

LOCAL NEWS



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EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION BARBECUE I: Lois and Richard Nicotra sing the Allan Sherman 1963 classic, "Hello Muddah Hello Fadduh," at their 5th annual Employee Appreciation Barbecue for staffers on Tuesday.

Peach picked for plum 'Jersey' role

If the name **Renee Marino** sounds familiar, there's good reason for it. Folks will recall that Renee is the 2004 Wagner College graduate who made her Broadway debut in "West Side Story," in which she played Rosalia. She also landed a part in "Chaplin," the musical depicting the life of the silent-film icon.

The talented performer was cast as a female "swing" in the 15th-anniversary tour of **Andrew Lloyd Webber's** "Cats," and toured North America for a year. She appeared in "Wonderland," Disney's "High School Musical," **Madonna's** "Give Me All Your Lovin" video, and in a number of commercials.

Now word has reached us that Renee, who was on the national tour of "Jersey Boys," in the role of Mary Delgado, **Frankie Valli's** first wife, and plays Mary Delgado in the Broadway production, has been cast in the upcoming Hollywood screen adaption of Broadway's "Jersey Boys," to be directed by the **Clint Eastwood** — so says **Lee Manchester**, director of media relations at Wagner College. Shooting is slated to soon begin in Los Angeles, according to Broadway World.

"Jersey Boys" is the winner of the 2006 Best Musical Tony Award, the 2006 Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album, and the 2009 Olivier Award for Best New Musical. The show is directed on Broadway by two-time Tony Award winner **Des McA-**



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nuff and written by Academy Award-winner **Marshall Brickman** and **Rick Elice**, with music by **Bob Gaudio**, lyrics by **Bob Crewe** and choreography by **Sergio Trujillo**.

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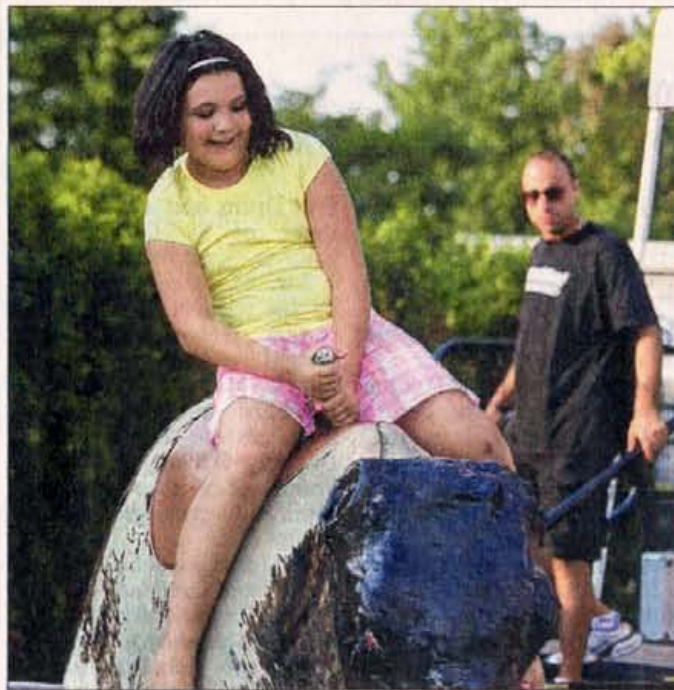
Happy birthday today to **Joan Coogan**, **Mary Nielsen**, **Catherine Vanger** and **Michael Costa**.

Happy wedding anniversary to **Patricia** and **Bill Asley**.



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EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION BARBECUE II: Hoteliers Lois and Richard Nicotra, owners of the Hilton Garden Inn, Hampton Inn & Suites and The Nicotra Group, all in Bloomfield, hosted their fifth annual Employee Appreciation Barbecue for staffers on the grounds of the Hilton and invited more than 450 employees and their families on Tuesday. Guests enjoyed complimentary food, games, inflatable rides, contests and prizes.



EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION BARBECUE III and IV: LEFT: Jamie Tripoli, 9, tries to stay on the mechanical bull ride at the Nicotra Employee Appreciation Barbecue. BELOW: Nick, Sue and Brady, 3, Vaina at the barbecue.



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A NIGHT TO REMEMBER III: Eger Foundation's fourth annual "A Night to Remember," at the Richmond County Country Club, Dongan Hills, are, from left, Joe Musuruca, Nicholas Ochlan and Michael A. DiMauro.



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A NIGHT TO REMEMBER IV: Eger Foundation's fourth annual "A Night to Remember," at the Richmond County Country Club, Dongan Hills, are, from left, Jessie and David Rose, president and CEO of the Eger Foundation, and Randi Stern.



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A NIGHT TO REMEMBER V: At the Eger Foundation's fourth annual "A Night to Remember," at the Richmond County Country Club, Dongan Hills, are Robin and Danny Lefkowitz.