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Borough Highlights

Harvest Festival planned
 Trailside Nature and Science Center is seeking artisans, crafts people, and food vendors to demonstrate colonial crafts and/or work skills, or to sell their products at its 15th annual Harvest Festival.

The festival, to be held Sept. 29, from 1-5 p.m., is a celebration of colonial and American Indian life, and features demonstrations, live period music, a Revolutionary War-type encampment, children's crafts and colonial games, food, and much more.

Participants who wish to sell their products will be charged a table fee.

Examples of crafts and work skills being sought are blacksmithing, kick wheel pottery, broommaking, shoemaking, and quilting.

For more information about how to participate or volunteer, call Betty Ann Kelly, at 789-3670, Tuesdays-Saturdays.

Bible school to start

Adults can gain useful information on parenting while their children enjoy Vacation Bible School or the care of dedicated nursery workers at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield, 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 15-19.

Running with the free children's program is a series including Milton Faith, executive director of Youth and Family Counseling Services in Westfield, on "How to Raise a Healthy Child."

In addition, there'll be a Red Cross demonstration on rescue breathing/choking; information on prevention of assault and abduction; and discussion of discipline, using love and limits.

Programs are open to the public, and childcare for infants and toddlers is provided for participants. To register for any one or all of the parenting classes or Vacation Bible School, call the church office at 233-2278.

Lunchtime at Dayton

The Food Service Unit of the Union County Regional High School District's Summer Youth Employment Training Program will be providing lunches to the public Mondays through Fridays, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., beginning Monday at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

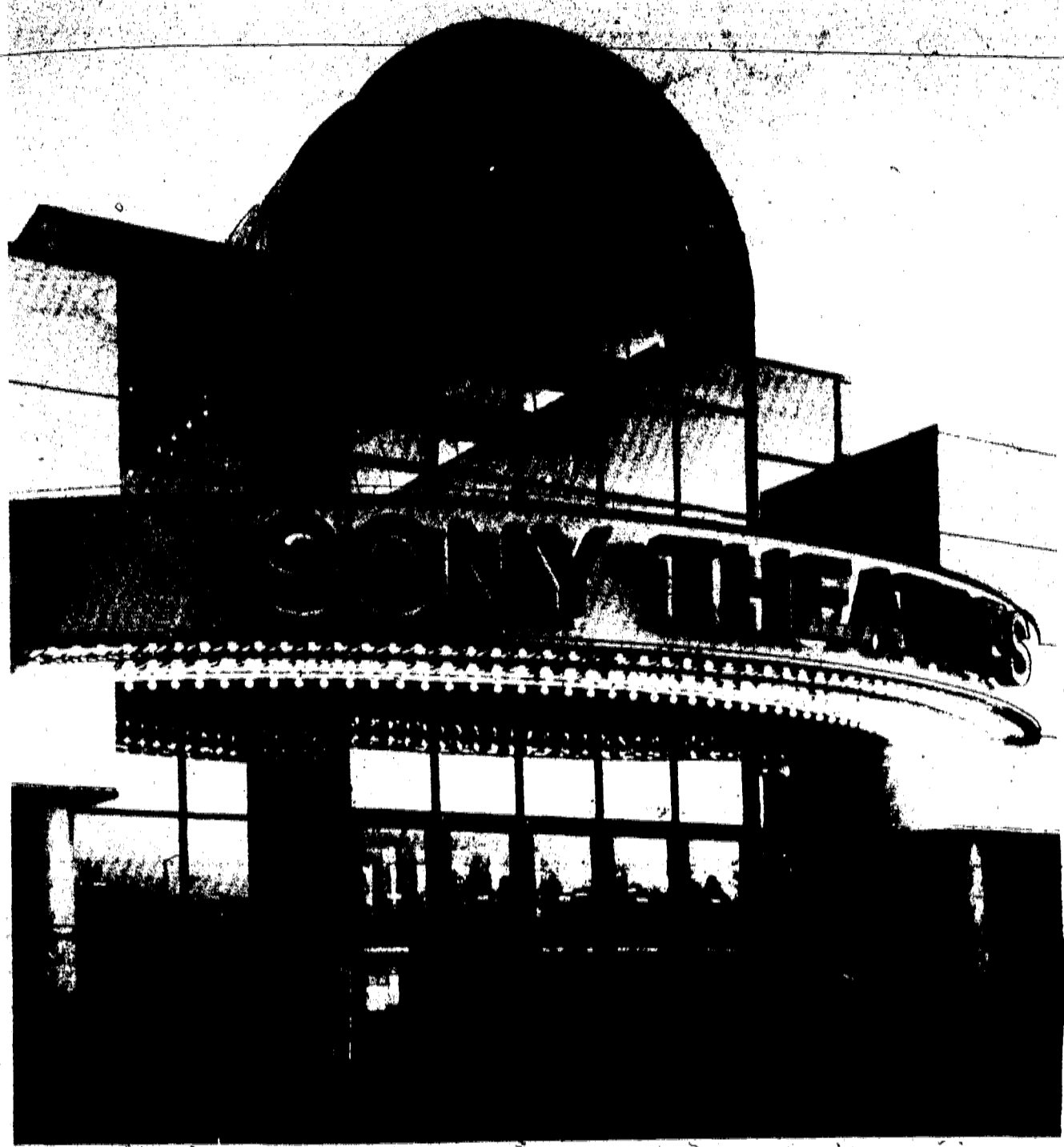
Patrons may purchase a lunch consisting of an entree, salad, beverage and dessert for \$2.50. These lunches will be available to the public every weekday through Aug. 1, with the exception of tomorrow and Friday.

For more information on the summer lunch program at Jonathan Dayton, call the school at 376-6300.

Recycling dates

The next pick-ups of recyclable materials will take place Monday and July 22.

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Blockbuster summer movies, including "Eraser" and "Independence Day," mark today's opening of Sony Theatres Mountainside.

Sony opens its doors today

Sony Theatres will open its 10-screen cineplex today.

Sony Theatres Mountainside, located on Route 22 East, will open with the summer's biggest hits including "Independence Day," "Phenomenon," "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" and "Eraser."

On Thursday, the theater will host a variety of family activities including children's face-painting, a balloon artist and free coffee and donuts for all customers.

Sony Theatres Mountainside has a total seating capacity of 3,000 rocking chair seats, all with cupholder armrests. All of the auditoriums are

equipped with state-of-the-art projection and sound systems, including Sony Dynamic Digital Sound — the most advanced digital sound system in the marketplace today.

Sony Theatres Mountainside showcases the new Sony Theatres "Star" design, featuring a huge art deco-styled lobby with a dramatic 35-foot arched glass atrium ceiling.

The theater, designed around the Sony Theatres' new customer service program, features an open manager's kiosk in the lobby, six indoor computerized box office stations and a concession stand, ensuring that all customers receive "next in line" ser-

vice. Video monitors in the lobby will run film previews.

The theater was designed by the architectural-engineering firm of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc.

Headquartered in Grand Rapids, Mich., FTC&H has designed more than 20 state-of-the-art movie theaters throughout the United States.

Sony Theatres is the seventh largest motion picture theater circuit in the country, with 850 screens in 140 locations in 14 states.

In New Jersey, Sony Theatres is the largest theatrical exhibitor, operating 142 screens in 19 locations throughout the state.

Deerfield will offer new math curricula

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
 Managing Editor

The Board of Education will be lending its middle-schoolers a helping hand in math for the 1996-97 school year, bringing them age appropriate classes to prepare them for the next level of mathematics in high school.

Assistant Principal Audrey Zavetz was scheduled to present a plan to the board last night, after the *Echo* had gone to press. "We're talking about making a revision in our math program," she said Monday. "It's kind of a two-year plan, where next year, we hope to have algebra offered in the eighth-grade as well as the seventh-grade."

Currently, only eighth-grade students may take the course.

"We also want to have a pre-algebra class in sixth-grade and another in seventh-grade," she added, "and we don't even have it now."

The school system is looking into a new series "that is the same as what we feel is best for our students," Zavetz said.

The University of Chicago Math Program is, according to Zavetz, a math program that must be taken in total. "It focuses on math concepts and it focuses on how students arrive at an answer as opposed to just getting the correct answer, so that when this is

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 Assistant Principal
 Deerfield School

totally phased in, we'll have our students in algebra and pre-algebra much earlier than they would have been and we'll also be able to offer an eighth-grade geometry class which will be equivalent to the geometry class offered at Governor Livingston High School."

"Our concern is that our students are offered age-appropriate classes so that when they get to the high school, they can be taking the classes that are appropriate to them at that time," Zavetz said.

Surrounding towns offer 4th fireworks

Although the borough will not have its own Independence Day fireworks display, residents can enjoy celebrations in neighboring Springfield and Summit.

This year, through special arrangements, Springfield's fireworks display will be the largest ever held in that township. The fireworks will be held tomorrow night. The gates will open at 6 p.m. and the fireworks will start at dusk.

In the event of inclement weather, the fireworks display will be held on the next clear night.

This year's "family picnic" theme encourages families to bring chairs and blankets and enjoy a family picnic with an excellent selection of food provided at reasonable prices by caterers.

Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the field.

A \$2 per person donation is collected at the gates to help pay for the cost of the display. The cost of having the fireworks is funded by the gate collections and a mailing to local businesses and organizations requesting donations.

The City of Summit has planned an all-day affair, to be held at Soldiers Memorial Field on Myrtle Avenue.

Beginning at 9 a.m., the party will include food, rides, music and dancing, and continues until 2 p.m. At that time, the park will be cleared and preparations will be made for the fireworks display, to start at dusk.

County presents down-home summer entertainment

'Country Western Night' continues concert series

By Blaine Dillport
 Staff Writer

The county Division of Parks and Recreation will present Country Western Night at Echo Lake Park as part of its annual Summer Arts Festival concert series tonight. The Country Western Night featuring the Tim Gillis Band will take place tonight at 7:30. Admission is free.

