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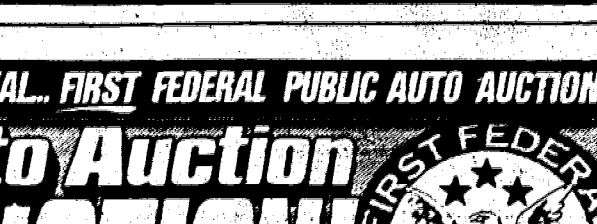
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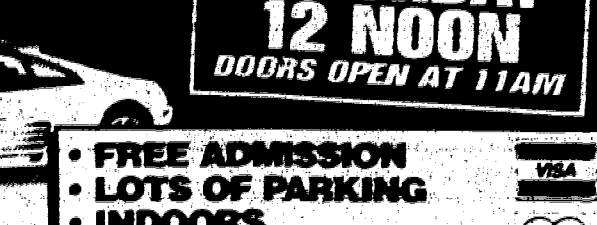
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Suspects ram officer in attempted auto theft

By Maddy Vitale
Staff Writer

Police arrested two Newark men after a car chase down Route 22 Wednesday.

According to Lt. Richard Adams at approximately 8:30 p.m. there was an attempted motor vehicle theft at the parking lot of Hy-way Bowl on Route 22 in Union.

The men were observed by witnesses tampering with a parked BMW. When they saw they were being watched they fled onto westbound Route 22 in beige-colored Acura.

The Springfield Police Department reported they pursued the suspects east on Route 22 back into Union. Union Officer George Schultheis was alone in his vehicle when he picked up the chase. When he pulled out onto

the highway he was rammed by the Acura, police said.

The officer was transported by an emergency vehicle to St. Barnabus Hospital in Livingston and was treated and released for shoulder and neck injuries.

Quawee Shubrick, 18, was arrested along with a 17-year-old. Shubrick, the driver of the vehicle, remained in the car while the juvenile fled on foot and was apprehended a short time later, Adams said.

They are charged with possession of a stolen car, aggravated assault on an officer, possession of a weapon (the car), eluding police, and possession of burglary tools.

Shubrick is being held at the Union Police Department, Adams said. Once bail is set through Municipal Court,

he will be sent to the Union County Jail in Elizabeth.

The juvenile is being held in the juvenile detention center in Elizabeth.

"They are hitting again," Adams said of the increased motor vehicle thefts. "Police will review the reports and assess which areas are being hit."

Detective Scott Breslow of the Union Police Family Relations and Youth Services Bureau is investigating.

Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news, Church, club and social — Thursday, noon.

Entertainment — Friday, noon.

Sports — Monday, noon.

Letters to the Editor — Monday, 9 a.m.

General — Monday, 5 p.m.

Resident brings compassion in bags of food

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

During the holiday season, some individuals work towards making the winter brighter for those whose numbers are down. Brenda Patch, of Mount Pleasant, is one of these people.

Patch is working to bring Thanksgiving day meals to people who are unable to cook for themselves. For the third straight year, Patch, in cooperation with neighbors and friends, has prepared and delivered Thanksgiving dinners to the families in Newark and Elizabeth.

For the past few weekends, Patch has worked hard to get some of Newark's "Ways in Mountainside" collecting turkeys from people living in Mount Pleasant and surrounding areas. As of Friday, Nov. 21, she had collected 40 turkeys, 50 more than last year.

effort, and hoped to accumulate even more over the weekend.

Patch belongs to a group called the Circle of Compassion, which is affiliated with the Mount Pleasant Catholic Church. The group consists of volunteers, including 400 cooks, who work to prepare the food. As one of their other programs, the group regularly prepares dinners for local families of lesser means.

The proceeds from these Thanksgiving dinners go to St. Rose of Lima Church in Newark. The remainder of the food was brought to the Temple of Charity in Elizabeth the next morning.

Patch said the goal of the program

was to give each family one turkey and one bag of canned goods. She and the Circle of Compassion have enlisted the help of local youth in distributing the goods.

The Girl Scouts of America helped collect and distribute the goods on Saturday. Several scouts from Mount Pleasant met at Patch's home and took the ride down into Newark. "It is important to get the children involved early with something that will help them develop a good conscience," Patch said.

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But where are the pilgrims?



Second grade students from the T.L. Sandmeier School in Springfield celebrated Thanksgiving with a big feast of their own. Each student brought in something to contribute to the feast and the entire second grade celebrated together. Shown are Vanessa Clark, Aileen Gardner, Danielle Montesano, Tanya Mesh, David Stenman, Vincent Inneb, Robert Krebner and DFaniel DeCoco.

Schaller seeks community's help on plan

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

Chief Robert Schaller is interviewing members of the community to help formulate an entry plan for the district.

Schaller said that when he was appointed the head of education, he increased open lines of communication among parents, teachers, administrators and the public.

Keeping that in mind, Schaller plans to meet with parents, school administrators, the staff at Deerfield, citizens, the mayor and councilmembers, members of the Rotary Club, and even some eighth grade students. Schaller hopes input from the diverse

audience will help him to represent more parents and accurately the plan of the district.

This interview will help Schaller decide what direction the district wants to follow. It will also allow him to form a close relationship with the community. "So many people here at Deerfield have a strong opinion. I've been getting to know the students and staff, but they can actually help me get to know their parents in their own way."

The entry plan will help set the goals of the district for the next five years, and will also help in forming the main treatment Schaller proposes with his appointment. The plan will serve as a structure for

the board of education to follow when he is down to develop a master plan, he said.

Schaller said that he would like to hear from the community, but he would like to hear from the parents and the teachers. "I don't want to hear from a few people," he said.

The plan should be fully developed after the first of the new year, Schaller said. It will contain a list of the district's educational goals, but will also focus on broader aspects of education, not necessarily be limited to those of the classroom.

EDUCATION

Board of Ed meetings

The following is the schedule of Board of Education meetings for the Mount Pleasant School District:

Dec. 2: Review of special services review of transportation.

Dec. 7: Educational needs, textbooks, instructional equipment, technology plan and budget.

Dec. 14-15: Deerfield budget review in central office.

Jan. 6: Review of personnel needs, capital facility projects, maintenance items, transportation.

Jan. 13: Review of 1996-99 total proposed budget.

Feb. 3: Further review of 1996-99 budget.

Feb. 10: Last date for Board candidates in the Nomination Period.

March 9: Submission of budget to County Superintendent.
March 24: Budget Hearing.

Annual school election

April 21: Annual organization meeting.

Dayton class reunion set

Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1987 is hosting a 10-year class reunion for all former classmates on Friday. For more information, call Bart Barre at (423) 531-0178.

Dayton holding craft fair

The Jonathan Dayton High School PTO and Project Graduation Committee are sponsoring a Craft Fair on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Vendors who have new merchandise for sale can rent an indoor space for \$25 and an additional space for

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Kindergarten Registration

Deerfield School has announced registration for its 1998-99 kindergarten classes. Registration and screening will be held by appointment on Feb. 16 to 12. Appointments for registration and screening will begin at 8:45 a.m.

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How often children must loathe being asked what they want to be when they grow up. What could be more unnatural for a child than to think, in their unlimited freedom, about the strange world of grown-ups and work?

We thank the the Springfield Rotary Club and one of its members, Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland, for providing inspiration and direction to the township youth. On Nov. 18, members of the club arrived at Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School to talk about their lines of work for Gaudineer's Career Day.

Thirteen professionals, from floor-tilers to periodontists spoke during the event and answered questions from the students, who by all accounts were interested and inspired.

Not long ago, many of the seventh- and eighth-graders who attended would have been considered grown up and ready to enter the work force in a few short years. Adulthood and its responsibilities began at 18. But the milestone has been advanced. The period of adolescence today extends well into the 20s; adulthood is not reached until the middle of the third decade. Graduation from high school has become less a right of passage than a ticket to four more years of avoidance. And who should expect otherwise when college students are given so little pressure to leave the proverbial nest?

Students nowadays, especially at the college level, need a dose of reality to get themselves moving; so much the better to begin early. But the state Department of Education is on the right track in incorporating workplace readiness such as teamwork and conflict resolution into the core curriculum standards. What remains lacking in the education of our youth is direct, concrete experience with people in the workforce.

Community and professional organizations such as the Rotary Club must recognize their responsibility to these young people in teaching them about the realities of adult life. Cooperative efforts such as Gaudineer's Career Day is an excellent way to get children interested in themselves and the world around them. With parents, teachers and members of the business and professional community working together, our children will be equipped with the knowledge and experience to make the right choices in life.

Let us remember to be thankful

There's no arguing how easy it can be to forget how lucky we are. Between daily routines and their unexpected disruptions, many cannot find time to think at ease, let alone remember our tremendous good fortune.

It is said too often that our modern era inflicts great stress, straining our minds and bodies; yet, when the American lifestyle is examined, the opposite is seen.

Today, our life expectancy is longer than could have been imagined only a generation ago, thanks to innovative thinkers in our health-care industry and the freedom they have to work.

Our standard of living continues to grow, year after year, thanks to the efforts of everyone in the workforce and everyone who invests in the private sector. The rate of unemployment is at its lowest point in three decades and the stock markets, with more than 100 million Americans vested, rise repeatedly. — lifting the nation.

Around the world, America has military forces deployed in anticipation of conflicts. From the Korean peninsula to what used to be Yugoslavia and the Persian Gulf in between, peace is prevailing for the moment. There are many natives of Union County serving as soldiers, sailors and airmen in those areas and others, and we are grateful for their safety today.

Often it is right under our noses where we find the sources of most pleasure: our families. Again, the daily grind costs us the time required to appreciate our loved ones, but we urge you to try, because for many families in Union County, spending time together is not an option. For example, when school reopens on Monday, 1,000 Elizabeth children will eat their breakfasts at their schools — not at home.

With gratitude in mind, we wish you all a joyous and safe Thanksgiving and a relaxing, rewarding weekend.



BEGINNING JOURNALISTS — The fourth grade students at Caldwell School in Springfield recently participated in an special newspaper program. Ms. Bright's students are analyzing articles on the candidates during the gubernatorial election. Shown above are Julie Nit-tolo and Michael Bilotti.

Terrorism is like a cold: There is no cure

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

The execution of seventy terrorists in Egyptian waters by a group of Lebanese is another incident in the war being waged by certain Islamic fanatics.

In the meantime, plans to topple the Egyptian government. The murderer has more in mind than simply killing innocent people to achieve their goal. Egypt depends heavily on tourism, and this recent massacre doesn't help. The nation's economy. The use of terrorism, and a new device has been used since the days of history. When conquering legions took cities and the vanquished army didn't die as it was in the past, the hostages were murdered. It worked well in Europe for centuries, and for a good part of the 20th century when Hitler and Communists murdered millions to show the West their

Modern terrorism can trace its lineage to the 1930s when hijacking airplanes was the preferred method. Hijacking began to diminish when it was found a well-armed team in a crowded street gathering could do far more damage. Things have escalated, and with the bombings of the World Trade Center and the Murrah Building in Oklahoma City, many thought the ultimate in terrorism had been reached. Perhaps. But in Iraq, Jafar Saddam Hussein, who still possesses a hefty arsenal of deadly chemical and germ-based weapons.

If Hussein unleashes his arsenal, many of his own people will be the victims. Hussein doesn't care about his own people and would not hesitate to sacrifice thousands to remain in power. Even now he is urging his people to go to his several palaces to "become human shields" in hopes that Allied planes will not bomb the palaces. But if Iraq shot down one of our spy planes I'm sure the human shield ploy would not work. America's past shows we will tolerate much, but there is a line in the sand that says "Cross it, and you'll have big trouble." Hopefully, Hussein now understands that.

Getting back to the massacre in Egypt, it seems that terror begets terror. We see it on daily basis in Algeria, a part of the Near-East and recently in the United States. Terrorism is like

the common cold. It's incurable and back to run its course.

Although six of the gunmen who murdered the 70 tourists in Egypt were shot dead, the group responsible for the massacre will want revenge for the killing of their comrades, a revenge that slaughter more innocents.

Today's world must think more about losing life and limb than losing the luggage.

Terrorism is the most cowardly of acts. So long as groups of people, bent on destruction, can make bombs to explode in crowded markets or machine gun innocent tourists, it will never be wiped out.

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

Holiday grace begins with small thank yous

Vantage Point

By Bill Van Sant, Managing Editor

Across the country tomorrow, we will celebrate Thanksgiving.

Throughout the year, this holiday — so integral to the patchwork of our collective history and culture — not only means so many things.

