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Borough Highlights

Meetings scheduled

The Borough of Mountainside Recreation Commission will not meet as scheduled on April 20. The commission will instead meet April 27 at 8 p.m. at Borough Hall.

The quarterly meeting of the Mountainside Local Assistance Board will be April 10 at 4 p.m. in the conference room of Borough Hall.

Parade preparations

In preparation for its centennial-commemorating parade scheduled for June 3, the borough is recruiting groups and individuals who wish to participate. Those who want to take part are urged to call Lou Ruggiero at 233-8741 before April 15.

Scholarships available

The Mountainside Board of Education is offering two Fred E. Rosenstiel Memorial Scholarships to students who have been accepted to attend a full-time, post-secondary program at an accredited university, college or trade school.

Each recipient will receive \$1,000 each year they remain eligible, for a maximum of four years.

To be eligible, an applicant must be a resident of Mountainside; a graduate of Deerfield School; graduate from the Union County Regional High School District during the year of the application; maintain a grade-point average of at least C+ and complete the scholarship application.

Weekly tax advice

The Mountainside Public Library will host only one more tax-counseling session for the elderly before the April 15 deadline for filing income taxes. Sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service and the American Association of Retired Persons, the service will be offered from 1 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Counselors request that those planning to attend bring their W2 forms, 1099 forms, 1994 state and federal tax forms and copies of 1993 tax returns.

Sundays at Trailside

Super Science Discovery Days, an award-winning program designed to encourage adults and children to explore the realms of science, will continue Sunday at the Trailside Nature and Science Center.

Teams of adults and children will work through five interactive discovery stations in an hour-long session.

Session times are 1 to 2 p.m. and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for 3- and 4-year-olds; 4 to 5 p.m. for first- and second-graders.

Pre-registration is required. For information call Trailside at 789-3670.

Creative Arts Day

The Mountainside Women's Club will hold its Creative Arts Day on April 19 at L'Affaire.

Their guest lecturer is Doris Krueger, who will speak on "Creative Thinking: Women in the '90s," the group announced. Krueger is an accomplished speaker on matters relating to the arts, and she has her own art studio in Springfield.

And they're off



Photo By Jay Hochberg

Board of Education members Richard Kress and Pat Taeschler meet challenger Sally Rivieccio during Candidates Night on March 29. The candidates discussed the state of the school district in a forum supervised by the League of Women Voters. The second challenger, Deborah Giordano, was unable to attend. See story on Page 2 and the Candidates' Corner columns on Page 6.

School board passes budget

In a 5-2 vote, the Board of Education passed its budget for the 1995-96 school year.

During its last meeting, held in Deerfield School on March 28, the board heard public comments on the figures before voting.

Those in the audience who asked questions or made comments were concerned with tax and transportation issues.

"It was a very positive meeting," said Superintendent of Schools Leonard Baccaro.

The tax point levy is 3.4, which amounts to \$52 on an average home assessed at \$150,000.

There was an increase in transportation costs since last year, according to Baccaro. For the 1994-95 school year, transportation costs were under budgeted by \$20,000. The increase for the 1995-96 year will be \$11,000.

According to Baccaro, the high cost of transportation is due to the number of buses sent out of the district. Although we belong to Union County Educational Services Com-

mission, the contract still came in high," he added. "We don't own our own vehicles; they are the best prices we can get."

The board also adopted the school calendar for the 1995-96 school year and approved salaries for the year.

In addition, plans for a scoreboard for Mountainside Youth Baseball were also presented at the meeting. The board approved the plans for the scoreboard at Deerfield School.

Students to perform musical

The songs and lyrics of Cole Porter will fill Governor Livingston Regional High School this weekend when the students present the musical "Anything Goes."

Curtain time for both performances is 8 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday in the Davis Hall auditorium of the high school.

A lively script, endearing characters and an outstanding musical score have made "Anything Goes" one of the most enduring shows of the American stage. The Governor Livingston production of this classic promises to be entertaining, as an experienced, excited cast and crew are preparing for opening night.

"Rehearsals are coming along very nicely," explained stage director Linda Spencer, who brings an extensive, diverse personal background in acting and directing to her first show at Governor Livingston.

"Once we were able to get the show cast, things just took off. Although I didn't know the students when we started, I've come to realize that they are very well-prepared and that they learn very quickly," she added. "The

kids are studying and working very hard, and they are really excited about the show."

The cast for "Anything Goes" at Governor Livingston is headlined by students Tonian Irving as Reno Sweeney; Mike Futter in the role of Billy Crocker; Katie Harrison as Hope Court; Cameron Kruger as Moonface Martin; Valerie Santiago as Bonnie; Jeff Biddick in the role of Sir Evelyn Oakleigh; Kara Loeffler as Mrs. Harcourt; and Eric Fischer as Elisha J. Whitney.

The roles of the Angels will be played by Elaine Alario, Emily Chiang, Michelle Pisano and Jill Sieffert.

"Because we were so pleased with the success last year of '42nd Street,' we looked for a show this year with some of the same elements," said Valerie Ananson, who is serving as music and dance director.

"We wanted to do a show that could produce the same kind of enthusiasm and positive public response as last year's, so 'Anything Goes' emerged as a clear choice," she added. "People really seem to enjoy the big

production numbers, the tap dancing and the nostalgia, and this show provides all of that. And for the second straight year, we have a cast with the enthusiasm and talent to make this kind of show work very well."

This show features many popular tunes which have worked their way into American musical lore, such as See MUSICAL, Page 2

High school budget approved by board

The Regional High School District Board of Education adopted its proposed budget for the 1995-96 academic year Tuesday night. Final approval hinges on a public vote to be held on April 18.

The general funds approved by the board total more than \$27,401,000. Debt service funds total slightly more than \$252,000.

The sum of the monies appropriated for the year totals \$27,653,613.

In other regional schools business, Union County Superintendent of Schools Leonard Fitts has released his report on deregionalization to the seven school districts involved. However, the results of his study will not be made available to the public until Friday.

Additional regional school district business addressed by the board Tuesday included personnel and administrative matters.

The appointments for the current school year of two athletics coaches from out of the district to Governor Livingston High School was approved.

Assistant girls track coach Scott McKinney will earn a stipend of more than \$3,500. Assistant boys tennis coach John Kufel will receive a stipend of more than \$1,800.

A social studies teacher at Jonathan Dayton High School submitted his resignation. Edward Manigan, who also serves as head football coach at Dayton, will leave the school district on June 30.

He will continue his career as both a social studies teacher and football coach at Newark Academy in Livingston.

"My three years at Dayton have been an adventure," he told the board in his letter of resignation. "I am eagerly looking forward to the move

to Newark Academy. However, I will miss both the professional and personal relationships I have here among the staff."

Other personnel matters included the payment of more than \$13,000 to Angelo Alimonti, who was employed for 20 years as both a custodian and a bus driver, for 217 sick days he had accrued until his retirement in February.

The board also appropriated \$2,000 to pay a guest speaker who will address the students of the regional district at Dayton High School today.

Galway Kimmell of New York City will take part in the Regional District Poetry Festival. He will be one of several published poets taking part in the event.

The board also approved a trip for the seniors of Governor Livingston.

Responding to a request made by Principal Rosalie Lamonte, the board authorized the hiring of substitutes to cover for teachers going on the trip as chaperones. Teachers Marianne D'Alessio and Joanne Murphy will serve as chaperones, as will others to ensure there will be one adult for every 10 students.

The students will go to Hershey Park, Pa., on June 9.

The board granted another request made by Governor Livingston's principal.

Lamonte asked the board to approve sending a student to the National Forensic League Tournament in Fort Lauderdale in June.

Chetan Gulati has qualified for this tournament by placing as a finalist in the category of extemporaneous speaking at the state finals and then placing first in the national qualifying tournament.

The cost of sending the senior to Florida totals more than \$1,600.

Roaring '20s and Depression '30s add up to unusual times in borough

With the help of the Mountainside Preservation Committee, the Echo continues recounting the hundred-year history of the borough. Using antique photographs, historic documents and residents' personal recollections — this week, those of Arthur Bliwise — the Echo presents another chapter in the history of Mountainside.

In a sense, it is a shame that young people don't get the chance to experience the wonder and beauty of growing up in a small country town anymore, in what is now this highly populated urbanized area.

I can remember the beautiful wooded area in town, the whole corner of Parkway and Springfield Road — now Route 22 — was so full of trees you could play in there and never get wet in the heaviest of rains, and never see the sun when it was clear.

We had baseball lots, areas to shoot our BB guns, and streams, like the brook that crosses Route 22 and runs into the park and then into the lake. That is where I caught my first trout on a bamboo pole, with a kitchen cord and a worm on the hook. I was 7 years old.

Before the county took the land for Echo Lake Park, that was all beautiful farm land. Central Avenue and Summit Road was all farmland owned mostly by the Weber and Heckel families.

In those days, you could play stickball on Springfield Road and Mountain Avenue; drink the water from the brook and the springs and never have to worry about pollution.

I never remember not seeing the sky, night or day, with distinct clarity. Our teachers could tell us to look for certain constellations or stars, and the air and the sky was so clear it seemed you could almost touch them.

The year 1925 saw our store and

three buildings, that were located at what is now the entrance to Echo Lake Park, moved to Springfield Road, a two-lane, now known as Route 22 when the county created the park. The date 1925 is carved into a basement wall of the present Bliwise Store, now situated in the new location. Our store sold food, clothing, shoes, hardware, hay, chicken feed, wire, hardware...anything anyone needed.

In the mid '20s to early '30s, Al Capone visited our town and stayed in the Clark residence. Capone and his son were in our store many times. He smoked Lucky Strikes; I remember selling them to him. His son had a passion for flashlights; he was always buying flashlights and batteries in our store.

I have early recollections of the happy times in the Mountainside Union Chapel, that the Ladies Aid used to run strawberry festivals and such.

And there were also the great dinners that used to be held in the Borough Hall that the whole town would attend. Really great days! Later, all kinds of shows were held at the Borough Hall including dances with Freddy Slockman's Orchestra; he was the father of Jeanne Wilhelms.

We used to have good bus service. There would be a bus going to Westfield and back about every hour. It was parked next to our store. This bus service was the forerunner of the Somerset Bus Company, which later housed their buses in the garage next to the Bliwise Store.

In back of that same garage was another small building that became the "Worry Knots" clubhouse. This was a group of young fellows who had a good baseball team for years; they played cards and had a band that had the piano as the lead. No one

could read a note of music, but they played beautifully by ear. I can remember two of the best piano players that I had ever heard when I was young who played by ear. One of them was Arthur Brahm Sr.

After a time when the boys lost their clubhouse, they used one of the Bliwise garages to meet in until they broke up, and a new club, the Mountainside Athletic Club was started. They played both baseball and basketball.

There really were no big problems with the young people in town. They were hell-raisers to be sure, but nothing major! The holidays were great excuses for particular mischief; like Halloween, the guys would pick up an outhouse and move it from one place to another or turn it over altogether or get into our chicken coop and raise havoc.

They even climbed to the top of the Chapel, tied a rope to the bell, then ran the rope about 100 yards away, pulled the rope and rang the bell! Of course, they never got caught!

During Prohibition, we had a few well-placed stills in our town that did well, but no need for names.

There were merry old times in our old farm town. Time was that the Bliwises knew every family in town and could call them by name. Of course, there were only about 400 in town then.

I am very happy I was born in Mountainside and was able to grow up and mature to age 57 before leaving. It was a great town that was good to me and my family, and it grew into a fine community, intelligently allowed to grow and prosper into the Mountainside we have today.



Kate and Harry Bliwise, who founded the Bliwise General Store in 1913, shown here, during their retirement years.

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Computer alphabet soup



Deerfield School first-grader Mark Bodenachak contributes to the PTA's Campbell's Labels for Education Program. This year, more than 7,000 labels were collected and redeemed for two pieces of computer software.

Naturalists club to meet Tuesday

Echo Lake Naturalists Club will hold their next meeting on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Trailside Nature and Science Center auditorium.

The topic for presentation will be "Sunrise to Sunset on the Bosque del Apache in New Mexico." The Bosque is a very special place. The superstars that make it special are the wild creatures that live there, some year-round and others only for a brief period.

A slide presentation by Bill Leaning will concentrate on the never-to-be forgotten spectacle of the thousands of sandhill cranes, a few magnificent whooping cranes and snow geese that winter on the refuge.

On Saturday the group will be involved in a conservation project as they spend a few hours in the woods and fields of Echo Lake Park cleaning up trash. Those planning to participate should bring gloves. Trash bags and boxes will be provided. The group will meet at 8 a.m. at the first parking lot in from Springfield Avenue.

A birding and botany trip is planned for April 22. The trip will be led by Holly Hoffman, who will take the group on the newly established rail system in the Sourland Mountains in search of early migrants and bloomers. A half-day trip is scheduled but participants are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch. The group will meet at 8 a.m. at the Fanwood train station, south side.

Musical 'Anything Goes' to be performed

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"Anything Goes" and "Blow Gabriel Blow" — the "big" numbers which are performed by Reno Sweeney and the entire chorus.

Other familiar melodies which carry the day include "Friendship," sung by Billy, Reno and Moonface; "You're The Top," featuring Billy and Reno; "I Get a Kick Out of You," sung by Reno; and "It's Delovely," with Billy, Hope and the chorus.

In addition to the leading characters, a wide array of talent can be found playing the roles of the other crew members and guests on the luxury liner "American," including students Brian Juba, Larry Good, Rob Forgas, Mike Cuzzo, Kelly Csaszar, Monika Szymorski, Jeannine Pilla, Gina Seibert and Michelle Luongo. A sizable corps of dancers, under the

direction of choreographer Victoria Squazzo — class of '94 — and a strong chorus lend a true Broadway feel to this local production of "Anything Goes."

"Our young people have had a lot of fun with this show," added Ananson. "The kids love the singing and the dancing, and they really enjoy the harmonies and melodies of these songs. The students have worked hard on every aspect of this production, from the artistic to the technical aspects. We're very proud of the all-

around effort they've put into this production, and I'm sure that 'Anything Goes' will prove to be a great evening of entertainment for all in attendance."

Tickets to the Governor Livingston production of "Anything Goes" are priced at \$7 for general admission and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Tickets are available now and may be purchased by contacting Governor Livingston Regional High School at 464-3100.

Candidates discuss education

By Jay Hochberg, Managing Editor
Candidates for the three openings on the borough's Board of Education met in Deerfield School on March 29 to discuss the state of the school district and their views on the education of Mountainside's children.

Candidates' Night, a question-and-answer forum supervised by the League of Women Voters, gave borough residents an opportunity to meet candidates, hear why they seek to join the board, and learn more about the issues facing Mountainside schools.

Three of the four candidates — incumbents Richard Kress and Pat Taeschler, and challenger Sally Rivieccio attended the meeting. The second challenger, Deborah Giordano, said she was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Although the school board's budget was off limits, the topics of conversation did include the proposed deregionalization of the Union County Regional High School District, taxation and finances, and policy-making.

Richard Kress, a six-year veteran of the Board of Education, said he is seeking a third term because his "job is not done."

"I didn't anticipate being on the board for more than one or two terms," he also said, adding that seeing deregionalization enacted is a motivating factor.

Both Taeschler and Rivieccio voiced their support of Mountainside's pursuit of deregionalization.

Taeschler said that during her term, she had examined the educational and financial impacts of dissolving the high school district, and that she agrees with the findings in the Deloitte and Touche report, which calls for sending Mountainside's high school students to Arthur L. Johnson High School in Berkeley Heights.

Rivieccio said she supports dissolution of the high school district because "it is incumbent upon the board" to ensure the borough's children benefit from the money Mountainside taxpayers send to the regional district.

The matter affected her on a personal level as well, she said, because of her experience as a Deerfield student who continued on to Dayton High School, only to be relocated to Governor Livingston.

Mountainside students "have to have a place to call home," she said. "Let's let our eighth-graders know they have a high school."

Taxation also figured heavily in the talk. All three candidates recognized the steadily increasing costs of operating a school district, and ways to generate funds for education were addressed.

Rivieccio proposed turning to the private sector, in a sort of "adopt a school" plan, for donations to underwrite scholastics.

"It is our job to lead, not to maintain the status quo," she said, before suggesting that the board "be creative" in pursuit of cost efficiency.

Pointing out that most taxpayers do not have children enrolled in the school district, Rivieccio said the Board of Education had to be accountable to the whole community for its budget, in addition to the students and their parents for education policy.

Taeschler expressed skepticism regarding Rivieccio's idea of drawing on area businesses, saying that the small size of Mountainside's business community precluded efforts to find donors.

Kress concurred with Taeschler, saying that because "Mountainside has been developed to its full potential," the borough's business community would grow no further, resulting in a leveling off of tax revenues.

Kress also pointed out that successful appeals of tax assessments at both the residential and commercial levels have adversely affected the school district's finances.

The three candidates also found common ground on the subject of community involvement.

The trio decried the low attendance at Board of Education meetings — including those involving budgetary matters — and at the Candidates' Night debate.

Kress suggested the school board would one day be able to use cable television to bring the meetings into Mountainside homes.

Rivieccio called on the students' parents to participate in PTA-sponsored activities, saying that those programs take a lot of work, but that no one shows up.

Taeschler too said she is routinely disappointed by seeing only "the same faces" at board meetings.

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Museum hosts tea, cooking demonstrations

The Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, will feature a program on the history of tea and open-hearth cooking on Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m.

Learn about the varieties of tea, their origin and availability in New Jersey during the 18th and early 19th centuries from Kyle Nardelli of Scotch Plains. New Jersey experienced its own "Tea Party" in 1776 when residents of the Town of Greenwich in South Jersey burned a British shipment of tea destined for Philadelphia.

Tea shrubs grow best in the warm,

damp climate of India, China, Japan, Sri Lanka and Brazil. Containers for holding teas known as tea caddies were often kept locked because of the high cost of imported teas at the time of the Millers and Corys. Substitute teas were brewed from blackberry and raspberry leaves and herbs such as sage and pennyroyal.

Janet and Judy Murphy, and Ann Marie Kossler will prepare traditional foods over the open hearth used authentic recipes and cooking methods. Visitors will be able to enjoy the crackling fire and aromas, and tastes of foods prepared by the museum's cooks.

Costumed docents will guide visitors through the historic farmhouse and welcome questions about early life in New Jersey. Spring is the the air at the museum and visitors can enjoy the beauty of the season with a walk through the museum's gardens. The gift shop has a wide array of books, foods, teas, colonial reproductions and items of interest for children.

The museum will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 16, and will reopen on April 23 with its annual Sheep-to-Shawl Day from noon to 4 p.m. For information about the museum and its program, call (908) 232-1776.

Marshal arts



Photo By Jay Hochberg

Harry and Wende Devlin have been named grand marshals of Mountainside's centennial parade, to be held June 3. The couple is shown here flanked by 100th Anniversary Committee member Lou Ruggiero and Mayor Robert Vigilanti. The Devlins, who have enjoyed lengthy careers in the arts, were hosted by the Friends of the Public Library Thursday night for a reception and a screening of a documentary chronicling their lives and careers.

Springfield hires new recycling coordinator

Springfield has a new coordinator for waste management and recycling.

Among the programs Molly Adams oversees is the curbside collection, which occurs every other week, and leaf collection.

The leaves will go into a Union County leaf composting facility in Springfield. It is an "on-call kind of recycling program," she said. A grass clips program will be running in May; Adams is sending a flyer to residents for this program.

"Solid waste disposal has gotten more complex," said Adams about what has become a more complex facet of her job. "You used to be able to throw everything away. For environmental reasons, pre-sorting recy-

cling and separation of trash is required."

Adams has had much experience in waste management and recycling. She was involved in a recycling program in New Providence for 10 years.

"I got involved in recycling as a volunteer in New Providence when it was a truly environmental issue — to save trees," she said.

In addition, Adams served as the assistant county recycling coordinator for six years for the Union County Utilities Authority, which handles solid waste.

"I'm also the Clean Communities coordinator," said Adams. "We provide clean communities weekend in the fall which is organized with the

Environmental Commission. It's the third year. Various civic groups and individuals clean up public parks, other parks and other public property."

"It's expensive to send waste through an incinerator," she said, adding that recycling helps curb some of the costs of waste disposal. "In New Jersey because of the population, we can't find a place to locate new landfills, so we've had to build incinerators."

In addition to being hired and welcomed by the Township Committee, the part-time coordinator is repeatedly lauded for her accomplishments by both Mayor Marcia Forman and Deputy Mayor Herbert Slotz.

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Hetfield House caretakers honored by county freeholders



Ann Hose, acting chairwoman of the Mountainside Historic Preservation Advisory Committee, displays a historic award she received from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. She is joined by, from left, Mountainside Borough Councilman David Hart, Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly and Freeholder Walter McLeod.

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders honored five noteworthy historic preservation projects and commended two leaders in the field of historic preservation during the Eighth Annual Historic Preservation Commendations ceremony. The event was hosted by Elizabethtown Gas Co. at its corporate headquarters in Union.

Linda-Lee Kelly, freeholder-liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, stated that "this year's awards recognized excellent examples of both public and private projects as well as projects which required the cooperation of public agencies and non-profit organizations." Kelly joined Alice Browning, chairman of the Historic Sites Committee of the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, in presenting plaques to the recipients.

Leadership awards were presented to Sandy Brown Hamington of Summit and Nancy W. Priest of Westfield. Brown, a respected architectural historian, donated hundreds of hours to the preservation movement in Plainfield in the late 1970s and early 1980s. The former New Jersey advisor to the

National Trust for Historic Preservation is known throughout Union County as co-author, along with her daughter, Beverly Brown, of "Gateways to Architecture: A Guide to Noteworthy Architecture in Union County."

Priest was cited for her leadership in preserving a historic landscape. Priest spearheaded the drive to restore Westfield's Mindowaskin Park which officially reopened in June. She has served as a member of both the New Jersey Historic Sites Council and the Westfield Historic Preservation Commission.

Restoration and preservation projects recognized included the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House, circa 1760, which is owned by the Borough of Mountainside and operated by the Mountainside Historic Preservation Committee; the Berry-Kreisberg House, circa 1890, in Rahway, owned by Irwin and Joanne Kreisberg; and the Meeker House, circa 1890, in Westfield, owned by Lawrence and Kim Rolnick. The Township of Cranford and the Cranford Historical Society

used the Hanson House, circa 1870.

