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## Two women running for seat on Town Board



*Here are statements from the candidates to help you make an informed choice  
 on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3.*

Dear Palisadian:

This year you will have the opportunity to vote for a candidate for the Town Board of Orangetown. I have lived in Palisades for 21 years and have been involved with the PTA, the Palisades Community Center and the Palisades Civic Association. For most of those 21 years, I have worked to protect and enhance the quality of life here.

Our former PTA fought to keep the Palisades School from being sold. I remember when the PTA mothers even used to clean the building, and ran it as a community center, arranging for RCC, Rockland Center for the Arts and other programs to be held there. Today, it is again home to programs for children with special educational needs as well as the Oak Tree Playgroup.

During my ten years on the Board of the Palisades Community Center, the building was renovated and we again held community programs there. I have also been the President of the Civic Association for 8 years, and, during that time, we have been successful in preventing tandem trailers from using Oak Tree Road, condominiums from being built on Route 340, a factory from being built on Route 9W, a driving range from being built on Oak Tree Road, and we stopped

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Dear Palisadian:

1992 is a good year for government in Orangetown. During this year, Supervisor Roger Pellegrini has had the support of 3 Democrats on the Town Board, myself among them. There were no miracles -- there seldom are in government -- but there was steady progress.

Let me point to our accomplishments:

1. We voted to upgrade our sewer system to contain the odor which has afflicted a portion of our township for 15 years. Care for our environment is a serious responsibility.
2. We voted for the expansion of our Town Hall. Departments of our local government function in crowded space, but none more so than our Police Department. The men and women of the Department, at this point 96 strong, work under difficult conditions. Those to whom we entrust our security deserve better.
3. Have you visited Veterans Memorial Park on Orangeburg Road lately? There are fields for baseball and soccer, space for picnicking and walking, a pond for fishing and one of the best playgrounds I have ever seen. Some of the lights at the field are a donation from Orange and Rockland Utilities. At last, after more than 15 years, the Park offers delightful space for all ages.

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# Farewell to Our Longtime Friend and Invaluable Postal Clerk, Anita McLeish

It is hard to believe, but Anita McLeish, who has been an integral part of our community life for twenty five years, is going to leave us. She and her husband, Bill - a mail carrier in Orangeburg for the last 28 years - have decided to retire from Government Service and move to Cape May, New Jersey. It is thanks to her and her colleagues over the years that the Post Office is a vital part of our community life. Many residents even prefer to have a Post Office box rather than a mailbox just for the daily opportunity to visit, have a chat with Anita or Bernie or whoever is working that day, read the community news board, and run into other friends. Indeed, most of us would say that the Post Office is one of the essential ingredients that make Palisades such a special place to live.

Anita recalls some of the highlights from her years with us:

"After twenty-five years working for the Post Office, I am retiring. When I first went to work for the Post Office in Palisades in September of 1967, I was hired for 4 hours per day to sort foreign printed matter generated by the Academic Press Book Company, which was located on Oak Tree Road where Lederle Warehouse is now. In retrospect, I think I have spent 3/4's of my 25 years of service on my feet, sorting mail.

When the Post Office opened a detached unit at the Academic Press, Mabel Yanchewski and I went down there to sort the mailings. We had two cardboard cases on metal frames placed in front of loading dock doors in the warehouse. The wind used to blow under the doors in the winter, so we wore boots to keep our feet warm. Eventually the Post Office bought Post Cons - large cages on wheels with sides that dropped down - which the Academic Press employees loaded with packages of books and we rolled them onto a trailer truck. This was physically much easier than before, but as the amount of work dropped, so did the number of PO employees. Finally I was there by myself. Then I came back to the Palisades Post Office and started to train to be a clerk. That was when my real relationship with you folks started.

I've had a finger on the pulse of Palisades ever since. I've sadly watched many fine people age and pass on, and I've joyfully watched many young people move in and start their families. In some cases I've seen two generations! Boy, does that make me feel old!

One of my special joys is celebrating the seasons at the Post Office with the children. The children from the Oak Tree Playgroup, and now the Palisades Schoolhouse too, come in to visit us on special occasions. On Valentine's Day they come in to mail their cards. On Halloween they parade over to show us their costumes. We always pass out a little candy to them, which is provided by the schools. On Christmas, the Postmaster puts out the box to Santa so the children can send their notes directly to the North Pole. Laura Ebmeyer, our previous Postmaster who started the tradition, was a very active Santa! The present Postmaster has continued the

tradition. Years ago, Mabel and I started the practice of putting out a bowl of Christmas candy for children who visited us daily with their parents. It has been fun to help children with their stamp collections and help the adults choose stamps for special occasions. Some children have developed a special fondness for coming into the Post Office. Once I tricked little Andy Katz by sticking my hand through his box with his mail. Now he loves to come in and peer into the boxes looking for another hand.

I've had the pleasure of meeting some celebrities, who, I found, enjoyed the anonymity of Palisades and who appreciated being treated like everyone else. Many times curiosity seekers have come to us for directions to certain celebrities' homes. We politely but firmly always turn them away.

