	81 70 pc	73 71 t	76 72 r
Rome	54 52 r	55 46 t	58 50 c	60 48 c
San Juan	87 75 pc	87 75 pc	87 75 pc	87 75 s
Seoul	43 28 pc	47 36 pc	46 44 r	49 33 pc
Sydney	64 63 r	76 57 sh	72 52 pc	76 58 pc
Tokyo	59 48 r	52 36 pc	47 41 s	56 55 r
Toronto	37 26 sn	34 22 pc	41 33 c	34 23 pc
Winnipeg	40 28 pc	41 24 pc	31 15 pc	35 19 c
Zurich	46 42 c	43 39 r	45 40 c	46 42 r

NOVEMBER

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

November 23—The Iselin Chapter AARP #3810 will host a show at the State Theater "Fossie" and lunch on your own at Harolds.

November 23 from 9 a.m.-12 noon—Raritan Bay Medical Center, The Parish Nursing Program at Christ Church and the South Amboy-Sayreville Rotary Club are sponsoring a Health & Wellness Fair. Free flu shots and pneumonia vaccine will also be offered. For more info. on this event, call (732) 324-5098.

November 25—Raritan Bay Medical Center's Immunology and Infectious Diseases Dept. is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting at Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. Call (732) 324-5022 for more info.

November 25—The Edison Council will meet. Work session meetings begin at 6 p.m. and regular meeting begin at 7 p.m. and are held in the Council Chambers at the Edison Municipal Complex.

November 26 from a.m.-4:30 p.m.—Raritan Bay Medical Center's Ernest R. Hansen Auxiliary is sponsoring a Book Sale in Raritan Room C and D, Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. For more info., call (732) 324-5006.

November 27 from 7-9:30 p.m.—Raritan Management Services is offering a Preparation for Childbirth Class, held in Centennial Hall A and B at Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. The series costs \$75 per couple. For registration and info., call (732) 417-9494.

November 29 and 30 (right after Thanksgiving)—A Christmas/Holiday Arts, Crafts and Gift Festival will be held at the American Legion Hall, Post 499, Main St., Rahway. For vendor packet, send SASE with booth and table sizes to Arts, Crafts and Gift Festivals.

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November 29 at 7 p.m.—The Perth Amboy High School Class of 1982 will hold a 20th year reunion at ZPA Cocktail Lounge, 281 Grace St., Perth Amboy. Cost is \$70 per person. Contact pahs82@aol.com for more info.

November 29 from 7:30-8:30 p.m.—Raritan Bay Medical Center's Marion Tanzman Diabetes Center is sponsoring a free Diabetes Support Group at Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, Raritan Room C and D. Refreshments will be served. Call to register at (800) 624-6555.

December 1 thru December 27—The Barron Arts Center presents "Train 582-2002" exhibit at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. Opening reception from 2-4 on 12/1. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri.-11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat.-2-4 p.m. and Sun.-2-4 p.m. Free admission (donations accepted). The building is disabled accessible.

December 2 from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., daily Mon.-Fri.—Edison leaf bags will be available at the Municipal Complex, lower level lobby.

December 4 from 7-9:30 p.m.—Raritan Management Services is offering a Preparation for Childbirth Class, held in Centennial Hall A and B at Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. The series costs \$75 per couple. For registration and info., call (732) 417-9494.

December 5 at 12 Noon—Fords-Keasbey Senior Citizens Club will have a Holiday Luncheon at the Pines, Edison. Call Helen at (732) 738-4907 for reservations.

December 7 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.—An annual Holiday Craft Fair at St. John Vianney Church, 420 Inman Ave., Coonia will be held. There is no charge for admission and plenty of free parking. Handicapped accessible.

December 7 at 2 p.m.—The Friends of the Edison Township Public Library are sponsoring a concert at the Main Library, 340 Plainfield Ave. The "Sweet Adelines" will be performing. Call the library at (732) 287-2298, ext. 1 to register. You may also register at the circulation desk.

December 7 and 8—The

Ridgewood Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Co., presents, *Utopia, Ltd.* or "The Flowers of Progress," with full orchestra at the Ben Franklin Middle School Auditorium, North Van Dien Ave., Ridgewood. The show times are Saturday, Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. The cost is \$20 for adults, \$17 for seniors and students, children under 12 free.

December 8 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.—A Christmas Bazaar will be presented by St. Stan's H.S.A. at St. Stan's School, 221 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville. Kitchen will be open at 10 a.m. for breakfast.

December 9—The Edison Council will meet. Work session meetings begin at 6 p.m. and regular meeting begin at 7 p.m. and are held in the Council Chambers at the Edison Municipal Complex.

December 10 at 7:30 p.m.—The Carteret Historical Committee announces their meetings to be held at the Deverin Community Center, 100 Cooke Ave., 2nd floor. All are welcome.

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December 13 at 7:30 p.m.—The Barron Arts Center, will present their Holiday Concert. The concert is free to the public, but in the holiday spirit, the public is invited to bring canned goods or staples for the needy. The event will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Avenel, 631 E. Woodbridge Ave. (handicapped accessible).

December 13—The YMCA at the Woodbridge Community Center will present a Holiday Celebration. Senior Concert at 1 p.m.; Family Concert at 5:30 p.m.; Santa's Secret Shop from 5:30-8:30 p.m. and Santa and Mrs. Claus visits from 5:30-8:30 p.m. The event will be in the upper lobby of the Woodbridge Community Center. Admission is free.

December 13 at 8 p.m.—Oldies Dance, The Story Untold—Music Alliance will hold its yearly Holiday Dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Rt. 35, Keyport. Everyone is welcome. For further info., call (732) 251-0970 after 7 p.m.

December 14 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.—Support Arthritis Group Annual Holiday Luncheon will be held at the Edison's Charlie Brown's, Plainfield Rd. RSVP to: Anita at (732) 549-2425 or Joan at (732) 388-8069.

December 20—The Iselin Chapter AARP #3810 will hold their Christmas show and lunch at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse.

December 23—The Edison Council will meet. Work session meetings begin at 6 p.m. and regular meeting begin at 7 p.m. and are held in the Council Chambers at the Edison Municipal Complex.

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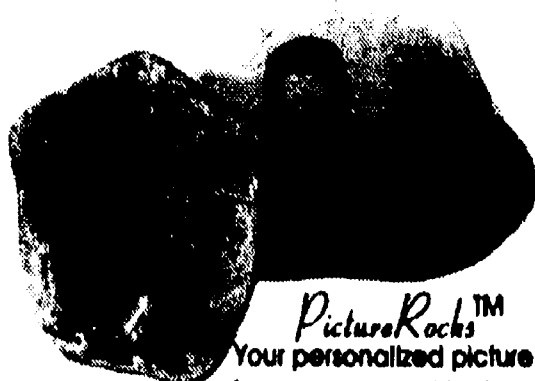


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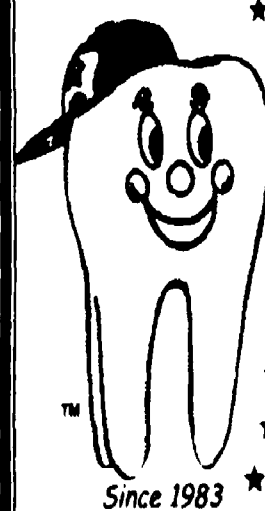
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YOUR ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

POPCORN

"8 Mile"

RapCity in Black and White



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By Michael S. Goldberger

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



Director Curtis Hanson's quasi, semi-fictional, perhaps partial biography of rap sensation Eminem paints some startlingly evocative portraits of the youth culture from which its protagonist, Jimmy Smith, Jr., a.k.a. Rabbit, emanates. But probably the most provocative thing about "8 Mile" is not what it says about yet another teen idol's meteoric rise from slum to stardom, but rather, what it doesn't say. Dig it. Somewhere between the lines of

the filmmaker's emotionally charged depiction of poverty, avarice, racism, sensuality and the rap ditties ghetto kids develop to poeticize their plight, there may be great sociological insight...or at least some interesting notions. But alas, it can't be described in clever rhymes. Because they are not so much thoughts as feelings rooted in a generation. And I suspect that no matter how hip one is to the proverbial jive, a complete appreciation of "8 Mile" is reserved for those who view the film as the long-awaited coming of their mantra. But of course that doesn't mean that an ex-Hippie, Beatnik or Be-bopper cannot enjoy and then recount the film from an academic point of view. And naturally, said discourse should be healthily peppered with good-natured patronization. I mean, yo-yo. It's only fitting. Rap thrives on the protest and acerbic

one-upmanship that comprise its lyrics. And let's face it. As insightful as Eminem's staccato-delivered pontificating may be, it nonetheless leaves little reason for Mr. Robert Burns to worry.

