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Summit's art players

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Borough Highlights

Holiday ornaments

The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross is selling decorative holiday ornaments. The ornament is made of porcelain and is decorated with a green wreath, a yellow ribbon and a white dove seated next to the Red Cross symbol which is in the center of the ornament. The ornament comes in a green velvet pouch.

The ornaments are a limited edition, so order early by calling the Chapter at 232-7090. The delivery of the ornaments will be the week of Nov. 25 and can be picked up at the Westfield/Mountainside Chapter located at 321 Elm St. in Westfield.

Aesop puppet show

Robert Rogers Puppet Company of Connecticut will present Aesop's Fables at the Public Library on Saturday at 2 p.m. The show will feature adaptations of classic Aesop tales suitable for all ages, such as "The Tortoise and the Hare" and "The Ant and the Grasshopper." Five different fables will be performed with humor, music and lively puppet characters.

All library programs are free and open to the public, sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library. Registration is not required. Call the library at 233-0115 for additional information.

Blood drive

New Jersey Blood Services, with the Westfield/Mountainside American Red Cross, will hold a blood drive at the Presbyterian Church on Mountain Avenue in Westfield tomorrow from 2:30 to 8 p.m.

The drive is open to persons between the ages of 17 and 76. Those under 18 must have parental consent. Through New Jersey Blood Services, anyone who lives or works in the Westfield-Mountainside area can receive blood replacement by contacting the chapter at 232-7090.

Book collection

The Friends of the Mountainside Library invite the public to their annual book sale on Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. This year's sale will offer a selection of large print books, videos, plays, children's books, travel books and old records. The sale is a main source of income for the friends. The preview, which is open to friends and library members, will be on Oct. 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. The final sale day is bag day, when \$4 will buy a bag full of books. The Public Library is located on Constitution Plaza. For more information, contact the library at 233-0115.

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Digging deep



Fifth-grade students Jenna Blasi, Danielle Pace, Michael Mankowski, and Jon Landis practice techniques used by archaeologists in their study of history. The students in Sara Meissner's class at Deerfield School are participating in "Operation Archaeology" sponsored by the Union County Division of Heritage and Cultural Affairs.

Police warn of scam artists

By Blaine Dillport
Staff Writer

The police warn residents against using a chimney cleaning service named United Chimney Corp., due to the fact that they have been determined to be scam artists.

Police expect two men connected with the service to turn themselves in to face charges of theft by deception. Detective Sgt. Richard Osieja explained how the scam artists operate.

"The scam starts with a phone call from a telemarketing firm who set up appointments for homeowners to have their chimneys swept for about 50 bucks. Once the workers are at the house, they tell the homeowner a story about severe cracks in their chimney. They offer to fix the problem at a cost of \$1,600 and all they really do is slap a little plaster on the chimney. The entire thing is a scam. In our case, the homeowner was an elderly woman," said Osieja.

Apparently the same company has hit several people in the Union County area, but not always by the same two workers. Once they have the

check in hand, the workers immediately go to the bank and cash the checks.

Luckily a neighbor of the victim in Mountainside felt that something was not right and contacted police.

"What brought it to our attention was a neighbor who noticed that someone was doing work at the house, and had a discussion with the elderly woman the day after the work was done. This neighbor felt that something wasn't right and contacted the Building Department, who in turn contacted us," said Osieja. "Fortunately I was able to track the workers down through the bank's surveillance cameras and some work with a detective in Suffolk County, and we were able to obtain the identities of the workers."

Lance Rubino, 24, of Long Island, NY, and David Hoffman, 33, also of Long Island are expected to turn themselves in to the police accompanied by their lawyers.

In a separate incident, Marc Denis, 19, of Summit was arrested and charged with aggravated assault of an underage female Mountainside resident. Denis was charged after the resi-

dent reported that she was choked and punched in the ribs by Denis after an argument.

"Denis punched and strangled his girlfriend and tried to flee the scene when she began to scream for help. Denis then sped off in his car, hitting a parked car at a Central Avenue home. He will also be charged with driving under the influence and leaving the scene of an accident," said Osieja. The suspect was picked up at his Summit residence with the help of the Summit Police Department.

Mountainside Police will also be charging Rafeeq Abdus-Samad in connection with a February 10 break-in of a borough home. Samad who was arrested in Cranford, is believed responsible for more than 40 home burglaries in the Union-Essex county areas.

"This guy was unique in that he always used matches to light his way around the victim's homes, and when the match would burn out he would drop them on the floor. This is how we were able to connect him to a lot of home break-ins," said Osieja.

Samad is being held in County Jail until sentencing.

Regional board reviews report

By Christopher Toohey
Staff Writer

During its meeting Tuesday night, the Union County Regional High School Board of Education deemed the results of the Quality Assurance Annual Report as favorable.

The report is required by the state's monitoring code. "This is the basis for the monitoring of every district in New Jersey. Basically what it does is document that a district is in compliance with all the requirements of the state's regulations," said Superintendent of Curriculum Ken Mattfield.

The QAAR is the basis for the first stage of monitoring of the districts. "In fact, if all of the items of the Quality Assurance Annual Report are in order, the monitoring really doesn't go beyond that stage. This is a radical departure from the old monitoring system, which involves a team of people from the state department coming into the schools for an extended period of time," said Mattfield.

The report is broken down into six elements, including implementations of school level plans, achievement of pupil performance objectives, professional development activities and condition of school facilities. "The elements in the Quality Assurance Report document the activities and programs that have been operated as required by the administrative code," said Mattfield.

Under the first element, implementations of school level plans, have been developed and implemented by as specified by the Statement of Assurances. "These are plans that, in our district, are discussed by the committee on school issues, which is chaired by the school principal. Because our district has exceeded the state requirement of 85 percent of 11th graders having passed the High School Proficiency Test, we are supposed to set challenge objectives," Mattfield said.

"Each school will concentrate on working with basic skills to improve their academic performance by carrying out the objective of monitoring these students," Mattfield continued. "We are attempting to see if the instruction in basic skills leads to better performance in their math and English classes. We are looking for grades of C or better," Mattfield said.

The second element is achievement of pupil performance objectives for 1995-96. Some of the objectives were identical between the three schools.

The goal of having 80 percent of 10th graders enrolled in Math 2 and algebra foundations demonstrate proficiency in constructing and interpreting graphs and charts by achieving a passing score on the department's 26-point test was surpassed by 10 percent in Arthur L. Johnson in Clark and by 12 percent in Jonathon Dayton in Springfield. This was not an objective

in Governor Livingston in Berkeley Heights.

"That was quite successful," said Mattfield. "Over a four-year period, in all three schools we've managed to develop some very good materials in this area of math instruction. We feel this is a very worthwhile program."

A goal of having 90 percent of all students read at least one book about a religion or culture different from their own was achieved in Johnson and Governor Livingston. This was not a goal in Dayton.

In addition, an objective to reduce the incidence of violence and vandalism at Dayton by 10 percent from the 1993-94 levels was met. Mattfield said that some credit may be due to programs in peer leadership which aimed to promote a more positive attitude toward the school and its students.

Under the Professional Development Activities, the QAAS stated that staff development activities were concentrated on hands-on learning, critical thinking, New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards alignment and computer skills during 1995-96.

As far as School Facilities go, bleacher replacement at Governor Livingston and ALJ will cost approximately \$309,000 and \$361,000, respectively, while renovations to the Dayton clock tower is estimated at \$397,000. The district has no standard classrooms, the report states.

Augustine prop. poll-worker reforms

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

It's not a position that many people give much thought to, yet poll workers perform many vital tasks on Election Day.

They sign in the voters. They make sure that the voters are at the proper polling stations. And they enforce voting regulations, making sure that the candidates are not campaigning in front of the stations.

The problem, said Assemblyman Alan Augustine, who represents Mountainside in the Legislature, is that the potential pool of workers is small.

State voting regulations require both registered Democrats and registered Republicans at the polling stations; this provides "cross-checks and balances and holds up the integrity of the system," said Art Wedland, the administrator of the Union County Board of Elections.

This is why Augusting, a Republican, will soon introduce a bill that will allow no more than two voters, unaffiliated with either party, to work the polls in each voting district. If all goes well, they may man the polls for the election Nov. 5.

The bill, which Augustine calls "strictly a good government measure," apparently has the support of both parties and the county and state boards of election. According to Augustine, the chances that the bill will pass is "very high, otherwise we wouldn't be doing it in time for this year's election."

The bill has been a bipartisan effort that has been building for a number of years, said Augustine. But the initiative for the bill comes from the state and county boards of election.

According to Wedland, the state Association of Election Officials has endorsed the move "on the basis that it was difficult to find election workers based on party affiliation."

Wedland said that Title 19 of New Jersey's election laws have a "bipartisan flavor" and was designed to have

representation from both major parties at polling stations.

These regulations require two representatives from each party at each polling place.

The function of the workers is to man the books, enforce regulations and assist voters. But the regulations also, in effect, let both parties keep an eye on each other during elections.

But Augustine said that, in certain areas, there may be a high concentration of Democrats or Republicans.

In towns such as Scotch Plains, he added, there may be a high concentration of neither — that is, registered voters unaffiliated with either party. This can be more than 50 percent in some towns.

Wedland added that many people have come forward to work the polls in previous elections but had to be turned down because they officially did not have a party affiliation.

Elections are still held, but the lack of workers results in backlogs and long lines at the polling stations, Augustine said.

"So this will open up an objective pool" of workers, said Augustine. It will only affect the election workers who man the polls, added Augustine.

At least one Democrat has said that he will come out in support of the bill. "I'll probably be in support of when it comes to the floor," said Democratic Assemblyman Neil Cohen, adding that he had not seen the bill but acknowledged a current shortage of poll workers.

"Most people have one or two jobs, so it's harder to get people to work the books at the polls," he said.

Such a bill would "enlarge the pool" of potential voters who could be polling workers, he said. There are many unaffiliated voters with "leanings" toward one party or the other.

The bill has recently come out the Assembly's State Government Committee; Augustine is the chair of this committee. Augustine said the bill would come for a vote Monday. If signed by Gov. Christine Whitman in time, it could take effect for this year's elections.

Welcome to the club



Mark Charbonneau of Scotch Plains, center, was sworn in as a member of the Rotary Club. Charbonneau, manager of the Mountainside branch of Summit Bank, was sponsored by Bruce Dickerman, left. Daniel Falcone, right, president of the Mountainside club, welcomed the new Rotarian and presented him with the traditional Rotary International Pin. The Mountainside Rotary Club holds its weekly luncheon meetings at Steak & Ale, Route 22 East on Mondays at 12:15 p.m.

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Society to visit Newark museum

The Westfield Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is planning a field trip to the Ballantine House/ Newark Museum on Friday at noon. The Victorian Ballantine House is the restored home of Brewer John Ballantine. It displays the elegant life of prosperous Newarkers in the 1890s. The 27-room mansion is a national historic landmark. It serves as the Decorative Arts Wing of the Museum's complex. The Newark Museum added four new rooms and six new galleries to display their extensive collection of furniture, art and accessories. The house reflects a trend in furnishings to make homes more comfortable and convenient that began in the Victorian era.

The DAR is dedicated to preserving history for future generations, educating children and adults in patriotism, perpetuating the memory of men and women who achieved American Independence and honoring the flag of the United States of America. They are involved in essay and good citizen contests for school children, sponsor scholarships to students of history, political science, government and economics as well as those in the medical field. The DAR supports schools for disadvantaged and American Indian children. They also participate in naturalization ceremonies.

Members and guests may call the Regent, Mrs. Joseph K. Leimbach, at 232-1304 for information about the trip. Eligible women whose ancestors participated in the American Revolution may call the Registrar, Mrs. Burr Towl Jr. at 232-1259 for membership information.

Announcements

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

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

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

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

For more information call Managing Editor Kevin Singer at (908) 686-7700, ext. 345.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared each week by the *Mountainside Echo* to inform residents of various community activities and governmental meetings. To give your community events the publicity they deserve, please mail your schedule to Managing Editor Kevin Singer, Worrall Community Newspapers, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today

• Cancer Care will sponsor a free "Coping with serious illness in your self or a loved one" seminar from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The event will be held at Take Good Care, 160 Route 22, Springfield. For more information, call Joyce Greenberg at (908) 388-3333.

• The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 6:30 p.m. for its pre-conference meeting. The session will be held in the Freeholders' Meeting Room on the sixth floor of the Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

• The Junior League of Summit's Thrift Shop will offer a selection of Halloween costumes, accessories, and decorations from 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. The shop is located at 37 DeForest Avenue, Summit.

Friday

• Tickets for hayrides and campfires are on sale at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside. Today's event begins at 6:30 p.m. Marshmallows and hot chocolate are included in admission. County residents pay \$3, those from out of county will be charged \$4. A limit of 25 tickets will be sold to any one person. For more information, call (908) 527-4900. Additional hayrides are scheduled for Oct. 25 and Nov. 8.

Saturday

• The Arthritis Foundation will present a free "Facts about Arthritis" seminar from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event will be held at Take Good Care, 160 Route 22, Springfield. For more information, call Joyce Greenberg at (908) 388-3333.

• Jewish Singles World for singles ages 20 to 40 plus will host its 12th anniversary party from 8 p.m. to midnight. The event will feature the music of Wayne Trager, refreshments, gifts, and surprises. The location is Congregation Beth Shalom, 2035 Vauxhall Road, Union. Admission is \$12. For more information, call (908) 964-8086.

• Free pumpkin carving lessons will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Cardinal Lawn and Garden Center, 272 Milltown Road in Springfield. All facets of carving will be demonstrated including selecting the right pumpkin, hollowing it, transferring the design, and intricate carving. Free apple cider will be served. Pumpkins, carving tools, Indian corn, and corn stalks will be available for sale. For more information, call (201) 376-0440.

