

## Maria Fleming, 47, Author and Editor; Was Advocate For Social Justice

Maria P. Fleming, 47, passed away on Friday, March 22, 2013, at her home.

Maria was born in Rockville Center, N.Y. and received her Bachelor of Arts from Rutgers University. She became an accomplished freelance writer and editor. Maria wrote children's poetry and books, and edited publications for children and teachers.

Her emphasis and passion was on developing and writing books and ancillary materials to promote early literacy for the elementary education level. Maria authored the award-winning, best selling "Alphatales," a 26-book boxed set. She also penned "Science Poems: 25 Poems That Teach Key Science Concepts and Boost Reading Skills."

Additionally she wrote and edited articles for numerous educational and instructional publications, including Scholastic, Wright Group, Silver Burdett, Time for Kids and Sesame Workshop.

Maria was an avid reader. She was

deeply interested in politics and a strong advocate for social justice. By far, though, her greatest passion and greatest devotion was to her seven nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by her parents, Daniel J. and Emily C. Fleming, Maria is survived by her loving siblings, Daniel Fleming, Mary Ellen Fleming, Peter Fleming, Catherine Bair and her husband, Jeffrey, and Rebecca Higgins and her husband, Peter; her beloved nieces and nephews, Daniel, James and Brendan Bair and Catherine, Jane, Quinn and Michael Higgins; her aunt and uncle, Jeanette and Denis Fleming; her aunt, Marietta Barnes, and many cousins.

Funeral services were held privately under the direction of the Saul Colonial Home, 3795 Nottingham Way, Hamilton Square. Contributions may be made in Maria's memory to Doctors Without Borders USA, P.O. Box 5030, Hagerstown, Md. 21741-5030.

March 28, 2013

## Obituaries

### Billie Jane Schmitt, 95, Parishioner; Had Been Piano and Organ Teacher

Billie Jane Schmitt, 95, passed away on Sunday, March 24, 2013, at Father Hudson Center for Hope and Hospice in Elizabeth.

Born in Patoka, Ind., she taught piano and organ in Kokomo, Ind. for many years. She later resided in Palmetto, Fla. for 10 years before moving to Cranford. She was a parishioner at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cranford.

Mrs. Schmitt was predeceased by her husband, Richard Schmitt.

Surviving are her daughter, Jane Ann Ripperger of Springfield; her grandchildren, John Ripperger and his wife, Lisa, Tom Ripperger and his wife, Beth, Ellen Bernholz and her husband, Ryan, all of Westfield, and Susan Davitz of Danville, Calif.; and her great-grandchildren, Kimberly, Kyle, Lindsay, Owen, Brett, Erica, Jessica, Kyra, Ryder and Emma.

March 28, 2013



Billie Jane Schmitt



FANWOOD OF YESTERDAY...The Fanwood Historic Preservation Commission invites area residents to bring their old photographs of Fanwood to the Fanwood Museum on Sunday, April 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. to either share with their neighbors for the day or donate to the museum. Pictured is the Fanwood Women's Club circa 1950.

## Vintage Fanwood Photos Sought at Museum Event

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Historic Preservation Commission will stage a Fanwood Photo "Share Or Drop" event on Sunday, April 7, between 2 and 4 p.m. at the Fanwood Museum, located on the lower level of the historic Fanwood Railroad Station.

Area residents are invited to bring their old photographs of Fanwood to share with their neighbors that day or, if they wish, they may donate them to the museum so that others may enjoy them in the future.

The commission is particularly looking for historical and noteworthy photographs, pictures of buildings that no longer exist, changes in architecture, old roads, significant borough events or other prominent images.

Interesting pictures of Hurricane Sandy, Fanwood parades, or other significant events in Fanwood from any era or time period will be welcome.

Those with digital photos or previously scanned photos they would like to share may bring a CD or a DVD with their pictures and they will be displayed at the museum for others to enjoy during the two-hour program.

The commission would be pleased to retain a copy of digital or scanned photographs for its permanent museum collection. Physical contributions as well as electronic media will be marked and archived, noting the name and address of the donors. For more information, visit fanwoodnj.org/departments/historic-preservation.

## Fourth Annual Car Show On Tap at Hetfield House

MOUNTAINSIDE - The Mountainside Historic Restoration Committee will sponsor the fourth annual car show on Sunday, April 14, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House, located on Constitution Plaza in Mountainside.

Entitled "History's Wheels, The Fourth Dimension," the event also is expected to include such fare as hotdogs, pretzels and popcorn from a catered truck.