I've enjoyed getting involved with the community. It feels like an extended family. Certain individuals of course stand out. It would be impossible to name them all, but I would like to say that I have a great fondness for Blythe Finke, who, after she moved, remembered us by sending cards and candy. I was also grateful for the prayers at the Palisades Presbyterian Church when my husband, Bill, had his heart attack.

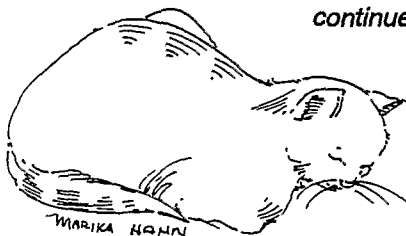
Often, problems in the community find their way into the Post Office. I've been privy to the concerns, both domestic and political of many individuals, which I've always tried to handle with tact.

Some of you remember the Post Office cats. Everyone knew that Laura and Ed Ebmeyer loved animals and sometimes people took advantage of that. I remember a basket of kittens being left in the Post Office. There was a red one named "Tiger" and a striped one named "Silver". There was also a black cat named "Ouzoo" who used to lie on the front counter waiting to be petted. When you stopped petting, he would grab your hand with his claws! We tried to discourage him, but he'd wait his chance to get up there. They are all gone now.

One time, Ed found a baby squirrel that had fallen out of his nest into the road. He fixed a cage for him in the back room, and "Nutsy" grew up there. Dogs that ran away from home often found their way to the Post Office where they stayed until their owners claimed them.

I've seen the Post Office go from a Government Agency to a separate corporation under the Government "umbrella." Salaries were very low when I was first hired, but have risen to a liveable rate. As in all businesses today, machines are taking on a greater importance. There are fewer employees now and more

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# TO OUR READERS:

The staff of 10964 approaches each new season of publication with the desire for a better newsletter, one of improved quality which will serve the community more effectively. Our major thrusts this year include six instead of five issues, wider staff involvement in different phases of production, and higher quality photographs and printing. The first two of these mean more time and flexibility for the all-volunteer staff, and the last, finer photos and printing, is really up to our readers. That is, would clearer, sharper photos be important to you, important enough for you to make a donation to 10964?

The very first issues of 10964 back in March, April and May of 1977 were printed free of charge by R.H. Walters Printing of Norwood, New Jersey. In the intervening years, various printers were chosen mainly for the economical prices they offered us. With the idea of returning to a higher quality, we approached Rich Walters who has moved his business from Norwood to Orangeburg. He and his son, Roy, give very special attention to photos, and we have seen their good work recently in neighboring Piermont's newsletter. Therefore, we are using R.H. Walters for this issue and asking that you examine it and help us determine if we can continue with them. We may expect our costs for a 16 page issue to escalate by approximately \$80. We will pay an additional \$14 for each photograph. Since our advertising will not cover these additional costs, we are asking for your support.

This 1992-93 season we are changing our publication dates after the first issue to the following: November 15, February 1, March 15, May 1, and June 15. We hope that the additional issue and mid-month issuance will better serve our readership.

Please let us hear from you. We appreciate your interest, your ideas and your contributions. Let us hear how you think 10964 can improve, and best of all, come and join our staff in making our newsletter the kind of community organ that everyone will want to read.

## Music Amici Plays a Tribute to Miles Davis

Music Amici, a chamber ensemble of winds, strings, and piano will present the first of its 1992-93 Chamber Concerts on Sunday, October 11 at 7pm, at Threefold Auditorium in Spring Valley.

Music Amici, now in its sixth season, will open with a "sneak preview" of their debut recording for Angel Records, a musical tribute to the late giant of jazz, Miles Davis. This evening of chamber music for strings, winds, percussion and jazz soloists will be a blending of classical and jazz styles featuring several of today's leading jazz artists. Featured guests will be Randy Brecker and Lew Soloff on trumpet, and Warren Bernhardt on piano. All arrangements and original works are composed by Byron Olson, best known for his "Orchestra Manhattan" records on EMI.

Later in the season, our own Palisadian, Patricia Katz, will perform in an all-French program on January 31 at 7pm. Patricia will be singing the Chansons Madecasses by Ravel for

soprano, flute, cello and piano.

Tickets for these concerts are \$20 (\$14 for seniors and students) or \$33 for a season subscription of three concerts. For reservations and information call 914-359-3892.

### Come One, Come All!

If you've got kids who love hayrides, 19-foot-high trampolines, live, sing-along musicians, face painting, balloons and lots and lots of prizes, you won't want them to miss the Piermont Children's Festival from noon to 5 PM, Sunday, October 4th (rain date, October 11th).

Over 30 booths catering to children ages 3-9 include cupcake decorating, frisbee tic-tac-toe, balloon stomping and button making.

All proceeds benefit the Piermont Community Playgroup, a United Way Agency. Tickets are \$.50 each.

## ...Eileen Larkin

the 9W driving range from becoming a double decker monstrosity.

I am now asking you to support me in my run for election to the Town Board of Orangetown. My family loves Palisades. My four children went to the local schools and the parish church. They are now attending college or have already graduated and are all doing well. If I am elected, I will continue to work at keeping Palisades the type of community we all know it to be.