Still, there's no denying director Hanson's effort is a winner. My younger spies inform that "8 Mile," a sort of Iliad for the Hip Hop set, is indeed being embraced as a liberating justification for a medium still not granted a pedigree in many musical circles. But movie success could represent a mixed blessing for the genre's baggy-pants purveyors. You see, part of rap's allure is the threat, vociferous as well as implied, that it issues to the older generation. And now there is this cinematic explanation to somewhat demystify the phenomenon.

True, rap's detractors may still worry that these Pied Pipers of street-inspired verse will lead their children to the river, or worse. But at least now they are assured that deep down, beneath the layers of hooded sweatshirts, parkas, woolen beanies and cynicism, those that can will eventually trade in their uniforms of rebellion for a job with benefits, a split-level in the suburbs and two weeks at the shore every summer. But a select few, like Eminem, icons of the movement they inspire, will make a grand living of it. Of course he'll stir up just enough trouble to keep the anti-establishment fantasy alive.

The art is in maintaining the image without going overboard. James Dean did it to a fault. Elvis perfected it, at least for a while. And the rock groups of the 1960s institutionalized it. And while Mr. Eminem may not like the suggestion that he is merely the

latest to profit from the angry young man angle, his Hollywood adventure practically memorializes it.

Eminem's movie outing continues a tradition. But what's amazing is that, after all these years, from "Dead End" (1937) through "Rocky" (1976) and now with "8 Mile," we still haven't run out of the poverty necessary to keeping relevant the heroic tales of poor boys overcoming their oppressive circumstances. And boy is there poverty in Eminem's contemporary Detroit.

If this movie is his postcard to the old neighborhood, you certainly couldn't tell it. Hardly a scene doesn't highlight the decrepit, decaying portions of the city. The rap star's love-hate affair with 313 (the Motown area code) reminds of how those cautionary, urban-based sci-fi films like "Soylent Green" (1972) and "Bladerunner" (1982) depicted the cities of the future. But that was before entrepreneurs realized en masse that there was money in them thar slums (Can you say gentrification?). Yet there are no revitalized sections of Detroit shown here, not even as a point of contrast.

All of which gives this version of the Horatio Alger saga a slightly different look than we're accustomed to seeing. The optimism doesn't abound, but is doled out in stingy, pessimistic portions. The streets are inevitably rain-soaked. It is practically always night. And when it's daytime, as in one scene outside the auto stamping plant where Rabbit works, the wintry sky is forbidding, the crumbling factory buildings bleak. So when the aspiring rap artist outshines two fellow workers at the lunch truck in an extemporaneous contemplation on their delusions of grandeur, the contest victory is

more a matter of survival than glory. And it's also a needed vindication.

Just the night before at The Shelter, a large, ominously bare-boned hall where rappers "battle" one-on-one for bragging rights before an SRO crowd of predominantly black spectators, the white upstart choked in his maiden attempt. But no matter the result. The challenge alone further fired up an already existing enmity between his group of pals and another clique presided over by the reigning champ.

Director Hanson ("L.A. Story") never addresses the racial implications from an editorial point of view, wisely managing to achieve a much greater reality by letting the dialogue tell that aspect of the story.

Into this mix toss a shady, street wastrel of a love interest played by Brittany Murphy. Then add a perennially unemployed mom (Kim Basinger) about to be evicted from the trailer where, to Rabbit's embarrassment, she lives with a former classmate of his. Otherwise there's not much plot...just a week of dramatic events predictably leading up to the big rap confrontation. But there's enough grit to start a sandpaper company.

If poet Rod McKuen is the million dollar heartache, then Eminem is the multi-million dollar kvetch. And now he engagingly brings his complaint to the big screen. Whether or not he'll be able to further parlay his success with "8 Mile" into a legitimate film career won't be evident until he logs a little more distance on the Hollywood highway.

"8 Mile," rated R, is a Universal Pictures release directed by Curtis Hanson and stars Eminem, Kim Basinger and Mekhi Phifer. Running time: 111 minutes

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Tickets for this performance are on sale now for \$38 (Premium Orchestra/Loge), \$34 (Orchestra/Front Balcony), \$26 (Rear Orchestra/Balcony) or \$18 (Gallery). The State Theatre box

office is located at 15 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick. For telephone ticket orders or information, call (732) 246-7469 or toll free 877-STATE-11 Monday, Tuesday and Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Patrons may order tickets online at www.StateTheatreNJ.org or listen to audio clips. For group sales information, call (732) 247-7200, ext. 536. The State Theatre is equipped with an assistive listening system for patrons who are hard of hearing and the main floor is wheelchair accessible.



Russian Roulette IN A PILL

by Stephen L. Pasierb
and Joseph P. Miele

Russian roulette is a simple game, but imagine playing it not with a gun, but with a pill. Teens all across America—some of them right in your neighborhood—are doing it every day.

Science calls the 3-4 methylenedioxymethamphetamine; users call it Ecstasy. This is a dangerous, illegal drug, one that is part hallucinogen and part amphetamine—in other words, it has effects similar to both LSD and speed. It sells on the streets for between \$10 and \$40 a pill and it offers its users an intense high. Research by the Partnership for a Drug-

Free American shows teen use of the drug has climbed 71 percent since 1999. In all, nearly 3 million teens have tried the drug.

Yet parents largely are unaware of what Ecstasy can do and the extent of its use. Right now, when nearly 3 million American teens have tried Ecstasy, only one percent of parents nationwide think it's possible their child has tried the drug and half the parents are unclear about the drug's effects.

Users talk about the pleasure of the "love drug," calling it a great high, low risk drug that's not addictive. That's just how a previous generation once spoke of cocaine. Of

course once the facts about cocaine became clear, following the deaths of several high-profile people in cocaine-related tragedies, people no longer saw the drug as harmless and it's attractiveness paled. Overall, cocaine use in the U.S. has dropped 70 percent since 1985.

Today, the facts about Ecstasy are slowly coming into focus. A growing body of research had found Ecstasy to be neurotoxic. The National Institute on Drug Abuse says Ecstasy can poison neurotransmitters in the brain. In some cases,

Ecstasy has proven it can be deadly. Just ask Jim and Elsa Heird of Henderson, Nevada—their 21-year-old daughter Danielle died from what a coroner identified as "acute drug intoxication" due to Ecstasy.

Others have used the drug and others have used Ecstasy

more often or in larger doses and seem to be just fine. But as with the "winners" of a game of Russian roulette, some of the real damage from Ecstasy use the damage done to the brain may not appear until years later. Indeed, perhaps the most frightening thing about this drug is how much we still don't know about its long-term effects.

New research suggests Ecstasy users may have an increased risk of developing a condition similar to Parkinson's disease. This finding adds to research suggesting Ecstasy damages parts of the brain critical to thought and memory, and that this damage can be long lasting if not permanent. This is the hard truth about Ecstasy—there are no guarantees about how the drug will affect the person who uses it. Ecstasy is a nationwide problem—from New Mexico to Nebraska to right here in New Jersey—where there are teens, there's a chance you'll find teens using Ecstasy. The good news is research has shown

kids that learn a lot about the risks of drugs at home are up to help as likely as their peers to experiment with drugs. Since most parents have heard of Ecstasy, the job now is turning that awareness into knowledge and action.

If you're a parent, ask yourself if it's possible to be absolutely sure your teen hasn't tried Ecstasy or won't try it in the future. Ask yourself, given the risks, if it's better to be safe than sorry. If you agree it is, learn all you can about the dangers of Ecstasy and share that knowledge with your teens. You won't guarantee that your teens won't try Ecstasy, but you will significantly reduce the odds that they'll use a pill to play Russian roulette with their lives.

Stephen J. Pasierb is president and CEO of the Partnership for a Drug-Free America. Joseph P. Miele is chairman of the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey and the Governors Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse.

Blood Center Announces Community Blood Drive

AREA—The Blood Center of New Jersey is announcing blood drive locations and asking for donations. "We are in need of all types and continue to be below our comfortable inventory on all types," said Judy Daniels, BCNJ spokesperson.