Following a welcome by Sophie Kauchak, vice chairwoman of the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, the program featured Debra Waxman, director of marketing for the Paper Mill Playhouse and vice president of the New Jersey Travel Industry Association, who spoke on "Culture and Tourism: A Natural Marriage." A reception hosted by Elizabethtown Gas followed the presentations.

The Historic Preservation Commendations program is administered by the Union County Office of Culture and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

"Since the inception of the program in 1987, the county has presented awards for excellence in historic preservation to more than 50 Union County projects, groups and individuals," said County Manager Ann Baran.

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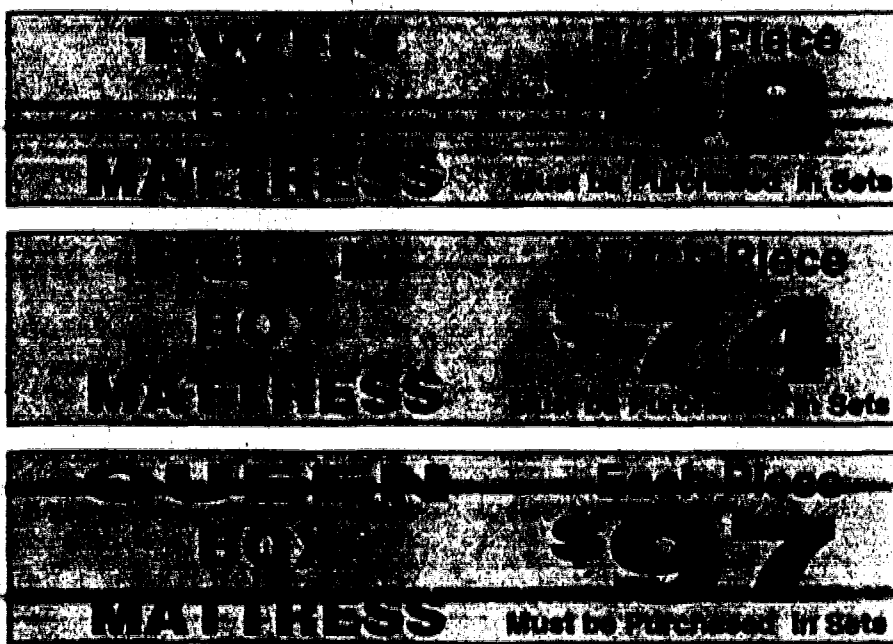
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Where will you be going?

April has arrived and it's now the time of year when the question circulating among high school seniors is: Where are you going?

The query has nothing to do with lunch period or weekend plans, but is a sign of those times when acceptance letters are received, college visits are planned and the very serious pressures felt by college-bound seniors become visible.

Those pressures are generated during a game in which guidance counselors and college admissions deans work together to shuffle pawns from the womb of the high school to the strange world of college. The students are under a deadline to choose a destination for September that satisfies parents and impresses peers.

Selecting a college has become a big money sport where the winners amass enormous tax exempt investment portfolios and the losers are those who find themselves stuck with debt defined by the banks as low interest loans as they search for a job.

This was not always the case.

The current inflation in the cost of tuition began during the go-go '80s, when the number of dual-income households exploded and the private sector scrambled in competition for what was known as disposable income.

A small liberal arts college in New England started it all. Bennington College, suffering from a shortage of liquid assets, greatly increased its tuition rates.

At the time, many on the school's board of trustees balked. They feared higher tuition would only further hurt the college's finances as high school seniors sought cheaper accommodations elsewhere.

But, the trustees rolled the dice, and as to be expected in a society where costliness is considered synonymous with excellence, applications for admission poured in.

In academia, word travels fast; among those who administer private colleges and universities, word of how to generate income spreads like brushfire.

By decade's end, the cost of attending college — from small liberal arts schools to the Ivy League and other large private universities — rose at a rate that exceeded not only the cost of living, but also any possible natural increase in wages.

The trends in the market have also affected public colleges, where state governments partially justify tuition hikes by citing how much of an affordable alternative they are to their private counterparts.

A teen-ager's selecting a college had become an investment-making decision on a par with how their parents had picked their first home.

In other aspects of the private sector, competitors vie for customers by offering the most attractive values at plausible prices. The company that attracts the largest market share by competing within the borders of supply and demand wins.

That rule is not followed in the academic world. Colleges and universities of like size keep their tuition costs on a plane, resulting in few alternatives for those looking for an education.

Since it is difficult for caring parents to deny their children what they want most, the market of college-bound high school students has sustained this massive boost of tuition costs.

But there is hope. Since the rise of tuition costs skyrocketed only recently, it is possible that the situation doesn't have to remain unchanged. What is needed is a rethinking process when considering a college.

In years past, parents have taught their children the importance of understanding the values and limits of money by trusting them to find jobs, buy automobiles, and maybe even use a credit card. What they must start teaching their kids now — at an even younger age — is not to consider big name colleges as mere status symbols to be worn with glee.

While many high school students do earn their places in the Ivy League and other big money schools, many others are not ready for such competitive environments and should not be encouraged to seek places there.

Parents have alternatives. If a child maintains a C grade point average, a community college or other two-year school is likely in order. After graduating with associate's degrees, those students will better understand their interests and will be ready to transfer to spend another two years at a four-year college in pursuit of bachelor's degrees.

It is not the most glamorous way into the world of higher education, but such planning is an education in itself. The children will acquire a better understanding of how the real world works, and their parents may learn a lot about their young adult children.

The Roman philosopher Seneca said in the first century A.D. — back when higher education was affordable — that "even while they teach, men learn." There is much for families to learn about each other and about society when compiling a shopping list of colleges.

OPINION PAGE

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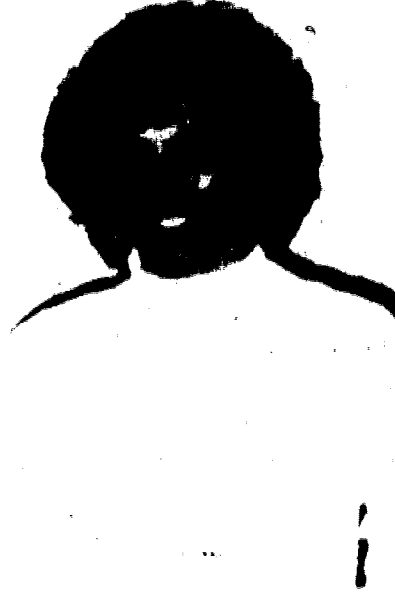
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Candidate will listen to all sides of issues

My name is Deborah Giordano. I am a candidate for the Mountainside Board of Education. I have lived in Mountainside for 19 years and have been an active volunteer in our community. I am married, the mother of three children. My sons, ages 25 and 23, both graduated from Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, attended college and are now successful in the business world. My daughter is in the third grade at Deerfield School.

I began attending Board of Education meetings about a year ago. I realized the seriousness of the decisions being made and how they affect the

children and the community. That first board meeting had a profound impact on me. That night I decided to attend all board meetings.

I will do my best for the children and citizens of Mountainside. I promise an honest and thorough job on all matters that will be set before me as a board member. I will be an approachable member of the Board of Education and would like parents to know that what they think and feel is important.

This is your community and these are your children. I will be there to listen, hear and seriously consider the opinions and grievances of the com-

munity. Each family knows their situation and has an opinion about issues that will affect them.

In all decision making, a final vote must be cast, but before this is done we should consider all sides. I will objectively investigate and listen to both the majority and minority opinions. I firmly believe elected officials must be accountable to the people.

Spending more tax dollars does not mean better or higher education. More is not always better. We need to look at the whole picture and decide what is the most cost efficient way to attain excellence in education.

I would encourage each of you to

attend board meetings. We need the input of the community as these life-affecting decisions are made. These decisions will be reflected in your children's lives.

Please let your voice be heard by voting on April 18. The polls will be open from 2 to 9 p.m. in Deerfield School. When casting your vote, I would ask that you vote for Deborah Giordano. I can make a difference in Mountainside and would be honored to serve you.

Deborah Giordano is one of two challengers seeking a seat on the Mountainside Board of Education.

Board needs community input to function

It is my sincere concern and interest for Deerfield School and the children of our community that is the deciding factor on running for the Board of Education.

I am a concerned parent and community member, and I view our school system as a vital part of our community that has always provided a strong educational base for our students. It is important that we not only maintain the high quality of education that the district already provides, but that we also strive to further develop and enhance the programs where possible. This is certainly not an easy task to accomplish considering rising costs, declining revenues, state mandates, parental expectations and community needs.

The Board of Education will face increasingly difficult and complex issues over the next few years. I believe that it is very important that the board work together as a cohesive group to find alternatives to continue this high quality of education in the most cost effective manner.

The board cannot do this alone. It is imperative that we have the support

and input of all parents and the community at large to meet these challenges. I firmly believe that we can encourage this by keeping the public informed. We owe it to the future of our children and to the community.

I believe it is important for the board to be accountable to all sectors of the community for educational policies as well as for fiscal operations. Enrollment at Deerfield has steadily increased over the past few years, increasing the number of residents with school-age children. However, we must also keep in mind that there are many residents who do not have school age children. Most of us have a commitment to maintain the quality residential status of our borough. We know that a very good school system contributes directly to our prestigious position in the real estate market. Preserving a high quality school system will benefit the entire community. The Board of Education's responsibility is to see that the taxpayers' dollars are being spent efficiently, while ensuring that the quality of educational services is not compromised.

The state has made increasing

demands on our school system that we have no control over. The state is getting more involved in controlling local districts with its unfunded mandates, "thorough and efficient" legislation, and numerous regulations. I am an advocate of local control of the public schools, and I believe that a local board of education and administration knows the best needs of its children and community.

I would like to see the continued growth of technology in our school system. Computers have enhanced the educational programs at Deerfield. The newly computerized media center permits the student who is doing research to access a broader base of information. These research tools are invaluable and will continue to be used in high school and college. Financially, it is not easy to sustain these large expenditures. I would like to explore the possibility of using local educational foundations and "Adopt a School" programs whereby private industry and organizations are encouraged to contribute their professional and financial resources to the school district to help defray the costs

of these educational improvements.

Another important issue facing our community is the future of the regional high school system. I strongly support deregionalization. I think it is incumbent upon the board to continue with its active role to protect the interests of Mountainside students and taxpayers. Mountainside should no longer be a pawn in the regional school system game. Our students have been relocated too many times. We need to have more control over these decisions. It is important that we provide our children with a constant educational path. In addition, our community has shouldered too much of the tax burden for the regional system. We need to make sure these tax dollars are spent in a way that is fair to our taxpayers while not taking away from our children's education.

I approach this candidacy with an open mind. I am a candidate that is willing to act objectively, work diligently, and always keep in mind that the welfare of our children is first.

Sally Rivieccio is one of two challengers seeking a seat on the Mountainside Board of Education.

New programs have improved Deerfield

Twelve years ago, my husband, Paul, and I were drawn to Mountainside because of its excellent schools. Now we have three children. Nicole and Matthew attend Deerfield. Sara is in pre-school. The quality of education has only improved in those 12 years, and I am now proud to be a part of that system.

As I near the completion of my first three-year term on the Mountainside Board of Education, I am pleased with the progress we have made. I have decided to seek re-election because I continue to care about the quality of education that our district provides for our children.

Accomplishments:

- As chairperson of the board's Policy Committee, I have been working hard to revise and update our current policy manual, a critical function necessary to pass the state's monitoring requirements. It is my responsibility to ensure that relevant policies are in place so our administrators can run our school effectively. I want the

opportunity to achieve this goal.

- During my tenure, many new programs have been initiated at Deerfield School. Curriculum revisions have been made in some of the basic subject areas. The Media Center has been fully automated. Classrooms in the middle school have computers and the necessary wiring to access research tools from the Media Center. The Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, which is run by the Mountainside Police Department, has been started in our district to educate fifth-graders about the dangers of drug use. A cultural program designed by the Lincoln Center Institute began last year. This program allows the students to better understand the arts through personal experience. I believe programs like these truly enhance the learning experience for our students.

- In considering these programs, I have been fiscally responsible while also maintaining our high educational standards. I have always evaluated budget expenditures carefully. I will

continue to consider the effect on the Mountainside taxpayer when making future board decisions.

Future issues:

Regarding deregionalization, I feel the Mountainside Board of Education has an obligation to be involved in this important process. I agree with the Mountainside taxpayers, who I believe want a decrease in the cost to educate our students at the high school level. In addition, deregionalization would improve curriculum transition from Deerfield School to the high school. Moreover, Mountainside students would no longer be forced to change schools during their high school tenure, as has happened in the past. As a board member, I will continue to review and evaluate the findings of the Deregionalization Committee with the hope that this issue can be brought to the general public for a vote.

Chief among my goals for the next three years is to improve communication between the school and the com-

munity. One way to do this is to better utilize the existing "Key Communicators" program. I also want to see the school system tap the wisdom of our senior citizens by involving them in school programs. That would greatly benefit Mountainside school children!

If re-elected to the Mountainside Board of Education, I will continue to dedicate my time and energy to work as a responsible board member. My efforts are on behalf of the entire school community as well as the taxpayer. I believe that Deerfield is a wonderful school where our children can receive the excellent education our entire community values.

Please give me your support on Tuesday, April 18. Above all, exercise your right to vote. Your decision impacts our children and our community.

Patricia Taeschler is one of the incumbent candidates for the Mountainside Board of Education.

letter to the editor

Nation still needs health care bill

To the Editor:

Last month, I caught part of "Larry King Live" when he had Nancy Reagan as a guest. I did not get it if it were the library, or the museum of the former president, and during the conversation, he asked the question of Mrs. Reagan about the way his sickness has affected her life, and her answer was "we had better days."

Right she was, because I too went through the same illness with my dear wife of blessed memory 13 years ago. Not only with me, but it affected the entire family.

Then I heard her say we always pay for everything. Again, right she was. Hence my comment:

For eight years in the White House, plus four years that followed with George

Bush, I don't recall if any bill for health care for the rich, poor, black or white was introduced which the nation is so sorely in need of today.

But about one year into the presidency of Bill Clinton, with the help of his wife, a health care bill was proposed that helps the rich, the poor, the black, and white — all Americans that would be prevented from being thrown into bankruptcy if a major illness befell them or any member of the family.

Fully realizing the proposal was not perfect but required working out, the Republicans sure gave it the works.

Well, that is when the Republicans wasted no time and saw to it that the bill would never pass. It was shredded to confetti and I am sure that Mrs. Reagan realizes now she is paying. Lucky for her and Ronald that they can afford to stand the cost of that dreaded illness.

I am anxiously waiting to see what the new party in power will do for a good health care bill for all Americans.

George Ginsberg, Springfield

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Veteran of local board favors dissolution

Why am I running for the Union County Regional Board of Education? I am running because I believe that the current Springfield Regional Board members have forgotten their mission. They have forgotten that their primary responsibility is to present the proper curriculum, physical plant, extra-curricular activities for all Springfield students to learn. It has forgotten that it is in existence to serve the community and listen and try to fulfill the expectations of the citizens of Springfield. It has forgotten that rather than hinder the debate on deregionalization by making personal attacks, it should be encouraging the debate. As we in Springfield have seen in the past, when an elected body attempts to stifle its opposition, it causes animosity and divisiveness. Why must parents continually have to go in and fight for classes to be offered? Why must parents be fearful of the safety of their children entering Dayton? Why must parents of Springfield students consider sending their children to Governor Livingston or private schools because they perceive that Dayton doesn't offer the environment or educational opportunities they consider necessary for a quality education? The above questions are being asked not only by the parents of the brightest students, they are questions being asked by parents of our children with special needs, and more importantly, by the parents of our average children who by definition, make up the bulk of the school population.

What can I do, if elected, to solve many of these problems? I can bring to the table a wealth of experience in dealing with difficult problems and hard decisions. During my tenure on the local board, I was able to bring a dialogue and eventual unification between the fighting factions in town. I helped institute many of the innovative programs currently in the local schools. The quality of education improved greatly during my time on the board. Our Special Services Programs improved to a point where it is now considered one of the finest in the area, and we in Springfield reap the benefits of the large number of tuition-paying students who attend our program. I was part of the negotiating team for three contracts with the staff of the district. I developed an innovative buyout procedure for senior employees which saved the district thousands of dollars. Before it was fashionable to talk about containing medical costs, under my direction, Springfield was the first district in the state to cap a portion of its medical insurance costs. Many Springfield residents are asking why we should deregionalize. It is my belief that the Union County Regional District, as it now exists, no longer serves the residents and students of Springfield as it once did. Having a daughter who just graduated from Jonathan Dayton, I have seen firsthand the education which was offered. I was not satisfied in spite of the fine school she was accepted to. In comparison to many of her peers from other public school districts in New Jersey, she was left

far behind in experiencing the extra courses and organized activities which distinguish an average high school from a superior high school. We in Springfield deserve a superior school. There is a problem in Springfield getting a great high school. We only have two out of nine votes on the Regional Board of Education. If for example, the Regional Board of Education chose to close another school for cost containment reasons, the following scenario could be very real, regardless of what some current board members promise — just ask Kenilworth residents: The two representatives from Clark vote to keep their school open and to close Dayton; the two representatives from Berkeley Heights vote to keep their school open and to close Dayton; and the one representative from Mountainside votes to keep Governor Livingston open and to close Dayton. The final vote would be five to four and Dayton would be closed. Or this scenario might arise: The local district chooses to offer foreign languages in a much earlier grade. Would the regional board offer the higher level courses or would they decline for cost containment reasons? During my tenure on the board, I saw several occasions where the regional board without consultation with the local board made unilateral decisions which affected the local district. Some of these decisions forced the local board to spend money it had allocated for other purposes. What does all of this have to do

with my being elected to the regional board? Deregionalization will not occur in less than two years. Springfield needs someone on the board who will protect the interests of Springfield students and residents during that time of transition. The regional district will not have the more than \$4 million to take out of surplus next year. It needs someone who has a proven record of innovative, educational thinking coupled with strong financial management skills to maintain, if the current budget is approved, the program changes which are to be instituted next year. Springfield needs someone who will ask questions and demand reasonable answers of the administration so that another state audit will not cause us to lose an additional \$800,000 in state aid. We may not like the rules used in the audit, but only about 10 percent of all the districts in the state were penalized. We should not have been one of them. It needs someone who will weigh policy against expenses and not let the board spend another \$35,000 in legal fees so that a teacher can't transfer schools. Most of all, Springfield needs a board member who will be honest and forthcoming with information needed by an informed electorate to make the important decisions concerning the future of this town. Ned Sambur is challenging Luigi Monaco for one of Springfield's seats on the Regional High School Board of Education.

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High schools provide quality education

I am a candidate for re-election to the Regional Board of Education because I believe the quality of education that has been afforded the children of Springfield, and my four children, must be continued. I have had the opportunity to observe firsthand the workings of the regional board. They do an excellent job. They work very hard to provide the best possible education to the students of Springfield and the other five communities within the district, at the least possible expense. The new budget is reduced by 4.47 percent. We have made every effort to reduce administrative and supervisory staff, and consolidate administrative responsibilities. This has saved taxes for our residents. In my opinion, the educational opportunities at Jonathan Dayton are outstanding. We are working to make them better by expanding the technology courses, and computer networking to keep pace with the marketplace

and the college communities. We, on the board, are extremely proud that 94 percent of Dayton graduates were accepted into colleges and universities. Some of the finest colleges in the country can boast of having our graduates in their schools. The Union County Regional High School Science Team won the Science Olympiad at Rider University and is the Best Team in New Jersey. The board is sending this championship science team to the Nationals. Contrary to the belief of some, the regional district is not in need of being rescued from failure, the district is alive and well, and is successful in its pursuit of academic excellence. I must applaud the academic staff of the school. They maintain high standards and motivate students to reach for success. I believe I have the education, experience, vision, motivation and determination to make a major contri-

bution to the continued success of the district. Springfield needs a board member who is concerned about the success of students and about shrinking taxpayers' dollars, not politics. I will work to continue to save money and reduce taxes by combining administrative and supervisory jobs, and carefully examining non-essential costs. The first order of business is to find a top flight principal to continue the fine work of Judith Wickline, and we are moving in this direction. As a board member, I will continue to improve the athletic programs. New coaches, proven winners, have already been hired for softball this spring. The board will be advertising for new and experienced football and basketball coaches for next year. We must have proven winners. I feel that it is time Dayton students have the opportunity to experience "the thrill

of victory, rather than the agony of defeat." We need a championship season! I pledge to work to improve the cooperation between the local Board of Education and the regional board by expanding programs and services. As a former elementary board member, I know the workings of both boards and therefore can create a collaboration. The end result for both boards is to provide the best possible education to the students of Springfield, while reducing taxes for the taxpayers. I am a career educational administrator who does not want to pay more for less. I intend to continue to help Springfield students in their pursuit of academic excellence and athletic success. Luigi Monaco is the incumbent candidate for one of Springfield's seats on the Regional High School Board of Education.

letter to the editor

A word of thanks

To the Editor:
Last year I spent a rather enjoyable and informative year as the Township Committee representative to the Board of Health. In January of 1994, as a new board member, I, as a number of other board members, wondered about the value that our citizens were getting from our participation as a member of the Summit Regional Board of Health. It seemed that for years Springfield was paying money into the Regional Board of Health without getting much out of the arrangement. Members of the board, some far more knowledgeable than I, wondered if the township gets the most for its money from the Regional Board of Health and are our citizens receiving the health education that they should. The Township Committee, in 1994, believed that it was important to take a

closer look at the Springfield-Summit arrangement. It was so important that Committee member Jeff Katz and I sponsored an ordinance titled, "An Ordinance Creating a Special Committee to Investigate the Advisability of Establishing a Local Board of Health In and For the Township of Springfield." The ordinance charged its members with investigating whether Springfield should remain a member of the Summit Regional Board of Health or establish a local department of health. Committee member Harry Pappas, the third vote, also heartily supported the ordinance. Despite the objections of the two negative votes of Mayor Marcia Forman and Committee member Herb Slote, the ordinance became law. The ordinance, in a careful effort to be bipartisan, noted that the committee was to be comprised of two registered Democrats, two registered Republicans, two registered voters with no party affiliation, a member of the Township Committee, the township sanitarian and the township clerk. The committee members, appointed by the Township Committee, set to work at the arduous task. Since this was a limited committee, put into place until March 31, there was much work to do in a little time.

