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Happy Thanksgiving

3 New Principals At Local Grammar Schools

The new school year in September began with 3 new, very dedicated, and interesting Principals at Sacred Heart, St. Mary, and St. Stanislaus Kostka Grammar Schools. We had the pleasure of interviewing all three, and found some interesting information about them. SACRED HEART- Sister Barbara Ann Kemmerer is originally from Reading, Pa., and has been teaching for 27 years, mostly in the inner-city. She jokingly says that "it's like a country club here." She has most recently taught 8th grade in Irvington, and was also principal at St. Anthony's Jersey City at the grammar school. Sister says that "I feel very much at home here, and the children are very nice." She is currently working with the faculty to boost enrollment. Another of her goals is to work on the well rounded child, spiritually and educationally.

ST. MARY-Principal Richard E. Eyerman, born and raised in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has a very diversified background, ranging from a degree from Penn State in Civil Engineering, to entering the Seminary, to teaching in the Public Schools System. Mr. Eyerman received his M. E. D., in School Administration from Rutgers. He was Principal at Corpus Christi in South River, and from



New School Principals

The new grammar school principals in the two towns area are (L-R) St. Mary- Richard E. Eyerman, Sacred Heart- Sister Barbara Ann Kemmerer, St. Stanislaus Kostka- Judith Dolan.



1971-82 was the Assistant Superintendent for Catholic School Diocese in Trenton. He was also the Vice President of Parish Services Inc., where he developed a software package for computerizing church administration. Prior to his appointment to St. Mary, he was Educational Advisor for the Diocese of Metuchen. He says that he's enjoyed St. Mary very much, and "this is wonderful." His goals are to put an emphasis on the school as a ministry of the parish, and also maintaining academic excellence in all of the grades. ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA- Judith Dolan is St. Stan's new Principal. She

is originally from Perth Amboy, received her B.A. from Caldwell College, and her M.A. from Seton Hall. Ms. Dolan taught 1st grade for 10 years and kindergarten for three. Prior to her new position, she taught for 3 years at St. Mary in South Amboy. "This school is wonderful. I love it. Everyone is supportive and helpful. It's very homey here, and everyone is concerned about each other," she said. Her main goals are to "get enrollment up," and in grades 4-8, multi-grade classes, where children work mostly by ability, she would like to get them to work beyond.

Troop 95 to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids

South Amboy -- Boy Scout Troop 95 of South Amboy will conduct a drive to collect donations of old eyeglasses and hearing aids during October and November. Items collected will be donated to the South Amboy Lions Club in support of the organization's 75th anniversary and its ongoing efforts to recover such objects for the purpose of having them recycled for use by the needy.

Area businesses are encouraged to support Troop 95's campaign by allowing scouts to place deposit boxes for the articles in their establishments.

This project is being undertaken by Troop 95 as a way of giving something back to the Lions Club, a long-time supporter of Scouting. Troop 95 will commemorate its 50th Anniversary in March, 1993.

For further information concerning Troop 95's eyeglass and hearing aid drive, call 908-721-2062 or 908-727-4881.

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Frog Hollow Annual Membership Meeting

Frog Hollow Swim & Tennis Club's Annual Membership Meeting will be held in St. Mary's Little Theater on Stevens Ave., South Amboy, Friday evening Nov. 20 at 7:30.

Frog Hollow's successful 1992 season will be discussed, committee reports given, and the 1993 budget approved by the Board presented to the membership. Any member with ideas or ways to improve our club's image or operation will be welcome.

Four members will be elected to serve on the Board of Governors for the next 3 years, and two members of the club to serve on next year's Nominating Committee. This year's Nominating Committee has selected seven (7) members of which four (4) will be elected by the membership to serve on the Board of Governors. The nominees are; Frank Farrell-Attorney George Krzyzanski-High School Teacher & Coach; Bernard Mackiel-So. Amboy Police Officer; Rod Rodis-Pres. Frog Hollow Swim Team Parents; Barbara Rone-So. Amboy Board of Ed; Veronica Sullivan-Certified Public Accountant; Tom Tighe-Pipe Fitter, Welder, & Coach.

The Committee also selected three (3) members of which two (2) will be elected to serve on next year's Nominating Committee. They are; Dolores Cross, Gary Lange, Ann Moskwa.

This is a very important meeting, and all Frog Hollow members should make every effort to attend. Members unable to attend may vote by proxy, but the Board voted to allow a member to present one (1) proxy vote for a Bondholding member not attending. If you must vote by proxy, name the Bondholding member casting your vote, select 4 Board Members, 2 Nominating Committee Members, and sign your name.

Make sure the member casting your vote has no other proxy. If you have any questions, call Margaret at 727-1527 or Ed at 727-0154.

Please mark Fri. Nov. 20, 7:30 PM on your calendar for this important meeting.

Dems Uncontested In South Amboy

Three South Amboy Democrats were uncontested in this year's election. 1st Ward Councilman, Russell Stillwagon was the top vote-getter with 672. James Reick pulled 574 Third Ward votes, and Donald C. Thomas 504 in the 2nd Ward.

Eagles Power



St. Mary's #1 runner, John Kugel (L) and other standout, Andy Ahern (R) contributed big time to the Eagles greatest Cross Country campaign in history. (see feature story in sports section, pg. 9.)

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Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service In Sayreville

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville-South Amboy Clergy Association will sponsor its annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Prayer Service on Sunday, November 22, 1992, at 7:00 p.m., in the Sayreville United Methodist Church, 404 Main Street (at Pulaski Avenue), Sayreville, announced the Rev. Dr. Thomas Madron, convenor of the association and host pastor.