Blood centers officials note that blood supplies are usually higher at this time of year, but several factors are contributing to less available blood. "New deferral criteria from the Food and Drug Administration includes more stringent travel restrictions and has increased significantly the number of potential donors being turned away," said Daniels. "Additional travel screening was effective Oct. 31. But, we are urging people who are not sure if they are eligible to call us first before deciding not to donate," Daniels continued. "Many people assume they cannot donate either because of international travel of certain medications, but they may be able to," she said.

The Blood Center of New Jersey is a non-profit community organization supplying blood and blood components to hospitals in northern and central New Jersey. All blood is collected, tested and processed in New Jersey.

For Middlesex County the dates, times and locations are:

Saturday, Nov. 2 at St. Helena's Parish, New Dover Rd. & Grove Ave, Edison from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 10 at St. John Vianney Church School, Inman Avenue, Colonia from 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 13 at JFK Medical Center, 65 James Street, Edison from 4-8 p.m.

Donors must be at least 17 years of age. There is no upper age limit for donors provided they meet health requirements. Donors should know their social security number and

bring a signed or picture form of identification. People with a fever or sore throat should wait until they are feeling better before donating and there is a 24-hour deferral for teeth cleanings and filling and 72 hour deferral for root canal and other dental procedures. For those who have traveled outside of the United States recently, call the blood center at (973) 676-4933, ext. 132 for eligibility criteria.

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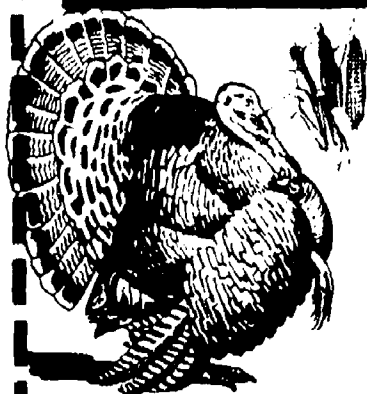
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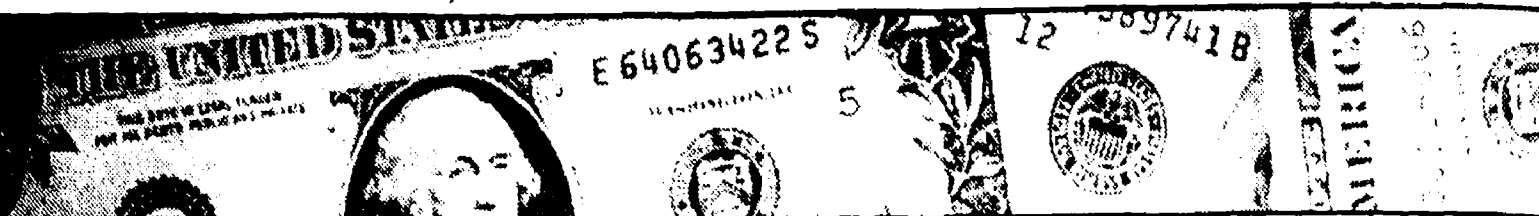
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can reissue the checks, which average \$840, after taxpayers contact the IRS to update their addresses.

This year, a new Internet feature makes it easier for taxpayers to track down whether they have an undelivered refund. The service, which lets people check on the status of refunds online at any time, is available through the "Where's My Refund" section on the IRS home page at www.irs.gov.

To use the site, taxpayers must enter their Social Security number, their filing status (such as single or married filing jointly) and the amount of the refund shown on their 2001 tax return. When this information is submitted online, taxpayers see a Web page that shows the status of their refund check. Taxpayers also get instructions to resolve any problems, whether it's an undelivered refund check or some other issue.

Taxpayers without access to the Internet who think they may be missing a refund check should first check their records or contact their tax preparer, then call the IRS toll-free assistance line at 1-800-829-1040 to update their address.

Nationally, there are more than 96,500 undeliverable refund checks, totaling \$80 million. Locally, the following people may be owed refund checks:

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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

Math Is Cool-Say Mathletes

AREA—Math is cool! That's the official and somewhat surprising word from thousands of middle school mathletes who participate in cerebral sports events through MATHCOUNTS. For more than 600 students annually in New Jersey, this mathematics competition has the allure and drama of big time competition.

Founded in part by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), MATHCOUNTS promotes student interest in math achievement by making it as challenging, exciting and prestigious as a school sport. MATHCOUNTS encourages kids to later pursue math-related careers such as engineering.

Now entering its 20th year, MATHCOUNTS arranges coaching and competitions in local schools leading up to the national finals. Engineers who are members of the New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers (NJSPE) organize local competitions, raise funds, and regularly serve as volunteer, proctors and scorers at the six regional competitions in February each year. Nationwide, NSPE members provide more than 90 percent of MATHCOUNTS volunteer competition coordinators.

Why do students like the program? Gene O'Brien, PE, President of NJSPE says, "Quite simply, it's fun and exciting. Students are motivat-

ed to work as a team, to compete, to try math they wouldn't normally study and to meet other kids who like math in their own schools and other schools around the state."

Drew Lillis, PE, New Jersey Chair of the MATHCOUNTS competition adds, "It's tremendously valuable to get kids excited about math and teamwork with so much of their academic career still ahead of them."

MATHCOUNTS starts each fall with coaching by teachers and volunteers. Coaches are equipped with the free *School Handbook* and material from the MATHCOUNTS Foundation. Schools hold in-house meets, then select up to

eight students to compete in the local competition.

More than 500 local competitions take place each February with winners progressing to State Competitions in March.

From each State Competition, the top four individuals and one coach are selected to represent their state in the finals. In 2003, the national competition will take place from May 8-11 in Chicago. The competition values creativity as well as mathematical accuracy. Just how hard is this math? Try the Problem of the

week on the MATHCOUNTS Web site, www.MATHCOUNTS.org, or click on the site's "Go Figure!" math challenge to really push your skills.

For information about MATHCOUNTS programs in New Jersey schools, contact Patricia Brewer at the NJSPE office at (609) 393-0099 or pbrewer@hsbgnet.com, or go to the New Jersey MATHCOUNTS web site at www.MATHCOUNTS-NJ.org.

Mother Seton Open House

CLARK — Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road, Clark, will hold an informal Open House on Thursday evening, Dec. 5 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. for all sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls and their parents. The program will be informational and enjoyable for girls who are planning to enter high school in the near future.

The evening is designed pri-

marily for parents and for students who are interested in attending Mother Seton Regional High School or in exploring some of the high school options available to them.

Parents and students will have an opportunity to tour the school, examine the curricular and co-curricular programs, investigate transportation and meet with administration,

guidance and faculty members. Parents or students are invited to come alone if the evening is not convenient for both.

An informal social will follow at which parents and daughters may mingle with faculty and students of Mother Seton Regional High School, which is located at Parkway Exit #135, Clark.

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Remembering What We're Thankful For

Every year at the end of November, many Americans celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday. In 1621, the Pilgrims invited a group of Native Americans for a feast to celebrate the bountiful harvest, grateful that they would have enough food to last the upcoming winter. They had encountered a particularly harsh journey to America and an even more severe winter than the previous year. The Pilgrims felt as though their future was really looking up. They were thankful -- a tradition we carry on to this day.

I personally have many things to be thankful for at Thanksgiving: my family, which is foremost and paramount, and the opportunity to serve the citizens of the 19th District as a member of the Legislature for the past seven years. During my tenure, I have been fortunate enough to help structure some of the laws that keep our families and our children safe. I have met a great number of extraordinary people through my experiences as a legislator. And for this I am thankful.

I am also grateful to live in our great and free country. Although many challenges face us now and in the future, Americans have a way of rising to meet those challenges with dignity, pride and determination. We constantly strive to improve our way of life, helping those less fortunate and creating a brighter future

for our children. Now, with the threat of a war with Iraq looming and the ongoing fight against terrorism, I'm thankful for the efforts made to increase security in our state and nation.

Federal, state, and local authorities have worked together to prevent the infiltration of terrorists whose goals are to strike fear and confusion in our peaceful society.

In New Jersey, surrounded by the major metropolitan areas of New York City and Philadelphia, we face perhaps the greatest threat of any place in the nation. We have sought thoughtful changes sensitive to the rights of our citizens and have made much progress in a short time. It is through our ongoing efforts that we will shore up security, protect our residents, and help make the American dream a reality for as many people as possible.