Of course, there is the traditional meaning enjoyed by so many — gathering with loved ones, relishing a festive meal, expressing thanks and sharing good will. In our house, in fact, it ranks among Wendy's favorite days of the year.

For some, it is among the annual "football days," you know, those special times when we celebrate by sitting like a vegetable in front of the television, only occasionally expostulating various epithets at referees' decisions.

For others, it is the time honored tradition of "Christmas-Rush Eve," that countdown to Black Friday, the retail industry's term for the day after Thanksgiving. Traditionally, the busiest shopping day of the year.

And for many, it's the day when, for better or for worse, we break bread with relatives with whom we might otherwise consider eating as much as a pizza.

I can only imagine what the Pilgrims would think.

However, regardless of the interpretation, one thing still unites us all on Thanksgiving — saying grace before the meal.

In many homes, grace is a semi-annual event, marked only on Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. While I would like to be able to say, "Well, in our house..." but too many people out there have eaten with us and would call me on it. I'm sad to say that we're much like many of you, remembering to say "thank you" before stuffing our faces only on holidays. The intention is often there with either Wendy or me, but the reality is that we're usually thankful just to get Tom and Reid to the table at the same time without World War III.

The fact remains, though, that saying daily grace is a tradition sadly lost on our generation, and one we should seek to rediscover. We wait all year and send one big "Thank You" card, as if that relieves us of the responsibility of gratitude throughout the year.

Did I say, "Responsibility?" Well, that's what it is — a daily responsibility to appreciate that with which we've been blessed, whether by God or through the generosity of others.

spirits. And I'm not talking about the new car, the five-grand raise or winning the church 50/50.

I'm talking about those little imperceptible daily blessings. I'm talking about waking up with enough health to realize that no matter how lousy we might feel, we could be far worse. I'm talking about turning on the news or opening a newspaper, because we live in a land where we have access to such information, however limited it may or may not be. I'm talking about going to a job that perhaps we find unrewarding, when so many suffer the indignity of unforeseen unemployment. I'm talking about being grateful to sit down for dinner with the family, so what if it's tuna-noodle casserole again and the kids are lunatics as usual, at least we're together at a table set with love.

However, despite our good intentions throughout the year, our annual "grace-saying" holds a hint of hypocrisy, even if it is unintentional. How can we make a show of our prayer on Thanksgiving when for 364 other days a year, we take it all for granted, as if all our good fortune was merely a "thank-you" with daily delivery times?

But this really shouldn't surprise me. Try holding a door open for a stranger at the mall this Friday, if you dare venture out. Dollars to doughnuts, they won't even acknowledge

your existence, let alone thank you for your act of kindness and courtesy. I've already stood in those vestibules and watched at least half a dozen total strangers stream through the open doorway behind Wendy and the kids, not even noticing that the door is being held. And Heaven forbid you should let the door go, lest you incur a torrent of vilification for your lack of courtesy.

Perhaps our forgetfulness is not so much an indication of ingratitude toward God, but a lack of understanding of the word "appreciation." For how can we be expected to remember to thank God daily at our table when we can't even thank someone for holding a door?

We tend to make such a big deal of our thanks on Thanksgiving that we overlook the daily opportunities to say, "Thank you for what you have done," whether that thanks is spoken to another person or offered as a prayer of gratitude to God, the Virgin Mary, Allah, Buddha, the Goddess or whomever.

In fact, maybe we need to start thanking each other for the little things before we make our annual "big show of grace" for a Supreme Being.

Who was it that said, "Life is found in the details?"

"[Journalists and journalism scholars] believe in pursuing the truth, think sometimes it can be found and live in hope that it makes a difference."

—Reese Cleghorn journalism dean 1995

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Save the deer, don't kill them

To the Editor: Now that we have 9-0 on the freeholder board, let's see what we should do about the deer population in Union County.

In Morris County, they are not killing the does, they are giving them some method of birth control — yes, birth control — so nobody gets hurt. So when they get sworn in, I want all three new freeholders to think about it and start listening to the people in Mountside and Union, and consider that we should do the same as they are doing in Morris County. Oh, yes, Maplewood is not going to kill the deer, either.

Instead of slaughtering these creatures, let's start talking about crime in the city and cleaning the environment.

Joan Faszczewski Union

Wanted: local columnists

The Echo Leader is searching for local columnists to write for the Community Forum Page.

Prospective writers will contribute monthly, or more frequently if so desired. Columnists will write of local issues, current events or just a day in the life; your goal will be to inform, entertain and engage the reader. No politicians, please.

Anyone willing to try should call Regional Editor Jay Hochberg at (908) 686-7700 ext. 328 during business hours.

VIEW POINT QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Has the county deer hunt affected deer-car accidents? CALL (908) 686-9898 and enter #7556 - YES #7557 - NO LAST WEEK'S RESULTS: Does the increase in pay-phone charges bother you? YES — 79% NO — 21%

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RELIGION

Concert series begins

Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit, has announced the beginning of the "Advent Season Brown Bag Concert Series" with a performance by area violinist and conductor, Irma-Louise Wright, accompanied by pianist, Beatrice Long. Their program will include violin sonatas by Vivaldi, Schumann and Debussy, as well as a short work by Brahms.

Dr. Wright, who hails originally from South Africa, has had an active career as a performer, conductor and teacher in South Africa, Montana and Florida, before coming to New Jersey. She has enriched the life of the metro New Jersey sharing her talents as an assistant conductor for the New Jersey Youth Symphony, and as a violinist with the Stamford Symphony Orchestra, Radio City Music Hall Orchestra and the Rutgers Summerfest Orchestra. She currently maintains a private teaching studio in Summit. She will be accompanied by Long, who is the recipient of numerous international awards and has made several compact-discs for Naxos.

All concerts are free to the public, beginning at 12:15 and will run from 30 to 40 minutes. The public is invited to bring its own lunch to the concerts or purchase one from the church kitchen. Upcoming concerts include Elena Bakhsh, concert pianist on Dec. 12, and the Early Music Players of New Jersey on Dec. 19. For more information call 273-0441.

Church to hold bazaar

The Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church will be holding a

Christmas Crafts Bazaar

in the church's Fellowship Hall on December 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crafters are needed. Spaces are available for \$20, which will include a table and two chairs. Food and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Tom Ernst at (908) 587-6779, or Esther Reimlinger at (908) 276-4258. Applications can be picked up at the church.

Interfaith food delivery

Temple Shalomey Shalom and Antioch Baptist Church, both of Springfield, are launching a "Thanksgiving Appeal." The Temple and church will be distributing turkey baskets to needy families in the Springfield area this coming Thanksgiving season. Their goal is to distribute at least 30 baskets, but expect to be able to do more. Each basket will contain one ground-sized turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, jello, and fruit cocktail.

This project is being sponsored by Bridgebuilders, a joint committee of Temple Shalomey Shalom and Antioch Baptist Church of Springfield. Their mission is to foster understanding and dialogue between the two congregations through education, service, and spirituality.

An 8 pound 2 ounce daughter, Marin Aili, was born Oct. 22, 1997 in Fairfax Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel O'Brien of Centerville, Virginia. She joins sister Maggie, 4, and a brother John Henry, 2.

Mrs. O'Brien, formerly Anne Raamor of Mountainside, is the daughter of Dr. Tonis Raamor of Brooklyn NY, and Mrs. Marek Raamor of Bedminster, NJ. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Brien of Cleverdale, NY.

Interfaith shelter provided

For the fifth straight year, the interfaith community of Springfield will again provide shelter for the homeless during the week of Dec. 7.

Jerry Bongiovanni, a Deacon in the Archdiocese of Newark currently assigned to St. James Roman Catholic Church, who is the local coordinator for the Interfaith Council for the Homeless, reports that the First Presbyterian Church of Springfield, the Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Temple Beth Ahm, and St. James Roman Catholic Church have addressed the needs and created the Springfield Coalition for the Homeless under the direction of the Interfaith Council, a non-profit organization.

The Springfield Coalition provides emergency shelter twice a year under the Interfaith Council's year-round program throughout Union County. The Coalition accepts participating homeless persons who have applied for this program with no discrimination regarding religion, race, or color.

Donald Auer, of the First Presbyterian Church, and Janice Bongiovanni, the office manager at the parish house of First Presbyterian Church, will be hosts for a total of fifteen homeless participants. According to Mrs. Bongiovanni, the group will include single parents, children, babies, and families. She added that the Coalition will provide necessary overnight

facilities including cribs, changing tables for babies, diapers, playpens, toys, food, and if necessary doctor care.

The Plainfield YMCA will be the central location for the pick-up and drop-off of those participating, homeless who will be given emergency shelter, an other supportive services, including permanent, affordable housing, and educational training from the Interfaith Council.

Ms. Denise Moore, director of Interfaith Council, states the homeless program is a year-long effort throughout the state of New Jersey with the Springfield area being active every fourteen weeks for a one-week period.

Mr. Bongiovanni states that anyone can lend financial support to the Council's important programs by designating the Interfaith Council as the recipient their United Way contributions. He added that volunteers are necessary for the program to be successful. Interested volunteers, can call Bongiovanni at (973) 379-2634 after 5 p.m. or contact Denise Moore, Director of the Interfaith Council for the Homeless of Union County, P.O. Box 569, Plainfield at (908) 769-6550.

Correction policy

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

OBITUARIES

Marie A. Betz

Marie A. Betz, 78, of Roselle Park, formerly of Springfield and Union, died Nov. 16 in Union Hospital.

Born in Hillsdale, Miss Betz lived in Springfield and Union before moving to Roselle Park. She was a clerk with Schering-Plough Corp., Kenilworth for 12 years and retired in 1984.

Surviving are a brother, Joseph V. Sr., and a sister, Anne B. Lummending.

Emma E. Voros

Emma E. Voros, 83, of Mountainside died Nov. 17 at home.

Born in Grampian, Pa., Mrs. Voros lived in Irvington before moving to Mountainside 25 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Edward W.; a daughter, Linda F.; and a sister, Elizabeth Caffrey.

Max Keller

Max Keller, 75, of Mountainside died Nov. 18.

Born in Germany, Mr. Keller lived in Union before moving to Mountainside 16 years ago. He was a salesman with Keller Provisions, Newark, for 45 years and retired 13 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Anna; two sons, Nikolaus and Stephen; three sisters, Rosa Neller, Anna Kuntze and Regina, and two grandchildren.

Kathleen R. Craugh

Kathleen R. Craugh, 90, of Penn Yan, N.Y., formerly of Springfield, died Nov. 18 in the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital, Penn Yan.

Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Craugh lived in Springfield before moving to Penn Yan several years ago. She was a member of the Women's Guild of Seton Hall University, South Orange.

Surviving are a son, William S.; a daughter, Carol Darrow; a sister, Angela Piper; 14 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mina Semel

Mina Semel of Springfield, died Nov. 20 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Semel lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield 17 years ago. She was a member of the Hadassah in Irvington and Springfield.

Surviving are a son, Michael; a daughter, Julie Marie-Semel; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Grady B. McMillon

Grady B. McMillon, 53, of West Orange, formerly of Springfield, died Nov. 22 in the Hospital Center at Orange.

Born in Newark, Mr. McMillon lived in Springfield and Boston before moving to West Orange in 1987. He was an attorney for the New Jersey Highway Authority in Woodbridge for five years and had held positions as a lawyer with the National Labor

Relations Board in Newark and RCA in New York. Mr. McMillon had been an instructor of paralegal studies at Bloomfield College. He was a 1967 graduate of Howard University, Washington, D.C., received a doctorate in law from the Suffolk University Law School in Boston.

Mr. McMillon served as a captain and pilot in the Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a member of Eta Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity of Montclair and served as the fraternity president in 1984 and 1985. Mr. McMillon also was a member of the Inns of Court, a national legal mentoring program. He worked for the Renaissance Junior Golf Club of Newark, a program to introduce inner city children to golf.

Surviving are his wife, Deborah; two daughters, Kimberly and Terna; and a brother, Gilbert.

K.C. Wrightstone

Kathleen C. Wrightstone, 92, of Summit, an elementary school art teacher, died Nov. 17 at home.

Born in Hull, England, Mrs. Wrightstone was employed with the Summit school system for 10 years until 1935. In 1924, she graduated from the Pratt Institute, where she received a bachelor of arts degree. She also graduated from New York University in 1928. Mrs. Wrightstone was a member of the Summit Education Association and a volunteer for the American Red Cross.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Bergmann; a son, J. Wayne; and two grandchildren.