— Eileen Larkin



# Noteworthy Palisadians

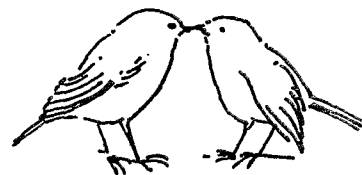
*We received a few notices this month that seemed to collect under this heading. We hope that you enjoy reading about your neighbors' accomplishments and that you will notify us if you or someone else in Palisades has done something outstanding that we all should know about.*



A triumphant Howard Katz gives his sons, Daniel and Andrew, a victory hug after winning at Watkins Glen.

## Howard Katz Wins Big

After a short hiatus, Howard Katz of Lawrence Lane has returned to his side career as an amateur race car driver, and his return took off with a bang! He won the 12 Hours of Sebring race in Florida in March, driving a Mazda Kudzu to victory in the Camel Lights Prototype Class. He went on to win two more races back to back up here in the northeast. The first was at Watkins Glen, NY (see photo) on July 19th and then he won at Lime Rock, CT in the American Continental Championship Series on July 25th. Way to go, Howard!



## Radio Producer Jim Farley Shares in the Glory as ABC Radio Networks Reaps the "Grand Award"

ABC Radio Networks walked away from the International Radio Festival of New York with the "Grand Award" for Best Overall News Program. Jim Farley, a Palisades resident is one of the executive producers for ABC Radio. In addition to the top prize, ABC also garnered nine additional medals: five gold medals; one silver medal; and three bronze medals. Of the five gold medals awarded, four were for programs of which Jim is the executive producer. Two gold medals and the "Grand Award" went to the successful and hard hitting series American Agenda Radio Specials. American Agenda is an effort by ABC News to carefully examine problems and issues faced by Americans, and to present possible solutions to those problems. Segments are seen on World News Tonight on a regular basis. The other two gold medals went to a show entitled "Mrs. Bush's Story Time." Congratulations, Jim, and keep up the good work!

## Chloe Brooke Named Peer Leader at the Masters School

Chloe Brooke, a sophomore at the Masters School, has been selected to be a peer leader for the 1992-93 school year. Peer leaders are upper-classmen who meet weekly with groups of girls in grades six through nine to discuss issues such as decision-making, problem solving, values, friendship and stress management. Chloe is the daughter of Anne Brooke.



## **Impressions of the Earth Summit in Rio - June, 1992**

**by Cristina Biaggi**

I attended the last 5 days of the Earth Summit and spent most of my time at the Global Forum, which consisted of about 3000 NGOs (Non Governmental Organizations) from all over the world. Among these organizations were environmental, women's, spiritual and religious groups. I spent most of my time in the Women's Tent where the real action was. The activities there were very well organized; there was something going on all day long.

Many of the world's leaders (e.g. Vigdis Finnbogadottir, the magnificent woman president of Iceland who is a committed feminist and totally environmentally correct) paid visits or came to speak in the tent. We heard endless testimony from women from all over the world on how they had started to change things in their communities, the special problems they faced and the problems that still need to be solved.

Wangari Maathai, who started the Green Belt Movement in Kenya, talked about the 1,000,000 trees that she and her women foresters have planted over the course of ten years. She has become a model and an inspiration for people all over the world.

Vandana Shiva, the brilliant physicist from India, talked about the horrors of bio-engineering and bio-technology which are practiced by the multinational corporations who control the world. She also talked about the Chipko movement in India, which consists of rural women who have managed to save entire forests from being cut by loggers by hugging or encircling trees.

Claire Flenley from WEN (the Women's Environmental Network) in the U.K. has started a campaign to make people more aware of all the paper products they use which is the chief cause of deforestation. The way to change things, claims WEN, is to mobilize women - who represent 80% of the world's consumers. The consumption patterns of consumers give power to the multinational companies; therefore, if women changed their patterns of consumption, the multinationals would have to change their products (i.e. if women consumers decided that they would only buy recycled paper products, other paper products would eventually be forced out of the market).

These represent only three among the many arguments that were discussed and explored in the women's tent, but the most important and encouraging thought I came away with is that, with a little work, each one of us can make a difference.

My feelings as I was leaving Rio were a combination of depression and elation. I was a bit depressed because of the magnitude of the problems that we face, yet elated because I realized that this was the very first time that so many people specifically and seriously concerned about the environment had come together in order to change things. If each one of us changes, even just slightly, we will make a difference. But we have to start, and we have to be vigilant.