After electing Chairman Charles Jacques, the members set to the task at hand. Meeting through the months of January, February and March, the members researched, read, questioned, talked and wrote. Each member added a vital part to the report being compiled. The report is finished. At the first meeting, we agreed that none of us would discuss the report until it was completed. I will honor our agreement and reserve my comments about the report until tomorrow, but I would like to thank, on behalf of the Township of Springfield, the dedicated men and women who served long hours, without compensation, to help the citizens of Springfield. This committee was one of the best that I have ever worked with. They proved, time after time, that people can work together without letting politics get in the way. To each of you I say "thank you." Because of dedicated volunteers like you, Springfield is a better place in which to live. JoAnn Holmes
Springfield Township Committeewoman

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REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK

Scouts put their heads in clouds to become Young Eagles

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

If you think Mountainside is a small town, try looking at it from 1,400 feet in the air.

That was an experience shared by 67 of the borough's Cub Scouts and Webelos on Sunday, when they gathered at Morristown Municipal Airport to strap themselves into the cockpits of small aircraft and take to the skies.

The Young Eagles program, sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association, sent the scouts of Pack 177 airborne as part of their effort to open the skies to one million youngsters before 2003 — the centennial of the Wright brothers' first flight. Since 1992, about 125,000 children have participated in the project.

I don't want to start a belated panic by implying that more than five dozen young boys took turns behind the controls of unproven airplanes, playing test pilot as they circled the airspace over the borough. The flights were handled by volunteers who donated their time, planes and expertise to get the children off the ground. One of the pilots even flew all the way from Georgia.

Everything was under control at all times. Each team of youngsters was accompanied by an Federal Aviation Administration-certified pilot who handled the take-offs, landings and most of the flying. However, each child was given the opportunity to take control and prove they had the Right Stuff.

They did. "It teaches them responsibility," said pilot and local businessman George Force, who helped organize the flights. "It gives them role models other than sports stars."

The group has other objectives. In addition to sparking an interest in flying among youngsters, the Young Eagles program seeks to broaden children's horizons by giving them the chance to see their hometown from a new perspective — literally.

The EAA also is motivated by a kind of self-preservation. With the number of commercial and military pilots expected to shrink during the next five years, the group is doing its best to suggest piloting as a profession to the youngsters.

The EAA may be onto something here. When Pack 177 gathered for a meeting Friday night to organize the

event, more than three dozen scouts and parents registered to participate. Even more interest was shown at boarding time, when nearly 100 signed up.

The program is certainly an eye-opener. For those who consider flight to be an unnatural act, sitting in one of the Beechcrafts, Cessnas or other small planes would only confirm such suspicions.

Personally, I prefer the linear simplicity of a road trip. I swear I have nothing against flying. I just don't go out of my way to do it. When I do, it is usually to cover distances of more than 1,000 miles.

My last flight was nearly five years ago. I was blissfully slouched in an aisle seat in the business class section of a British Airways 747 on my way to Kennedy Airport after a quick semester in England. With the comforts normally associated with commercial international air travel, that jet's defiance of the laws of gravity was hardly noticeable. It was certainly a far cry from the seat-of-the-pants thrill of circling Union County in an airplane with a fuselage scarcely larger than the interior of a 1969 Dodge Dart.



Photo By Jay Hochberg

From 1,400 feet, Deerfield School, its cluster of baseball diamonds, Our Lady of Lourdes Church and Route 22 appear in a symmetrical layout.

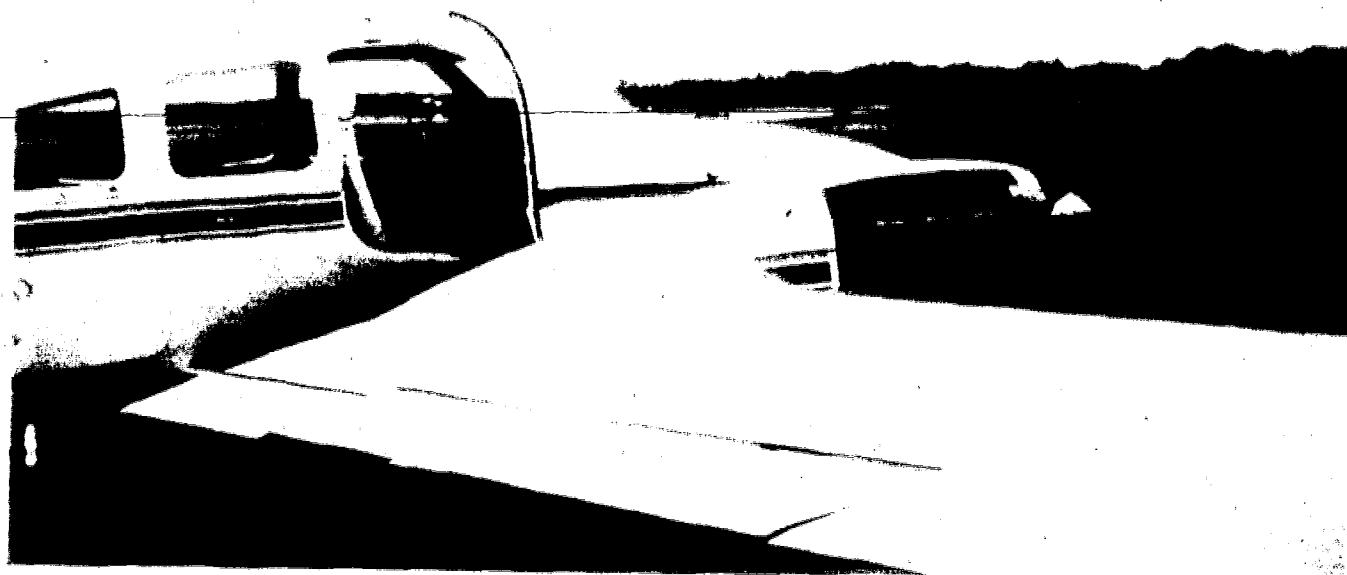


Photo By Jay Hochberg

Mountainside's David Wagner, described by George Force as a 'flying nut,' demonstrates flight control mechanisms on Force's twin-propeller Beechcraft four-seater.

Anticipating such excitement, the organizers of the event offered the scouts' parents the opportunity to participate in the flights, but also allowed them the chance to not fly with their own children.

If any of the parents who passed on the chance to fly with the scouts and now regret it, they shouldn't. I'll spare you the details of the queasiness I felt and the stomach acids I'd coughed into my sinuses. Just take my word for it.

That's no reflection on scouts Jeff Hoffman and Nicholas Keller, the two amateur flyers who took turns piloting the plane I was in; they were great. It is worth noting, however, that air turbulence — "bumps," as Force explained them away — are more noticeable to a landlubber confined to the rear of a four-seater airplane than to anyone else.

After landing, the scouts were

taken on a tour of the airport's control tower and a hangar to further demonstrate all that goes into airflight.

The Young Eagle participants were recognized for their efforts by the EAA. Each received an EagleFlight Certificate, signed by the respective pilot. The names of the participants will be entered in what the EAA calls the "world's largest logbook," kept in the organization's Air Adventure Museum in Oshkosh, Wis.

The EAA has plans for young people eager to pursue a future in flight. The Sport Aviation Club is a newly formed "logical next step to the Young Eagles program," according to a spokesman for the group.

For information regarding the EAA's programs, contact Ed Lachendro, the Young Eagles' coordinator at P.O. Box 2683, Oshkosh, WI 54903-2683.

Scouting, by its very nature, always has offered children a way to build self-esteem by accomplishing tasks

and to develop social skills through team work. The Young Eagles program takes such character building to a higher plane.

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Vogt on staff at St. John's

The newest staff member at the community pre-school at St. John's, 587 Springfield Ave., Summit is Mary Clare Vogt of New Providence, who has been named teacher of the three-year-old classes.

Vogt has experience as a teacher in both elementary and pre-school settings. In addition, she has been active in leadership roles in both school and church.

She is a graduate of Seton Hall University in South Orange, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration. She also has taken training in assertive discipline.

The community pre-school at St. John's is a member agency of the United Way of Summit, New Providence and Berkeley Heights. It provides pre-school education to three and four-year-olds whose parents might not be able to afford such an opportunity. While tuition is determined by family income and size on a sliding scale, all children pay some tuition. Bus service is provided, at an additional cost, if needed.

At the present time, the school is conducting the annual fund-raising drive. Contributions may be made to the Community Pre-School at St. John's, 587 Springfield Ave., Summit 07901. For information about the school, call the administrator, Susie Merrick, at (908) 273-7298.

Bloomingtondale bucks!



Ollie Irwin, far right, a member of the Board of Trustees of New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, receives an \$844 check from Christine Gentry, regional public relations director of the Northeast Region of Bloomingtondale's department store. Joan Duffey Good, president and acting executive director of the NJCVA, also is pictured. The NJCVA was included as one of the non-profit organizations to benefit from Bloomingtondale's Children's Charity Day.

23rd annual Maytime festival slated

The 23rd annual Maytime Festival of Homes tour will take place May 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Five homes comprise this year's tour and represent Summit's architectural diversity. Tickets are available at the Calvary

Episcopal Church office, 31 Woodland Ave., Summit, for \$15 prior to the day of the tour. On May 4, tour day, all tickets are \$20.

Gourmet box lunches, for which reservations must be made, will be

available at Calvary Church Parish Hall, Woodland and DeForest avenues, Summit, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on the tour day.

This tour of five Summit homes is sponsored by the Women of Calvary Episcopal Church.

SEEDs planted in Summit

One afternoon each month, 25 staff members of the Summit public schools gather in a consciousness raising exercise that has proven beneficial throughout the district.

Using the guidelines of a program called SEED - Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity, which is headquartered at Wellesley College Center for Research on Women and taught nationwide, the teachers in the group have learned to increase their sensitivity of cultural differences and pass that awareness on to their students.

"I have certainly become more effective in helping both my minority and majority students," said Summit High School English teacher Sarelle Shlala, who is facilitator of this year's SEED group.

This is the fourth year the Summit district is conducting SEED seminars, which were introduced under the district's former desegregation grants. SEED had proven so effective that the Board of Education elected to continue the program even after desegregation funding was suspended by the state.

Shlala was trained as a SEED facilitator during an eight day workshop last summer. The district's other facilitator, Jennifer Burkholder, is librarian at Brayton School.

Using fiction and non-fiction literature, videos and articles, from newspapers and periodicals as springboards for discussion, SEED participants are becoming more sensitive to

the racial, cultural, religious, gender or handicap differences among their students.

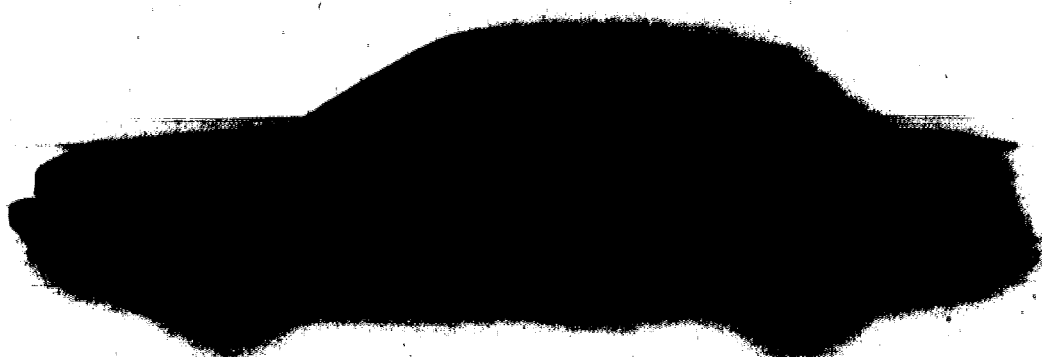
"We are learning not to be embarrassed to ask students about their cultural backgrounds," Shlala said. "Not asking denies us access to the most valuable source of information - the student. It is an American thing to feel awkward about such questions. Most other cultures are much more open."

At each SEED meeting, the teachers learn from each other by sharing stories about their new realizations and successful interactions they have had with their students.

Shlala said she successfully used a SEED exercise with her homeroom class the first day of school. "Six of the students in the class were not born in the U.S. and one of them, a girl from the Philippines, was experiencing her first day in an American classroom," she recalled. "I gave the class an assignment in which the students were to spend five minutes writing about their names. In sharing this information, it became apparent that the whole class was from a diverse background. The exercise put the new student at ease and made the others students aware of the different cultures inherent in any group."

Shlala said she hopes to see more SEED groups develop in the district and is planning to train some PTA volunteers to conduct parent groups.

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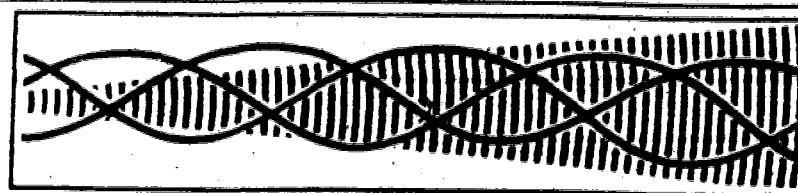
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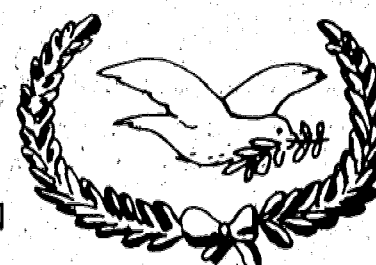
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Men, women and children of any age can use a vigorous 30 minute daily walk to improve their cardiovascular condition to reduce stress, lose weight and even lower their blood pressure. New scientific evidence indicates that fitness or brisk walking can produce a beneficial training effect even among well conditioned athletes. And the good news is that these sought-after health benefits can be achieved by people afflicted with heart disease, lung disease or arthritis without the threat of injury often associated with running or jogging.

Fitness walking is a perfect aerobic activity when carried out in a consistent, relaxed and uninterrupted pace for 20 minutes or more, at least three days a week. The term aerobic refers to any form of exercise that utilizes the large muscle groups in continuous, repetitive action requiring oxygen to be burned. The cardiovascular benefits of aerobic exercise are legendary by now: improved heart and lung capacity and conditioning and a means of controlling or lowering blood pressure.

If weight loss is desired or just an overall firming of muscles, fitness walking is an excellent choice of exercise. Walking on a consistent basis

will burn approximately 300 to 400 calories per hour, depending upon individual size, intensity of exercise and fitness level. As a bonus, walking may even alter the body's metabolism. A person can lose up to 18 pounds in a year adding 45 minutes of walking each day to a planned diet and exercise routine.

But of all the many reasons to exercise, stress reduction is at the top of the list. A vigorous walk often is better than a tranquilizer as a means of reducing stress. Many athletes refer to this reaction as a "runner's high." Interestingly, it is not reserved solely for runners. Aerobic exercise can produce this stress-relieving effect.

One of the most important considerations in walking obviously is the feet, a comfortable pair of walking shoes is essential. Herb Steb, a board certified podiatrist and owner of Walk-Well Professional Shoe Fitters in Summit, said that walking shoes must be fit according to foot shape, type and tone. A person's gait pattern must be observed and any deviations from normal taken into consideration.

Steb, an instructor of podiatrics at New York University and Northwestern University Medical Schools, requires all fitters at Walk-Well to be knowledgeable in how to determine each individual's needs for walking based on their knowledge of biomechanics and experience. Consulting a doctor before starting a walking program is essential.

Boateng nets scholarship

Seton Hall Preparatory School has announced that Summit resident Kwame Boateng has been awarded a Headmaster's Scholarship.

These scholarships are funded by the Elsie E. and Joseph W. Beck Foundation, and the Sandy Hill Foundation. They are granted on the

basis of the recipient's grammar school record and his performance on the prep's entrance examination. All the recipients scored within the top 10 percent of the more than 400 young men who took the test.

Boateng is presently attending Summit Middle School.

A day like Bombay



The Summit Educational Foundation Challenge '95: 'India on the Road,' was well-received on its first stop at Jefferson School. Standing, from left, Casandra Svenson, Susan Carro Ariel Kelly and Jackie Campagna. Kneeling, from left, Jenna Campagna, John Wilson and Matt Feeley. The children participated in the Indian folk dance Bhangra. Artifacts from the Newark Museum, Indian sand art, sari wrapping and storytelling about mythological characters made it a day in India for the entire school.

Intentional dance workshop on tap

The Summit YWCA will have a free and open to the community dance workshop on Sunday from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the YWCA auditorium.

For ages 11 to adult, this workshop will be given by Carolyn Webb, a professional African dancer, choreographer and musician who works internationally. This is a rescheduled workshop from February, which was cancelled due to inclement weather.

The workshop will also feature James Cherry, a percussionist who has studied and performed African drumming percussion, and whose more recent work is in Guinea and West Africa. Cherry has performed at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the United Nations and numerous other venues.

Webb, whose most recent work has taken her to Zimbabwe, Mexico and

Cairo, is also on the dance faculty at New York University and Queens College. She has studied extensively with numerous New York based dance companies. Webb's focus is dance of the African Diaspora, drumming and songs from Haiti.

All are welcome to experience these dances and enjoy the live music. Interested participants must call and register. The YWCA is located at 79 Maple St. in Summit, off Morris Avenue. Free parking is available and the YWCA is also two blocks from the Summit train station. This dance

class is presented as part of the YWCA's Community Dance Program, coordinated by Christine Jowers, artistic director of dance at the YW.

For more information, contact the YWCA at (908) 273-4242. Funding for this and other YWCA dance workshops has been made possible by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

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Gash leads creative talk

A 8-week workshop titled "In Her Own Voice: A Creative Writing Workshop Series" will begin April 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Sondra Gash, a Berkeley Heights writer, the series will offer participants the opportunity to learn writing techniques, share their work, develop critiquing skills, explore their own perceptions and discuss writing markets.

The fee for this workshop is \$95, \$80 for center members, and registration is limited. Those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253.

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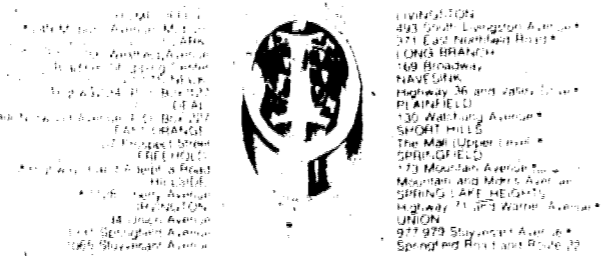
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At the 11 a.m. workshop service, Pastor Denison D. Harfield, Jr. will be preaching from the Men's Day Theme, "Trust and Hope." The Men's Day Choir will sing. Following the 11 a.m. worship, refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

At the 3:30 p.m. sacred musical program, Clint Holmes, a Summit

resident and entertainer, will sing. Appearing on the musical program with Holmes will be John Carlini, guitarist, and a Summit resident; the Melody Tryx; the Sisters in the Ministry; and Gospel Chorus and Male Chorus of Wallace Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church. A free will offering will be taken.

William Robinson is the chairman of Men's Day 1995; Claude Bullock and John T. McCoy are the co-chairmen. The Rev. Denison D. Harfield, Jr. is the pastor. For more information, call (908) 277-0574.

Support groups are slated

Eight-week support groups on a variety of topics will begin at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit, during the week of April 27. Topics include assessing difficulties in marriage relationships, relationships in transition, strengthening personal identity, mid-life journey, new approaches for the chronic dieter, relationship issues for lesbians and dreams as a source of self-knowledge, DeForest avenues in downtown Sum-

mit, is a non-profit, non-denominational organization offering support group for women who have recently been diagnosed with breast cancer will be offered.

Support groups are led by experienced mental health professionals and are generally limited to eight women. Because registration is limited, those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253 as soon as possible.

The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a non-profit, non-denominational organization offering programs and services to all area women.

The fee for this workshop is \$15, \$12 for center members, and the registration deadline is April 20. Those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253.

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Mentors subject of lecture

A workshop titled "Finding and Using a Mentor" will be on April 25 at 7 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Pearl Greenstein, of Mid-life Management Consultants, participants will learn the value of having a mentor in the workplace and how to select the right person for the role. Finding a mentor, winning her/his agreement, developing a valuable relationship, and understanding what mentors can and can not do, as well as the dangers of being a "mentee" will be addressed.

The fee for this workshop is \$15,

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Learn to lifeguard

An all-new lifeguarding course from the American Red Cross is being offered by the Summit YWCA for qualified participants. This course teaches skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies and includes certification in first-aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and lifeguard training.

Interested participants must be at least 15 years old and pass a swim test. The test includes treading water for two minutes using only the legs, swimming 500 yards continuously using freestyle, breaststroke and side-stroke for at least 100 yards each, and submerging to a minimum depth of 7 feet to retrieve a 10-pound brick and returning to the surface.

The course is being offered on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. until May 18. The fee is \$100.

Anyone interested should register as soon as possible by calling the

YWCA at (908) 273-4242. The Y is located at 79 Maple St., two blocks from the train station.

Weimer talks back

In her 1994 book "Back Talk," Joan Weimer tells of discovering that a woman writer who died 100 years ago could help Joan recreate her own past and unearth buried parts of herself. She will lead a workshop titled "Back Talk: Teaching Lost Selves to Speak" on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Workshop participants will choose and recreate their own collaborators — an ancestor, a writer, etc. — to help provoke new insights and mirror themselves. Participants are asked to read "Back Talk" prior to the workshop and to bring it, a pen and notebook.

The fee for the discussion is \$10, or \$5 for center members and the

registration deadline is Monday. Those interested in more information should call the office at 273-7253.

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Divorce mediation

A workshop titled "Divorce Mediation: A Rational Alternative" will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, Summit.

Led by attorney Bonnie Blume Goldsamt, the workshop will cover how the mediation process differs from traditional divorce proceedings, what issues are negotiated during mediation, and the potential benefits of mediation in terms of time, money

and emotional outcome.

The fee is \$15, or \$12 for center members and the registration deadline is Friday. Those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253.

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Maplewood music

The Summit Chorale will present "Carmina Burana" by Carl Orff with Victoria Atwater, soprano; Douglas Perry, tenor; Mark Delavan, baritone; and conducted by Garyth Nair on April 28 at 8 p.m. at Columbia High School, Maplewood, on Valley Street.

A pre-concert lecture by William Duguire will begin at 7:15 p.m. For information, call (201) 762-8486.

Nagle leads talk about ESL

An 8-week "English-as-a-Second-Language Conversation Series" will begin on Monday from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Elizabeth Nagle, teacher of ESL, the series is for women who wish to practice and improve their conversational skills in English, and to gain some practical knowledge.

Beginners and intermediate speakers of English are welcome to join the discussion of such everyday situations as going to the doctor, looking for a job, communicating with a child's school or seeking legal advice. Special attention will

be given to common errors in grammar and pronunciation. The program is partially funded by the Junior League of Summit.