Obituary policy

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

Interfaith Observance

The Mountainside Ministerium and the Task Force on AIDS of the Archdiocese of Newark will be sponsoring an Interfaith Candlelight Observance of World AIDS Day on Wednesday, December 3. The service will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside.

The theme of this year's observance is "Give Children Hope in a World With AIDS." The worship service will include sacred dance, music and candle lighting on behalf of those who have died of AIDS or are suffering with HIV.

The worship leadership will be provided by Fr. Dominic Fuccile of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church, Rabbi Renee Goldberg of Temple Emmanuel and Dr. Christopher Beiden of the Community Presbyterian Church.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

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EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH - "CHRIST OUR HOPE, AND PEACE" 242 Shurgate Rd., Springfield. Rev. Frederick Mackey, Sr., Pastor. Sundays 9:30 AM Bible School for all ages. Nursery through Seniors. 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care. 5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-11. 6:00 PM Evening Service & Nursery care. Wednesdays 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study. Junior/Senior High Ministry. Active Youth Ministry. Wide-Range Music Program. Super Seniors 3rd Thursday at 11 AM. Followed by lunch. Ample Parking. Choir Gift provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us. For further information contact church office at (973) 772-4351.

EPISCOPAL

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH 119 Main Street, Millburn, (973) 376-0688. 4 blocks from Springfield Center. The Episcopal Church for Springfield since 1854. St. Stephen's Church is a welcoming community committed to education, outreach, and worship for all who are spiritually hungry. The Rev. Cork Tarple, Rector; The Rev. Judy Baldwin, Associate; Karen Eberhardt, Seminar Director; Robert Demmer, Music Director. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sundays 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion in traditional language, the Rector preaching; 9:00 a.m. Adult Forum; 9:00 a.m. Intergenerational Events from Sunday of every month; 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion in contemporary language, music by the choir. Church School for children; K-6 and nursery care also at 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Youth Group for grades 9-12. Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. Education for Ministry, an adult Bible study linking faith and everyday life. Monthly book discussions. Many opportunities for service. FOR NO. STRINGS INFORMATION PACKET CALL (973) 376-0688.

JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield 376-0529. Perry Raphael Rauk, Rabbi; Richard Nadel, Cantor; Simon Rosenbach, President. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekly services (including Sunday evening and Friday morning) are conducted at 7:00 AM & 7:45 PM; Shabbat (Friday) evening 8:30 PM; Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; Sunday, Festival & Holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesdays. There are formal classes for both

High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Nursery School. Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups, for fifth through 12th graders, and a busy Adult Education program. A Seniors' League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

SUMMIT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, 67 Kent Place Boulevard, Summit, 273-8130. William B. Horn, Rabbi; Janet Krupnik, Cantor; Jaroc Wilcox, President. The Summit Jewish Community Center (SJCC) is an egalitarian, Conservative synagogue serving families from Summit and nearly 35 surrounding towns. Shabbat Friday services are held at 8:30 PM; Saturday Shabbat Services are at 9:30 AM and Shabbat Musicha and Havdalah are held at sundown. Weekly services Monday through Friday are at 7:00 AM and Sunday at 9:30 AM. A Family Service is held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. In addition to regular Saturday Shabbat services, a Young Family Shabbat Services, for families with children ages 2-7, is held every third Saturday from 10:30-11:30 AM, and every second and fourth Saturday from 10:15-11:30 AM. There is a service for preschool children. The SJCC religious school provides instruction for children from Kindergarten through Grade 7 and Post-Grade 7 classes for Grades 7 through 12. The SJCC also offers a complete preschool program including a morning and afternoon Nursery School, Web Two, designed for children 18-24 months and a pre-nursery and a Parents and Enrichment program for Kindergarten-aged children. A wide range of Adult Education Programs is offered as well as a Sisterhood, Men's Club, Young Couples Group and Senior Adult Group. For more information about programs or membership, please call the SJCC office at 273-8130.

JEWISH-ORTHODOX

CONGREGATION ISRAEL 339 Mountain Avenue, Springfield 201-467-9666. Daily services are 8:30 A.M. and 7:15 A.M. and 15 minutes before sunset. There is one minyan on Sundays and civil holidays at 8:00 A.M. with Shabbat and Holiday services at 7:30 A.M. and 9:00 A.M. We offer a full range of religious, cultural and social programming. On Monday evenings, we learn Biblical archeology from 7:30-8:30 P.M., and from 8:30-9:30, we will survey the history of the Jewish experience in America. Please call our office for information regarding our special programs. These offerings assume no Hebrew or Judaic background whatsoever. Our Tuesday evening session is devoted to the religious thought of Maimonides, offered in the Hebrew language. On Sun-

JEWISH-REFORM

TEMPLE SHALOMEY SHALOM 24-26 Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (973) 379-5787. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Daniels, Cantor/Education Director; Shira Greenman, Pre-School Director; Bruce Pitman, President. Temple Shalomey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM with monthly Family Services at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-3, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7, and Tuesday evenings for post-bar/bat mitzvah students. Preschool classes are available for children ages 2 1/2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

LUTHERAN

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 679 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 201-379-4525, Fax 201-379-8887. Joel R. Yoss, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 a.m. at JONATHAN DAY-TON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

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

ORTHODOX

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL, 229 Cowperthwaite Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E. Knutcli, Pastor. (908) 232-1517. Beginning Sunday, July 6, Summer Worship Times are as follows: Sunday Worship Service, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning Nursery available; Wednesday Evening Wor-

ship Service, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all worship services. The church and all rooms are handicapped accessible.

METHODIST

THE SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located on 4th Church Mall in Springfield, NJ invites people of all ages and backgrounds to join us for Sunday morning Adult Christian Education Forum at 9:15 AM and for worship at 10:30 AM. We are a warm and welcoming congregation of Christians who gather together to be encouraged in the faith, strengthened in hope, and empowered to be brave and faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Child care and nursery are available following the pattern of our worship service. If you have any questions, interest or concerns, please call the pastor, Rev. Jeff Mackay at 201-376-1697.

PRESBYTERIAN

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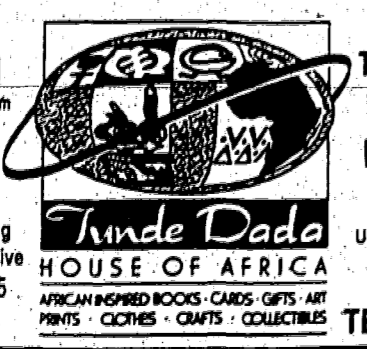
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By J.R. Parachini
 Sports Editor

Elizabeth won its first playoff game in eight years, Mendham defeated Johnson again and there were only three touchdowns scored in Butler's victory over Brearley. That leaves the Minutemen as the only area team to qualify for a sectional championship game.

Second-seeded Elizabeth will play at top-seeded Plainfield in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 championship game Saturday, Dec. 6 at 1 p.m. at Hub Stine Field.

Elizabeth has won three playoff championships (1981, 1988 and 1989), while Plainfield is seeking its first, having last shared a Central Jersey, Group 4 title with JFK of Yonkers in 1967 before the state playoffs existed.

Mendham last year defeated Johnson at home in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 semifinals by a convincing 27-13 score. After trailing by one point at half-time during last Saturday's semifinal contest at Nolan Field in Clark, the Minutemen came back to post a 42-29 victory.

Butler defeated Brearley 14-7 in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 semifinals, a much lower-scoring game than most people anticipated, especially since both teams combined for 531 points heading into the contest.

One of the longest Thanksgiving Day rivalries in the state continues tomorrow when Roselle hosts Roselle Park in a battle of 4-4 teams.

NJSIAA PLAYOFFS Last Saturday
 Elizabeth 20, Union 6
 Mendham 42, Johnson* 29
 Butler 14, Brearley 7

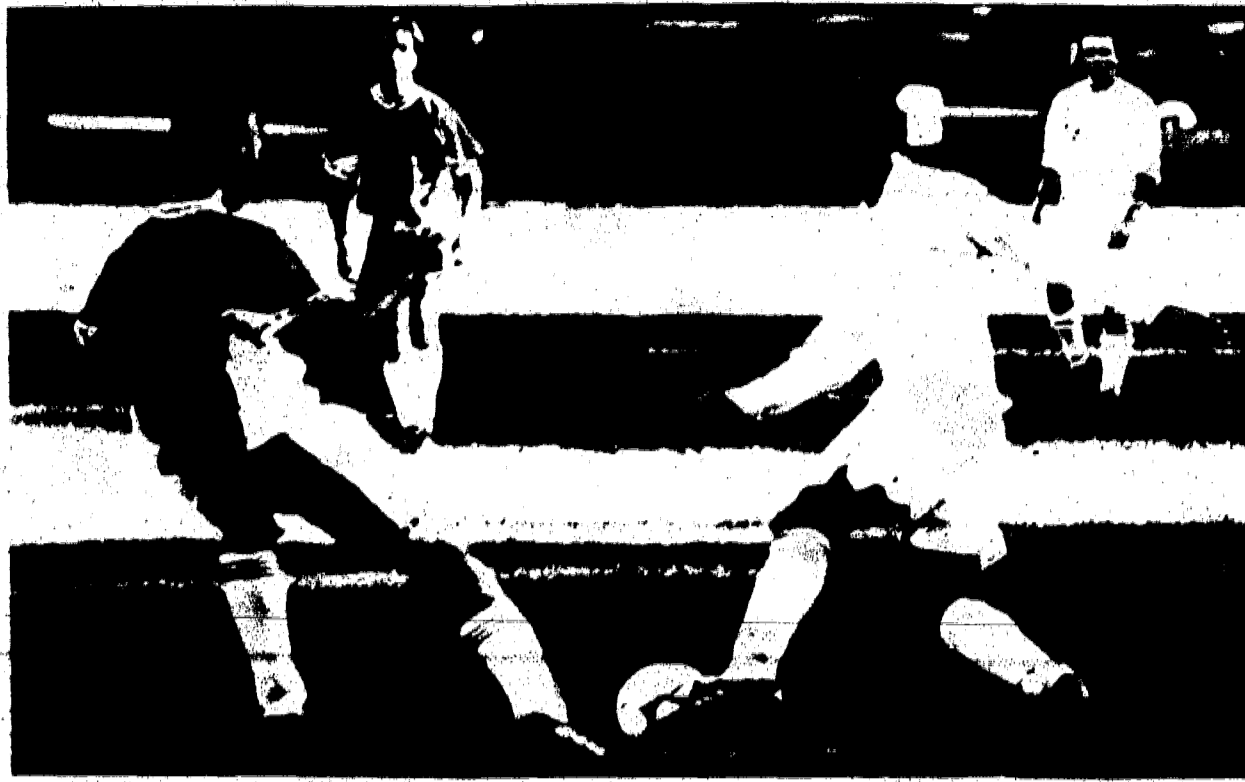
WEEK TEN Thursday, Nov. 27
 Union at Scotch Plains, 10:30
 Cranford at Elizabeth, 10:30
 Rahway at Linden, 10:30
 Johnson at Gov. Liv., 10:30
 Roselle Park at Roselle, 10:30
 Newark Central at Hillside, 10:30
 Dayton at Ridge, 10:30
 Mendham at Summit, 11:00

J.R.'s picks
 Union over Scotch Plains
 Elizabeth over Cranford
 Linden over Rahway
 Johnson over Gov. Livingston
 Roselle Park over Roselle
 Newark Central over Hillside
 Ridge over Dayton
 Mendham over Summit
Last Week: 1-2
Season: 65-20 (.765)

Andrew's picks
 Union over Scotch Plains
 Elizabeth over Cranford
 Linden over Rahway
 Johnson over Gov. Livingston
 Roselle over Roselle Park
 Newark Central over Hillside
 Ridge over Dayton
 Mendham over Summit
Last Week: 2-1
Season: 62-23 (.729)

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

Summit soccer standout



Summit High School boys' soccer senior tri-captain John Dorieux had an outstanding season for the Hilltoppers this year and was an Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division All-Conference selection.

Springfield's Miller catches on quickly Hauls in 2 TD passes in SHP playoff victory

The St. Joseph of Montvale football team, once it completes its regular season Friday at Don Bosco Prep, will be preparing hard for its state championship game against Seton Hall Prep.

Part of its preparation will be trying to come up with a plan to contain Seton Hall Prep standout senior wide receiver Jeff Miller.

The Springfield resident and three-sport star for the Pirates has established himself as one of the best ends in the state this year.

NJSIAA Football Playoffs

Miller caught two more touchdown passes during Seton Hall Prep's 42-0 thrashing of Holy Cross of Delran last Saturday in the NJSIAA Parochial, Group 4 semifinals held at Livingston High School's artificial turf Community Field.