The Sermon will be delivered by Rabbi Robert S. Port, spiritual leader of Temple Ohav Shalom, in the Parlin section of Old Bridge. The Offering taken at the Service will benefit both the Sayreville Care & Share Program and the people of Somalia. A Social Hour will follow the Service. Everyone is invited to attend. Parking is available behind the church and in the parking lot across from the front of the church.

The Clergy Association has sponsored the Thanksgiving Service since its inception in 1978. The association comprises clergy from 13 Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant houses of worship in Parlin, Sayreville, and South Amboy. Many of them will also be participating in this year's Service.

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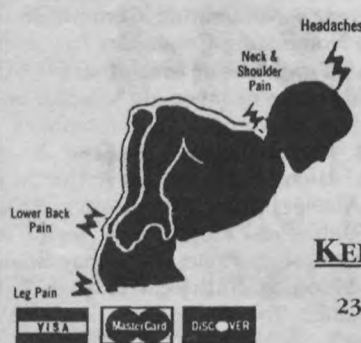
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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Your "Pleasant Little Trivia" column of Sept. 28, 1992 mentioned Morgan Creek and the Old Spy Inn. How dare you place Morgan Creek or the Old Spy Inn under the heading of Trivia? Morgan Creek is the center of the universe! There is scientific proof to back up this claim. And the Old Spy Inn was an historic and important bar, going back to the 1700's. There is nothing Trivial about either of them!

To those of us who were privileged to grow up in Morgan, we know that the universe revolves around Morgan Creek. Go to the site of the Old Spy Inn at dawn and look to the East. You will see the sun rise from the mouth of the Creek. From the same spot at dusk, look to the West and see the sun set in the head of Morgan Creek. The center of the universe is not trivial!!

The Old Spy Inn was a very popular watering hole in the 1740's. There was a spy hung there in the Revolutionary War. For over 200 years boats were able to tie up at the Old Spy Inn and have a friendly drink. It was reported to be haunted. Two very suspicious fires destroyed it around 1980. It is still missed.

Your Truly,
Peter McIntyre

St. Bernadette Church News

by Fr. Andrew L. Szaroleta

The months of November and December bring with it the Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas seasons. Many activities are taking place in and around St. Bernadette's during this time.

You will read elsewhere in this paper today that the annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical & Interfaith Prayer Service, sponsored by the Sayreville/South Amboy Clergy Association, will take place this Sunday, November 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sayreville United Methodist Church. All are invited to participate. This service gives witness to our common faith in God as we gather to give thanks for blessings received and to renew our efforts to feed the hungry and care for the poor.

A "Drug Awareness Night" will take place in St. Bernadette's Lourdes Center, Villanova & Princeton Roads, this Friday, Nov. 20, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., sponsored by our Knights of Columbus council. Speakers will be sharing their life experiences so that they may help others recognize the fact that they are not alone and that there is a place for everyone to share their problems and work at solutions. For additional information, call Joe at 721-2027.

In addition to this program, the following self-help groups presently meet at St. Bernadette's on a weekly basis: Al-Anon Meeting on Mondays at 8:30 p.m.; Co-Dependents Anonymous on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.; Alcoholics Anonymous on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.; Overeaters Anonymous on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Adult Children of Alcoholics on Fridays at 8:00 p.m.; and Al-Anon Step Meeting on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. These meetings take place in St. Bernadette's Annex House, 20 Villanova Road, adjacent to the church parking lot, with parking in the lot itself.

With the beginning of the Advent Season on Nov. 29, I have been invited to be the guest celebrant and homilist at Mass in St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Metuchen, on the First Sunday of Advent, at their principal Mass at 10:30 a.m. At our parish, a four-week Bible Study will take place on the four Sundays of Advent (Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20) in the Meeting Room of Lourdes Center, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., with a repeat presentation of the same from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Our Advent Penance Service will take place on Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m. Many area priests have been invited to assist.

Upcoming pre-Christmas events include: Altar Rosary Christmas Party on Dec. 3; Religious Education teachers party on Dec. 6; Jesus Our Redeemer Prayer Group Mass and dinner on Dec. 8; Parish Children's Christmas Party, sponsored by our Knights of Columbus, on Dec. 12; "Christmas Stocking Sale," sponsored by our Youth Group, after all Masses Dec. 12-13; Children's Christmas Play, sponsored by our Religious Education students, on Dec. 13 at 3:00 p.m.; St. Bernadette's Seniors dinner on Dec. 14; Knights of Columbus gathering on Dec. 16; Catholic Daughters Court Queenship of Mary party also on Dec. 16; and Young People's Choral Concert w/Handbell Ensemble on Dec. 20 at 3:00 p.m.

Concluding with the present, Thanksgiving Day Mass at St. Bernadette's will be celebrated on Nov. 26 at 9:00 a.m.

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—E.E. Kenyon

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Irish cooking has a long history, and some of its traditions, such as the serving of boiled and roast meats on the same platter, date back to early Celtic times when the land was governed by a legal system called the Brehon Laws, which even laid down rules concerning food and hospitality. However, in more recent times, the increasing dependence of rural Ireland on the potato - a fickle crop at the best of times - compounded by cruel economic and social policies, lead to the terrible famines of the 1840's and '50s.

These tragedies virtually destroyed peasant cuisine. Dishes such as pork ciste, spiced beef and soda bread predate the famine, but many traditional dishes disap-

peared due to non-existent vegetable production. There was a time when it was impossible to buy anything apart from potatoes, cabbage, carrots and onions in the west of Ireland and only recently have more "exotic" foodstuffs like garlic, peppers, and kiwi fruit become available.

Until Next Time...Have a Good Day Always And...In All Ways!

Leek and Potato Soup

Ingredients
1 lb. leeks
1 lb. floury potatoes
2 tbsp butter
5 cups chicken or ham broth
Large bunch of herbs, including some celery tops
Salt and pepper
Cubes of bread fried in olive oil or bacon fat and drained (croutons)
Cream

* Slit the leeks length-ways, wash thoroughly and slice; peel and chop the potatoes. Melt the butter and soften the leeks in a pan. Add the potatoes and cook gently (do not fry) for about 10 minutes. Add the broth and bunch of herbs.