The fee for this workshop is \$20, \$15 for center members, and the registration deadline is today. Those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253.

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Harlem Renaissance topic

The Harlem Renaissance was the topic of a recent cultural exchange between Summit High School and Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child.


Both the Summit School District and Oak Knoll School conduct SEED — Seeking Educational Equity Through Diversity — workshops for their staff. Through the SEED program, participants strive to increase their awareness and sensitivity to racial, cultural, religious, gender and handicap differences. Oak Knoll, as part of its SEED program, hosts guests speakers to discuss topics in their area of expertise and invited Summit High School librarian Jacqueline Brown-Harvest and four of her students to speak on the Harlem renaissance.

The Harlem renaissance, 1920-1930, was a spiritual coming of

age for black Americans, said Brown-Harvest, a time when blacks began to feel more confident, independent and assertive. During that period, black intellectuals embarked on a systematic program to bring black artists to Harlem.

Brown-Harvest detailed the lives of Alain Locke, the prominent leader of the Harlem renaissance; Jean Toomer; Charles Johnson; Countee Cullen; and James Weldon.

Summit High School students Lakenya Cromwell and John Brown read poems by Langston Hughes and Countee Cullen. Brown joined fellow student Zakee Taylor in acting out a skit portraying the different personalities and philosophies of black spokespersons Booker T. Washington and W.E.B. Dubois.




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Egg fishing?



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Above, Danielle and Katelyn Allocco pal around with the Easter Bunny during last year's Police Athletic League Easter Egg Hunt. This year's hunt will take place at the Summit Municipal Pool on Saturday at 10 a.m. Children aged preschool through fourth grade are welcome. Below, Emily Koenig demonstrates her casting technique for this year's Summit PAL Fishing Party, which will be held at 8 a.m. at the Municipal Golf Course on April 22 and 23.



Summies shine at sectionals

The YWCA Summit Summies gymnastic team qualified to participate in sectional meets sponsored by the U.S.A. Gymnastic Federation, a junior Olympic program.

Participating in the Level 5 Novice meet were Laura Cohen, Kim Sparrow and Madeleine Liebman of Summit; Alexandra Kay of Short Hills; and Lauren Gardner of Berkeley Heights.

In addition, Ashley Sutton of Summit and Chrissy Campbell of Chatham participated in two sectional meets for Level 8 Optionals, which require high level gymnastic skills. In the first meet, Sutton and Campbell tied for third place on the floor exercise event and for sixth place on the

balance beam, and Campbell placed eighth overall. In the second meet, Campbell placed fifth in vault and eighth on the floor and Sutton was fifth on the beam. Campbell also qualified to participate in the state championship meet.

The Summies are coached by Kathy Parcels, Liz Mondelli and Gail Holdiman, and receive ballet instruction from Christy Hodde.

Summies tryouts are once a year for girls, ages 6½ and up. This year tryouts will be June 8 at 4:30 p.m. at the Wilson School gym. Parents must attend a brief meeting before tryouts. For more information, contact Christy Hodde at (908) 273-4242.

Goddess center of discussion

A four-week workshop titled "Understanding the Goddess" will begin on April 25 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Evalone Hill, founder of the Institute of the Goddess and spiritual teacher, the series will explore women's spiritual history. Through readings, film strips and art, participants will discover how ancient "goddess" archetypes can provide new models of women's energy and pow-

er, and provide a basis for envisioning a society which incorporates women's full abilities.

The fee for this workshop is \$60, \$50 for center members, and the registration deadline is April 20. Those interested in more information should call the office at (908) 273-7253. The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit.

NJ Center for Visual Arts schedule for April-May

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts calendar is prepared by the *Summit Observer*. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday from noon to 4 p.m., and from 2 to 4 p.m. on the weekend. The center is located at 68 Elm St. For more information, call 273-9121.

Today
 • Creativity, Color and Design Workshop, with Kay Bain Weiner takes you into a fascinating seminar to stimulate your inventiveness and recharge your imagination. A unique slide presentation will offer sources of inspiration and demonstrate color/design association. Pack a lunch, and request materials list when registering, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fee is \$65.

Friday
 • First Friday at the Art Center is open only to new members who wish to join the center this evening. If you are not presently a member, come and join today. You will then participate in a Private Tour and Reception from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Memberships start at \$35.

Saturday
 • Waxing Artistic: Encaustics Beginner & Intermediate, with Valer-

ic Sivilli will take you through the ancient Greek process of painting with hot wax. Students will need to bring an electric frying pan or skillet to the workshop. Waxes and pigments will be provided by the instructor. Request a materials list when registering. Cost is \$50; materials fee is \$25.

Images '95, NJCVA's major fund-raiser, at the headquarters of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America and Panasonic Industrial Co., Secaucus. Tickets are \$125 per person and can be purchased in person at The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, 68 Elm St., or call for information, 273-9121, Monday through Saturday from 10 to 4 p.m.

Sunday
 • Arbor Chamber Music Society presents the St. Lawrence String Quartet, flutist Laura Gilbert, clarinetist Paul Green, harpist Mariko Anraku, and pianist Lenore Fishman Davis playing; Mozart Piano Quartet, 478, Debussy Premiere Rhapsody, Ravel Introduction and Allegro, Beethoven String Quartet, Opus 135. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Bugburn/Green Concert Hall. Tickets are \$16, \$12 seniors, \$5 students, and can be

ordered by calling 232-1116 or purchased at the door.

- Apr. 13
- NJCVA Winter classes end.
- Apr. 16
- The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will be closed.
- Apr. 22
- Decorative Papers, workshop instructors Fran Wittner and Lois Shapiro, papermakers extraordinaire, lead you into the universe of past paperism, stencils, tie-dye, spray paint folding, craft papers, gift papers, printer papers, stationery and envelopes. Walk away with a portfolio in a day, or the raw materials for future projects. Request materials list when registering. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$45; materials fee is \$10.
- Apr. 27
- Black Maria Film Festival is at 7:30 p.m.
- Apr. 27 and 28
- Spring Walk-in registration is from 10 to 4 p.m.
- Apr. 29
- Spring Walk-in registration is from 10 to 2 p.m.
- May 1
- Spring classes begin.

May 5
 • Exhibition opening, "The Artful Message: Contemporary Video." This exhibition, held in the Fred L. Palmer Gallery, will focus on the evolving art of video, tracing that evolution through the work of well-established artists such as Alan Rath and Tony Oursler, and several emerging video artists. Members Preview Reception is from 6 to 9 p.m. The exhibition will continue through June 11. Admission is \$1; it's free for NJCVA members, children (through age 12) and seniors.
 • First Friday at The Art Center from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. If you are not already a member, come and join. People joining as members this evening are invited to participate in the opening reception of the "Artful Message: Contemporary Video." Individual memberships start at \$35.
 May 13 and 14
 • Raku Workshop with Tom Neugebauer, a two-day workshop that is designed to take the student through the entire raku process. Students must bring bisque-fired pieces made with raku clay (available at the Art Center). Limit of eight medium-sized pieces per student. Enrollment strictly limited to 12 students, from 9 a.m. to 5

Interweave events slated

Healer's Support Group, is on a second Sunday of the month. Contact Richard Weber at 356-3536.

Training in Therapeutic Touch with Barbara Keller, certified occupational therapist, takes place on two Tuesdays beginning March 28 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The cost is \$25, \$20 for members.

The Solid Brass will appear April 28 at 8 p.m. at Calvary Church, Summit, to benefit The Interweave Center for Holistic Living. Tickets are \$18.

A Deep and Victorious Compassion, Holy Week Retreat, occurs from 6 p.m. on Good Friday, April 14 to Sunrise on Easter Day, April 16, at the Convent St. John Baptist, Mendham. The cost is \$140, \$125 for members.

Sadhana: The Path of Attainment with Puran Perez, for three Thursdays beginning April 13, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$48, \$45 for members.

Aromatherapy — The Basics, with Liza Savory is on Saturday, April 22, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The fee is \$25, \$20 for members. For information, call 763-8312.

Attuning to Guidance, the Psychic and the Sacred, with Nancy Weber, R.N. and Robert Morris, Interweave director, is April 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$35, \$30 for members.

Archangel Messengers, A Kabbalistic Meditation with David Rogoff, takes place on six Tuesdays beginning April 11. The fee is \$55, \$48 for members.

All events, unless otherwise noted take place at the Interweave Center, 31 Woodland Ave. in Summit.

Library hours

The Summit Public Library's hours this week are:

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Susan Leslie Greenbaum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Greenbaum of Montclair, was married April 1 to Ira Neil Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Gross of Springfield.

Rabbi Martin Freedman performed the ceremony in Preakness Hills County Club, Wayne, where a reception followed.

Mrs. Gross, who graduated from Lehigh University where she received a bachelor of science degree in marketing and management, is the operations manager of Greenbaum Interiors of Paterson and Morristown.

Her husband, who graduated from Pennsylvania State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in finance, also received a master of business administration degree in information systems from Pace University. He is employed as a financial systems analyst for Random House Inc., New York City.



Ira and Susan Gross

Announcements

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announcements to the lifestyle editor. Announcements should be typed, doubled spaced or legibly handwritten and no longer than one page. All announcements should have a daytime phone number for verification or if questions arise.

Information requested for engagements are parents names, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title and the date of marriage.

Information requested for weddings are parents names, date of wedding, where the wedding took place, who officiated, who attended the bride and groom, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title and where the couple honeymooned and will reside.

When sending a picture with the announcement, a check for \$10 is required. Black and white or clear color pictures are acceptable. Pictures of the couple sitting or standing together are preferred. Pictures of one person standing and the other seated present design problems, so if possible, side by side is better.

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Going to Caesar's

The Ruth Estrin Goldberg Memorial For Cancer Research of Springfield will sponsor a trip to Caesar's Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City on April 23.

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Onion drive

Once again, the Mountainside Women's Club is selling Vidalia onions to raise money for scholarships.

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Active retirees

The Mountainside Active Retirees have scheduled several events.

On April 11, the Mental Health Players will perform several skits pertaining to problems faced by seniors.

On April 25, the Rev. Jim Cyr will entertain the group with his storytelling talent.

Both events will be held in Borough Hall at 10 a.m.

On April 27, the group will charter a bus to Birchwood Manor in Whippany for a variety show and luncheon. Reservations may be made by calling 232-3488.

Meeting rescheduled

The Springfield Mayor's Committee on Aging meeting scheduled for April 14 has been postponed until April 21 in observance of Good Friday.

Singles meet

His & Hers Singles, the new introduction service for unmarried people, will hold several affairs during the coming weeks.

On April 22 at 9 p.m. and April 28 at 9 p.m., the group will hold dinner-dances at Tower Steak House on Route 22 East in Mountainside.

Admission is \$12 and jackets are required.

For more information call (201) 635-2888.

Books wanted

The Friends of the Springfield Library is making plans for a lobby sale to be held on May 5 and 6. Dona-

obituaries

Gertrude Levine

Gertrude Levine, 89, of Springfield died March 25 in her home.

Born in Russia, Mrs. Levine lived in Baltimore, Newark and Irvington before moving to Springfield in 1991. She was a member of the Pioneer Women and the Jewish National Fund, both of Essex County; the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield; and the Independent Lubarer KUV Society, Irvington.

Surviving are two daughters, Doris Rochlin and Pauline; two sons, Harry and Dr. Seymour; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Dorab Taher

Dorab Taher, 55, of Springfield died March 26 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Bahrain, Mr. Taher lived in Springfield for 20 years. He was a supervising engineer with McKeon-Grano Association Inc., Hackensack, for five years.

Surviving are his wife, Eileen; a daughter, Shereen; and a son, Paul.

Angelina Graff; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Lois Rioux

Lois Rioux, 61, of Springfield died March 30 in the Hospital Center at Orange.

Born in Irvington, Mrs. Rioux lived in Springfield for 35 years. She was a secretary in the engineering department of Foster Wheeler, Livingston, for five years. Mrs. Rioux graduated from the Catherine Gibbs School, Montclair. She was a former chairwoman in the Springfield chapter of the Girl Scouts of America.

Surviving are her husband, Frank; two children; a sister, Barbara Mysko; and four grandchildren.

Frank Viegas

Frank Viegas, 92, of Springfield died March 29 in Union Hospital.

Born in Portugal, Mr. Viegas lived in Springfield for many years. He was a laborer with LaFera Construction Co., Newark, and retired 28 years ago. He was a member of the Laborers International Union of America Newark Local 472.

Surviving are a son, James; two daughters, Marie Pangallo and



Bayroff-Lesser betrothal

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bayroff of Springfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Lynn, to Steven Michael Lesser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lesser of White Meadow Lake.

Miss Bayroff attended the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut and is a graduate of Katherine Gibbs Business School, Montclair. She is employed by the American Jewish Committee, Millburn.

Her fiance, who graduated from Northeastern University, Boston, Mass., is employed by Standard Uniform Service Inc., Irvington.

A December wedding is planned.

tions to the book sale are now being accepted.

Those interested in joining the Friends of the Springfield Public Library may pick up an application at the circulation desk in the library located at 66 Mountain Ave.

Parade of the century

The borough is preparing for the parade of the century, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of Mountainside, scheduled for June 3 at 10 a.m.

Marching bands, classic cars and dignitaries from across New Jersey will be on hand. A picnic will follow.

Attention churches and social clubs

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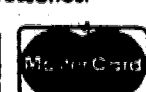
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Counting to 100



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In celebration of the 100th day of school several weeks ago, Christina Cantone's kindergarten class in Sandmeier School presented their displays of 100 objects. Students spent the day engaged in a variety of mathematical and linguistic activities to reinforce what they had learned in the first 100 days.

student update

Students make grade

The Florham-Madison campus of Fairleigh Dickinson University has released the undergraduate dean's and honor's lists for the fall semester. To qualify for the dean's list, a student must have a 3.2 or better grade-point average out of a possible 4.0; for the honor's list, a 3.5 or better. ♦ From Mountainside: honors — Kelly Arcidiacono, Jeanette Laffan. ♦ Springfield: honors — Francine Arendas, Paul Karpinski and Jodi Willis; dean's list — Barry Teitelbaum.

Brains in Boston

Three local residents have been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the fall semester. Charles M. Maltzman and Debra L. Netschert of Springfield, and Mountainside's Alyssa J. Demski each made the list by maintaining a grade-point average of 3.5.

Honors in Michigan

Two Springfield residents were honored at the University of Michigan's convocation on March 19. Dana Barrett Magee of Springbrook Road was named a James B. Angell Scholar. The hospital training student has maintained an all-A record for at least two consecutive terms as an undergraduate. Jared Seth Stadlin of Ashwood Road, a student at the College of Literature, Science and the Arts, also was recognized for academic achievement.

Spring training

Dr. Stuart Baron, who operates a family practice in Springfield, recently completed training in various medical technologies. Baron finished 31 hours of continuing medical education credits, focusing on newly developed technologies, at the Florida Osteopathic Medical

Association convention in Miami Beach.

Keyboard kings

Students of the Cranford-based piano teacher Clarisse Kant performed during several recent recitals. Six students played in January at the recital hall of Columbia Artists Management in New York City. The participants were Christopher D'Ambola, Laura Civile, Victoria Joyce, Carissa Meyer, Justin Meyer and Monica Schwartz.

Eight of Kant's students also performed in February at the Chase Auditorium of the Madison Public Library in recitals sponsored by the Music Educators Association.

The participants included Ryan Carpenter, Laura Civile, Dina Gordon, Amy Lombard, Noreen Mahoney, Carissa Meyer, Maggie Wei and Erin Welsh.

Exxon promotes science studies through competition & workshop

Exxon Chemical Company continues its drive to grow science education initiatives in local schools. Through the Chemical Industry Council of New Jersey, ECC recently sponsored two initiatives in the New Jersey area to promote science and engineering fields as exciting and challenging opportunities for young people.

Through one effort, more than 500 students, including 10 from local schools — Elizabeth High School, Linden High School, Rahway High School and Abraham Clark High School in Roselle — were able to participate in the 33rd Annual Chemical Careers Conference on March 14 at New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark and March 15 at Rowan College in Glassboro. The conference events provided these outstanding high school students with the opportunity to learn about college science

courses, discuss careers with chemical industry professionals and network with other students and science teachers from different school districts. ECC also recently sponsored four teachers from area schools to attend the second annual Teachers, Industry and the Environment Workshop. The program, held on Feb. 2-4 at the Marriott in Princeton, provided fifth- and sixth-grade teachers with hands-on science lessons/experiments to bring back to the classroom. More than 60 New Jersey teachers participated in the event.

ECC served as corporate sponsor to Carol Savona of William F. Halloran School 22 in Elizabeth; Kathryn Maglione of Number Nine School in Linden; Diane Shuster of Madison School in Rahway, and Anna Catesly of PS 22 Annex in Staten Island. ECC's Liz Garcia, Ray Kacmarcik and Jim Puckace met with participat-

ing teachers to explain the company's science education programs and initiatives. The workshop was developed in cooperation with the CIC/NJ, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the state's educational community. Lessons/experiments conducted by educators, the DEP and

other industry representatives included "Creating an Outdoor Classroom," "Water Purification" and "Mystery Powders."

"Exxon Chemical is committed to working as partners with our local schools and to supporting science education. The TIE workshop provides teachers with useful lessons and experiments and we are hopeful the students from these schools will benefit from them," said Liz Garcia, public affairs manager, New Jersey operations.

Dental school



Courtesy of Walton School

March was Dental Health Month at Walton School. The preschoolers were taught proper dental hygiene habits for healthy teeth. Pictured, Jason Grod demonstrates proper brushing techniques.

worship calendar

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD 953 W. Chestnut St., Union, 964-1133. Pastor: Rev. John W. Bechtel. Sunday School 9:30 AM. Worship Service 10:45 AM. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 PM. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7:30 PM.

BAPTIST

CLINTON HILL BAPTIST CHURCH "Where the Bible Comes Alive" 2815 Morris Ave., Union, (908) 687-9440. Reverend Tom Sibley, Pastor-Teacher. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sunday: 9:45 AM - Sunday Bible School for all ages, multiple adult electives are offered each quarter on relevant topics, nursery care & a children's department (with a puppet ministry). 11:00 AM - Fellowship of Worship. We offer a celebration service which combines a blend of contemporary and traditional worship style; weekly children's sermon, children's church & nursery care is provided. 4:00 PM - Tree Climbers for boys ages 5-7 and their dads. 6:00 PM - Family Gospel Hour, nursery care provided, rehearsal for spring musical play for children. Monday: 6:30 AM - Early Morning Prayer Meeting. 7:00 PM - Boy's Battalion (grades 7-12). Tuesday: 8:00 PM - Overeaters Victorious. Wednesday: 9:15 AM - MOPS, young mothers of preschoolers and schoolers; child care & program provided; meets every 2nd & 4th Wednesday. 10:00 AM - Keeninger Bible Study. For senior adults, meets every 1st & 3rd Wednesday. 7:30 PM - Prayer & Praise, current Bible Book Study is "THE REVELATION OF Jesus Christ." Thursday: 10:00 AM - Women's Faithful Workers meets every 2nd Thursday. Friday: 7:00 PM - Pioneer Girls for girls 2nd - 9th grades. 7:00 PM - Christian Service Brigade for boys 6th - 6th grades. Saturday: 7:00 PM - Youth Group for students in 7th - 12th grades. 7:00-10:00 PM - Union's Coffee House - Union's Coffee House meets every second Saturday of the month, contemporary music, food, FREE! All are invited. There are numerous Home Bible Studies that meet during the week in Union and surrounding communities, call for information. For FREE information packet please call (908) 687-9440.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Colonial Ave. and Thoreau Terr., Union. Rev. Robert Fox, Interim Minister. Church phone: (908) 688-4975. Sunday services 9:45 AM - Sunday School for all ages. 11:00 AM - Morning Worship (with nursery provisions available through Grade 4). 7:00 PM - Evening Praise Service. Informal Bible Study. Wednesday: 6:45 PM - Middle School/Senior High Youth Fellowship at the Church. 7:00 PM - Prayer Meeting and Bible Study. 8:10 PM - Chancel Choir rehearsal. Monthly meetings include: Singles' Group, Couples' Bible Study; Missionary Circles for ladies; Men's Fellowship Breakfast every third Saturday (7:30 AM). Wide range of musical opportunities for children, youth and adults in choirs, handbell choirs and instrumental ensemble.

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bles. This church provides barrier free accessibility to all services and programs. A cordial welcome awaits all visitors at all of our services and programs.

EVANGELIST BAPTIST CHURCH "Declaring His Excellency Shaming His Love" 242 Shunpike Rd., Springfield, Reverend Frederick R. Mackey, Senior Pastor, Reverend Edward Muska, Youth Pastor. Sunday: 9:45 AM Bible School for all ages, electives for adults. 11:00 AM Worship Service, Nursery Care and Children's Church. 6:00 PM Evening Service, Nursery Care. Wednesday: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study. Junior/Senior High. Koinonia. Active youth program. Cross-Cultural Ministry. Senior's Luncheon 3rd Thursday 11:00 AM; Woman's Prayer Watch; Music Program. Ample parking. Church is equipped with chair lift. All are invited and welcomed with us. For further information contact church office (201) 379-4351.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2933 Vauxhall Road, Vauxhall, Millburn Mall Suite 6, Meets Sunday 10:00am Bible Study, 11:00am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service. Wed. 7:30 pm Bible Study. We are offering a FREE Bible Correspondence course with no obligation, or private Bible Study in your own home at your convenience. Free for the asking. Harry Persaud, Evangelist 908-964-6356

CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST

RARITAN ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH 611 Raritan Road, Cranford, NJ (Adjacent to the Dairy Inn), Telephone 272-7088. Pastor Steve Nash. We are a Bible centered, family oriented ministry. Our SCHEDULE includes: Sunday Morning Prayer. Time at 9:00 AM. Sunday School for All Ages at 9:40, Morning Worship Service and Children's Church at 11 AM. Wednesday Evening Bible Study at 7 PM. Friday Evening Pioneer Clubs for Boys and Girls. "We Let the Bible do the Talking!"

EPISCOPAL

ST. LUKE & ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 398 Chestnut Street, Union 688-7253. Sunday Worship Service at 9 a.m. Morning Prayer Tuesday and Thursday, 9:15 a.m. The Rev. A. Wayne Bowers, Vicar and The Rev. Philip Wong, Associate Priest. Chinese School Saturday afternoon 2:30-5:00 p.m. for children and adults. Computer interest group, first Saturday of month 3:30-5:00 p.m. Chinese Bible Study Saturday, 8-9 p.m. The Chinese Community Center provides job training activity and services, call for more information. Anyone interested in a Chinese Language Church Service, call Fr. Wong, 1-201-998-7934 or 1-908-688-7253.

JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. 376-0539. Perry Raphael Raik, Rabbi; Richard Nadel, Cantor. Jack Goldman, President. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekly services (including Sunday evening and Friday morning) are conducted at 7:00 AM & 7:45 PM. Shabbat (Friday) evening 8:30 PM. Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset. Sunday, festival & holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesdays. There are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Nursery School, Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for fifth

through twelfth graders, and a busy Adult Education program. A Synagogue's League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

JEWISH - ORTHODOX

CONGREGATION ISRAEL 339 Mountain Avenue, Springfield 467-9666. Daily services 6:30, 7:15 A.M.; 7:15 P.M. or at sunset. During the summer, evening services at sunset. During the summer, evening services at 7:15 P.M. Classes are held in Maimonides, Sunday, 8:30 A.M. During the winter months, we offer Torah study between mincha and ma'ariv, and during the summer months we offer a session in Jewish ethics, 45 minutes before mincha, after which we join for seuda shel shabbat fellowship. On Wednesday evenings after 8:00 P.M., or ma'ariv services, our Talmud study group meets. Sisterhood meets the second Tuesday evening of every month, and our Boy Scout Troop meets on Wednesday evenings. Please call our office for information concerning our NCSY youth group; nursery school, summer day camp, cruv and our special programs at 201-467-9666. Office hours, Monday thru Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M., Friday, 9:00 - 2:00 P.M.; summer hours, 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Rabbi Alan J. Yuter and Rabbi Israel E. Turner, Emeritus.

JEWISH - REFORM

TEMPLE SHALOM 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Daniels, Cantor; Irene Bolton, Education Director; Debbie Berger, Pre-School Director; William Moesch, President. Temple Shalom is an affiliated Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by vol. untder choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 P.M., with monthly Family Services at 8:00 P.M. Saturday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-3; on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday evenings for post-bar/bat mitzvah students. Pre-school, classes are available for children ages 2 1/2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Intrafaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office. (201) 379-5387.

JEWISH - TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, Vauxhall Road and Plane Street, Union, 686-6773. Harold Gottesman, Cantor; David Gelband, President. Congregation Beth Shalom is an affiliated Traditional Conservative Synagogue. Daily Services - Mon. & Thurs 6:45 A.M. Tues, Wed & Fri 7:30 A.M. Civil holidays and Sunday morning Services - 8:30 A.M. Shabbat Services - Friday - 8:30 PM, Saturday, 9:15 AM. The new creative Elementary Hebrew School meets Sundays 9:30 AM - 12:00 Noon.

TEMPLE ISRAEL OF UNION 2372 Morris Avenue, Union, 687-2120. Meyer Korwin, Rabbi; Hillel Sadosky, Cantor; Esther Avnet, President; Hadassah Goldfinger, Principal. Temple Israel of Union is a traditional Conservative Congregation with programs for all ages. Friday Services 8:30 PM. Saturday Services 9:00 AM Minchah 5:30 PM. Sunday Tallit and Tefillin 9:00 AM. Religious School with a full time Principal. Grades Three through Seven meet Sundays 9:10-10:30 AM and Mondays & Wednesdays 4-4:50 PM Primer Class for

Grades One and Two, Sundays - 9-10:30 AM. Adult Hebrew Classes including Bar and Bat Mitzvah Preparation - Thursdays - 8-10 PM. Temple Israel sponsors programs and activities for Youth Groups Grades Seven through Twelve. We also have a very active Sisterhood and Men's Club.

LUTHERAN

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOLS 2222 Vauxhall Road, Union, 686-3965. Rev. Donald L. Brand, Pastor. Family Sun. School 9:15; Family Worship 10:30. Visitors Expected; Barrier-free; Various Choirs, Bible Studies, Youth Groups, Nightly Dial-A-Meditation; Call church office for more information or free packet.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountain Ave., Springfield, (201) 379-4525. Pastor Joel R. Yoss. "Our Family invites Your Family to Worship with us." Worship Services, with Holy Communion, Sundays, 9:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. with Sunday School during each Service. Nursery care is provided during Worship Services. Christian Nursery School, Kids' Koinonia 3:00 p.m. every other Tuesday, Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m. every other Tuesday. Women's Bible Study Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., Adult Choir 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Mothers' Morning-Out Ministry 9:15 a.m. Thursdays, Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. first Saturday, "Twenties & Thursdays," "Parents' Night Out," Small Group Ministries. Special services and teaching series to be announced. For further information, please call (201) 379-4525.

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 301 Tucker Ave., Union 688-0714. Slovak Worship 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., English Worship 11:00 a.m. Communion on first and third Sunday of every month.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHRIST CHURCH

CHRIST CHURCH, 561 Springfield Ave. Summit, NJ (908) 273-5549. Dr.-Charles T. Rusli, Senior Minister, Wayne Bradford, Minister of Music. Although affiliated with the American Baptist Churches, USA, and the United Church of Christ, our members come from various religious backgrounds. Sunday service: 10 am Infant-2 child care; Sunday School Ages 3 - Jr. High, 10:00-11:15. Sr. High Youth Fellowship, Sunday evening. Weekly events include: Children's Choirs and Bell Choirs; Adult Bible Study, Choir, Women's and Men's groups. Periodically, the Illuminators perform drama within the worship service. Various community outreach programs include: Habitat for Humanity; Bridges (Friday night food runs to New York City homeless); Interfaith Hospitality Network; Inner City ministries.

METHODIST

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 241 Hilton Avenue Vauxhall. 964-1282. Sunday Church School 9:30 a.m., Church Worship 10:45 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Rev. Gladwin A. Fabler-Pastor.

COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Chestnut Street & East Grant Ave. Roselle Park. Rev. Nancy S. Belsky, Pastor. Phones: (908) 245-2237; 245-8820; 241-1210. Worship Services: 9:00 & 11:00 AM in our climate-controlled, barrier-free Sanctuary. (Infant and Child Care available at each Worship service.) Adult Bible Study: 10:00 AM. Crusader Choir (Children & Jr. High Youth): 10:00 AM. Coffee & Fellowship Time: 10:00 AM. Church School (Nursery - 12th Grade):

11:00 AM - United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12); 4:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir (Sr. High Youth & Adults). Wednesdays at 8:00 P.M. Prayer Phone: (908) 245-2159. All are welcome!

KENILWORTH COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 455 Boulevard, Kenilworth. Rev. Linda Del Sarlo, Pastor. Church office 276-1956, Parsonage 276-2322. Worship Service 10:00 A.M., Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Nursery available during Worship. Communion is served the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome.

SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 40 Church Mall, Springfield. Rev. J. Paul Griffith, Pastor. SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 10:30 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL RECONVENES 9:15 A.M. Church is equipped with a chair lift to Sanctuary for Handicapped and Elderly.

MORAVIAN

BATTLE HILL COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH 777 Liberty Avenue, Union, 686-5262. Pastor John Jackman, Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Service of Worship, 10:30 a.m., Nursery provided. First Sunday every month Fellowship Hour after Worship. Prayer Group every Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Bible Study every Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Women's groups meet first Tuesday 7:30 p.m. and first Thursday 1:30 p.m., monthly New Jersey Chrysanthemum Society second Friday of month 8:00 p.m. (except Jan., Jul., & Aug.). For more information call the Church Office.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

WORD OF GRACE FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES, INC., YMCA, 68 Maple Street, Executive Meeting Room - 3rd Floor, Summit. Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m. A Non-Denominational Fellowship which adheres to the Grace and Righteousness of Jesus Christ! Pastor John N. Hogan. For more information call (908) 245-6650. Visitors are welcome. **ASSOCIATED BIBLE STUDENTS**, meetings held at Masonic Lodge, 1912 Morris Avenue Union, NJ. God has a plan and you're in it! We encourage dialog on all scriptural matters, Sunday 1:30 pm-Sermon/Topical Study, 3:00 pm - Bible Study/Topical Study. Sunday School available for children. For more information call (908)686-1923.

MOUNTAINSIDE CHAPEL 1180 Spruce Drive, Mountainside, 232-3456. Dr. Gregory Hagg, Pastor. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: SUNDAY 9:45 AM - Sunday School for all ages! 11:00 AM - MORNING WORSHIP - with Dr. Hagg. Nursery is provided for newborn to 2-year-olds. Children's Churches for 2-year-olds through third grade. 6:00 PM Evening Service (First and third Sundays Care Groups meet). MONDAY 7:00 PM - Junior and Senior High Youth Groups. WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM - MID-WEEK SERVICE - Family Night Bible Study with Dr. Hagg. Christian Service Brigade STOCKADE for boys in third through sixth grades. PIONEER GIRLS Program for girls in first through ninth grades. 7:45 PM Prayer meeting; Choir rehearsal.

PRESBYTERIAN

CONNECTICUT FARMS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Est. 1730, Stuyvesant Ave. and Rt. 22, Union. Sunday Church School for all ages; Bible Study and Current Issues Forums at 9:30 A.M. Sunday Worship Services at 10:45 A.M. Child care provided during the

Worship Service. We have an Adult Chancel Choir. Sound System for the hearing impaired. Coffee Hour Follows the Service. Ample parking. Presbyterians Women Circles meet Monthly. Bible Study group meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:30 p.m. The Living Room - A Support Group for those coping with aged persons - meets 4th Thursday of the month. Full program of Scouting provided. Everyone welcome. Weekday Nursery, School for 2 1/2, 3, and 4 yr olds available. 964-8544. For additional information, please call Church Office: 688-3164. Serving Church Community for 262 years. Rev. R. Sidney Puchi, Pastor, 688-3164.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Morris Ave. and Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4320. Sunday Church School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m., Sunday morning Worship Service 10:15 a.m. with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through Worship, Christian education, youth groups, choir, church activities and fellowship. Sundays-Church School - 9:00 a.m., Worship - 10:15 a.m., Communion first Sunday of each month; Ladies Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.; Ladies Evening Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kaffeeklatsch - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Day - 2nd Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.; Jr. High Fellowship - 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Confirmation Class every Friday at 3:15 p.m. Rev. Jeffrey A. Curtis, Pastor.

TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Salem Road at Huguenot Avenue, Union. Worship and Church School Sundays at 10:00 A.M. Nursery Care during all services. Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month. We offer opportunities for personal growth and development for children, youth, and adults. We have three children's choirs and an adult Chancel Choir. Our Presbyterians Women are divided into six circles which meet monthly. Worship with friends and neighbors this Sunday. Townley Church is a growing congregation of caring people. For information about upcoming events and programs, please call the Church Office, 686-1028. Dr. Brahm Luckhoff, Minister.

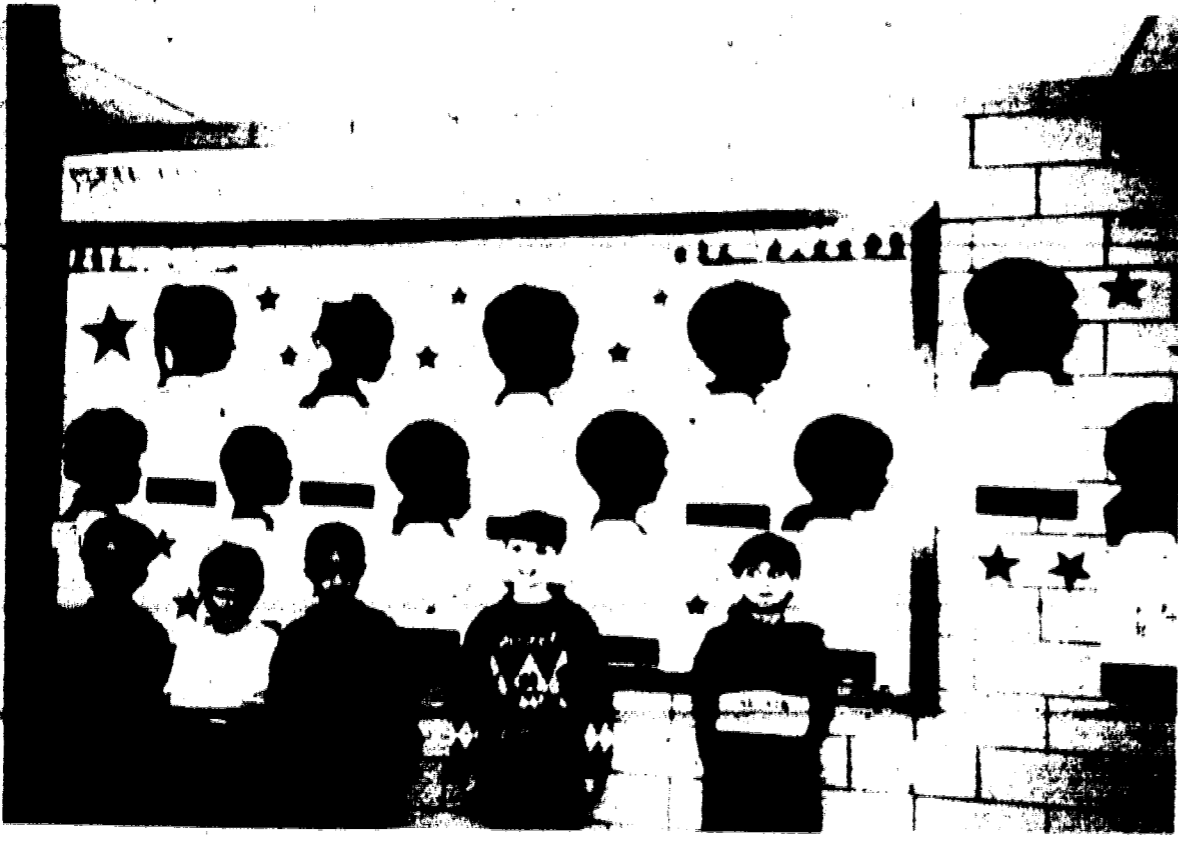
ROMAN CATHOLIC

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081 201-376-3044. SUNDAY EUCHARIST: Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:00 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Masses: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

ST. THERESE'S CHURCH 541 Washington Ave., Kenilworth, 272-4444. Rev. Joseph S. Bogrowski, Pastor, Sunday Masses: Sat. 5:30 pm, Sun. 7:30 - 9:00 - 10:30 am - 12 Noon. Weekday Masses 7:00 - 9:00 am. Miraculous Medal Novena following 7:30 pm Mass. ST. JUDE PERPETUAL NOVENA - Wednesdays, 12 Noon and 7:30 pm. Holy Hour for vocations and special intentions. Stare His powerful intercessions.

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We knew them when



Courtesy of Walton School

Walton School students learned about many famous Americans last month, and figuring they too will one day become famous, the children made a mural of their profiles and drawings depicting what each will become famous for. From left, Alex Cohan, Jason Grod, Sabree Daniel, Geoffrey Shupe and Roberto Guerri.

March of Dimes to continue yearlong campaign for 'crib death' awareness

Nearly 6,000 infants in the United States die of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, or "crib death," each year, making the condition the major cause of death among babies between the ages of one month and one year.

During 1994, the March of Dimes joined a coalition of federal and private agencies to launch "Back to Sleep," a national education campaign to teach parents to put healthy babies on their back or side to sleep in order to help reduce the risk of SIDS. The March of Dimes is continuing the campaign due to the high number of babies still sleeping on their bellies.

Traditionally, American parents have placed their babies on their stomachs to sleep. It is the goal of the "Back to Sleep" campaign to reverse this practice and to have all healthy babies sleeping on their back or side. This includes nap times as well as nightly sleep. The recommendations for healthy newborns to sleep on their backs or sides were first made by the American Academy of Pediatrics in 1992. According to the campaign, there are a few infants, such as those born prematurely or with certain birth defects, or those experiencing excessive vomiting or breathing problems,

for whom the face down sleep position may still be preferable. Parents and infant care-givers should consult their doctor about which sleep position to use for these babies.

"Back to Sleep" consists of a hospital take-home reminder card for new mothers; crib stickers; and two free brochures, one for parents, baby sitters and others responsible for the care of young infants, and another for health-care providers. To request free "Back to Sleep" materials, call the March of Dimes North Jersey Chapter at (201) 882-0700.

Out like a lamb



Courtesy of Walton School

Students in Mrs. Cannell's kindergarten class in Walton School made lamb-faces out of cupcakes, cookies, chocolate chips and licorice.

Guide for insurance changes available

A Buyers' Guide to assist small-business employers in understanding and making choices under New Jersey's reformed health insurance laws has been published by the New Jersey Small Employer Health Benefits Program Board, and is available through the board's toll-free 800 telephone service.

The 18-page guide explains the reform of small group health benefits enacted by the Legislature in 1992, and describes the standardized benefits plans that are now available for businesses employing between two and 49 eligible workers.

Employers may obtain a copy of the guide by calling (800) 263-5912 between 8 a.m. and midnight, seven days a week.

"The changes in the law that took effect last year affect all employers, regardless of whether they previously offered health benefits to their employees," said Maureen Lopes, chair of the SEH Board. "So the Buyers' Guide is an important document for all owners of small businesses."

Lopes noted that the guide will be of particular interest to businesses that had difficulty obtaining coverage in the past.

"Prior to the reforms, many carriers declined coverage to businesses in certain categories," she said. "They can no longer do that. Now, no small business may be denied coverage under the SEH Program as long as they fall within the definition of small

employer and meet certain participation requirements."

Businesses which already offer health benefits also need to know about the program, since the law mandates that only standardized plans authorized under the program be offered after March 1, 1996, she said.

The book is written in clear language, using layman's terms whenever possible. In addition to explaining how the law works, it contains a description of the benefits available under each of the standardized plans. A question-and-answer section addresses the questions most frequently asked of the board by employers.

Call the editors

Ever want to talk about something you think should be in the paper? Know something that might make a good story? Do you know someone who might be the subject of an interesting feature? Do you know of a sports story we don't?

If the answer to any or all of the above is yes, call the editors at 686-7700. General or spot news: Jay Hochberg, managing editor. Sports news: Jim Parachini, sports editor. Problems: Tom Canavan, editor in chief.

You are invited to An Easter Workshop for Children

First Baptist Church
170 Elm Street, Westfield

11 am to 1 pm
Saturday, April 8th
(lunch included)

Children will explore the story of Jesus at various learning stations, where they pot a plant, make palm crosses, paint sand dollars, and other fun things.

Palm Sunday
10:30 am worship service
featuring our children's choir

We're here for you!

Worship Together at Easter

Hosanna!

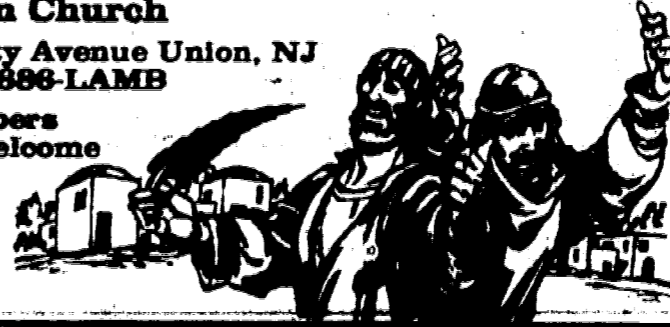
Blessed Is He Who Comes In The Name of the Lord!

Celebrate with us tomorrow
Palm Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Battle Hill Community
Moravian Church

777 Liberty Avenue Union, NJ
Call (908) 686-LAMB

Non-Members
Always Welcome



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Maundy Thursday
April 13

7:30 p.m. Worship

Good Friday April 14

Walk Thru Holy Week

1:00 or 1:30 or 2:00 p.m.

for children ages 3 - Grade 4

Easter Sunday
April 16

Worship at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

7:30 p.m. Service

Palm Sunday
April 9

Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

EASTER ALIVE!

AT
COMMUNITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
CHESTNUT ST. @ EAST GRANT AVE.
ROSELLE PARK

Maundy Thursday - 8:00 P.M.

Last Supper Re-Creation

Good Friday - 8:00 p.m.

Cantata Service

Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.

in Fellowship Hall

SUNRISE SERVICE: 7:00 A.M.

(At the Gazebo in N.J. Mauri Park)

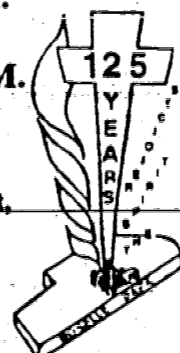
WORSHIP: 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Festival Services in our Sanctuary with Organ, Trumpet,

Bells, Anthems & Hymns. Rev. Belski will preach

CHURCH SCHOOL (N-12): 11:00 A.M.

will be available during entire morning schedule



TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Salem Road at Huguenot Ave • Union



MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 13

7:30 P.M.

Worship Service with Holy Communion
Special Choral Selections
Dr. Brahm H. Luckhoff, Preaching

EASTER DAY - APRIL 16

9:45 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

Preludes for Easter Day Festival
Worship Service
Organ & Trumpets
Dr. Brahm H. Luckhoff, Preaching

Child Care is available at all services. For further information about worship and other events, please call the Church Office: 686-1028.

Visitors welcome!

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

2222 VAUXHALL ROAD UNION, NEW JERSEY 07083

REV. DONALD L. BRAND, Pastor

CHURCH PHONE: 686-3965, Sunday Worship: 10:30 A.M.
PARSONAGE PHONE: 686-4269, Sunday School: 9:15 A.M.

Is your life as empty as the cross or tomb? Join us for these Holy Week-Easter worship services and find true joy, peace and purpose for your life through the crucified and risen Messiah and Savior, Jesus.

PALM SUNDAY, April 9: Processional Worship with Communion at 10:30 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 13: Communion Worship at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 14: Tenebrae Worship at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 15: Outdoor Sunrise Worship at 8:30; Communion Worship at 8:30 and 10:30.



Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church

Stuyvesant Ave. & West Chestnut, Union
The Reverend R. Sidney Pinch, Pastor

"Our hearts are Restless till they rest in Thee"

St. Augustine

Palm Sunday Service - April 9 10:45 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Communion-

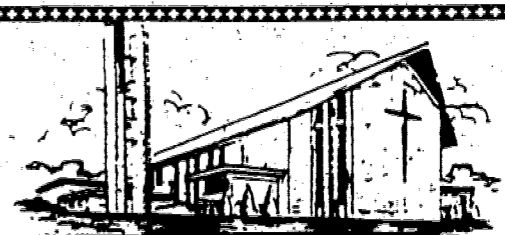
April 13 8:00 p.m.