I am thankful to all of the National Guard and Reserve members who have been called away from their families to serve in foreign lands to protect our freedom here at home. They have sacrificed much B time away from their loved ones and jobs B and they deserve our gratitude.

In the face of great evil, our society continues to flourish and people seeking a better way of life continue to pour into our country, some risking their lives to do so. We all should be thankful to live in America, still the greatest country in the world, glorious and free.

During this holiday season, I hope we can all take some time to reflect upon what we are each thankful for and share it with our families and friends. Have a healthy and joyous holiday.



Readers Commentary

Chrome Residents Get A Bum Rap

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to your editorial entitled, "Throw the Bum Out," published Nov. 1, 2002 in the Atom Tabloid. I am not writing to address the mud slinging, because I believe that, unfortunately, has become part of the political system. Politicians are adults and can defend themselves. I, too, am an adult not defending any politician, but defending the people, especially the young people that live in the Chrome section of Carteret. To refresh your memory and I quote, "Chrome is a place unfit for anyone but drug addicts and prostitutes, and it's going to spread to your neighborhood soon if the town does not stop it."

Let me identify myself. My name is Phyllis C. Mincieli—Coordinator of Human Relations at Carteret High School. I have been an educator in this system for 32 years. Your editorial was brought to my attention by a student who lives in the Chrome section of the borough, who is neither a drug addict nor a prostitute...who's mother and father

are neither drug addicts nor prostitutes. The young person is however, very upset and has asked if we can discuss your statement in our Human Relations groups and I agree with her that it needs to be addressed. However, I would like to go one step further and invite you to speak to the 350+ students involved in the Human Relations program, many of whom live in the Chrome section and explain to them, face to face, the reasoning behind your statement. Tell them, face to face, that because they live in the Chrome section they are drug addicts or prostitutes and that they are going to "spread" these afflictions to the rest of Carteret. You see, Mr. Devine, in my opinion, it is people such as yourself who have a venue, such as your publication, to spread hatred, that cause young people to mistrust adults. It is people such as yourself, who reinforce racism and stereotypes. You are the one spreading these horrific things and again in my opinion, you should be ashamed of yourself.

It is my belief that all politicians, be it municipal, county, state or national, who have anything at all to do with Carteret, should be appalled at your statements. They must realize that they represent ALL the people of Carteret which includes both sides of Roosevelt Avenue! These elected officials should, in my opinion, stop advertising in your paper. I also feel that since you print the Ann Scott News for Carteret High School, that the Carteret Board of Education should research other printing companies. Mr. Devine you have demeaned many of my students. In my opinion you owe the people of not only the Chrome section of Carteret, but also the entire borough, an apology. Because you printed these statements you must feel that the good citizens of Carteret agree with you and thus making you feel comfortable in printing such nonsense. I doubt very much that they do.

Phyllis C. Mincieli
Human Relations
Coordinator
Carteret High School

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Capitalism, The Liberal Way

(1) **Put Profits Last.** Businesses should never be in business to make a profit, but to "serve the public good."

(2) **Put Taxes First.** The mission of business is to fund government. The good company never avoids paying the highest taxes.

(3) **Put Competition Aside.** Attempting to gain market share is bad. It causes competitors to suffer and suffering is bad.

(4) **Fund Employee Retirement.** It is the responsibility of corporate America not of citizens themselves to fund citizen's retirement dreams.. no matter how expensive.

(5) **Fund Health Care.** Companies are responsible for funding all health care—including

birth control, sex-change operations, and any New Age treatments that come down the pike.

(6) **Fund Day Care.** The children of employees are the responsibility of the corporation. Parents will be less stressed if their children are looked after with corporate dollars.

(7) **Fund Time Off.** In addition to vacation, sick time and personal days, employees deserve three months off for "Family Medical Leave." The corporation must understand the needs of employees, and give them their jobs back when they return.

(8) **Fund Living Wage.** No one should have to work for less money than he or she wants.

(9) **Fund Dysfunction.** If an

employee is crazy or has an addiction to substance or lifestyle choice: including drugs, alcohol and sex, it is the responsibility of the corporation to restore that employee to robust mental health.

(10) **Provide Security.** It is unacceptable to terminate any employee, even if a job function is no longer needed by the corporation or can be done cheaper elsewhere. Responsible corporations must retain useless employees. Forever.

(11) **Save the World.** Corporate responsibility requires support for whatever cause is deemed by the left to be necessary to save the world. This includes but is not limited to "social justice," state-sponsored discrimination (affirmative action), AIDS and of course, the environment.

(12) **Conduct Business.** If you have time. But make sure you don't make any money.

Ladies and Gentlemen, people out there believe this claptrap!

NEWS

YOUR LOCAL NEWS

Bueno Pleads Innocent To Athlete's Murder

NEW BRUNSWICK—Eligio Bueno Jr. pleaded not guilty to the murder of a Carteret star athlete during an appearance last week in Superior Court.

Bueno entered the plea during a brief appearance on Nov. 12 before Superior Court Judge James Mulvihill. According to Bueno's attorney, a pre-trial conference is scheduled for mid-December.

Bueno remains at the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center in North Brunswick in lieu of \$1 million bail.

Bueno, a 20-year-old Carteret man, was arrested in July and charged with the June 29 shooting of Rasheim "Rock" Reid. Bueno was indicted in September.

Reid helped lead the 1998 Carteret High School football team to the state playoffs, and had been named "most athletic" by his senior class.

Reid attended Lackawanna State College in Pennsylvania for a year. He had returned to Carteret and was working for his father's construction business.

Dowdell Library Of South Amboy Sets New Circulation Mark

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the highest circulation per capita rates in the area. This number is also expected to increase when the new circulation figures are factored in.

Library Director Philip Israel attributes part of the increased circulation to the friendly and helpful staff that keeps people coming back after their initial visit. Israel, also credited the library board, "while a library board is generally not very visible, this is the group that sets the policies for the library. Through a collaborative effort we continually try to plan for the future and meet the needs of the community. I think that establishing a new record with two months remaining in the year illustrates that we have done a good job. Hopefully we will continue to make decisions that will enable us to take this year and build upon it for the future."

Library Board President, Catherine Charmello relates that growth in the library's circulation to the growth of South Amboy, "As the City redevelops the waterfront, more people are coming to this area of the city and are discovering the strong commitment the Mayor and City Council have made to

providing a state-of-the-art library to South Amboy." As more people take possession of their new homes at the Lighthouse Bay housing development directly across the street from the library, the Dowdell Library Board expects the use of the library to

continue to grow.

The Dowdell Library is located at 100 Governor Harold G. Hoffman Plaza. For additional information and hours, the public can call (732) 721-6060 or access the library's website www.dowdell.org.

Mayor Inherits Old Bills

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\$600,000 to pay off old debts.

Beginning next year, the borough will start repaying \$6 million in bonds from 1999-2000 that were used to purchase lawnmowers, police assault weapons and computer equipment.

Reiman faulted the prior administration for borrowing for equipment that will become obsolete long before the bonds are paid off.

"You may borrow money for capital improvement projects, but it's irresponsible to issue bonds for lawn mowers, computers and assault weapons," said Reiman.

However, he's more interested in finding solutions than fix-

ing blame, said Reiman, who added that he will ask business people and civic leaders to form a task force to examine the budget and come up with recommendations for saving money.

"I want to bring people together to look for ways to save money and identify the most important spending priorities," said Reiman, who stressed that his primary mission would be to "minimize the impact on taxpayers."

Reiman said "everything is on the table" concerning the borough's financial shortfall. "My first priority is to stabilize taxes in Carteret," said the Democrat who takes office as mayor on Jan. 1.

College Offers Accelerated Wintersession Classes

EDISON—In a three-week period coinciding with the winter holiday break of most colleges and universities, Middlesex County College will be holding its intensive Wintersession program. For the twentieth consecutive year, local students enroll for the opportunity to take a concentrated one-semester course that earns full credit and transfers back to their own colleges. Registration begins on Dec. 2.

This year's Wintersession will be held Dec. 30 to Friday, Jan. 17, 2003, Monday through Friday. Most classes meet daily from 9 a.m. to 12 noon (except Jan. 1) unless noted otherwise. Approximately 50 courses will be offered. (The complete list appears on the college website www.middlesexcc.edu.)

Students who are matriculated elsewhere must present a letter of permission prior to enrolling at Middlesex in order for the credit to be transferred back to their home college. These students may register by mail to Office of the

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Holiday Deadline Notification

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will have the following deadlines...