Miller, who this year set an Essex County single-season record for touchdown receptions, caught five passes for 205 yards.

Top-seeded Seton Hall Prep (10-0) will now face third-seeded St. Joseph's (9-0) in the Parochial, Group 4 championship game.

At press time on Monday it was to be determined whether the game would be played on Thursday night, Dec. 4 at Giants Stadium or on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 6 at Montclair State University.

Seton Hall Prep has not won a sectional playoff championship since blanking St. Peter's Prep of Jersey City, 16-0 in the 1985 North Jersey, Parochial A championship game.

St. Joseph's won the Parochial, Group 3 championship last year during a 10-1 season in which its only loss was to an 11-0 Hackensack team that went on to capture its fifth consecutive North Jersey, Section 1, Group 4 championship.

The Green Wave went 11-0 in 1995 and won the Star-Ledger Trophy at the No. 1 team in the state after defeating DePaul 32-26 in the Parochial, Group 3 title contest.

Seton Hall Prep last gained the Star-Ledger Trophy as the No. 1 team in the state in 1976 when it went 11-0 and blanked St. Joseph's of West New York 12-0 in the North Jersey, Parochial A state championship game.

Seton Hall Prep last finished 11-0 in 1981 when it capped an undefeated season with a 20-12 win over Bergen Catholic in the North Jersey, Parochial A title contest.

Since the start of playoff games to determine sectional champions in 1974 Seton Hall Prep has won sectional playoff titles in 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1981 and 1985. The Pirates are 5-1 in title games, having lost the 1980 final to Bergen Catholic 12-0 while having been declared champions by the NJSIAA in 1974 without having to play a playoff game.

The Pirates scored four of their six touchdowns in the first quarter against fourth-seeded Holy Cross and then added their other two in the second and third quarters.

Miller reeled in a 66-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Art Grutt in the first quarter and then caught a 65-yard touchdown pass from Grutt in the third quarter.

Oak Knoll field hockey team had a spectacular campaign Dominant Royals reached sectional final

By Joe Ragazzino
 Staff Writer

After the game, after the careers of 10 seniors came to a sobering end, Oak Knoll High School field hockey coach Tom Elliott went over to his players and told them to keep their heads up. Yes, the Royals lost a tough battle to Madison, 2-1, in last week's North Jersey Section 2, Group 1 final, but they have no reason to feel bad after completing an incredible season.

"They were very disappointed," the first-year coach said in describing the mood of his team after the loss. "But they need to be reminded that they had a great year and that one loss should not get them down. Madison is one of the top teams in the state, but one loss should not overshadow what we've done all season because we had a great season."

A great season? Many area teams would love to have a final record of 17-2-1.

The Royals were, indeed, dominant. They overpowered teams in the conference and county and reached the sectional final with relative ease before going up against a tough Madison squad.

The two teams played a tight first half, until Tiffany Serbancia, the second-leading scorer in the state, converted a corner pass for her 43rd goal of the season to give Madison a 1-0 lead.

But three minutes later, Oak Knoll struck even when senior center and Summit resident Kate Slonaker knocked home a rebound, making it a whole new ballgame.

"That was a big goal for us," Elliott said. "For us to come back showed that we were not going to quit and Madison was in for a fight."

The game-winner came with 10:43 remaining in the contest. Oak Knoll goalie Katie Hanson made a tough save that caused her to make a split, leaving her helpless. Serbancia gained control of the rebound and passed the ball to

Emily Kimball, who unleashed a shot in close. Junior full-back Shannon Geise covered the cage and stopped Kimball's shot, but Kimball recovered the loose ball and knocked it home as Madison regained the lead. Madison held on the rest of the way to secure the title.

Nevertheless, Elliott was proud of his team, especially his seniors.

"They were a special group," said Elliott, whose team captured the Union County Tournament championship this year. "We actually grew together during the past four months. I'm going to miss them."

Elliott will certainly miss Marisa Pulaski, Deanna Burachinsky and Slonaker, who represent the top three scorers on the team as well as in the county. Pulaski and Burachinsky, who tallied 20 and 19 goals, respectively, stepped up tremendously after playing sparingly last season.

"They took full advantage of their playing time," Elliott commented. "They improved on their skills, worked hard, and got a lot of rewards out of it. They showed what they could do."

Slonaker had a solid season as well, scoring 11 goals and adding 14 assists.

But next season won't be a rebuilding one for the Royals, who will reload with a strong nucleus of juniors and sophomores, paced by junior Millie Ford, who collected six goals. Juniors Renee Herman and Liz Battista will also look to fill some key spots.

"I'm definitely excited," Elliott said. "We expect the juniors to step up like the seniors did this year."

And if those expectations are fulfilled, the Royals could make another run at the county title in 1998.

"Our goals are to win the conference and repeat in the county tournament," Elliott said.

How about winning the sectional championship?
 "We'd like to get there again," Elliott proclaimed. "That would be nice."

Springfield Tornados capture flight crown Finish 9-0-1, outscore foes 38-9

The Soccer Club of Springfield's 9-and-under Tornados clinched their MCYSA flight's championship with a 2-0 victory over the Harding/Bolton Mavericks.

The Tornados ended their inaugural season with an impressive unbeaten record of 9-0-1 record, outscoring the opposition by a 38-9 margin.

The Tornados' final game was played in Basking Ridge, where wind chills were in the low teens.

The cold temperatures, however, did not slow down the Tornados, who kept the heat on the Harding defense.

Youth Soccer

The game's first goal was scored by forward Jimmy Guarino in the 12th minute, coming from a solid pass from midfielder Noah Friedman.

The game's second goal came in the 49th minute on a crossing shot from midfielder Zach Marshall to forward Adam Moss.

The Springfield defense of Ryan O'Reilly, John Bibbo, Kyle Seeley and Evan Ring, neutralized all of the Maverick attacks on net.

Goalkeeper David Sauerhoff was not severely tested, but made all the saves he needed to record the shutout, his fourth of the season.

Forward Jason Cappa and midfielder Doug Singer played outstanding games, keeping the pressure on the Harding defense with three shots on goal each.

Fullback Michael Dubiel made the trip with the team, but was sidelined due to illness.

Hoop practice commences Friday

As the high school football season comes to a close for most teams (still not in the playoffs) around the state tomorrow, basketballs will soon hit the hardwood with the first official day of practice set for Friday.

Dayton was one of the top teams in the Valley Division of the Mountain Valley Conference last year and returns many veteran players for this year's campaign.

The first day of the season for most teams around the state is Friday, Dec. 19.

Last call for local grid teams

Governor Livingston	Summit	Dayton
(A) GL 7, New Providence 0	(H) Parsippany 24, Summit 21 (2OT)	(H) Newark Central 26, Dayton 6
(A) GL 28, Dayton 13	(A) Summit 41, Morris Hills 21	(H) GL 28, Dayton 13
(A) Immaculata 22, GL 8	(H) Summit 46, Boonton 0	(A) Brearley 48, Dayton 0
(A) GL 19, Roselle 0	(H) Summit 27, Mount Olive 7	(A) Roselle Park 33, Dayton 0
(A) GL 27, Hillside 14	(A) Dover 38, Summit 8	(H) Bound Brook 13, Dayton 12
(H) GL 9, Roselle Park 0	(A) West Essex 13, Summit 0	(H) North Plainfield 7, Dayton 6
(A) Newark Central 48, GL 34	(H) Parsippany Hills 28, Summit 12	(H) Dayton 21, Middlesex 17
(H) GL 14, North Plainfield 0	(A) Hanover Park 29, Summit 22	(A) Dayton 14, Manville 0
Nov. 27 Johnson, 10:30	Nov. 27 Mendham, 11:00	Nov. 27 at Ridge, 10:30
Record: 6-2	Record: 3-5	Record: 2-6
Home: 2-0	Home: 2-0	Home: 1-4
Away: 4-2	Away: 1-3	Away: 1-2
Points for: 146	Points for: 177	Points for: 72
Points against: 97	Points against: 160	Points against: 172
Shutouts: 4	Shutouts: 1	Shutouts: 1

GL, Summit and Dayton would like to close on top

By J.R. Parachini
 Sports Editor

Area high school football teams Governor Livingston, Summit and Dayton would like nothing better than to sit down to a nice turkey dinner tomorrow after having feasted on opponents earlier in the day.

Nothing better to enhance an appetite than to come off the football field with a Turkey Day victory.

GL, Summit and Dayton will close their 1997 seasons tomorrow morning with their annual Thanksgiving Day games.

GL will host Johnson at 10:30, its third game in its new stadium where the Highlanders have a 2-0 record so far. GL is 3-2 in the Mountain Division of the Mountain Valley Conference where as Johnson, which hosted Mendham in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 semifinals last Saturday, is 4-1 in the Mountain Division.

Summit will seek to snap a four-game losing streak tomorrow at 11 at Tappan Zee Field when it hosts Mendham in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division action. Last year Summit went to Mendham and shocked the Minutemen 20-0 for only its third win of the season. Mendham reached the sectional championship game last year, losing to Dover.

Dayton has won two consecutive games after losing two straight by one point each and will look to give MVC-Valley Division champion Ridge all it can handle in Basking Ridge, kickoff tomorrow set for 10:30. Ridge, despite a 7-1 record, did not have enough power points to qualify in Central Jersey, Group 2.

Thanksgiving Day Football

Teams that finish 7-1 will never again be denied because of a lack of power points, because — beginning next year — eight teams will make the playoffs in each section.

GL (6-2) has posted four shutouts and finished with an impressive 4-2 road record. The Highlanders have outscored the opposition by a 146-97 margin, giving up nearly half of their points in just one game.

GL is paced on offense by the talents of quarterback Dan Guyton, wideout Dave Greico and running backs Chris Petracorro, Jim Debbie, Mike Debbie, Jeff Smith and Joe Leone. The Highlanders have received excellent defensive efforts from the likes of Chet King, Brett Oberhauser, Bill Stolting and Phil Statile.

The Highlanders will have to stop a Johnson (7-1 prior to Mendham contest) running game that starts with option quarterback Dennis Bowden and continues with running backs Eric Gerstner and Ryan Garner. Gerstner set the Johnson school record this year for touchdowns in a season with 18 entering the Mendham game.

Summit (3-5) was an overtime away from a 4-0 start and then could have been thought of as a playoff team. However, the Hilltoppers have fallen on hard times lately, especially since senior quarterback Scott Schroeder went down with an injury.

Still, the Hilltoppers have been sparked by the outstanding play of senior running back John Brown, one of the best backs in Union County and the team's leading scorer.

Summit's last effort was a 29-22 IHC-Hills Division loss at Hanover Park, a team that finished 7-2 and narrowly missed earning a playoff berth in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.

The Hilltoppers will have to keep an eye on Mendham (6-2 prior to Johnson game) quarterback Andrew Hermann who has had another solid year after throwing for 1,300 yards and 16 touchdowns last year. Wideout Nick Shaw is his main target and another excellent player is two-way end Bret Ericson.

After an 0-4 start that included two close losses, followed by two blowout defeats, Dayton (2-6) has played much better the past month.

The Bulldogs rebounded from one-point losses to Bound Brook and North Plainfield by defeating Middlesex 21-17 for their first win of the year and then followed up that victory with a 14-0 blanking of Manville on the road.

Dayton has been sparked by the play of quarterback Michael Lee, running back BJ Jones and wide receiver Robert Jones.

Quarterback/running back/safety Bert Watts is one of the best players in Somerset County and the Bulldogs will have their hands full trying to contain his talents. Other Ridge (7-1) players to keep an eye on include tight ends Dan Kelleher and Rochelle Fowler and split end Andy Booth.

The Red Devils are riding a seven-game winning streak after falling at Johnson 13-12 in their season-opener.

NEWS CLIPS

Health van coming

Overlook Hospital's Healthy Avenues Van will be at the Mountainside Public Library For Senior Citizen Screening Day on Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon. As a special service there will be free carotid artery screenings.

A new resource is now available to area residents. The Healthy Avenues Van was developed to increase awareness of the latest medical information available through a database paralleling the information available in the Medical Library at Overlook Hospital. Also, a wide variety of information on social issues, including facts about senior services, support groups, fitness options, physicians and child care, is easily accessed by speaking with the health staff aboard the van, who utilize on-board computers.

In addition, we will be happy to arrange special health screenings for organizations which contact our office in advance. Screenings which are available include, Blood Pressure, Blood Glucose, Carotid Artery, Cholesterol, Audiology, and Computerized Health Risk Assessments. For more information, call (908) 522-5355.