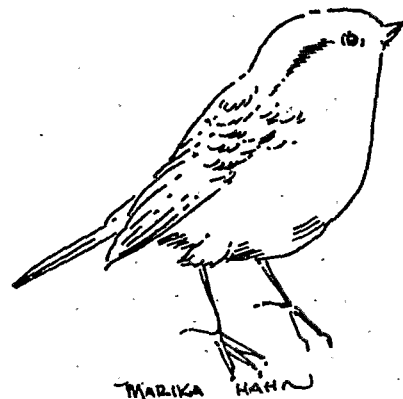
### **Harrison - Stainback Wedding**

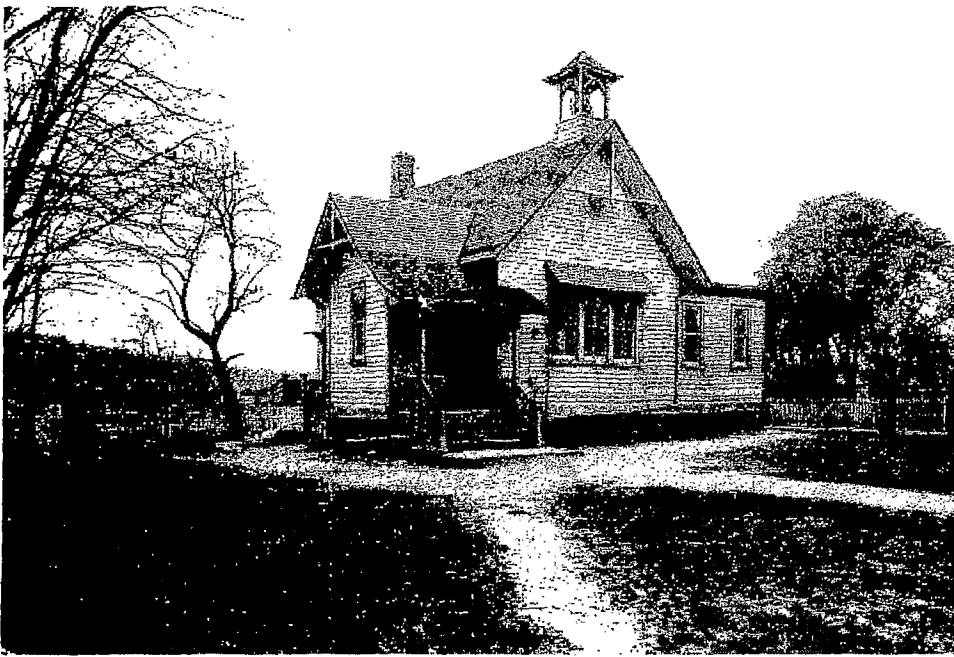
Laura Harrison, daughter of long-time residents of Palisades Marina and James Harrison, was married to Raymond Stainback of Nashville, Tennessee on September 12th. The wedding took place at the Palisades Presbyterian Church. It was a beautiful and moving ceremony presided over by the Reverend Laurie Ferguson and witnessed by 180 friends and family members who came from near and far.

The bride wore an elegant dress of butter-yellow silk which was made for her by a dressmaker friend from Paris. Each of her seven attendants and the flower girl wore an ivory colored dress of their own choosing which made for a very unique and surprising procession. The men were dashing in black suits, and the ceremony was conducted without a hitch.

There was a lovely reception following the ceremony at Lamont Hall under a spectacular tent which reminded one observer of something from Ali Baba's adventures. The 250 guests were served a delicious meal and danced until midnight to the lively tunes of a swing band.

The happy couple is honeymooning in Portugal at the time of this writing and they plan to live in Nashville for the next year while Ray finishes his residency. We wish them all joy and good fortune in their life together!





# Palisades Community Center Serving Palisades Since - 1874 -

**W**e are happy to report that the Palisades Community Center is thriving this 92-93 season. However, before we tell you of this year's schedule we would like to report on the two events held over the summer. The Second Annual Fun Run and One Mile Walk was a great success, due primarily to its organizer, Jossie DeCrescenzo. We thank her and all those who came out that beautiful morning to "strut their stuff". All the non-athletes who were there to support their favorite star waited at the finish line, anxious to spot the winner — John Ewig — who would have expected? Ha! We were surprised however at the kids, as young as 7 years old, who completed the course. Congrats to all!

The Rummage Sale held on June 24 raised over \$600 for the center. Special thanks to all those who donated items and who helped set up and to sell the merchandise. Thanks to Maria Hrynenko for helping transport the "remains" to the Piermont Thrift Store where we filled out the card to benefit the Palisades Free Library.

Now for this year's schedule:

The Palisades Schoolhouse is back, during the day, for its second year and doing quite well at our facility. A larger turnout is still being attempted for an aerobics class tentatively scheduled for Monday evenings. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings the center will house the Blauvelt Dance Studio which will be offering jazz, tap and ballet classes for adults. The Cub Scouts will hold their meetings Thursday evenings.

Friday evenings are open at this point. If you stop by Saturday mornings you will see another dance class being given for children.

If you are interested in any of these or if you wish to schedule use of the building for a special event please contact me. Saturday and Sunday afternoons are still available for private functions such as birthday parties.

Several concerns regarding the by-laws were voiced at the last annual meeting and I personally promised to hold a meeting for the general membership to discuss any revisions. We have set a date for that meeting on Monday, October 19. Please make an effort to get together at 8 p.m. that evening in order

to avoid any future misunderstandings.

The annual Halloween Party has been scheduled for Halloween Day. We realize it's a busy day for most, but hope this activity will cap off the festive mood of the day. The party will begin at 5 p.m. Come and enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers and more; it will be the perfect place to spend the dinner hour or two. Anyone wishing to participate or willing to lend a hand please let us know.

I think I've covered just about everything happening to date. As other events are planned, you will be notified.

Hope you all had a happy and safe summer.