For our November 29th issue.

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Nov. 15 at 5 p.m.

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Nov. 19 at 12 Noon

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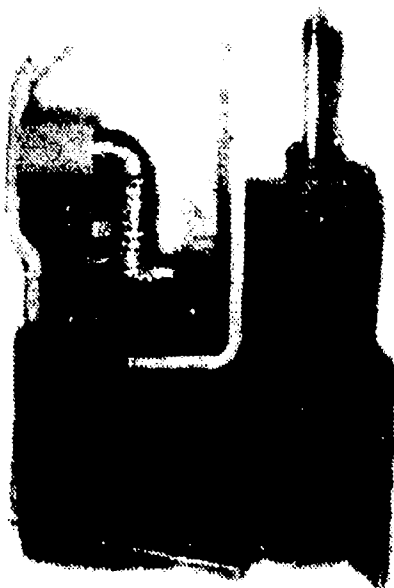
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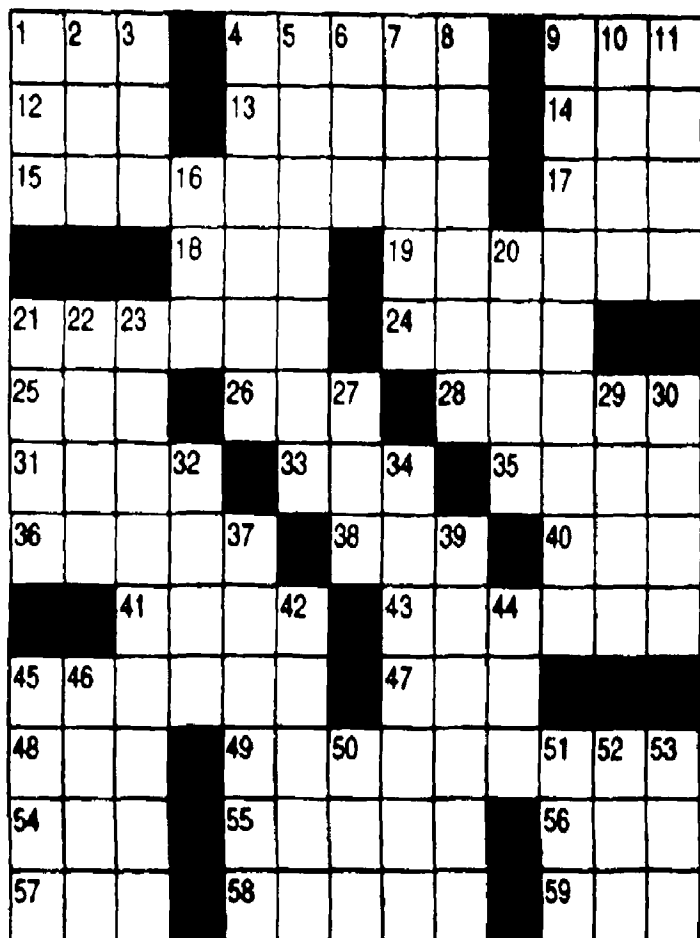
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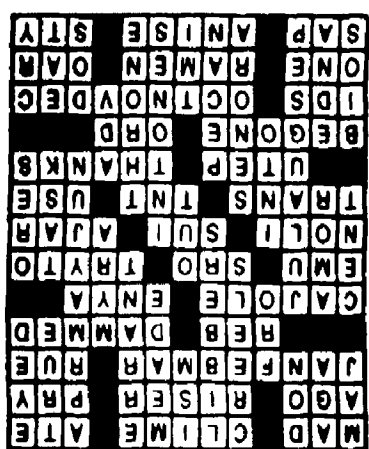
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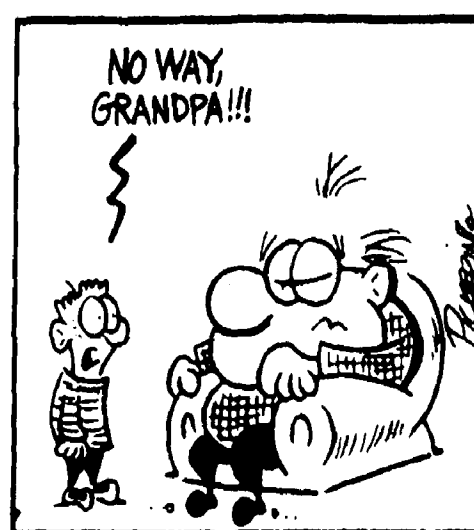
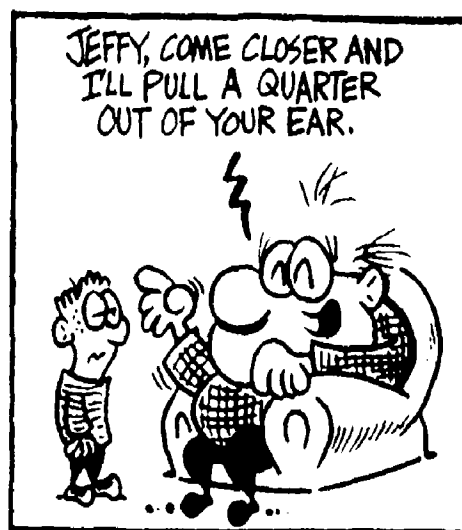
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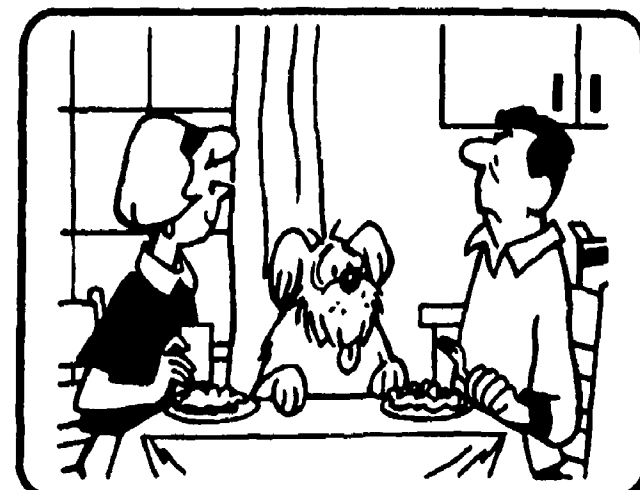


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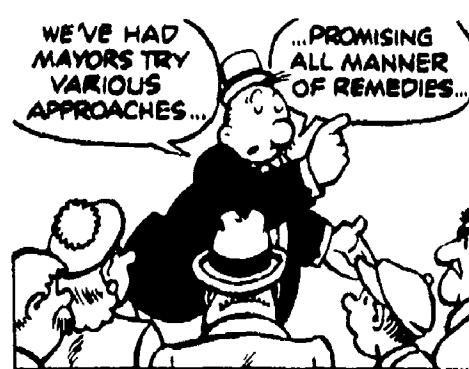
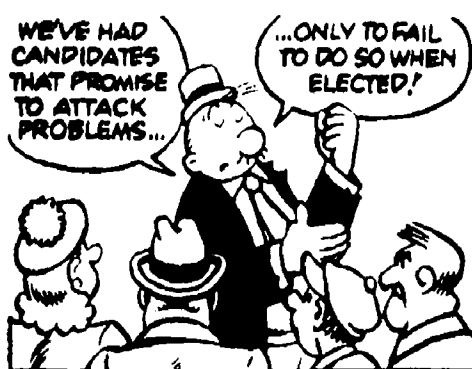
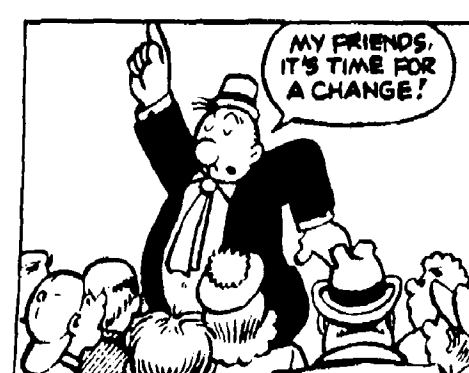
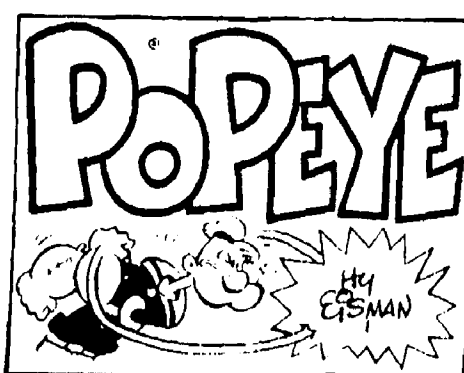
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Vitale Pushes Bill To Ensure An Adequate Supply of Nurses

STATE—On Oct. 31, the Senate passed legislation sponsored by Senator Joseph F. Vitale that would help bolster the number of nurses in the state.

