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Heated Argument Results In

SOUTH AMBOY -- Seven people are homeless following a dramatic domestic dispute resulting in a fire that destroyed part of a two-story house, South Amboy police said.

South Amboy police said Thomas Domke, 49, set fire to a box spring on the second floor of the house at 521 Ridgeway Avenue where he lived with his girlfriend and her mother.

Sources reported that Domke crashed his Chevrolet van into a Dodge minivan he owned and smashed his cell phone on the ground during an argument with his

girlfriend around 12:30 p.m. The heated domestic dispute grew hotter when Domke went into the house in a rage, although the girlfriend and her mother had left.

Once inside, he set a bed on fire, climbed through a window onto a porch roof, poured a beer over his head and jumped to the ground below.

Neighbors said police, who were summoned before the fire was lit, tackled Domke after he jumped off the porch roof of the house at the corner of Ridgeway and Conover Street.

Detective Sgt. Darren LaVigne said Domke was charged with aggravated arson and two counts of aggravated assault.

The suspect "was despondent over problems in a personal relationship," LaVigne said. Two people lived in each of two first floor apartments, but only one was occupied when Domke ignited the fire, LaVigne said. Domke's girlfriend and mother left the house before the fire was started, he said.

No residents were injured, but one firefighter suffered heat exhaustion and

smoke inhalation but was not hospitalized, LaVigne said.

Neighbors said Domke and his girlfriend have had previous arguments, but they were surprised at Sunday's turn of events.

"I couldn't believe he set the house on fire," said Jerry Arose, who saw the incident unfold while he was washing his car across the street.

Domke was held at Raritan Bay Medical Center in Perth Amboy under police supervision Sunday night, LaVigne said.

Perth Amboy Promotes Organ & Tissue Donation

PERTH AMBOY—Mayor Joseph Vas held a press conference on the steps of City Hall on Sept. 17 in conjunction with the Sharing Network-a NJ organ and tissue donation service—to promote the vital need for donors. The event was held to shed light on the fact that organ and tissue transplants save thousands of lives every year, but many people do not receive the transplants they desperately need because there are simply not enough donors.

"I cannot stress strongly enough, the importance of people taking a few minutes to fill out an organ donation card. This simple act can mean the difference between life and death for thousands of people. I urge everyone to become a registered organ donor now," said Vas.

The Sharing Network, a nonprofit organ recovery agency, is urging everyone to sign donor cards and share their feelings about donation with family members. If more people sign organ donor cards, join the registry and discuss their wishes to donate with their families, more life-saving transplants can be

performed. Lending testimony to the importance of organ donation was Pete Roman, a Perth Amboy Public Schools employee and husband of Dianne Roman who runs the city's Office on Aging. Pete was the recipient of a kidney transplant two years ago and he shared his story with the crowd, as did Belinda Cuevas, his donor, who was a stranger to him before finding out she was a kidney match through her donor registration.

This story is not unlike many in which individuals have saved countless lives through the sim-

ple act of donor registration. More than 80,000 people nationwide, and over 2,300 in New Jersey, are on waiting lists for transplants. And, more than 3,000 of them die each year while waiting for the "miracle of life." For more information

about organ and tissue donation, a donor card or a donor registry brochure, call 1-800-SHARE-NJ, visit the website at www.sharenj.org or e-mail The Sharing Network at tsn(a)sharenj.org.



STEPPING OUT TO FIGHT HEART DISEASE IN **COUNTY**—Augustine Conception (C.), a survivor of more than 50 heartrelated surgical procedures, is pictured at the recent American Heart Association Middlesex County American Heart Walk kickoff with healthcare industry executive Christian Kjeldsen (R.), vice president, community and workplace programs for Johnson & Johnson, and business executive Larry Daniels (L.), general manager of the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick. Daniels and Kjeldsen are the 2002 co-chairmen of Middlesex County American Heart Walk on Sept. 29. Concepcion, a resident of Edison, was diagnosed with a heart defect at age 2. In addition to the surgical procedures. Concepcion has had two major open-heart procedures and 10 pacemakers. Featuring the theme Step Out, Save Lives!--Strengthen the Chain of Survival!, Middlesex County American Heart Walk urges people from all walks of life throughout Middlesex County to learn CPR and support widespread availability of automated external defibrillators (AEDs). Learn CPR and save the life of someone you love. Register for Middlesex County American Heart Walk at Middlesex County College in Edison by calling the American Heart Association at (732) 821-2610.

Benefit For Local Animal Shelter

SOUTH AMBOY - In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, the students at Sacred Heart School. South Amboy, will once again collect pet treats for the dogs

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732-283-0114 1149 GREEN STREET, ISELIN and cats at the local Sayreville Animal Shelter. The collection will take place on Friday, Oct. 4, the feast day of St. Francis at Sacred Heart School, 229 Cedar Street.

The students generously donated over 150 boxes and bags of dog/cat treats last year.

Also, on Friday, Oct. 4, Rev. Joseph V. Romanoski, pastor of Sacred Heart Church will have a Blessing of the Animals ceremony in the courtyard of Sacred Heart Rectory on Washington Street, South Amboy at 4 p.m. Pets of all kinds including

"stuffed" pets are welcome. Immediately following the blessing, Father Romanoski will go to the Sayreville Animal Shelter to bless all the animals waiting to be adopted. He will also deliver the pet treats collected by the Sacred Heart School students. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to contribute to the Pet Treat Collection, you may contact Sacred Heart School at (732) 721-0834. Please note that dog and/or cat food is not needed. Rather it is the treats, which are asked for.

The Old Farmer's Almanac 2002-2003 U.S. WINTER Weather Man

YOUR AREA & STATE NEWS

Farmer's Almanac Now Available

AREA—Since 1792, The Old Farmer's Almanac has been delighting readers with its practical advice, reliable weather forecasts and unique brand of wit and wisdom. As North America's oldest continuously published periodical. the venerable publication has inspired generations of "other" almanacs. These not-so-fabu-

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The "old" publication works hard to make itself new again year after year for the 2003 edition. The Old Farmer's Almanac has revamped its Table of Contents, grouping stories of similar categories together-making it easier to find what you're looking for. Only The Old Farmer's Almanac offers an assortment of timely and timeless stories that will amuse and inspire. Here is a hint of what's included:

Anniversaries

- "Across the Country in 90 Days (or Less)": In 1903, a \$50 bet set Horatio Nelson Jackson on the adventure of a lifetime. After \$8,000 and $63 \frac{1}{2}$ days and with the help of a bulldog named Bud, Jackson became the first man to travel across the country by automobile.
- "Was This Man Wronged by the Wright Brothers?": Every school child knows that

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Amusements

- "How to Tell When Someone's Lying": The average person tells 26 lies every day, so the next time you feel like someone isn't being completely honest with you- you're probably right. We swear, promise and kid you not that after you finish reading this article, you'll be able to spot dishonesty anywhere. Really, now, would we lie to you?
- "How to Grow a Square Watermelon": These cubeshaped melons fit better in the refrigerator and can be sliced like bread.

Folklore

• "The Art of Reading Tea Leaves": A glance at the wet tea leaves in the bottom of your cup may not immediately change your life, but if deciphered properly; they could lead you in the right direction.

Weather

• As always, The Old Farmer's Almanac will feature our 80 percent accurate weather forecasts. This year, though it will be colder than in past years throughout much of the country, snowfall will be below

normal in the western and central Great Lakes, northern Great Plains, Ohio Valley and low elevations of the Pacific Northwest. Drought concerns should wane, as rainfall is expected to be normal throughout most of the United States, with above-average precipitation expected in the mid-Atlantic states, Ohio Valley, Mississippi Valley, central Great Plains and Oklahoma.

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Folks who can't find the 2003 Old Farmer's Almanac on the newstand can order individual copies or subscriptions at www.almanac.com (where you can also find more fun and fascinating facts) or by calling 800-729-9265, ext. 220.



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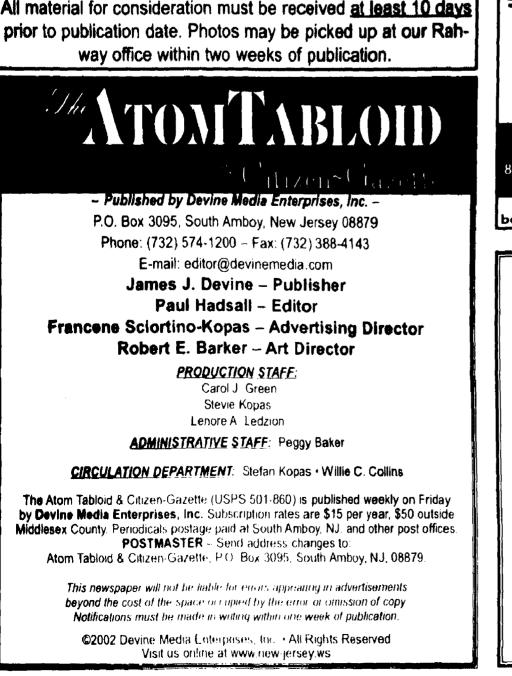
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New Law Targets Landlords Refusing To Rent To Persons With Section 8 Vouchers

STATE Gov. James E. McGreevey signed legislation recently that increases penalties for landlords that refuse to rent to persons who receive federal rent subsidies or have children under the age of 18.