* Season to taste and simmer for about 1 hour.

* Add the fried croutons to the soup with a little cream when serving.



St. Mary Scene

By Theresa Mularz

St. Mary Regional H. S. will be holding its annual Christmas Concert on December 10. The show will consist of chorus, a band, and a few special performances to get our students and their families in the Christmas Spirit. We welcome all to attend.

The Youth Ministry Office of the Diocese of Metuchen sponsored a Leadership Training Workshop. The students that participated were rewarded with a spiritual experience. Those who attended were: Erica Acevedo, Tammi Redd, Fateisha Bess, Romeo Lucas, John Kugel, Rebecca Moskowitz, Christa Mansmann, Daniel Krulikowski, and Joseph Donato.

SMRHS is pleased to announce the new officers for this year's chapter of the National Honor Society. Elisa de la Cruz has been elected president, Theresa Mularz is vice-president, Kim Herbert is secretary. This year's treasurer is Michelle Figliuolo.

We would like to congratulate Lisa Misura for having been selected as a nominee for the National Honor Society Century III Leader's Scholarship.

On December 4, the Junior class will sponsor the annual Christmas Ball. It will be held at the President Park Firehouse Banquet Hall in Sayreville.

The National Honor Society is conducting the Thanksgiving Food Drive. It will run from November 9 to the 25. This year the NHS will be working with St. Mary's Vincent de Paul Society in Perth Amboy. The



efforts of both groups will help in providing food to the needy families in the area. Once again the NHS will be putting their service efforts together by donating their free time to help tutor students. They will be assisting in every subject area to those students who need extra help.

The Eagle Parent Association held an Art Auction On Friday, November 6. It was both enjoyable and financially successful. We wish to thank all especially the committee for their participation.

Retreat is a time for prayer and a reflection. It is also a time to discover hidden personalities. November 11-13 and November 18-20 marked days when the Senior class came together on retreat to reflect upon their lives and to share time with each other. It became a time to relate to each other and to share an understanding of friend's problems. The retreat was a great success for all those who participated.

SMRHS is pleased to announce the Summer Trip for 1992. It is to be held in July or August in the beautiful country of Ireland. For more information please contact Mr. Gloss, Mr. Ryan, or Ms. Polinski at the high school.

The student body and faculty would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

First Baptist Church News

By Ruth Connors

Theme for the year "Putting God First"
Weekly Meetings:

Sunday: 9:30 Church School (Education Building) 11:00 Worship Service (Pastor Robert O. Taylor) with message from the Gospel of Mark (Communion on first Sunday of each month) Family Sunday on the third Sunday with our youth taken part in the service by greeting and being ushers along with their singing in the Youth Choir.

Monday: 1:00 Dorricks Bible Study (212 Second St.) 3:30 Brownies (Fellowship Hall) 7:30 Boy Scout Troop (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday 10:30 - Bible Study (Education Building) 6:30 Children's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Wednesday: 6:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:30 Bible Study and Prayer Group (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday: 7:00 Bible study at the Parsonage - 8:00 Narcotics Anonymous Literature Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Friday: 8:00 Narcotics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Special News for November

November 8 - Gift tree will be up, this tree brings in gifts for the children to take to Carriage House when the Sunday School

visits the elderly and brings them gifts and music on December 6 at 2 p.m.

November 25 - Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service (8:00 p.m. Sanctuary)

Special News for December

December 11 - Gathering to decorate church for Christmas

December 13 - Sunday School Christmas program (6:00 p.m. Sanctuary) Refreshments will be served following program

December 24 - Candlelight Christmas Eve Service (8:00 p.m. Sanctuary)

December 31 - Watchnight Service (7:00 p.m. Sanctuary) Open House at Parsonage.

Hospital Offers Diabetic Support Group

South Amboy Memorial Hospital offers hope and support for Diabetics. Meet others who share your concerns in the Diabetic Support Group. The group meets the third Wednesday every other month from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria.

The next meeting will be held on November 18.

For more information or to register for the group, call Joan Gurchak, R.N., Inservice Coordinator at 908-721-1000, ext. 2106.

Sacred Heart Happenings

October was a busy month for students at Sacred Heart in South Amboy. Our school, along with others in the Metuchen Diocese, has adopted St. Timothy's School in Miami, Florida, destroyed by Hurricane Andrew, as part of a support project to help the school financially. A raffle was held the week of Oct. 26th to raise money for St. Timothy's, and on Oct. 28th, colors of Autumn were worn by students who donated \$1 for the privilege. Over \$200 was raised.

In keeping with the political spirit and to help develop political awareness, a debate with Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates was held on Oct. 28th. A mock election was held on the 29th. President Bush was re-elected by the students and faculty by an overwhelming margin.

A peace day was held on the 29th, to pray for peace in the world, and to coincide with United Nations Day, for peace in our hearts-Pro Life Week, and peace in our lives and homes-Drug Awareness Week. Symbols of peace were hung on a peace tree displayed in the school.

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All About Pets

By Virginia Stillwagon



Little did I realize when thinking about writing a column about the loss of a pet that it would involve me.

Last month we had to have our dearly loved beagle, Millie, put to sleep. She was only 7 and in dog years that made her about 44.

She came to us about 6 years ago, after not being treated too well by her owner. She had been put in a yard and never held or hugged. She was allowed to roam while in heat and was constantly pursued by the male dogs. The day she came to us she was so exhausted she could not even walk.

To know Millie was to love her. She craved affection, and a pat on the head and a kind word, you were her friend for life.

She immediately bonded with our dog, Lady, and they were just about inseparable. "wherever Lady laid down, there was Millie, right along side her.