"We have had Tim Gillis in the past and he is very popular, he plays in a number of places in the area and we still know that we will fill the park," said Debra Judd of the Union County Parks and Recreation Department.

The Tim Gillis Band is a popular country music dance band. "This seven piece group features pedal steel, fiddle, guitar, bass, drums, keyboard as well as two female vocalists. This talented band consistently provides the best in country music," said Edwin Force, chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

The Tim Gillis Band always attracts large numbers of people who love to dance to and enjoy country music," said Union County Manager Ann Baran. The band has entertained throughout the United States, Canada,

Europe, and the Caribbean. The Tim Gillis Band was the first country music act to perform on the Queen Elizabeth II cruise ship. The band also has been an opening act for the Charlie Daniels Band, Vince Gill, the Statler Brothers, Mickey Gilley, and many others.

This Country Western Night is the third concert of the season to be held at Echo Lake Park. The concerts will continue until August and are free.

"We do one night devoted to a certain type of music, to offer something to everybody," Judd said. "The concert series seems to grow every year; this year, we got off to a slow start due to the weather, but we tend to build as the series goes on. Every year we seem to get more and more people attending the concerts. I don't know if people are not going away as much, if we are getting the word out better, or if the acts are getting better, but we hope that it is a combination of all of these factors."

A lot of the concert series is made possible due to donations from local businesses who contribute along with the county to make the Summer Arts



The Tim Gillis Band is one of the musical groups performing in Union County's annual Summer Arts Festival Concert Series, to be held in Echo Lake Park tonight.

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County seeks to improve its lakes, ponds, lagoons

Water quality and general aesthetic improvement of county-owned lakes are the focus of a study recently commissioned by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

F.N. Brown Inc. of Lansdale, Pa., has been retained to prepare a Diagnostic Feasibility study for the restoration of 11 lakes, ponds and lagoons within the Union County park system. The result of the study will be a strategic plan to improve County waterways in terms of water quality, litter, debris and sediments deposits, eroding shorelines, proliferation of nuisance weeds and poor accessibility to the public for recreational purposes.

This project was designed by a 10-member team composed of county employees. Utilizing a Total Quality Management cross-functional approach, team members surveyed county staff, mayors and municipal engineers using 16 separate criteria. Using the survey results, the team then priority ranked 12 lakes to receive attention. One of these, Lake Surprise in the Watchung Reservation, has already been the subject of a study and is currently the focus of further engineering studies. The other lakes, in priority order, are Green Brook Lagoon in Plainfield, Upper Echo Lake in Mountainside and Seely's Pond in Berkeley Heights.

Concert series to continue through August

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Festival possible. "Some of the businesses will decide to sponsor an entire night such as 'symphony night' or 'oldies night' which helps to make the concert series a success," said Judd.

A dance floor, refreshments stand

and county information booth are available at the concert site, but patrons must bring their own chairs or blankets to sit on. In the event of rain, the concert will be held at Cranford High School on West End Place in Cranford.

A full concert schedule is available

by calling 527-4900 or by stopping into the county's new Customer Information Center at 300 N. Ave. East in Westfield from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Peace-keepers

Worrall Community Newspapers wants to keep our readers in touch with their neighbors serving in the armed forces.

The families and friends of those in the military, whether stationed in the United States or abroad, are encouraged to submit information and photos for publication.

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Only photos accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope will be returned.

Regional District offers car wash & wax at ALJ

The Auto Preparation Unit of the Union County Regional High School District's Summer Youth Employment Training Program will be providing a car wash and wax service to the public Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Westfield Avenue, Clark.

The cost for a car wash is \$3, while a car wash and wax is \$5. An interior cleaning of the car is included in the price. All work will be done by appointment only. For an appointment, call Walter Wiatr at Johnson Regional High School, 382-0910, extension 3130. This service will continue through Aug. 2.

Trailside offers nature activities for children

This summer, Trailside Nature and Science Center will be offering kids of all ages an opportunity to "get back to nature" during special workshops and day camps. Trailside's summer session begins July 8 and continues through Aug. 23.

For the 3-4 year old preschool set, "The Two of Us" provides child and caregiver with hikes, activities, storytelling and crafts designed to promote interactive discovery and awareness of the natural world. The program is from 9:30-10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.-12 p.m. on Tuesdays or 9:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Upcoming sessions include: Geo Tykes, Sprout Surprise, Web Weavers, Buzz, Follow Those Footprints, Turtle Time, and Stream Stroll.

For pre-first-grade children 4-6 years old, four-day, one-hour-long drop-off programs are offered. "Natural Beginnings" introduces students to food chains and through a planting activity, games, hikes and crafts, the interdependence of all living things is stressed. "Feathers, Fur and Scales" teaches children about different animal "suits" and groups. Live "special guests" round out this program. For the dinosaur "expert" or novice, "Dinomite" will take students back through time to the days of the "terrible lizards" and includes the dino-trivia game and a "fossil hunting expedition."

"Going Buggy" focuses the child on the many six-legged creatures called insects. Special insect collecting equipment will be used to catch

insects such as grasshoppers, cicadas, crickets, and more for a close up look. Then, the group will return them to their habitat.

Children ages 4-6 get "cool" during "Wet and Wild" when they get wet, discovering water wonders and the importance of wetlands. A visit to Surprise Lake, games and crafts are included in this 90-minute program. "Fabulous Flappers" will bring the bird world into focus as participants do the "Bird Bop," play "Busy Beaks" and learn birding basics.

For children entering the first and second-grades, "Trailside Rockers" will explore rocks and minerals. Students will watch a mini-volcano erupt, search for volcanic rocks in the Watchung Reservation and start their own rock collection during this three-day, 90-minute program. "Fairies of Field and Forest" will unleash your child's imagination as they pass the time as fairies might. Planned activities include making fairy homes and dishes from natural materials, listening to stories and music, and exploring the "wee" places. Everyone receives a fairy headband.

In addition to three and four-day workshops, Trailside will be offering two five-day, day camps in which children have the option of signing up for half-day or full-day sessions. Nature Discovery Club's morning portion immerses children in nature's wonders through exploration of forest, field, stream and pond followed by

a fascinating look at the world of insects. The afternoon session introduces students to the life and ways of Native Americans who lived in harmony with nature. Games, Native American lore, making dream catchers and pottery will all be included. Also featured will be a planetarium show featuring Native American sky lore. "Earth and Sky Wonders" will have students investigating the world beneath their feet. The morning session includes soil sampling and exploration of the underworld and its inhabitants. The afternoon session focuses on day and nighttime skies and their special features. Included will be art activities, cloud watches and planetarium shows.

Dates, times and fees for all programs vary. All programs require preregistration.

Summer workshops

Is your soon to be third or fourth grader a budding geologist, marine biologist or does he or she simply have a desire to learn all about habitats, insects, salamanders and other wildlife? If so, Trailside is offering just the right mixture of fun and hands-on learning during summer workshops and day camps.

"Rock Hounds", scheduled for July 10-12, will have "geologists" discovering the secrets of the past and uncovering a few, present day surprises, too. Participants will start their

own rock collection and explore the process of weathering, taking home the result. On Friday, a van trip is planned to dig for fluorescent minerals at the world famous Buckwheat Dump in Franklin.

On Aug. 21 from 10 a.m. until noon, "Ocean Wonders" will include exploration of the marine environment through games, activities and a planetarium show titled "Sea Creatures in the Sky." On Aug. 22 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., students will seine and dip nets to collect fish, crabs and other marine life in the bay and oceanside at Sandy Hook.

Week-long day camps offered from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. include "Junior Naturalists" and "Eco-Kids." Parents may opt to choose half-day sessions for camps from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. or 1-4 p.m. as well.

The morning portion of "Junior Naturalists," offered July 8-12 or August 12-16, will include pond and stream investigation and will have students conducting a salamander survey. Children in the afternoon session will take part in an insect safari, tracking treks and an investigation of a forest community. Nature games, art activities and journaling will help students to understand the interdependence of all living things.

Wildlife homes, hideouts and basic needs will be the focus of "Eco-Kids" morning session. Students will learn how to sharpen their powers of observation through exciting nature activities and try their hand at building their own bird nest. In addition, students will create a weaving using recycled materials. During the afternoon session, animal and plant adaptations will be explored. Students will examine the skulls and jaws from Trailside's collection and hike in the pine forest in search of signs of owls. Eco-Kids will be held July 15-19 or July 29-Aug. 2.

For dates, times, fees information and a brochure listing programs for all ages, call Trailside Nature & Science Center at 789-3670.

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Playing it cool



A few members of Deerfield School's graduating class of '96 stay cool at the Community Pool during a recent party sponsored by the PTA. The Matioli family donated inner-tubes, which were painted by borough resident Dawn Ciasulli. In addition, many local merchants contributed prizes and party goodies.

Residents are alive with 'The Sound of Music'

Springfield residents Stephanie Koempel and Michal Goldberg will appear in featured roles in the JCC Musical Theater Company production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Tony and Oscar-Award winning musical "The Sound of Music" July 9-14 in the Maurice Levin Theater at the JCC of Metropolitan New Jersey, 760 Northfield Ave. in West Orange.

Performance times are 8 p.m. on July 9 and 11 and 2 p.m. on July 10 and 14. Ticket prices are \$15; \$13 for JCC members; and \$12 for seniors and students. Group rates are available. The theater is accessible to the handicapped. Tickets are available at the JCC box office or by telephone at (201) 736-3200 ext. 253.

Goldberg, playing Elsa Schrader, is a voice and drama teacher who has been featured in productions of "Mame," "Oliver," "Carousel," "Company" and "Brigadoon." Stephanie Koempel, playing Sister Margaretta, holds a bachelor of fine arts degree in acting from Montclair State University. Her favorite roles include Samantha in "Uncom-

mon Women and Others" and Lea in the award-winning production of My Sister in this House, for which she received an A.C.T. nomination.