Science Center programs

The Transide Nature and Science Center will be holding the following programs:

On Sunday at 2 p.m. join Holly Hoffman for a field trip to look for the remnants of last summer's hectic period of growth and reproduction. Participants will look for abandoned insect homes, bird nests and seed pods.

On Sunday at 2 p.m. come to the planetarium show. Participants will learn about the autumn stars that are setting and the winter ones that are rising. Admission is \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors. For ages 6 and up.

Postal Service seeks help

Local authorities and the general public can help the Postal Service deliver the mail as timely and safely as possible this winter.

The Postal Service emphasized the need for ice and snow removal from walkways as a major aid in preventing slips and falls that result in fractured or broken bones or sprains to letter carriers and messengers. The other major winter hazards that impede mail delivery, according to the Postal Service, are ice and snow on streets, roads, driveways, stairways and porches.

Local road authorities and postal customers are requested by the Postal Service to keep public and private approaches to residences and mailboxes clean during the winter months.

Last year, thousands of letter carriers across the nation were injured because of hazardous conditions, the Postal Service said.

The Postal Service expressed great appreciation for the cooperation of all communities in reducing the Winter safety hazards.

Holiday toy drive

New toys and clothing for infants to teenagers are being accepted at Children's Specialized Hospital through Dec. 10 as part of its annual holiday toy drive for the hospital's young patients. Each year, the pediatric rehabilitation hospital collects new unwrapped gifts for the children who will be spending their holiday in the hospital. Only new clothing, toys, and games will be accepted.

Drop-offs must be made before Dec. 10, to allow for wrapping and distribution, and must be scheduled. Those who donate are asked to leave their name and address with the gift. Contact the Volunteer Services Office at (908) 233-3720, ext. 5379, to arrange a drop-off time.

Banking on food

Fleet Bank of Mountainside, located at 855 Mountain Avenue, is sponsoring a food drive to benefit the Food Bank of N.J., Union County. Needed are non-perishable foods, canned fish & meats, fruit & vegetables, soups, cereals, grains, and powdered milk. Donations can be left in the bank at designated locations. For more information, please contact Judith Burt at (908) 654-2440. Donations will be accepted through Jan. 5.

Attention social clubs

This newspaper encourages congregations, temples, social and civic organizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities. Releases should be typed, double-spaced, and include a phone number where a representative may be reached during the day. Send information to: Matt Korade, managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J. 07083.

Members in art



The 73rd Annual Oil, Pastel and Sculpture Exhibition of the Westfield Art Association will be held Dec. 6-9 at the Westfield Community Room, 425 East Broad St., Westfield. Seated, from left are planning committee members Megan Schembre, Sydney Spence and Jean Luce. Standing: Dorothy and Tom Wilkinson, and Bronna Butler.

PUBLIC NOTICE

"AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND THE PAY OR COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN POSITIONS AND CLERICAL EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND IN THE SWIM POOL UTILITY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD FOR THE YEAR 1997"

Table with 2 columns: Position and Salary. Includes roles like Administrator (21,748.00), Municipal Clerk (55,537.00), Assessor/Search Official (1,397.00), Deputy Municipal Clerk (33,782.00), Tax Collector (51,314.00), Tax Search Official (1,392.00), Court & Violation Administrator (39,703.00), Engineer (70,895.00), Assistant Engineer (49,550.00), Public Works Supervisor (59,043.00), etc.

2. In addition to the above salaries for officers and employees, a longevity payment shall be paid as hereinafter fixed and determined. Such longevity pay to be considered as additional compensation based upon the length of service of said officers and employees according to the following schedule:

Table with 2 columns: Additional Compensation per annum (Percentage of Annual Salary) and Years of Service. Ranges from 2% for 5 years to 10% for 19 years.

3. Vacation time will be paid in advance only on request of the employee submitted in writing to the Township Treasurer no later than the Friday preceding the next regular pay day for the intended vacation period. 4. The foregoing Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication hereof according to law.

HELEN E. KEYWORTH, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, November 25, 1997, and that said Ordinance shall be submitted for consideration and final passage at a regular meeting of said Township Committee to be held on December 9, 1997, at which time and place any person or persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance. Copy is posted on the bulletin board in the office of the Township Clerk.

U7374 EL-MS November 26, 1997

HELEN E. KEYWORTH Municipal Clerk (\$72.00)

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Take notice that the following decision was made at the regular meeting of the Board of Adjustment held on Tuesday, October 21, 1997.

Applicant: Michael Zagar, 405 1/2 Lot 11. For: a Variance for a side yard setback for a A.C. Unit granted.

U7370 EL-MS Nov. 26, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD UNION COUNTY, N.J. AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OR ACQUISITION OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT OR FOR CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS BY THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing ordinance was passed and approved at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, November 25, 1997.

HELEN E. KEYWORTH Municipal Clerk (\$7.50)

U7373 EL-MS Nov. 26, 1997

SHERIFF'S SALE NUMBER CH-753422 DIVISION: CHANCERY COUNTY: UNION DOCKET NO. F88398 PLAINTIFF: IRVING TOBIN, and VLARA MARGOLIS, HIS WIFE, ET ALB.

WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 1997. SALE DATE: WEDNESDAY THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D. 1997. By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 4th Floor of

EVENTS

Trip to museum set

Mountainside Recreation Commission is sponsoring a trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art on Dec. 4. Several special exhibitions will be featured, including Picasso's "The Engraver," Jackson Pollock's "Early Sketchbooks and Drawings," and the private collection of Edgar Degas. The annual Christmas tree and neapolitan creche will also be on display.

The bus will depart from the Mountainside Chapel, on Spruce Drive, at 9 a.m. and leave the museum for the return trip at 3 p.m.

Advance registration is required. The registration fee is \$16 per person, which includes bus transportation and admission to the museum. The fee for senior citizens is \$13, and museum members will be charged \$9.25. Please call the Recreation Office at (908) 232-0015 for further information.

UNICO party planned

President Vincent Bonadies of Springfield/Mountainside Unico National announced that their annual Christmas dinner will be held Dec. 10, 7 p.m. at L'Affaire on Route 22, Mountainside. A visit from Santa Claus with gifts for all attending is expected. For reservations, call Michael Bove at 201-376-3082.

Museum ready for winter

On Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. The Miller-Cory Museum will feature "A

PUBLIC NOTICE

the Bank Building, 24 Highway Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: THREE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY THREE DOLLARS AND FORTY NINE CENTS (\$302,243.49) ATTORNEY: GLUCK AND TOBIN 40 PARKER ROAD ELIZABETH, NJ 07208 SHERIFF: RALPH FROELICH FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS FILED AT THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

TOTAL JUDGMENT AMOUNT (\$310,026.23)

Nov. 13, 20, 26, Dec. 4, 1997 U7181 SLR (\$72.00)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that decisions were made at a public meeting by the Mountainside Planning Board on November 13, 1997 at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

APPROVED: Ruth M. Rees, Secretary (\$6.75)

U7359 EL-MS Nov. 26, 1997

Season of Change." Museum volunteers, dressed in period costume, will take visitors back in time as they play Miller family members preparing for the long winter. The Museum is located at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

Visitors will eavesdrop on the conversations of family members in various rooms of the Miller-Cory House as they plan and prepare for the coming winter. With summer long gone and the winter quickly approaching, early Americans had to plan carefully to ensure an adequate food supply and protection from the long, cold winter.

Members of the Museum's cooking committee will demonstrate food preservation in the Frazee Building. Mae Frantz, Diane King, and Sherry Lange of Cranford, and Jean Peters of Edison will prepare foods such as dried green beans and pumpkins, corned beef and sauerkraut and apple butter, which will be offered to visitors.

The Miller-Cory House is a living museum that offers visitors the opportunity to step back in time to the past and experience life as it was in early New Jersey. Every room in the house captures the atmosphere of the colonial era. The gift shop offers a wide variety of colonial reproductions, teas, cookbooks, crafts, and reading materials. Visitors will be able to start their Christmas shopping early.

Admission to the Museum is \$4 for adults, \$1 for students. Children under 6 years of age are free. For more information about the museum and its schedule of events, please call the Museum Office at 908-232-1776.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Sprint Spectrum, L.P. and the Borough of Mountainside, as Co-Applicants, have appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Mountainside for a variance from the terms of Articles and Sections 1003(a), (b), 1009(c) 1 of the Land Use Ordinance of the Borough of Mountainside; preliminary and final site plan approval; and such other variances, waivers or approvals as would be required to permit the Co-Applicants to erect a 137 foot (130 feet above the top of the adjacent parking lot) high joint communications monopole and communications facilities consisting of a 200 square foot communications shelter for applicant, Sprint Spectrum, L.P. and 60 square foot shelter for the Borough with space for up to two additional telecommunications providers in 2 future shelters and space on the monopole for their antennas, on the premises at Block 14, Lot 25, 1385 Route 22 as shown on the Borough of Mountainside Tax Maps. Said premises are owned by the Borough of Mountainside.

A Public hearing has been ordered for December 8, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey, at which time you may appear either in person, or by agent, or attorney, and present any objections or statements in support which you may have to the granting of this appeal.

WARREN O. STJWELLESQ ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT, SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P. U7369, EL-MS Nov. 26, 1997 (\$18.00)

The Community Health Center at Vauxhall invites you to join us for a

HEALTH FAIR

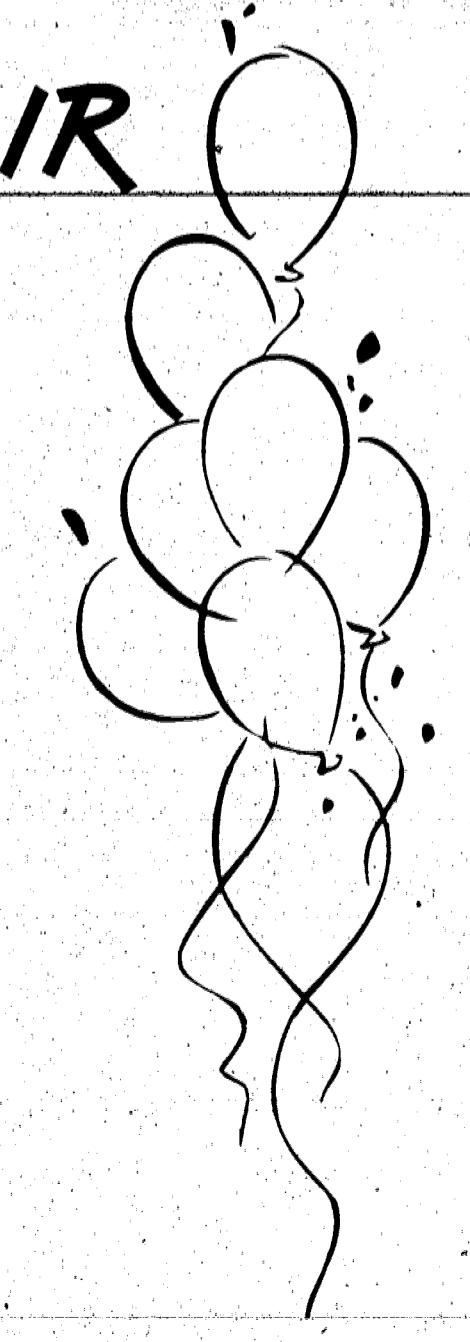
Saturday, December 6, 1997 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 Farrington Street • Vauxhall

Join The Community Health Center at Vauxhall for a health fair, celebrating 25 years of service to the community:

Visit our newly renovated center and receive free health screenings and information, while your children are entertained by Peanuts the Clown.

- Computerized health risk assessments on the Healthy Avenues Van
• Head Start information for your child
• Hypertension and cholesterol screenings
• Self-breast examination education
• Smoking prevention education

For more information, please call (908) 964-8010.

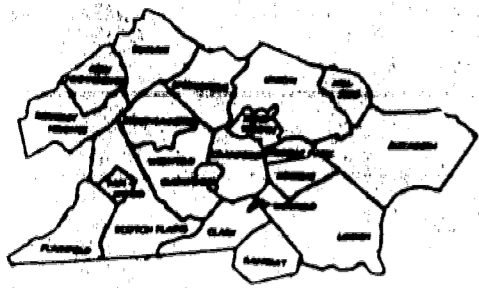


THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER AT VAUXHALL



A residency program of Overlook Hospital. Morrisown Memorial Hospital • Overlook Hospital, Summit • Mountainside Hospital, Montclair/Glen Ridge • The General Hospital Center at Passaic • Atlantic: Newton Memorial Hospital

Advertisement for Guidolune Furniture. Features 'Desk Center' and 'Clock Center' with 'HUGE CURIO SELECTION' and '2 FLOORS OF FURNITURE'. Lists items like Solid Cherry, Oak & Maple Bedrooms, Dining Rooms, Rockers, Gliders, Recliners, Bedding, Curios, Ent. Centers, Children's Furniture, Sofas, Love Seats, Sofa Beds and Dinettes. Contact: (973) 887-1723.



