

Owner of company memorialized in ads on New Jersey buses

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Drivers stuck behind buses in New Jersey traffic are accustomed to staring at ads for everything from cars to hospitals.

Now there's something new: Over the past month, drivers around the state have seen a yellow sign saying "Gone But Not Forgotten." Small print beneath a picture of a smiling woman reads "In Memory of Gloria."

"It's just kind of a way of saying, 'She's gone, but everyone that knew her loved her,'" said Suzanne Van Natten Mazur. Her mother, Gloria Van Natten, is memorialized in the ads.

Van Natten died of lung cancer in July at the age of 68. She had run the Van Natten Advertising Co. of Glen Ridge, which puts ads on buses. Van Natten Mazur and her husband, Jay Mazur, now run it.

Since there was unsold space on some of the buses the company works with, the couple picked out a good photo of Van Natten,

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printed up the signs and put them on about 80 buses.

"She liked to travel, and we thought it would be kind of cool," Van Natten Mazur said.

Officials at NJ Transit, the public transit service, said they hadn't seen such a thing before.

About a dozen people have called to ask "Who is Gloria?" Van Natten Mazur said.

So far, though, no one's asked to run a similar tribute.

Low-fat labels could paradoxically make Americans eat more

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Nutrition labels on food might actually be worsening Americans' diets as people who make low-fat choices some of the time overcompensate by eating too much food at other times, a researcher said.

"There's no question people

are doing that," said Richard Mattes, a nutrition professor at Purdue University.

Low-fat foods are presumed to be potentially beneficial for people trying to lose weight and cut the risk of disease. However, researchers have not adequately studied the implications of providing nutrition information, Mattes said.

He studied 17 men and women who were given a fixed meal at lunch, then asked to keep a record of what they ate the rest of the day. When they were told the lunch was a low-fat meal, they increased their consumption during the rest of the day, Mattes found. When told it was a normal lunch, they ate less during the rest of the day, though the content of the lunch didn't change.

Barbara Rolls, a nutrition professor at Pennsylvania State University, did a separate study in which she varied the fat and calorie content of a yogurt snack given before lunch.

When she told people they were getting a low-fat snack, they increased what they ate at lunch.

The point of the studies is that the amount people eat is deter-

mined partly by their knowledge of their food, not simply by the body's regulation of hunger and satiety.

Researchers do not know, however, whether people would continue to overcompensate for low-fat meals over the long term, Rolls said.

The researchers said the public is also suffering from misinformation concerning the relative importance of fat and calories in the diet. Studies have shown that even low-fat diets can lead to weight gain if people eat too many carbohydrates, the researchers said.

Older residents living on coal mine fire won't give up homes

CENTRALIA, Pa. (AP) — Like a geriatric militia, the last few residents of this town are fighting to stay in their homes, though they sit atop a smoldering mine fire that could burn for a millennium.

"You think this is America, but it's not," said Dave Lamb, owner of the only business left, an auto repair shop. "If they can just take your home away for no reason, it

might as well be Russia."