Sunday

• Widowed Persons Activities (WPA) will meet at 2 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Auditorium, 300 Central Avenue, Mountainside. New members are welcome to this nondemonational group. Must be a Widow or Widower to attend. For additional information call (908) 486-3246, (908) 687-6885, (908) 232-8814.

• The 2 p.m. planetarium show at Mountainside's Trailside Nature and Science Center will feature an exploration of life on distant worlds, as well as learning about other stars and planets. The program is intended for ages 6 and older, and admission is \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors.

Tuesday

• The monthly meeting of the People Responsible for Elderly Persons (PREP) support group will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Avenue. The meeting is sponsored by SAGE. For more information or to register, call Ellen McNally at (908) 273-4598.

• The Union County Construction Board of Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

• The Union County Advisory Board on the Disabled will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

• The Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet at 6 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

Wednesday

• Parents of Adult Children with Head Injuries will hold a support

group meeting from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The event will be held at Take Good Care, 160 Route 22, Springfield. For more information, call Ed Jones at (908) 388-3333.

• The Westfield Regional Health Department will be providing flu shots between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Deerfield School cafeteria, located on Central Avenue, Mountainside. There is no fee, however seniors who are medicare eligible are asked to bring their medicare cards. For more information, call (908) 789-4070.

• The Union County Solid Waste Advisory Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

Coming events

Oct. 24

• The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 7 p.m. for its regular meeting. The session will be held in the Freeholders' Meeting Room on the sixth floor of the Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

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Oct. 27

• Trailside Nature and Science Center will feature a laser concert of Halloween classics and music by Pink Floyd, Meatloaf and other groups. This program for ages 10 and up is \$3.25 per person, \$2.75 for seniors, and showtimes are at 1:30, 2:45, and 4:15 p.m.

From 2 to 4 p.m., Trailside will sponsor a slide show and walking tour of Felville, a factory town dating from the 1840's. Dan Bernier will share his knowledge of the history of the site and its future possibilities.

Oct. 28

• The Union County Mental Health Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

• The Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

Oct. 31

• The Mountainside Newcomers Club will sponsor a Halloween party and parade. Children are invited to come in costume and participate in Deerfield School's parade. For more information, call Arlene Haggart at (908) 654-7835.

Nov. 3

• The Mountainside Newcomers Club will sponsor a Christmas shopping trip to Woodbury Commons in New York. The group will meet at the Sony Theaters parking lot at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call Arlene Haggart at (908) 654-7835.

Nov. 9

• The Mountainside Newcomers Club will hold a night of candlelight bowling. Included will be a cold buffet, dessert, and coffee, as well as a cash bar. For more information, call Arlene Haggart at (908) 654-7835.

Nov. 20

• The Newcomers Club of Mountainside will hold its annual holiday luncheon fundraiser at the Berkeley Plaza Caterers. For more information, call Pat Colwell at (908) 233-8414.

Nov. 23

• The Lions Club of Westfield will sponsor a Toy, Train, and Doll Show from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club, corner of Jerusalem Road and Plainfield Avenue, Scotch Plains. Food and drink will be available. For information or to secure a table, call (908) 232-8551. All money raised by this event will benefit the blind and support sight conservation.

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Springfield focuses on drug abuse with kickoff of Red Ribbon Week

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Barbara Muller-Ackerman knows a good thing when she sees it.

Muller-Ackerman is coordinator for the Springfield Municipal Alliance, an anti-drug organization in Springfield and part of a network of similar organizations in Union County. It was through this network that she got the idea for Red Ribbon Week.

Red Ribbon Week is an entire week of programs and community involvement that focuses on drug abuse and how to avoid it. Such programs, said Muller-Ackerman, have been highly successful in Westfield and Hillsdale.

"The more I listened to them, the more it sounded like something that would bring the community together to celebrate this," said Muller-Ackerman, who is also substance abuse counselor for Springfield's public schools, preschool to eighth grade.

From this began Springfield's own Red Ribbon Week. This year is the third year for the celebration which will begin on Wednesday and continue to Halloween.

"Each year it gets a little bigger and each year we add another sector of the community," said Muller-Ackerman.

This year, Red Ribbon Week will include members of Springfield's

businesses, government, clergy, police, senior citizens, Board of Education and Board of Recreation.

"We've brought everyone together to be a part and to bring across this message," she said.

Red Ribbon Week started in 1985 when a federal drug agent, Enrique Camerena, was found beaten to death, allegedly by drug dealers, in Mexico. Other drug agents wore badges of red satin ribbon after his death.

According to Muller-Ackerman, this symbol caught on and helped pull together a grass-roots effort against illegal drugs. Since the first National Red Ribbon celebration in 1988, over 120 million people across the nation have taken part.

The festivities kick-off on Oct. 22, a day early, with a presentation by Barbara Lynn Taylor. Taylor is the founder of a consulting and video production company in North Carolina called Successful Parenting and will be giving a presentation entitled "How to Help your Child Become a Success in School." The program will be held at F.M. Gaudineer auditorium at 7 p.m.; RSVP's are being taken at 376-1028, Ext. 1328.

Other activities during Red Ribbon Week include:

- Oct. 23: All students at all public schools and St. James School will be given red ribbons to wear throughout

the week. Special programming for the week begins on Cable TV 36 with a 4:30 p.m. program for children in preschool to second grade.

- Oct. 24: The Peer Leaders at F.M. Gaudineer Middle School welcome incoming fifth grade students and their parents to Family Fun Night at 7 p.m.

- Oct. 25: Sadecky's Puppets will visit the James Caldwell and Thelma Sandmeier Elementary Schools to put on "Strike Three!", the story of rookie athlete Bud Young.

- Oct. 26: James Caldwell Elementary School will put on its Fall Carnival, with a booth dedicated to Red Ribbon activities.

- Oct. 28: McGruff, the "Take a Bite out of Crime" dog, will visit the E.V. Walton Early Childhood Center with programs on safety in the morning and afternoon. Peer Leaders at Jonathan Dayton High School will invite their ninth grade students for an evening of orientation and activities in the evening at the school.

- Oct. 29: Springfield's senior citizens will receive red ribbons and medication management giveaways at the Sarah Bailey Senior Center.

- Oct. 30: Show your intolerance to drugs and commitment to a healthy drug-free lifestyle by wearing red. The town will also turn red, with red banners and other displays.

South African bishop to speak at church

Bishop and Mrs. George Irvine will be the guests of the Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church on Oct. 24.

Irvine will speak at an evening worship service that begins at 7 p.m. at the church, located at 40 Church Mall. He will speak on topics including spiritual life, hearing God's calling, and his experience of seeking justice and reconciliation in South Africa.

Irvine, originally from Northern Ireland, has been a Methodist pastor in South Africa for the last 30 years. He has been a bishop in the Methodist Church during the past 10 years and has been a leading

advocate and activist working toward the abolition of Apartheid in South Africa. He is heard regularly on national radio in South Africa, and continues to be a voice of reason and vision for the new South Africa.

Among other titles, he is the honorary life president of Life-Line, founding president of the St. Francis Hospice of the Eastern Cape, and a trustee of the Human Rights of the Eastern Cape.

All members of the Springfield community are invited. For more information, contact the Rev. Jeff Markay at the church office at (201) 376-1695.



Bishop George Irvine

Regional district to hold college night

Area high school students will have a chance to investigate higher education opportunities when the Union County Regional High School District conducts its annual "College Night" tonight from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Governor Livingston Regional High School, Watchung Boulevard, Berkeley Heights.

Representatives from more than 100 institutions of higher learning — four-year colleges and universities, two-year colleges and other post-secondary schools — will be in attendance at the regional district "College Night" to provide

informational literature and answer questions about the schools they represent.

All students from the Union County Regional High Schools — Jonathan Dayton, Arthur L. Johnson and Governor Livingston — are invited and encouraged to attend, as are their parents. Students and parents from neighboring schools and communities are invited as well. For more information on the regional district "College Night," call (201) 376-6300, Ext. 272 or 280.

League announces candidates night

Republican JoAnn Holmes and Democrat Sy Mullman, the two contenders for one Springfield Township Committee seat, will appear at a can-

didates night Oct. 23 at the Springfield Municipal Building at 8 p.m. The League of Women Voters of Springfield is sponsoring the forum.

In addition to Holmes and Mullman, Larry Lerner, Democratic candidate for the 7th Congressional District of New Jersey, will also take part. His opponent, incumbent Bob Franks, will not be able to attend, but may send a statement to be read by the moderator.

The League of Women Voters will mail a sheet with nonpartisan infor-

mation about local and county candidates to every voter household in Springfield.

Alex Richardson of Livingston will moderate the candidates night. The meeting is to be televised by TV Channel 36 for later broadcast at times to be announced.

Dance studio to host AIDS benefit

Ballroom Magic Dance Studio of Springfield is producing "An Animated Evening of Dance," a dinner and dance showcase, on Nov. 1 to raise funds for the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

The event will present a magical evening of both amateur and professional dance entertainment themed to

the music and characters of cartoons and animated features, as well as special showcases of Country/Western dances. In addition, many local businesses and national manufacturers have contributed gift certificates and merchandise which will be raffled or auctioned for the benefit of AmFAR.

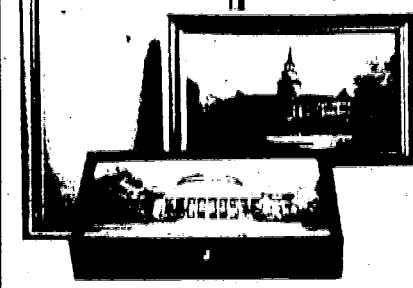
"An Animated Evening of Dance" benefit showcase will take place at L'Affaire on Route 22 East on Nov. 1. Tickets are \$50 per person and will include dinner, general dancing and the special showcase performances.

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Residents prepare to clean Springfield

By Blaine Dillport
Staff Writer

The Springfield Environmental Commission is getting ready to kick off Clean Communities Weekend, a time where the community can come together and lend a hand in cleaning up areas around town. This is the fourth year that the program, which is made possible through a state grant, will take place in Springfield. In conjunction with Clean Communities Weekend, the environmental commission held a poster and slogan contest in the local schools.

"This is one of the biggest events in Springfield that involves the whole community, and it is happening this weekend so we thought that the poster contest was a good idea to help promote the program," said Clara Hareluk, chairperson of the Springfield Environmental Commission.

The idea is one that has been around for some time and is given a boost by support from the state.

"The Clean Communities Weekend is a grant sponsored project wherein participants work together on the weekend to reduce the amount of litter in Springfield," said Hareluk.

This year the program will target certain areas around town in their clean up efforts.

"We try to do as much of the town as we can. Basically we clean the parks and playgrounds and other public property and roadsides," stated Hareluk.

The event usually draws a big crowd to the clean up project.

"We usually have as participants both groups in town as well as individual families that come out to clean," added Hareluk. "The meeting place is the municipal pool at 9 a.m. and will go to noon on Saturday and Sunday. Once at the pool we will hand out the clean up supplies and send different groups to different areas around town."

The Department of Public Works will also lend a hand to the clean up effort, who will retrieve the collected trash.

The event is an opportunity for residents to show their pride in their community while lending a hand to improve the town.

"The fact that we have the community that lives in town participating in this project adds an extra degree of

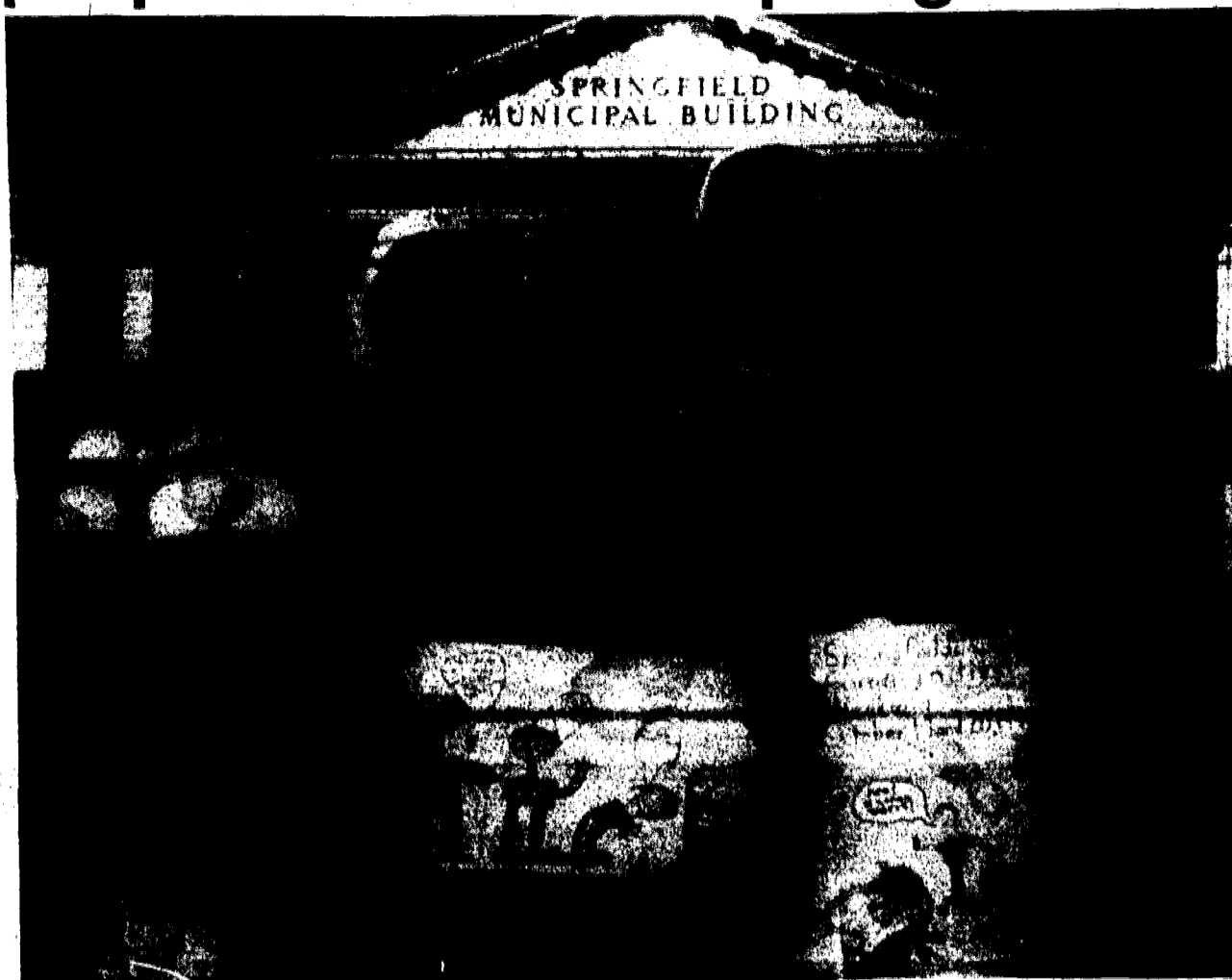


Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Madeline Allerow, slogan winner from Jonathan Dayton High School, joins poster contest winners Ilana Gutman and Justin Churchill of Sandmeier School, and Martin Lipton, Bill Holmes, and Clara Hareluk of the Environmental Commission.

ownership and attachment with Springfield. They do try extra hard to make sure that it looks good," said Hareluk.