"New Jersey faces a potential nursing shortage of historic proportions," said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). "A pro-active approach is critical to reverse the downward trend of nurses before it takes a serious toll on our state health care system."

The Senator's bill, S-495, would establish a center dedicated to supplying a steady stream of nurses into the workforce. Under the New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing at Rutgers University, statewide programs would be developed to address nurse education, recruitment and optimism utilization. To determine New Jersey's needs, the Center for Nursing would col-

lect and analyze data that projects the supply and demand of nurses statewide.

"Building a center is essential to ensure the health care needs of New Jerseyans are met," said Vitale. "Modern medicine is placing more and more emphasis on nurse care. As a state we must recognize this need with a long-term commitment to keep skilled professionals in the state." "The New Jersey Hospital Association's and the New Jersey State Nurses Association's full support of this program is a testament to this," he added.

Senator Vitale has made nursing issues one of his top priorities in the Legislature. Last year his legislation prohibiting mandatory overtime for nurses was signed into law.

The bill now goes to the Governor's desk for enactment.

Menendez Receives 100 Percent Rating From The Alliance For Retired Americans

JERSEY CITY—Rep. Bob Menendez (D-NJ-13) was honored by the Alliance for Retired Americans Congressional Voting Record for his commitment to America's seniors, receiving a perfect 10 percent rating for his voting record in the second session of the 107th Congress.

"I am so pleased to have received this tremendous honor from the Alliance for Retired Americans," said Menendez.

"My voting record on seniors' issues reflects my strong commitment to older Americans and their families—specifically in safeguarding their health and economic security.

I have always been, and continue to be, completely dedicated to enacting a meaningful prescription drug benefit under Medicare, protecting Social Security and real pension reform." The Alliance's

voting record rates Members of Congress on 10 votes of particular importance to older and disabled Americans—Medicare, prescription drug prices, pension protection, the budget and Social Security. Several of the votes scored included: Pension Protection and Pension Opportunities, a Comprehensive Drug Benefit and Voting Access standards.

"Our seniors helped build this great nation with their hard work and dedication," concluded Menendez. "I look forward to continuing my work here in Congress to enhance the lives of our seniors and to honor them for their loyal service and commitment to America."

A full copy of the scorecard is available on the Alliance for Retired Americans' website at www.retiredamericans.org.

Now Recruiting Youth Baseball And Softball Players

AREA The Coast to Coast Amateur Stars are now seeking 11-18 year old baseball players and 14-19 year old softball players from New Jersey who would like the opportunity to represent the United States at a two-week

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Menlo Park Mall Invites You To An Evening Of Giving

EDISON—An Evening of Giving, to be held on Sunday, Nov. 24 at Menlo Park Mall, promises to be an exciting night filled with charity, entertainment, great savings and give-aways.

By purchasing a ticket in advance, shoppers will be able to enjoy a special evening of private holiday shopping and family entertainment while supporting local participating charities.

The event, held from 6:30-9:30 p.m., will feature live music, entertainment and food samplings as well as executive discounts and gifts with purchase offered by participating retailers. Soap opera star Chad Brannon,

who plays Zander on *General Hospital*, will make an appearance at the event from 7-9 p.m. in Center Court on the mall's lower level. *General Hospital* fans will have an opportunity to take home an autographed photo for \$10 each.

A silent auction of items donated by mall retailers will take place from 5:30-9 p.m. on the lower level Macy's Court with proceeds benefiting Simon Youth Foundation, a nonprofit educational organization established by Simon Property Group, owners of Menlo Park Mall. And, holiday photos with Santa Claus will be available for purchase. The price per person is \$8,

with \$6 directly benefiting the participating charity and the other \$2 going to the Simon Youth Foundation. Last year's *Evening of Giving* raised more than \$80,000 for over 40 charities.

Tickets are available now through participating charities and at the Simon Marketplace. For charities and nonprofit organizations interested in participating, contact Christine Hahn at Menlo Park Mall at (732) 549-1900. All participating charities must be officially registered with the State of New Jersey and show proof of their not-for-profit status.

World War II Veterans To Be Included Into Rutgers Living History Society

NEW BRUNSWICK—More than 300 veterans will be inducted as charter members of the Rutgers Living History Society, a new honor society at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

The society honors participants in the Rutgers Oral History Archives of World War II project, which records the World War II experiences of Rutgers alumni and their spouses and shares them with others via the Internet. The charter members will be formally inducted into the Rutgers Living History Society at the group's first meeting at 5 p.m. on Dec. 7, at the Rutgers Student Center, 126 College Ave., New Brunswick.

"All these individuals now occupy a legitimate place in the annals of history," said Deborah Gray White, chair of the history department at Rutgers. "By giving us their oral histories, they have helped add a new dimen-

sion to the practice of historical research." The interviews, recorded and transcribed by staff and students, are posted on the project's web site, <http://fas-history.rutgers.edu/oralhistory/orl-hom.htm>.

"It is amazing how quotes and stories from the oral histories continue to find their way into scholarly papers, journals, articles and books, as well as library and museum exhibitions."

The meeting and ceremony will take place on the anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, a date the university has designated to honor those

who participate in its oral history programs.

The inductees include: Nancy P. Godfrey, NJC, 1944 of Clark; Robert H. McCloughan, Rutgers, 1942 of Edison; Robert F. Moss, Rutgers, 1942 of Metuchen; David Robinson, Rutgers, 1939 of Metuchen; Edna M. Newby, NJC, 1931 of Metuchen; William S. Gillam, Rutgers, 1940 of Metuchen; Charles White, Rutgers, 1938, of Perth Amboy and Richard A. Winter, Rutgers, 1945, of Perth Amboy; and Edwin A. Kolodziej, Rutgers, 1948 of Sayreville.

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OBITUARIES

Margaret Masternack of Edison

Mrs. Margaret Simon Masternack died Nov. 1 at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Pottsville, Pa. She was 91.

Born in Edison, she lived there and in New Brunswick before moving to Shenandoah, Pa. one year ago.

She was a communicant of St. Ladislaus R.C. Church, a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of St. Ladislaus Knights of Columbus Council 6678 and a member of St. Mary's Society, all in New Brunswick.

Her parents, Michael and Mary Simon, are deceased and her husband, Bruno J. Masternack, died in 1994.

Surviving are a son, Richard B. Masternack, of Shenandoah, Pa.; a daughter, Arlene Bodnar, of Idaho Falls, Idaho; a brother, Eugene Simon of Columbus, N.J.; two sisters, Grace Dobrowski of Somerset and Helen Vargo of Fountain Springs, Ariz.; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Bernard M. Tyson, 65 of Perth Amboy

Mr. Bernard Mark Tyson of Perth Amboy died November 2 at Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy Division. He was 65.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he lived in Perth Amboy for the past 20 years.

He was the owner of Diane & Jerry's Appliance Store in Perth Amboy.

Mr. Tyson was a disabled Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War.

Surviving are a host of family and friends.

Caroline Calantoni of Edison

Mrs. Caroline Ann "Cookie" Calantoni died Nov. 5 at JFK Medical Center, Edison. She was 53.

Born in Perth Amboy, she resided in Edison her entire life.

She was a dedicated nurse for 25 years at JFK Medical Center and a hospice nurse for Barbara E. Cheung Memorial Hospice at Roosevelt Care Center in Edison. She also worked at the Applegarth Care Center in Hightstown as a nurse.

She was active in Edison

Township recreation programs and affiliated with the Tomahawk Twirling Squad. She was a member of the Young Democrats in Edison.

Her parents, Anthony and Mary (Pukevitch) Calantoni, are deceased.

Surviving are a son, Vincent Cagney Calantoni of Edison; a brother, Michael Calantoni of Barnegat; three sisters, Antoinette Murphy of North Carolina, Mary Nelson and Kathie Vajo, both of Edison, and many nieces and nephews.

Frank Peschek, 87 of Edison

Mr. Frank Peschek, of Edison died Nov. 4 at The Mary Anne Hale Pavilion at JFK Medical Center in Edison. He was 87.