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WORRAL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

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Smokers can't pay for it all

Again, legislators are at work trying to confiscate and redistribute your money.

According to the speaker of the General Assembly, you wicked cigarette smokers should be forced to pay for construction of public schools.

Yes, that's right. Speaker Jack Collins, R-Salem, has proposed an amendment to the state Constitution that would raise \$4 billion for school construction through a 25-cent tax on each pack of cigarettes.

Traditionally, school funding has been handled locally. Yes, there is state aid to school districts, but that has not been the kind of money needed to build schools. There also is debt service aid, which helps keep property taxes down, but that's just a nice way of saying residents of Mountainside should pay for schools in Hillside.

Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg
Regional Editor

Under Collins' amendment, your board of education would sell bonds to pay for construction, and the state will spend the new cigarette tax revenue to cover part of the debt.

I guess it is pointless to argue. Cigarette smokers have surpassed white, heterosexual, employed Catholic men as the biggest target of politically correct bigotry. They have come to be expected to pay for everyone's health-care; soon they will pay for our schools.

Then again, maybe I'm reading too much into this. Perhaps Collins sees how many kids smoke cigarettes and, knowing they also are students, wants them to pay for their own schools. They're the ones using them anyway, right?

The problem with sales and excise taxes is their ironic effect. By levying taxes of this sort, government seeks to change behavior.

Legislators create and raise tobacco taxes, ostensibly, to encourage smokers to quit. In this case, the tax is intended, ostensibly, "to help the children." Of course, the real reason is to get their fat, filthy hands on more of your money.

But, as the price of a pack of cigarettes nears the \$4 mark, the number of people willing to pay will decrease. The irony is revealed. See **HIGHER**, Page B2

Joining the cause

It's our money, Not THEIRS! The Campaign to Abolish the Federal Tax Code



Jack Faris, president of the National Federation of Independent Business, shows Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, where to sign a pledge to help abolish the federal tax code. Using the slogan 'It's our money, not theIRS!' the NFIB has been working toward replacing the tax code with one less complicated. The NFIB is trying to collect 1 million signatures on a petition to forward to the president and Congress. For more information, call (888) NOT-4IRS.

Smaller budget may mean lower sewer bills in county

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

Homeowners in 15 communities may see a reduction in their sewer bills next year, thanks to the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties, which approved a new budget of nearly \$1 million less than this year's.

The 1998 budget, according to Joint Meeting Executive Director Bryan Christiansen, totals \$17,645,740. The savings are personnel-related.

"Personnel who have retired or moved on resulted in a \$600,000 savings in the budget," said Christiansen before the seven directors assembled on Nov. 13. "This 10 percent reduction approaches \$800,000 when one factors in savings in Social Security, pension, health insurance and other costs."

"This is excellent news," said Joint Meeting Chairperson and East Orange delegate Beverly Williams. "You and the Budget Committee should be congratulated."

Although the Joint Meeting unanimously approved the budget at its monthly session at Maplewood Town Hall, how much savings to the average homeowner in the 15 communities the group serves is being determined.

"Now that the budget has passed, we're calculating the savings," Christiansen said. "Some of the member towns have a separate sewer bill; others include the charge in a general bill."

The differences in billing is indicative of the Joint Meeting's membership. The meeting is a 98-year-old organization formed by 11 members to pool their liquid wastewater resources. The four Union County charter members are Hillside, Roselle Park, Summit and Union. Founding members from Essex are East Orange, Irvington, Maplewood, South Orange and West Orange.

"The members pay a quarterly fee to the joint meeting in the manner of a utility," said Christiansen. "In exchange, they send their storm and sanitary sewage to our plant in Elizabeth for processing."

Yet Elizabeth isn't a full member, nor are New Providence, Livingston and Orange.

"Elizabeth has its own pumping station," said Albert Dill, of Summit. "New Providence has an agreement with Summit to hook up to Summit's mains. I guess you can say I represent both Summit and New Providence. There's also a portion of Orange which isn't part of its own water service."

Dill and Christiansen said the Joint Meeting's directors are appointed by their municipal governments. Some towns rotate members annually or leave their designations in place for several years. The result is a constantly changing board.

"This is my first year on the Joint Meeting," said Mattie Holloway, of Hillside. "The Joint Meeting provides an important service to Hillside."

Union's member, Anthony Terrezza, is also in his first year. Terrezza's selection as that township's next mayor, however, throws some uncertainty on his tenure.

"I won't know if I'm staying here until January," said Terrezza. "It is up to who Union's department heads are."

Terrezza is the Joint Meeting's Treasurer and heads the Budget Committee. Other budget panelists are James Jenkins, of Irvington; Gerard Ryan, of Maplewood; and Melanie Selk, of Roselle Park.

A proposal to accept solid sludge from IKEA's treatment plant is scheduled to be heard at the Joint Meeting's Dec. 11 meeting. The session will be held at Maplewood Town Hall at 5 p.m.

Flow of trash to the UCUA starts to dwindle

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to hear New Jersey's appeal of the reversal of waste flow laws already is having an effect on the UCUA.

According to Executive Director Joseph Spatola, garbage deliveries to the Rahway-based incinerator have dropped. Spatola did not have numbers, but said the amount of garbage being brought to the incinerator was "low, very low."

As a result, the UCUA has had to turn off two of its boilers because of the lack of garbage. One of these was shut for routine maintenance, but the other was shut down because of the lack of garbage.

According to Spatola, the UCUA is trying hard to keep the facility from shutting down, which will cost the UCUA more money than turning off some of its boilers.

"We don't want to be in a predicament where we have to shut down because there isn't any waste," he said.

Much of the garbage the UCUA has lost comes from Bergen County.

The Bergen County Utilities Authority accounts for 40 percent of the annual garbage volume at the UCUA — 192,000 tons. The per-ton disposal fee or "tipping fee" for this trash is \$80.22, slightly lower than the \$83.05 tipping fee for Union County's towns. This accounts for an annual

total of about \$15,402,240 — \$1.3 million for 16,530 tons in November and \$1.4 million for 17,850 tons in December.

BCUA Executive Director Mike Oldham could not be reached for comment this week, but has said the BCUA will no longer send its garbage to the UCUA because of the Supreme Court's refusal to hear the state's appeal. The BCUA's contract with the UCUA was signed under these laws, which have been rendered null and void by the court. Because the laws have been repealed, the BCUA said, the contract should be abrogated.

These laws also required Union County towns to send their trash to the UCUA incinerator. Because these

laws have been dropped, the towns may now send their trash to facilities that are cheaper than the UCUA.

According to Spatola, the trash may not be coming in but, for the time being, the money still is.

This is because the UCUA has a "put or pay" clause in its contract with the BCUA. In other words, the BCUA must pay for sending 192,000 tons of garbage to the UCUA, even if only part or none of this garbage gets to the UCUA incinerator.

The UCUA took the BCUA to Superior Court over these payments earlier this month. As a result, Judge John Boyle issued a temporary restraining order against the BCUA, forcing it to continue payment. The

BCUA still may decide whether to send garbage to the UCUA.

The UCUA went to federal court again that same day to protect the contract with a "show cause order." The standoff could last until Dec. 16, when the federal court will decide either to hear the case or send it back to Boyle.

Partly because of this lack in business, the UCUA has dropped its tipping fee for Union County towns to \$50. The county Board of Chosen Freeholders authorized the drop at its meeting Nov. 20.

The freeholders also directed Ogden Martin Systems, the incinerator's operator, to go on the "spot" See UCUA, Page B2

Ogden Martin will buy UCUA bonds in refinance move

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

To help restructure the UCUA's \$283 million in debt, the utilities authority will re-issue bonds, most of which will be bought by the company that built and operates the UCUA incinerator, according to involved bond counsel.

According to Eric Whisler of DeCotis, Fitzgerald and Gluck, the UCUA will reissue \$283 million in bonds; Ogden Martin will pay \$180 million to the UCUA.

After the \$180 million is paid, the UCUA will have \$103 million in bonded debt left, according to Whisler. But the UCUA has a "significant amount of money left" in unused money, he said. While he could not give exact figures, he said this money totalled more than \$40 million.

This leaves at least \$55 million in bonded debt that could be repaid with income from solid waste generators in the county.

The new bonds could have a lower bond rating than the UCUA's old

bonds, which were issued through the county in 1991. This could drive up the interest the UCUA will have to pay.

The UCUA's old bonds had the same rating as Union County government bonds. This rating, AAA, is the highest rating and carries the lowest interest. \$35 million of the UCUA bonds were guaranteed by the county government.

But, said Whisler, recent court decisions on New Jersey's waste flow laws, and the U.S. Supreme Court's

decision not to hear a state appeal of these rulings, have made the future of the UCUA precarious.

The repeal of these waste flow control laws means the UCUA has to compete in an open market with private and out-of-state trash disposal companies. If the UCUA lost enough business, it would have defaulted on its bonds.

Because of this, county utility authority bonds are being issued at the lowest credit rating.

But the proposed lease agreement between Ogden Martin and the UCUA, besides saving the UCUA from default, may also salvage the credit rating of these new bonds.

The lease agreement between Ogden Martin — the operator of the incinerator — and the UCUA is an attempt to prevent this. If the lease is approved, Ogden Martin will pay off \$180 million in debt — either principal or principal and interest — in return for operating the incinerator for 25 years.

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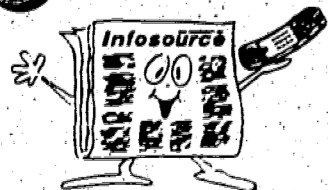
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UCUA cuts tip fee to preserve business

(Continued from Page B1) market" and pick up one-time loads of garbage for disposal at the incinerator. This is to keep money and garbage flowing to the incinerator.

According to Spatola, the tipping fee was reduced after the Supreme Court's action. Garbage had been "leaking out of the system" before the decision, he said, and those losses will increase because of the repeal of the waste flow control laws.

"Once the court decision has been rendered, there is no incentive for the communities to come here," said Spatola. "And if there is no incentive to come here, then they won't come here and you could lose it all. This is so we can retain that business that might have left the county."

The UCUA is burdened with \$283 million in bonded debt. This debt has prevented it in the past from reducing its tipping fees.

If the UCUA loses enough business, it won't be able to keep up with its bond payments and will default on its bonds.

\$35 million of these bonds are guaranteed by the county government, meaning it will have to pay \$35 million if the UCUA defaults. The county government may wind up paying more, or possibly all, of these bonds.

The UCUA and Ogden Martin are negotiating a 25-year lease agreement now worth \$180 million. When signed, Ogden Martin will pay off \$175 million of the UCUA's bonds or bond payments, in return for operating the incinerator for 25 years.

This lease could be signed by Jan. 1. One of the lease's clauses states that the tipping fee will not exceed \$50 in the first year of the lease.

Kean VP is reassigned to teaching post

By Maddy Vitale
Staff Writer

Kean University Vice President of Academic Affairs Sandra Mark was reassigned to teaching effective Sept. 1, 1998, President Ronald Applbaum said.

Mark submitted a request to be assigned to the faculty and took administrative leave Monday. "She asked for a reassignment. She did not resign," the president said.

"This was a mutual agreement between us," Applbaum said. He touted her achievements saying during Mark's short tenure as vice president she was instrumental in developing a special sick leave program.

Applbaum said Mark also worked with community colleges to articulate academic programs which allow for community college graduates to transfer to Kean and oversaw a Middle State Periodic Accreditation Review. She also helped to create new academic programs, including the creation of a separate graduate program structure. "Her efforts contributed to the successful transition of Kean from a college to a university," Applbaum said.

Mark was one of three vice presidents to leave under Applbaum. She was

hired by former college President Elsa Gomez in 1994. She holds a faculty rank in the Department of Instruction, Curriculum and Administration.

In a statement from the university, Mark said she requested the leave to prepare for fall semester classes. Her duties until that time will be in personnel.

The president said there are many changes to come in Kean's future. "Ms. Mark made several positive contributions but now that we are a university we have to make some changes. She felt she could make more contributions in instruction.

"We are moving to do more outreach activities and develop more grants and a broader masters program," Applbaum said. "All of the senior directors have to work together."