Lady is very active, whereas Millie was very laid-back and would sit and watch the world go by. Except when the squirrels would walk across the back fence, then Millie would get her exercise running across the yard and barking at them to get off her fence. She would spend hours sniffing the grass to see if there were rabbits trespassing in our yard during the night.

About 3 months ago she started having seizures or a weakness in her legs, or a com-

bination of both. Then she had a stomach tumor removed which proved to be cancer. Her "falling down" increased and on October 16th we said "no more". We loved her too much to see her get worse and suffer.

"A Dog's Plea" which I have read many times certainly helped with our decision. "And, my friend, when I am very old or very sick, and I no longer enjoy good health, do not make heroic efforts to keep me going. I am not having any fun. Please see that my trusting life is taken gently. I shall leave this earth knowing with the last breath I draw that my fate was always safest in your hands."

Mourning is different for everyone. We think of her everyday, and although it is sad without her, we know we gave her a good home and lots of love. We think God loved her a lot too, and she is up in Heaven chasing the rabbits through the clouds and barking at the squirrels walking the gates of Heaven. And sometimes, I do think I hear that special beagle bark.

* * *

Genius is one percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration.

—Thomas Edison



South Amboy's popular crossing guard, Ginger Quirk, is all heart for Halloween!



Jacqueline Lange (L) enjoyed her visit with the wicked? witch, Judy Sforzo at the South Amboy Recreation's Annual Halloween Party.

Pleasant Little Trivia

By Tom Burkard

1. What year did the Sisters of Mercy come to S. Amboy?
2. What year was the 1st fire at the old St. Mary's High School? Hint: It destroyed the third floor.
3. Bob Toye's monthly sports column in St. Mary's "Crown" school newspaper in the late 60's was called?
4. Hoffman's Biology and Science Teacher in 1970-71?
5. He preceeded Dr.Ciencewicki at the office location on Bordentown Ave.?

6. St. Mary's Grammar School's popular nurse throughout the 1950's and 60's?
7. She was selected Asst. Principal at S. Amboy Middle School in 1987?
8. In 1976, this former S. Amboy resident was certified as a Diplomat of the American Board of Oral Surgery?
9. This S. Amboy resident was at one time Editor and President of the old Perth Amboy Evening News?
10. Pastor of the First Baptist Church in S. Amboy from 1962-66?
11. The Claybanks in Sayreville were located opposite of where the Steel Mill is now. What were they called?
12. This store is located at the traffic light in Sayreville, prior to going over the S. River Bridge?
13. The S. Amboy Rotary President in 1973?
14. One of the first businesses located where Home Depot is now?
15. The first year for the S. Amboy Girls Softball League?
16. Sayreville's Mayor in 1957 was?
17. S. Amboy's late Mayor, Richard Schultz graduated from what high school in 1943?
18. Sayreville High School's Majorette in '57 was? The Captain?
19. He was named Chairman of S. Amboy Juvenile Aid and Conference Committee in 1971?
20. Sayreville High School's first Student Council President in 1939?
21. What band performed at St. Mary's 1st Christmas Ball in 1966?
22. Sayreville's Senior Class President in 1961-62?
23. S. Amboy Lions Club selected her Citizen of the Year in 1989?
24. S. Amboy Lions Club President in '71?
25. This former S. Amboy resident is with the State Police, and once served as a special officer to former Governor Kean?

Michael Deitche.

23. Helen Sieber 24. Robert Zera 25. Piech 21. The Jades 22. Ray Fieck 23. Bernice Harris 19. Charles Rea 20. Irene Popowski 17. St. Mary's 18. Joanne Szeli-Discount City 15. 1972 16. Anthony Sportsman 13. Joseph J. Wojciechowski 14. hard Hatch 11. Crossman's 12. Sayreville (Mass.) 9. John J. McDonnell Sr. 10. May-Dr. Thomas Gelston (currently residing in 6. Miss Albanese 7. Barbara Roskey 8. Toybox" 4. Andrew Kriss 5. Dr. Hoffman ANSWERS 1. 1885 2. Sept. 1953 3. "The

HOW YOU RATED- 5 or more correct-you are one of the most knowledgeable and informed people on 2 towns happenings, past & present. 1-4 correct and you're not all that bad on local history, etc. 0- if you don't get any right, don't feel too bad, this is an extremely difficult trivia challenge, so sit back, read, and enjoy the information!

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VINCE POULSEN

1967 St. Mary's Class Reunion



St. Mary's class of '67 recently celebrated their 25 year reunion, and from the looks of it everyone had a ball!

by Gregory F. Kusic

Thirteen class representatives traveled to South Amboy to attend seven committee meetings to plan the 25th Reunion for the Class of 1967. Reunion festivities took place on August 14 and August 15, 1992. A Friday night Rap Session took place from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., at the Sayreville Knights of Columbus, which was attended by 31 classmates. On Saturday night, the official Class Reunion Dinner Dance was held at the Hyatt in New Brunswick, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

A cocktail hour began at 6:00 and a sit down dinner for 111 people was served at

7:30 p.m. The theme of the Reunion was "The Class Prom", and seventy-one classmates attended from throughout the United States. The hotel was chosen to facilitate those guests who did not wish to drive after the affair. Approximately 30 class members registered at the hotel which permitted more socializing when the dinner was officially ended.

The Reunion Committee was successful in locating 133 of the 144 classmates, six of whom have past away.

The Committee has established a post-reunion/holiday party at the Sayreville Knights of Columbus on December 4, 1992 to commence at 7:00 p.m.

Hoffman Hi-lites

by Ed Welsh

The first annual Applesauce Wrestling Competition took place on Wednesday, October 21 in the High School's large gym. Tag teams made up of students battled it out in the ring. The most memorable moment of the evening was when senior Tiffany Tooker took down the referee.