Born in Montgomery, W.Va., he grew up in New Brunswick and had lived in Edison since 1935.

He was a graduate of New Brunswick High School.

Mr. Peschek was an Army veteran of World War II and a member of VFW Post 3117 in Edison.

He was a carpenter by trade and was a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters Union. He estab-

lished his own contracting company which he owned and managed for his entire life. In addition, he was a building inspector for 23 years with the N.J. State Department of Building and Construction before retiring in 1990. Some of the major projects he supervised were the Ramapo, Paterson and Montclair state colleges.

His wife, the former Rose Capesandi, died in 1993.

Surviving are a son, James of Windham, N.H.; a daughter, Elaine Hickis of Princeton, and a grandson, Trevor Peschek of Windham, N.H.

Helen Poznanski, 95 of Carteret

Mrs. Helen Theresa (Cenar) Poznanski, 95, of Carteret died yesterday, Nov. 14, 2002, at home.

Born in Newark, she lived there for 70 years before moving to Carteret 25 years ago.

She worked for Lapins in Newark for 15 years and worked for Prudential Life Insurance Company in Newark for 10 years before retiring in 1971.

Mrs. Poznanski was a communicant of St. Casimir's R.C.

Church in Newark. Her husband, Nicholas Poznanski, died in April 1964, and four brothers, Michael, Frank, Stanley and Joseph Cenar and two sisters, Ann Farley and Jennie Tereski.

Surviving are a son, Nicholas W. Poznanski of Carteret; a daughter, Margaret Lang of Warren, and a sister, Sophie Petrucci of Neptune; seven grandchildren, as well as seven great-grandchildren.

Conrad H. White, Sr. of Carteret

Mr. Conrad H. White Sr. (formerly of Carteret) died Oct. 19. He was 88.

Born in Carteret, he lived in Pine Beach, until he retired in 1976. He moved to Port St. Lucie, Fla., where he resided until 1998 when he returned to New Jersey to live in Pine Beach.

He worked as an apprentice for Foster Wheeler in 1929 and for Boilermakers Local 28 of Bayonne until his retirement in 1976.

He was a member of the Theodore Roosevelt Masonic Lodge in Carteret since 1943.

His wife, Sara R. (Meyers) White, died in March of this year; his parents, five sisters, and a brother, are all deceased.

Surviving are a son, Conrad H. White Jr. of Forked River; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Catherine Balint of South Amboy

Mrs. Catherine Balint of South Amboy died Nov. 13 at Bayshore Health Care Center in Holmdel. She was 95.

Born in South Amboy, she lived there all her life.

She was employed as a draper by Jay-Dee Co. in South Amboy and Perfect Maid Co. in Perth Amboy before retiring in 1969.

Mrs. Balint was a communicant of St. Mary's R.C. Church in South Amboy.

Her three brothers, Joseph, John and Francis Baran, and a sister, Helen Hamilton, are all deceased.

Surviving are a sister, Margaret Baran of South Amboy; eight nieces and nephews; and 22 grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Dorothy Hurley, 71 of Parlin

Mrs. Dorothy (Pawlyk) Hurley of Parlin died November 1 at Haven Hospice at JFK Hospital in Edison. She was 71.

Born in Elizabeth, she lived in Kenilworth before moving to Parlin 42 years ago.

She was employed as a fine-jewelry sales person for J.C. Penney, East Brunswick, for 15 years and retired several years ago.

Her husband, Donald Hurley, died in 1997; and four brothers, Thomas, William, John and Walter Pawlyk, are also deceased.

Surviving are four daughters, Colleen Hurley of Jersey City, Linda Flynn of Edison, Donna Hurley of Westminster, Colo., and Dorothea Bongiovi of Red Bank; three sisters, Lillian Sullivan of Vero Beach, Fla., Helen Wyckoff of Brick and Olga Farozic of Berlin, Md., and eight grandchildren.

Margaret Gomolka of South Amboy

Mrs. Margaret Gomolka, 84, of South Amboy died Nov. 12 in the Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy Division. She was 84.

Born in Monessen, Pa., she lived in Perth Amboy since 1947.

She was a sales clerk with the J.C. Penney Co. in the former Sayre-Wood Shopping Center in Old Bridge before retiring 30 years ago. Earlier, she had been a billing clerk with Chatham Garments in South Amboy for 10 years.

Mrs. Gomolka was a member of the Rosary Society of Sacred Heart Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Bottka, and five sisters, Elizabeth Samuel, Anna Mae Bacho, Helen Golla, Evelyn Kreudl and Irene Fronczak.



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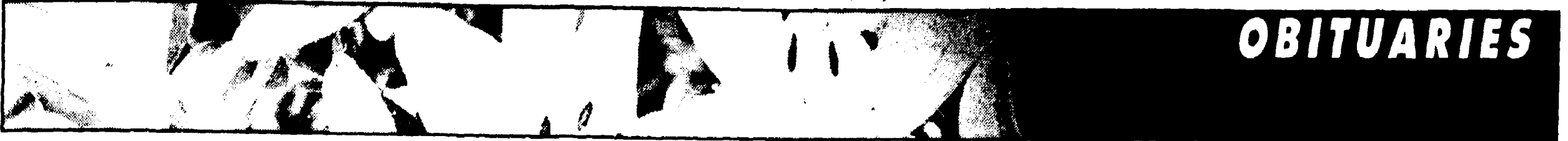
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Eleanor Majeski, 73 of Perth Amboy

Mrs. Eleanor V. (Pescinski) Majeski died Nov. 12 at Haven Hospice in Edison. She was 73.

Born in Perth Amboy, she lived there all her life.

She worked as an inspector at Maidenform in Perth Amboy, and later worked for E.J. Korvettes for 10 years.

Mrs. Majeski was a communicant of St. Stephen's R.C. Church in Perth Amboy.

Her husband, Edward, died in

September of this year, and a brother, Albert Pescinski, who is also deceased.

Surviving are her son, Gary and Majeski, of Hampton; a daughter, Donna Joshua Siregar, of Perth Amboy; a brother, Raymond Pescinski of Edison; two sisters-in-law, Irene Pescinski and Anna Kluj, both of Perth Amboy, and three grandchildren, Jonathan Siregar, Stacy Siregar and Edward Siregar.

Eugene Weiner, 79 of Edison

Mr. Eugene Weiner of Edison died Nov. 5 at Cedar Oaks Care Center in South Plainfield. He was 79.

He had lived in Passaic and then in Edison for 40 years.

Mr. Weiner worked for Uniroyal Tire and Rubber in Passaic for 40 years. More recently, he was the supervisor of the Lawn and Garden Department at Rickel Home Center in Edison.

He was an Air Force veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Edith (Kanter); a son, Stephen Weiner of Edison; three daughters, Donna Lukac of Bound Brook, Gail Hummel of Spotswood, and Carla Heller of Hillside; a brother of Harvey Weiner of Boca Raton, Fla.; and 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Eugene Trachtenberg, 74 of Edison

Dr. Eugene Trachtenberg, "Dr. T" died suddenly on Nov. 4 at JFK Medical Center in Edison at the age of 74.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he resided in Chicago before moving to Edison in 1955.

Dr. Trachtenberg began his medical career in the Navy as a corpsman. Having discovered a fascination with medicine, he received a B.A. degree from Syracuse University in 1950. Gene attended Chicago Medical School from 1950 to 1954, and his residency was at Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn. One of the founding members of the Edison Medical Group. He practiced there for 45 years.

He was an assistant clinical professor of family medicine at Rutgers Medical School and assistant director of the Family Practice Residency Program at JFK Medical Center from 1977 to 1984.

Dr. Trachtenberg was a member of the New Jersey State Medical Society, the Middlesex County Medical Society and the American Academy of Family Physicians, serving as president of the Middlesex County Chapter of AAFP from 1962 to 1964.

He was a member of the Executive Medical-Dental Board at JFK Medical Center from 1970 to 1972, and served as secretary of the Long Range Planning Committee at JFK Medical Center and secretary of JFK Medical Center's Surgical Tissue and Audit Committee from 1985 to 1993. His awards included the Recognition Award for participation as an active teacher of family practice, which was presented to him by the American Academy of Family Physicians in 1974. He was past president of the Temple Beth-El/Edison Jewish Com-

Robert I. Horvath of Woodbridge

Mr. Robert I. Horvath, 77, of Woodbridge died Nov. 11 at Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center in Edison. He was 72.