Director Larry Biren has been an actor and director of professional theater for 25 years. Musical director Ilene Greenbaum is a veteran of local community theater, having served as music director for the Livingston Community Players, Florham Park Players and the Livingston High School All-School Musical. The "Sound of Music" marks the sixth production that Janet Stoddard has choreographed for the JCC. Stoddard has choreographed musicals for high schools, colleges and community theater for the past 20 years and created "At Home With the Arts," a dance program for individuals with Alzheimer's Disease. Stage manager Steve Eisen is a member of the JCC Theater Arts Committee and was stage manager for the JCC Productions of "Funny Girl" and the "Music Man."

Further information is available by calling the JCC at (201) 736-3200 ext. 253.

AT THE LIBRARY

Mountainside

Special events:
 • "Balloon Sculpture Workshop" presented by Joe Fisher, Tuesday, July 9, 3 p.m. Learn the secrets for twisting and turning balloons into fanciful shapes, creating dogs, flowers, turtles, swans and much more. Each child will also receive a special kit with balloons and a balloon pump to take home and extend the fun. For children ages 7 and up. Registration required. Call the library to sign up.
 • "Winnie-The-Pooh: There's No Camp Like Home," Aug. 14, 11:30 a.m. Readers and campers alike will laugh at the hilarious antics of Winnie-the-Pooh and company and their adventures in the Hundred Acre Wood. Video features will start following the presentation of certificates and prizes of all Summer Reading Program participants.

Storytimes and more

Beat the heat with some summertime fun. Each session lasts approximately 30-45 minutes.
Bedtime Stories: Tuesdays, through Aug. 6, 7 p.m. A family storytime for kids, young and old. Just drop in: Pajamas and teddy bears encouraged.
Stories and Camp Crafts: Mondays, through Aug. 5, 10:30 a.m. For children, Grades K-6. Classic tales and a new craft each week: gods' eyes, yarn dolls, nature collages and more. Registration required. Please call or come in to sign up.

Games and Videos: Thursdays, July 11-Aug. 8, 2 p.m. For children, Grades K-6. Just drop in to beat summer boredom with our board games. Bring your own favorite games, too. Videos and computer games also available.

Try out the new computers in the Children's Room. Kid's Cat is a special interface to the Dynix online catalog, just for kids. The new multimedia workstation offers several CD-ROM programs: Grolier's Encyclopedia, Microsoft Dinosaurs, Oregon Trail and more for children in first grade and up. Children of all ages will enjoy the Apple computer with software featuring the Muppets, the Stickybear family and Carmen SanDiego.

For more information call the Mountainside Public Library, at 233-0115.

Springfield

Children of Jerusalem

The Free Public Library will offer a five part video series called "The Children of Jerusalem" during July and August.

Intended for children and adults, each half-hour documentary features a portrait of a young adolescent from five ethnic groups in Jerusalem.

On different sides of the Middle East conflict, these children live in the shadows of both peace and protest. Living within a few kilometers of each other, they can barely imagine how the others must live. Narrating the films themselves, the children provide an engaging and detailed portrait of their daily lives, hopes and fears.

The films will be shown on the following dates:

"Yacoub" is a 9-year-old Palestinian growing up in Jerusalem's Christian quarter. The film will be shown July 10 at 7:30 p.m., and repeated July 12, at 4 p.m. "Tamar" is a 10-year-old West Jerusalem musician. The film will be shown July 24,

at 7:30. "Yehuda" is a 10-year-old Hassidic West Jerusalem resident. The film will be shown Aug. 7 from 7:30-8 p.m., and repeated Aug. 9 from 4-4:30. "Neveen" is an 11-year-old Palestinian resident of a refugee camp in Jerusalem. The film will be shown Aug. 21 from 7:30-8 p.m., and repeated Aug. 23 from 4-4:30 p.m. Refreshments and a short discussion will follow each film's showing. No registration is necessary.

Movers, shakers and history makers

The library is sponsoring a series of video programs featuring interesting people from many areas of achievement. Titled "Movers, Shakers and History Makers," the videos will be drawn from the A&E television series, "Biography." Attendees are invited to bring brown bag lunches and view videos on seven upcoming dates. Coffee and dessert will be supplied. All programs will be presented at noon.

The lavish lifestyles of the Vanderbilts and the Rocketfellers will be presented on July 9. July 23 will feature the lives of Eleanor Roosevelt and Yitzhak Rabin: Soldier of Peace. World War II will be the focus of two of the sessions, the first one on Aug. 6 when the biographies of Tokyo Rose and Hirohito will be screened.

World War II will be featured once again on Sept. 3. Before that, however, on Aug. 20, viewers will have the opportunity to peer into the business and private lives of Leona Helmsley

and Ross Perot. Sept. 3 will feature two important players in the dropping of the first atomic bomb, Harry S. Truman and J. Robert Oppenheimer. The series will end on Sept. 17 with two of the most famous murderers in history, Jack the Ripper and Lizzie Borden.

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OPINION

Show your colors

Just because the borough will not hold a fireworks display this Independence Day does not mean Mountainside residents cannot express their appreciation for freedom and love of country tomorrow.

As many borough residents will enjoy a day off from work on the Fourth of July, we hope all will take time and make the effort to display American flags on their properties.

During these final years of the 20th century, the expression of patriotism somehow has become suspect. What a generation ago was considered unfashionable, now sometimes is viewed as indicative of racism, among other "isms."

Of the 23 cities, townships, boroughs and villages served by Worrall Community Newspapers, we often look to Mountainside for signs of unity and community spirit. It was a delight to witness and report the centennial celebrations last year, not just because of the fireworks and parade, but because thousands of people united to take pride in their town's history and its promise of a better tomorrow.

Although there will be no geographic location where borough residents can gather tomorrow to mark Independence Day, we know there is a spirit that bonds Mountainside and defies those who would question the presence of American flags on private properties.

Here's to many individual celebrations of our country's freedoms — including the freedom to express patriotism with a little flag-waving.

Don't hesitate to show your colors.

Have you heard?

One of the paradoxes common among small communities is the way many residents become aware of facts left unspoken. Mountainside is no different.

While the grapevine is a mode of communication that dates to the dawn of man, to say nothing of the advent of the printing press, there are facts public officials should hurry to share with borough residents.

In recent weeks, it has come to our attention that several events regarding public safety have been handled with too much discretion by police and school officials.

Our issue with the Police Department is not a new one. We've always been concerned about the manner through which this newspaper is allowed to gather information from the police. Our reporters either have to telephone or visit one of the senior officers, who then will cull the arrest and theft reports he considers appropriate for public consumption.

Arrest and theft reports are public information. By law, anyone is allowed to visit police headquarters and view any police report pertaining to the arrest of a crime suspect and the report of stolen or vandalized property.

We are aware of their inability to discuss continuing investigations. Furthermore, it is our policy not to report incidents of domestic violence. Those two stipulations diminish the scope of our crime coverage, but violating them would do no one any good.

However, there are arrests made in the borough that should be brought to the attention of the public. Recently, police arrested a man at his office on Mill Lane in connection with the attempted abduction of a 13-year-old Hillside girl.

Also recently, a student at Deerfield School was caught in possession of a BB gun and a knife on school grounds. Luckily, no one was injured.

Parents of children in the same grade as the boy were notified of the incident, but none of the parents of students in the other eight grades received the official word. The Board of Education would not discuss the matter publicly, again leaving us wondering.

We wouldn't want officials to disclose the name of the boy — and we wouldn't print it anyway — but when the safety of the public is an issue, informing the public of a problem is the right thing to do.

We're not accusing the police or school board of withholding public information, but without direct access to the pertinent documents, we have no way of knowing otherwise.

Since the *Echo* is one of the newspapers the Borough Council and Board of Education designate as an official media outlet, we're concerned by having had to learn of the former matter from the Hillside police and of the latter from word of mouth.

The *Mountainside Echo* is a private enterprise in the public service. When borough officials need us to convey information, we've been there for them — and will continue to be. But communication is a two-way street, and we would very much appreciate being able to report all that is important to the public welfare.

"Language is not neutral. It is not merely a vehicle which carries ideas. It is itself a shaper of ideas."

—Dale Spender
Australian editor
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SILVER CELEBRATION — Jonathan Dayton Regional High School health education teacher Christine Comerci, left; Arthur L. Johnson social studies teacher Stephen Signa; Governor Livingston foreign language teacher Miriam Slipowitz; ALJ English teacher Kurt Epps and GLHS instructional media clerk Arlene Fernández were honored for their 25 years of service to the regional high school district.

Wave of lawlessness is pervading society

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

It's interesting to ponder how some people get their jollies. For as long as I can remember, there was a postal mailbox at the intersection of upper New England Avenue and the beginning of High Street.

I think it has been standing there for about 40 years when the New England Apartments went up. The box was strategically located since it served a good deal of the apartment dwellers in the area, many of whom were elderly and found it difficult to get around. I must have used the box hundreds of times throughout the years.

The other day I went to the box to mail a few letters — bills — and lo and behold, the box was not there. I immediately came to the conclusion that the Post Office, in the name of economy, was removing some of the boxes. But after I called the Post Office, I was told it was a case of simple vandalism.

Somebody wrapped a chain or thick rope around the box, which is cemented into the ground, and tied the other end of the chain or rope to the bumper of a car or truck and pulled. Within a few moments, the box came loose and tipped over. When Post Office authorities arrived at the scene after neighbors phoned to tell them that the box had been ripped from its cement moorings and was now lying

on its side, repairmen decided the box had been totalled and a new one had to be installed.

Needless to say, Postmaster Dennis Allocco was angry since he had to request that a new box be installed.

Of course, this prank is minor to some of the more jerky tricks some people play on others. However, it is a sign of the times. Obviously, these pranksters do not have enough positive chores to keep them busy. To the elderly people who depended on this particular box to mail their letters, this trick was irresponsible and somewhat cruel. It denied a certain part of our population easy access to the Post Office. Besides, whether the prankster or pranksters realized it, this stunt could be looked on as a federal crime.