Janis Cavanagh - 359-1026  
Palisades Community Center Board

## Blauvelt Dance Studio Comes to Center

Starting this fall the Blauvelt Dance Studio, under the tutelage of the renowned dance instructor and choreographer Marjorie Caulfield, will offer to the residents of Palisades a dance curriculum of ballet, tap and jazz. It will be conducted at the Palisades Community Center.

Mrs. Caulfield and her staff look forward to bringing their teaching and artistic talents to our serene community along the Palisades - to the young and not-so-young alike. Dancing, says Mrs. Caulfield, is a wonderful and healthy avenue for self-expression and confidence building and, to be sure, just plain fun.

For information and particulars please call 359-1713. See you dancing!

### Community Center Schedule:

Tuesday 7 p.m. - Teen and Adult Intermediate Ballet.  
Wednesday 7 p.m. - Teen and Adult Beginner Jazz.  
Wednesday 8 p.m. - Teen and Adult Intermediate Tap.  
Saturday 10:30 a.m. - Children's Combination Class  
(Tap & Ballet) 4 to 7 year olds.

Also let us know of any additional dance services you would like us to offer.



# Don't Forget the Annual Halloween

## Festival

**Saturday  
Oct. 31  
5-7pm  
at the  
Center!**

**Games  
Prizes for Best  
Costumes  
Food & Drink  
Ghost Stories  
Music**

**Big  
Bonfire  
at Dusk!**

### October in the Garden - a gardening checklist -

1) Go out and buy asters! - you won't think of it next spring, so do it while they're around to remind you. They are wonderful, easy plants, flowering from August through November (in a good year). *Aster frikartii* and 'Alma Potschke' are easy to find in nurseries and there are dozens of others to choose from. They need sun.

2) When the leaves on your perennials start to turn yellow, cut them back to within two or three inches of the ground. You can mulch them with salt hay, with composted leaves (available free from the Town recycling area at the old drive-in in Orangeburg), or with a commercial mulch such as cocoa shells. Don't use wood chips on perennial beds.

3) Most of the shrubs that do well around here (rhododendrons, azaleas, andromeda) need an acid, humusy soil, which in nature is supplied by decaying leaves. When you blow all the fallen leaves away from your shrubs and trees, you deprive them of their natural fertilizer and leave them exposed to damaging cold. So here I am giving you an excuse to make a virtue of laziness. Leave the leaves alone (but don't leave them on your lawn or they will kill it). Bare dirt isn't attractive - it's compulsive.

4) When the night temperature goes into the 50's, move your potted plants back inside. Don't feel guilty about throwing out those not-quite-dead-yet geraniums and begonias. You can replace them in the spring for \$2.50 each.

5) Take a pledge that you will never again plant fibrous begonias. There are dozens of other plants that look ten times nicer and one hundred times less fussy.

6) Take another pledge that you will put up with a few insects and a little black-spot rather than use toxic waste to destroy them. Most chemical treatments cause more problems than they cure.

7) Latest folk-cure to prevent rodents from eating all your bulbs: put medicated foot-powder in each hole as you plant. (I haven't tried it yet.)

8) Go see Wave Hill, one of the most beautiful public gardens in America. It is close by, in Riverdale, and free to visitors.



—Anne Brooke

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### People Who Do...

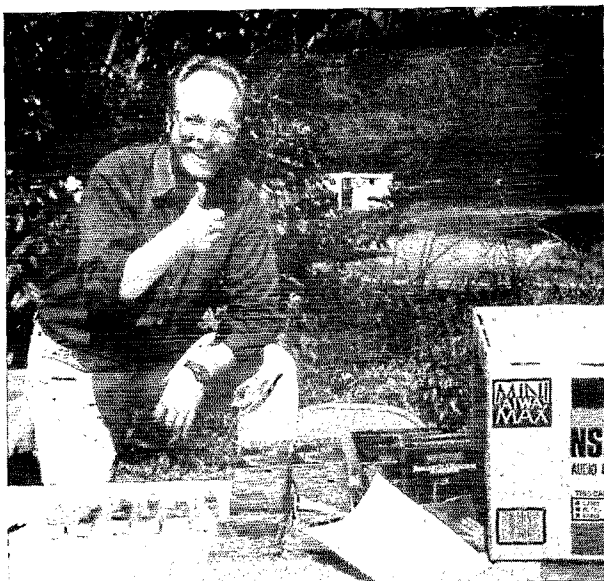
*This section introduces you to Palisades residents offering particular skills and services which you may find useful. If you or someone you know would like to be included, please drop us a note to P.O. Box 201 with your name, address, and phone number and a brief description of the service you offer.*

We are retaining one of our own, Jeanne DiMeglio, who was raised and resides in Palisades. She has newly opened Floral Expressions, Inc., Tappan's new flower shop, located on the corner next to the Medicine Shoppe in the Tappan Shopping Center.

Jeanne brings forth many of her own creations and designs, as well as many traditional styles. She is a third-generation florist, having learned from her grandfather and father. Her grandfather, L. Denis, entered the flower business in 1917. Her work must be seen to be appreciated. Pay a visit to Floral Expressions and meet Jeanne.

### Attention Craftspeople!

Vendors interested in presenting and selling their wares at the Palisades Community Center Christmas Bazaar should call 359-1026 for further information regarding fees and dates.