For the first time in 23 years Hoffman High School will be producing a school musical. Mrs. Davis and Mr. D'Ambrosia are the two teachers who will be directing production of "Beauty and the Beast". (I will release the members of the cast in the next issue.)

The fifth annual Halloween Happening was held on Thursday October 29. The event, which was sponsored by the staff of the yearbook, was filled with witches,



ghouls, and ghosts was a huge success.

Our senior class is selling Pies and Cheesecakes again this year. For more information see any senior or feel free to call Mrs. Inman at 525-2108.

On November 9, the annual Peer Leadership UBU skiit will be held for the freshman class. I am proud to announce the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer of SADD. President-Tiffany Tooker, Vice President-Cristine Zampella, Secretary-Bridget Shannon, and Treasurer-Christina Singura.

The class of '95' held their annual flea market on Saturday, October 24. The class raised enough money for the down payment for their junior prom.

The Woodcutter

By Albert Gomolka Jr.
Times Poet Laureate
c. 1980

Oak Tree, Oak Tree
Now, you stand beside me
Proud, but your branches
Have grown old and died...
I am the woodman
I have come to take you
Sad but, no more will you
Ever grace peoples' eyes

Oak Tree, Oak Tree
You have been your life's love
A forest, of shade, and
A home for the wild...
Hundreds, of leaves fell
Yearly off your body
And now I have come
To remove you at last

Me, a mere mortal
In my twenty-eighth year
You have been standing here



For years upon years...
Now this day, by this man
There soon, will be a space where
In minutes, in minutes
I will bring you to end

Oak Tree, Oak Tree
Realize you serve your purpose
Wood for the fire of
My hearth you shall be...
And warmth you will give to
Me, my wife, my baby
The acorn you once grew from
Has done wondrous deeds

Oak Tree, Oak Tree
I am the woodman
I'll cut you, I'll take you home
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Talk Of The Towns

By Tom Burkard

NICOLE BIRARDI CHOSEN HOMECOMING QUEEN

Nicole Birardi was selected as Sayreville High School's Homecoming Queen for 1992. She is also President of the Student Council, a member of DECA, and a varsity cheerleader. Congratulations, Nicole!

LIONS CLUB POSTER CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

St. Mary Grammar School winners in the annual Lions Club Halloween Poster contest were: 1st place-Esther Pak, 2nd-Greg Morris, 3rd-Arthur Violett. Congratulations on a job well done!

ST. MARY'S GIRLS WIN MAYOR'S CUP

The St. Mary's girls soccer team captured the Mayor's cup by defeating Hoffman. Details on this game and the Lady Eagles other victory over the Lady Guvs have not been available. Congratulations, and sorry that we were unable to obtain highlights of either game.

POLKA MASS AND DANCE AT ST. STAN'S

St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish of Sayreville

will host a special Saturday Night Polka Mass & Dance on Saturday, Nov. 28th. Two great polka bands will be featured. For tickets and more information, call John Niewinski 908-257-5622 or Walter Wojtaszek 908-238-2264, or Annette Daszkiewicz 908-257-7530.

SOUTH AMBOY PTO MEETING SET

The South Amboy PTO will be holding a general meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 17th at 7:30 in the small gym.

ATLANTIC CITY WINNERS

Congratulations go out to Ruth Natusch and Billy Lanning on their very lucky day of winning at Atlantic City! Best of luck always!

FORMER EAGLES GREAT-A SUCCESSFUL COACH AT COLONIA

Jack Kreiger, one of St. Mary's all time basketball greats, and all around athlete, has been a highly successful varsity basketball coach, for many years, and also Cross Country for 15 years at Colonia High. Dedication and motivation have always been his trademark, and even though I only saw him play a couple of games, his good sportsmanship is something I'll never forget.

WHERE HAVE YOU GONE, ST. MARY'S CLASS OF 1956?

The St. Mary's High School Class of '56 is currently looking for former classmates,

as a reunion is in the works. If anyone has info on anyone from this class, phone numbers, addresses call, Dolores Dohaney at 908-721-2996.

O'LEARY, SPRAGUES CELEBRATE RETIREMENTS

Police Officer, Jack O'Leary has recently retired from the South Amboy Police Force, after many years of dedicated service. Gene Sprague also retired after many years of service of working for the South Amboy Board of Education. His wife, Anna who celebrated her 65th Birthday Nov. 11, also retired recently from her company in Keasbey. Congratulations, relax and enjoy it! You deserve it!

MONAGHAN HOUSE ADVANCES IN MANALAPAN PLAYOFFS

The outstanding Monaghan House Slow Pitch Softball team of South Amboy advanced to the second round of the highly competitive Manalapan Fall Softball League, as they swept a doubleheader from another South Amboy sponsored team, SA Pub, comprised mostly of Sayreville residents. Good luck, guys!

BAG DAYS AT CHRIST CHURCH THRIFT STORE

The Christ Church Thrift Store on Main St. in S. Amboy will be holding special sale days on Nov. 17, 19, 24. For only \$2 you can fill a bag! The hours are Tues.- 10-3, and 6-8, and Thurs.- 10-3.