"The legislation I am signing today significantly strengthens a 20-year-old law that explicitly prohibits landlords from discriminating against persons receiving Section 8 vouchers or families that include young children," said McGreevey. "The new law recognizes the civil rights of these people and protects those rights under the Law Against Discrimination. I would like to thank Senator Furnari and Assemblywoman Weinberg for their tenacious efforts in getting this measure passed."

Sponsored by Senator Garry Furnari (D-Bergen, Essex, Passaic) and Assemblywoman Loretta Weinberg (D-Bergen), Assembly Bill 710/ Senate Bill 631 amends the existing "Law Against Dis-

crimination," to prohibit landlords from discriminating against tenants based upon a tenants' source of lawful income, such as Section 8 vouchers, or the age of their children. The law is supported by a 1999 state Supreme Court ruling that says landlords cannot deny an apartment to tenants based solely on their sources of income.

"The federal Section 8 voucher program was set up to assist low-income tenants," said Senator Furnari. "Unfortunately, it has done the opposite, becoming a scarlet letter worn by the tenant, causing many landlords to discriminate against them because they pay part of their rent with public assistance. This legislation allows Section 8 to do what it was intended to do: help people find homes."

Currently, these types of discrimination are against the law, and are punishable by a civil penalty of a maximum \$200 fine for the first offense, and a maximum fine of \$500 for each subsequent offense. However, under the "Law Against Discrimination," any landlord that discriminates against a tenant based on the tenants' source of income or age of children will face stiffer penalties.

"From now on, landlords will pay a hefty price if they discriminate against people simply because they need federal assistance to pay their rent," said Weinberg. "A federal check is as good as money in the bank, so the issue cannot be the ability to pay-it cannot be anything but landlords discriminating against low-income families."

If a landlord discriminates against a tenant because that family receives a Section 8 voucher or has young members, the landlord will now face the harsher penalties-a maximum fine of \$10,000 for any single violation within a five year period, a maximum fine of \$25,000 for any one other violation that occurs within five years of the first charge and a maximum fine of \$50,000 for any two or more violations within seven years of the first charge.

Fines collected will go into the State's general fund, minus reimbursement for fees and costs incurred by the prevailing party.

In addition, the law also broadens the powers of housing authorities so that they can bring suit on behalf of a tenant who is discriminated against. The law

also requires the Attorney General to prepare a notice advising landlords that it is prohibited to discriminate against tenants based on the source of income being used for rental payments and instructions advising them on how to report cases of discrimination.

This notice will also be given to recipients of Section 8 vouchers at the time vouchers are issued to inform them of their rights.

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McGreevey Signs Legislation Making Water Resources High Priorities Of Open Space Acquisition

STATE—Demonstrating his commitment to preserving open space throughout the state, Gov. James E. McGreevey signed legislation that would protect water resources and establish floodprone areas as high priorities under New Jersey's Open Space Preservation Program.

"This new law helps to ensure clean drinking water for millions of New Jersey citizens and also serves as a natural buffer against future floods. Safe drinking water must be a top priority of the state's Open Space program," said McGreevey. "I would like to thank Sen. Bob Smith, as well as the other legislative sponsors, for their leadership in seeing this important piece of legislation become law."

The new law will require the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to rank certain properties ahead of others when considering which lands to purchase with Green Acres money from the Garden State Preservation Trust Fund. Specifically. when determining which properties to preserve, property that would protect water resources would be given three times the weight and flood-prone areas would be given twice the weight.

Consistent with this legisla-

tion, DEP under Governor McGreevey's leadership has already made protection of water resources top priority in its Green Acres funding package for fiscal year 2003.

The benefits of protecting watershed lands are far reaching, stretching across county and municipal boundaries. For example, the core of the Highands encompasses one million acres of forest that surround and protect the source waters for onethird of New Jersey's citizens.

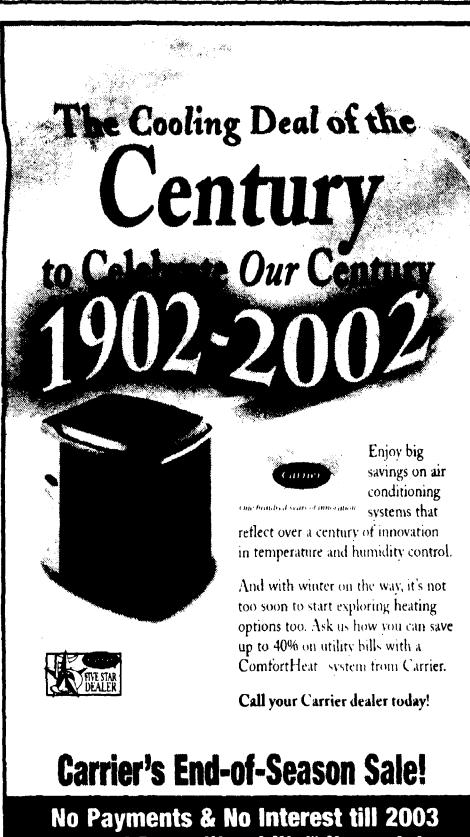
The legislation also requires the DEP, in consultation with the Office of State Planning in the Department of Community Affairs, to prepare an annual Open Space Master Plan

This Master Plan will indicate those areas of the state where future acquisition and development by the state for recreation and conservation is most likely to occur and those areas where there is a need to protect water resources.

It will also require the Garden State Preservation Trust to include findings from the Master Plan in its biennial report, as well as a tabulation of the total acreage in the state, each county and municipality of the lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes that protect water resources and protect flood-prone areas.

In addition, DEP will be required to adopt rules and regulations to regulate any activity on lands acquired by the state to assure that resources remain protected and to ensure that the protection of surface water or groundwater resources are not diminished.





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Sunshine and

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Friday **Becoming** cloudy.

74/59

Saturday Cloudy with steady rain.

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Sunday Mainly cloudy; showers. 69/56

Monday Rather cloudy.

Tuesday Partly sunny.

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Wednesday **Abundant**

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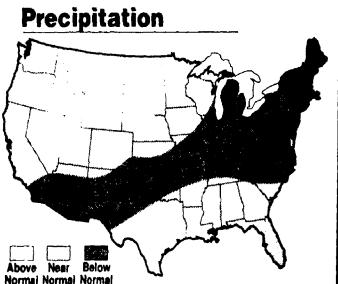
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NATIONAL SUMMARY

Cool weather will be the rule across the northern Plains. Midwest and Northeast during the period. The rest of the country will be near normal for this time of vear. Tropical moisture will keep wet weather across the Gulf Coast and Southeast, while most of the Northern states will see little in the way precipitation.

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Des Moines	64 48 c	64 42 c	64 46 pc	66 37 c
Detroit	70 48 sh	68 44 sh	64 47 pc	65 47 c
Houston	86 72 sh	86 72 pc	86 68 pc	86 66 pc
Indianapolis	75 59 pc	74 54 r	70 48 pc	70 47 pc
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Jerusalem	89 61 s	91 63 s	88 61 s	85 60 s
Johannesburg	89 59 s	88 57 s	89 59 s	91 59 s
London		57 47 pc	61 54 c	63 60 r
Madrid	71 49 pc	71 53 c	70 57 r	69 60 r
Mexico City	73 53 pc	75 57 c	67 59 r	68 59 r
Moscow	58 45 pc	50 48 r	51 46 r	48 43 r
Paris	59 43 c	59 44 pc	61 56 r	65 59 r
Rio de Janeiro	69 59 pc	69 57 pc	68 57 pc	68 58 pc
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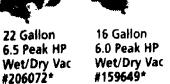
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COMMUNITY **CALENDAR**

Every Monday at 7:30 p.m. or every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. — Nicotine Anonymous, a twelve-step program to help people to gain freedom from Nicotine meets at Centenary Methodist Church, 200 Hillside Avenue, Metuchen and every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Mortgage Money Mart, Tano Mall (front left corner), 1199 Amboy Avenue, Edison. No dues or fees. For more info. call Frank at (732) 548-9423 or Jane at (732) 549-5955.

Every third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.-For the Edison Planning Board held in Council Chambers, Municipal Blvd. and every third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.—For The Edison Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings held in Council Chambers, Municipal Bidg.

September 27 at 8 p.m.—A concert, The Navesink Brass, will be held at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. (Disabled Accessible). Admission is free but reservations are required. Call for more information, (732) 634-0413.

September 28 from 2-9 p.m.—St. Stan's Oktoberfest will be held rain or shine at St. Stan's School Grounds, 225 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville.

September 28 from 11 a.m.—2:30 p.m.—UMDNJ and Johnson & Johnson Organize Diabetes Awareness Day at the Eric B. Chandler Health Center of the UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, 277 George St., New Brunswick. September 28 from 9

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WOODBRIDGE-Woodbridge Center is excited to announce that they are the host for the 2002 Wonderful World of Women Expo! This exciting event will be open to the public Oct. 4-6, during regular mall hours.

Because today's woman has endless avenues and opportunities to choose from, Century Expo, Ltd., and the Woodbridge Center have tailored an event to meet the needs of women from all walks of life. Whether she is a student, bride to be, expectant mother, homemaker, career woman or grandmother, the Wonderful World of Women Expo is an event you won't want to miss.

Listed below is a sampling of the types of companies featured in the Wonderful World of Women Expo:

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NJPAC Jubilation Choir To Hold Auditions

NEWARK --- The New Jersey Performing Arts Center Jubilation Choir, established in 1998 under the auspices of the Arts Center Education Department, will conduct auditions from 6-9 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 8 and 9, at the Lucent Technologies Center for Arts Education, 24 Rector Street, Newark. All interested individuals must sign in by 8 p.m.

