

Decision on Renewal of License For Club Malibu Postponed Again

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SCOTCH PLAINS — The question of whether to renew the liquor license of Club Malibu in Scotch Plains will drag into the new year, after last week's postponement of a hearing before the Township Council, the fourth such delay in three months.

Rayric Corporation, which operates the Terrill Road nightspot, which was the scene of a fatal shooting on November 27, 1998, requested last Thursday's postponement; a new hearing is now set for Thursday, January 6. Both Township Attorney Andrew M. Baron and Neil Cohen, counsel for Rayric Corporation, declined to comment on any specifics of the matter.

But Thomas F.O'Brien, Scotch Plains Chief of Police, told *The Times* his department wouldn't necessarily oppose renewal of Malibu's liquor license "as long as some of the concerns we expressed to the Township Council are addressed." He said the Police Department's primary concern is

"people being allowed to congregate in the parking lot, waiting to get in. We wanted that curtailed."

Both the Police and Fire Departments, Chief O'Brien said, want fire lanes and fire code issues addressed as well "to make sure there's no overcrowding" inside the club.

The initial hearing on the renewal, which must be approved by the council in its role as Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, was scheduled for September 14, but adjourned. Subsequent hear-

ings set for October 21, December 2 and last Thursday were also canceled, at Rayric Corporation's request. There is some speculation that Rayric is trying to avoid a public hearing, and an airing of local residents' complaints about conditions inside and outside of Club Malibu, and instead work out a private deal.

The nightclub has been closed since January and was the subject of complaints about overcrowding and rowdy behavior.

WESTFIELD FIRE BLOTTER

- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29**
- Seven hundred block of West Broad Street - unintentional alarm.
 - One hundred block of Barchester Way - system malfunction.
 - Four hundred block of Otisco Drive - smoke odor investigation.
 - Eleven hundred block of South Avenue West - system malfunction.
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**
- Six hundred block of Prospect Street - carbon monoxide detector activation.
 - Eleven hundred block of Boynton Avenue - unintentional alarm.
 - One hundred block of Windsor Avenue - structure fire.
 - One hundred block of Hawthorn Drive - lock out.
 - Six hundred block of Prospect Street - smoke odor investigation.

- MONDAY, DECEMBER 6**
- Five hundred block of First Street - system malfunction.
 - Three hundred block of Clark Street - system malfunction.
 - One hundred block of Park St. - wire down.
 - Four hundred block of Poets Place - system malfunction.
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7**
- Two hundred block of Jefferson Avenue - animal rescue.
 - Three hundred block of Hyslip Avenue - electrical short.

- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3**
- One hundred block of Windsor Avenue - structure fire.
 - One hundred block of Hawthorn Drive - lock out.
 - Six hundred block of Prospect Street - smoke odor investigation.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**
- Ten hundred block of Central Avenue - automobile accident.
 - Three hundred block of Clark Street - system malfunction.
 - Seven hundred block of South Avenue West - water evacuation.
 - Three hundred block of South Avenue West - system malfunction.

- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8**
- Eight hundred block of Highland Avenue - oil burner malfunction.
 - Eight hundred block of Highland Avenue - smoke and odor in basement.
 - One hundred block of Jefferson Avenue - lock out.
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9**
- Eleven hundred block of South Avenue, West - unintentional alarm.
 - Seven hundred block of Prospect Street - malicious false alarm.

- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**
- Four hundred block of South Euclid Avenue - electrical short.
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3**
- Two hundred block of Elm Street - smoke odor investigation.
 - Bell Drive and Summit Court - smoke odor investigation.
 - Two hundred block of East Broad Street - lock out.
 - One hundred block of Westbrook Road - alarm activation.
 - Seven hundred block of Norman Place - oil burner malfunction.
 - Roosevelt School Park - brush fire.

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**
- Eight hundred block of North Avenue, West - wire down.
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11**
- Three hundred block of South Avenue, East - system malfunction.
 - Boulevard and Park Street - wire down.
 - Five hundred block of Westfield Avenue - system malfunction.
 - Four hundred block of Channing Avenue - lock out.
 - One hundred block of East Broad Street - unintentional alarm.

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4**
- Nine hundred block of St. Marks Avenue - boiler malfunction.
 - Fifteen hundred block of Lamberts Mill Road - smoke scare.
 - Two hundred block of Tuttle Parkway - smoke and odor removal.
 - Five hundred block of Westfield Avenue - lock out.
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5**
- Tuttle Parkway - leaf fire.

- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**
- Nine hundred block of Saint Marks Avenue - excessive heat in boiler room.
 - Four hundred block of Mountain Avenue - smoke and odor removal.
 - Eight hundred block of Ramapo Way - system malfunction.
 - Seven hundred block of Prospect Street - leaf fire.
 - One hundred block of Brightwood Avenue - smoke removal.
 - Seven hundred block of Knollwood Terrace - assist police.
 - Nine hundred block of Central Avenue - electrical short.
 - Five hundred block of East Broad Street - smoke investigation.

FANWOOD POLICE BLOTTER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

- Police reported that the electrical meters were broken on two adjacent South Avenue businesses.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

- An unidentified individual fired a yellow paint ball at a home in the 80 block of North Glenwood Road, leaving a stain on the exterior of the residence.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

- Authorities said someone defaced the field house at Forest Road Park with white spray paint.
- An unidentified woman unsuccessfully attempted to make a purchase from a North Avenue eatery using what police described as an "obviously phony" \$100 bill.

The woman was described as white, 5 feet and eight inches tall, between 125 and 135 pounds, with short brown hair. She was wearing a three-quarter length brown coat and blue jeans during the incident at the North Avenue establishment.

Police said the woman was last seen walking west on North Avenue, but patrols failed to locate her.

- A bicycle was reported stolen from the 40 block of Trenton Avenue.

- Lawrence Nicholson, 36, of Boonton was charged with a disorderly persons offense at the Fanwood train station for allegedly boarding the train at an earlier stop after being told to get off. Nicholson had been asked to leave the train because he had brought a full-size bicycle on board, police said. He was issued a summons and released on his own recognizance.

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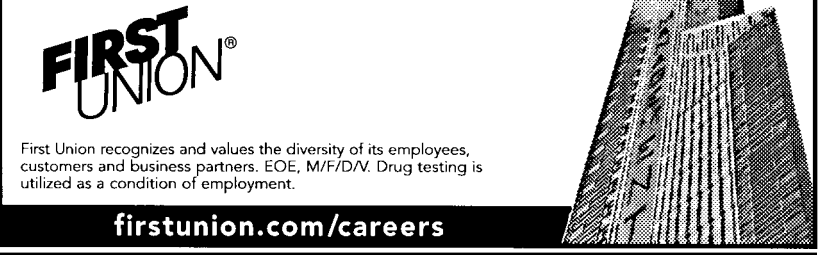
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