The university will conduct a national search to fill Mark's position within the next few weeks through advertisements in the *New York Times* and other national publications. The salary for the position is more than \$100,000. "We hope to have a new person selected and on board somewhere between July and September of 1998," Applbaum added.

Higher cigarette tax cuts state's revenue

(Continued from Page B1) led in the drop in tax revenue.

Today, Collins figures a 25-cent tax will raise that \$4 billion. If half of the smokers quit overnight, that figure will total \$2 billion tomorrow.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

There's more than meets the eye at Union County Arts Center

By Jacquie McCarthy Associate Editor

Fifteen years in the works, the restoration of the Union County Arts Center in Rahway is in its final stages. Originally a 1920s vaudeville house, the grand old theater is a testimonial to the people who have worked to turn the arts center into what it is today — a regional facility featuring theater, headline acts and community events.

Instrumental in the last phase of the transformation has been UCAC's Associate Public Relations Director, Michael Barret Jones. A resident of Bloomfield, Jones is a lover of the theater, particularly the beautiful historic building he is working so hard to promote.

A graduate of Drew University, Jones helped to plan special events and fundraisers for campus organizations, and upon graduation, with a Bachelor's degree in Theater Arts and English, spent a season as assistant to the artistic director of New Jersey Shakespeare Festival. Upon his employment with the arts center in August 1996, however, Jones had no idea he was getting in on the ground floor of a monumental project — making the dream of a regional arts facility in downtown Rahway a reality.

Jones said his experience with NJSE helped to prepare him for the challenge of joining the staff at UCAC.

"I got a chance to see it all and help a little bit on everything because in professional theater and particularly with a company the size of the arts center or the size of the Shakespeare Festival where the staff is less than 15 people, everyone really pitches in everywhere."

And pitch in Jones did, resulting in a promotion from his original position as box office manager to the newly created associate public relations director. A native of Wilmington, Delaware, and a resident of New Jersey for eight years, Jones, a well-spoken young man with a dry, droll wit, said that he comes by his love of theater naturally, and legitimately.

"I suppose I should say that my parents met on stage for a community theater group called The Brandywiners in Wilmington, Delaware," Jones began, "and that five years after they met I was born on opening night of their production of 'Oklahoma.' I was born about three minutes before curtain."

"My birth announcement read like a theater review," Jones continued with a serious mien. "The doctor got a better review than I did and I've been trying to make up for it ever since."

So, always because of my parents' interest in it, I was always around it. According to Jones, his choice of career followed the same sort of exchange many young people have with their parents — in the reverse. "My background in theater comes from my parents and their love of it," he explained. "I didn't have an option. If I had said, 'I want to be an engineer,' they would have said, 'That's nice, and we'll support you, but wouldn't you rather do something that you love?' So, there was no option, it was theater."

But Jones does not appear to be suffering for his choice

of art. "I was actually very lucky in that, up until I went away to boarding school, I got, if not the part I wanted, then a role in every show I auditioned for."

After a brief and less-than-satisfying stay at Phillip Exeter Academy in New Hampshire — "I went to Exeter, and was not cast in nine productions in a row, so there was a bit of a humbling moment there," — Jones attended the Lawrenceville School, where he was the first student to direct a mainstage production there, and had the opportunity to "play roles that high school students rarely do," such as the Marquis de Sade, "really meaty, classical roles that aren't usually given to students."

True to form, Jones has made a place for himself at Union County Arts Center. Within the first six months of his employment, he became the first staff member to focus solely on promotion.

And discovered just how much the arts center needed promotion. "So many people have never been here, do not know us, do not know where we are," said Jones seriously, "have no idea that inside Rahway is a 1300-seat gold leaf and red velvet performance palace."

Jones said that he feels part of the problem is "a less-than-positive opinion about the town" from out-of-county residents. "Bill Fontana and the Rahway Center Partnership, Mayor James Kennedy and the Chamber of Commerce are all working very hard to change that. A big renaissance/revitalization project is in the works right now that includes the arts district and other projects like that."

"But the biggest challenge," Jones continued, "is getting the word out to other counties that we're here. Last year, Peter Filichia (of The Star Ledger) called us, one of NJ's most impressive theaters, and he included the Paper Mill and the McCarter in that list." Jones said proudly.

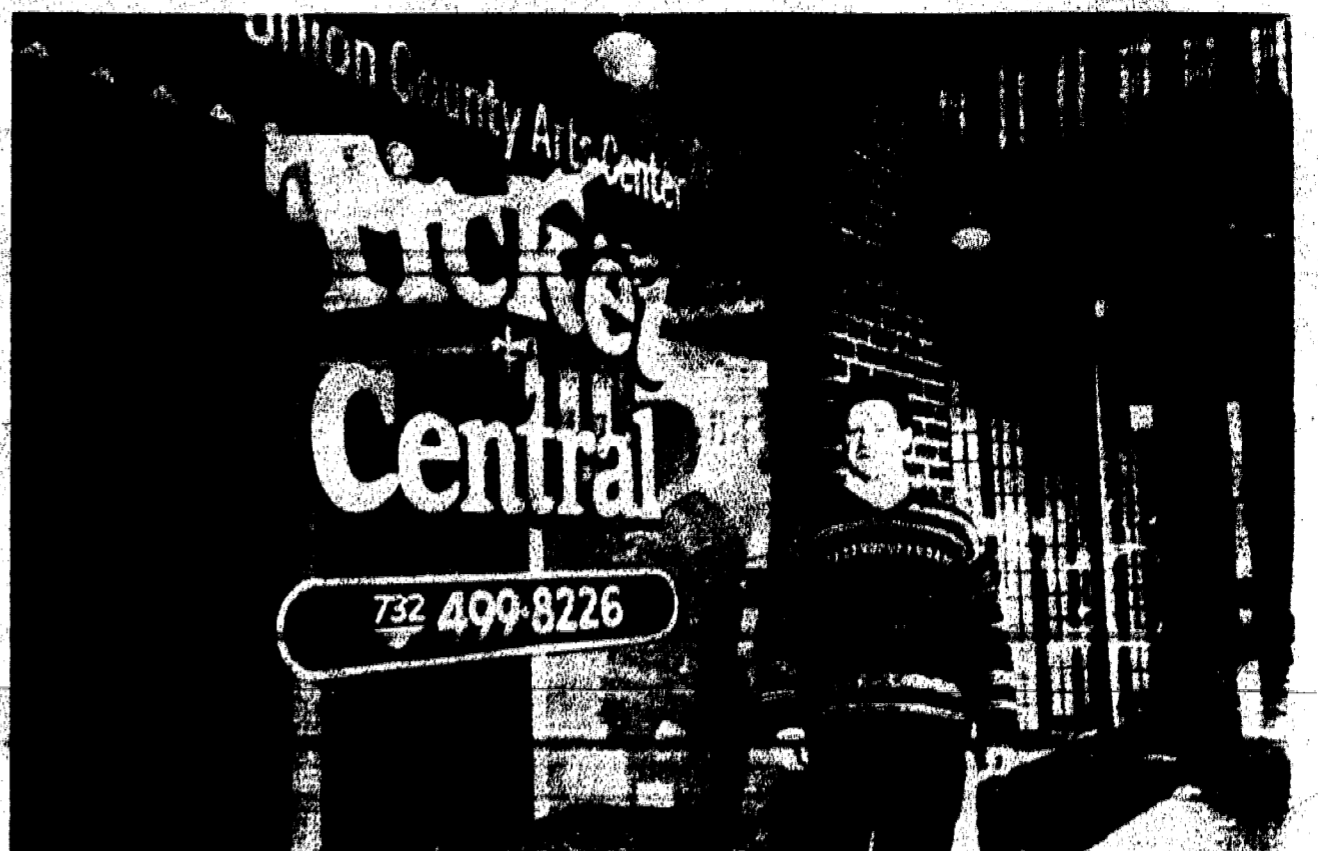
Jones said Filichia specifically referred to the physical appearance of the arts center, and last season's opening sequence of VH1's *Moby* Series showed cameras coming up to the front of UCAC, looking at the marquee, then inside and up to the stage.

"People outside Union County who have never been here know our building and it's one of my goals to say, 'Hey — that's us,'" said Jones. "Here you have a rare chance to see what the big hub-bub was about movie palaces in the 20s and 30s. We also want people to come just to see the building and to realize that 15 years ago this building was in danger of being knocked down."

Jones calls the restoration of the arts center a triumph of volunteer spirit. It was saved by volunteers who raised money; it was restored by volunteers who donated their time, their materials, their tools, to saving it. And we still are entirely dependent on the love of the volunteers.

"It's a tribute to the grand style and dream of the 1920s, and it's really a tribute to the performing arts. Artists who come in here, for as little as an audition, are amazed."

Visitor reaction is the end result of work begun in 1982. The first production in here was "Shenandoah" in 1986,



Associate Public Relations Director Michael Barret Jones proudly stands outside of the new box office at Union County Arts Center in Rahway.

and before they could even do that, they had to clean, they had to paint," said Jones. "They sat here in the ardes and painted the back of every seat. And they had to fix a whole in the roof of the stage. It was snowing on stage at one point during rehearsal."

The interior of the building was finished in 1990, and community and volunteer interest in the cause declined until mid 1996, when the rest of the restorations were begun in earnest. Efforts were renewed to finish the facade, which now boasts awnings of the period, new front doors, and new display cases that capture the style of 1928.

The building itself is considered historic, which has afforded some protection from demolition, but also requires more attention to detail when it comes to making any changes.

Only five percent of what we do in restoration, and that's the case of the historic nature of the building," Jones explained. "To renovate something is to change it and the only restorations that we do to the historic parts of the building are really efforts to upgrade it. Last year we had to update the electrical system so that 1928 wiring weren't still running through the building."

The stage is still, I believe, 28 feet, which makes it very shallow for a symphony orchestra, makes it very shallow

for a musical theater production. From what you can see from here it looks a lot deeper than 28 feet, but it's not, and there's no wing space," Jones added. "It is our eventual hope to find a balance between the historic building and a state-of-the-art performance facility."

That effort is being done in cooperation with the NJ Historic Trust, which became interested in the arts center because of the original Wuritzer pipe organ housed therein. "We want to make sure that the building maintains its historic character. And we'll absolutely hold to any guideline and rules that are put down in that light," Jones said firmly. "If the Historic Trust says, 'No, you must live with 28 feet,' then we must live with 28 feet."

The most recent change to UCAC is the new box office, which Jones described as, previously, "a room with a concrete floor and vaulted ceiling filled with junk and dust." Now, he is proud of the space as the first impression ticket holder have of the facility.

And of course there's the programming. "We don't want it to be a secret anymore," Jones said animatedly. "We're here, we're open for business, we've got a full season of programming every weekend between now and Christmas, and people need to know it and come."

(See Arts Page B4)

Visit 'The Animal Kingdom' at NJ Center for Visual Arts

What is so tranquilizing about the alluring purr of cats, or the affectionate companionship of dogs? Why does the sight of horses galloping in a field make our hearts race with excitement, identifying with the quest for freedom? How often have we been frozen by fear and yet mesmerized by the thrilling ferocity of tigers and lions? Since early time, artists, poets and musicians have used their art to examine the intriguing nature of animals. The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will explore the elusive magic of animal magnetism through its exhibit, "The Animal Kingdom." The show will run through Feb. 1, 1998.

"The 'Animal Kingdom' will explore the fascination and complex relationship man has developed with the animal world. The exhibit will feature artists whose works utilize animal imagery as a means of expressing the inspired, endearing and often tenuous relationship between man and beast. The exhibit evokes affection, allure, humor and perplexity while also relating concern for animal rights. Charming images will be evoked

by artists such as Tom Palmore and his beautiful photo-realistic painting, "Baby Billy With Roses," a playful tribute to "man's best friend." Renown artist William Wegman has attracted the world's attention with his portraits, featuring his famous Weimeraner dogs. A Wegman video, "The Hardy Boys," will give Wegman an opportunity to share comical stories behind his delightful portraits and insights into the motivation for his famous whimsical studies.

Other artists use animal imagery as self-portrait, or a statement on humanity. Ron Erlich uses a roughly scratched out horse as a substitute for himself in an untitled painting. In Laurie Hogan's painting, "Apathy," a rabbit wears an expression of apathetic disdain. The rabbit stands as a spokesperson for the pessimism of the 1990s.