The Choir, comprised of 120 volunteer professional is committed to singers, African American Sacred Music with an emphasis on Gospel.

Under the direction of singer, teacher, composer Stefanie R., Minatee, the Choir has performed extensively before sold-out audiences at NJPAC. Most recently, the Choir performed before millions on national television at the opening ceremonies of the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament.

The Choir made its debut in 1999 at NJPAC's 2nd Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration which featured formed with Queen Latifah,

Walter Hawkins, Cissy Houston, Vickie Winans, Donnie McClurkin and Kurt Carr and the Kurt Carr Singers. This season, they will be joined on the NJPAC stage on Dec. 19 by Daryl Coley and on Jan. 16, 2003, by gospel legends Dorothy Norwood and Albertina Walker. Tickets for this event are available from the NJPAC Box Office or by calling 1-888-GO-NJPAC (1-888-446-5722).

Choir members range in age from 19–84 and represent nine northern and central New Jersey counties and New York City. Twelve Choir members are NJPAC staff or volunteers.

Auditioning singers must be 18 or older and be prepared to

sing a gospel song of their own choosing. NJPAC will provide an accompanist.

Further information about the auditions may be obtained by calling (973) 353-8009.





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YOUR COUNTY NEWS

Lawmaker **Looking To Leave** Legislature?

Special from PoliticsNJ.com MIDDLESEX COUNTY—There is considerable talk in Central Jersey Democratic circles that Assemblywoman Arline Friscia is actively shopping for a state job in the McGreevey administration, possibly as the state Lottery Director. If Friscia leaves the legislature, Perth Amboy Mayor Joseph Vas would be the front runner for her seat. Friscia is from Woodbridge, where Jim McGreevey lived until he became James E. McGreevey.

Menlo Park Mall Seeking Local Charities

EDISON Menlo Park Mall is seeking local charities and not-for-profit organizations interested in participating in An Evening of Giving, on Sunday, Nov. 24.

The fund-raising event will include a night of private holiday shopping and family entertainment when the mall reopens at 6:30 p.m. exclusively to supporters of participating charities. Throughout the mall,

there will be exclusive store discounts, entertainment, food sampling and more. Last year's An Evening of Giving raised more than \$80,000 for over 40 charities.

Menlo Park Mall will supply tickets, collateral, advertising and promotions for the Mall. event to all interested nonprofit entities. Charity and notfor-profit organizations will be able to sell tickets-at \$8

apiece—for the event. Six dollars will directly benefit the charity and the other two dollars will go to the Simon Youth Foundation, a non-profit educational organization established by Simon Property Group, owners of Menlo Park

Charities and nonprofit groups will also have the opportunity to share information about their organizations

with shoppers throughout the evening.

For charities and non-profit organizations interested in participating or receiving more information about An Evening of Giving, 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.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY

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on the county's courses can

five-and-a-half days before tee-time up until midnight prior to the day of play. Registered golfers who live

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Reservations can be made

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Registered golfers from outside the county may call after 10 p.m. There is a one-hour delay for all registered golfers for making Internet reservations (they may begin at 10 p.m.).

The system is available only to registered golfers. To register, come in person to any county golf course with two forms of identification. Payments can be cash or check.

The new tee-time reservation system, developed by Fairway Systems, Inc. of Englewood, Colorado, is used at golf courses worldwide, including public courses in neighboring Mercer and Monmouth counties.

For more information, visit the MCIA website at www. mciauth.com or call any of the golf course: Tamarack at (732) 821-8881; The Meadows at Middlesex at (609) 799-4000; or Raritan Landing at (732) 885-9600.

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ipating in the Walk to Cure this year they're expected to

NEW BRUNSWICK — Diabetes. There will be enter- surpass that number. National tainment, food and face painters, games and amusements for the kids. On-site registration begins at 9 a.m. at Cook College, Route 1, North Brunswick. The Mid Jersey Chapter Walk to Cure Diabetes is one of the many held in more than 225 cities worldwide. More than 550,000 people worldwide walked to cure diabetes last year, and more than 750,000 are expected this year. Nationally, last year the Entire families enjoy partic- Walks raised \$78 million, and

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They will also be having a table with baked goods to be purchased.

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YOUR FINANCIAL NEWS

Women's Investment Workshop Offered At CWF

WESTFIELD—The Center for Women and Families is sponsoring a workshop for women investors on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at their center located at 1801 E. Second St., Scotch Plains. Stewart A. Ritter, Senior Vice President/ Infor Prudential vestments Financial in Westfield, will be the featured speaker. He will be presenting his popular seminar, titled, "The Biggest Mistakes Women Investors Make and How to Avoid Them." The seminar is geared towards the

specific investment concerns women share, and shows how women can take greater control of their individual finances.

"Women have traditionally been neglected when it comes to financial education," says Ritter. "One of the most important tools for any investor is knowledge, and that is why I am providing this educational seminar women."

According to Ritters, women investors face several

unique concerns when investing and should therefore consider taking a unique approach to financial planning. Women typically live longer than men, are more likely to take time off during the working years, and most women will be solely responsible for their finances at some point in their lives.

For additional information on this workshop you may contact The Center for Women and Families at (908) 322-

Five Things You Should Know **About Social Security Survivors Benefits**

by Dennis Mass Social Security Manager

When you try to figure out how much life insurance you need, do you remember to add the value of the survivors insurance you probably already have through Social Security? Too many folks don't...or don't realize how valuable their Social Security benefits just might be.

For an average wage earner who dies and leaves a spouse and two children, the value of Social Security survivors benefits is equal to a \$403,000 life insurance policy. And the only real difference is that the Social Security survivors benefits are paid monthly and not in a lump sum.

Here are five basic questions about survivors benefits that you should be able to answer to help you with your financial planning.

1. How do you earn Social Security survivors insurance coverage?

Just by working in a job covered by Social Security. You earn up to four "credits" a year, and the number of years of work that you need for your family to be eligible for survivors insurance benefits depends on your age when you die. The younger a person is, the fewer credits you need. A person who dies before age 22, for example, would need only 1 1/2 years of work for coverage. And no one needs more than 10 years of work to be eligible for any Social Security benefit.

2. Who can get survivors benefits?

Social Security survivors benefits can be paid to widows, widowers, children and some dependent parents.

3. How much can survivors receive in benefits?

Basically, the higher your earnings, the higher the benefit payments to your survivors will be. The actual benefit amount will be a percentage of your basic Social Security benefit and ranges from 75 to 100 percent, depending on the survivor's age ing spouse remarries? and type of benefit. If you check the Social Security Statement that you get each year, you will find an estimate based on your own earnings.

4. Can a widow or widower get retirement benefits in addition to survivors benefits?

No, you can't get both. But we will pay you the higher of the

benefits you are entitled to. In some cases, for example, a widow or widower can begin receiving survivors benefits at a reduced rate and then switch to retirement benefits at an unreduced rate at full retirement age. The rules vary depending on your situation. You should talk to a Social Security representative about the options available to

5. What happens if a surviv-

Generally, a spouse can't get survivors benefits if he or she remarries. But, remarriage after age 60 (or age 50 if you are disabled) will not prevent you from getting benefits based on your former spouse's record. And, at age 62 or older, you may get benefits on the record of your new spouse if they are higher.

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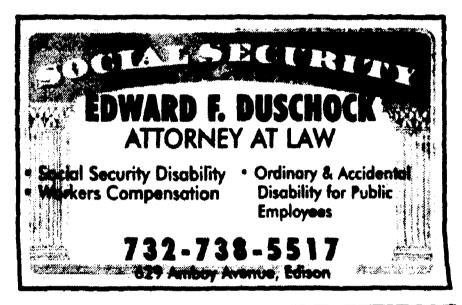
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YOUR LOCAL NEWS

Cohen Introduces Measure Condemning Marketing Of Umbro "Zyklon B" Running Shoes

STATE—Citing the outra**geous** insensitivity to millions of Jewish men and women across the globe and irreverence to those killed in Nazi concentration camps, Assembly Deputy Majority Leader Neil M. Cohen has introduced legislation condemning the Umbro Company for naming one of its shoe products after the lethal gas.

"By naming a running shoe after an agent of death such as "Zyklon B," Umbro is condoning the horrors of the Holocaust and giving a green light to commercially condoned anti-Semitism around the world," said Cohen (D-Union). "This act tramples upon the memories of the millions who perished in the Nazi gas chambers.

"This level of callousness cannot and should not be tolerated, especially in a day and age when understanding and acceptance of other cultures is paramount."

In addition to condemning Umbro for its actions, Cohen's measure (AR-172) calls upon the state's Attorney General to investigate the naming of the **shoes.** The resolution also calls—velopment Committee.

on New Jersey residents to boycott Umbro products until the company issues a public apology and withdraws the running shoe from the market worldwide.

During the Holocaust, Jews were brought into gas chambers-thinking they were showers-and killed by inhaling "Zyklon B," which was dispensed from nozzles of the "shower heads."

"For a company of Umbro's magnitude to commit this act of insensitivity is beyond the imaginations of most people who live in civilized society," said Cohen. "It's hard to fathom that the naming of this shoe was an accident, given the amount of time and energy surrounding the product development process-including design. research and test marketing.

"This was no coincident or mistake; I believe it was by design."