## Palisades Free Library News

### Library Hours (Winter)

Mon. thru Thurs.	3pm to 9pm
Thurs.	10am to noon
Fri.	3pm to 5pm
Sat.	2pm to 5pm
Sun.	2pm to 4pm

### Holidays (Closed)

Monday, Oct. 12th, Columbus Day  
 Wednesday, Nov. 25th, Thanksgiving Eve Day  
 Thursday, Nov. 26th, Thanksgiving Day

### For Your Perusal:

We are pleased to announce that we have received a copy of "Authors & Illustrators of Books for Youth," residing in the RCLS Region.

### Help for the Visually Impaired

The National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the Library of Congress publishes books and magazines in braille and in recorded form on discs and cassettes for readers who cannot hold, handle, or see well enough to read conventional print.

The materials are loaned free to eligible readers. Readers may borrow all types of popular-interest books including best-sellers, classics, mysteries, westerns, poetry, history, biographies, religious literature, children's books and foreign language material.

Readers may also subscribe to more than 70 popular magazines in braille and recorded formats. Special equipment needed to play the discs and cassettes are readily available at no charge. Call the library for more information.

### Pre-School Storytime

Children ages 3 to 5 are invited to attend storytime on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 2:00 pm. They will experience stories told through the medium of songs, finger games, flannel board, hand puppets and, of course, our fine collection of picture books. We will be working to engender wholesome feelings in the children about themselves and their home library.

### Programs For Older Children - Wednesdays at 4:15 pm

Oct. 21 - Making autumn transparencies with dried leaves and grasses.

Nov. 18 - Potato printing holiday cards. Children will be making cards for their own use and will also enjoy a display of wonderful cards created by a professional potato printer.





Dec. 9 - Making winter candle holders from natural materials

## *So Long Bonnie, Don, Sara, Emma and Maggie*

### Special Program

On the Eve of Veteran's Day, Tuesday, Nov. 10th at 7:30 pm, a special program in honor of Veteran's Day will be offered. Bradley Bobb will come dressed in Revolutionary War soldier's attire and talk to children grades 1 through 6 about what happened in Rockland County during the War for Independence. An expert on the period, he is a lively, entertaining speaker. His presentation will be enhanced by a "hands-on" experience of Revolutionary era equipment. (Older children and parents are welcome.)

Library space is limited. It is imperative that participants sign up in advance for programs. We look forward to seeing you at the library.

### New Books at the Library

#### Fiction

Binchy Block	<i>Copper Beech</i> <i>A Walk Among the Tombstones</i>
Conde	<i>The Tree of Life</i>
Francis	<i>Killing Winds</i>
Hart	<i>Sin</i>
Holt	<i>Seven for a Secret</i>
Lleuwellyn	<i>Blood Knot</i>
Oates	<i>Where is Here</i>
Smith	<i>Red Square</i>
Sontag	<i>Volcano Lover</i>
Vidal	<i>Live From Golgotha</i>
Worboys	<i>China Silk</i>

#### Non-Fiction

Blankoph	<i>Mahler</i>
Brandshaw	<i>Creating Love</i>
Broyard	<i>Intoxicated By My Illness</i>
Chesler	<i>Woman of Valor</i>
Elliott	<i>Princesse of Versailles</i>
Ferling	<i>John Adams: A Life</i>
Freed	<i>Leonard Freed: Photographs Out on the Porch</i>
Peters	<i>Becoming O'Keefe</i>
Viertel	<i>Dangerous Friends</i>
Wilson	<i>Landscaping With Wildflowers</i>

The Bowen-Lipkins are leaving Palisades, and life here won't be the same. Who'll be there to arrange the fundraisers? Who'll run the craft tables? Who'll make the phone calls and bake the cupcakes? Who'll attend the meetings? And last, but certainly not least, where are those bright and beautiful young ladies?

Yes, it won't be the same around here, but at least they won't be far away. They have bought a house in Harrington Park, New Jersey and will be moving sometime this month.

We want to express our appreciation to the entire family for helping to make Palisades a more wonderful place to live.

Bonnie (where-does-she-find-the-time?) Bowen has played an integral role in many of our community organizations. She was the President of the Community Playgroup in Piermont and still serves on the Board. She has been involved with the South Orangetown PTA and ran the School Store - a major source of income for the schools. Last year, while in charge of the store, Bonnie even made crafts that the children could purchase. Now that's "above and beyond!"

In Palisades, Bonnie has always volunteered for Library, Swim Club, Community Center functions, Plant Sales and Block Parties. As her good friend, Mary Viviano, summed it up, "Whenever anyone needs help with anything, they call Bonnie and she always comes through."

The Library Centennial, the Fun-Run and the Halloween party all worked better because of Bonnie and Don's help.

Speaking of Don Lipkin, he's no couch potato either! Don held a position on the Board of the Library for 4 years, even taking his turn as President. He's been a coach for Little League and soccer and has been involved with the PTA.

We'll miss the whole family, but we still expect to see them around town often. And please, Sara, Emma and Maggie, don't forget to send us your beautiful hand-made holiday cards. They're the best!