One does not tamper with the mail and knocking over a mailbox on purpose is a misdemeanor and could, if a judge got up on the wrong side of the bed on sentencing day, hand the prankster some jail time.

As we said in the beginning, some people get their jollies in the strangest ways. Knocking down outside mailboxes on private property is another favorite of the prankster set. So is overturning garbage cans or stealing flags. The list is endless and we wonder why these so-called pranksters cannot find something better to do with their time. Their energies could be used to help at food kitchens, nursing homes and hospitals. There's so much positive work to be done, we wonder why some have to resort to negative actions.

Halloween used to be the traditional time of year when pranks were expected. Today, any day will do and the newspapers are full of juvenile acts that inconvenience others. Halloween pranks were generally confined to putting pins in doorbells, removing a fence gate or overturning a can of garbage. That's not to say the victims slapped their legs in hilarious laughter when they discovered what had been perpetrated against them. But such pranks were generally harmless.

Knocking over a mailbox is certainly no crisis-like incident but it shows how some people disregard the rights of others. We seem to have become a society of mischief makers aimed at making life a little more vexing than it is already.

There is nothing wrong with a prank or two. I've done my share of them. But I always tried to make sure that what I did was harmless, did not inconvenience others, but provided a laugh to help relax some tension.

I don't want to make too much of the Mailbox Caper, but it is another example of a wave of lawlessness that seems to be pervading our society.

The concept that other people's property is off limits to those who have no respect for others could be the beginning of something more troubling than it is today. To some, breaking or disabling something is the prank of choice. It's unfortunate that when a prankster goes to the trouble of thinking up something to do, it generally falls into the category of destruction. If these people have nothing better to do with their time than to create more chaos, disorder and making a nuisance of themselves, I feel sorry for all of us. Since there is so much to do to benefit others, we cannot help think of why wholesale prankstering is becoming such a popular avocation for many.

Norman Rauscher, a former newspaper publisher in Summit, is an active member of the Summit community.

For entertainment, see a movie — not a film

Free Form

By Bob Rixon

All right, I confess that last month I stood in line with friends outside a Menlo Park theater to see the movie "Twister." I'll even admit that I liked the movie for the same reason everyone else liked it: lots of evil tornadoes coming at me in Dolby sound.

The dialogue is truly insipid, the plot is non-existent, and the hammy acting is about at the level of a high school play. The movie should have been filmed in 3-D.

"Twister" is a movie, not a film. Films are what I occasionally rent from the video store and watch in the privacy of my home. In fact, I watched a film the other night, "Night Moves," with Gene Hackman, and a teenage Melanie Griffith playing a hot Lolita. She even took off her clothes for a second. I thought it was a wonderful film until the end, when I realized that Hackman, who played a stupid private eye, had solved the dark conspiracy and I hadn't. Hackman had an advantage: He had a copy of the script.

Woody Allen used to make what

were called "laff riots." Then he began making films. Some of them are funny, but I've always had trouble relating to his neurotic, upper-middle class characters with their enviable occupations and access to classy vacation homes. Yeah, like them I also create more problems that I solve by talking in circles about my discontents and half-baked relationships. It hasn't turned my life into a "Midsummer Night's Sex Comedy." But I love "Broadway Danny Rose," "Zelig," and even Ivy League-educated Mira Sorvino disguised as a morally challenged chatterbox. Mira, I could make you a very happy woman if you'd leave Quentin Tarantino.

I believe that Woody, consciously or unconsciously, is methodically pre-

sending a gallery of Yiddish character types, which are both specific and universal. As I watch his films, I try to pick out the nebbish, the shlub, the shlepper, the shlimazel, the shlemiel, the shlump, the shmoe, the shikseh, the pritselch, the kibbitzer, and the nudnik. The shlemiel is the one who spills soup on shlimazel. Sometimes the soup is spilled metaphorically.

Many movies change into films over time, such as "It's a Wonderful Life" and the John Wayne western, "Rio Bravo."

Certain movies like "Braveheart" and "Dances With Wolves" purport to be films because they have a "message." But they are definitely movies.

You can always tell when Siskel and Ebert are discussing a film. They become serious, give two thumbs up, and tell us that we'll have to go to Montreal to see it. When they review movies they act like regular guys.

Ebert won a Pulitzer in 1975 for criticism. Criticism in real life is what one's friends say behind one's back when one advises they spend \$8 to see an over-rated piece of garbage.

You can see a film in a theater by yourself. No one goes alone to see an Arnold Schwarzenegger movie.

I don't subscribe to the "Guy Movie versus Girl Movie" theory, although I probably undermined a budding romance a few years ago by taking a date to see "Arachnophobia," rather than "Ghost." To make matters worse, she wasn't afraid of spiders.

Considering the price of admission to theaters, audiences would benefit from a more accurate rating system. I suggest these categories for a start:

Movie for Idiots; Idiomatic Movie; Cartoon with Sappy Songs; Sex with Sweat; Sex without Sweat; Great Special Effects of 20 Minutes; Shot Entirely at Night or with Very Dark Lens Filters; Lots of Gore; Lots of Amusing Gore; Basically a Two-Hour Music Video; Beware of British Accents; Abandoned Plot; and Film — No Popcorn Allowed.

Bob Rixon is a resident of Rahway and a columnist for this publication.

Oh, what a great holiday that we celebrate

The Way It Was

By William Frolich

Ever since we had a country that declared its independence on the Fourth of July in 1776, we have celebrated that day as the birth of this nation.

Even Ben Franklin said it should be properly honored with appropriate ceremony and fireworks, and that we have done.

In Franklin's time, fireworks were a lot cheaper than they are today. And gun powder was also readily available to almost anyone who wanted it, as all of the firearms had to be loaded with black powder. There were many young boys who could think-up a variety of ways to use some of that powder just to make a loud noise.

By the early part of this century, there was not as much black powder available to be used for home-made fireworks. But there were lots of commercial fire crackers and sky rockets that anyone could buy from almost any store, in the days just before the Fourth. There were laws against the sale of fireworks even then, but there was very little enforcement of them.

Many of the fire crackers were made in China, and some were as small as only one half inch long.

These, and larger ones, were packaged in flat paper bundles, with their fuses intertwined so as to be fired in rapid sequence, but most of us stripped them apart and fired them individually, as shooting off the whole package at once seemed very wasteful.

Some of the fire crackers had a little flash powder mixed in with the gun powder, and we saved those for night, after it was dark. Those crackers gave a satisfactory "bang," and a momentary bright light that lit up the neighborhood.

We also saved Roman Candles and sky rockets for night-time, as that was when they were the prettiest. The Roman candle was a cardboard tube with a fuse on one end, and when lighted, threw out several balls of colored fire, one after the other. The sky

rockets were other tubes of cardboard, but these roared up into the dark sky trailing a thin stream of sparks, to explode high above in a dazzling display of colored light.

As the years went by, enforcement of the anti-fireworks laws became much stronger, and community celebrations and fireworks became popular. There had always been speeches and parades for the Fourth of July, but some towns added town picnics to the festivities.

In Roselle Park, the Fourth of July of 1963 was celebrated with an all-day party in the athletic field, where everyone could enjoy the day watching and playing a variety of games.

The day itself was a beautiful, cloudless, blue sky delight, and one of the attractions was the appearance of the Whalemobile. This was a swimming pool built in the design of a blue whale, and mounted on a full-size flat-bed trailer.

Entrance to the pool was through the wide open mouth of the head of the whale and there were those who likened themselves to Pinocchio, although in this case they emerged

into the sunlight in the open belly of the whale.

Another crowd-pleasing feature of this community picnic was a junkyard automobile of a not too ancient vintage. For a small price anyone could wallop it three times with a sledge hammer.

As the sun slowly sunk in the western sky, the crowds began to settle down on chairs, or blankets spread on the ground, to wait for the climax of the celebration — the fireworks show. From a safely roped off area of the field, rocket after rocket soared up into the night sky and burst into brilliant streams of colored light and resounding explosions that shook the ground.

After nearly a half-hour of rapidly fired single rockets, the fields seemed to erupt in a continuous display of shooting rockets and ear-deafening blasts of sound, a fitting end to a glorious Fourth of July.

William Frolich is a resident of Roselle and a member of the Union County Historical Society.

STUDENT UPDATE

Oak Knoll graduate

Darcy Hughes of Mountainside is a recent graduate of the Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit. Hughes, an artist, served as president of the Concert Choir Council, co-captain of dancers and participated in dance minor and art major. A performer in the Oak Knoll musicals and the Clowning Ministry, Hughes was representative for the Social Council, received Leadership awards for her work with dancers and Concert Choir and won the Outstanding Achievement Awards for Dancers. She will attend the Fashion Institute of Technology.



Darcy Hughes

Pingry graduates

Peter Dolce, a resident of Mountainside, and Rahul Vinnakota and Gregory Whalen, both residents of Springfield, were among 126 students graduating from the Pingry School during its 135th commencement ceremony, held June 9 on the Martinsville campus.

Dolce, the son of Anthony and Linda Dolce, plans to attend Villanova University in the fall. Vinnakota, who won the Boys' Tennis Trophy, plans to attend Duke University and Whalen plans to attend Wesleyan University in the fall.

Kids Talk to Kids

In an effort to really communicate with youngsters, the Union County Narcotics Board chose "Kids Talk to Kids" as the theme for its eighth annual drug prevention writing contest.

Students were encouraged to put in their own words whatever appropriate warnings they would use to deter a peer from using drugs.