The measure was formally introduced Sept. 12 and referred to the Assembly Commerce and Economic De-

Middlesex Co. 4-H Clothing Drive

MIDDLESEX COUNTY—The Middlesex Co. 4-H Teen Council will be hosting a Clothing Drive on Wednesday, Oct. 16 between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. The Clothing Drive will take place at the 4-H Center, on the corner of Cranbury and Fern Roads in East Brunswick.

Interested participants are encouraged to bring old and used items including clothing, shoes, handbags, stuffed animals and household linens (such as towels, blankets, cur-

tains and sheets). All donations should be packed in sturdy plastic trash bags.

Proceeds from the Clothing Drive will be used to benefit the upcoming 2002 Project GIFT event. Project GIFT is a holiday shopping event for families with limited resources.

This collection of old and used items is not to be confused with the collection of new toys and clothing to be used as gifts for the Project GIFT event. If you'd like more information on the clothing drive, please contact the Middlesex County 4-H office at (732) 745-3446. For directions to the 4-H Center visit www.co.middlesex.nj.us/exten sionservices/4hclubs.asp

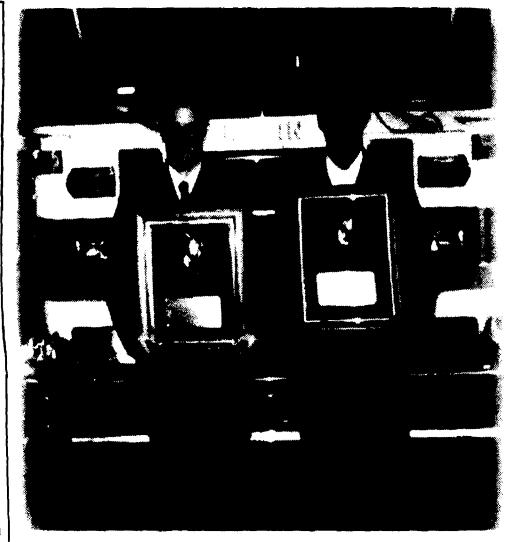
Four-H offers educational programs to all youth, grades K through 13 on an age appropriate basis, without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability.



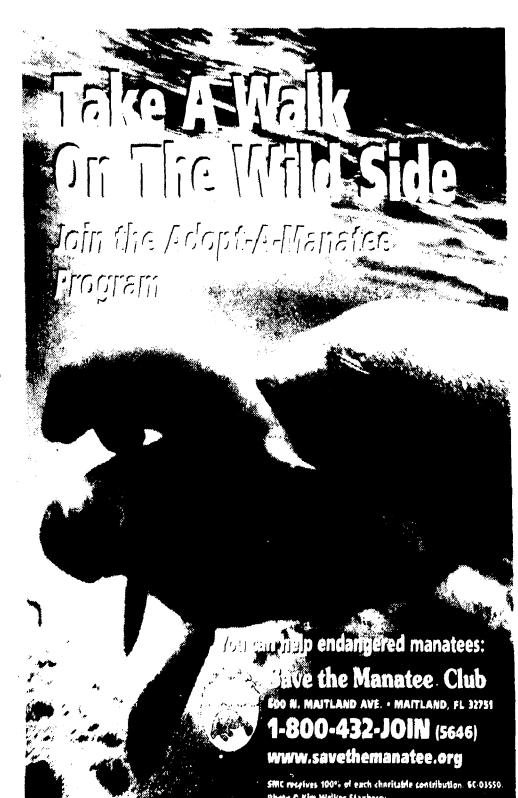
EDISON—Physical therapists from JFK/Johnson Rehabilitation Institute will be presenting a free lecture "Healthy Computer Use" at the Edison Public Librariesfirst at the Main Library, 340 Plainfield Ave., on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. and then at the North Edison Library, 777 Grove Ave., on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 7 p.m.

They will focus on prevention of computer-related injuries as a result of incorrect posture and body mechanics and offer tips on healthy computer use. Following the lecture, they will answer questions about the role of physical therapy in today's health care environment.

To register, call the Main Library at (732) 287-2298, ext. 1 or North Edison Library at (732) 548-3045, ext. 1.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—Volunteer Kevin Byington (L.) and Volunteer Dale Eckensberger (R.) recently received plaques honoring their twenty years of service as Volunteer Firefighters in the Iselin Volunteer Fire Co. #11.





MCC STUDENTS ATTEND ENGINEERING CONFERENCE-Middlesex County College students pose with the Princeton University tiger at the recent conference of the National Society of Black Engineers. Pictured left to right are Eric Charles, Jeff Peralta, Travis Tidwell, Mansur R. President, Jimmy Mcgriff, Neesa Joseph and Russell Jordan.

OBITUARIES

Sandra M. Minucci of Woodbridge

Miss Sandra Marie Minucci of Woodbridge died September 11 at JFK Medical Center in Edison. She was 53.

Born in Perth Amboy, she was a lifelong Woodbridge resident.

Miss Minucci was employed for 22 years as a flight attendant with Eastern Airlines, based in Newark, and during that time she worked with Mother Teresa to bring adopted children to the United States.

For the past nine years, she was a receptionist with the law firm of Palmisano and Goodman in Woodbridge.

Miss Minucci was a parishioner of St. James R.C. Church in Woodbridge.

Surviving are her parents, Joseph and Wanda (Starek) Minucci of Woodbridge; a brother, Richard, and his wife and daughter, Susan (Morris) and Sophia Rose Minucci, all of North Creek, N.Y.; her aunts and uncles, Daniel and Josephine Minucci, John and Antoinette Truhan, Molly Stanziola, Edward and Bertie Gladys, Dottie Cicala, Augustine and Angie Minucci and Dianne Patrick Pietrofesa, and many cousins.

Joseph P. Steiner Worked in Edison

Mr. Joseph P. Steiner of Milltown (formerly worked in Edison) died September 10 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick. He was 84.

Born in Sayreville, he moved to Milltown about 13 years ago.

He was employed for 40 years by the Ford Motor Co., Edison, as a sheet metal worker in the maintenance department before retiring in 1985. He was a member of the United Auto Workers Union.

Mr. Steiner was also a member of the Sayreville Knights of Columbus Council 2061.

·Surviving are his wife, Irene; three sons, Marty, Ronald and Joseph; a sister, Theresa Firezuk; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Calvin T. Lunn, 77 of Avenel

Avenel died September 20 at World War II Victory Medal. home. He was 77.

Born in Newark, he resided in Union until moving to Avenel in 1950.

Mr. Lunn was employed as an electronic technician with Western Electric (now Lucent Technologies) in Kearny for 38 years before his retirement in 1984.

He was a veteran of World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps as a corporal in the Western Pacific and Japan, and was awarded the American Service Medal, the Asiatic

Stanley Relford, 52 of Carteret

Mr. Stanley Relford of Somerset (formerly of Cartreret) died September 14 at home. He was 52.

Born in Perth Amboy, he lived in Carteret before moving to Somerset four years ago.

He was a motor broom sweeper employed by the Borough of Carteret for 20 years.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Ann; three daughters, Stephanie Williams, Shanta Northernton and Adrianne; his father, Calvin Relford; a sister, Barbara Jean, and five grandchildren.

Helen A. Minnick of South Amboy

Mrs. Helen A. Minnick of South Amboy died September 16 at home. She was 96.

Born in Parlin, she moved to South Amboy 75 years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Frank J. Jr., James J. and Joseph R.; four daughters, Friberg, Regina Mary Pawlowski, Joan P. Donohue and Helen M.; 15 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Calvin T. Lunn of Pacific Service Medal and

His wife, Elsie Shuster Lunn, died in 1996, and a brother, Guiles Lunn, and a sister, Marjorie Dronke, are also deceased.

Surviving are three sons, Thomas R. Lunn of Colonia. James B. Lunn of Little Egg Harbor and Jeffrey R. Lunn of Steelton, Pa.; a daughter, Dolores "Dodi" Ferraro of Mechanicsburg, Pa.; a brother, Arthur Lunn of Livingston; six grandsons, two granddaughters, and a great-grandson.

Nicola DePascale of Port Reading

Mr. Nicola DePascale of Port Reading died September 16 at his home. He was 72.

Pietrastornina, Born in Province of Avellino, Italy, he had resided in Port Reading for the past 47 years.

Mr. DePascale purchased a lot on Port Reading Avenue and built DePascale's Deli in 1983, which he operated with his family for 14 years until 1997.

Previously, he had owned and operated DePascale's Trucking for 40 years.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church in Port Reading.

Surviving are his wife of 48 years, Nancy Ragucci DePascale; four daughters, Maria DePascale Tamburri of West Orange, Antonietta Rothenberg of Union, Mirella DePascale-Bennett of Metuchen and Rita Santopietro of South Brunswick; two brothers, Giovanni and Biaggio, both of Italy; a sister, Antonietta Bascetti of Italy; three granddaughters. Alexandra, Nicole and Catherine Tamburri; a niece, Anna DeFrancesco-Bobb; and a grandson, Genaro DeFrancesco.

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Andrew V. Tripoli of Edison

Mr. Andrew V. Tripoli Sr. of Edison died September 8 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. He was 74.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Tripoli lived in Roselle before moving to Edison in 1951.

He was an electrician with Merck & Co., Rahway, for 22 years before retiring in 1990.

He also owned Inman Plaza in Edison for many years.

Mr. Tripoli was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union Local 675, Elizabeth.

He served on the board of directors of the Edgewater Arm Association, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and was an originator of the Police Athletic League Little League baseball field in Linden.

