

# Movie to tell tale of Montvale murders

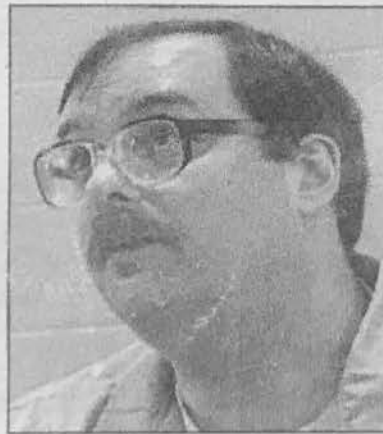
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It was a matter of intrigue, according to Jon Doscher. As a freshman at Pascack Hills High School in 1985, he heard a shocking story about a local homicide from Tony Jannicelli, a detective (now chief) at the Woodcliff Lake Police Department. It was the tale of Harry De La Roche, a young man who murdered four of his family members almost 10 years prior on Thanksgiving weekend.

Now, as an actor and producer, Doscher and East Coast film production company Starline Films are developing the true story of "Anyone's Son," originally published in a 1979 book of the same name. Plans to begin shooting the motion picture start in September 2006, with a targeted theatrical release of November 2007.

Starline Films announced last



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month the completion of a contractual agreement with the book's author, Roberta Roesch, and De La Roche to produce the film.

A documentary on the topic will also be made, tentatively titled, "Harry...A Communication Breakdown."

"It all stems from passionate storytelling," says Doscher about the De La Roche project. "First, you need to be obsessed with a par-

ticular story, whether its fact or fiction. Second, you need to have a clear vision, and an understanding of the message you wish to convey."

In July, Doscher visited De La Roche, who was convicted on four counts of murder and is currently serving a lifetime prison sentence, for an interview that was "extremely productive and ultimately will be very essential in telling the story as accurately as possible."

Starline is aggressively trying to involve the public in the making

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■ Doscher with book author Roesch.

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to involve the public in the making of "Anyone's Son." They have formed a Professional Advisory Committee to help ensure accuracy, including Woodcliff Lake Police Sgt. Bruce Conway and Carl Olsen, a retired Montvale police officer.

A Pascack Hills Alumni Committee was also established, and according to Jonathan Moncrief, 1986 PHHS alumnus and screenwriter/consultant for the project, "We've been getting a tremendous amount of feedback, with nearly 200 past alumni

responding, and more coming in each day looking to assist us."

Ryan Bagley, a 1993 PHHS graduate, is one of the many alumni involved in the making of the film. He tells Pascack Press: "He (Doscher) has been talking about making this movie for a while now, which gave me interest in not only the film but also the story itself. Jon told me he has spoken to Harry and a significant amount of his classmates, and they all tell different versions - which clearly brings myth to the story."

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