The students in Mrs. Shanahan's language arts classes at Deerfield School came up with some award-winning suggestions and ideas and were invited to the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth on May 22 to be recognized. Trophies and certificates for honorable mention were given to: Katie Britt, Christine Force, Courtney Griffin-Kutsop, Leslie Gay, Julie Lorch, Jennifer Massimo, Nicole Kiess, Veronica Pasterczyk, Christopher Mason, Liz Chester, Erin Watson, Eric Contagallo, Jonathan Hamill, Jennifer Garcia, Mike Fenton, Cindy Fisher, Joshua Zawistak, Tom Patucci, Dave Belden, Matt Sierenczak, Mark Cantagallo, Mike Watson, Craig MacGregor, Tom Erhardt, Danielle Denny, Jessica De Angelis, Michael Lauricella, Jason Guidici-pietro, Robyn Juba, Kyla Mattiolo, Elizabeth Klebaur, Hank Hansen, Kelly Cammarata, Gina DeCastro, and Mary Burbach.

Securing second places in three categories and also being awarded trophies and certificates were: Chris Fresco, most creative; Lauren DeAugustine, most original; and Edward Barrett, most effective message. First place honors, which included a bond with the trophy and certificate went to: Joyce Nicastro, most creative; Chrissy Souder, most original; and Christina Ferraz, most effective message.

The highest honor of the evening, the overall winner award, was given

to Kevin Watt, whose chilling albeit fictional obituary page, along with the writing pieces of all first place winners, was read aloud and enjoyed by all who attended.

Residents earn honors

Area residents were among the 65 Union County College students who'd received honors for outstanding academic achievement recently.

Katherine Spirito of Springfield received an economics/government/history department award for outstanding achievement in American government and politics.

Michael Gunn of Mountainside was given an allied health award for excellence in that field.

These students were honored during Awards Night ceremonies on May 29 at the college's Cranford campus.

Student reaches honor roll

A township resident has been named to the honor roll for the third marking period at the Wardlaw-Hartridge Upper School in Edison.

Ninth-grader Elizabeth Maltzman has made the grade.

To be named to the honor roll, students must have a cumulative weighted average of no less than 87 out of 100 points in their academic subjects.

The Wardlaw-Hartridge School is an independent co-educational institution with campuses in Edison and Plainfield. A member of the Association of Independent Schools, it serves more than 40 communities in central New Jersey.

Students earn honors

Two borough residents have earned honors for academic achievements during the winter term at Newark Academy in Livingston.

Tenth-grader Jacob Mentlik and 12th-grader James Lopes achieved grades of B-minus or above in each course taken.

Students earn honors

Nine township residents have earned honors for academic achievements during the winter term at Newark Academy in Livingston.

Sixth-grader Dorothy Wong; ninth-graders Andrea Conte, Allison Gladstone, Jodi Luciani, Charles Schuyler and Timothy Wong; and 12th-graders Stephen Horwitz, Adam Schuyler and Stacie Sherman achieved grades of B-minus or above in each course taken.

Wake Forest graduate

Steven Walter Kleinman of Springfield received a bachelor of arts degree from Wake Forest University during commencement exercises May 20.

U.S. Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., delivered the commencement address to 1,241 students receiving undergraduate and graduate diplomas.

Delbarton graduate

At the June 7 Delbarton School commencement ceremonies, Benjamin Wei, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tzongier Wei of Mountainside, received the Delbarton medal for excellence in chemistry.

At the May 28 awards convocation, he received a plaque in recognition of his outstanding dedication and commitment to ministry and service in the after-school program at Morristown's Neighborhood House. He will attend Yale University in September.

St. Elizabeth graduates

Colleen Murawski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Murawski of Mountainside, and Kathleen Rosa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rosa of Mountainside, were among the students who graduated from the Academy of Saint Elizabeth on June 2.

Murawski will attend King's College in the fall; Rosa will attend the University of Rhode Island.

Dean's list honors

Shannon Keller of Mountainside, a junior at Bloomsburg University of Bloomsburg, Pa. is one of the 1,270 students named to the dean's list for the second semester of the 1995-96 academic year. To qualify for this academic honor, a student must earn a quality point average of 3.5 out of 4.0 or higher during the semester.

Montclair honors

Robin A. Maher of Springfield, majoring in business administration, joins the academic honors list for the spring 1996 semester at Montclair State University. To be eligible, a student must be enrolled full time and have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Graduate earns honors

Carmine Aufiero, son of Armando and Salvina Aufiero of Springfield, was awarded a bachelor of arts in music degree magna cum laude in commencement ceremonies held May 11 at Westminster Choir College of Rider University.

In addition, Aufiero was named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement in the Spring 1996 semester.

While a student at Westminster, he was a member of the Westminster Chapel Choir, Westminster Opera Theatre and the Westminster, Symphonic Choir.

Police Academy VI



Six township residents recently completed the training program at the John Stamler Police Academy and graduated on June 11 to become the newest members of the Auxiliary Police. Front, from left: Kenneth Rygiel, Brett Bloch, Carmine Morreale and Roy DeVries. Rear, from left: Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator Scott Seidel, Mark Given, Auxiliary Police Chief Harry Vargas, Joseph Pitch, Emergency Management Coordinator John Cottage and Union County Coordinator Ben Laganga.

Water company to remove algae from reservoir; says water is safe

New Jersey-American Water Company officials are treating the Canoe Brook reservoir to eliminate a seasonal occurrence of blue-green algae. The algae affects the taste and odor of the water, but the water is perfectly safe to drink. The municipalities affected include Springfield.

The water being sent through the mains to customers is also being treated to eliminate the taste and odor. Water company spokesperson, Colleen M. McCann, said New Jersey-American is working to address the problem, and the algae should be eliminated from the reservoir within a few days.

"This is a situation which occurs in the summer when conditions favor algae growth. Sunlight, heat and nutrients in the reservoir sometimes combine to allow algae to grow and reproduce rapidly. It does not pose any kind of health threat to our customers; it is simply a matter of aesthetics," said Gary Matthews, NJ American, Water Quality superintendent.

Matthews explained the company monitors the reservoir daily for algae. Unfortunately, this algae bloom developed rapidly, and the treatment of the reservoir with Citrine could not begin until there was no threat of rain. To make the water more palatable, carbon treatment to remove objectionable tastes and odors was initiated immediately and has continued around the clock.

"These are the most effective treatment methods available, based on a number of reservoir and water system management studies," said Gary Matthews. "With the treatment now in place, the problem should subside within a few days. Then, a flushing program will be initiated to clear the system of any remaining taste and odor problems."

New Jersey-American advises customers that chilling the water may make the tastes and smells noticeable.

STORK CLUB

Dylan Mackenzie Burslem

Robert and Deborah Burslem of Westfield, announced the birth of their son, Dylan Mackenzie Burslem, April 22, at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

The baby weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 20 inches. He joins his brother, Connor Jameson, 2, and sisters Christine, 19, at home and Katherine, 22, of Williamsport, Pa.

Grandparents are Jean and Jerry Carver of Springfield. Maternal great-grandparent is Mrs. Ella Carver of Willboro, NY.

Olsen makes dean's list

Andrew Olsen of Coles Avenue in Mountainside was named to the spring dean's list at Lafayette College.

Students were required to achieve at least a 3.45 semester grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

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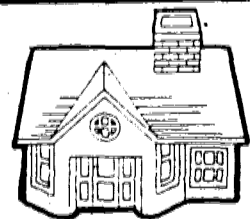
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Policing partners



Borough resident William J. Gabello is retiring from the Roselle Police Department after 31 years of service. His wife, Maryann, is a corrections officer at the Union County Jail in Elizabeth.

Trailside schedules day camps

Is your soon to be third or fourth-grader a budding geologist, marine biologist, or does he or she simply have a desire to learn all about habitats, insects, salamanders, and other wildlife? If so, the Trailside Nature and Science Center will be offering just the right mixture of fun and hands-on learning during summer workshops and day camps.

Rock Hounds will have students discovering the secrets of the past and uncovering a few present day surprises, too. Participants will explore the process of weathering and take home the results. How minerals from the earth's crust are used by people will be covered and a trip to dig for fluorescent minerals at the Buckwheat Dump in Franklin will be included.

During the first day, Ocean Wonders will include exploration of the marine environment through games, activities and a planetarium show titled "Sea Creatures in the Sky." On the second day, students will seine and dip nets to collect fish, crabs and other marine life in the bay and at the oceanside at Sandy Hook.

Week-long day camps offered from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. include Junior Naturalists and Eco-Kids. Parents may opt to choose half-day sessions for camps from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1-4 p.m. as well. The morning portion of Junior Naturalists will include pond and stream investigation and have students conducting a salamander survey. Children in the afternoon session will take part in an insect safari, tracking tracks, and an investigation of a forest community. Nature games and art activities will help students to understand the interconnectedness of all living things.

Wildlife homes, hideouts, and basic needs will be the focus of Eco-Kids' morning session. Students will learn how to sharpen their powers of observation through exciting nature activities and try their hand at building their own bird nest. During the afternoon session, animal and plant adaptations will be explored. Students will examine skulls and jaws from Trailside's collection and hike in the pine forest in search of signs of owls. For dates, times and fee information or to receive a brochure listing programs for all ages, call Trailside Nature and Science Center at 789-3670.

Trailside is located at the Watchung Reservation in Mountainside and is a facility of Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

Date books



Deerfield students take part in the latest party held by the Birthday Book Club. In the program, sponsored by the PTA, Deerfield's library receives one book in honor of each student's birthday.

COUNTY NEWS

Tourney applications set

Applications for the 26th annual Union County Women's Public Links Tournament are available. The tournament, to be held July 13, will be at Ash Brook Golf Course in Scotch Plains.

The 18-hole, stroke play tournament promises to be an exciting event. Players must be female Union County residents, 16 years of age or older. Placement into one of three flights will be determined by handicap. Members of private clubs may not participate.

U.S.G.A. rules will govern play although local rules also will be enforced. Winner and runner-up trophies will be awarded. Merchandise prizes from the Ash Brook Pro Shop will be awarded for all flights. First and second place winners will have the opportunity to represent Union County in the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association Golf Tournament in Scotch Plains, Galloping Hill in Kenilworth, and Oak Ridge in Clark.