Surviving are Margaret, his wife of 53 years; sons, Andrew Jr. and Gary, and a sister, Rose Davis.

William Jay Dorman of Parlin

Mr. William Jay Dorman of Parlin died September 15 in Care One at East Brunswick. He was 55.

He was a sales manager for A.C.P. of New Jersey in Avenel for five years. Previously, he owned and operated Certified Marketing of Metuchen.

Mr. Dorman was a former officer of La Mer 1 Condominium Association, Sayreville.

Surviving are his mother, Ruth Dorman, and two sisters, Pamela and Patricia.

Esther R. Vernachio of Carteret

Mrs. Esther R. Vernachio of Carteret died September 16 in Rahway Hospital. She was 78

She was a lifelong resident of Carteret.

She was a clerical worker for the Foster Wheeler Corp., Carteret, before retiring.

Earlier, she worked in the same capacity for the Regina Corp. and Huffman-Koos, both in Rahway.

She was a member of the Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Star Landing Post 2314 of Carteret and the Destroyers Escort Auxiliary of Florida.

Surviving are her husband, Ernest; a son, Ernest M.; a daughter, Ellen Clarke; a sister, Marie Franko, and two grandchildren.

Lucy M. Stendardo of Edison

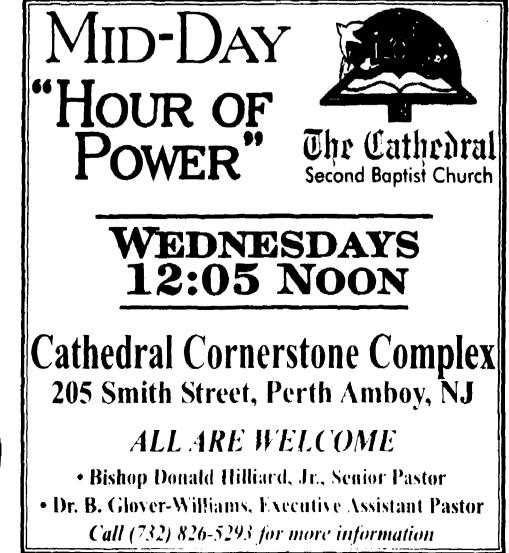
Mrs. Lucy M. Stendardo of Edison died September 17 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. She was 88.

Born in Bayonne, she moved to Edison last year.

Mrs. Stendardo was a member of the Rosary Society of Assumption Church.

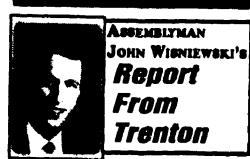
She was a member of the Parent-Teacher Association at Roosevelt School, Bayonne.

Surviving are a son, John; two daughters, Marie Nagengast and Frances Soloway; sisters, Virginia Pintauro and Fanny Hasty; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.



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EDITORIAL



When something goes wrong around your house, who's responsible? When the roof sags, or the sidewalk cracks, who fixes it? Well, the simple answer is you, the homeowner. But how about when that problem, whether it is a sagging roof or a broken sidewalk, isn't caused by you or by simple aging. How about when the problem is caused by what you neighbor is doing? How about when the problem is caused by the activities of a builder constructing homes on the property next door?

You could call a lawyer. But should you have to? After all, lawyers don't work for free so that even if you can get one to work for you on a contingency - you won't get everything you need to fix the problem. Also, litigation can take years and not necessarily guarantee you an outcome you will like.

But under current law, litigation is the only way for residents to receive compensation for any damage done to their property.

This is a problem that has recently come to light in Sayreville. But it's probably not unique. I am sure that it has happened before elsewhere and I am sure that unless something is done it will happen again.

In Sayreville, a builder obtained permission from the local approval authority to build hundreds of homes in an area that was once a clay mine. In order to stabilize the soil the builder had to persomething called form "dynamic compaction." Literally dropping a weight of many tons, from a great height, onto the ground below. This certainly compacted the ground. It also sent shockwaves through the ground into neighboring And according to homes. many residents of the area, this action has caused tens of copy to you.

thousands of dollars damage to their homes. Although existing law allows local approving authorities to ask for and obtain escrows from builders for on-site improvements that are to be built, the law is silent on the issue of escrows for potential off-tract damage that a builder may cause.

Sayreville Councilman Tom Pollando came to me and asked if legislation could be drafted to address this gap in current law. Councilman Pollando has been working with the residents of this area and has been attentive to their concerns.

As a result, working with input from Councilman Pollando, I have sponsored new legislation that addresses this concern. Assembly Bill 2786 would permit a municipality to require a developer to post an escrow for potential offsite damage that a development project may cause. These funds could be used to address the kind of damage that residents in Sayreville are complaining about.

This measure can't fix the problems that have occurred. For that I would call upon the developer to stand up and accept responsibility for his actions - which I am sure were unintentional. But while we can't fix what has happened, we can prevent this type of situation from happening again. No one should have to worry about how they're going to fix their home when it is damaged by the actions of someone else. It is just a matter of fundamental fairness.

Editor's Note: Last week's Letter from Trenton was inadvertantly printed without an accompanying table. The article with the table can be seen on our website at http://www.newjersey.ws/article.asp?article=3240&paper=66&cat=1 23 (click the PDF icon at the top right of the screen to see the table).

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Encouraged By New Direction

Dear Editor.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner, Bradley Campbell, for his dedication to the health and environment of New Jersey. Commissioner Campbell recently released a study that revealed hazardous levels of mercury in many of New Jersey's freshwater fish. The study on mercury levels in fish

Cell Phone Addicts Everywhere

Dear Editor.

New Jersey may soon be joining New York with legislation designed to curb vehicular cell phone usage. This comes none too soon as motorists of all ages play a game of Russian Roulette with their lives along with fellow driver's and pedestrians nearby.

Penalties should be severe. The only obstacle is an enforcement. If everyone using a car phone were to be given a summons, we'd surely have gridlock in our court system. Conversely, a polite warning issued in the same vein as asking people to refrain from watering their lawns during the drought would render a phone statute worthless.

An illustration of society's cellular addiction was displayed on a local New York Yankee broadcast. Television cameras panned the crowd, zeroing in on a dozen people unabashedly gabbing into their hand-held toys.

Suddenly, a camera lens focused on a stadium sign declaring the prohibition of such devices. It was almost laughable until the viewer could recall their own less then humorous close calls when driving. The true "monster of the roadways" is not just the speeder, the drugged or drunken driver or the person running a red light but the far more insidious gossip artists too shallow to recognize their own acts of irresponsible behavior.

> Pete Wagner Colonia

had been circulating through various levels of the NJ DEP since mid-1999. It was not until Bradley Campbell took over as Commissioner was this and other reports released.

The DEP needs to acknowledge that toxins leech into our fish because our waterways continue to be polluted by thousands of known contaminated sites throughout our state, many of which have hazardous levels of mercury and other toxins. Telling the public not to eat fish is a temporary measure and does not solve the problem. Putting up warning signs against eating fish and crabs is like putting a Band-Aid on a surgical wound -superficial solutions will not work. Pollution of our waterways is a violation of the public trust doctrine and is as much of a barrier to access as any fence would be.

To his credit, Commissioner ronmental protection. Campbell has also recently released studies to the public on PCBs in fish, dioxins in blue claw crabs and the lack of wetlands preservation by developers. Over the past few months, Commissioner Campbell has started to show the once was. public that he is trying to change the DEPs "business as usual" attitude of the previous

administration.

In the past, Edison Wetlands Association has had a strained relationship with the DEP. In many circumstances, the Edison Wetlands Association has been forced to publicly embarrass the DEP in order to protect and cleanup the environment in New Jersey. Only the leaky drum got the cleanup.

I am encouraged by this new direction Bradley Campbell is bringing to the DEP. Successful transition will require changes by the administration in order to break this cycle of failure at all levels of the department's bureaucracy. Simply recycling past leadership within the agency will not accomplish real and lasting change. The DEP needs to bring in new qualified and talented people who understand and are committed to both the policy and the science of envi-

It is my hope that Commissioner Campbell will reestablish the DEP's commitment to protecting human health and the environment, if we ever hope to restore New Jersey to the Garden State it

> Robert Spiegel **Executive Director** Edison Wetlands Assoc.

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YOUR LOCAL NEWS

College Dedicates Dental Hygiene Clinic

EDISON — In a wellplanned surprise ceremony, the Dental Hygiene Clinic of Middlesex County College was officially dedicated to Dr. Sidney Danzis, its founder and first chairperson of its Dental Auxiliaries Education Department, on the occasion of his 93rd birthday. The event on Aug. 29 was supported by a \$25,000 grant to the Middlesex County College Foundation Endowment Fund by his son and daughter-in-law, Colin and Jo-Ann Danzis of Livingston.

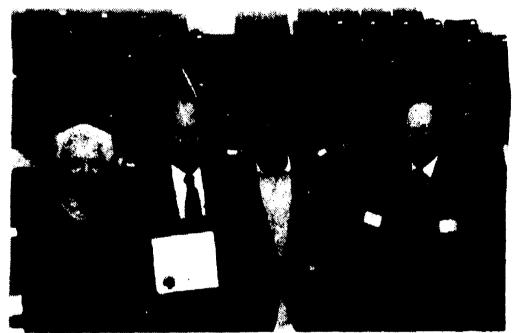
"I cannot think of a more fitting tribute to a man who so loves Middlesex County College and who has given so much of his personal and professional life to establishing and being a vital part of the outstanding educational facility that exists now," Colin Danzis said.