As part of the overall project, the environmental commission added a new aspect to the Clean Communities Weekend in the form of a poster and slogan contest in the local schools.

"In the high school we ran a slogan

contest where the kids were to come up with a slogan of five words or less that depicts the spirit of the weekend, and the winning slogan was placed on a banner that was placed across Mountain Ave. near the Municipal Building. In the elementary schools we ran a poster contest where the kids were to create posters promoting the weekend. The three winners of the

contest will each receive a fifty dollar savings bond and the winning posters were reproduced and placed on the fliers promoting the weekend event. All of the posters are currently on display at the public library," said Hareluk.

The commission is looking forward to a successful weekend in the effort to keep Springfield clean.

League offers voters guide

The Westfield Area League of Women Voters informs the public that the "1996 Voters Guide," published by the League of Women Voters of New Jersey Education Fund, is now available. Free copies of the guide can be obtained at the Mountainside library.

The guide contains biographical information on all the candidates,

from New Jersey, for the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, as well as each candidate's responses to the league's questions on key issues.

In addition, it includes important information on the public questions which will be on the General Election ballot: bond issues, constitutional amendments, both of which deal with funding for environmental clean-up.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, grass-roots organization, dedicated to encouraging the informed participation of citizens in government. Membership is open to anyone of voting age. For local membership and program information, call 233-3849. For voting and voter registration information call the league hotline, (800) 792-VOTE.

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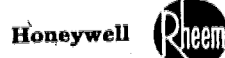
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The Hyde and Watson Foundation has made two grants in two years, totaling \$50,000, to the SAGE Spend-A-Day Building Campaign.

"We are very proud of this strong level of support from the Hyde and Watson Foundation," said Clare Wherley, president, SAGE Board of Trustees. "It sends a clear message about the importance of SAGE in meeting the long-term care needs of our growing elderly population. We hope to expand the community's commitment to SAGE and to attract others interested investing in our future."

SAGE renovated and furnished 6,700 square feet of space at 550 Springfield Avenue in Berkeley Heights in 1995 to create a state of the art adult day care facility. The total cost of the project was \$575,000; \$250,000 is still needed to complete the campaign.

Unlike many adult day care programs, the new Spend-A-Day Center has been custom designed for older

adults with soft lighting, a walking corridor with handrails, accessible lavatories, and a private shower and laundry facilities. Each of the three Spend-A-Day programs has its own room, and there is additional space for small group activities, such as meetings of the Men's Club.

Approximately 90 clients participate in the SAGE Spend-A-Day programs; some attend only twice a week while others enroll for all five weekdays. Assistance with transportation arrangements is available. Regular program hours are from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with extended hours of 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. available to accommodate the schedules of working caregivers.

SAGE has been a leader in adult day care since 1974 when the Spend-A-Day program was launched. An Alzheimer's program was added in 1988. Most recently, the "Interim/Special Needs" program was started for those with early dementia or severe physical limitations. Together,

the three programs offer a unique continuum of adult day care.

Established in 1954, SAGE is the oldest elder care agency in New Jersey, offering a comprehensive range of services to assist the frail elderly in maintaining their independence. In addition to adult day care, SAGE programs include home health aide and companion services; Meals-on-Wheels, Tel-Assurance, "Info-Care" information and referral, support groups, and other activities.

Service offers help

The New Jersey Division of the American Cancer Society has a toll-free 800 number.

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Junior firefighters



Summit area preschoolers from St. Rose of Lima School learn how to hold a fire hose to put out a fire in celebration of National Fire Safety Week.

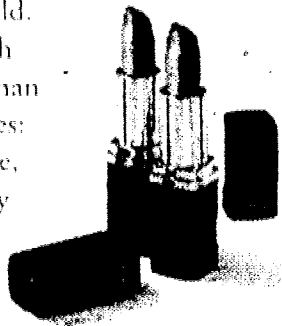
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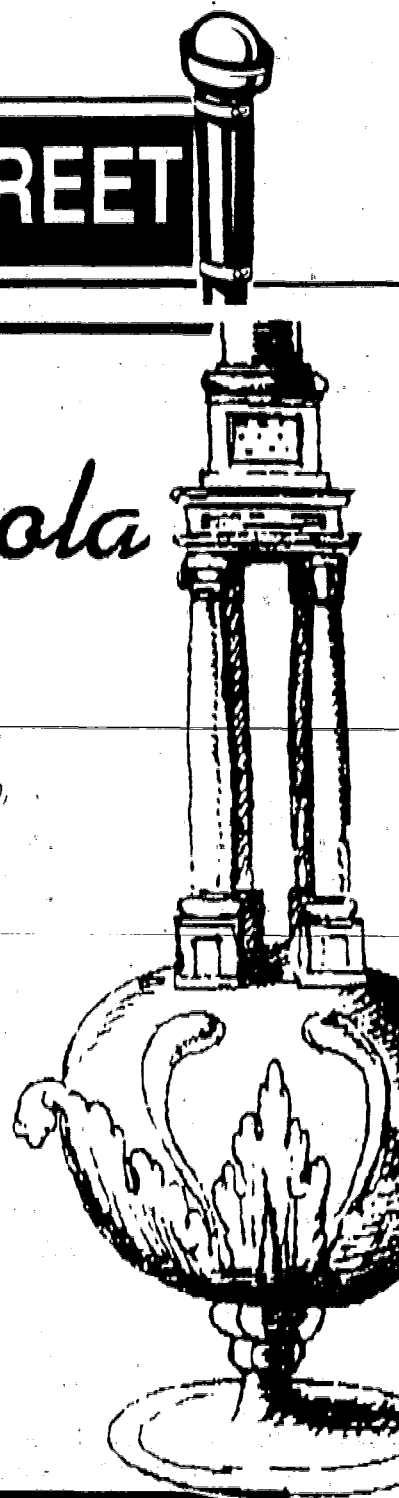
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OPINION

Resolve the issue

The freeholders cannot agree on the recent ordinances totalling \$62 million worth of the county's capital expenditures. The freeholders split their intentions according to partisan concerns as the Democratic freeholders rejected the first phase of a \$12 million ordinance for various Union County improvements. The ordinance, proposed by Republicans, would pay for traffic signal control equipment, scales for the county Police Department's weight team, confined-space rescue equipment for emergency management, and many other items. It was reported that the Democrats used the recent federal court ruling declaring unconstitutional the state's policy of directing the flow of garbage as the reason for rejecting more than \$50 million in proposed capital improvements in August.

The reports indicate that these freeholders' disagreements come after the county guaranteed \$35 million of bonds which the Union County Utilities Authority could have a difficult time generating revenue to pay. Some freeholders fear the county may be required to absorb the rest of the debt.

The frustration seems to be mounting as partisan attacks surrounded discussion during last week's meeting. The Democrats said there exist many questionable expenditures that need to be examined further. The Republicans view the voting on the \$12 million ordinance as an easy decision because they claim the money will be well spent.

"It's a routine capital ordinance for many of the important things we must do annually throughout the county," said Republican Freeholder Frank Lehr, sponsor of the measure.

Freeholder Linda Stender, a Democrat, said some of the purchases must be reviewed more closely, such as \$244,000 for a printing press.

There will be no improvements made if the bickering between the parties does not cease. It is obvious that keeping the ordinances in limbo may allow for further examination of the spending. Both parties must make concessions to pass these ordinances so that the county can properly implement its improvement plans.

Together we stand, divided we fall

On Sept. 30, Kenilworth hosted the much anticipated Federal Aviation Administration hearing to address air traffic noise over Union County. Although we are not surprised that the FAA did not send a representative to the meeting, we are pleased and encouraged by the diversification of county representatives who attended.

While the meeting was advertised as an opportunity to solve the air traffic noise problem, the underlying purpose of bringing together all municipalities that are affected to solidify their efforts was a dazzling success.

The current problem exists because of the Solberg Mitigation Flight Plan, which altered the take-off-flight of planes departing Newark International Airport from traveling three miles south before assuming a new course to having only to travel 2.3 miles. This shifted planes' flight-paths from over Staten Island to over eastern Union County.

The Solberg plan was initiated by a well-organized group of individuals on Staten Island who were fed up with the noise. Therefore, in a previous editorial, we said the first step in fighting Solberg was to become organized ourselves. Anyone who felt disappointed after the Sept. 30 meeting just because no action was taken shouldn't be.

Jerry Ramos, a representative to the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board, and organizer of the hearing, said it best: "These towns shouldn't be working independently of each other. We should all work together in a concentrated effort. This affects all towns." Unification is always the key to significant change.

In addition to achieving this solidarity, many excellent suggestions were offered during the hearing.

Perhaps the most significant was Congressman Bob Franks' proposed bill that calls for a reduction in aircraft noise by six decibels for 80 percent of residents within roughly 18 miles of Newark Airport.

Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage was naturally opposed to such legislation, but residents of eastern Union County and Staten Island have to accept that a solution to satisfy everyone may not be feasible. But let's not get ahead of ourselves.

We strongly urge all concerned municipal officials and residents of Union County to attend this meeting with an open mind and a willingness to donate some time and effort for the cause. Committees should be formed to research each of the various suggestions allowing hearings that follow to run more smoothly.

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Playing it safe



Jillian O'Sullivan, Kelly Schoenknect, Ashley Wilson, and Bobby Goense, students in Suzanne Schneller's first grade class in Mountainside's Deerfield School, participate in Fire Safety Week activities.

Does the GOP fear open debate?

As the Democratic candidate for Borough Council, I recently proposed using our local cable channel to create interest in our municipal election. My intent was to communicate issues, provide a forum for candidate exposure, and help voters make an informed decision on Nov. 5. I proposed an equal opportunity for both political parties to have equal access to a public outlet. This practice is used by many nearby communities at election time.

The response from the Borough Council was "No." None of the candidates would be featured in any type of political forum on our local cable channel.

The first reason: The station should not be used for political gain. Last spring, Channel 35 covered a meeting at Deerfield School prior to a vote which dissolved the Regional High School District. Previously there was coverage of a meeting about construction changes in the new Borough Hall resulting from a local referendum. Both issues were discussed openly on Channel 35. Thus our citizens' opportunity to learn more about the regional school problem resulted in an extraordinarily large turnout for a special election. No one will argue that television coverage did not play a major role in this turn-out of voters.

The second reason: The fear of setting a precedent for future political

Be Our Guest

By Michael Krasner

use. Our ruling body is apprehensive about opening a Pandora's box of evils which would plague them with a deluge of requests from local fringe groups demanding equal access.

The third reason: No unbiased sponsor for a political forum was available. Mountainside has no League of Women Voters. A suggestion that the presidents of local Democratic and Republican clubs host a forum was dismissed. Even the use of the *Mountainside Echo* as an unbiased moderator did not satisfy them.

The fourth reason: The lack of staff and facilities. In a letter dated Sept. 17, local organizations were invited to suggest new uses for Channel 35. The letter further claimed that resources to expand broadcasting services were available. Why the sudden and abrupt change in their position?

This decision by our Republican rulers has diminished the scope and value of our municipal election. It denies to the public direct access to

pertinent information. It creates a local news blockade. It is a form of censorship which arbitrarily prohibits that which is not in the best interest of the governing monopoly.

This decision suggests a parent imposing his superior judgment and authority on his helpless child because he and he alone knows what is right for the family. Elected officials are not voted into office to parent and patronize their constituents.

To deny the use of Channel 35 is an outrage to the political process and an insult to Mountainside voters. We should not be made strangers to the political process. Evidently the council believes that on Nov. 5 nothing matters in Mountainside.

They are dead wrong. What is at stake is an opportunity to turn a paternalistic closed society into a participatory democracy.

What worries the ruling party? Are they afraid to have an open discussion of the issues facing Mountainside residents? Are they afraid of losing one of six seats on the Borough Council to an independent voice after 100 years of total, stifling control?

Shame on them. This is the behavior of a dictatorship. It has no place in a free society.

Michael Krasner is the Democratic candidate for Borough Council.

Laws of decency should apply to all

There's no doubt about it now. There are several levels of justice in the world of sports. The Roberto Alomar case is a good example. This overpaid, ignorant oaf is looked upon as a superstar because he can hit baseballs longer and farther than most, putting him into the dubious role of superstar. Because of this particular attribute, he is worth money to his team, the Baltimore Orioles. And there's the bottom line.