Community Good Friday -

(Union Clergy) April 14 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Services -

April 16 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
301 TUCKER UNION

(OFF FIVE POINTS)

"THE CRUCIFIED AND RISEN CHRIST IS PROCLAIMED HERE!"

PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 9

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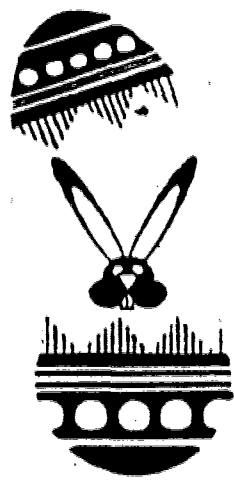
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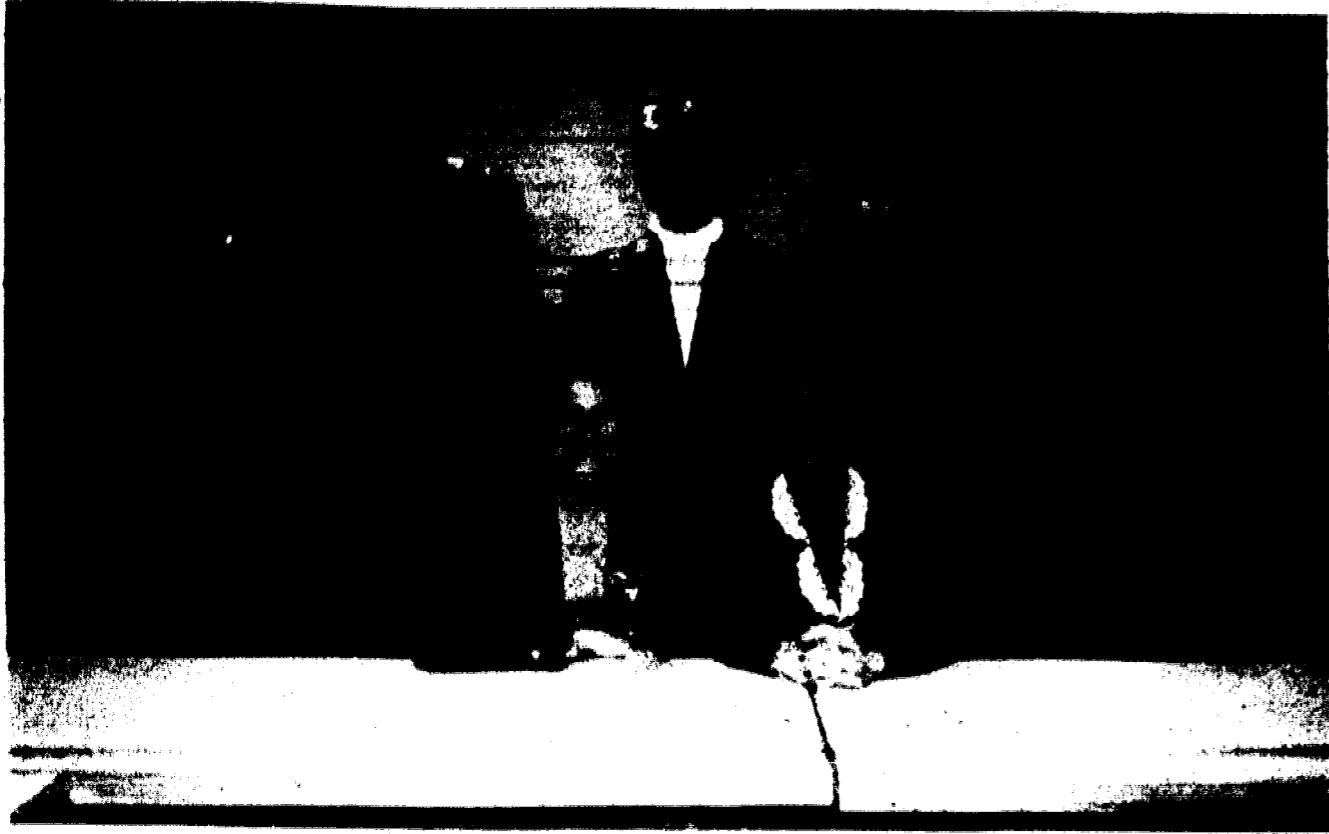
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Moonlight plans



Courtesy of Children's Specialized Hospital

This year's officers of the Mountainside Twig of Children's Specialized Hospital got busy planning their Moonlight Bowl scheduled for June 10 at Clark Lanes. Clockwise from left: Twig's Ways and Means Chairwoman Karen Temple, Recording Secretary Marie Schofield, Treasurer Nicole Desch, Vice President Nancy Salvati, and President Diana Aklan.

Cablevision receives five ACE nominations

Suburban Cablevision, now part of Comcast Cable, received five nominations for this year's Local Cable ACE Awards. And for the 17th year in a row, Suburban Cablevision's Community Programming has been nominated for the prestigious honor of "Overall Commitment to Local Programming," an award Suburban has won five times.

"Being nominated even once for an Overall Award is quite an accomplishment," said Joseph J. Fischer, area vice president. "Being nominated every year since 1978 really points out Suburban Cablevision's long-time commitment to high-quality community programming. As cable television continues to change and grow, we're proud that our hard work and achievement are appreciated by both our viewers and our peers in the industry."

The Local Cable ACE Awards are the cable industry's highest honor for local cable programming.

Suburban Cablevision's Community Programming nominations for Cable ACE Awards are as follows:

- Overall Commitment to Local Programming (above 80,000 subscribers);
- Program Series — Talk Show Signature Producers: Michael Tirone of Edison and Michael Young of West Orange;
- Documentary — Current Events/Issues Here and Now: The Trials of Gay and Lesbian Teens Producers: Michael Tirone and Michael Young;
- Documentary — Cultural Affairs Backstage Pass Producer: Lawrence Van Patten of West Caldwell, and
- Local Programming Promotion — Single Spot Signature Promo Producer: Michael Young.

Awards will be presented on May 9 during the National Cable Television Association's '95 National Show in Dallas.

Educators promote math, sciences in month of activities and events

Thousands of parents, business people, government representatives, students and teachers in each New Jersey county will celebrate Math, Science & Technology Month. They will participate in more than 300 family-centered events featuring innovative, hands-on activities that explore the fun and importance of math, science and technology.

Math, Science & Technology Month is an outreach activity of New Jersey's Statewide Systemic Initiative, a partnership of state government, school districts, education associations, institutions of higher education, private industry and others leading a more than \$10 million, five-year effort to achieve excellence in math, science and technology from kindergarten through high school. A broad alliance of statewide organizations along with NJSSI support Math, Science & Technology Month, which is coordinated by the New Jersey Mathematics Coalition.

"Parent and community support is a

critical component to the long-term success of New Jersey's effort to improve how math, science and technology are taught throughout all the state's schools. Math, Science & Technology Month increases public awareness and involvement by exciting everyone about the importance of these disciplines through innovative, hands-on educational opportunities," said Warren Crown, statewide coordinator for Math, Science & Technology Month.

New Jersey residents may call (800) 44-APRIL to find out about an event taking place in their community. Events range from multi-media activities, math-a-thons, DNA fingerprinting exercises, math jeopardy, aerospace trips, technology fairs and much more," said Crown.

According to Randolph Schaeffer, NJSSI executive administrator, an town meeting televised on New Jersey Network titled "Achieving Excellence: Our Future in Math, Science & Technology Education" will

help kick off the month-long celebration today at 9 p.m. The program will discuss the educational reform efforts currently taking place in New Jersey and highlight future goals.

"The commitment to improving math, science and technology education at all levels is strong in New Jersey and will continue as we enter the 21st Century," said Crown in citing as evidence the board alliance coordinating activities, participation by every New Jersey county, and public support from Governor Whitman, the New Jersey Assembly and the state Senate — all issuing proclamations for Math, Science & Technology Month and New Jersey's systemic reform efforts in education.

NJSSI receives major funding from the New Jersey Department of Education, The National Science Foundation, the Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Program, the Merck Institute for Science Education, and Rutgers-The State University of New Jersey.

Financial support needed for research into arthritis treatment

There may soon be a way to help find new treatments and a possible cure for arthritis.

This month, the national, non-profit organization begins its annual "From our Home to Yours" campaign in New Jersey. The foundation needs volunteers to ask their neighbors to make a donation to help fight arthritis.

"The Arthritis Foundation is a source of help and hope for millions of Americans who have arthritis including more than one million right here in New Jersey," said Frank S. Vigilante, chapter chairman.

The foundation supports top-ranked researchers at major research institutions throughout the country.

"They're making exciting discoveries, but they desperately need our financial help," said Vigilante. The Arthritis Foundation also uses funds from the "From our Home to Yours" campaign to support local programs and services for people with arthritis, such as water and land exercise programs and self-help groups.

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor in chief's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, please write Tom Canavan, editor in chief, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700 weekdays before 5 p.m.

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Courtesy of Westfield/Mountainside Red Cross

Red Cross volunteer Linda Giuditta stands beside the display she set up in the Westfield Library. This display, which features antiques and Red Cross memorabilia, will be on display through tomorrow; the library is located on East Broad Street in Westfield.

Local libraries to offer final tax help sessions

Senior citizens in Springfield and Mountainside have one more chance to get help filing income tax returns before the April 15 deadline.

The libraries in each community have been conducting tax assistance sessions, free of charge, on weekdays in recent months.

The final workshop in the Springfield Public Library will be on Tuesday afternoon. For more information, call 376-4930.

The final workshop in Mountainside's library will be on Wednesday afternoon. For more information, call 233-0115.

Counselors suggest participants bring their W2 and 1099 forms, in addition to their 1994 federal and state income tax forms.

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Softball league recruits players

The Union County Senior Softball League is recruiting players age 50 and older.

Senior softball offers the same enjoyment as regular softball but there are some significant rule changes designed to help the players:

- To avoid collisions, players can't touch home plate. In addition, catchers must touch home plate before runners touch a second home plate several feet away, thus avoiding collisions.
- There is a "commitment line" halfway between third base and home. After a runner passes that line he can't return to third base and must go home.
- There are two first bases. On a close play the runner must run to the outside bag while the first baseman goes to the inside bag.

The senior softball league has given corporate executives, businessmen and players from every possible

occupation — including retirees — the opportunity to compete.

Some of the waistlines have expanded a few inches, the temples are grayer and the hair is thinner, but these players don't seem to mind and they are bent on playing softball until they can go no further.

"You can't tell our age by the way we play or the way we act. Everybody hustles," one player said.

"It's a disease that you catch when you first hear the crack of the bat and you never get cured. We love it!" another said.

"Senior softball is definitely here to stay," one player exclaimed. "As long as I can walk, I'll be playing. If I can swing a bat and walk to first base, I'll play."

"The enjoyment and competition are what makes it all worthwhile," another said.

Any man age 50 or older and a resident of Union County is eligible to participate in the league. More information may be obtained by contacting Tony Muccia at (908) 272-3140.

"You're playing against your age and there is good competition," one player said. "Once you have that competitive desire to win, it never leaves you."

"Ever since I was young, I loved to play ball," another said.

Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone. Obituary notices must be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call 686-7700.

Medicaid cuts expected to take millions from county seniors

By Cynthia B. Gordon
Staff Writer

The Whitman administration's plans to change the formula used to determine Medicaid reimbursements will cost Union County's senior centers millions of dollars, according to a consortium of health care providers.

Approximately \$2 million in lost funding and \$5 million in lost reimbursements to local hospitals will be the price tag, said a spokesman for the New Jersey Association of Health Care Facilities.

The changes in the funding methodology in Medicaid reimbursement took effect on Saturday and, critics said, will hit nursing homes, senior centers and local hospitals in the middle of an already developing fiscal crisis.

Currently, NJHA has a suit filed against the state based upon the Boren Amendment, the act of Congress which forbids states from reducing Medicaid reimbursements for budgetary purposes.

According to published reports, the change in reimbursement policy is

expected to cost Elizabeth General Medical Center, Rahway Hospital and St. Elizabeth Hospital a combined \$5 million. Various nursing homes, including the county administered Runnells Specialized Hospital, were said to expect losses totaling \$2 million.

The Republican-controlled Board of Chosen Freeholders has petitioned the governor through a resolution to restore these planned cuts.

"What we are doing is adjusting rates paid to nursing homes and inpatient care at hospitals," said John McKeegan, spokesman for the state Department of Human Services.

The amount being reduced from hospitals is \$135 million out of the existing \$1 billion; another \$36 million out of that \$1 billion will be cut from nursing homes.

According to McKeegan, those cuts will affect nurses and doctors, but "not the care that the patients receive."

Edward Gorczynski, administrator for the Cranford Health and Extended

Care Center, said it will likely be another month before his organization knows the details regarding the cuts they will face due to a bottleneck in the flow of paperwork from the Medicare and Medicaid administrators at the state level.

"I'm going to look for ways to cut things to make up for the deficit," Gorczynski said.

"I don't like it," said Sam Vifale, an advocate for senior citizens regarding health care, about the cuts. "The problem here is they're telling everybody that something has to be done. Whatever organization, whether it's Medicaid, Medicare or welfare, has to make a sacrifice. Everyone is going to get hurt."

Mountainside resident Doris Morganti, who is an active member of AARP, said she is not in favor of the cuts.

"It's very important to keep up the medicare for seniors, especially for those on a fixed income," she added. "We all worked and paid for that money."

Senior artists sought for competition

Senior citizen artists are being encouraged to enter the 1995 Union County Senior Citizen Juried Art Contest and Exhibition by the Union County Department of Human Services Division on Aging and the Division of Parks and Recreation's Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Full information is on the application forms available from the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth 07202; (908) 558-2550. Relay service users should call (800) 852-7899. As space may be limited, artists wishing to participate should return their application forms as quickly as possible.

Artists must be at least 60 years old and may submit one entry, which has been completed within the last three years. All work must be the original creation of the artist. Framed work may be no wider than 36 inches and no narrower than 12 inches and must be ready to hang, properly wired and framed. Sculptures may not exceed 14 inches in height, width or depth.

Union County Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, said that both professional and non-

professional artists may enter the contest. "The whole community is enriched by the contributions of our senior artists. I hope many county residents will see and enjoy the quality of work displayed at the Senior Art Show," she said.

The following are categories of eligible work: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, print, drawing, photography, mixed media and sculpture.

There will be prizes for professional and non-professional entries. Persons claiming non-professional status must not have sold the types of art entered in the contest/exhibition through commercial channels; exhibit in a professional gallery, or ever had membership in a professional artist guild or association.

In response to request from local art show coordinators, an additional category has been added for paintings which depict a New Jersey scene or theme. Each county may submit one painting in this category, which will not be judged.

The winner in each category will represent Union County at the 29th Annual New Jersey Senior Citizen Art Competition in September at

Monmouth County Library Headquarters, Manalapan. Selected works from the county show will hang in the Freeholders Meeting Room during August.

In honor of "Older Americans Month," the exhibit will open with a reception on May 24 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Elizabethtown Gas Company Headquarters, a barrier-free location. Assistive services will be provided if requested two weeks in advance.

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Runnells forms support group

Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County, in conjunction with the Alzheimers Association's Northern New Jersey Chapter, has formed a new Alzheimer's support group. The group's first meeting will be on Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the multipurpose room at Runnells.

Free and open to the public, the meeting will provide information on Alzheimer's, a form of progressive dementia, updates on current research on the disease, practical care techniques and a list of community resources. It also will be an opportunity for those who attend, to discuss and share their frustrations in caring for a loved one who has Alzheimer's disease.

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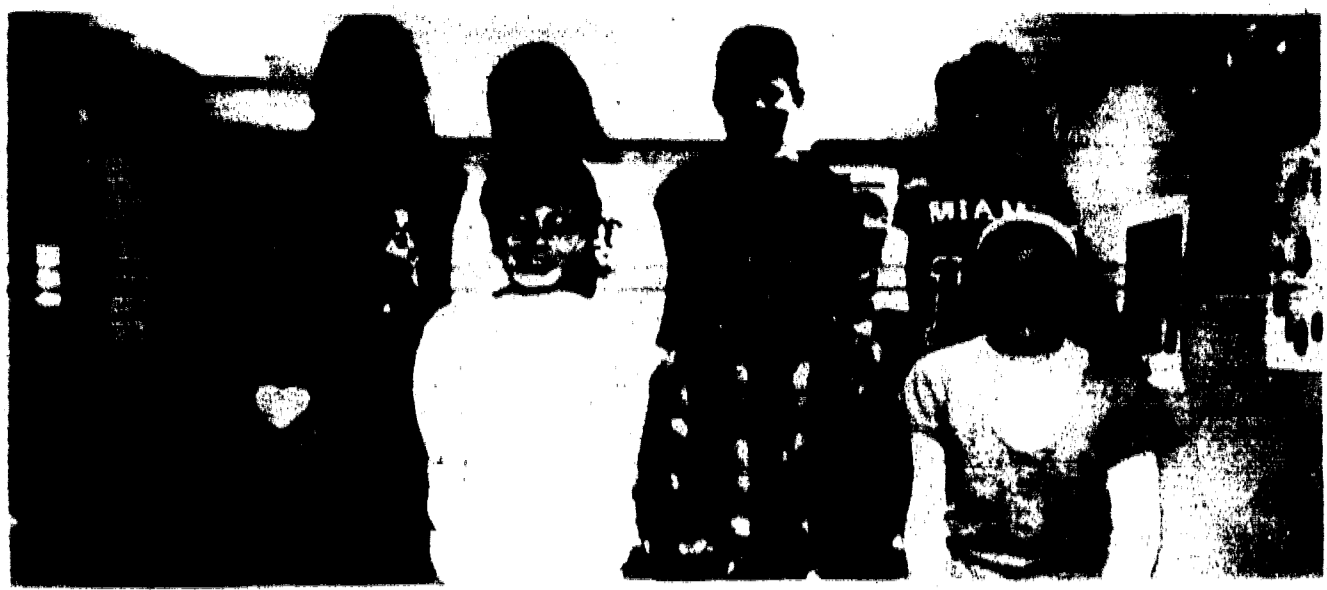
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Dream makers



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Students from Springfield's Sandmeier School recently submitted works of art for consideration in the National Dream-Makers Exhibition.

Franks will vote for tax bill this week

Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, endorsed a \$189 billion tax cut package, which the House is expected to vote on later this week.

During a press conference at the Scotchwood Diner in Scotch Plains, Franks said these "far-reaching tax cuts are the spark that can ignite our sluggish economy."

Franks said the tax package also addresses the concern of families that they are "working harder but still not getting ahead."

Franks said the \$500 tax credit for children under the age of 19 "would enable families in Central New Jersey to keep all together an additional \$60 million of their income."

Franks said that 74 percent of the child tax credit would go to families who earn below \$75,000 a year and that the biggest beneficiaries would

be families earning between \$30,000 and \$50,000.

Other tax cuts in the package that would benefit families include a \$5,000 tax credit for adopting a child; a \$500 tax credit for caring for an elderly parent or grandparent; and a tax credit of up to \$145 for working couples.

Franks also released figures showing that in his Congressional District 19,345 senior households would be able to keep a total of \$26 million more of their income by lowering the tax on Social Security benefits.

The tax package calls for reducing the Social Security tax burden during a five-year period from 85 percent to 50 percent for individuals earning more than \$34,000 a year and couples earn-

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ing more than \$44,000 annually.

Franks, who serves on the House Budget Committee, said that, in all, 75 percent of the tax relief would go to families and seniors, giving them more money to spend or invest in a secure future.

Funding for the tax relief will come from cuts in federal spending.

The capital gains tax reduction included in the package will leave more capital in the hands of businesses and entrepreneurs to invest in new products, new equipment and new jobs, said Franks. It would make American business more competitive in today's marketplace, spurring new job opportunities for American workers, he added.

State labor commissioner announces increase in agricultural employment

New Jersey Labor Commissioner Peter J. Calderone announced that the total non-agricultural wage and salary employment in New Jersey climbed by 10,700 from January to a seasonally adjusted level of 3,593,200 in February.

More complete reporting by employers for the prior month also led the department to revise the previously released January jobholding estimate upward by 800 to 3,582,500, thus reducing the December-to-January decline from 1,200 to 400.

"With this strong showing in February, New Jersey so far this year is continuing at the same kind of healthy pace of growth set last year when we gained an average of 5,000 jobs per month," Calderone said.

Calderone noted that every major division, with the exception of construction, registered over-the-month gains in February.

The Labor Department's latest survey of employers found that jobholding in the private service-producing sector increased on a seasonally adjusted basis by 10,000 from January to a level of 2,386,400 in February.

The greatest over-the-month growth occurred in retail trade, up by 4,500. The increase was broad based, with gains of 1,200 in miscellaneous retail such as drug stores, liquor stores and fuel dealers; 700 in food stores; 500 each in department and variety stores and automotive retail; 300 in furniture and home equipment stores; and 200 in building materials. On the downside, apparel shops dropped by

700 and eating and drinking places declined slightly.

Wholesale trade employment rose over the month by 800 to a level of 264,600 in February.

In the services subcategory, jobholding increased by 3,600. The growth was concentrated in business services, up by 3,000, health services, up by 1,200, and engineering/management services, up by 900. Changes elsewhere in the services subcategory were small and offsetting.

Employment in transportation/communications/public utilities rose by 600, due principally to hiring in trucking and warehousing. Finance/insurance/real estate recorded a gain of 500 during the month.

After a gain of 1,800 from December to January due in part to mild weather, construction employment declined by 700 in February to a seasonally adjusted level of 126,200. Despite the decrease, construction employment in February was 1,100 above the December level and 13,300 above a year ago.

Manufacturing employment edged up by 400 from January to a level of 507,600 in February, after seasonal adjustment. The greatest increase occurred in food processing, up by 700. Most other manufacturing industries were up slightly or unchanged during the month. The largest loss was recorded in apparel, down by 600.

On a preliminary basis, the seasonally adjusted average workweek of production workers in New Jersey's factories rose by 0.2 hour during the month to 42.5 hours in February

which was 0.7 hour longer than the 1994 annual average workweek of 41.8 hours. This was a new post-World War II high, 0.2 hour above the previous record high first reached in December 1993 and later matched in October 1994, December 1994, and January 1995.

The Labor Department's monthly survey also revealed that the average hourly earnings of manufacturing production workers in New Jersey decreased by one cent from January to an estimated \$13.57 during the February survey week. Average weekly earnings decreased during the month by \$1.78 to \$568.58.