The younger Danzis, an

only child, is the senior partner at one of the oldest native New Jersey law firms, Lum, Danzis, Drasco, Positan, Kleinberg LLC of Roseland, Jo-Ann Danzis has taught chemistry at Middlesex County College, Barnard College and the County College of Morris and was on the staff of Rockefeller University.

The 24-chair professional clinic, which offers second year students the opportunity to work on patients under the supervision of licensed dentists and clinical instructors, will be known as the "Dr. Sidney **Danzis** Dental Hygiene Clinic." Under his leadership and planning, it was opened to the public in 1971 and presently serves about 900 patients a year, at greatly reduced fees. Many current patients have been coming to the clinic since

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Dr. Sidney Danzis holds the resolution from the Board of Trustees naming the "Dr. Sidney Danzis Dental Hygiene Clinic." With him are his wife, Dr. Rose Channing Danzis, Gerald M. Ostrov, Chair of the Board of Trustees (C.) and daughter-in-law and son, Jo-Ann and Colin Danzis.

Krome To Remain Alcohol-Free

SAYREVILLE—A dance club that generates the ire of local residents for its disorderly patrons has been permanently banned form serving alcohol, according to a decision the borough received from the state Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

"No longer will residents have to deal with violence. traffic gridlock and public drunkenness in front of their homes. We are pleased with the decision of the ABC director and thank him for helping to preserve this neighborhood."

Krome, on Route 35 south in the borough's Morgan section, can remain open for teens' parties and other non-alcohol related events. However, according to the six-page ruling issued Sept. 9 by state Alcoholic Beverage Control Director Jerry Fischer, Krome will no longer be an attraction to revelers who want to get drunk and be unruly.

"The neighborhood has been returned to the people," said Sayreville Mayor Kennedy O'Brien. "No longer will residents have to deal with violence, traffic gridlock and public drunkenness in front of their homes. We are pleased with the decision of the ABC director and thank him for helping to preserve this neighborhood."

Krome, located in a former bowling alley, was stripped of its liquor license in December 2000, after several drug and weapon-related incidents occurred. In subsequent hearings, Sayreville police and residents told of horrendous traffic gridlock on Old Spye Road, illegal parking on nearby streets and large crowds gathered in the parking lot of Krome.

Police said fireworks and noisy patrons could often be heard in the neighborhood, while residents complained that the hip-hop music emanating from the building shook their windows. Residents would typically raise the volume on their televisions just to drown out the noise.

After the borough stripped Krome of its liquor license, an Administrative Law Judge upheld the town's ruling March 20 of this year. The club owner appealed the decision to the state Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, which upheld the decision on Monday. Borough officials learned about the decision recently.

Edison To Unveil 9/11 Memorial

EDISON—The Edison 9/11 Memorial Committee is in the process of creating a Memorial Monument for the victims of the World Trade Center terrorist attack. The memorial is scheduled to be dedicated on Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. at Papaianni Park.

The memorial design was chosen from almost one hundred drawings, sketches and models. Students form several schools within the township submitted artwork. The monument is a water fountain with a 60-ton 7foot granite block. Two nine-foot, 11-inch granite pillars, representing the Twin Towers, rise from the block. The names of the 10 township victims will be inscribed on bronze plates set on the wall of the pool. Lights will shine on the flag pole 24 hours a day.

Buried beneath the monument shall be shards of glass and two pieces of steel from the World Trade Center.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Edison 9/11 Memorial should send a check payable to:

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David confronted Anna about her pregnancy and begged for another chance. Maria feared she might not want to return to the life she shared with Edmund even if she did eventually remember it. Kendall voiced her suspicions about Trey to Greenlee, who shocked her with the revelation that he's Vanessa's son. After forcing Erica to admit she never got over being abandoned by her father, Chris made a call requesting information about Eric Kane. Wait to See: Kendall turns to Bianca for help. Leo and Trey find a clue to Vanessa's hidden fortune.

AS THE WORLD TURNS

Bonnie and Paul came up with a plan they hoped would work. Mike and Molly decided to make their relationship official. Aaron and Lucy's joyride turned into a disaster. Emily confronted Rosanna. Craig lied to Lisa so he could get the designer he's after. Wait to See: Abigail voices her suspicions. Rosanna looks for information.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Amber was fitted with a monitoring device and ordered to stay in Ridge and Taylor's home, much to Ridge's chagrin.

Erica realized Sheila was behind Amber's problems, and wondered if her mom also killed Lance to protect Erica's future with Rick. But Sheila claimed Lance died in a freak accident. Upset about Amber staying in his home, Ridge went to see Brooke, who promptly sent him back to his wife and kids. Stephanie and Eric danced around their feelings for each other. Wait to See: Erica follows Sheila's plan.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

As Colin and Jennifer grew closer, Jack moved into the DiMera mansion with one purpose in mind: to investigate Colin! Meanwhile, Lexie decided to use Jack in a scheme to get Abe to come back to her. Roman romanced Kate. While John viewed the Gemini Twins as a threat, Belle and Shawn were astounded by their rapid progress. Chloe and Brady sensed the sexual tension between them as they shared a sleeping bag. Later, Philip arrived back in Salem with shocking news about Chloe. Wait to See: Nancy and Craig receive life-altering news.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Brenda and Sonny's eyes met just before Roy shot him. With confirmation of Sonny's "death," Alcazar released Felicia, and then ordered Roy to kill Jax. Carly was upset when Alexis said she planned to name Sonny as her baby's father. Nikolas helped Luke escape. Wait to See: Sonny sees Carly in a new light.

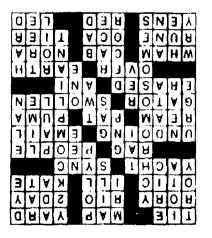
GUIDING LIGHT

Cassie went to extremes for Danny's payback. Meanwhile, Danny and Michelle agreed they had come to a parting of the ways. Gus made a disturbing discovery. Reva was stunned to learn about a theft. Alan outsmarted both Phillip and Olivia. Wait to See: Harley lands in a sticky situation. Cassie takes the stand.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE

Todd told T a he still loved Blair. Meanwhile, Blair denied to Sam that she still loved Todd, but admitted she can't forget the good times they had. Rex conned Jessica out of more

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money. But later, Rex panicked when he learned Seth planned to dig into his past. In Africa, Lindsay met a man who could tell her all about Troy and Joanna. Cristian planned to tell Jen that he and Natalie were in love, only to be floored by her revelation that she's pregnant. Rex threatened reveal that Roxy is not Jessica's mother. Wait to See: Liz is stunned to see Keri

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PASSIONS

with Antonio.

As Theresa clung to her determination to get Ethan back, Gwen vowed never to let Theresa steal him away again. Chad appreciated Simone's offer to help find his parents, but felt increasingly uncomfortable with her. Sheridan worried that Luis might still have feelings for his first love, Beth. Meanwhile, Luis was pained to see Sheridan in Antonio's arms. Hecuba's green mist affected everyone with visions of "what might have been" if each had stayed with their first loves. Wait to See: Beth accuses her mother of killing Antonio. TC confides the "family secret" to Whitney. Luis gives Sheridan his grandmother's engagement ring

PORT CHARLES

With death looming, Alison prayed for both Rafe and the Avatar's souls. Chris offered to become the Avatar's next human host. Kevin had bad news for Lucy. Alison's kiss restored Rafe's memory, with tragic consequences. Wait to see: The Avatar turns on Frank.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

At the Abbott home, Diane told Detective Edmunds about the volatile relationship between her and Phyllis. Later, Phyllis said she left the wedding the night of the fire because of a work emergency and went home to change her dress. Detective Weber later reported her cell phone record showed a call was made from a pay phone, not her office. Paul told Chris their kiss was a mistake, and he was happy with his family. Michael later comforted an emotional Chris, and the two made love. Diego refused Sharon's request to tell Nick he was the aggressor. Brittany told her shocked parents she won't leave for college until Raul had completely recovered. Neil told Serena he stopped drinking. Wait to See: Nick's call to Grace Turner produces some "interesting" developments.

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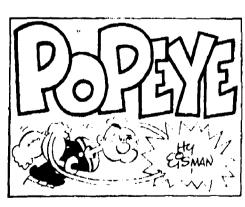
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YOUR AREA & STATE NEWS

Carden Unveils TV Commercial

AREA—Former state Commissioner of Human Services Tim Carden is focused on Woodbridge and northern Edison as he seeks to oust freshman Rep. Michael Ferguson from the congressional seat the GOP conservative has held for two years.

Carden last week unveiled his first 30-second television spot of the campaign. The ad features the Democratic candidate talking with voters in and around a diner about the issues of prescription drug costs, social security, and corporate criminals.

Carden opens the spot by saying, "I'm running because today's Congress isn't working for you." The notion that Carden understands the 7th district and Ferguson does not is a central theme of Carden's message.

"On paper, Ferguson is our congressman," said Chris Mather, Carden's campaign manager. "But he doesn't represent the people of this district. The ad focuses on that, and talks about where Tim wants to take us, and the idea that we only get one representative in Congress."

Mather said the campaign will launch a second spot to focus on Ferguson's record, specifically the money he has raised from interest groups during his two years in Congress.

"I'm not going to call it a negative ad," Mather said, "because it's going to tell the truth about who he is."

Ferguson's campaign manager, Chris Obudho, is working to distract voters from domestic issues, such as abortion, economic problems and GOP efforts to undermine Social Security. Instead Obudho said, "We're interested in promoting Congressman Ferguson's agenda of economic security, homeland security, and national security."