Alomar has the opinion that because of 15 minutes in the limelight, he is above the law of common decency. To us, spitting in the face of an umpire, or, for that matter, anyone, is a despicable, slimy, cowardly, irresponsible, jerk who would be capable of beating up a helpless, crippled little old man or lady. It doesn't take a lot of courage to do what Alomar did to an umpire. Did Alomar get away with it? He sure did.

Alomar was given a measly five-day suspension to be served at the start of next season, and the umpires demanded that he be suspended immediately and barred from the playoffs for five games or they would boycott the games.

But that didn't happen. That great apostle of baseball, Bud Selig, the so-called "commissioner," invoked the no-boycott rule which prohibited the umpires from walking. The umpires followed a judge's ruling that the umpires must remain at their posts and Alomar gets a gentle pat on the wrist and is told to be a good boy.

If that is not high-handed justice that flies in the face of all that is wrong with professional sports, then the Alomar case is a classic example of irresponsible sportsmanship and cowering to a spoiled underpaid "celebrity" who is looked upon as a money cow.

To save a little face, Selig and

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

American League president Gene Budig, another hero in the case who is as cowardly as they come, will convene a meeting after the World Series is over and all the money is counted, to discuss a code of ethics and behavior to ward off further umpire abuse by the players. Of course, the Orioles should have taken the first step and barred Alomar immediately and told him to report back to the team after his five-game suspension. But that wasn't in the cards because Baltimore was fighting for a playoff spot and without Alomar, the chance of getting that berth was remote. Money would be lost and that is a no-no.

The rationalization that Budig as president took no action was the fear that if he suspended Alomar as most people wanted, he risked losing the World Series for his league. Since Budig owes his job to the American League owners who seek money and more money only, retribution to Budig would have been swift and brutal. Budig would probably have lost his job. He played it safe and turned away and Alomar goes scot free until next season. Who runs big-time sports? Do the owners or players?

Again, it comes down to permitting overpaid, mediocre human beings to write the rules and dismiss as irrelevant human decency. Alomar should not only have been given an immediate suspension but a hefty fine to go along with it. We are sending out a

horrible signal that to do what Alomar did is okay since he is a superstar who is a little more equal than others.

This is a problem that not only plagues professional sports but the entertainment industry as well. How many times do you see on television or read of some "famous" person or entertainer getting arrested for disorderly conduct in front of or inside some swanky watering hole? Just recently that other great man Mike Tyson, was with a group of goons who beat up a parking lot attendant because the creeps thought the attendant has scratched up one of the jerk's BMW. Tyson, however, was not involved in the incident but it is an example of what kind of trash this rapist-boxer hangs out with.

We all know that baseball umpires make mistakes "because they are human. But no ballplayer has the right to humiliate or harass an umpire. He is a symbol of authority and even if you disagree with a decision, it does not give you the right to spit in his face.

I'm sure that when Alomar went to elementary school, assuming he attended one, he would have been kicked out of class if he spit in the face of his teacher.

Unfortunately, our basic code of decency seems to have been eroded by a neanderthal mentality that if "I don't get my own way, I'll throw a tantrum, until I do get my own way."

Maybe these overpaid bums should be locked in a cage until game time or until they learn simple and decent manners.

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

Devotion to politics has its parallels

Before I entered the journalism field, I had never attended a single town council meeting, or any other for that matter. In fact, I didn't even know who the mayor was in my town, despite the fact that I had lived there for more than 10 years.

Now, part of my job involves attending the local government meetings for the towns I report about. With my self-confessed inexperience in the world of local politics, it has been a real eye opener.

So far, the meetings have veered between utter boredom and near insanity, depending on which town one refers to, and which issues are raised on any given night. I have come to expect the unexpected, whether it

Backbeat

By Kevin Singer
Managing Editor

be unmitigated rudeness, uncommon civility, ineptitude, or efficiency, sometimes all in the same meeting.

I could relay tall tales from the world of small town politics, but the novelty of such stories would soon wear off, leaving boredom in its wake. Instead, there is another facet to these meetings which has, until recently, been a source of curiosity to me.

One would think that these meetings are played out to empty houses, the assembled ladies and gentlemen performing to a room full of silent chairs. But I can assure you that this is definitely not the case. Often, the meeting room is filled to between 50 percent and 75 percent of capacity. The attendance of most of these spectators is easily explained. As local government deals with local issues, many times they will discuss an issue such as lowering speed limits, or reviewing a zoning dispute. Thus, residents who are vocal about a certain timely topic will attend and let themselves be heard. This phenomenon becomes obvious when most of them leave en masse right after their particular issue is addressed.

But there always seems to be a core group, those people who, while they appear to have no particular topic or agenda in mind, attend meetings with an almost religious devotion. For the longest time, I couldn't really find a good answer as to why the regulars are regulars. The idea of civic responsibility came to mind. In the past, I have supported civic involvement in the attendance of council meetings, but I sensed there was some additional force that was driving these men and women not to miss a single meeting, as well as sit through the entire evening's performance.

Then it hit me like a revelation from above. This concept of their almost "religious devotion" kept ringing through my head, and I could see a parallel drawn to my own life.

I was raised in a strict Irish Catholic household, 12 years of Catholic school, Mass every Sunday, all the traditions one would expect from such an upbringing. The hour spent every Sunday at church was as natural as brushing one's teeth in the morning. As with most Catholics, I could recite most of the Mass along with the priest by the time I was 10 years old.

Even to this day, I still attend Mass, except on that rare occasion when I've had a late Saturday night, and my stomach and my head are telling me to stay in bed. But I still go the majority of Sundays. Nevertheless, Mass can be boring, and sometimes I really don't do much praying at all, but I still go. Why? Besides habit, I suppose it's because I've grown accustomed to seeing certain familiar faces — not names, just faces. I get this sense of community from these virtual strangers. And I know that many of them would rather be somewhere else, just like me, but they sit it out for some different, if not higher, purpose.

In my opinion, this sense of community, of shared experience, of self sacrifice for a greater good, are some of the primary reasons that drive these people to attend their town government meetings. Civic involvement has become a habit for them, and whether they realize it or not, I think most of them receive some measure of comfort in seeing the same faces on a regular basis, as well as a satisfaction that their mere attendance constitutes participation.

As with most of the infrequently explored areas of life, politics can truly be more than a spectator sport.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tax hikes are not our fault

To the Editor:

The cost of operating our municipal government falls into three categories:

- The total of wages and benefits constitutes our largest single expenditure. Triggered by the contract with the police union, direct wages increased by an average of 4.5 percent over the last three years, with increases of similar magnitude in immediately preceding years. Payments for group insurance, retirement benefits, Social Security and longevity likewise increased in proportion to basic wages.

Beyond trying to contain police wages — traditionally the bellweather negotiation, in which the law puts municipalities at a disadvantage — there is little we can do to keep this cost from yearly escalation.

- The next largest category is comprised of items which are essentially fixed costs: payments of bills from utilities, sewage charges, service of bond debt, garbage removal, miscellaneous insurance, etc. Some of these are subject to some leverage, such as shopping around for insurance, an effort which has been made, but, practically, these are costs beyond effective control.

- Finally there is a group of items labelled "Other." These are sums budgeted by all departments which are necessary for daily operations — supplies, training, equipment which cannot be capitalized, all the other than wages and benefits.

The first two categories are largely non-discretionary. There is little we can do to diminish their impact. It is only in the last category that we have any perceived ability to make reductions. Unfortunately, since this has the lowest dollar value we are severely limited in attempts to control our municipal costs.

Now for taxes. Our tax rate is determined by dividing the total tax to be raised by the total ratable value of our real estate.

A glance at your own tax bill will show that the local portion is only one third of the total; the remainder is imposed on us by the county and the two school districts. In the municipal budget, it is only the "Other" category — merely 7.6 percent of the total — that lends itself to possible cut back. The whole category can't be eliminated and there is a limit to how much it can be reduced. Thus it is evident that we have no effective ability to materially influence the level of taxation.

The official budget is a remarkably complicated document whose form is mandated by law, in which costs are fragmented into different areas and it is difficult to isolate meaningful totals. There is no quick and easy way to explain the system, but I can point to some of the variables that complicate financial planning.

- Fluctuations in real estate values.
- Automatic increases in wages and longevity payments.
- Unpredictable planning and legal fees related to the court-imposed Fair Share Housing program.
- Unexpected changes in the level of state aid.

With one exception, I have found nothing in our municipal finances that resulted from political opportunism, during my three years in office. It is the township's professional managers who dig out and analyze the details and put the numbers together to form our budget, a lengthy process subject to all kinds of government regulation and scrutiny. What the Township Committee does is look over their shoulders and search for economics.

The hard fact is that the system does not allow us, as a municipality, to control our own level of taxation.

Herbert Slot
Springfield Deputy Mayor

Columnist is no fortune teller

So Blaine Dillport is the political reporter for the *Echo*? That is news to me and to Mountainside Democrats. We have neither seen nor heard from him during this election season.

In August he contacted Michael Krasner, our candidate for Borough Council, promising campaign coverage shortly after Labor Day. Where has he been?

To use his column in last week's edition as a vehicle to moan about his personal boredom with a local election whose outcome to him is a foregone conclusion is irresponsible. To predict election outcomes without ever interviewing the candidates or attempting to learn about the issues does not serve the best interests of readers or voters.

Why hasn't he been covering his political territory? Interviewing candidates?

Mr. Dillport characterizes himself as a "political junkie." Junkies go after their fix. Mountainside Democrats are ready to ease his pain. Where are you Mr. Dillport? Why are you hiding?

Lou Thomas,
President
Mountainside Democratic Club

Colandrea resolution was wrong

To the Editor:

Politics at its worst surfaced again last week.

In 1992, the township passed an ordinance drafted by Democrat Marcia Forman. The ordinance required all newly appointed members of our Planning Board and Zoning Board to attend a training course to make sure they are up-to-date on land use laws.

Since then, all new members, with the exception of one, took the required training. That one member, Richard Colandrea, has placed himself above the law. Mr. Colandrea previously served on the Planning Board from 1977-87. He was off the board from 1988 until June 1995. During that time, many changes occurred in state land use laws and in our own zoning ordinances, which was completely rewritten.

Both Mr. Colandrea and the local Democrats deliberately ignored the training requirement in the ordinance they wrote and introduced. That just shows a lack of integrity. But when they elected Mr. Colandrea as chairman of the Planning Board, that was sheer arrogance.

Even worse, Mr. Colandrea is known for his vocal and harsh criticism of applicants who ignore the tiniest requirements.

The ordinance is crystal clear. A child can read it and come to the same conclusion: either get the training, or you are not eligible to sit on either board. Mr. Colandrea ignored it. The Democrats let him ignore it, and now, they've had Township Attorney Bruce Bergen draft a resolution to excuse Mr. Colandrea from the training requirement.

Instead of admitting wrong and going on from there, the cover-up started with Mr. Bergen's drafting "special interest legislation." We all know what that is — a law that benefits one person or some special interest group.

Don't we have enough of that? Or are we content with elected officials who preach "Do as I say, not as I do."

Even with their special interest resolution for Colandrea, it doesn't change the fact that Mr. Colandrea was not eligible to participate in any Planning Board matter after Dec. 25, 1995.

That alone exposes the town to lawsuits from any person who wasn't satisfied with a Planning Board decision in which Mr. Colandrea participated. He didn't even have to say anything as long as his mere presence might have influenced another member.

Even Bergen was quoted on the front page of last week's *Springfield Leader* saying "I can't guarantee that there will be no lawsuits, but it is my belief that any lawsuit will fail."

It is not a question of what would "fail." What about the tens of thousands of dollars that it would cost Springfield to defend these lawsuits? Does Bergen care? Mr. Bergen will be the attorney who will rake in the taxpayers' dollars defending those suits.

What was done was not in Springfield's best interest. Mayor Greg Clarke, Deputy Mayor Herb Slot, and Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld sold out Springfield and my opponent, Sy Mullman, remains silent.

Aside from the legal issues, equally important is the issue of why this massive effort to "save" Richard Colandrea on behalf of the Democrats.

Mr. Colandrea was appointed by the Democrats. Now Mr. Bergen comes up with this "special interest legislation" to save his appointee. Politics at its worst — or at least politics at the expense of the taxpayers — has again reared its ugly head, and the Democrats should be ashamed of themselves, if that is possible.

I am a teacher. If I didn't complete my training, I wouldn't get a job in my profession. It is that simple.

Imagine, if everyone didn't have to follow our laws, what would Springfield be like? Why have the Democrats on the governing body lowered themselves to allow Mr. Colandrea to skirt the law? Is there no end to the non-leadership or the selling out of Springfield in the name of politics?

JoAnn Holmes
Republican Candidate
Springfield Township Committee

Election coverage guidelines

In fairness to all municipal, county and congressional candidates and to provide the best service to our readers, this newspaper has established guidelines and a schedule for coverage of the Nov. 5 general elections.

Under the guidelines, this newspaper is committed to specific elements of coverage. It will give background information about all known candidates, including stories on basic positions taken by each, and it will write news stories on the issues raised during the campaign.

We also will list important political events such as candidates nights and fund-raisers in news stories. We will aim to stimulate discussion of the issues during election campaigns through independent research and initiative stories.

If appropriate, editorial endorsements will be made.

News releases and campaign position statements from candidates are welcome. They will be used at the editor's discretion and they will not necessarily be printed as such but may be used as material to develop news stories if the issues raised in them merit such treatment.

Story use, timing and treatment are entirely at the discretion of the editor.

Following is the schedule we will adhere to in the Nov. 5 elections: Letters to the editor: Political letters, and those of endorsement, will be accepted up to and including the issue of Oct. 24. Letters may be printed or appear as excerpts at the editor's discretion.