Born in Woodbridge, he lived in Woodbridge all his life.

He was a warehouse supervisor at National Lead in Perth Amboy for 32 years, retiring in 1981.

After that, he was a site supervisor at Bechtel National in Middlesex for 11 years, retiring in 1992.

Mr. Horvath was a veteran of World War II, and served as a staff sergeant under Gen. George C. Patton in the 3rd Army. He was a squad leader and served in the European Theater operation, receiving a

Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Combat Infantry Badge and the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal.

He was a member of First Congregational Church of Woodbridge.

He was a life member of Woodbridge Elks Lodge 2116. He was "Elk of the Year" in 1974 and 1975 and past exalted ruler in 1977-1978.

He was also a member of VFW Post Post 7164 in Avenel and American Legion Post 45 in Perth Amboy, and was a life member of Disabled American Veterans Post 52.

His two sisters, Ann Horvath and Patty Misdorn, are deceased.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Mary Vasil Horvath;

two sons, Dennis W. Horvath of West Tampa, Fla., and Bruce R. Horvath of Woodbridge; a daughter, Hilary Astrid DeFrancesco, of Colonia; two brothers, Glenn of Frenchtown and Paul of Westfield; six grandchildren, Jessica Lyn, Lydia Mary, Bryan Joseph, Emily Marie, Elio Robert and Eric James; a great-granddaughter, Cari; a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Stuart and Elizabeth Brandow of Woodbridge; his friends, Madeline Kuchie of Woodbridge, and Jimmy and Jayne Schreck of Matawan, as well as everyone at King High Garage in Perth Amboy and all his nieces and nephews.

John H. Dunham of Sayreville

Mr. John H. Dunham of Sayreville died Nov. 13 at Raritan Bay Medical Center, Old Bridge Division.

Born in South Amboy, he resided in Sayreville for the past 40 years.

Before his retirement, he was employed by the City of New York Police Department, retiring as a lieutenant after 30 years of service.

Mr. Dunham was an Army veteran of World War II, serv-

ing with the 1st Calvary Division in the Pacific, where he received a Purple Heart for wounds he received.

He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 10, VFW Post 1352, American Legion Post 25, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 67 and American Vets Post 151, all in Hopewell, the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 46 in New York City, the Sayreville

Senior Citizens Tuesday Club, and the Perth Amboy Chapter of the Deborah Heart and Lung Foundation.

He was a communicant of St. Stanislaus R.C. Church in Sayreville and a member of its Holy Name Society.

His wife, Helen, died in 1992.

Surviving is his companion, Stella Misiewicz of Sayreville.

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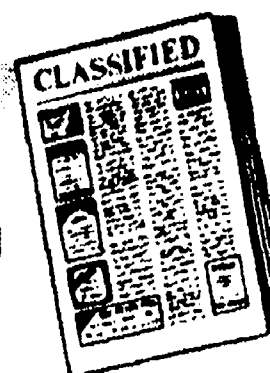
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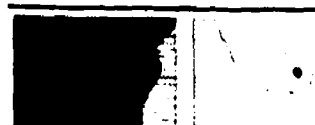
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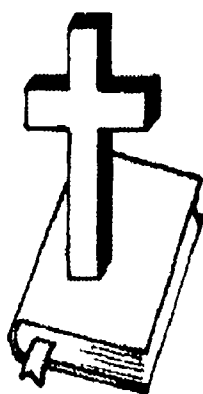
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Lottery Supports NJ Veterans

EDISON—“Beetle Bailey” went on special assignment on Nov. 15 for the New Jersey State Lottery during a special event at the Veterans Memorial Home in Edison.

“Beetle Bailey” creator Mort Walker joined the Lottery to present a \$6,000 check to the Veterans Memorial Home, a long-term care facility with locations in Edison, Paramus and Vineland. Jack McGreevey, a former United States Marine Corps drill instructor and father of Governor James E. McGreevey, was on hand to accept the donation on behalf of the New Jersey’s disabled veterans.

Following the presentation, Walker and “Sarge” Orville Snorkel, another character from the comic strip, toured the Edison location, met with residents and posed for pictures. This post-Veterans Day donation was part of a licensing agreement for the New Jersey Lottery’s *Beetle Bailey Instant Game*. The \$1 game

currently is available at over 6,000 Lottery retailer locations throughout the state and offers over \$4 million in prizes.

Walker, a WWII Veteran created “Beetle Bailey” in 1950. Today, the comic strip is printed in over 1,800 newspapers around the world, including more than a dozen in New Jersey. The comic strip features the antics of Beetle Bailey, a private who accidentally enlisted in the Army and gets into light-hearted trouble for napping and daydreaming.

The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, a Lottery beneficiary for over 25 years, manages the Veterans Memorial Home. Last year, Lottery proceeds contributed \$21 million to this important state department. Since its inception in 1970, the Lottery has contributed a total of \$12.3 billion to programs such as Community Colleges, Department of Human Services and the Department of School Nutrition.

Dinosaurs Invade The Dowdell Library

SOUTH AMBOY

Dinosaurs created by South Amboy students will be on display throughout the Dowdell Library for the month of November. Ranging from third to sixth grade, these students are part of the Gifted and Talented program at South Amboy Elementary School, taught by Ms. Rivera. Visit the library during regular hours to view this unique menagerie.

CollegeWintersession Classes continued

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Registrar, Middlesex County College, 2600 Woodbridge Avenue, Edison, NJ 08818 or by fax to 732-906-7785. The letter of permission must be included. Students who are currently enrolled at Middlesex may register by calling 732-906-4247 or 732-767-1723.

Early registration is suggested as courses fill quickly. The late registration period begins on Dec. 19, at which time a \$40 late fee is charged.

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Tech 2000 Gives Free Computers to Wardlaw-Hartridge Teachers

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rattled off a shopping list of projects to do with her fourth-graders. “I am very excited to get this. I expect to learn quite a bit more myself now that it is in my classroom.”

And according to Pulomena, Dreier is doing just what she should do. “We want the teachers to use these computers, and to continue to learn and grow. That’s what education is all about.”

He explained some of the other goals of the program. “One of the intents of the pro-

gram is to put a computer in every classroom by 2005.” The Wardlaw-Hartridge School, under the program, is entitled to 21 computers.

This year’s delivery of the five Dell Optiplex 2 GH2 machines with built in CD drives, burners, and speakers is the first bounty of the five-year plan.

Other teachers are continuing their education this year before and after school with Kathy Meier and Eserner, who are licensed providers at the independent school.



TECH 2000—Middlesex County Freeholder John Pulomena, surrounded by happy faculty from The Wardlaw-Hartridge School, gets thanks for the new computers for five teachers at the independent school in Edison. Rhona Eserner, top center, provided the 20 hours of training for the teachers to be eligible for the free computers under the Tech 2000 program that the freeholder’s committee sponsored. *Photo Credit: Susan Dougherty*

PeeWee Football Team Has Great Season

CARTERET—The Carteret Sportmens Pew Wee’s had a great year.

To top off the year they entered a Pride Bowl, which consisted of four games played one each weekend. The first two they won from forfeiture. The last two they played hard and won! The last game was held on Nov. 10 at the Tiger’s field in Linden. They played against the Port Reading Saints. The final score was 13 to 7.

The kids had a lot of fun the Pride Bowl and they were rewarded with a pizza party from their coaches on Nov. 11. They played football inside the recreation center and even the coaches got involved. Some of the kids are moving up next year and they will be missed by the coaches as well as their fellow football players.

The coaches did a great job with the kids. Head Coach Jessie Pinckey, Jack Enge, head coach of defense, Joe DeDomenico Sr., assistant defensive coach, Eric Bergery, assistant defensive coach, Dan Fuller, assistant coach offense, Ben Waters, assistant coach, all contributed to the kids’ great season.

The kids on the Pee Wee’s were as follows: Bryan Alson, Marc Bergery, Joseph DeDomenico Jr., Khalil Foster, Bobby Freeman, Danny Fuller, James Gallagher, Matt Guiliano, Marc Guzman, William Hampton, Thomas Hemsel, Elam Islam, Mike Jones, Alex Lukasiuk, Derrick Merritt, Jon Philip, Anthony Punko, Alvin Rodriguez, Anthony SanFilippo, Samuel Syjontian, Sebastian Waters, Terrance Worilds, and Nick Zorilla.

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