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Awning Design West helps residents lead shady life

Staff Report

As a little girl, I remember my family's daily Sunday visits to my relatives in Northern New Jersey. I particularly remember trips to my great aunt's brick ranch home in South Hackensack. One feature of my Aunt Elsie's brick home that always stood out was the window awnings which resembled protective outdoor umbrellas to a little girl's eyes.

Homeowners over the years have found a variety of reasons ranging from direct sun protection to expanding living space for installing awnings.

"Over the last five years aluminum awnings have regained popularity especially in urban blue collar areas. Aluminum awnings have been the accepted staple in the local Trenton area. In the Hamilton and surrounding suburban markets, many long time homeowners have some type of featured awning whether over a front porch or an entry door," says Alan Techner, awning consultant and manager of Awning Design West, a full service awning company, in Robbinsville. "Since opening our Robbinsville showroom doors in 2007 we have been showing aluminum awnings."

"The aluminum business has grown by 25 percent in the

last three years. This year because of the two major snow storms hitting New Jersey and the recent nor'easter causing major damage, the awning business increased 35 to 40 percent."

Customers select aluminum awnings because its year-round durability allows it to tolerate any weather type allowing for longer usage. The product is available in step-aluminum, flat-panel aluminum or corrugated style with a choice from 20 different color finishes. All aluminum awnings are handmade, customized products. Many applications are being discovered for aluminum awnings whether for residential use or commercial business.

"Our porch was hot and unusable before we added the aluminum awnings from Awning Design West," said the Satenay family of Hamilton. "Now we can relax, dine and entertain and the new awnings gave our home a fresh appearance, which drew compliments from many of our neighbors. We plan to add more awnings to the windows in the near future."

Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Browne purchased an aluminum deck canopy in Spring of 2009 then

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Alan Techner is awning consultant and manager of Awning Design West.

CHAMPION FITNESS CENTER

Low rates and more fitness

CHAMPION FITNESS CENTER'S Beach blow-out sale is a reason to kick off summer and a few pounds with a bang with their newly published rates of only \$14.95 per month.

With a depressed economy, and a tough job market, Champion has lowered their rates to keep you from getting depressed.

Owner Tarek Hassieb says, "I want everyone to workout life's daily stresses and be able to afford it here at Champion Fitness."

Now that summer is here, it's not too late to get that beach body you've always dreamed of, or just maintain a healthy lifestyle that

works for you. Champion doesn't discriminate. They accept all shapes and sizes. Come one, come all.

This fitness center is golden if you work second or third shift, and you'll find you have no excuses when it comes to time, because Champion is open 24 hours, they call themselves the "gym that never sleeps."

Obviously procrastination hasn't worked for anyone, so don't wait too long and stop saying "tomorrow" because Champion's 4th year anniversary sale expires on June 30th, 2010.

If value is what you're looking for you've come to

the right spot because here's what \$14.95 per month gets you at Champion Fitness Center:

- Unlimited Group Fitness Classes
 - Two complimentary personal training sessions and a fitness assessment every month.
 - 24 hour access to a 20,000 sq ft. modern fitness center
 - Locker rooms with showers including toiletries
 - An impressive cardio area with your own tv! And connected to direct TV.
 - Free guest passes for your family and friends
- At an additional charge, Champion also offers child-

care, tanning, and personal training.

Personal training is no longer a thing for the stars. They boast rates as low as \$25 per session during this sale.

Champion is also excited and proud to announce the addition of Capoeira, which is an Afro-Brazilian art form that combines elements of martial arts, music, and dance.

Registration information can be found on Champion's website soon.

If you're looking for a gym to join, I think I just spelled it out for you, says Tarek. You can't go wrong with Champion's amazing special.

"I want everyone to workout life's daily stresses and be able to afford it here at Champion Fitness," says Tarek Hassieb, owner.

Champion Fitness Center is located at 127 Route 206 S. in Hamilton. For more information, call (609) 585-5755 or visit the website at www.thewinningworkout.com.