Letters containing more than 75 words will be edited for length. Letters without telephone numbers will not be considered for publication.

Candidate's Corner: Candidates running for office will be given the opportunity to speak to the readers on these pages as they present their backgrounds, platforms and goals. Their columns will appear Oct. 24.

Our endorsements: Endorsement editorials will appear Oct. 31. Staff-written round-up stories: A final look at the candidates, their platforms and goals, etc., will appear Oct. 31.

Election results: Look for complete election result coverage in our Nov. 7 edition, but hear the results first on the night of the election on our Infocourse hotline. The telephone number and extension will be published in advance of our pre-election edition.

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Events and activities for visitors of all ages are scheduled at the annual Family Harvest Festival on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, at the Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit.

"Mystic Magic of Maurice" is set for 11 to 11:45 a.m. and 1 to 1:45 p.m. A balloonist will take requests for balloon sculptures from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; storyteller Jeslyn Wheelless will relate nature tales from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m.; and the Lew Gelfond Band will perform bluegrass to ragtime music from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Scheduled continuously from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. are the pony rides, hay-bale maze and petting zoo, pumpkin sculpting art, Nifty Heelers seeing-eye puppies, children's craft projects including lollipop ghosts and paper-plate spiders and children's games such as a bean-bag toss and haystack treasurer hunt.

Craft demonstrations and sales feature candlemaking with Bernie Roth of Martha Stewart fame; floral and veggie arrangements, basketweaving, lace-making; beekeeper, potter, quilter and spinner. The Arboretum Garden Shop will be open all day.

Children may play with the vintage toys and games at the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts display and the Reeves-Reed will staff an information booth.

Admissions are \$4, adults; \$1.50,



Photo By Anne Ross

A well-suited scarecrow takes a relaxed pose to set the mood for the annual Family Harvest Festival on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, at the Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit. Special events, performances, games, crafts and crafts demonstrations, pony rides, petting zoo and more are scheduled for the festival celebrating the bounty of nature.

children age 3 to 11; free, children under 3. Some events may involve additional fees. Snacks and lunch will

be available for purchase.

For details, call (908) 273-8787. A national and state historic site special-

izing in environmental education, the Reeves-Reed is located at 165 Hobart Ave., near Rt. 24.

Bookfair offers wide variety

Central Presbyterian Church Weekday Nursery and Kindergarten Parents' Organization's fifth annual bookfair will feature books from Camelot Books of Summit. Pop-up books, sticker books, gift sets, educational puzzles, early readers, holiday books for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas, Fair Side calendars, books on parenting, and more will be for sale. The bookfair and simultaneous bake sale will be held at the Central Presbyterian Church Weekdays Nursery School, lower level, 70 Maple St., Summit, today from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Summit authors Pete and Mary Watson will autograph copies of their books "The Market Lady and the Mango Tree" and "The Butterfly Seeds" on Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon. Last year's bookfair grossed \$8,000. The Parents' Organization arranges educational presentations, provides a vehicle for parent involvement, raises funds for the director and teachers, and coordinates social events for children and parents. For more information, call (908) 273-0484.

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Pageant to showcase area bands

The Highlander Band of Governor Livingston Regional High School will host the 25th annual Pageant of Champions band competition on Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. at Frey Field on the Governor Livingston campus, Watchung Boulevard, Berkeley Heights.

The Pageant of Champions will feature field show performances by a number of high school bands, including Matawan Regional, Jefferson Township, Toms River East, Edison, and Southern Regional. Competing bands in the Tournament of Bands-sanctioned event will be judged for their efforts in the areas of music, marching and maneuvering, and general effect.

In addition, the renowned Governor Livingston Highlander Band, under the direction of Daniel Kopcha, will present an exhibition performance of its 1996 field show to complete the day's program. Two months ago, the Highlander Band returned from a performance tour of Scotland, where they participated in special invitational programs marking the prestigious Edinburgh International Festival of Music. The band from Governor Livingston has won numerous awards in the past, including six straight Tournament of Bands Atlantic Coast Championships from 1988 through 1993.

In its first competition of the 1996



The award-winning Highlander Band of Governor Livingston Regional High School, shown performing during their tour of Scotland last summer, will present an exhibition performance of its 1996 field show at the 25th annual Pageant of Champions band competition, Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. on the Governor Livingston campus.

Marching season, the Highlander Band earned Best Music, Best Visual Effect and first place honors in Group 2, as well as the Overall Best of Show award, at the Bayshore Band competition in Matawan. The Governor Livingston Band is led this year by

Drum Major Stephen Voss, Color Guard Captain Nicole Merlo, Flag Captain Jill Sieffert and Pipe Major Rachel Mendez.

Tickets for the 1996 Pageant of Champions at Governor Livingston are priced at \$5 and may be purchased

in advance from any member of the Highlander Band or at the gate on the day of the competition. Tickets and additional information also may be obtained by calling Governor Livingston Regional High School at (908) 464-3100.

League calls for action

The Westfield Area League of Women Voters urges its members and the public to its meeting on strategies to achieve Campaign Finance Reform, on Tuesday, 12:45 p.m., at the home of Marie and Baird Wonsey, 425 Linden Ave., Westfield. The information will be repeated on Wednesday at 7:45 p.m., at the home of Marie-Laure Hollander, 322 Lawrence Ave., Westfield.

This is the first step in a call for action from the League of Women Voters of New Jersey to its member Leagues around the state. The League has made Campaign Finance Reform its top priority this year, and to strengthen its position has joined Citizens Agenda to Get Money Out of Politics, a coalition of grass-roots groups. The coalition includes NJPIRG, United We Stand, Council of Black Churches, Hands Across NJ, NJ Acom, and over 30 smaller, local organizations. This group is working to rally public support for a package of bills called the Clean Elections Act of 1996.

Members of the public are welcome to attend. No R.S.V.P. is necessary. However, for more information call 654-8628. If you are unable to come but would like to find out more about the proposed bills and how to contact your legislators, call the League at 1-800-792-VOTE.

STUDENT UPDATE

Resident attends university

St. Lawrence University welcomed Brad C. von der Linden of Mountainside, this fall as members of the class of 2000.

He will participate in St. Lawrence's First-Year Program, an introduction to the liberal arts curriculum taught in residence halls by faculty teams. Clear writing and speaking

skills are stressed, and careful advising is provided for all freshmen.

Some 600 freshmen, including students from 12 foreign countries, have joined the St. Lawrence student body. St. Lawrence, located in Canton, NY, is a liberal arts and sciences institution that encourages all faculty and students to participate in teaching and learning.

Pingry names commended students

John Hanly, headmaster of the Pingry School, has announced that Springfield residents Jessica Kramer and Gregory Stevens, have been named as Commended Students in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program. They are among 22 seniors at Pingry who have won this distinction as scholastically talented students. They will receive a Letter of Commendation from the school and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation which conducts the program.

National Merit Commended Students are honored for their exceptional academic promise, having placed among the top five percent of more than a million students who entered the 1997 Merit Program. Students enter the program as juniors by taking

the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

A National Merit spokesperson commented, "The young men and women named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding academic potential by their high performance in the extremely competitive Merit Program. In a nation that values excellence, it is important to recognize publicly the attainments of our scholastically talented young people and to credit schools for the important part they play in their development."

The Pingry School is an independent, co-educational country day school which enrolls approximately 1,000 students in grades K-12 on campuses in Short Hills.

Red Cross aids hurricane victims

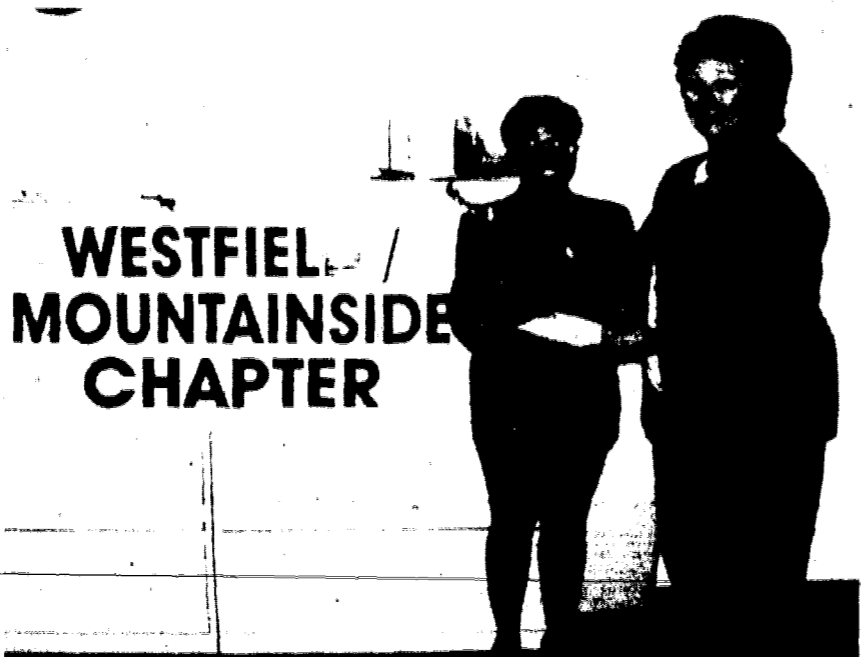
The American Red Cross Disaster Relief Campaign efforts have been in effect since last week due to hurricanes Fran and Hortense which created much havoc and destruction throughout the southeastern states and Puerto Rico. These two hurricanes have cost the Red Cross close to \$26 million so far to serve over 40,000 families affected and this will seriously deplete the National Disaster Relief Fund.

Every Chapter has been given a goal to replenish the funds to provide emergency services, such as shelter, food, clothing and medical supplies.

Last year's devastating hurricane season brought about a 25 percent decline in the National Disaster Relief Fund and could increase to a 50 percent decline this year due to Fran and Hortense.

The American Red Cross responds to over 55,000 disasters every year, and most are not of the magnitude of hurricanes, tornadoes or earthquakes, but just as devastating in peoples lives. There are currently 346 disaster relief workers from New Jersey in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Puerto Rico to provide the needed services for the victims.

Daisy Cruz, a local resident, took



Daisy Cruz presents the donation to Gail Moffett, executive director of the Westfield, Mountainside Chapter of the Red Cross.

up a collection to give to the Red Cross relief efforts in the amount of \$419.

The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter has been given the goal of raising \$1,499, the 30 Red Cross Chapters in New Jersey are assessed according to many factors, such as state income,

chapter income, and monies raised from corporations and other groups. Those wishing to donate for the ongoing disaster relief efforts can send their donations to the local chapter or by calling 1-800-HELP NOW or 1-800-435-7669 or 1-800-257-7575 for Spanish speaking donors.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Caroline Murphy
Caroline Murphy of Springfield celebrated her fourth birthday on Sept. 24 with her mother, father, sister Katie, and brother Jonathan.

Adoption lecture planned

A lecture on a variety of adoption options available to prospective parents will be given on Oct. 27 at 2 p.m. at the Springfield Free Public Library. Ethelann Moore, a clinical social worker, will offer the program which will describe the home study process, the different types of adoption available, and using an attorney or an agency. A question-and-answer period will follow the formal presentation.

Moore received a master's of social work degree from Yeshiva University, and post graduate certification in family therapy through the Family Training Institute of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

The lecture is free and open to all interested persons. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. in Springfield. For more information call (201) 376-4930.

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Still writing against drugs



The Union County Narcotics Advisory Board held its 8th annual Essay Contest Awards Ceremony at the end of the last school year. The theme of this year's contest for eighth-graders was "Kids Talk to Kids: What I Would Tell a Younger Person About Substance Abuse." Above, Chrissy Souder of Deerfield School in Mountainside, winner of the most original, with Freeholder Linda Kelly, Superior Court Judge Rudolph N. Hawkins, Jr., left, and First Assistant Prosecutor Michael Lapolla. Below, Christina Ferraz of Deerfield School, winner of the most effective message, is joined by Kelly and Hawkins.



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OBITUARIES



Henry Guenther Jr.

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Henry Guenther Jr., 87, of Springfield died Oct. 14 at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mr. Guenther, who resided in Irvington and Union, moved to Springfield 38 years ago. He was a member of Loyalty Lodge 33 A&AFM in Union for 37 years and was a member of the Springfield

Senior Citizens Group, No. 4. Mr. Guenther started as an apprentice at the age of 14 and worked at the *Star-Ledger* in Newark as a printer for 52 years. He retired in 1976.

Surviving are his wife of 63 years, Mildred; two daughters, Marie Weislar and Barbara Dexter; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Lillian Arcaro

Lillian Arcaro, 72, of Springfield died Oct. 10 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in New York, Mrs. Arcaro lived in Newark before moving to Springfield 32 years ago. She was a customer service representative for the Newark Postal Service for 30 years and retired 10 years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Marie L. Kimler; a son, John F. Jr.; a brother, Albert Masleid; seven grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Frank M. Adams

Frank M. Adams, 75, of Mountainside died Oct. 6 in his home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Adams lived in Springfield before moving to Mountainside 30 years ago. He was a

salesman for Seamans Furniture Co., Iselin, for the past 13 years. Previously, Mr. Adams was the owner of the Avon Diner, Newark, for many years. He served in the Army during World War II and had received a Bronze Star.

Surviving are his wife, Eleanor; a daughter, Sondra; two sons, Frank M. Adams Jr. and Douglas Lawless; a sister, Jean Minkoff, and two grandchildren.

Mark A. Anzalone

Mark A. Anzalone, 89, of Springfield, where he owned and operated a recreation center for nearly three decades, died Oct. 13 in his home.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Anzalone lived in Union before moving to Springfield in 1971. He owned the Four Seasons Play & Recreation Center in Union for 29 years and retired in 1990. Mr. Anzalone served in the Coast Guard during World War II. He was a member of the Lions Club and Unico Club, both of Union, and was a member of the Elizabeth Elks Lodge 1082.