Registration is \$10 per car, and suggested \$3 per spectator. Children may attend for free. Car registration covers all passengers. All proceeds will support Hetfield House activities.

A People's Choice trophy will be

awarded, but there will be no formal judging. "This is designed as a casual car show, meant to be enjoyed as a low-key viewer sport, showing off the variety and splendor of classic and vintage automobiles, one vote only per visitor," said event organizer Don Jeka. "If last year is any indication, we'll have over 30 cars on display."

The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers governed by the Borough of Mountainside. Its purpose is to maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House and collect and save historic information and items from destruction. For further information, call (908) 789-9420 or go to mountainsidehistory.org.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

**Westfield**  
Wednesday, March 20, Gregory L. Avena, 33, and Nicholas S. Derosa, 25, both of Westfield, were arrested following a motor vehicle stop at Boulevard and Park Street and charged with possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS)/less than 50 grams of suspected marijuana. Both were released on their own recognizance with summonses pending an April 4 court date.

Wednesday, March 20, Kemper Lewis, 34, of Plainfield was arrested during a motor vehicle stop on the 600 block of West South Avenue. According to police, Lewis gave officers false information in an attempt to avoid arrest on a warrant from Union for \$500. As for the hindering apprehension charge out of Westfield, bail was set at \$2,500. Lewis posted full bail and was released.

Thursday, March 21, Noel Reyes, 21, of North Plainfield was arrested during a motor vehicle stop on the 600 block of West South Avenue on an outstanding Mountaineer warrant. Reyes posted \$89 bail and was released.

Thursday, March 21, Jacoba Smith, 29, of Edison was arrested during a motor vehicle stop on the 600 block of West North Avenue on an outstanding Metuchen warrant. Smith posted \$89 bail and was released.

Thursday, March 21, a resident of the 400 block of Kimball Turn reported a burglary at the residence that occurred between 7:45 a.m. and 7:20 p.m. According to police, one or more suspects entered the residence by prying open a first-floor window. Multiple drawers in the master bedroom were found rummaged through. At the time of the report, it was unknown what items were taken.

Friday, March 22, Kevin M. Purdy, 21, of Westfield responded to police headquarters to satisfy an active traffic warrant from Garwood. He was processed and released after posting \$89 bail.

Saturday, March 23, Jerome J. Coleman, 27, of Roselle was arrested during a motor vehicle stop in the area of East South Avenue and Cacciola Place. During further investigation, officers located suspected marijuana in the vehicle Coleman was operating, according to police. He was transported to police headquarters, processed and issued summonses for possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana, possession of marijuana in a motor vehicle and maintenance of lamps. He was released with a pending court date in Westfield Municipal Court.

Saturday, March 23, Gregory L. Banks, 30, of Plainfield was arrested during a motor vehicle stop in the area of 600 West South Avenue. Further investigation revealed a criminal warrant from Elizabeth. Banks was transported to police headquarters, processed and released after posting \$188 cash bail.

Sunday, March 24, Zachery J. Binko, 24, of Mountainside was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated (DWI) after the investigation of a motor vehicle accident in the area of West Dudley Avenue and Prospect Street. Additionally, he was charged with possession of less than 50 grams of suspected marijuana.

**SHERIFF'S SALE**

SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: CH-13000707  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
CHANCERY DIVISION  
UNION COUNTY  
DOCKET NO. F-40473-09  
Plaintiff: WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
VS.  
Defendant: SARGRAM PARTNERS, LLC, ZILBO, INC., SARGRAM PARTNERS, INC., TAURANT, ASHA MITTAL, and HARMESH K. MITTAL

Sale Date: 04/10/2012  
Write of Execution: 10/10/2012

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is: \*\*\*Eight Hundred Forty-One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Four and 09/100\*\*\* \$841,694.09

Description  
Address: 1085 U.S. Highway 22, Mountainside, New Jersey, Borough of Mountainside, County of Union  
Being Block 23, Lot 15  
ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situated, lying and being in the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, more particularly described as follows:  
BEGINNING at a point on the Southeastery line of Route No. 22 East marking the dividing line between lands n/f Carbon and lands n/f DeCarlo; and running thence  
(1) South 38 degrees 02 minutes East, a distance of 157.48 feet; thence  
(2) North 49 degrees 47 minutes East, a distance of 195.86 feet to the Southwesterly line of Mill Lane; thence  
(3) Along the Southwesterly line of Mill Lane, North 40 degrees 13 minutes West, a distance of 122.06 feet; thence  
(4) Along a curve to the left with a radius of 25.0 feet, an arc distance of 38.32 feet; thence  
(5) North 38 degrees 02 minutes West, a distance of 4.0 feet to the Southeastery line of Route No. 22 East; thence  
(6) Along the Southeastery line of Route 22 East, South 51 degrees 58 minutes West, a distance of 166.09 feet to the point and place of beginning.