HUGS

*It's wondrous what a hug can do.
A hug can cheer you when you're blue.
A hug can say, "I love you so"
Or, "I hate to see you go."
A hug is "Welcome back again,"
And "Great to see you! Where've you been?"
A hug can soothe a small child's pain,
And bring a rainbow after rain.
The hug, there's just no doubt about it —
We scarcely could survive without it!
A hug delights and warms and charms,
It must be why God gave us arms.
Hugs are great for fathers and mothers,
Sweet for sisters, swell for brothers;
And chances are your favorite aunts
Love them more than potted plants.
Kittens crave them, puppies love them;
Heads of states are not above them.
A hug can break the language barrier,
And make travel so much merrier.
No need to fret about your store of 'em;
The more you give, the more
there's more of 'em.*

Student of the Month South Amboy Elementary School

Mrs. Bernosky	Amanda Smith	Ms. Skata	Kelly Hoehman
Mrs. Stroz	Thomas Szatkowski	Mrs. Sibol	Robert Brzezinski
Mrs. Butieb	Kyle Moran	Mrs. Kelly	Joshua Gonzalez
	Timothy James	Mrs. Vona	Edward Behnen
	Edward Pienciak	Mrs. Zach	Lisa Steele
	Mary Kwok	Mrs. Shafer	Sean Mundy
Mrs. Johnson	Kristin Mahoney	Mrs. Meisner	Robert Thomas Ruiz
Mrs. Ravaioli	Brian DeJoy	Mrs. Quintana	John Reyes, Jr.
Mrs. Reddington	Andrew Lieberman	Mrs. Quigley	Jennifer Enos
Mrs. Tobin	Tracie Szatkowski	Miss Deverin	Jeff Peterson
Ms. Heinze	Jeffrey Peterson	Mrs. Virgilio	Jason Mages
Miss Fitzgerald	James Strzykalski	Miss Smith	Michelle Graverson
Mrs. Lund	Paula Sebold	Mrs. Walter	Jessica Wallace
Mrs. Cannella	Margaret Barwikowska	Ms. Siebke	Melissa Bartlinski
Mrs. LaVigne	Joann Tomaszewski	Mrs. Haskins	Patricia Sebold
Mrs. Owens	Melissa Rainone	Mrs. MacKay	Victoria Accordinio
Mrs. Dibling	Timothy Felice	Mrs. Freeman	Crystal Gile

Teacher of the Month-Mrs. Rose Lund-2nd Grade Teacher
Employee of the Month-Mrs. Anita Fodor-School Secretary

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STORK ARRIVES AT THE NORTON'S OF SOUTH AMBOY

Colleen & Todd Norton of South Amboy are the proud parents of a newborn baby girl, Shayla Marie, born on Sept. 28th, and weighing in at 6 pounds 12 ounces. Congratulations!

GET WELL CORKY!

Well known umpire & referee John "Corky" Baranowski is recovering from recent surgery. Get well, "Cork," we're all pulling for you!

THANKSGIVING FEAST AT ST. STAN'S

On Friday, November 20th St. Stan's 4 year old pre-k students will be holding their 1st Annual Thanksgiving Feast. Each child will be allowed to bring 2 guests. Also, each child is required to dress up as either a Pilgrim or an Indian. Each parent will be asked to bring a covered dish for all to enjoy.

STUDENTS TO MAKE ROSARIES

Beginning in November, the students in grades 4-8 will be making their own rosaries. The project will be under the direction of Janet Dodge who has been spreading devotion to the Blessed Mother by teaching others how to make cord rosaries. It is hoped that this rosary-making activity will be a way to encourage the children to pray and to be an example to their families and friends.

This Week In Music 10 Years Ago - 1982

- 1-Up Where We Belong-Joe Cocker & Jennifer Warnes
- 2-Who Can It Be Now?-Men At Work
- 3-Heart Attack-Olivia Newton John
- 4-I Keep Forgettin' (Every Time You're Near)-Michael McDonald
- 5-Jack & Diane-John Cougar

15 Years Ago - 1977

- 1-You Light Up My Life-Debby Boone
- 2-Keep It Comin' Love-K.C. & The Sunshine Band
- 3-Nobody Does It Better-Carly Simon
- 4-That's Rock 'n' Roll-Shaun Cassidy
- 5-Star Wars Theme-Meco

30 Years Ago - 1962

- 1-Big Girls Don't Cry-4 Seasons
- 2-Return To Sender-Elvis Presley
- 3-He's A Rebel-Crystals
- 4-All Alone Am I-Brenda Lee
- 5-Next Door To An Angel-Neil Sedaka

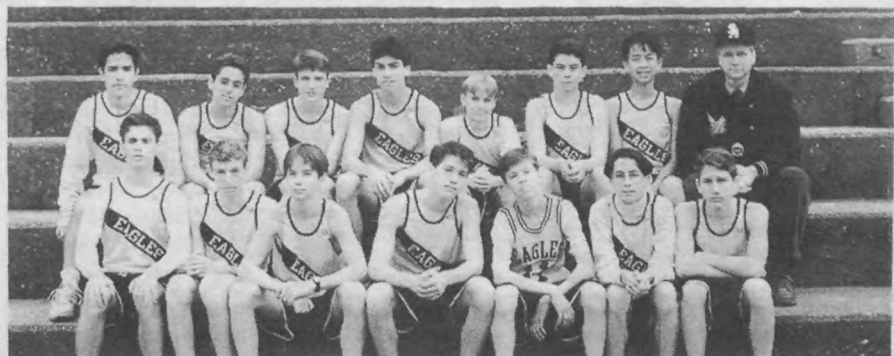
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PORTS

St. Mary's Boys Break Cross Country Record



St. Mary's record-breaking Cross Country runners are-Bottom (L-R) John Kugel, Andy Ahern, Cory Bacsoka, Ben Zmigrodski, Rob Neuhooff, Joe Demeraski, Jeff Zmigrodski. Top Row (L-R) Agustin Rojas, Roy LaBue, Jim Dellatacoma, Craig Haberman, Mark Stolte, Bryan DeYoung, Jose Gamboa, Coach Ed Twomey.

On Nov. 4, St. Mary's Boys Cross Country team defeated Woodbridge at Roosevelt Park for their 14th victory of the season. The team finished the season with an outstanding 14-3 record, breaking the previous mark of 11 wins, set in 1980. The Eagles were named the "most improved" team in the county, based on their record, and performance in the county meet.