Surviving are two brothers, Anthony and Louis, and a sister, Helen.

Candidate picks campaign managers

JoAnn Holmes, Republican candidate for Springfield Township Committee, announced she has selected two co-campaign managers.

"I am very pleased that Leonard B. Zucker, and Thomas N. Torzewski have agreed to serve and to help carry my message to every voter in Springfield. Len has a long and deep history of serving his community with dignity as former counsel to Springfield's Free Public Library in 1974; township attorney in 1975; counsel to our Rent Leveling Board in 1976; counsel to our Springfield Senior Citizens Housing, Inc., from 1980 to the present and served as our Municipal Court judge from 1988 through 1994."

"Len brings to the campaign a great deal of depth and history as an advisor to this most important election year and I have always held him in high esteem as one of Springfield's assets."

"Equally qualified for this position is Thomas N. Torzewski. Tom is very involved in his community and I am grateful that he has also accepted. Presently he is an active member of three

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Thomas Torzewski and Leonard Zucker join Republican Township Committee candidate JoAnn Holmes.

PTAs, including Walton, Gaudineer and Caldwell schools. Recently, Tom was appointed by the Board of Education to serve on the Sports Transition Committee for Dayton High School."

In a joint statement, Zucker and Torzewski said, "There is no question

that JoAnn Holmes must receive the overwhelming support of every voter within our community. Our community and the leadership question, requires the involvement of every taxpayer and voter in this election. It is most important for Springfield."

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All welcome to World Community Day

The public is invited to attend the World Community Day service, which will be held by the Summit Unit of Church Women United at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 1, at Christ Church, on the corner of Springfield and New England avenues.

World Community Day is held annually on the first Friday of November and is celebrated by Church Women United all over the world. World Community Day traditionally focuses on issues of justice, and this year's service deals with violence against women, a national issue

Jewish groups host a tour of local homes

On Sunday from 12:45 to 4:30 p.m., the Summit Jewish Community Center in Summit and the Jewish Education Association of Metro West will host "Come Home for the Holidays," a tour of homes in Summit and Short Hills, each decorated according to the tradition of a Jewish holiday.

The tour will showcase the celebration of Shabbat and the festivals of Sukkot, Hanukkah and Passover. "Each of these celebrations is a milestone marking the progression of the Jewish year," said Dena Horn of the tour's planning committee. "Many customs we will present have passed down from generation to generation. This tour is a way to experience many of these practices and to understand how their celebration enriches the family experience." A brief presentation in each home will highlight the customs and traditions of the holiday represented.

Filled with decorating ideas, the four homes on the tour range in style from beautifully appointed classic colonial to a gracious Twentieth Century Georgian stone colonial. A visit to a home proudly a part of Summit for more than 100 years and registered by the Summit Historical Society, also is included.

"Come Home for the Holidays" will begin with a light luncheon at the Summit Jewish Community Center, 67 Kent Place Boulevard in Summit. Judith Fellner, an award-winning journalist and author of "In the Jewish Tradition: A Year of Food and Festivities," will be the featured speaker. Tour groups will be organized afterwards and leave from the SJCC.

The cost for the entire tour, including the Petite Luncheon, is \$36. More information can be obtained by calling the JEA at (201) 438-7400.

"We're very excited about co-sponsoring this event with the SJCC," Judy Beck, director of the Center for Education at MetroWest, added, and "for the opportunity to share some of the joy and tradition that fill our homes during the holidays. The tour promises to be great fun and will help a worthwhile cause."

Proceeds from this event will support "Connections" — a program instituted seven years ago by the Federation of MetroWest. "Connections" is dedicated to providing a wide array of activities through which unaffiliated Jewish families can get in touch with their Jewish roots.

JLS non-profit grants offered

Raising funds for new non-profit programs can be a big obstacle, but the Junior League of Summit offers some help. Since its founding in 1928, the league has supported numerous local service efforts. Grant awards have returned \$2 million to the community to date. These funds represent the profits from the league's celebrated thrift, consignment and costume shops.

The deadline for 1996-97 grant applications is Oct. 31. Some important guidelines are:

- Must supply documentation of 501(c)3 tax-exempt status.
- Endeavors should be compatible with the JLS's focus of "building the next generation" by encouraging positive development of youth in our service area of Berkeley Heights, Chatham, New Providence, and Summit.
- No agency will receive more than one grant per fiscal year, and priority consideration will be given to agencies who have not received an award in the preceding fiscal year.
- Grants should provide start-up funds to effect positive community change, with an emphasis on such strategies as volunteerism and collaboration among groups.
- Funds are not available for general operating expenses of established, ongoing programs, or for individual scholarships or endowments.

Grants for amounts under \$1,000 will be awarded within 90 days of the Oct. 31 application deadline. Grants of over \$1,000 will be subject to a vote by the JLS membership in April 1997, and will be awarded by June 1997.

that impacts on peace and justice in the communities and that has global implications. This year's ecumenical service is titled "Women and Violence and the Church."

Two area women involved in the field of domestic violence will participate in the program. Lisa Smith is director of Outreach of the YWCA of Eastern Union County. Smith is certified as a domestic violence specialist in the state of New Jersey. She works with battered women and men who are batterers, and has been in domestic violence work for five years. The Rev. Kathleen Fisher-Roney is head chaplain of Somerset County Jail in Somerset and has had 15 articles published on sex abuse. Fisher-Roney is a

private therapist in the field of sexual abuse and family violence.

The worship service names and describes situations where violence has been committed against women in many parts of the world, both in Biblical times and today. The service calls on the public to prevent violence and give help and understanding to women who have been victims of violence.

Members of the Summit Unit of Church Women United will take part in the service. Members of Christ Church will be hostesses for the fellowship hour which will follow the service. Light refreshments will be served. No reservations are necessary and all are invited to attend.

Opera group offers cooking classes

The Summit Area Chapter of the New Jersey State Opera will hold a series of cooking classes in the designer kitchen of a newly renovated home in Westfield to be given on Tuesdays, Oct. 29, Nov. 12 and 19 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Attendance is limited to 10 persons.

On Oct. 29, Marion Matarazzo, retired teacher and experienced Italian cook, will demonstrate how to make Pasticcio di Lasagne alla Bolognese, a Northern Italian lasagna dish, including preparation of the fresh pasta and sauces.

The class of Nov. 12 will learn

how to make a basic bread dough which can then be shaped into breads, such as a French baguette, pizza, onion board, raisin bread and various rolls. Margarete Grimm of Mountaintop, who teaches at several schools in New Jersey, will demonstrate.

On Nov. 19, Westfield realtor and former caterer, Barbara Doherty, who has taught cooking at the Westfield Y and adult school, will show how to make a variety of hors d'oeuvres in anticipation of the holiday season.

Participants may attend any one of the classes or subscribe to the series of three. Reservations are \$25 each or \$70 for the series. Each session will end with a tasting of the dishes prepared. For reservations and directions, call Louis Baab at (201) 912-0011 or Rosemary Bisio at (908) 233-1522.

Proceeds will go to the performance fund of the New Jersey State Opera. The next performance will be "Don Carlo" by Verdi on Sunday afternoon at Symphony Hall in Newark. For information and tickets, call (201) 623-5775.

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Legislation would lighten the burden of filing taxes

Legislation sponsored by Assemblyman Joel Weingarten that would reduce the administrative burden on employers of household workers by simplifying the system for reporting payment of gross income tax withholding and wage taxes was released today by an Assembly committee.

Weingarten's bill would eliminate the existing system, which requires 13 separate filings and eight separate payments for each calendar year, and replace it with an annual filing as part of the employer's own gross income tax.

"Anytime we have the opportunity to simplify our tax system and make it less burdensome we should do it," said Weingarten, R-Essex, Union.

"Layers of red tape and bureaucracy not only make the tax system confusing, it makes it inefficient as well.

"By eliminating the burdensome system of separate filings and payments, we hope to improve compliance with the law," Weingarten added. "This is a classic case where government bureaucracy makes life more difficult for taxpayers. Why should government require 13 separate filings and eight payments for employers of household workers when it all can be handled in one annual report?"

Under current law, employers of household workers must make a quarterly report and payment of the gross income taxes they withhold from an

employee's pay, a quarterly report to the Department of Labor on the wages paid to the employee and a quarterly report and payment of the unemployment contributions they withhold from their employee's pay and the contributions they make as an employer.

Household workers covered under Weingarten's bill include babysitters, nannies, health aides, private nurses, maids, caretakers, yard workers or other domestic employees.

"In addition to these filings and payments, the employer must make an annual gross income tax reconciliation report for the employee's gross income tax," Weingarten stated.

Local church presents organ concert

The second Crescent Concert of this season, featuring five outstanding organists, will be presented on Sunday at 4 p.m. This concert series, which has a 14-year illustrious reputation, is performed at Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, located in the heart of the Historic District, 716 Watchung Ave., Plainfield.

The organists will explore the numerous voices of the Crescent Avenue Moller organs. The chosen music will include: Schumann, Franck, Durufle, Boellmann, Howland, Daquin and others. The general admission charge is \$10 but \$5 for senior citizens and students. The building is handicapped accessible. The organists include:

- Charles Banks of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Westfield, who holds both undergraduate and graduate degrees from Westminster Choir Col-

lege, Princeton, and is presently completing the masters degree program in sacred music.

- James Little of Calvary Episcopal Church, Summit, who has been the church's organist/choirmaster since 1993, having been previously associated with the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside. Recently, he earned a master's degree in sacred music from Westminster Choir College.

- David Macfarlane, who graduated from the University of Illinois, then received a master of music degree in choral conducting from Hartford's Hart School of Music. Currently, he is music director at Holy Trinity Church, New York City, as well as assistant director and accompanist for the Summit Chorale and organist of Temple Shalom.
- John Charles Schucker, who

received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Juilliard. In addition to serving as director of music of Corpus Christi Church, Chatham, he has given recitals at Alice Tully Hall, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Waterloo Festival in New Jersey and has been heard on WQXR radio.

- Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth, director of the music program at the United Reformed Church in Somerville. Healy-Wedsworth holds a bachelor of music from Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Ore., and a S.M.M. from the School of Sacred Music at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. She is the accompanist for both the Choral Art Society of New Jersey and the Somerset Hills Children's Chorus. Healy-Wedsworth is widely known as a recitalist, accompanist, teacher, church music consultant and conductor.

YMCA to host Halloween party

The Summit Area YMCA is hosting its second annual Family Halloween Party on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Ghosts, goblins, bats, vampires, and witches are anxiously waiting to give you a tour of the spookiest Haunted House in town.

There will be lots of fun in store for the entire family, including crafts, games, a costume contest and more. Red

Ribbons will be handed out to all who attend the event. The purpose of Red Ribbon Week is to promote awareness of alcohol and drug abuse in the community.

Don't miss the annual Summit P.A.L. Halloween Party after the YMCA Party. For more information about this event or other YMCA programs call (908) 273-3330 or stop by the YMCA at 67 Maple St. in Summit.

For years of service



Members of the faculty and staff of Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit were recently recognized by Headmistress Cynthia Vives, SHCJ, and John Cooper, member of the Oak Knoll Board of Trustees for their years of service to the school. Among those recognized were Anne Flynn of Springfield for 15 years of service to Oak Knoll. Flynn serves as chair of the Upper School Theology Department. From left, Vives, Flynn, Joan Stacks, Cooper, Dolores Asthalter and Anne Lofredo.

Final UCUA special waste day set

The Union County Utilities Authority will hold the final Household Special Waste Day collection event of the fall at the Cranford Municipal Swimming Pool on Memorial Drive Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There is no cost to participate, but registration with the UCUA is required. The event is open to Union County residents, and proof of residence is required to ensure the program serves Union County taxpayers only.

Acceptable materials include oil-based paints and varnishes, pool

chemicals, corrosives and cleaners, pesticides and herbicides, caustics, solvents, thinners, aerosol cans, asphalt sealers, fire extinguishers, flammable liquids and solids, motor oil, motor oil filters, automotive products, batteries, propane tanks, fluorescent bulbs, thermostats and mercury switches. Only materials in their original containers will be accepted.