Enjoy your new home, school and neighbors, but don't forget us. We love you all!



### Environmental Tip

Don't you hate getting packages in the mail that are bursting with those disgusting, toxic styrofoam "peanuts"?!! You know the scenario: as soon as you open the box, they go flying all over your living room or your front yard. You spend the next hour gathering them up and then guiltily dump them in your trash with a vague worry about the damage you're doing to the planet. You end up grumbling about how no one should have ever invented them in the first place and you go on about your business.

Well, at last there is finally a better way to dispose of them once you've reached the end of this scenario. Packaging Plus - a packing and shipping store in the Orangeburg Shopping Center - will take them from you and recycle them! Let's just hope the person next in line to receive them has an equally good prospect.

-- Diana Green

## Community Notes

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### Palisades Democrats Back a Winner:

Democratic voters trickled into Palisades' 2 voting booths on September 15 to register far more decisive support for Attorney General Robert Abrams than the state-wide 1% margin he registered over Geraldine Ferraro in the Senatorial primary.

Abrams tallied 81 of the 164 votes cast in Palisades, Ferraro 61, Elizabeth Holtzman 20 and Al Sharpton 2.

A Conservative primary to choose 3 delegates to the party's Judicial District Convention attracted no voters in Districts 12 or 50.

### Changes at the 9W Intersection:

The State Department of Transportation has completed an investigation requested by the Palisades Civic Association and will soon install a larger advance warning sign on Route 9W and a longer all-red "clearance timing" at the Oak Tree Road-Washington Spring Road traffic light. According to Albert J. Bauman, Regional Director, this was done in hopes of reducing the incidence of accidents caused by northbound vehicles running the red on Route 9W.

Less serious, but far more common, were "rear-end accidents involving vehicles traveling east-bound on Oak Tree Road," Bauman wrote to Assemblyman Sam Colman on August 13. Therefore, "we will also be installing a No-Turn-On-Red sign at the west approach leg (eastbound traffic) of Oak Tree Road."

### Cancer Inquiry:

In response to an inquiry concerning the incidence of cancer in Palisades, Marvin Thalenberg, the County Commissioner of Health, wrote to the Civic Association that "a Cancer Cluster Study several years ago...showed no unusually high incidence of cancers in Rockland County, nor in your area."

-- Andrew E. Norman



## Rockland Center for the Arts

More than 50 classes and workshops in the fine and decorative arts as well as writing, acting and fencing will start at the end of September or the beginning of October for the fall session at Rockland Center. Classes meet once a week for 10-12 weeks and workshops vary - for example, a quilting workshop began Sept. 30th and will meet thereafter for 6 weekly sessions.

Some classes which begin in October are: *Poetry Workshop*, 6 sessions beginning Oct. 5, taught by Renee Ashley; *Acting in Commercials*, 6 sessions beginning Oct. 13, taught by Bette Glenn; and *Trompe L'Oeil Workshop* on two Sundays, Oct. 4 & 18, taught by master scenic artist, Gene Powell.

The Center will open the fifth season of its acclaimed "Two's a Crowd" jazz series in September. Later concerts include Vinson Hill & Derek Smith (2 jazz pianos) on Nov. 7th; Mili Bermejo & Dan Greenspan (Latin jazz for voice and bass) on Dec. 5th; Ed Polcer & Mark Shane (trumpet/coronet & piano) on Feb. 20th; and Dave Carey & John Beal (vibes & bass) on March 6th. For ticket information and reservations, call 358-0877.



### Open House at Lamont

On Saturday, October 17th between 10 am and 3:30 pm, Lamont will hold it's annual Open House. The exhibits on display (some "hands on") are usually geared to high school students and older, but this year some children's exhibits are planned. Lunch can be purchased and all are welcome!

## Ferdinand Harvey Dies in Mexico

Word was received of the death in Mexico on August 13 of Ferdinand Harvey, a longtime resident of Closter Road, Palisades. He was 87 years old and he died of cancer.

On his retirement from the New York Life Insurance Company, Mr. Harvey and his wife moved to San Luis Soyatlan, Jalisco, Mexico, where they built a home.

He is survived by his wife, Polly, and his two sons, John and Michael, both of New York City.

Professionally, Mr. Harvey had been an investigator for New York Life for many years. He was repeatedly elected to the post of Fire Commissioner of the Palisades-Sparkill Fire District.

-- Albon P. Man

### Instructions From Heaven:

There is no struggle  
Security in the hands of those who  
love you and guide you down  
As you gave freely of your life energy  
You look to us now to give you back  
your dignity  
Run through those eternal summer-  
blue skies  
Sound your voice in those fields of  
the lord  
And chase the fire of the day  
Into the cool dark surrender of night  
The night and stars and space  
Where the sun and the moon coexist  
forever  
And time holds no sway over our  
angels  
Sleep now  
So that you may awaken far from this  
ruin of flesh  
Awaken to your new body  
And run and sing and shout  
And we will hear you  
And we will draw you into our dreams  
to play  
And someday we will follow.

-- David R. Mooring-Frye

*David wrote these lines to honor the passing of a beloved family dog named "Bear."*

## ...Interview With Anita

pressure to keep up with the work, so there is less time to keep in touch with our customers and their lives. It is a whole different ballgame now. We are trying hard to retain the small town flavor despite new bureaucratic pressures to be more businesslike.