The Carden commercial comes as the race moves into its final six weeks, but observers say the Democrat still faces a formidable task in bringing voters to his side.

David Rebovich, director of the Rider University Institute of New Jersey Politics, said "Redistricting has really benefited Ferguson, because it's added communities in Republican areas, and subtracted towns in Union County. And Ferguson needed the help because he had a tough time holding the seat last time."

The new 7th district has favored mostly Republicans in recent years, including a narrow victory for George W. Bush over Al Gore in the 2000 presidential race -- one of just three congressional districts that supported Bush over Gore. Bob Franks, who represented the district in Congress from 1992 to 2000, won 59% in his U.S. Senate race against Jon S. Corzine. Gov. Christine Todd Whitman received 59% against her 1997 Democratic rival, James E. McGreevey. And in the 1996 Senate contest, then-Rep. Richard Zimmer, who was from Hunterdon County, carried the district with 55% over Robert Torricelli.

But Democrats have had some success in the district: Governor James E. McGreevey carried the 7th in last year's gubernatorial election.

Mather said yesterday that even though redistricting has made the 7th more GOPfriendly, she thinks the race is winnable.

"If you look at the Democratic performance of this district, it's two or three points lower than it was before redistricting," she said. "But in a state like New Jersey, where there's a large number of independents, that number doesn't scare me."

Mather said she believes voters aren't as partisan in the 7th as they are elsewhere. "There is a propensity for Republicans and independents to switch over in this district more than in others in this state," she said.

On that point, Rebovich said he might agree. He cited the number of residents who have moved to the suburban district from cities.

"The Carden campaign might be thinking that there are many new residents who were previously urbanites and may bring their Democracic affiliations with them to suburbia," Rebovich said. Mather was clear on where her campaign has to do well to win on election day.

"We need to win Woodbridge big, and do really well in Middlesex," she stated. "We need to win Union county really big, and we need to have some of the Republican strength suppressed in Somerset and in Hunterdon."

Hunterdon county, which comprises the western portion of the district, is new to the 7th. It is also considered a Republican stronghold.

"We need at least 100,000 votes to win it, and a lot of them are going to come from Woodbridge and Union County," Mather said.

But Ferguson's campaign said the densely-populated Woodbridge area would be no cakewalk for the Democratic contender.

"The Congressman did well in Woodbridge last time," Obudho said. "I'm not conceding Woodbridge to Carden. I think we're going to win there."

Asked why her candidate would fair better in Woodbridge than the Democrats' 2000 nominee, former Fanwood Mayor Maryanne Connelly, Mather pointed to the strong support Carden has received from local politicians.

She also said that some unusual circumstances made the 2000 race an aberration for Democrats in Woodbridge.

"We all know that Connelly had some difficulty in getting the party's backing," Mather said. "So in Woodbridge, where there's a pretty strong Democratic machine, that probably hurt her. And those numbers probably had more to do with her than with Ferguson."

Outside of Woodbridge, Mather also said the suburban areas of Union County would have to come through for Carden in November.

"We need places like Cranford and Westfield, big," she proclaimed, referring to two suburban municipalities that were once solidly Republican, but have lately offered pluralities to some Democratic candidates on the national and local level.

Rebovich concurred with

Mather's assessment that Union County can make or break Carden's candidacy. "He's got to win it 60-40 to have a credible shot."

The potential swing-role of Union's towns is what spurred Carden's campaign to open its headquarters in Westfield. "Tim felt we needed to do well there to win this thing," Mather said, "and that it's a microcosm of what the battleground is for us."

But Michael DuHaime, the Executive Director of the Republican State Committee, said Carden is in a tough spot.

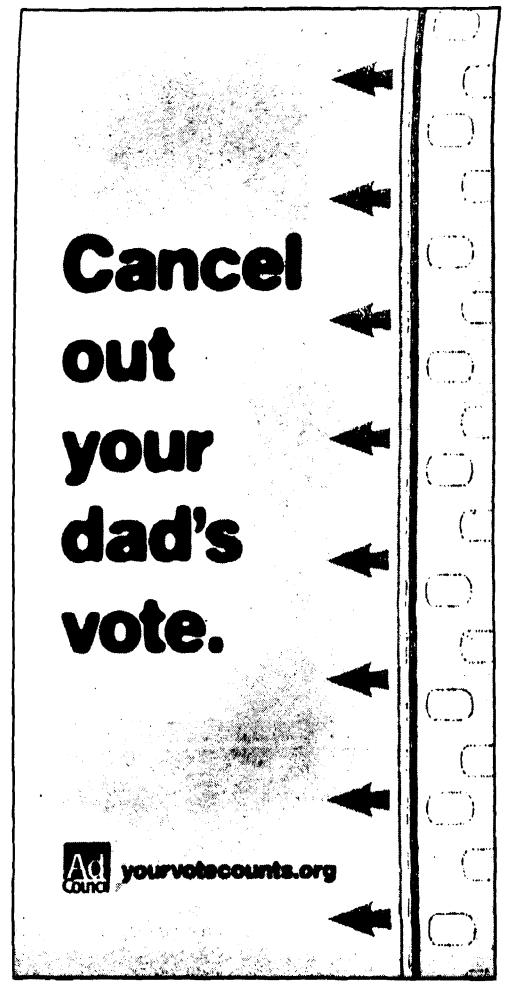
"Just look at what was taken out and what was put in," DuHaime said in reference to redistricting. "Plainfield was taken out, where Republicans never break the mid to upperteens." He also said that Franklin Township, removed from the 7th in redistricting, was another reliable Democratic town.

"So you lose Plainfield and Franklin and you put in 80 percent of Hunterdon county, and it's a big lift for Mike," DuHaime said. "I think Mike is in a very good position."

On the Ferguson side, Obudho was confident of victory, and predicted strong showings throughout the district.

"Last time, we won Union, we won Somerset and we did decently in Middlesex," Obudho said. "And Hunterdon was added, and it's a heavily Republican area, and a good county for us."

Two years ago, Ferguson defeated Connelly by 15,000 votes, 52%-46%. The new district is comprised of 34% Union County, 28% Somerset County, 22% Middlesex County, and 16% Hunterdon County.



YOUR AREA & STATE NEWS

Carden Picks Up Another Endorsement

WESTFIELD—Continuing a long march of major union endorsements, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal employees, AFL-CIO announced that it has endorsed Tim Carden for New Jersey's 7th District Congressional seat.

"Tim Carden has a long history of standing up for working families," said Sherryl Gordon, Executive Director, New Jersey AFSCME Legislative and Administrative Council One. Gordon said that in examining Carden's positions and Ferguson's record, the decision on who to endorse was a "no brainer." She said, "Tim Carden opposes privatizing Social Security, Ferguson's

for it. Carden believes that federal workers with civil service protections should continue to have those rights. Ferguson would deny them those rights. Carden supports a real prescription drug plan for seniors. Ferguson voted for the bill that was brought and paid for by the drug companies. Carden said he was pleased to receive

yet another labor union endorsement. Other labor organizations who are supporting Carden includes: Workers of America; UNITE; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; UAW, Region 9; International Union of Painters and Allied Trades; International Longshoreman's Union; Transportation Communica-

tions International Union; New Jersey Turnpike Employees Union; Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees; United Food and Commercial Workers; Laborer's International Union; National Association of Social Workers and Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, Local Union No. 27.

Garden State Becomes Battleground For Senate Race

STATE—New Jersey was the nation's prime battleground for control of the Senate on Monday, with President George W. Bush raising money for Republican Douglas Forrester and Majority Leader Tom Daschle stumping for Democratic Sen. Robert Torricelli.

Bush's visit to Trenton was the opening event of an especially heavy week of fund raising for the president, who has broken records by collecting nearly \$116 million for GOP candidates this year. Bush worked to keep voters' focus off domestic issues while raising nearly \$1.5 million for New Jersey Republicans.

Forrester wants to eliminate the Superfund toxic waste cleanup program, increase gasoline taxes, impose restrictions on abortion and privatize Social Security. With positions that are so unpopular among New Jersey voters, GOP strategists hope to divert attention from such matters by going to war against Iraq.

Bush is aggressively backing Republican candidates in an effort to recapture the Democratic-run Senate.

Polls show Bush is effectively manipulating Iraq to his partisan advantage, as many voters look away from domestic woes and line up behind sabre-rattling Republicans. The President peppered his speech with colorful rhetoric about terrorists, Saddam Hussein and the United Nations.

Bush carefully avoided any discussion of the nation's economic woes, corporate scandals, Social Security or Medicare, raids on the environment, or accountability for intelligence failures prior to 9-11.

Ousting Torricelli would be particularly sweet for Republicans. Torricelli was chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in 2000, and helped Democrats gain control of the Senate.

A new independent poll conducted by Zogby International shows Torricelli leading Forrester by five points, 39 percent to 34 percent. Green Party candidate Ted Glick follows with three percent, and Libertarian Senate candidate Liz Macron gets two percent, while 21 percent of the voters remain undecided, according to the Zogby poll.

Zogby surveyed 500 likely voters, with a 4.5 percent margin of error. Daschle joined Gov. James McGreevey, U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine and Torricelli at a union rally while Torricelli's campaign manager, Ken Snyder, belittled Bush's visit as "a generic visit by the presi-

dent." "Bush, in reality, doesn't care if Doug Forrester gets elected or some other warm body," Snyder said. "He just wants a Republican majority to vote for his plans to privatize Social Security and appoint anti-choice justices to the Supreme Court."