Stop for buses

Some motorists may be unaware of the law regarding schools buses. Following are guidelines provided by the Division of Motor Vehicles.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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- 1. A photo copy of their Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval.
2. A photo copy of their Certificate of Employee Information Report (AA 302).
3. A complete Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA 302).

By order of the Board of Education, Springfield, Union County, New Jersey, dated April 6, 1995.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE SHERIFF'S NUMBER CH 751744

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Notice of Hearing - An application has been made to the Board of Qualifications of the Township of Springfield by Jay L. Kloud, Esq. on behalf of POP Realty Corporation for a use variance and such other variances and relief as may be required pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Springfield.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal voters of the School District of the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, New Jersey, that the annual election of the legal voters of said district for the election of three (3) members to a three year term of the Board of Education and for other purposes will be held at 2:00 o'clock P.M.

The polls will open at 2:00 P.M. and will remain open until 9:00 o'clock P.M., and as much longer as may be necessary to permit all the legal voters then present to vote and to cast their ballots.

The election will be held and all the legal voters of the School District will vote at the respective polling places stated below.

At the said election will be submitted propositions for voting taxes for the following respective purposes:

RESOLVED, that there should be raised for the General Fund, \$9,880,500.00 for the ensuing School Year (1995-96).

The polling places for said election and their respective polling districts (described by reference to the election districts used at the last General Election) have been designated below, and no person shall vote at said election elsewhere than at the polling place designated for the voters of the polling district in which he or she resides.

POLLING DISTRICT NO. 1 Polling place at the James Caldwell School at 36 Caldwell Place in the School District, for legal voters residing within General Election Districts Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of the Township of Springfield.

POLLING DISTRICT NO. 2 Polling place at the James Caldwell School at 36 Caldwell Place in the School District, for legal voters residing within General Election Districts Nos. 4, 5 and 6 of the Township of Springfield.

POLLING DISTRICT NO. 3 Polling place at the Florence M. Gaudineer School at South Springfield Avenue in the School District for legal voters residing within General Election Districts Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the Township of Springfield.

POLLING DISTRICT NO. 4 Polling place at the Thelma L. Sandmeier School, 666 South Springfield Avenue in the School District for legal voters residing within General Election Districts Nos. 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the Township of Springfield.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTICE OF RE-BID

WIRE AND CABLE NETWORK TAKE NOTICE THAT sealed bids will be received by the SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION, Rear of Florence M. Gaudineer School, South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081 at 10:00 AM, prevailing time on Monday, April 17, 1995 at the OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION for the furnishing of WIRE AND CABLE NETWORK FOR FLORENCE M. GAUDINEER & EDWARD V. WALTON SCHOOLS

In accordance with the specifications and proposal forms for same which may be obtained by contacting InterTech Associates, Inc., Engineers Office, Plaza 70 - 2 Bucks Lane, Marlboro, New Jersey 07746, upon payment of \$75.00 payable to InterTech Associates. Said fee for specification is non-refundable.

All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes with the names of the Project and the Bidder clearly written on the outside, and must comply with the instructions to Bidders furnished with the Bidding Forms and Specifications.

The SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION reserves the right to reject all of the bids for any reason whatsoever or to waive irregularities or informalities in specific bids or the bidding procedure to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Bidders are required to execute a standard Contract as a condition of receiving the award.

All Bidders must submit a Bid Bond or a Cash Bond in the form of a certified check equal to ten (10%) percent of the amount of bid.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, Chapter 127, concerning Affirmative Action and must furnish Notice of Compliance with same with their bid. Bidders are required to comply with the rules and regulations of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) concerning unlawful discrimination in employment.

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April 10, 1995

You may experience decreased water pressure or temporary discoloration. It may be helpful to allow your water to run until it is clear. This should only take a few seconds. Our customer service representatives will be happy to assist you or answer any questions. Please call (201) 376-9520.



SPORTS

Bulldogs fall to Millburn in season's opening tilt

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

A heart-breaking season-opening loss for the Dayton Regional High School baseball team fell prey to back-to-back doubles with two out in the bottom of the seventh as host Millburn rallied to beat the Bulldogs 2-1 last Saturday in the first round of the second annual Millburn Tournament.

Dayton, which was scheduled to play its home opener Tuesday against Mountain Valley Conference Mountain Division foe Newark Central, will play in the Millburn Tournament again this Saturday.

Dayton starting sophomore pitcher Tom Lehmann pitched the first five innings and looked good. He allowed

just one hit and struck out nine. Joe Cluff drove in the Bulldogs' lone run on a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

Winning pitcher Frank D'Arzi belted the game-winning double off of Dayton relief pitcher Bobby Brade.

The Bulldogs, 13-6 last year, will be led by senior outfielders Chris Pajon, Cliff and Steven Florio.

H.S. Baseball

Trivett goes 3-for-4

Former Dayton standout Clayton Trivett is off to a good start for the Mary Washington College baseball team.

The Springfield resident, a junior, went 3-for-4 with a triple and two runs scored in leading Mary Washington past St. Mary's 5-0 in Capital Athletic Conference action March 21.

Mary Washington College is a Division 3 school located in Frederickburg, Va.

Robert Gardella at third and Roberto Lemaitre at shortstop.

Lehmann and senior Alex Galambos are the first baseman and senior Jason Perez, the catcher. Pitchers include Lehmann, Brian Hart, Andy Blair and Brade.

Prospects include Josh Diamond and Greg Mark.

Rich Torres enters his 10th year as the head coach. 14th with the baseball program and 21st with the school.



LACROSSE PLAYERS — Mountainside residents Patrick Collins, left, and Phillip Bellezza participate in the Berkeley Heights-New Providence Lacrosse Club. Both are 8th grade students at the Deerfield School. The club is open to Mountainside residents in grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 and two teams are coached by former college player Dick Stout. More information may be obtained by calling the Mountainside Recreation Department at 908-789-4490.

Manigan stint is over

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Dayton Regional High School head football coach Bill Manigan resigned last week and then took the same position at Newark Academy in Livingston.

Manigan took over the reins from Tony Maglione in 1992 and had a three-year record of 5-21-1. The Bulldogs had a respectable 4-1 record last year and the freshman team finished undefeated.

"It was a great experience," Manigan said. "There were a lot of changes around here during my three years, but I felt that I left the program in pretty good shape."

No successor has been named yet.

Manigan, Seton Hall University's last head football coach, had stints as an assistant at Morris Catholic and Millburn prior to being hired at Dayton. He replaces Wayne Shields at Newark Academy.

Dayton baseball, softball teams in action tomorrow

The following are Dayton Regional High School spring varsity sports schedules:

Baseball

- April 7 North Plainfield, 4:00
- April 8 Millburn Tournament
- April 11 at Immaculata, 4:00
- April 13 at Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- April 18 at Hillside, 4:00
- April 20 at Roselle C., 4:00
- April 22 at Summit, 1:00
- April 25 Roselle, 4:00
- April 27 Johnson, 4:00
- April 28 at Central, 4:00
- May 2 at Verona, 4:00
- May 4 at North Plainfield, 4:00
- May 5 Immaculata, 4:00
- May 9 Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- May 11 Hillside, 4:00
- May 12 Roselle C., 4:00
- May 16 at Roselle, 4:00
- May 18 at Johnson, 4:00
- May 19 Roselle Park, 4:00
- May 23 Middlesex, 4:00
- May 24 at New Providence, 4:00

- May 16 Roselle, 4:00
- May 18 Johnson, 4:00
- May 22 at New Providence, 4:00
- May 23 at Roselle Park, 4:00

Boys' Tennis

- April 6 at Roselle C., 4:00
- April 11 at North Plainfield, 4:00
- April 12 at Oratory, 4:00
- April 18 Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- April 25 Immaculata, 4:00
- April 26 Bound Brook, 4:00
- April 27 Johnson, 4:00
- April 28 Ridge, 4:00
- May 2 Roselle C., 4:00
- May 4 North Plainfield, 4:00
- May 11 at Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- May 12 at Columbia, 4:00
- May 16 at Johnson, 4:00
- May 17 Oratory, 4:00
- May 18 at Immaculata, 4:00
- May 19 New Providence, 4:00
- May 23 at Ridge, 4:00
- May 25 at Bound Brook, 4:00

Boys' Track

- April 6 at North Plainfield, 4:00
- April 8 at Summit Relays
- April 11 Roselle C., 4:00
- April 13 at Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- April 18 Hillside, 4:00
- April 20 Johnson, 11:00
- April 25 Roselle, 4:00
- April 29 at Millburn Relays
- May 9 at Bound Brook, 4:00
- May 13 MVC Meet at Ridge
- May 15 Novice Meet at Ridge
- May 17, 18 UCT Meet at Elizabeth
- May 27 NJSIAA Sectionals
- June 2, 3 NSJIAA Groups

Girls' Track

- April 6 at North Plainfield, 4:00
- April 11 Roselle C., 4:00
- April 13 at Gov. Livingston, 4:00
- April 18 Hillside, 4:00

Girls' track excels

The Dayton Regional High School girls' track and field team captured the double hurdles title at last Saturday's Mountain Valley Conference Relays held at Bound Brook High School.

The Bulldogs were led by Jaime Levine, Jackie Ziku, Sabrina Pacifico and Jodi Bruder, who won the event in 1:16.29.

- April 20 Johnson, 11:00
- April 25 Roselle, 4:00
- April 29 at Millburn Relays
- May 2 St. Patrick's, 4:00
- May 9 at Bound Brook, 4:00
- May 13 MVC Meet at Ridge
- May 20 UCT Meet at Elizabeth
- May 27 NJSIAA Sectionals
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Volleyball

- April 7 Johnson, 4:00
- April 11 at Mother Seton, 4:00
- April 12 at Chatham, 4:00
- April 13 Bishop Abr., 4:00
- April 18 Millburn, 4:00
- April 20 at Madison, 4:00
- April 24 New Providence, 7:00
- April 25 at Livingston, 4:00
- April 29 Bulldog Tournament
- May 1 Caldwell, 4:00
- May 3 at Whippany Park, 4:00
- May 5 at Verona, 4:00
- May 8 Roxbury, 4:00
- May 11 Mount Olive, 4:00
- May 12 East Brunswick, 4:00
- May 16 at Columbia, 4:00
- May 17 Mother Seton, 4:00
- May 18 at Johnson, 4:00
- May 22 at Bishop Abr., 4:00
- May 24 Chatham, 4:00
- May 26 at Millburn, 4:00

Golf

- April 6 at Livingston, 3:15
- April 7 at Immaculata, 3:45
- April 10 Middlesex/Roselle, 3:45
- April 12 at Ridge/Pingry, 3:45
- April 13 at West Orange, 3:45
- April 17 Bloomfield/Roselle C., 3:45
- April 18 at Central, 3:45
- April 21 Bernardsville, 3:45
- April 24 North Plainfield, 3:45
- April 25 at Union, 3:45
- April 27 at Caldwell, 3:45
- May 1 Immaculata/Pingry, 3:45
- May 2 at Madison, 3:45

Top quality soccer offered at Kean College this year

Tony Ochrimenko, head coach of the Kean College men's soccer team, is presenting a very special week of top quality soccer encompassing only the top boy players in the state ages 13 and over.

Running from Monday, June 26 through Friday, June 30, Ochrimenko will host 36 of the top players in the state at his new Union County Select Camp Week. Players will be selected from the State Olympic Development Program, All-State teams and other top caliber players.

More information may be obtained by calling Ochrimenko at 908-527-2936.

Kean College, home of the 1992 Division 3 National Champions, will be host to the 12th annual Cougar Soccer School run by Kean head coach Tony Ochrimenko.

The school is for boys and girls ages 5-17 and runs for three separate week-long sessions. The first session is July 24-28 followed by July 31-Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-11.

There are full day and half day options along with early bird specials, team, group and family rates.

More information may be obtained by calling the Cougar Soccer school at 908-527-2936.

The first Kean College All-Girls Soccer Camp is being run this summer by Kean women's soccer coach Fred Napoli.

The camp will take place from July 17-21 for girls ages 6-17.

More information may be obtained by calling Napoli at 908-527-3031 or 2436.

If you're looking for exciting soccer games against people your age,

Erskine, Henrich to appear at card show

Do you know who Mickey Mantle hit his first home run off of? How about his last one?

Both pitchers will be signing autographs at Saturday's seventh annual Roselle Catholic High School Men's Association Comic Book, Baseball Card and Sports Collectable Show. Held in the school's gym on Raritan Road in Roselle, the show will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In case you didn't know, Bob Lemon gave up Mantle's first home run and Denny McLain his last. NOT. Randy Gumpert, who pitched for the New York Yankees from 1946-48, gave up Mantle's first on May 1, 1951 while pitching for the Chicago White Sox.

Lomborg, who pitched for the Boston Red Sox from 1965-71, gave up Mantle's last, his 536th, on Sept. 20, 1968.

Gumpert and Lomborg will be appearing for the first time and will be signing between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Mantle, who was Rookie of the Year in 1951 and who retired at the conclusion of the 1968 season, played his entire 18-year career with the New York Yankees. Gumpert was a member of the Yankees' 1947 world championship team and Lomborg was the American League Cy Young Award winner in 1967, pitching in that year's World Series for the Red Sox against the St. Louis Cardinals.

There are six different divisions including high school boys, high school girls, men's division, women's division, men over 30 and women over 30.

The games will start at 6 p.m. at the Kean College East Campus. Rainouts will be made up the next day at the same scheduled time.

The \$490 registration fee includes league insurance, referees fees, 12-Reebok-T-Shirts per team and trophies for first- and second-place teams.

More information may be obtained by calling Tony Ochrimenko at 908-527-2936.

Sports Camps

The morning sessions will feature players training at instructional stations, positional play and instruction specialization.

After a one-hour lunch period, players will then listen to a lecture featuring individual and group demonstrations, practical application of the lecture session and athletic competition through actual games.

Golf and boys' wrestling camps will be held June 26-30, meeting the first day at Cranford High School, while a tennis camp will be conducted at the college's Cranford campus, with a date choice for participants either June 26-30, July 10-14, July 17-21, July 21-Aug. 4 or Aug. 7-11.

A pee-wee tennis camp for children ages 5-7 will be held Aug. 14-18.

A baseball camp will be conducted at Nomahegan Park opposite the Cranford campus, with a date choice of July 10-14, July 17-21 or July 24-28.

Basketball camp participants have a choice of attending sessions during the weeks of July 17-21 or July 24-28, both meeting for the first day at Cranford.

Girls' softball and girls' basketball camps will be conducted July 31-Aug. 4 at Nomahegan Park and Cranford (for the first day), respectively.

A soccer camp will be held from Aug. 7-11, with an additional pee-wee soccer camp conducted for children ages 5-7 during the week of July 31-Aug. 4. Both soccer camps will be held at Nomahegan Park.

Participants who sign up for summer sports camps by May 1 will pay a discounted rate.

More information may be obtained by calling the college's department of continuing education and community services at 908-709-7602.

UCC sponsoring 8

Union County College will sponsor eight summer sports camps during the upcoming season for young people ages 8-15, offering intensive, week-long training by professional coaches.

Young people will be able to gain skills and techniques through summer sports camps in golf, wrestling, tennis, baseball, basketball, girls' softball, girls' basketball and soccer.

The sports camps will also be co-sponsored by the college, the Cranford board of education and the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

Each summer sports camp will run daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Days will begin with an overview of the type of emphasis to be covered, with assignments then organized and warm-ups

Carl Erskine, the legendary pitcher for the Brooklyn Dodgers from 1948-'57 and a member of Brooklyn's 1955 world championship team, will be signing autographs between noon and 3 p.m.

Tommy Henrich, "Old Reliable," will be signing autographs from 1-4. He played for the Yankees from 1937-1950 and was one of the team's best players during that span.

A donation of \$3 for adults and 99 cents for children under the age of 12 will be collected for admission. Proceeds will benefit the Roselle Catholic Baseball program.

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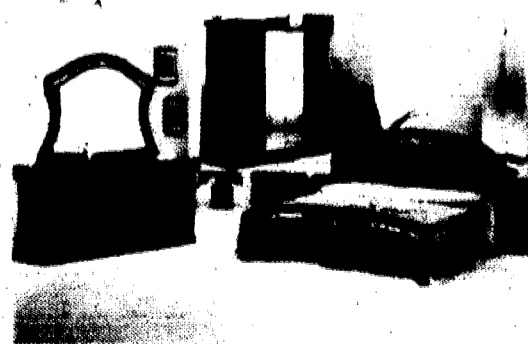
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APRIL 6, 1995

For world's best pancakes, it's Broadway



Photo By Milton Mills

Roberto Rodas, chef at the Broadway Diner in Summit, cooks up an assortment of pancakes, homefries and breakfast meats for diners at the restaurant.

Roberto Rodas says the secret of making more than 10,000 pancakes a week is "all in the wrist." Roberto is the head chef at The Broadway Diner in Summit.

The diner, known for "The Worlds Best Pancakes," has been serving thousands of pancakes a week since opening in 1993. Roberto says, "I've been here since the opening and have not missed one day yet."

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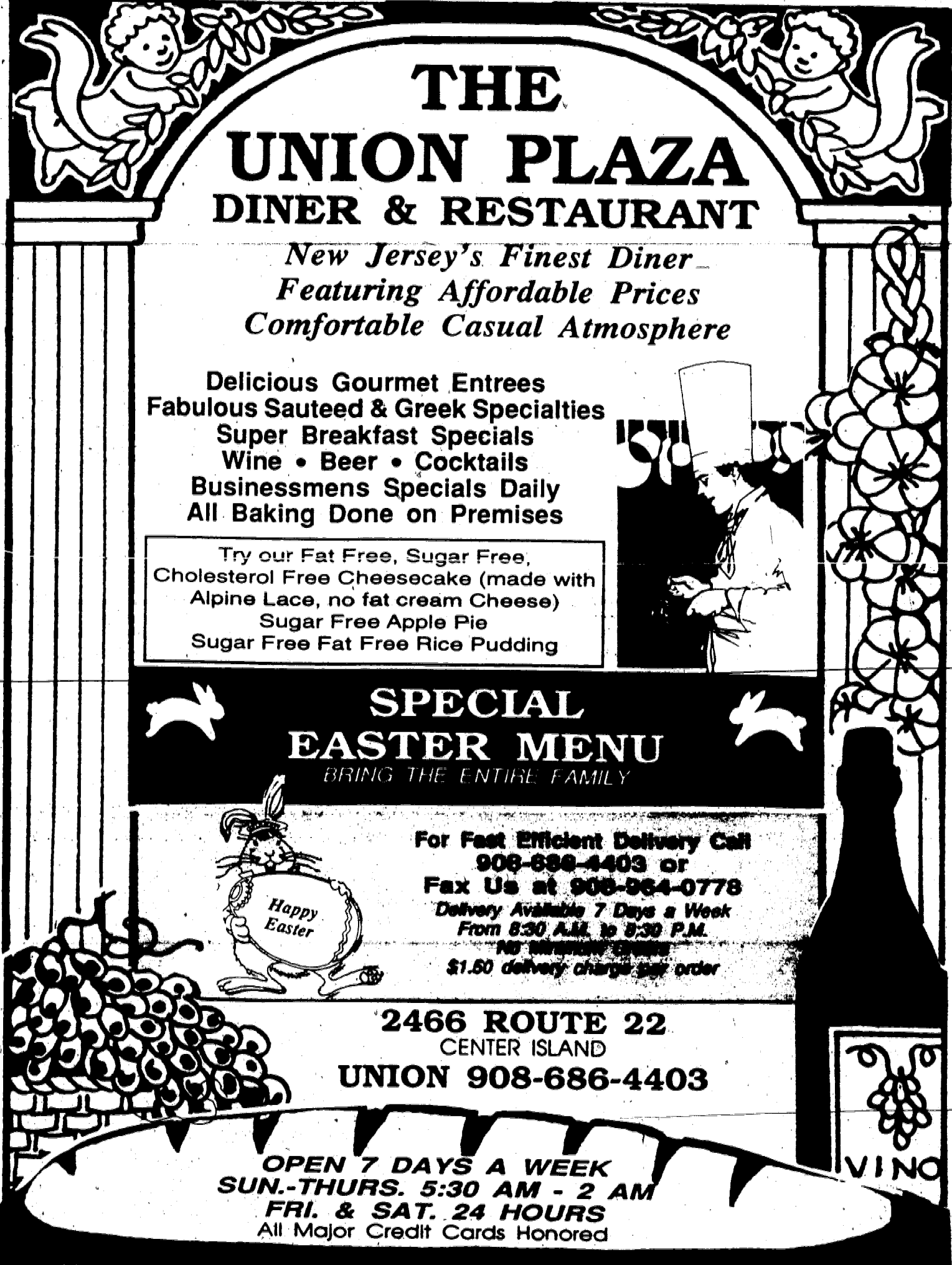
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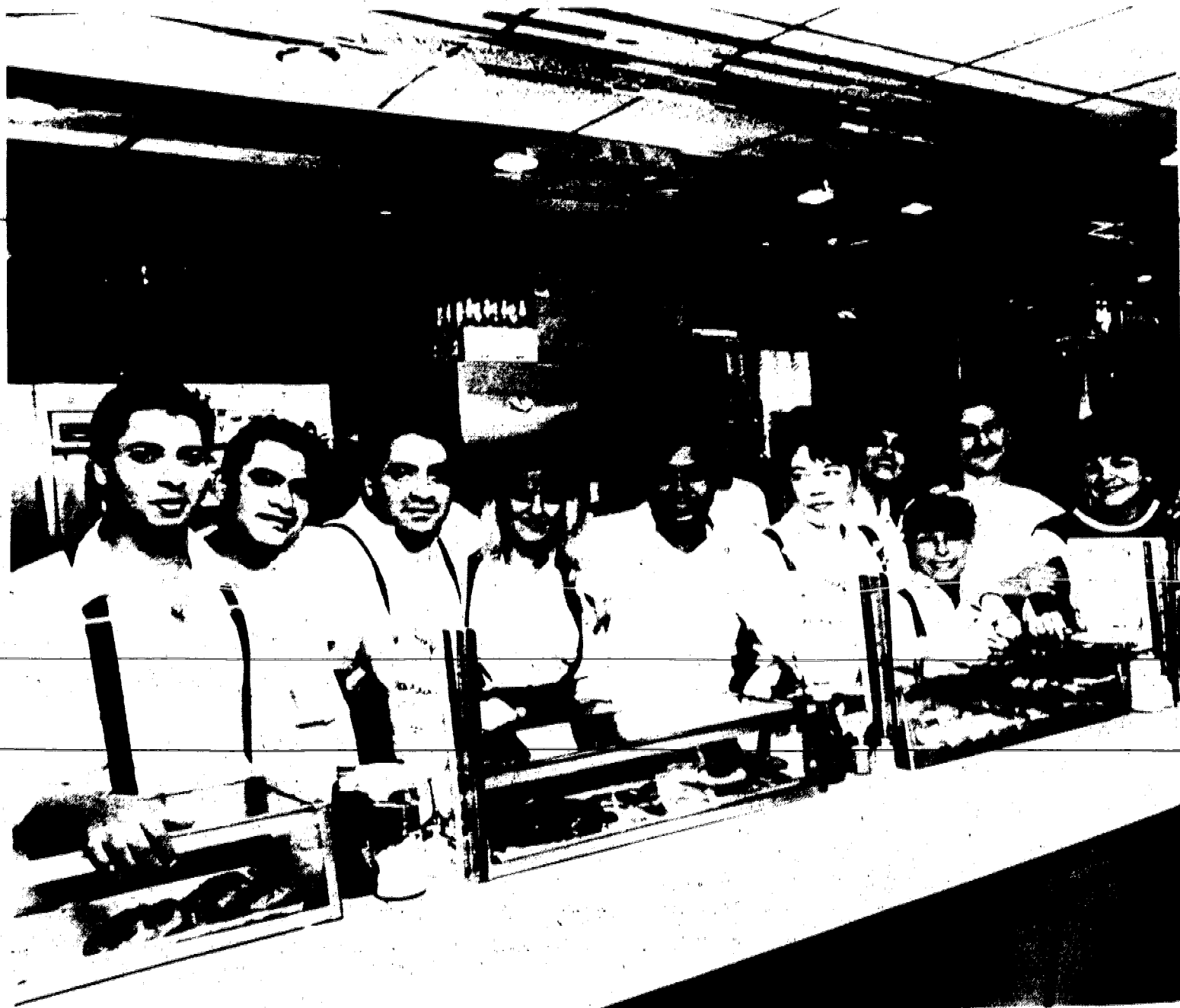
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Union Plaza will keep you coming back



The staff at Union Plaza Diner and Restaurant, located on the center island of Route 22 in Union, is always waiting to serve you. Come in and meet them. They are, from left, Sam, Francisco, Luis, Ruth, Alam, Jack, Raquel, Maria, Wendy, Luis and Maria.