Total Upset: \*\*\*One Million Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Six and 45/100\*\*\* \$1,054,206.45 together with lawful interest and costs.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:6-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office.

The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement.

Ralph Froehlich Sheriff

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possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of certain prescription drugs and possession of fireworks. He was processed at police headquarters and released to a responsible adult.

Monday, March 25, Ana Nunes, 37, of Perth Amboy was arrested at the Middlesex County jail on an outstanding Westfield warrant. She was unable to post \$600 bail and was committed to the Union County jail. Nunes also was wanted on warrants from Linden, for \$565, and Hillside, for \$79.

**Fanwood**  
Tuesday, March 19, Chavone Richardson, 34, of Plainfield was arrested following a motor vehicle stop on the 20 block of South Avenue for active warrants out of Fanwood and Atlantic City. She was processed, posted bail and released.

Tuesday, March 19, Devin Austin, 22, of Plainfield was arrested following a motor vehicle stop at Terrill Road and Mary Lane on an active warrant out of Rahway. He was processed, posted bail and released.

Thursday, March 21, Luthern Carter, 34, of Jersey City was arrested following a motor vehicle stop on South Avenue and charged with driving under the influence (DUI) and an outstanding warrant out of Secaucus. According to police, while the officer was speaking to Carter, he noticed his eyes were droopy and bloodshot and his movements were very slow, at which time he asked Carter to step out of the vehicle to perform some field sobriety tests, which he failed. He was processed and picked up by the Secaucus Police Department.

Friday, March 22, an individual reported that he had parked his motor vehicle on the 200 block of South Avenue and that when he returned, his tire, valued at \$200, had been slashed.

**Scotch Plains**  
Thursday, March 21, Scott B. Turchin, Jr., 20, of Scotch Plains was arrested on an outstanding warrant after a motor vehicle stop.

Thursday, March 21, Nicole C. Brooks, 27, of Scotch Plains was arrested and charged with possession of suspected marijuana after a motor vehicle stop. Brooks also had a warrant for her arrest from another jurisdiction.

Friday, March 22, a resident of Redwood Road reported that a GPS unit was stolen from her unlocked motor vehicle sometime between March 10 and March 20.

Friday, March 22, Raquan Southerland, 18, of South Plainfield was arrested on an outstanding warrant after a motor vehicle stop.

Saturday, March 23, Brian Sierra, 20, of Scotch Plains was arrested on a warrant after turning himself in at police headquarters.

Sunday, March 24, Christopher M. Egregorio, 35, of Linden was arrested on a warrant after a motor vehicle stop.

Sunday, March 24, Sherry Freeman, 37, of Plainfield was arrested on multiple warrants and also charged with hindering apprehension.

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**SHERIFF'S SALE**

SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: CH-13000944  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
CHANCERY DIVISION  
UNION COUNTY  
DOCKET NO. F-905513-11  
Plaintiff: HUDSON CITY SAVINGS BANK, A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK  
VS.  
Defendant: PETER BUSCH A/K/A PETER E. BUSCH AND LAURA A. BASCONI/A LAURA A. BUSCH HIS WIFE; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

Sale Date: 04/24/2012  
Write of Execution: 11/27/2012

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is: \*\*\*Two Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four and 75/100\*\*\* \$265,294.75

Property to be sold is located in the Township of Scotch Plains, County of Union, State of New Jersey, being Tax Lot 10 of Block 11201 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Scotch Plains, and also commonly known as 902 Shackamaxon Drive, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076 (Taxed as: 2165 Shackamaxon Drive, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076). The dimensions of the premises are approximately 107.30 feet by 170.58 feet by 138.78 feet by 148.25 feet by 28.95 feet. The property is located approximately 17.70 feet from the intersection of Lambert Mill Road and the Southwesterly side of Shackamaxon Drive. This description does not constitute a full legal description of the premises and a full legal description of the premises can be found in the Office of the Sheriff of the County of Union.

Total Upset: \*\*\*Two Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Six and 87/100\*\*\* \$273,636.87 together with lawful interest and costs.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:6-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

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