Entry forms are available at all three county golf courses, Ash Brook in Scotch Plains, Galloping Hill in Kenilworth, and Oak Ridge in Clark.

PEOPLE IN THE SERVICE

Resident becomes Navy ensign

Navy Ensign Sean F. McGrath, son of Marie McGrath of Poplar Avenue, Mountainside, recently graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., and was commissioned to his present rank in the U.S. Navy.

McGrath was one of the 918 midshipman who comprised the class of 1996. Recognized as one of the finest academic institutions in the nation, the Naval Academy prepares midshipmen morally, intellectually, and physically to become the future leaders of our Navy and Marine Corps, and instills in them the highest ideals of courage, honor and commitment.

Founded in 1845, the four-year program offers a bachelor of science degree in 18 academic majors in engineering, math, science, social sciences and the humanities.

Midshipmen also take military-professional courses, ethics and leadership courses. McGrath completed this program and earned a bachelor of science degree with a major in chemistry.

During summer training periods, McGrath received on-the-job training in surface ships, submarines, aircraft and Marine Corps units.

McGrath has added his name to the list of more than 61,000 Naval Academy graduates, which have included 73 Medal of Honor winners, 202 members of Congress, 40 astronauts, 32 Rhodes scholars, three governors, one Nobel Prize winner and one U.S. president.

He is a 1992 graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

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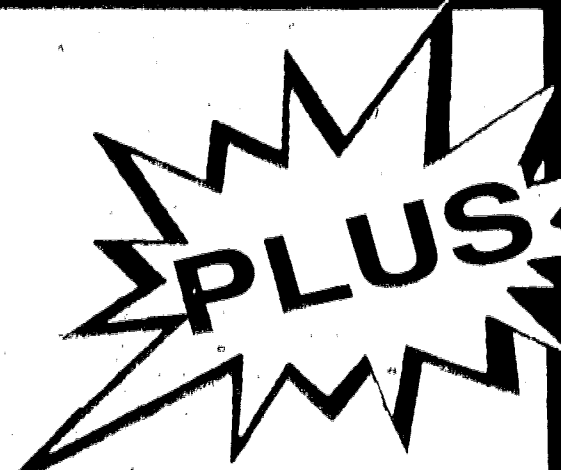
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SENIOR LIFESTYLE

Bartender keeps busy as volunteer firefighter



Harry Heady tends bar when away from the Springfield Fire Department, where he volunteers much of his time.

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

Harry Heady of Springfield, who, at the age of 76, has more energy than many senior citizens in that category, came by recently to talk about how proud he is to have been the grand marshal of Springfield's Memorial Day Parade and to be involved in a number of volunteer and veteran organizations in Union.

"I ran the parade for a long time," Heady smiled. "Actually, Jeff Curtis and I ran it for years — he's now in Pennsylvania — and this is the first time I was chosen as grand marshal. I guess they figured I deserved it. This is my last year. I can't do it for the rest of my life. It's not an easy job trying to get people involved."

The senior citizen said modestly, "I guess it might be that I became grand marshal because I'm a Springfield Fire Department volunteer, too. I was a civil defense fireman for 26 years, and I still go out to the firehouse. They won't let me on the trucks anymore," Heady said. "I used to drive them and ride them. Now, I do traffic duty and clean the trucks down, and

still hang around the firehouse." He knows plenty about trucks. After all, the Newark-born Heady, who "went a year to high school and then went to work to support my family," went to work for a trucking company. "I was with the Newark Terminal Transportation, the Mahon Express in Newark, driving a truck and trailer-tractor."

After Heady got married, he and his wife, Fay — "we've been married 52 years" — moved to Springfield in 1951. "I never even graduated from high school, but my four kids are all college graduates. They are Bill, who lives in Union, and is vice principal of Labbez High School in Newark; Kathy, who lives in Springfield, and is a pre-school teacher in Springfield; Barbara, who lives in Forked River, and is a substitute teacher there, and Donna, who lives in Bloomfield, and is an occupational therapist for outpatients here in Union and Springfield, and at Kessler Institute in West Orange on Saturdays. I also have 12 grand children — twin boys were born 16 months ago, and I have a grandchild who is getting married this

month, July."

Heady explained that "a year after we moved to Springfield, I got involved with the Fire Department and the American Legion in Springfield and the VFW Kelly Post in Union. I also belong to the Knights of Columbus in Union. And a couple of days a week, I work as a bartender at Farcher's Grove. Yep, I'm still working," he said proudly.

He is a World War II veteran, and during his four years in service, he served in Germany, where he was wounded and was awarded a Purple Heart.

Ironically, Heady, who will throw out anyone at the bar who even looks like he or she is drinking too much, was nearly killed by a drunk driver on the Turnpike in East Rutherford. Also, ironically, it was a truck that had hit him and "totalled my car."

"Actually," he recalled with a shudder, "they pronounced me dead at the scene. But when someone noticed that I was still breathing, I was given 100 stitches in my head, 40 more all over. I had a broken ankle, two broken ribs, and a lot of my teeth were knocked out. Now," Heady smiled, "I have new ones."

They rushed him to Hackensack Trauma Center, "then they transferred me to Kessler to learn how to walk again. My daughter was able to get me into Kessler, three weeks there and then 10 weeks as an outpatient in Union. It was ironic," Heady said. "I go through the war and get hit by a drunken driver, and I don't even drink."

"I attribute my recovery to an active life — and to God."

Heady said that when Christopher Reeves came to Kessler, his daughter, Donna, took care of him. "She was one of his therapists, and she said he was very nice. His family were lovely people, real down to earth. His courage is inspirational."

One of Heady's hobbies is a Diamond T. Truck. "It's a 1936 antique truck. And I'm usually washing down the firetrucks. At least it's something to do," he sighed. "I like to be active. I just don't like sitting around."

Benefits replace 42 percent of earnings

Is it any wonder that Social Security gets questions from thousands of people every day? At present, more than 141 million people work in Social Security covered employment and another 42 million receive monthly benefits. What do people want to know about Social Security? The following are the most frequently asked questions and their answers:

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Where is my local Social Security office?

A. You'll find Social Security office addresses listed in the telephone directory under "U.S. Government" or "Social Security Administration." You also can call our toll-free number to ask for the local office's address.

How will I know what benefits to report on my income tax return?

A. The Social Security Benefit Statement (Form SSA-1099) that was sent in January to all persons who received benefits in 1995 shows the amount of benefits you received. A copy of your SSA-1099 also is sent to the IRS. You may have to pay income tax on your

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How much can I earn this year before my Social Security benefits are reduced?

A. If you are under 65 and still working, you can earn up to \$8,280 in 1996 before your benefits are reduced. Your benefits will be reduced \$1 for each \$2 you earn over \$8,280. If you're age 65 or older but not yet 70, \$1 in benefits will be deducted for each \$3 you earn above \$12,500. Earnings in, or after, the month you reach age 70 will not affect your Social Security benefits.

Will the retirement pension from my job reduce the amount of my Social Security benefit?

A. If your pension is from a job where you paid Social Security taxes, it will not affect your Social Security benefit. Pensions from work not covered by Social Security, for example, the federal civil service or some state or local government systems, probably will reduce the amount of your benefit. For an explanation of how benefits may be affected, call Social Security and ask for the factsheet A Pension From Work Not Covered by Social Security (Publication No. 05-10045).

If you have other questions about Social Security coverage or benefits for you and your family, call the toll-free number at 1-800-772-1213. Our lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so if your business can wait, it's best to call at other times. Or use Social Security's Internet site, <http://www.ssa.gov>.

Social Security before retiring

If you're age 65 or older — but not yet 70 — and still working, you can earn \$12,500 this year before your Social Security benefits are reduced \$1 for every \$3 in earnings. There is no limit for people 70 and older.

A new law, signed March 29, increases the annual earnings limit from \$11,520 in 1996 and gradually raises it to \$30,000 in 2002. In 1997, the limit will be \$13,500; 1998, \$14,500; 1999, \$15,500; 2000, \$17,000; 2001, \$25,000, and 2002, the annual exempt amount will be indexed to growth in average wages.

The new law does not change the earnings limit for workers who are age 62 but under age 65. That limit is \$8,280 in 1996 and will increase in future years with increases in average wages, as under present law.

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Cable show taps guardianship

In July, "Vintage Views," Union County's cable television show for seniors, looks into the county's Guardianship Monitoring Program, which enables the court to oversee the welfare of individuals whose care has been made the responsibility of appointed legal guardians, announced Freeholder Walter McNeil Jr.

"Our county surrogate, Ann Conti, will discuss the overall court monitoring process with the show's host, Lou Coviello of the Division on Aging. Ann will describe the program as a whole, with an emphasis on program goals, the important role of court visitors as information gatherers and some current program results," said McNeil, liaison to the Advisory Council on Aging. "Also on the show will be Court-Visitor Sheri Burkat, a program development specialist with Human Services Department's Division on Planning. She will describe the role of a court volunteer and share her personal experiences in gathering information for use by the court to ensure the general welfare of individuals for whom the court has ultimate responsibility."

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PEBES gives seniors confidence in retirement

People who receive benefit estimate statements from Social Security telling them what they can expect when they retire, or if they become disabled or die, generally have more confidence in the future of the program, a recent survey shows, according to George Dearness, Social Security manager in Elizabeth.

After reading their Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement, half of those surveyed had a higher "Social Security" confidence level than the members of other groups who didn't receive a PEBES. The PEBES displays a person's year-by-year earnings, an estimate of potential benefits, and general information about the Social Security program.

"The more people know about Social Security, the better they feel about it," Dearness said. "It's important that people use this information to plan their financial security."