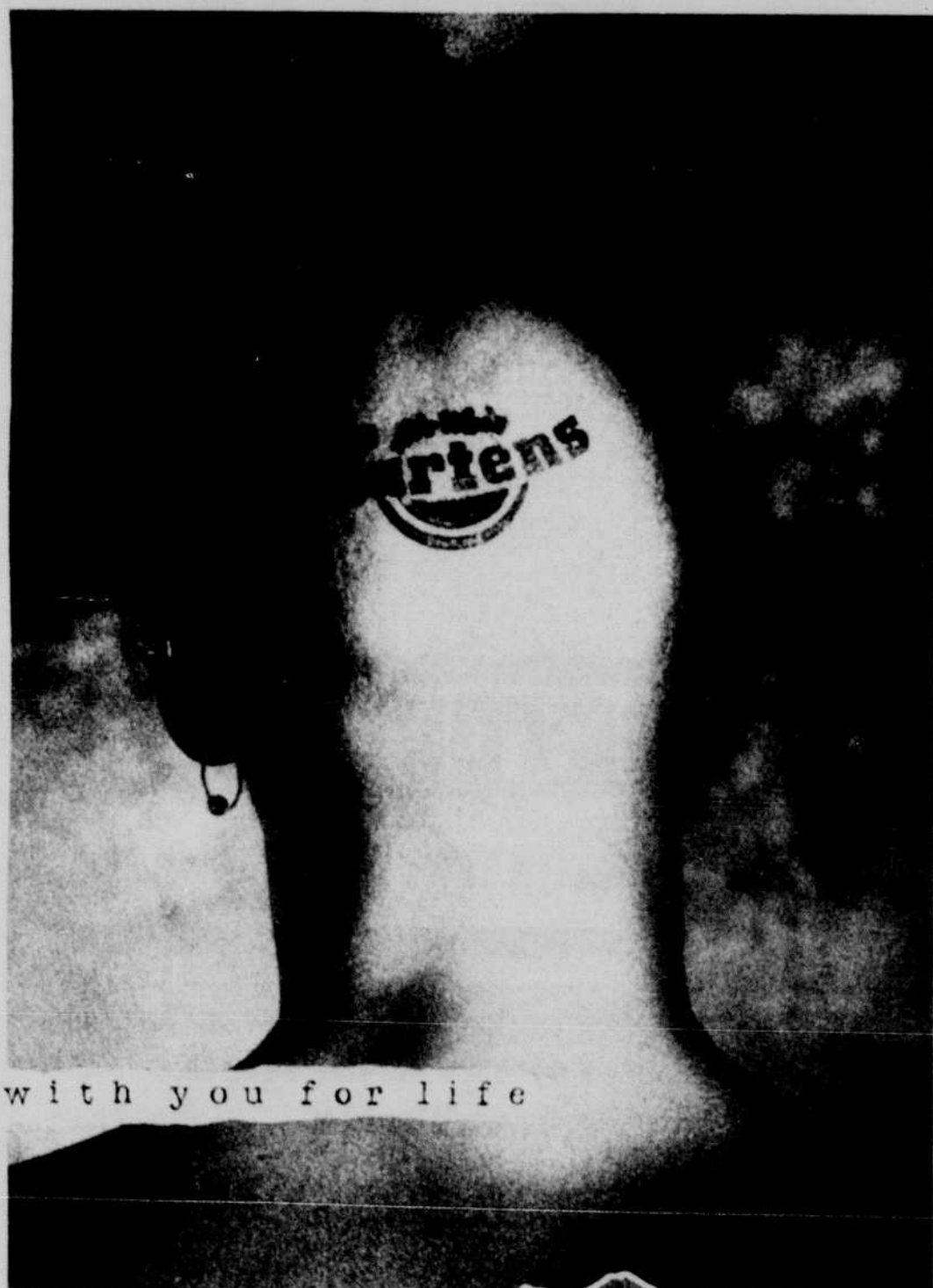
The state has ordered the 46 hold outs, mostly retired couples or widows to move out. Geologists say they're in danger because the fire that's been feeding on the veins of coal below the town for 33 years is leaving great empty caverns behind.

Residents claim that state bureaucrats are conspiring with a company that wants the town cleared out so it can mine the coal, then open a landfill. The borough owns the mineral rights to the coal below it.

Hundreds of families sold their homes in a \$42 million federal buyout offered in 1983. The authority condemned all the houses in 1992. The residents claim that was unlawful, but lost another round this month when the Pennsylvania Supreme Court refused to hear their appeal.

Their lawyer, Lewis Kates, declined to discuss what the next move might be until the borough council decides on its next step.

"The average age of my clients is 81," Kates said. "I don't understand why the government won't let these people live out their days where they have always lived."



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