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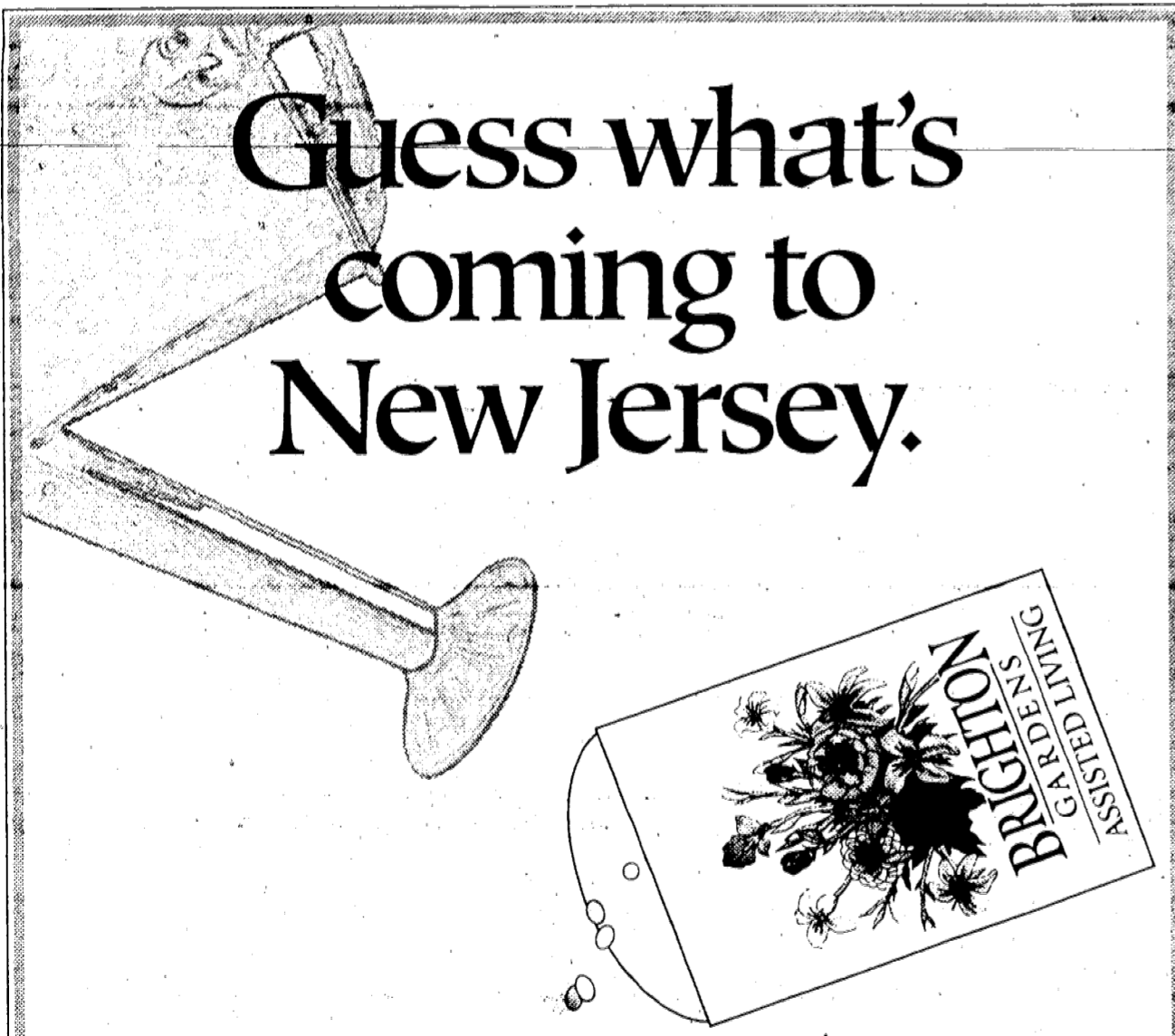
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THIS IS H. S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
 Sports Editor

As we enter the middle of this 1996 high school football campaign, some of the first big matchups are set for this weekend.

Two excellent games are on tap for tomorrow night: Union at Elizabeth and New Providence at Roselle Park.

Elizabeth leads the Watchung Conference with a 3-0 mark and has outscored the opposition by a 101-12 count so far this year, extending a regular-season winning streak to 11 games.

The last team to beat Elizabeth in the regular season? Union.

Last year's season-opening 15-12 victory in Union was the Farmers' ninth straight win over the Minutemen.

It seems that the battle for Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division supremacy is always on the line when Roselle Park and New Providence hook up. Both teams are 3-0 and in the hunt for playoff berths in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1.

An excellent Saturday game is Johnson (3-0 and winners of 15 straight) at Hillside (2-1).

WEEK THREE

Last Friday
 Elizabeth 35, Shabazz 12
 Boonton 13, Summit 7

Last Saturday
 Roselle Park 20, Dayton 7
 Gov. Livingston 28, Roselle 26
 Johnson 51, Newark Central 6
 Hillside 35, North Plainfield 7
 Linden 17, Scotch Plains 14 (OT)
 Rahway 27, Westfield 6

WEEK FOUR

Tomorrow night
 Union at Elizabeth, 7:00
 Dayton at Bound Brook, 7:00
 Gov. Liv. at North Plainfield, 7:00
 Summit at Mount Olive, 7:30
 New Providence at Roselle Park, 7:30

Saturday afternoon
 Johnson at Hillside, 1:00
 Immaculata at Roselle, 1:00
 East Side at Linden, 1:30
 Shabazz at Rahway, 1:30

J.R.'s picks

Dayton over Bound Brook
 Gov. Liv. over North Plainfield
 Mount Olive over Summit
 Roselle Park over New Providence
 Hillside over Johnson
 Immaculata over Roselle
 Linden over East Side
 Rahway over Shabazz
 Last week: 7-1
 Season: 22-7

Kelth's picks

Elizabeth over Union
 Bound Brook over Dayton
 Gov. Liv. over North Plainfield
 Summit over Mount Olive
 New Providence over Roselle Park
 Johnson over Hillside
 Immaculata over Roselle
 Linden over East Side
 Rahway over Shabazz
 Last week: 5-3
 Season: 19-10

ELITE ELEVEN

1. Elizabeth (3-0)
2. Johnson Regional (3-0)
3. Union (2-1)
4. Rahway (3-0)
5. Linden (2-2)
6. Roselle Park (3-0)
7. Hillside (2-1)
8. Gov. Livingston (2-1)
9. Roselle (1-2)
10. Summit (1-2)
11. Dayton Regional (1-2)

Effort there for Dayton, GL

Different results for local football squads

The Dayton Regional and Governor Livingston high school varsity football teams both played well in Mountain Valley Conference action last Saturday.

The difference was that GL managed to post an exciting come-from-behind victory while Dayton hung tough against another talented opponent before falling once again.

Ricky Smith booted a 35-yard field goal — his third in three tries this year — with nine seconds left to lift GL past Roselle 28-26 in Mountain Division play in Roselle.

Roselle Park remained unbeaten by posting a 20-7 win over Dayton in a Valley Division clash at Meisel Field in Springfield.

GL is now 2-1 and will play at North Plainfield (1-2) tomorrow night at 7. Dayton is 0-3, but has played respectable against all three of its opponents. Dayton's first three foes — GL, New Providence and Roselle Park — have a combined 8-1 record.

H.S. Roundup

Mike Trombetta scored four touchdowns for GL, three rushing and one receiving, but the Highlanders were outscored 20-16 in the fourth quarter after leading 12-6 at the half.

Mountainside resident Jim Debbie, a junior halfback/cornerback for GL, had an important quick kick mishandled by a Roselle player that enabled the Highlanders to get the ball back. That led to Trombetta's third touchdown and an 18-6 lead.

Roselle then came back and scored on a 90-yard kickoff return by Kiron Holmes and then scored again when running back Ascer Cray broke a run 75 yards for a score.

GL went ahead 25-18 when Trombetta caught a 66-yard touchdown pass from Dan Guyton and then Smith booted the extra point.

Roselle took its only lead when Eric Neely returned a kickoff 80 yards and then the Rams scored two more points for a 26-25 edge before Smith's game-winning field goal.

GL, suffering a 16-13 setback at the hands of Immaculata last week, is a field goal away from being 3-0 this year.

Boys' Soccer

GL and Dayton Regional were two likely boys' soccer schools to be selected among the 16 that were to be seeded Tuesday night for this year's annual Union County Tournament.

The seeding took place at Johnson Regional, the team that won the championship last year by besting Union 2-1 in the final at Elizabeth's Williams Field.

Eight first-round games are scheduled for this Saturday (Oct. 19), with four quarterfinal-round contests scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26.

Both of those rounds will consist of the higher-seeded teams hosting the lower-seeded squads.

The semifinals are set for Williams Field at 7 and 8:30 on Saturday night, Nov. 2.

The final is set for Williams Field at 7 on Saturday night, Nov. 9. GL defeated Dayton 3-0 in Springfield last Friday, improving to 4-5-1 with the win. GL won the UCT championship in 1994.

GL received goals from Bob Phillips, Nathan Whitney and Steve Ross. Dayton goalkeeper Dave Devonshire made six saves as the Bulldogs slipped to 1-7.

Girls' Tennis

Dayton Regional improved to 5-2 with wins last week at home against Roselle 5-0 Thursday and Middlesex 3-2 Friday.

Tara Neumeister at first singles, Julia Rudakov at second singles, Tracey Saladino at third singles, Lucy Cucciniello and Dawn Woodruff at first doubles and Meredith Pincin and Melissa Savin at second doubles were all victorious for the Bulldogs against Roselle.

Saladino, Cucciniello and Woodruff and Pincin and Savin won matches against Middlesex.

GL blanked Johnson Regional 5-0 last Thursday. The second doubles team of Mountainside resident Lauren Kobel and Gina Turturiello defeated Tara Bogner and Kelly Hamilton 6-2, 6-2.

Girls' Soccer

Dayton's girls' soccer team won at Manville 2-1 in Mountain Valley Conference action last Thursday.

Theresa Lyle scored both Dayton goals, with assists going to Kristen Lomonaco and Adrienne Mascro. The Bulldogs improved to 2-5 with the victory.

Baseball at Kean next month

Baseball Clinics will take place at the D'Angola Gym at Kean College in November and December.

The clinics will consist of Small Group Instruction, a maximum of six participants per session.

The clinic staff includes Kean head baseball coach Jim Casalino (25 years of coaching); Neil Ioviero, Kean pitching coach (two years of pro baseball) and Tippy Martinez, Kean assistant coach (two years of pro baseball).

This instruction is for the individual who strives to develop their skills in a small group environment.

Instruction will include pitching, fielding and hitting. Two indoor batting cages and two portable pitching mounds will be used for teaching these fundamentals.

All sessions will be conducted on Saturday mornings from 9:30-11:30. The cost of the instruction is \$40 per session (two hours).

Individualized instruction will be offered on Sundays by appointment for \$50/hour.

Instruction for All Areas, ages 11-12, will be held Nov. 16, Dec. 7. Instruction for All Areas, ages 13-17, will be held Nov. 23 and Dec. 14.

Instruction for Hitting Clinic, all ages, will be held Dec. 21. More information may be obtained by calling Jim Casalino at 908-527-2002.

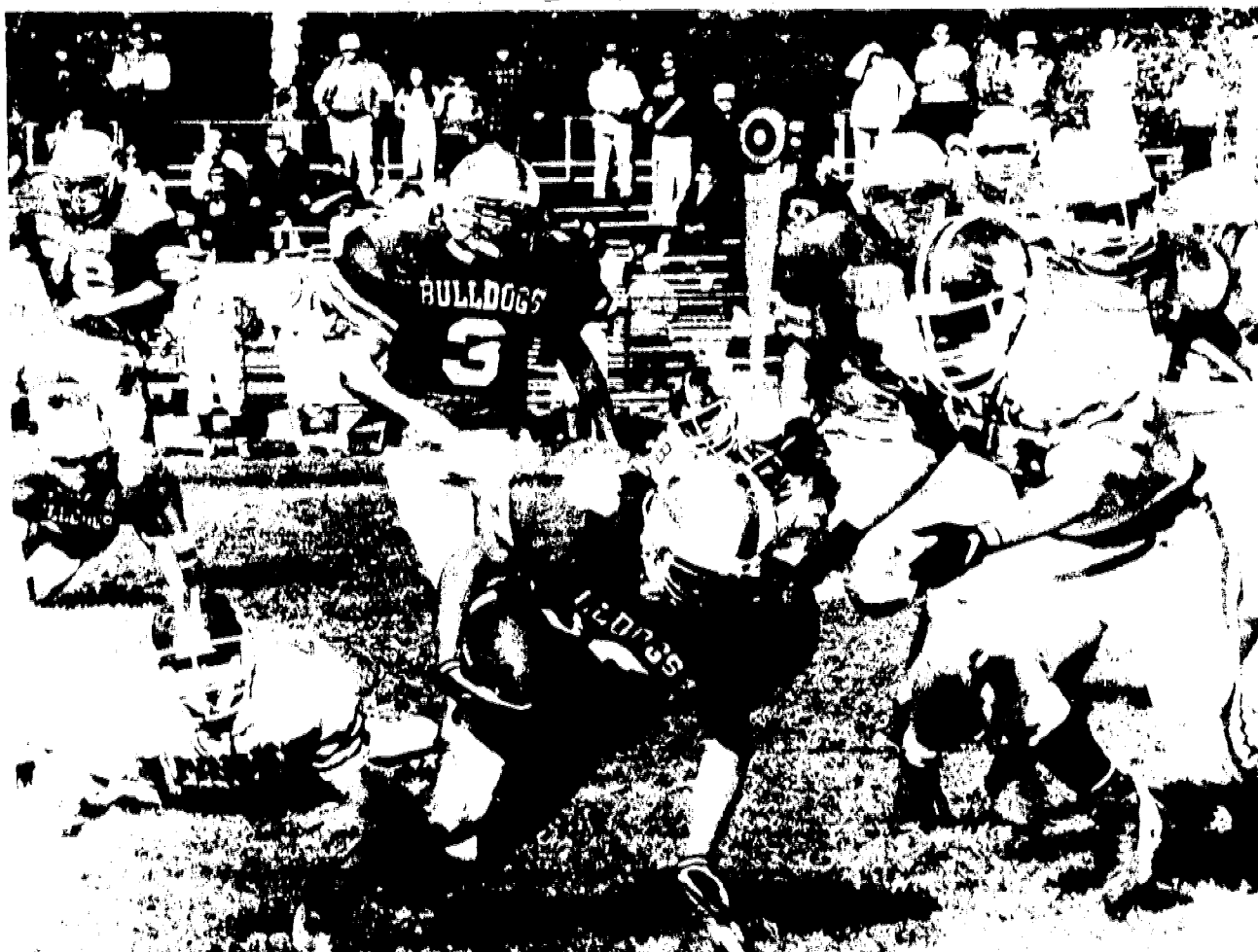


Photo by Ted Matthews

Dayton Regional wide receiver Jimmy Sweigart, with ball, tries to gain yardage against Roselle Park during last Saturday's varsity high school football game at Meisel Field in Springfield.