Coach Ed Twomey, now in his 8th year at the helm, figures this is clearly his best Boys team he has ever coached. Two years ago, the club finished 1-12, and improved to 4-7 last season. 2 runners, John Kugel, a Junior, whose father was a fine guard for the Saints Basketball Team in the early '70's, and soph, Ben Zmigrodski, who ran one of the best freshman times ever last year, formed the foundation for this year's team. In 1991, Kugel ran the second best time ever for a St. Mary's runner. (Chris Hedlund has the record set in 1980).

"John Kugel gave instant credibility to the program. Many freshman became interested after seeing such a talented and dedicated runner leading the team. Also, Ben is the hardest worker of all my runners. He gets everything he can from his ability," said Coach Twomey. After last season ended, Twomey walked around the school, and began recruiting for this year's team. At the end of the school year, he had a special meeting with those who said that they wanted to have a winning season for the coming year. A summer running program developed. Consequently, this team came into the season more prepared than any previous team.

Bombers Bounce Back: Pound Tigers 44-6

The Sayreville Football Machine is back in forward drive, as they humbled the Tigers of South Plainfield, 44-6. Star quarterback, Harry Nakielny turned in yet another stellar performance, connecting on 14-27 passes for 237 yards, and 2 touchdowns. His first TDP was a 30-yard strike to Belal King, and the second was a 55-aerial to his favorite target, D.J. Cleary. Cleary caught 6 passes for 145 yards, and also raced 55 yards on a punt return for another TD. King also had a 9-yard TD run, Tim Gallagher a 1-yd. touchdown run, and Hakim Hightower a 3-yd TD run. Tom Roberts booted a beautiful 24-yard field goal for the superb Sayreville contingent, now 6-1 on the year.

Coach Twomey had the following comments on some of his top runners; Cory Bacsoka (soph) whose sister Staci was a 2-time All County runner a few years ago; He probably has the most natural talent on the team. He also adds a lot of spirit to the team."

Andy Ahern-" my #2 runner, and he is a definite surprise. Quietly he has become a key runner in each race, and shown a lot of guts in important meets."

Rob Neuhooff-" He rounds out our top 5. He also was a surprise, because he started the season late. I'm very pleased with his work habits and attitude when the gun goes off."

Joe Demeraski-" the only freshman among the top 8 runners, #6, he has shown glimmers of brilliance by finishing 3rd in 3 races. He is still a little inconsistent."

Jeff Zmigrodski, Roy LaBue, and Jim Dellatacoma are other key sophomores. "Each has lowered their best times tremendously from the beginning of the season.

Agustin Rojas-" I give a lot of credit to him. He's my other co-captain with Kugel, and even though he isn't among the top runners, he still has provided the needed leadership for a successful team." The future looks bright for the Boys Team. There are no seniors and only 2 juniors on this year's record-setting squad. They should definitely challenge for the division championship next year.

"As long as the hard work and positive attitudes are there, I am confident about next year," Coach Twomey says. In regards to the Boys program from past to present, it seems "out of the ashes rose the eagle."

Lady Bombers Cop Field Hockey Crown

The Sayreville girls Field Hockey team captured the GMCT championship, downing South Plainfield, 1-0 on Oct. 31st. Janet Browning scored the game's only goal at 4:18 into the first half. Jamie Garbowski's shot bounced off the right goal post, and Browning got the ball and went through 2 defenders to score. The victory was extra-sweet for Coach Sherry Popowski and her super, 14-0-1 charges, as they had lost in the GMCT Finals for the last 4 years.

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FOOTBALL

Sayreville- W-5 L-1
Pts.- D.J.Cleary 60, Harry Nakielny 26
TD's-Cleary 10, Nakielny 4
TDP's-Nakielny 10 (1st in County)

FIELD HOCKEY

Sayreville- W-14 L-O T-1
Pts.- Jamie Garbowski 48 (1st in county), Janet Browning 28 (2nd)
Goals- Garbowski 19 (1st in county), Browning 9 (2nd in county)
Assists- Garbowski & Browning 10 each (tie for 1st in county)

GIRLS SOCCER

Sayreville- W-10 L-7 Pts.- Dana Feltz 20, Mickie Brewer 17, Tara Brazzel 17 Goals- Feltz 8, M.Brewer 7, Brazzel 7. Assists- Jessica Roneree 7, Feltz 4.

ST. MARY'S - W-8 L-5 T-1

Pts.- Kristen Palomo 30, Shannon Kemble 15
Goals- Palomo 14, Jen Novak 6, Jen Daly 6, Kemble 6

Assists- Kemble 3, Palomo 2

HOFFMAN - W-5 L-11

Pts.- Melissa Paul 13, Karen McNerny 12
Goals-Paul 6, McNerny

5 Assists- McNerny 2, Paul 1
BOYS SOCCER
Sayreville- W-9 L-8
Pts.- Jeff Americo 28, Don Kall 26
Goals- Kall 10, Americo 8
Assists-Americo 12, Brendan Major 6, Kall 6
St.Mary's- W-3 L-12
Pts.- Brian Bohinski 22
Goals-Bohinski 7
Assists-Bohinski 8
Hoffman- W-8 L-9
Pts.- Bob Matthews 21, Oliver Haran 15
Goals- Matthews 7, Haran 7
Assists-Matthews 7, Mike Glasser 4

Sayreville Boys Stun Hoffman, 5-0

The Sayreville Boys Soccer team trimmed the Governors of Hoffman, 5-0. Supplying the firepower for the Blue & Gray were Jim Keith, Brian Monnier, Don Kall, Charlie Moe, and Jim Williams. Each of the preceding scored a goal. Mike Pompeo racked up 2 assists.