Bill and I have been married for forty- four good years. Our four daughters and one son have all been married and have given us a dozen grandchildren, 7 boys and 5 girls ranging in age from 18 years on down. We have lived in Orangeburg for 34 years. When we leave our home here in Orangeburg and move to Cape May it will be a big change. It will be hard to leave Rockland County and all our friends. I must thank you all for your friendship and your many kindnesses over the years which have made it all worthwhile."

We will all miss seeing Anita behind the counter. She has been a treasure and will be sorely missed. Thank you, Anita, for being such a wonderful, kind and caring friend over the years. Good luck to you and Bill in Cape May. Don't be surprised if some Palisadians ring your doorbell someday!

— Milbry Polk

## ...Pauline Levin

4. I sponsored a management audit of the departments of Town government. The goal here is to lift the morale of employees and to improve services to residents, within fiscal limits, that are important in these difficult economic times.

5. The Town Board supported my idea that we hire a project manager responsible to the 5 of us on the Board for overseeing the construction work of the next few years. Work has not yet begun, but already the manager has saved us over \$100,000, much more than his salary for one year.

6. May I point also to my support of the Town's Community Relations Committee - which, under the leadership of Maxine Leader, promotes cross cultural understanding - my support for the Friends of the Nyacks concert series (a first), and my efforts to reestablish communication and cooperation between our town Police and Rockland Psychiatric Center? The human side of government keeps Orangetown a good place to live for everyone.

**ABOUT MYSELF:** My husband, Bob, and I are longtime residents of Orangetown. I taught for 25 years in the Tappan Zee and Palisades Elementary Schools and the South Orangetown Middle School. Prior to my appointment to the Town Board to fill an unexpired term, I served the community as a Girl Scout leader, Trustee and Youth Board Director and held several positions in the state and local education organizations. In 1987, I spent a year in England as a Fulbright Exchange Teacher and am at present State Treasurer of the Women Educators International Honor Society.

**THE FUTURE:** In this troubled election year, if the voters choose to return me to the Orangetown Town Board, I intend to continue on my independent path. Of prime concern will be keeping any other waste disposal sites out of Orangetown. I have the energy and patience to research issues and plans, the experience to know that I do not "know it all," and the ability to express my point of view.

When you go to the polls on Election Day, you will find my name only on Row A. As your Councilwoman, you can count on me to give the job my best and to join with my fellow Board members in guiding Orangetown with careful planning toward the twenty-first century.

— Pauline Levin

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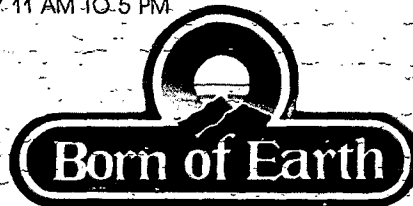
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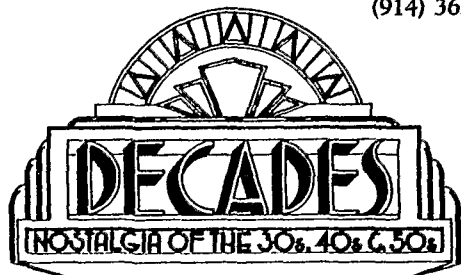
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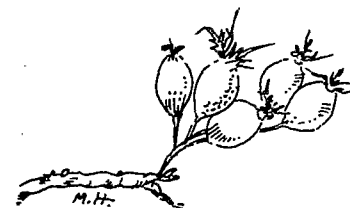
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## Correction

In our last issue, we inadvertently left off the end of the article entitled "People Who Do" about Marjorie Goldstein. The missing information is the following: For information about local classes, please call Margie Goldstein, MA, RPT, AAHCC at 914-359-5177.

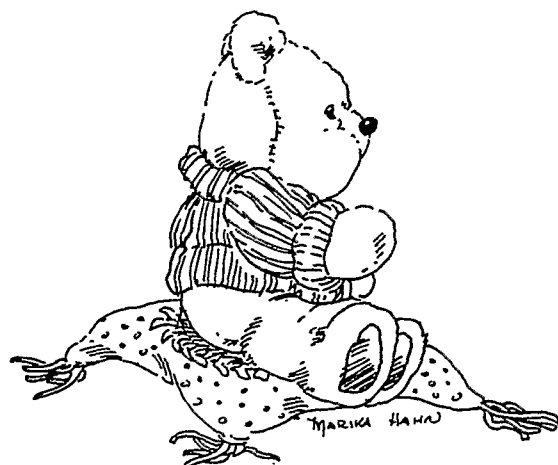


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## Births

Lisa Rinehart and Mikhail Baryshnikov and big brother, Peter, welcome sweet baby Anna Baryshnikov, born on May 22nd.



Grace and Bill Ryan and big sister, Kate, welcome cute, little sister, Lily Marie, who was born on July 8th.

Mary Viviano and Phillip Hirsch welcome another beautiful daughter, Melissa Rose Hirsch, born on July 22nd. She is the little sister of Emily and Samantha.