Dayton freshman grid team halts unbeaten Roselle Park 3-0 Bulldogs at top of MVC standings

In a battle of unbeaten freshman high school football teams, Dayton Regional managed to remain undefeated by posting an impressive 38-18 victory over host Roselle Park.

Dayton leads the Mountain Valley Conference standings at 3-0 while Roselle Park is now 3-1.

The Bulldogs now embark on a three-game homestand that commences tomorrow afternoon against Bound Brook at Meisel Field in Springfield at 4 p.m.

On the first play from scrimmage against Roselle Park, Dayton's Steven Kovacs forced a Panther fumble and the Bulldogs scored several plays later on a run by B.J. Jones.

The see-saw contest saw the Bulldogs take a 24-12 halftime lead behind the accurate passing of quarterback David Wyche and touchdown catches by Stephen Wright and David Woodruff.

In the second half, Dayton's defense dug in and stopped Roselle Park's offense cold.

Dayton's defense allowed only one touchdown, while Roselle Park scored once each on an interception and kickoff return.

Dayton Regional Freshman Football

(H) Dayton 36, Gov. Livingston 8
 (A) Dayton 20, New Providence 0

(A) Dayton 38, Roselle Park 18
 Oct. 18 Bound Brook, 4:00
 Oct. 25 Immaculata, 4:00

Nov. 1 Middlesex, 3:30
 Nov. 8 at Manville, 3:30
 Nov. 15 Johnson, 3:30
 Nov. 22 at Ridge, 3:30

Record: 3-0
 Home: 1-0
 Away: 2-0
 Points for: 94
 Points against: 26
 Shutouts: 1

Wyche continued to excel at quarterback, completing several passes to end Keith Allen, the wide receiver also coming up with an interception on defense.

Jones scored two of Dayton's touchdowns on running plays.

Dayton has outscored the opposition by a 94-26 count and the Bulldogs' defense has allowed only two touchdowns in three games, posting one shutout along the way.

After hosting Bound Brook tomorrow, Dayton remains at home for games against Immaculata Oct. 25 and Middlesex Nov. 1.

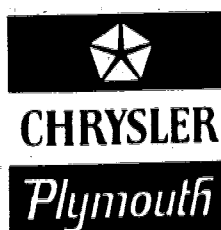
Dayton is scheduled to play at Manville Nov. 8 and then return home for its final home game against Johnson on Nov. 15.

Dayton will finish the season at Ridge on Nov. 22.



Dayton Regional linebacker Brian Berger deflects a pass in a freshman football game against New Providence two weeks ago. The Bulldogs' frosh team is 3-0.

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Resident named exhibition chairman

Barbara Schwinn, president of the Westfield Art Association, announced that Jane Annis of Mountaintop will serve as chairperson for the group's 72nd annual Oil, Pastel and Sculpture Exhibition in November.

Annis holds a degree in art education and has studied at the New York School of Interior Design. She retired from her own interior design business in Westfield two years ago.

The exhibition will be judged by artist and educator Edith Anderson Feinsner, who is on the faculty of the Fine Arts Department of Montclair State University.

Feinsner graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in fine arts from Montclair State. Her work has been widely shown, including the New Jersey Arts Annual, Nabisco Gallery, Summit Arts Center, Newark Museum, and the Montclair Museum.

As a certified teacher of the Embroiderers Guild of America, she has taught, exhibited and lectured at many workshops. Her work has been commissioned by congregations of all denominations, including two by Temple Emanu-El in Westfield. She has also received an Outstanding Alumni Award and an Excellence in Education Award from Montclair State.

Prior to her art studies, she attended Fairleigh Dickinson University, where she studied math and advertising. She has held positions in market research and advertising art at Ted



Barbara Schwinn, president, and Jane Annis, chairperson, prepare for the Westfield Art Association's 72nd annual Oil, Pastel and Sculpture Exhibition.

The exhibition will be held at the Westfield Community Room, 425 Bates and Co., Woman's Day magazine and Medical Economics, East Broad St., from Nov. 3 to Nov. 14.

Send it e-mail

Worrall Community Newspapers accepts letters to the editor and guest columns via e-mail. The address is WCN22@aol.com.

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Museum to celebrate harvest

The Miller-Cory House Museum will celebrate the harvest season with their Annual Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 20 from noon to 4 p.m. The Museum is located at 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield.

Children will be able to enjoy crafts such as tin piercing, painted halloween wooden doorknobs, sun catchers, hanging Halloween scrolls, miniature scarecrows and coloring. A small fee will be charged for crafts ranging from 75 cents to \$2.50. Colonial crafts such as spinning and weaving will be demonstrated throughout the afternoon and tours of the history-rich farmhouse by costumed docents will be available to visitors. Preregistered participants in the first annual scarecrow contest will build their scarecrows between 1 and 2:30 p.m.

A bake sale at the festival will include homemade pies, cakes and cookies. Refreshments such as homemade pies and cookies with cider will be available for a small fee.

Museum Volunteers will be dressed in authentic early American costume and will welcome visitors to this fund-raising event which helps the museum continue its educational programs in schools. The Museum gift shop offers a variety of educational items, cookbooks, and colonial gifts.

On Sunday, Oct. 27, the Museum will feature a stenciling demonstration by Flo Malcolm of Westfield. For information about the Museum and its schedule of events, please call the Museum office at 908-232-1776

Agency offers tennis themed cruises

Cruise Holidays of Springfield is combining a variety of cruise vacations with land packages featuring highly sought-after tickets to major professional tennis championships. Each of these cruise and tennis vacations represents a cruise industry first in vacation packaging.

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The first package, May 14-27, includes two sessions at the 1996 Italian Open Tennis Championships, as well as a 7 day Western Mediterranean cruise aboard the Italian ship, CostaRomantica.

Two packages have been created for the French Open. The first, running from June 4-16, combines Centre Court seats for the Men's and Ladies Semi-Finals and the Ladies Finals with a French and Italian Riviera cruise aboard the Wind Star, a yacht-like, motorized sailing vessel. The second, June 4-15, offers Centre Court seats to the Men's and Ladies Semi-Finals in conjunction with a European Wine Country cruise aboard Cunard's Royal Viking Sun named the top-rated ship in 1995 by Berlitz for the sixth consecutive year. As with the French Open, Cruise

Holidays is offering two packages in conjunction with the Wimbledon Tennis Championships. The first Wimbledon package running from June 12-30, features a 13-day Scandinavian and Russia cruise aboard the luxurious Royal Princess and two days of Centre Court Debenture seats at Wimbledon. Package number two begins June 28 with a transatlantic cruise aboard the exquisite QE2, includes Centre Court Debenture seats to the Ladies and Men's Wimbledon Finals, and finishes on July 9 with a supersonic flight aboard the Concorde from London to New York.

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For more information, contact Joe Amabile Cruise Holidays of Springfield.

PUBLIC NOTICE

(#10-965)
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD PLANNING BOARD COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, Staples, a corporation having its principal place of business at One Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts, Applicant, has filed an application with the Springfield Planning Board #10-965 relating to the property located at 155 Route 22, Springfield, New Jersey, which is also known as Block 142, Lot 2 on the official Tax Map of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey seeking relief from Ordinance Section 603.2 and 608.8 and other such variances as may be necessary to grant the Application;

WHEREAS, the Applicant's property is located in an HC-Highway Commercial Zoning District;

WHEREAS, the Planning Board determined that all notices provided with respect to the meetings of the Planning Board at which the Applicant was heard were both proper and legally sufficient; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board heard the Application on September 18, 1996 at a special meeting held at the Board Room, 352 Hedge Row, Springfield, New Jersey, and Mr. Martin having advised the Board initially that the plans submitted incorrectly reflect the parking spaces to be provided, the total number of spaces is 88 spaces for Staples and 71 spaces for P.C. Richards resulting in a total of 159 spaces; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peter Ricci, Architect, appeared for the Applicant and was sworn and his qualifications to testify as an expert in his field were accepted by the Board; and who testified that there presently exists within the Staples store, a copy center, the proposal is to extend this service to 24 hours per day and install an interior wall which will close off the main store from the copy center after regular store hours and a new exterior entrance door to the copy center;

WHEREAS, Mr. Ricci further testified that the new proposed sign over the entrance would read "STAPLES OFFICE SUPPLY STORE" and the front facade would be raised; that two of the three handicap parking spaces would be moved over slightly in accord with the plan; and

WHEREAS, the report of Mr. Kirkpatrick, the Township Engineer, dated September 18, 1996, was presented to the Board together with Mr. Kirkpatrick's stipulation that handicap drivers must be able to access the building without being forced to walk in the lane which cars travel; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ricci agreed on behalf of the Applicant to amend the plan to continue the sidewalk that runs in front of the building down to the handicap spaces to cut back the landscaping to make entry to the store more accessible for those persons; and

WHEREAS, the Board pointed out to Applicant's counsel that the entrance off Route 22 has two arrows, that the second arrow should be directed to the west to avoid a possible collision in the parking lot; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kirkpatrick advised that the rear entrance in P.C. Richards is not usable because of the location of the downspout which needs to be corrected; and

WHEREAS, the Board inquired of the Applicant's counsel and witnesses that arrangements were proposed for security at the copy center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. John Endow, Project Manager for Staples, appeared and was sworn and testified that there would be two employees for the copy center, the door would be open 24 hours per day and no buzzer or mechanical security system is contemplated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Michaels re-calculated the sign area proposed on A-1 marked in evidence and calculated that no variance will be required for exceeding the total permitted sign coverage provided the application is amended to request a sign for the copy center not to exceed 32 square feet which amendment the attorney for the Applicant requested the Board to permit;

WHEREAS, the meeting was opened for public comment and no one appeared to speak for or against the application whereupon the public portion was closed; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board relied upon the reports of the Township Engineer and the Township Planner, the exhibits marked into evidence, the testimony of the witnesses and the representations of the Applicant in taking action with respect to the subject application; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Springfield Planning Board by way of memorialization to its prior approval of the application with conditions as follows:

(1) The sidewalk in front of the handicap spaces shall be extended to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer to permit safe access to the building.

(2) The location of the drain pipe at the rear of P.C. Richards shall be corrected and relocated to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer.

(3) The painted arrows at the entrance to the parking lot from Route 22 shall be corrected to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer.

(4) A security guard shall be provided at the copy center between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on every day that the copy center is open.

PUBLIC NOTICE

(5) A recycling plan shall be submitted to the Township Recycling Coordinator for review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Springfield Planning Board by way of memorialization to its prior approval of the motion as follows:

The Application as amended and with conditions be and is hereby approved.

Springfield Planning Board

By: Sanford D. Welton, Vice Chairman
10/29/96
U1524 SLR October 17, 1996 (\$65.75)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NOREEN M. KLASKIN, Deceased.

Pursuant to the order of ANN P. CONTI, Surrogate of the County of Union, made on the 11th day of October A.D., 1996, upon the application of the undersigned, as Executors of the estate of said deceased, notice is hereby given to the creditors of said deceased to exhibit to the subscriber under oath or affirmation their claims and demands against the estate of said deceased within six months from the date of said order, or they will be forever barred from prosecuting or recovering the same against the subscriber.

Peter M. Klaskin, III and Nancy Ann Ullizio, also known as Nancy Ann Klaskin
352 Hedge Row
Mountaintop, NJ 07092
U1535 MEC October 17, 1996 (\$8.25)

SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFF'S NUMBER CH-752766
DIVISION: CHANCERY
COUNTY: UNION
DOCKET NO. F328196
PLAINTIFF: GE CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., AS SUCCESSOR TO

PUBLIC NOTICE

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DEFENDANT: ANNE M. SCHWARZ;
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WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE:
AUGUST 07, 1996

SALE DATE:
WEDNESDAY THE 6TH DAY
OF NOVEMBER A.D. 1996

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ATTORNEY:
FEIN SUCH KAHN & SHEPARD
SUITE 201
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SHERIFF: RALPH FROELICH
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TOTAL JUDGMENT AMOUNT
(\$119,143.81)

October 10, 17, 24, 31, 1996
U1379 SLR (\$90.00)

NOTICE OF HEARING

PLANNING BOARD
TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to the Planning Board of the Township of Springfield by Dr. William H. Bohrod for preliminary and final site plan approval and variance for minimum lot size, front yard set back as set forth in the Schedule of Zoning Limitations of the Ordinance of the Township of Springfield and for parking spaces (Section 603.2 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Springfield). Also any other variances that may be necessary as evidenced by the plans now on file or as may be modified at the request of the Planning Board. This application is made for premises located at 184-188 Short Hills Avenue, Springfield, N.J., Block 609, Lots 30, 31. This application is now Calendar No. 13-96S on the Clerk's Calendar, and a public hearing has been ordered for 8:00 p.m., November 5, 1996, in the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, N.J. and when the calendar is called, you may appear either in person or by agent or attorney, and present any objections which you may have to the granting of this application. All papers pertaining to this application may be seen in the office of the Administrative Officer of the Planning Board of the Township of Springfield located in the Annex Building, 20 N. Trivett Street, Springfield, N.J.

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56-58 Ferry Street
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Attorney for Applicant
U1505 SLR October 17, 1996 (\$14.75)

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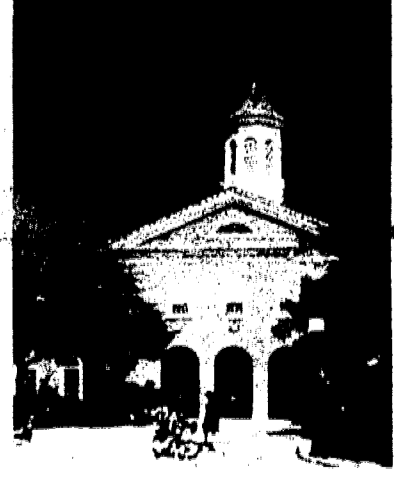
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