Bush has three other fundraisers scheduled this week.

On Thursday in Houston, he'll headline his second money-raising event this year for John Cornyn, the GOP Senate nominee in Texas.

On Friday, he'll stump in Denver for Bob Beauprez, a House candidate with no elected experience in a tight contest for a newly created Colorado district.

Later that day, he plans to raise money in Phoenix for Arizona gubernatorial candidate Matt Salmon.

Wisniewski Bill To Protect Residents From Construction Damage

SAYREVILLE—Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski (D-Sayreville) announced last Saturday that he has sponsored new legislation to protect residents from the impact resulting from construction of nearby developments. The proposed legislation would require, under certain circumstances, builders to post an escrow with a municipality that could be used to help remedy the problems which arise from construction.

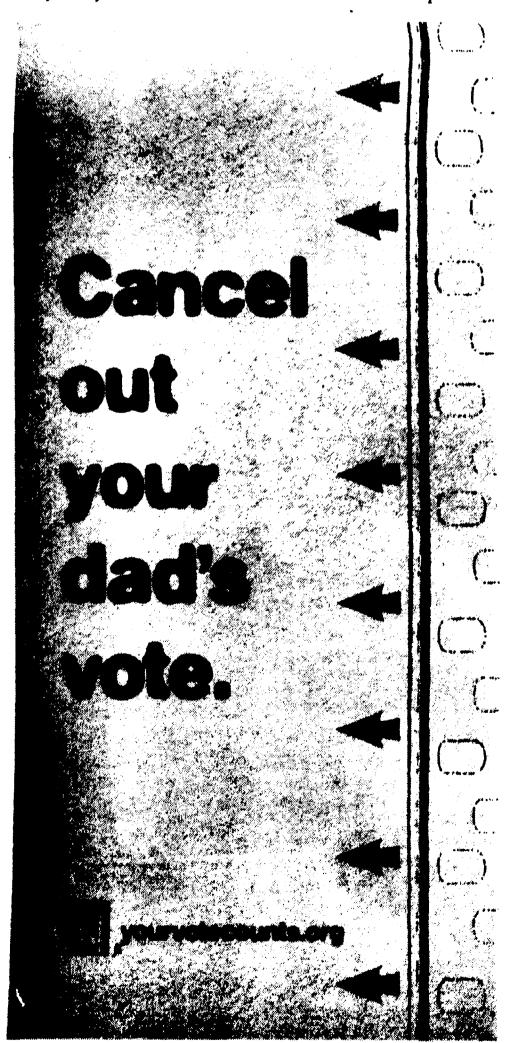
The legislation is in response to construction in Sayreville that has allegedly led to the damage of several homes. According to local residents, dynamic compaction

during the construction of Towne Lake Homes has caused damage to their homes.

For example, John and Irene Mytnick claim to have over \$10,000 worth of damage to their home. Cracks to the foundation of their house, damage to the sheetrock in most of the rooms, and various other structural concerns caused the Mytnicks to seek reparations from the builders. Several other residents have expressed similar concerns over damages to their homes which they feel is a result of dynamic compaction.

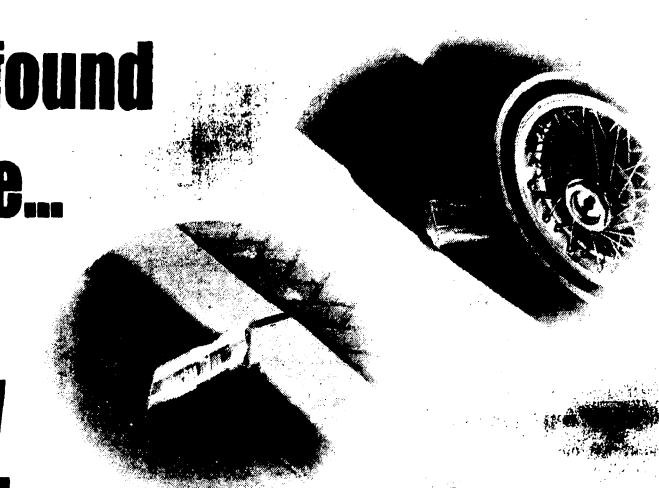
"This legislation will not only create a fund to protect homeowners from damage that is not their fault, it will also serve as a deterrent from residual damage in communities during construction. It is my hope that this legislation will protect residents and their homes from damage caused by construction in their neighborhood," said Wisniewski.

"This is the right thing to do for the people of Sayreville. No one should have to endure what the Mytnicks have been through. I thank Assemblyman Wisniewski for sponsoring this legislation and I hope it prevents this from happening again," said Councilman Pollando.



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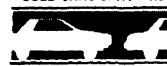
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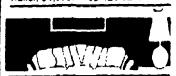
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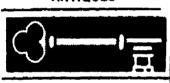
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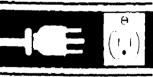
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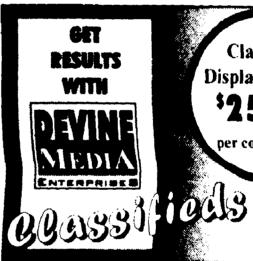
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September 28 at 11 a.m.—The Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital will host a Child Health Day. At 11 a.m.-opening ceremony and keynote speaker, Scott Hamilton and 11:30-3 p.m.-event activities open.

September 29 from 7:30–11:30 p.m.—The Woodbridge area Widows or Widowers (WOWS) fund raiser dance/social will be held at the Elk's Hall, 655 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. Call (732) 297-1775.

September 30—Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting. Anyone coping with, or affected by HIV, is welcome to attend. Meetings are held at Raritan Bay Medical Center, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. For time, location and to register, call (732) 324-5022. October 1 at 11:30 a.m.—The Dowdell Library, 100 Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy, will hold a story-time for children ages 3 and 4. Registration required. For more info., call (732) 721-6060.

October 2 at 3:30 p.m.—The South Amboy Dowdell Library, 100 Hoffman Plaza, will hold a story-time for children ages 5 and up. Registration required. For more info., call (732) 721-6060.

Oct. 4 at 9 a.m.—The Municipal Council of the Township of Edison has scheduled a special meeting.

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YOUR LOCAL NEWS

College Dedicates Dental Hygiene Clinic

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its founding. Gerald M. Ostrov. chair of the Board of Trustees. presented a board resolution renaming the clinic before a group of special guests and college personnel. Among those paying tribute to Dr. Danzis. former William Walsh. Middlesex vice president for administration and finance said, "Without Sidney, we would not have what we do have—the finest dental hygiene program in the country."

Dr. John Bakum, current president who was a faculty

member in the engineering technology department during Dr. Danzis's Middlesex career said, "You have established a standard of excellence that continues to this day."

The two-year Dental Auxiliaries Education program at Middlesex, one of only four collegiate programs in New Jersey, has graduated more than 700 students in the past 30 years.

The clinic offers patients complete dental maintenance services during a three-hour visit, available once during a semester. Services include scalings and polishings, fluoride treatments, oral cancer screenings, nutritional counseling and x-rays. Scalants are available for children at a small additional fee. All patients receive a toothbrush and toothpaste along with instructions for proper home care.

To schedule an appointment at the Sidney Danzis Dental Hygiene Clinic, or for further information about the Dental Auxiliaries Education Program, call (732) 906-2536.

Edison Library Programs

EDISON "Sugar Cravings-Understanding them and Losing them" will be presented on Wednesday, Oct. 9 from 7-9 p.m. at the North Edison Public Library, 777 Grove Ave.

The speaker will be Kashmira Mehta, a certified Holistic Health Counselor.

To register for this free program, call the library at (732) 548-3045, ext. 1.

The library also announced that the date for the program, "Future Trends in Employment" to be presented at the Edison Main Library, has been changed to Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 7 p.m.

Pancake Breakfas

PERTH AMBOY—The Hol Name Society of Holy Trinit Church, Johnstone and Lawri Streets, Perth Amboy, will hold pancake breakfast open to a parishioners and friends o Sunday, Sept. 29 from 8–11:3 a.m. in the church hall. Ticket are \$5 each and can be pur chased after Saturday and Sunday Masses.

For further information, cal Richard Prevoznak at (732) 721-5914.

City Supports Police Director In Pension Case

PERTH AMBOY—Although City Police Director Thomas Cetnar turned 65 last month, the mandatory retirement age for workers in the state Police and Firemen's Retirement System, he is refusing to step down.

At issue is a Cetnar's pension. A hearing is scheduled for Oct. 29 to determine if Cetnar will have to repay \$390,000 in pension benefits he received since retiring from the Newark Police Department in 1993. Cetnar says he will not step down until after the hearing.

Perth Amboy plans to support Cetnar at the hearing, contending that he should have been considered a civillian employee when he joined the city police department in 1993. A civillian employee would not be included in a pension system intended for uniformed police and firemen.

City Business Administrator Donald Perlee said, "We had a clear, written opnion from the prosecutor, who stated the powers and duties of chief of police could not be handled by a civilian, but by the next-highest uniformed officer."

Cetnar handled the administrative and budgetary matters while the traditional duties of the chief were handled by the deputy chief of police.

In 2000, Perth Amboy used a 1999 state court ruling that enabled North Brunswick's police director to serve as chief to change an ordinance to allow Cetnar to act as chief.

The pension board ruled that Cetnar was "double dipping" by collecting a state pension and a city paycheck at the same time.



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