The Union Plaza Diner, situated on the center island of Route 22 in Union, is an easy place to get to and a hard place to leave when you're finished eating.

The owners, Nicky and Peter Dedes, have established a friendly atmosphere that is taken to immediately by all of its patrons. They have a real desire to welcome you, provide you with generous portions of food, prepared and served by an attentive staff, and last but not least, hope to welcome you back again for repeat helpings of each on your return visits.

When the owners are unable to be on hand, they turn over the management to Lou and Kay, who in turn, have their own devoted clientele who will visit several times a week to enjoy the food and visit a bit.

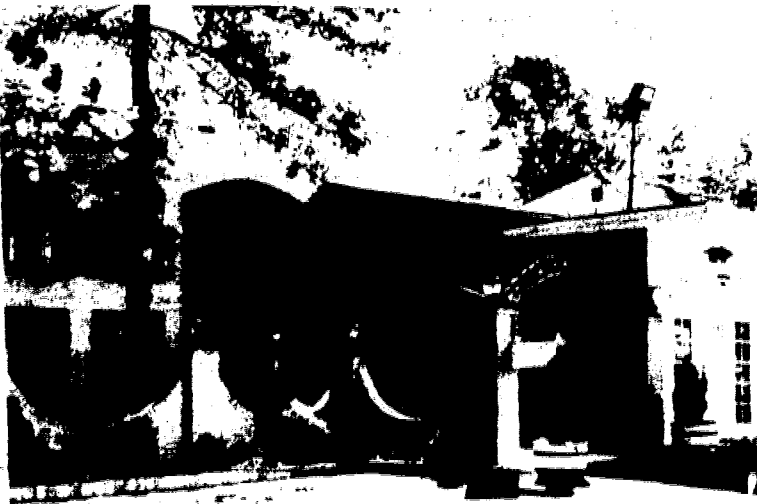
Upon visiting the diner, patrons will discover that the orange juice that is served with breakfast tastes like it was fresh squeezed that same day. The selections at any meal, however, are varied and delicious no matter what you choose.

The diner staff, both in the kitchen and those that serve you, are basically a happy lot, each sporting a smile instead of a frown, to make your dining experience a more enjoyable one. Many of the patrons have their own particular favorite server who they will ask for when being seated.

At each of the major seasonal holidays, the diner is decorated with items that remind you of the holiday in an effort to make the setting that much more comfortable and relaxing for the visit — be it for a snack or a complete dinner.

The whole experience makes patrons feel like they are at home. In fact, a man recently proposed to his girlfriend at the diner. She accepted and wedding plans are now underway.

While all couples that dine at Union Plaza probably will not have that same experience, most will come back again and again for the pleasant experience of eating at the diner. Try it yourself. Nicky and Pete would like to add you and your friends to their family.



Costa Del Sol, located at 2443 Vauxhall Road, Union, features Portuguese and seafood specialties.

Costa Del Sol's history makes it truly unique

The Old Cider Mill Grove, established in 1921, was acquired by the Costa Del Sol of Bound Brook in 1982. The merger of the facility and talents, together with its recently completed addition, have produced a restaurant and catering facility of truly unique dimensions.

Costa Del Sol is located at 2443 Vauxhall Road, Union, and is open from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and for dinner from 5 to 10 p.m. seven days a week, and features Portuguese and seafood specialties.

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Osmond Celik, left, chef at Yesterday's Restaurant, is joined by co-owners Fred Shambora and Carol Napadano outside the facility, which is located at 230 Westfield Ave. in Roselle Park.

Fine food, casual setting makes Yesterday's 'best'

Yesterday's Restaurant, conveniently located at 230 West Westfield Avenue in Roselle Park, offers fine Italian-American cuisine in a casual family atmosphere. It was voted "best of the best" by New Jersey Monthly magazine.

Yesterday's patrons can choose their meal from four categories — salads, sandwich board, pasta and entrees. Entrees include mouth-watering chicken dishes, succulent seafood, steak and chops prepared to customers' liking.

If your looking for fun, Yesterday's provides live entertainment every Friday and Saturday nights. Anyone interested in good food in generous portions, and fast, friendly service should stop by Yesterday's Restaurant.

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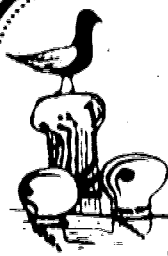
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Julio Resende, owner of Alfonso's in Hillside, displays this new banquet room which can accommodate up to 100 people.

Alfonso's 'special' meals make dining a delight

The new Alfonso's Restaurant, 310 Hillside Ave., Hillside, can cater your next party, shower or business meeting.

Whether you decide on lunch or dinner, Alfonso's succulent specialties from the ports of Spain and Portugal will satisfy your appetite. Its menu includes appetizers tempting enough to wet anyone's appetite. Menu selections include mouth-watering dishes of meat and poultry such as Veal Marsala, Broiled Steak, Shrimp and Sausage with Rice and Filet of Chicken in Garlic Sauce. And there are also seafood favorites such as Shrimp in Wine Sauce, Filet of Red Snapper and Broiled Whole Lobster.

Your meal can be accompanied with fine selections of wine, whiskeys and beer from Alfonso's adjoining cocktail lounge.

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Cafe Fontana chef Peter Mavrides, left, and owner Charlie Lyristis prepare special meals in their brick oven.

Eatery's old world charm brings Italy close to home

Located on Morris Avenue in Union, Cafe Fontana offers an authentic Italian cuisine in a light and comfortable setting. This lively casual Italian eatery brings out the old world charm with its wall displays of breads, pastas and delectables, and a wall-mounted wine rack featuring selected wines from Italy.

The service is provided by a well-trained staff of servers who are cheerful, energetic and always eager to please. Their carefully composed menu maintains the highest standard in quality and freshness of imported and domestic ingredients — and keep in mind the family pocketbook.

Cafe Fontana offers a large selection of salads, 18 different innovative pasta dishes along with a selection of chicken, veal, seafood and its famous Brick Oven Pizza from its wood-burning oven.



Photo By Milton Mills

Demonstrating their slight of hand are, from left, Alexis Steak House and Tavern bartenders Paul LePorriere, Ben Stecky and Tom Cervizzo.

Alexus features good food with a family atmosphere

Alexus Steak House and Tavern, which is located at 1246 Route 22 West in Mountainside, is the home of "outrageous steaks, great burgers, overstuffed sandwiches and cold beer." There is a lot more at this unpretentious, friendly but high quality family restaurant in the big white building with the burgundy and beige sign and awnings.

The atmosphere is light, cheery and upbeat — families, groups and couples enjoying everything from a light meal or snack to a full dinner, all made with the freshest ingredients. Inside is a full bar, private banquet and party rooms. Reservations are accepted for groups and large parties. All major credit cards are accepted.



Bartender Maureen Bugle serves customers Gary Hughes and John Wolthoff at the Garden Restaurant in Union.

Food plentiful at Garden, its staff aims to please

A bountiful garden of food and service awaits diners at the Garden Restaurant.

The restaurant, located at 943 Magic Ave., Union, features seafood and steak entrees, and much more. Lunch and dinner specials are offered daily. Lunches start at \$5.95 and dinner entrees are priced from \$14.95 and include a dinner salad.

The Garden Restaurant offers a wide selection of wines, both in variety and price. House wines, from Paul Masson, are \$2.75 by the glass, \$5 for a half-carafe and \$9 for a full carafe.

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L'Antonio's Restaurant owner John V. Molle is prepared to serve his customer's the finest cuisine. The restaurant is located at 625 North Michigan Ave. at the corner of Route 22 in Kenilworth.

World-class Italian cuisine delights L'Antonio's patrons

Chef John V. Molle is waiting to serve customers the finest Italian cuisine. With 18 years of experience, Molle has delighted patrons all over the world.

Among his major accomplishments, Molle has performed his art in some of the finest restaurants including L'Antonio's Restaurant, Summit, Sinclair's, Westfield, Cook Plaza Cafe, Madison, and Summit Squire. He has also worked in fine restaurants in Italy and Austria.

L'Antonio's is available for private parties and all your banquet needs. L'Antonio's Restaurant is located at 625 North Michigan Ave. at the corner of Route 22 East, Kenilworth.



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Midas Touch, conveniently located at the intersection of West Westfield Avenue and Locust Street in Roselle Park, offers a variety of meals to its clientele.

Fine meals, fair prices give Midas golden touch

The Midas Touch Diner and Restaurant on Westfield Avenue at Locust Street in Roselle Park is a classic example of this unique institution, serving some of the finest meals in the state at very reasonable prices.

Manny Niotis, who opened the restaurant in 1979 with his brother and a cousin, has more than 32 years of experience in the restaurant business and assures you that the menu selection has been prepared from the finest, freshest produce, choicest meats and carefully selected seafood. We take the utmost care to assure you carefree dining!

Ample parking is provided in a well-lighted lot.

Small parties up to about 20 people can be seated, and a non-smoking section is provided.



Cortina Restaurant, 28 North Ave. West, Cranford, offers this spacious dining area for banquets and other functions.

Cortina won't disappoint taste buds of customers

Nestled snugly in the heart of downtown Cranford, across from the train station, the Cortina Restaurant is easy to find, and it's easy to find safe, well-lit parking, but once you're inside the restaurant, it's hard to leave. The walls are covered with the impressionistic paintings of Joseph Dawley.

Cortina Restaurant's Northern Italian cuisine literally changes your taste buds; you'll want to taste as many offerings as you can, and with good reason — absolutely nothing disappoints.

A private banquet room for 70 people is available for parties at Cortina. After 13 years in Cranford, Cortina possesses the vibrancy of youth and, like the finest of Italian wines, will only get better with age.



Photo By Joe Long

Tom Leigh, owner of Finnagel's Restaurant, and waitresses Tricia Joffe, left, and Natale D'Amore offer a toast to customers of the restaurant.

Finnagel's doesn't stray far from original course

Finnagel's was built in October 1981 across the street from its present location of 254 North Broad St., Elizabeth. The original restaurant had a bar and small dining area that could accommodate about 85 people.

In June 1985, Finnagel's moved across the street to a larger building because it had outgrown the small, intimate atmosphere of the original building. A large banquet room was added in 1988 which was later cut in half to make a game room.

The owners, Bob and Mike Finhe, originally wanted to open a family steak house with the atmosphere of an Irish pub. This is still the theme. Knowing it could not be all things to all people, Finnagel's concentrated its efforts on providing good, quality beef and fresh fish. For the most part, it has been faithful to its ideal.

Despite its reputation for good and plentiful food, Finnagel's is most gratified with the quality of its staff.

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The Loading Dock, which is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood, features a menu loaded with a variety of entree options designed to please.

Appetizers that are a meal in themselves lead into a choice between nautical delights, land-loving, meat mongers and pasta lovers, or an ample selection of combinations. If you think you can squeeze in dessert after all of that, there are plenty of sweet delights from which to choose.

The dining area has a unique art-deco style with tall walls and a high ceiling, the likes of which are usually found in posche Manhattan bistros. There is also a comfortable bar area where you can keep your evening if you care to, make new friends which as the menu explains was the original intention of traditional loading docks.

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Mario's Trattoria, located at 495 Chestnut St., Union, serves fine Italian cuisine.

Classic pizza, fine food can be found at Mario's

Mario's used to be a great place to go for pizza and Italian sandwiches, but now in addition to being "the home of the classic pizza," it is also the place to go for some of the best fine Italian cuisine in Union.

The restaurant's expanded menu, which includes extensive choices of veal, seafood, chicken, steaks, chops, pastas and salads, has something for everyone.

Mario's Trattoria, owned by Elizabeth Garofalo, is located at 495 Chestnut St., Union. It is open for lunch and dinner on weekdays from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturdays from 11:30 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from 1 to 10 p.m.

Mario's also offers take out, has outdoor dining in the summer and can accommodate 75 people for banquets and business lunches.



Fred and Sam Hayeck display the sign that says it all.

Hayeck's serving up giant sandwiches

If you want a truly giant overstuffed delicious corned beef sandwich, Hayeck's Restaurant is the place to visit.

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John Kourtis, co-owner of the Rustic Mill, takes food orders from Dolores Janish, left, and Lisa Lesiak.

Healthy eating norm at The Rustic Mill

The Rustic Mill, 109 North Ave., Cranford, provides a safe haven for healthy eaters. A member of the Wellness Works Program initiated by HHP Health Plan of New Jersey, The Rustic Mill serves up balanced meals for the health-conscious and traditional favorites for those who prefer a diet of milkshakes and cheeseburgers.

Patrons can choose a variety of foods from the reasonably priced menu at The Rustic Mill. Appetizers like potato skins, calamari rings and fried vegetables go for under \$5. The menu also is littered with American standards like the California cheeseburger and various deli sandwiches, not to mention the salad boutique and classic omelettes. For those who would prefer to "lighten up with healthy attitudes," there is the menu created by registered dietician Carol Victor which includes nutritious items like the turkey burger or the hot vegetable platter.

Friendly service and a bright, welcoming atmosphere make The Rustic Mill an ideal eating place for any family. Hours are 6:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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Bhaskar Bupathi prepares food at Veena, Route 22 in Scotch Plains.

Veena's offers variety of dishes to patrons

Veena, located on Route 22 in Scotch Plains, offers a variety of Northern and Southern Indian dishes at very reasonable prices.

Entrees range from \$4.45 for sada dosia, a crepe of rice and lentil flour, to \$14.95 for shrimp tandoori, shrimp marinated in spices and herbs and baked in the tandoori oven. There is a wide selection of vegetarian dishes and all selections can be ordered mild, medium or hot.

Complete meals — soup, appetizer, bread, entree, dessert and beverage — are offered with prices of \$12.95 for a South Indian meal and \$17.95 for the Veena special. Dinners for two can be had for \$27.95 for the vegetarian meal and \$35.95 for non-vegetarian.

A buffet lunch is served Monday through Friday for \$6.95; and a weekend and holiday brunch is \$8.95. Every Wednesday night is South Indian Night and a complete meal is \$9.95. Thursday's are Veena night and diners can eat like royalty for \$10.95.

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The Betty Lind Diner Restaurant, 1932 East St. George Ave., Linden, has a new look inside and out.

Betty Lind takes on new look in and out

The Betty Lind Diner Restaurant has been newly renovated and has a new look inside and out.

The diner features free shrimp on the diner's large salad bar and many new entrees to choose from. All baking is done on premises. Senior citizens and children are always given special care.

Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, the diner is conveniently located at 1932 East St. George Ave., Linden.



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Chef Mario Lavorato prepares a flavorful treat from the sea for a customer at the Ill Amici's Ristorante, 1700 West Elizabeth Ave., Linden.

North and South mix makes Ill Amici tasty

Ill Amici Ristorante, 1700 West Elizabeth Ave., Linden, offers a vast range of continental Italian cuisine with each dish painstakingly prepared as though it were specialty of the house.

Six nights a week, diners can experience the culinary craftsmanship of Amici's master chefs as they carefully blend Italy's most famous styles of cooking in what owner Giovanni Lavorato described as "a combination of Northern and Southern Italian cuisine." Best of all, it's offered at a price you can afford.

Perfect for all occasions is Amici's banquet room, which accommodates 175 people. A special wedding package including a complete dinner and open bar is offered at \$29.95 per person.

Lavorato and his partner, Michele Corvelli, are right at home among their customers. "We want to create a friendly atmosphere," Lavorato said. "I make everybody feel comfortable."



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Times have changed, but pancakes haven't



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The International House of Pancakes staff includes, front, from left, Mario Barahona, Nicole Petcov, Andrea Savasta, Trisha Vaniska and Michele Kenny. Making up the rear are, from left, Javier Ramos, Jody DeSena, Joseph Morris, Jessica DeSena and Wallace Washington.

The International House of Pancakes on North Broad Street in Elizabeth has been operating for the past 35 years. Some customers come in and say that they were brought here by their parents back in the '60s. Now they bring their own children in to eat.

The same delicious pancakes that were cooked in the IHOP back then

are still being cooked today, much to the delight of many residents in surrounding areas that visit the restaurant. Of course, they've added many new kinds of pancakes to the old original menu since the '60s. Some of these include Harvest Grain 'n Nut, Country Griddle Cakes, and their newest addition, Rainbow Pancakes.

Chestnut features Elvis night



Ronnie Lee Steele

Chestnut Tavern, which is located at 649 Chestnut St., Union, will feature Ronnie Lee Steele on April 22 at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Also performing with him will be Honey and Colleen who are known to do a little country, oldies, Electric Slide, twist and lots of other dance music.

Ronnie being one of the top Elvis Impersonators in the country is truly a fabulous show not to miss. He believes in doing the show almost exactly the way Elvis himself would have done it. Making sure everyone has an unforgettable time.

Ronnie asks that all the Elvis fans to come out and enjoy the great food at the Chestnut Tavern. They have a great name and specials also. Then you can sit back and enjoy the show.

Make it an evening you won't forget with dancing, singing and great atmosphere. Come see why Ronnie is known as one of the top performers in the Tri-state area.

Ronnie Lee Steele can be contacted by calling his agent/Manager Shelly Rosenberg at Shelly Productions at (201) 796-9582. He's available for concerts, parties, surprises, weddings, etc.

Dining Guide a keeper

Once again, Worrall Community Newspapers is delighted to bring you this special Dining Guide as a keepsake edition to acquaint you with choice places throughout the year.

Whether it's a dinner for two, party of 10 or a banquet, you're bound to find something to your liking on these pages.

The section consists of restaurant listings, restaurant ads, house specialties and catering facilities.

We have presented a list of the leading restaurants — all in alphabetical order for your convenience. For each one, we have included some essential information to help you make your choice. If you need more information, feel free to call the restaurant.

Select according to location, type of food, hours and prices. Many are wheelchair accessible. Some also provide special low-sodium alternatives for those people who have to pay special attention to their salt intake. Most accept major credit cards.

Dining out has become so popular these days, we wanted you have a handy reference guide for everything from a quick bite after work to an elegant evening on the town.

This guide also has another special feature — a directory of caterers. If you're planning a wedding reception, anniversary party or a very special event, you won't want to miss this section. Don't wait! Reservations are being filled fast.

To tantalize your taste buds, we asked restaurant owners and chefs to provide an outstanding "Specialty of the House."

They graciously complied, so you will find exotic, exciting dishes with an explanation on how they are prepared and the manner they're presented. Some of these specialties may be a unique creation done by the chef himself.

In many cases, we've outlined the recipe if you'd like to try it at home for comparison's sake.

Keep this guide handy and refer to it before you go out to dinner next time. You're sure to find out that you don't have to go to the big city to find an unusual, unique dish.

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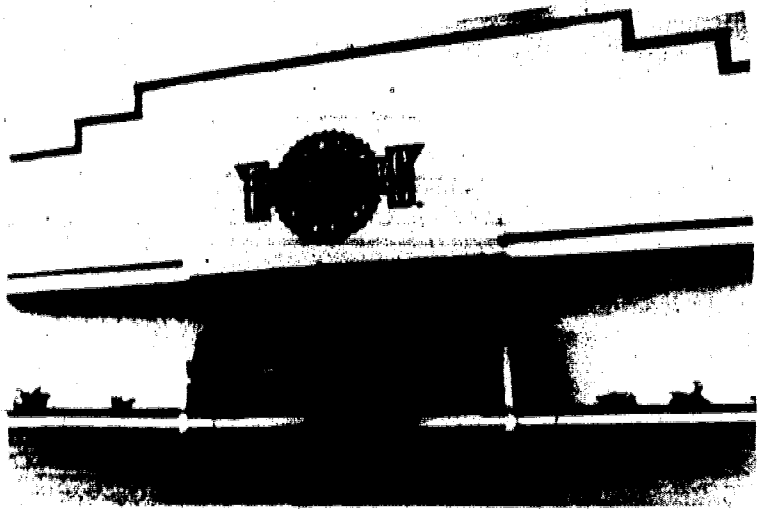


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Fuddrucker's restaurant, home of the 'World's Greatest Hamburgers,' is located on Route 22 in Union.

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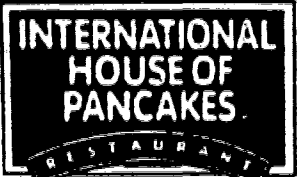
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