The PEBES is considered a valuable financial planning tool. Since 1988, when PEBES first became available on request, more than 15 million people have requested one from Social Security. In 1995, Social Security began sending them automatically to people age 60 and older who have earnings posted to their record and are not already receiving benefits. In 1996, the PEBES automatic mailings are going to people born in 1936, 1937 and 1938. And by

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SPORTS

North-South game highlighted talent State's future college, NFL stars dazzled Rutgers crowd

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

PISCATAWAY — Many of the coaches, recruiters and media in New Jersey looked at the High School Football Class of 1996 as one of the state's best-ever senior entries.

A number of those elite players performed quite well in Saturday night's First Union National Bank of Newark New Jersey Interscholastic Coaches Association 18th annual North-South All-Star Football Classic at Rutgers Stadium.

Worrall Community Newspapers' readership area was well represented, with seven players on the North roster, six of them seeing action.

The South overcame a nine-point halftime deficit to roll to a 32-23 victory, taking a 9-7-2 series lead.

Former Union High School coach Lou Rettino was one of eight coaches inducted into the Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame at halftime, his wife Elvira receiving a plaque in his honor. Rettino died March 22 after a four-year bout with stomach cancer.

Rettino's son, Lou Jr., walked the North sidelines as the squad's honorary coach in place of his father.

Here's a look at how each area player performed:

Quinton Spotwood, Elizabeth: The speedy wide receiver, who will catch his next pass at Syracuse University, turned in an outstanding performance at wideout and kick returner before leaving in the second half with a hamstring pull.

Spotwood caught five passes (no drops) for 56 yards and one touchdown. He seemed to be in a groove with North starting quarterback Rashard Casey (12-for-20, 98 yards, two touchdown passes, one touchdown run called back because of holding).

Casey, headed to Penn State, completed an 11-yard touchdown pass to Spotwood along the right sideline in the second quarter to give the North a 15-6 lead which it took into the lockerroom at halftime.

"These are the best athletes in the state and I'm glad I had the opportunity to play with them," said Spotwood, who set all the receiving records at Elizabeth.

Ray Redziniak, Johnson Regional: The 6-4, 265-pound lineman got to play on both sides of the ball. He started on offense and then played defense ... until he collided with a player in the third quarter.

Redziniak, who will play on the defensive line at Clemson, was knocked down when moving laterally on defense, suffering his first concussion as a football player.

"I was pulling, shooting the gap, and then my head just collided with another helmet," Redziniak said. "I felt woozy right away and was out for about 15 minutes."

Four other North players from the Worrall Essex County area represented themselves well while another, Orange defensive tackle Thomas Howard, was not able to play because of a concussion.

Bloomfield tight end Anthony Lambo, who will play at 1995 Big East champion Virginia Tech, caught three passes for 29 yards, including a 10-yard touchdown pass from Casey for the game's first score.

Essex Catholic tight end Tim Robertson, headed to Pittsburgh, caught one pass: West Orange offensive lineman Nick Makriannis, headed to William and Mary, recovered a fumble to keep a scoring drive alive in the first quarter and Columbia linebacker Brian McKenna recorded one sack.

The South, behind the explosive running of Paulsboro standout Kevin Harvey, played a spectacular second half in defeating the North for the third time in four years.

Harvey, who electrified the crowd by scoring on an 80-yard punt return and a 26-yard pass from quarterback Justin Cella, was named the first Lou Rettino Most Valuable Player Award winner for the South.

Harvey, who will be a Prop 48 at Temple this year, set the state record for most career points scored at 656 and most touchdowns at 101. He guided Paulsboro, as a quarterback and defensive back, to a 43-1 record the past four seasons, winning four South Jersey, Group 1 titles along the way. His only loss came by one point in a regular season game as a freshman.

Casey was named the first Lou Rettino Most Valuable Player Award winner for the South. He completed passes to Spotwood, Lambo and Passaic Valley standout Giancarlo Cerrigone, his incomplete passes just missing the mark.

The talented 6-3, 190-pounder also displayed a great running ability, one of his long runs — a 48-yard touchdown down the left sideline — called back because of a holding penalty.

Both South quarterbacks also played well. Neptune's Cella, headed to the University of Illinois, and Somerville's Kevin Carty, headed to North Carolina, each had a touchdown pass.

Cella completed touchdown passes to Dayne Brown (Maryland) and

Harvey and Carty completed a 57-yard TD pass to William Spearman, the state's long jump champion.

NOTES — The crowd was reported as 7,398 and the 55 points broke the record set last year when the North won 27-15.

North led 15-6 at the half and was then outscored 19-0 in the third quarter, two turnovers changing the momentum of the game.

Spotwood will join 1992 Elizabeth All-America DuLayne Morgan at Syracuse, Morgan listed as a starter at linebacker for the Orangemen this year.

Redziniak is the latest in a line of strong, two-way linemen from Johnson Regional to play in the North-

South All-Star Game, Todd Burger in 1988 and Paul Segro in 1994 being the others. Burger and Segro opted for Pennsylvania Division 1 schools, Burger starting at Penn State and Segro attending Temple. Burger is an offensive guard with the Chicago Bears.

"A lot of the players were joking and laughing in the lockerroom at halftime, thinking we had already won," said Redziniak, not used to losing this year after his Johnson team went 11-0 in 1995.

"We just fell apart in the second half," Redziniak said. "It was a good game and I'm glad I got a chance to play in it."



Photo By Michael Ziegler

Rob Chesney, of Verona and a graduate of Seton Hall University who paralyzed from the waste down in 1985 by a rare disease, is presented a \$5,000 check to benefit the Miami Project by, from left, Summit football coach Ray McCrann, former Verona coach Al Rotella and two other representatives during halftime of the 18th Annual North-South All-Star Football Classic at Rutgers Stadium Saturday night.

LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Summit Invitational set to take place

The Summit Board of Recreation, in cooperation with the Summit YMCA Seals Swim Team Parents Organization, is pleased to announce details of the 1996 Summit Invitational Swim Meet.

The event will be held on Sunday, July 14, at the Summit Community Pool, in Summit. In case of inclement conditions, the meet will take place July 21. Warm-ups will begin at 8 a.m., the meet will begin at 8:45 and conclude by 1 p.m.

The meet is open to all Summit residents, members of the Summit Seals Swim Team and team members from the 27 area swim clubs invited to the meet. Interested swimmers may obtain entry sheets and fee information from their summer swim club, the Summit YMCA or from the Summit Board of Recreation at 908-277-2932.

The deadline for entry is Monday, July 8, although total entries are limited to 900 individual event entries and may be closed prior to this date, if necessary, to enforce the limit. Deck entries will not be accepted on the day of the meet.

Spectator admission is free. Additional information may be obtained from Dick Barney, meet director, at 201-635-2950.

The Cubs defeated the Orioles 9-7 June 22 in Mountaintop Youth Baseball League playoff action.

Joe King sparked the Cubs with a 3-for-4 effort at the plate that included a triple.

The Perez-Saniella brothers, Nick and Chris, each belted two hits and Alex Caffrey and Justin Polce banged out singles.

Winning pitcher Jonny Doorley hurled a seven-hitter, striking out 11. He also blasted a double.

Timmy Britt, Eric Gay and Chuck Orlando pitched well for the Orioles. Gay was 3-for-3 and Britt also hit safely.

The Crescent Yankees remained in third place in the Essex County Baseball League standings after going 1-1-1 in three contests played last week.

Crescent was scheduled to play Cranford at Union High School Monday night and last night was scheduled to host Livingston at Kenilworth High School. The Yankees have a doubleheader scheduled at Livingston Sunday beginning at 1 p.m.

The Yankees defeated South Orange 10-6 in Kenilworth last Friday, Brian Zink earning the mound victory by pitching two innings in relief. Scott Bermingham of Roselle Park and Clayton Trivett of Springfield were each 3-for-4 with one RBI and Greg Oriscella was 2-for-3 with three RBI for Crescent. Mark Small and Tony Mendoza belted RBI-singles for the Yankees.

Crescent tied Millburn 8-8 in a six-inning contest last Thursday in Millburn after being blanked by Millburn 14-0 June 24 in Kenilworth. Roselle Park's Dennis McCaffery getting the lone Yankee hit in the defeat. In the tie, Abe Roldan was 2-for-4 with three RBI for the Yankees and Bermingham was 2-for-2 with two RBI, his first hit a pinch hit two-run double.

Summit High School graduate Alfie Critelli, who will attend Seton Hall University on a baseball scholarship, was 4-for-4 with three runs and one RBI for Millburn in its 14-0 win over Crescent.

Mangels Realty, Comcast Cablevision win

The following are Union County Senior Softball League results from games played last week:

50-PLUS DIVISION

Comcast Cablevision 15, Lehigh Savings 3: Frank D'Amato, Joe Berger and Ron Torsiello had three hits and Jim Aiery a three-run triple for CC. Bill Donahue and Jerry Arkers had three hits for Lehigh.

Antone's Grill & Pub 7, Saxony Motel 0: Antone's received a "paper" forfeit victory over a charging Saxony Motel squad. Saxony had won two of its previous three contests.

EyeStyles 9, Crest Refrigeration 6: Henry Barnes belted a three-run homer to spark first-place EyeStyles. Bob Rowland pitched well and earned the mound victory.

Travel Guide 18, Krowicki Gourney Memorial Home 17: Howard Jones was the winning pitcher in this extra inning affair. Jones, Dennis Kosowicz and Norm Bauhman went 4-for-4 and Bob Kobryn was 3-for-3. Kosowicz blasted two triples and a grand slam. Louis Kohler made a spectacular shoestring catch for the final out, the tying and winning runs left stranding on base.

Crest Refrigeration 18, Lehigh Savings 12: Rich Gonzo and John Kennedy had three hits and Lee Brandyberry belted a three-run homer for CR. For Lehigh, Bill Donahue was 4-for-4 with a triple and two RBI, Pat Catino was 3-for-4 with a home run and two RBI, Alan Cohen was 4-for-4 and Charlie Biondi was 3-for-4 with a grand slam and six RBI.

