

## MORRIS VIG GUARD meets Thursday

MADISON — The Old Guard of Morris County meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at the Madisons Area YMCA, 111 Kings Road. Meetings begin at 10 a.m. with coffee, tea and cake.

On Oct. 20, a speaker will address the group on railroad engineering, from steam engines to modern diesels. All retired and semi-retired men are welcome to join the group. Annual dues of \$15 are payable at the door or by mail. Call 973-377-3610.

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## Quotable

*"We grieved with them."*

Margaret Thompson, MD.  
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den in attendance were hoping to see a heated debate, they probably were disappointed and maybe a little surprised.

The three candidates are vying for two open seats on the Madison Borough Council. Carmela Vitale is seeking reelection for a second term. Robert Conley, appointed to fill the seat of the late Jiggs Mantone, is seeking his first elected term. Judy Mullins is also seeking her first elected term.

During the audience questions portion of the debate where Madis-omians wrote questions on cards to be asked by a moderator, such topics were brought up as water mon-

Mr. Conley said, "We need to be on top of this testing."

"Believe me, it's not going to happen" again, Ms. Vitale said in response.

Ms. Mullins, a Planning Board member, said she "has the highest confidence in Madison's drinking water" but also said that the "state changes the codes but allots no money" to make the proper changes to meet the new and ever-changing standard.

A hot topic of the evening, prompting two separate questions, was the use of the Bayley-Elliard property when and if it becomes available to the borough.

## Miller home sold

an audience for the auction and those bidding seemed, to him, to be "knowledgeable" about auctions and historic homes.

At the end of the bidding, the 1750s home on almost a half-acre of land had been sold to David Quirk of Morristown for \$505,000.

Borough Attorney Joseph Mezzacca, Jr. said Mr. Quirk put down a 10 percent deposit and signed the contract that day.

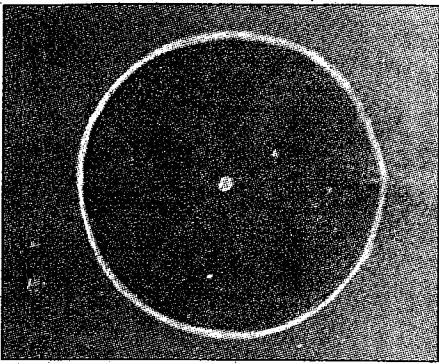
The contract will go to the council for review and approval and, if the council approves the bid, the mayor will be given authority to execute the contract, Mr. Mezzacca said.

While not all the details are in place, Mr. Mezzacca said, "I think they recouped their money between the grants and what they received for this house."

If there are any "profits" from the transaction, the money will go into the borough's open space fund.

Three are interior and exterior historic easements on the property which means the owners will not be allowed to do anything that will detract from the integrity of the house.

As for the new owner, Mr. Mezzacca said, "He anticipates moving in as soon as closing happens."

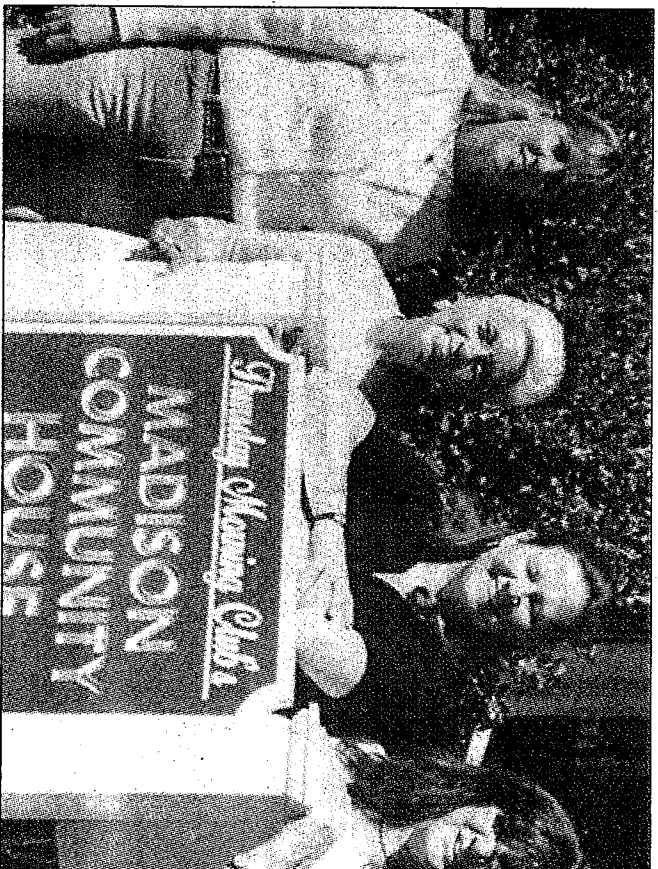


A detail from a door at the circa 1750 Luke Miller House which was sold at auction Friday.

By BARBARA RYBOLT

MADISON — Bidders gathered at the Hartley Dodge Memorial on Friday hoping to acquire a "new" old home — the Luke Miller House on Ridgedale Avenue. The house was sold in an auction conducted by Max Spann Real Estate Auctions.

Borough Administrator Jim Allison said it was a festive affair that featured a three-piece band playing period songs, in keeping with the age of the property. There was even



WELCOME NEW DIRECTOR — At the Madison Community House are, from left, three-year head teacher Sue Hess, new director and four-year-old teacher Patty Driscoll, three-year-old and four-year-old teacher Dorothy O'Connor. Missing are aides Michelle Davis and

## Driscoll named school d

MADISON — Madison resident and Thursday Morning Club member Patty Driscoll is the new Director of the Thursday Morning Club's Madison Community House Nursery School.

She replaced long-time club member Nancy Monahan who has taken a full-time position in

Chatham. Ms. Driscoll holds a B.A. and master's degree in elementary education from the College of Staten Island. She brings 10 years of preschool and kindergarten teaching experience. She is also an active volunteer with Scouts, PTO and The Thursday Morning Club.

Ms. Driscoll joins a dedicated and comr each child play with readiness. The T Nursery Community state licens year-old p

## Honor roll standards 'to

By JACI MCCOV

MADISON — Curriculum renewal and honor roll requirements were discussed on Tuesday night, Oct. 11, at the Board of Education work session.

At the work session, the board welcomed two student representatives, Student Council President

Nicole Boardman and Student Council Vice President Paul Kentner, to their first board meeting. This is the first time the board has had student representatives sitting at the table during a meeting. The students will attend meetings on a regular basis, but will not vote on issues before the board.

Even though they can't vote on issues, their opinions are welcome. Board of Ellis urged fer comme do the oth Their might focu topic raise part of the Ms. Bc