Fishing Flashes

by Teo Weber

FRESH WATER

Your scribe and his girlfriend tried Fall trout fishing at the lower Flatbrook in Sussex County, but only caught 2 small Rainbows about 7 inches on Halloween. A week later on Election Day, myself and a fellow worker tried the Musky and 2 spots on the Pequest, but only accounted for a small Chub. One friend of mine tried the Pequest and said he caught one large 18" Rainbow, and some smaller Trout. All Fall Trout



stocking has been completed. High water from rains can be a problem, and should be taken into account. I learned also that some Walleyes are hitting in the upper Delaware near Dingmans Bridge.

SALT WATER

Some Striped Bass are being taken from the South Amboy Beachfront. Try live bunker, worms or plugs here. They are also being successfully jigged by party boats along the beach, particularly in Southern areas, with large 6-15 lb. Bluefish. Bottom tom fishing for Blackfish, Sea Bass, and Porgies is very good and will get better. Porgies are plentiful, and range from small to large Shad Porgies to over 3 pounds. Some Ling are starting to show on offshore bottom pieces. Giant Tuna run is just about over, and Dogfish now plague all offshore grounds, moving in strong. Don't expect any fall Mackerel 'til around Thanksgiving.

From The Sports Archives



Pictured are Hoffman's 1970-71 super basketball squad that finished with a superb 22-wins, 4-losses. Standing L-R, Billy Parsons, Ron Croddick, Tom Szatkowski, Mike Colucci, Tom Wortley, Bob Levins, Gary Lange, Dennis Yanoski, Pat Quinlan, Doug Buckalew, John Wurth. Kneeling-Senior co-captians Jim Croddick (L), Danny Paone (R) Head Coach-Ray Tomaszewski (C)

Glory Days In Local Sports

BY TOM BURKARD

1941-Nick DiBiase, a transfer from Hoffman, pitched a O-hitter for Sayreville against the Guvs. He finished with a perfect 6-0 record, and was the Bombers top hitter...1956-57-Ron Kuran became Sayreville's first 1,000 point scorer in history. He averaged 24 points per game, and finished his career with 1,300 points. The club, under Coach John Gutkowski went an



excellent 18-3, bowing to a powerful Ewing in the first round of the State Group II Tourney. Other team members were; Joe Rommel, Ed Paprota, Bob Reess, Fred & Ted Salamon, M. Chudkowski, M. Helpa, Tom Michaels, J. Dzeroski, R. Kornacki, A. Beattie, Tom Kuc, A. Cyskowski. Captain of the Cheerleaders was Susan Phillips...1965 St. Mary's freshman, Tom "Red" Kelly's first varsity baseball hit drove in Brian George with the winning run, as the Eagles downed Madison, 4-3. T.K. was the starting right fielder that season, and was 16-50, .302 avg. 1966-Hoffman trounced the Saints, 34-22 in the Columbus Day Football Classic. Bill Clayton scored 3 touchdowns, and had two 2-point conversions. Bob Keegan hauled in 2 long TD passes from quarterback, Curt Wood. Mr. Wood finished the day with 3 Touchdown Passes. Dan Hansell scored all three of the Eagles touchdowns, 2 coming on passes from quarterback Kevin Crowley...1966-67-St.Mary's Freshman Basketball team nipped Sayreville, 60-57 in overtime. Ted Krzyzanski scored the first six points in OT, and finished with a game high 29 points...1972-73-George Osborne scored 160 points, and Ed Paczkowski averaged 13.9 ppg. to lead the South Amboy A.A. Men's Basketball team...1976-The Eagles Baseball nine finished at 10-10 under Rookie Mentor, Fred Henry. Pat DeBlasio led the team with a sizzling .393 avg. He was followed by Mike Grimley .352, John Belmonte .338, Tim Connor .320, Ray Akerman .305. Belmonte and DeBlasio tied with 22 hits each. Grimley blasted 3 of the team's 7 home runs, and was tops in rbi's with 17. Belmonte's 15 stolen bases were high. Grimley also led in slugging pct. with an awesome .676, and was the ace of the pitching staff. His mound marks read; 6-1, 50 strikeouts in 54 innings, and an ERA of 2.16, all superior on the Blue & Gold... 1982-Sayreville junior, Gail Kupcha, shattered the school's Cross Country record by one minute. The team finished at a fine 6-3...1980-Hoffman's Frank Wahler set a new school record by driving home an unbelievable 8 goals in one game, in a 10-0 romp over Piscataway Tech. Joe Przybylski and Mike Krasowski scored 1 goal each.

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Noble Selects Dream Teams Of The 1930's & 40's

Joe "Nipper" Noble, great St. Mary's athlete of the early 1940's, and member of the vintage 1942 state basketball championship team, has graciously taken the time to select his 1st and 2nd teams of St. Mary's greatest basketball players from the 1930's and 40's. Here are his selections, all super choices.

1930-39 First Team - Joe Crowe, John Zdanewicz, Stanley "Sweets" Jankowski, Woodrow "Woody" McCarthy, John "Mike" Carroll; **Second Team** - Msgr. John Grimes, Jim Harkins, Allie Clark, Joe Bulman, Henry "Hank" Leonard.

1940-49 First Team - Jack O'Brien, Don "Pep" Bennett, Luke Lenahan, Reggie Carney, Eddie O'Brien; **Second Team** - John "Bing" Miller, Leo Kedzierski, John "Red" Connors, Bobby Fleming, Danny Fuller.

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Clark, Edward "Bud", 67, of Sayreville died Nov. 1.

Kozak, Margaret Glodic, 74, of South Amboy died Nov. 2.

Letts, Estella Swiderski, 77, of South Amboy died Nov. 3.

Nagy, Janet Barbara, 37, of South Amboy died Oct. 27.

Saccette, Muriel E., 71, of Morgan died Nov. 3.

Simon, Louis G., 70, of Sayreville died Oct. 29.

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