Comcast Cablevision 11, Travel Guide 6: Carl Sicola blasted a home run and had five RBI, Charlie Lehman belted a triple and drove in two runs and Bob Canales had a triple and one RBI for CC. Howard Jones, Ron Cerrone, Dennis Kosowicz, Ralph Eisenberger and Norm Bauhman hit safely for TG.

Antone's Grill & Pub 30, Krowicki Gourney Memorial Home 21: Bob Matten belted a grand slam and Al D'Addio and Nick Verderese blasted solo home runs. Mike Pender and Gary Wiese also hit safely.

Saxony Motel 10, EyeStyles 9: Saxony pulled off an unlikely victory, handing EyeStyles its second loss of the season.

Comcast Cablevision 32, Krowicki Gourney Memorial Home 17:

Comcast took over first place by a half-game over EyeStyles with this victory.

Crest Refrigeration 17, Saxony Motel 12: John Kennedy blasted one home run and belted two triples and Bob Oxner had three hits for CR.

60-PLUS DIVISION

Mangels Realty 14, LA Law 4: Bob Rowland was the winning pitcher and Al D'Addio belted a grand slam in the bottom of the fifth to seal the victory. Mick McNicholas was 3-for-3 for MR and Tony Muccia smashed three hits for LA Law.

Standings

50-Plus Division: 1-Comcast Cablevision (10-2), 2-Eyestyles (9-2), 3-Nilsen Detective Agency (9-2), 4-Antone's Grill & Pub (8-5), 5-Crest Refrigeration (6-4), 6-Travel Guide (5-8), 7-Krowicki Gourney Memorial Home (4-9), 8-Saxony Motel (3-10), 9-Lehigh Savings (1-13).

60-Plus Division: 1-Mangels Realtors (6-1), 2-LA Law (4-3), 3-Marion Roofing (3-3), 4-Pioneer Transport (0-6).

The following are results of games played late last month:

50-PLUS DIVISION

Antone's Pub & Grill 16, Lehigh Savings 15: Antone's scored seven runs in the seventh by the hitting of Joe Serratelli, Mike Pender, Ira White, Nick Verderese, Fred DaPrille, Gary Wiese and John Lyp. Bob Matten belted a three-run homer and Wiese went 3-for-4. Alan Cohen went 3-for-4 with a home run and two doubles for Lehigh and teammate Harold Stiles was 2-for-3 with three RBI.

EyeStyles 22, Krowicki-Gourney 14: Wayne Smeaton belted a bases loaded triple and John Whitney hit a home run and triple for EyeStyles.

Saxony Motel 10, Travel Guide 8: Tony Orlando belted the game-winning home run and Dennis Kosowicz blasted a home run for Travel Guide.

Nilsen Detective Agency 6, Comcast Cable 5: Len Yanish hurled a five-hitter to earn the mound victory and Vic Blaskal belted a long, two-run triple. Tim Iamone and Bob DeBellis also played well.

Crest Refrigeration 22, Krowicki-Gourney 4: Rich Gonzo, John Kennedy and Gene Simonetti had three hits for Crest.

Reds take AA title with 7-2 victory

The Reds captured the Springfield Junior Baseball League AA championship by defeating the Marlins 7-2 in last week's title game.

Reds pitcher Frankie Miceli earned the mound victory, pitching no-hit ball for three innings and finishing with a four-hitter.

The Reds finished the 1996 campaign with an impressive 13-3 record.

Anthony Stivalo and Corey Evans had two hits each and drove in two runs for the Reds. David Sklar, Anthony De Nicolò, Lisa Clark, Raul Furnaguera and Brandon Baron also hit safely. Clark and David Zabludovsky made several excellent fielding plays.

Lee Silverman broke up Miceli's no-hit bid with a single in the fifth inning. Silverman and Louis Sarracino pitched well for the Marlins. Sarracino and Steven Tettamanti also hit safely. Tettamanti blasting a triple down the first base line in the sixth inning. Joseph Mitaronda made a spectacular fielding play at second base.

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Frisch Yeshiva High School student Jennifer Hirsch of Springfield, left, displays her trophy won at the 13th annual Poetry Recitation Contest at William Paterson College in Wayne. Hirsch, with Spanish teacher Eileen Eyerman, won first place honors in the Latin beginner category.

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Date: Feb. 6, 1996 John A. Clarke Clerk J. Saloiti Deputy (Delegado) (\$180.00)

Carla Vitaliano

Carla Vitaliano, 21, of South River, formerly of Springfield, died June 24 in University Hospital, Newark.

Born in Summit, Miss Vitaliano lived in Irvington, Newark and Springfield before moving to South River a year ago. She was a manicurist of Nails Plus in Freehold Mall for the past year. Miss Vitaliano was a graduate of the Capri Beauty School, Clifton, and had attended Caldwell College.

Surviving are her father, Joseph E. Vitaliano; her mother, Cynthia Vitaliano; a brother, Mario Macaluso; her stepmother, Judi Vitaliano; a stepbrother, Christopher Trokovich; a stepfather, Melissa Trokovich; and her grandparents, Frances Vitaliano and Josephine and Peter Schmidt.

Sidney K. Neidich

Sidney K. Neidich, 81, of Morristown, formerly of Springfield, died June 25 in Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Neidich lived in Springfield and Watchung before moving to Morristown in 1994. He was a certified public accountant and the owner of Neidich & Co., Mountainside, before retiring in 1993. Mr. Neidich graduated from Rutgers University, Newark. He was a mem-

ber of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Neidich was a past president of the Jewish Family Service Agency of Union County for two terms and a former vice president and member of the board of Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey. He received the president's award for outstanding dedication, leadership and service to the community from the Jewish Federation.

Surviving are his wife, Elsie; two daughters, Lisa Neidich and Julie Neidich; a son, Arthur; a sister, Trudy Bauer; and seven grandchildren.

Arnold H. Hanson

Arnold H. Hanson, 81, of Wall, formerly of Mountainside, died June 27 in Jersey Shore Medical Center, Neptune.

Born in Staten Island, Mr. Hanson lived in Mountainside before moving to Wall in 1993. He was a chief mate in the marine department of Gulf Oil Co., New York City, before retiring in 1975. Mr. Hanson served in the Merchant Marines during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Hilda; two daughters, John Goett and Marilyn Chereco; a son, Thomas, and 10 grandchildren.

Stanley Roll Jr.

Stanley Roll Jr., 76, a lifelong resident of Springfield, died June 27 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Mr. Roll was a carpenter and business agent for the United Carpenters Union Local 821, Kenilworth, for 40 years and retired in 1986. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Arline C.; two sons, Stanley Brooks III and Steven W.; two sisters, Edith Musson and Marjorie Moesman; a brother, Charles S.; and a grandchild.

James Chandler

James Chandler, 90, of Springfield died June 30 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Kingstree, S.C., Mr. Chandler had resided in Montclair before moving to Springfield in 1986. He was a private chauffeur in the Springfield area for many years before his retirement.

Surviving are his wife, Florence; four brothers, Joseph, John, Frank and Lawrence and three sisters, Mammie Barr, Wilhelmina Best and Lillie Johnson.

Frances E. Capraun

Frances E. Capraun, 79, of Dover Township, formerly of Mountainside,

died June 30 in Kimball Medical Center, Lakewood.

Born in Everett, Wash., Mrs. Capraun had resided in North Arlington and Mountainside before moving to the Gardens of the Pleasant Plains section of Dover Township in 1987. She worked for Powers Regulator Co., Springfield, for 18 years and retired as an office manager. Mrs. Capraun was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary Altar Society in Mountainside.

Surviving are her husband, Edward; two daughters, Maryann Arlotta and Sharon Rose; a sister, Ruth Smith; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

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tive 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 P.M., 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 Korbman, Rabbi; Hillel Sadowitz, Cantor; Esther Avnet, President; Hadassah Goldfisher, 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 Mitzvah 5:30 PM. Sunday Talks and Tefillin 9:00 AM. Religious School with a full time Principal. Grades Three through Seven meet Sundays 9-10:30 AM and Mondays & Wednesdays - 4:53-5:30 PM Primer Class for Grades One and Two, Sundays - 9-10:30 AM. Adult Hebrew Classes including Bal 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, Rev. Donald L. Brand, Pastor. (908) 686-3965. Family Sunday 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 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 301 Tucker Ave., Union 688-0714. Rev. Thomas J. Bagel, Pastor. Slovak Worship 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. We offer an 11:00 a.m. English Worship Service, with a children's sermon, to which everyone is welcome. Communion on first and third Sunday of every month. Sanctuary is handicapped accessible. Ample off street parking. Adult and Children Choirs, Adult Choir rehearsal every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Confirmation class every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. Youth Group meets on first and third Sunday at 7:00 p.m. We have two WELCA circles. The Aldora circle meets every other month on Saturday mornings. The Alpha circle meets on the third Sunday of the month in the afternoon. Trinity Adult Fellowship meets on the last Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Ladies Altar Guild meets on the second Sunday of the month in the afternoon. Four times a year Assembly #60 of the United Lutheran Society has a meeting.

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. Fuhler-Pastor.

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

11:00 A.M. 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 Sardo, 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.

THE SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located on 40 Church Mall in Springfield, NJ, invites people of all ages and backgrounds to join us for Summer Sunday morning worship at 9:30. During the months of July and August, we will enjoy union services with our neighbors in the Presbyterian Church. In July we will be worshipping in the Presbyterian Church located on Morris Ave. In August we will be worshipping in the United Methodist Church. In August, we will enjoy a traditional Methodist hymn sing from 9:15-9:30 A.M., followed by worship at 9:30 A.M. We are a warm and welcoming congregation of Christians who gather together to be encouraged in the faith, strengthen in hope, and empowered to be brave and faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Child care and nursery are available following the part of our worship service that is especially geared toward young children. Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. If you have any questions, interest or concerns, please call the pastor, Rev. Jeff Markay at 201-376-1695.

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.

PRESBYTERIAN

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 Presbyterian 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.

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