Contemporary issues addressing the questionable treatment of produce animals are also represented. Jean Lowe shares a painting "Food for a Nation," depicting hundreds of cattle

crowded into barren, box-like holding pens stretching into the horizon. In "Tiger," from Michael Lucero's Reclamation Series, new life is given to the remains of a broken marble statue — an act which sadly is not achievable in the real world of endangered species.

The animal theme will run through the Art Center. While patrons roam through "The Animal Kingdom" in the Palmer Gallery, they can also appreciate the enigmatic and eccentric tastes of Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge's "Watercolors" by Reuben Ward Binks. A Collection of Geraldine Dodge's Dog Portraits will concurrently be exhibited in The Members Gallery through Feb. 1.

The Palmer Gallery is open Monday to Friday, noon to 5 p.m. and weekday evenings 7 to 9 p.m. The gallery is open to the public on Saturdays, noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm Street Summit.

Grand opening



New Jersey Youth Symphony recently celebrated the opening of their new music center in Plainfield on Oct. 4. From left, Dr. Penelope Lattimer, Jean Burgdorff, Secretary of State Lonna Hooks and Patricia Kettering, chairman, NJYS, participate in the ribbon cutting.

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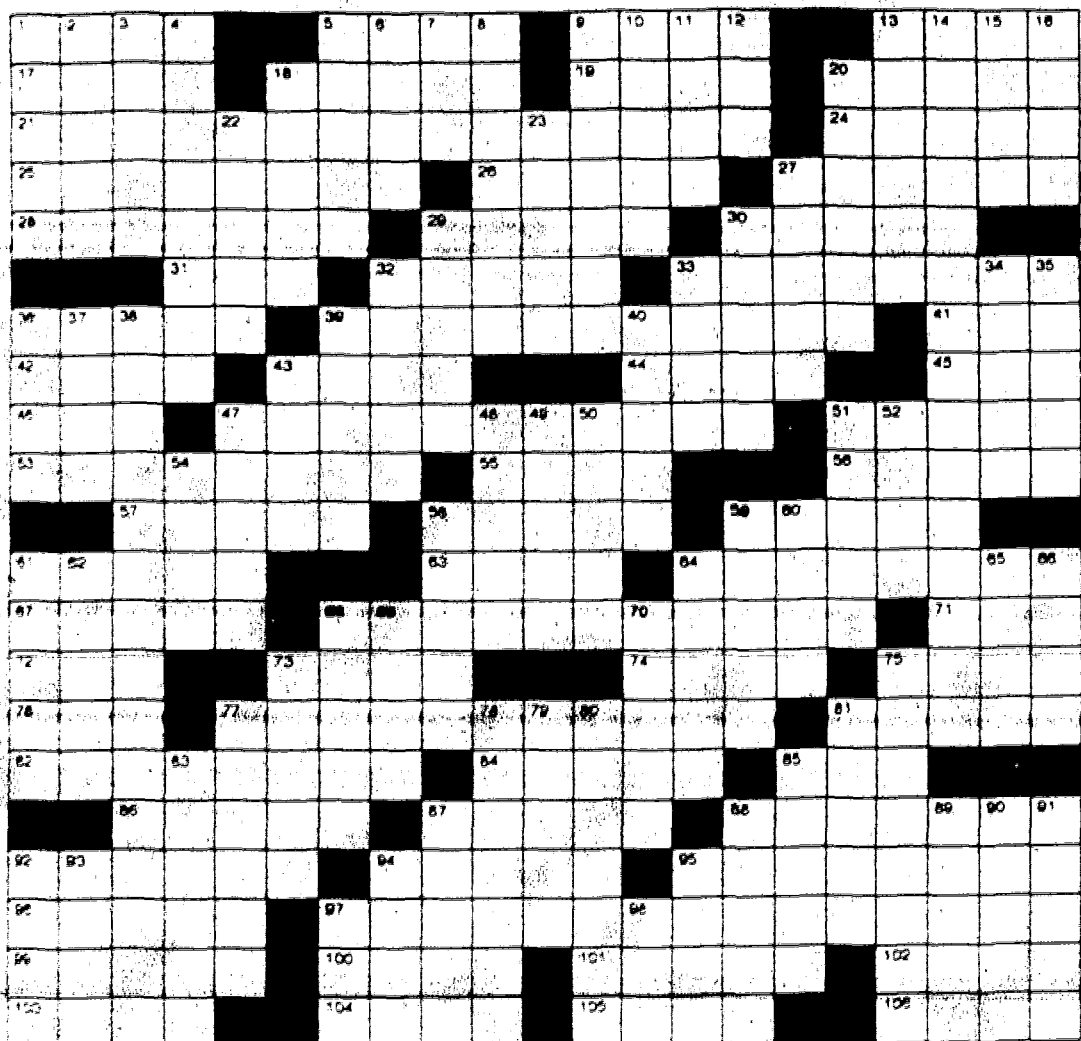
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- FLEA MARKET**
SATURDAY
 December 6, 1997
 EVENT: Flea Market
 PLACE: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington, NJ
 TIME: 9am-3pm
 PRICE: Free Admission. Great buys, new and old items, clothes, jewelry, housewares, records, Christmas items, etc. Tables available to dealers for \$15.00. Call 973-372-0984 or 973-763-3281
 ORGANIZATION: Redeemer Lutheran Church
- FUN AUCTION**
SATURDAY
 December 6, 1997
 EVENT: Fun Auction
 PLACE: First Congregational Christian UCC, Civic Square at 1240 Clinton Avenue, Irvington, NJ
 TIME: Doors open 12:30pm
 PRICE: \$7.00 adults. For tickets call between 8:00am-3:00pm 973-373-6882.
 ORGANIZATION: Fund Committee
- RUMMAGE SALE**
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY
 November 21, 22, 23, 1997
 EVENT: Rummage Sale
 PLACE: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 555 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Newark, NJ
 TIME: Friday and Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 12 noon to 5pm
 PRICE: Free admission. Clothing, toys, books, linens, jewelry, baskets, bolts of fabric, some paintings. Great food available.
 ORGANIZATION: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.
- FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**
 December 5 and 6, 1997
 EVENT: Christmas Boutique
 PLACE: Battle Hill Community Moravian Church, 777 Liberty Avenue, Union, NJ
 TIME: 10:00am-4:00pm
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 ORGANIZATION: Moravian Women of Battle Hill Community Moravian Church.
- OTHER**
SUNDAY
 December 7, 1997
 EVENT: Pet Photos with Santa Surprise Gifts
 PLACE: 200 Valley Street, South Orange (across from Bellus Motors)
 TIME: 11:00am-4:00pm
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- THURSDAY**
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 EVENT: Art Extravaganza
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Arts center offers entertainment, culture

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 down and see the treasures that Union County has.

And some of those treasures include the diverse UCAC's diverse musical theater options. "Into The Woods," which just finished its runs, and "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" in the spring. Next month, the arts center will host "A Child's Christmas in Wales" and "Glen Campbell's Country Christmas." Following will be Judy Collins, and The Ladies of the Pack — The Shangri-las, The Marvellettes, and Shirley Alison Reeves of The Shirelles.

"We try to program so there's something for everyone," said Jones. "We do rent the facility to outside organizations who come in and present their own shows under our supervision. We are thrilled when an orga-

nization comes to us that will help us serve another community," citing the example of a visit last season from Dr. Bernice King, daughter of Martin Luther King Jr.

"Programming choices are dictated ultimately by our sense of wanting to do bigger and better, and more," Jones continued. "The theater is not quite as active now as it was seven or eight years ago, but the quality and the name recognition of the performer is going up. So, ultimately it is a place for growth, a place for both new names and familiar names.

"We really have developed a name for ourselves across the tri-state area as a place to develop talent," Jones said, stating that local performers who have appeared at the arts center have gone on to Broadway, and beyond. "We will never lose touch with our local performers, but at the same time we are gratified to see people traveling so far to come and do a show here."

One of the familiar names gracing UCAC's stage last season was Jones himself, who landed a part in "La Cage Aux Folles."

"Well, I'm a performer at heart. It had been four or five years since I had been onstage in a book musical," Jones auditioned for the role of Zaza, although he was clearly too young for the role. "Jim (Murphy) cast me as Mercedes; the Cagelle who wants to be Zaza. Fortunately, I developed an awful lot more respect and admiration for Mike Fulk playing Zaza than I think Mercedes had for Zaza," Jones said with a wry smile. "And, I had to learn to tap dance in heels. It was an interesting experience," he added thoughtfully.

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'Problem' director has no problem with latest

Alex Cox was born in Liverpool, England in 1954 and had dreams of becoming a lawyer. He studied law at Oxford but was slowly drawn into the theater department and began directing school plays. Hooked on the art world, he moved to Los Angeles and went to UCLA film school on a Fullbright scholarship. After graduating Cox could not find work in the film industry but found employment with a car repossession company as a "repo man."

The job called for Cox to take cars from people who couldn't keep up their payments. Work was usually done while the owner was asleep and his or her car was parked in the driveway. He wrote a screenplay partially based on this strange and often dangerous experience and shopped it around. Ex-Monkee Mike Nesmith of 60s pop music fame got the financing and Cox directed the picture, "Repo Man." It became one of the biggest cult hits of the 80s and launched Cox's career.

He followed this with "Sid and Nancy," a bio of Sid Vicious, musician with the punk band The Sex Pistols. Cox's next two films, "Straight To Hell" and "Walker," both made in 1987, were box office failures but, more importantly, established him as a "problem" director. Hollywood turned its back on him and Cox moved to Mexico City. He didn't make another feature film until 1996's "Highway Patrolman," made in Spanish with English sub-titles. The winner is Cox's sixth film and it's a good one.

Philip, played by Vincent Donofrio, a 30ish lost soul, is wandering the streets of Las Vegas, depressed and suicidal. He enters a casino and throws a chip on the table. He wins

The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

and his streak doesn't stop. Five weeks pass and he hasn't lost a spin or the wheel. But stranger than his streak is the fact that he's giving all the money away. This is more than a few of the spectators can take. They want their share and begin to develop winning strategies to get it.

The vultures include the alluring Louise, played by Rebecca DeMornay; Phillip's psychotic brother, played by Michael Madsen; Louise's sometime boyfriend, played by Billy Bob Thornton, star of "Slingblade," and a trio of inept crooks led by character actor Richard Edson.

Like Cox's debut, "Repo Man," this film starts in reality but the forces that come late play and decide everyone's fate are not of this world. Hopefully in the coming years, Cox will stick around and keep his output of pictures high.

Video Detective Trivia: Burt Reynolds is currently starring in the box office hit "Boogie Nights." What Woody Allen film did Reynolds have a starring role in?

Answer: "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex, But Were Afraid To Ask," 1972.

Also new on video: "Night Falls on Manhattan," drama; "Romy and Michelle's High School Reunion," comedy.

A resident of Mountainside, Jim Riffel is the author of "The Video Detective's Guide to the Top 100 Films of All Time."

Plainfield design studio is once again available

The du Cret School of Art and Design is offering non-profit organizations a full-service design studio at no charge. The Design Group gives a select group of art students the opportunity to work in an advertising agency environment. New designs are created and camera-ready art work is provided.

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For the week of Nov. 30 to Dec. 6

Aries
March 21-April 20

Feeling bored? It could be time for a change of venue. Something that seems intrusive and unfair could turn out for the best. When put to the test later this week, you'll really shine. Be careful of a close friend's feelings — your words could cause deep wounds.

Taurus
April 21-May 21

You have two choices this week — listen to reason, or listen to your heart. Before making a decision, try to discover a way to reconcile the two. If that's possible, the outcome will be better than you ever dreamed. Tickle a friend's fancy with an enticing offer.

Gemini
May 22-June 21

Looking to cure the busy-busy blues? Try simplifying. You may not be able to accomplish everything on your list, but you're certainly capable of the things that are most necessary.

Cancer
June 22-July 22

The urge for something new spurs you on this week. However, there's no need to go overboard. Whether you're drawn to the mall, the library or someplace else, don't blow your budget all at once. A nice change of pace will do you good.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 23

You seem to be specializing in sticky situations this week. Although

you've been blessed with more than your share recently, don't sweat it. You're due for a respite soon. Besides, you're doing a smashing job! Ask a friend for support during a particularly trying episode.

Virgo
Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Beware your impulsives this week. The best thing you can do is to delay making important decisions. The second best thing you can do is to get an expert opinion. This weekend, keep your time unstructured — the more flexible you are, the more amazing the possibilities.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Examine your motives before speaking out about something or someone. If you're angry, hold your tongue. If not, then think twice and speak once. Above all, pay attention to details. Something small that escapes your notice could have disastrous results.

Scorpio
Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Looking for romance? It's hidden under a rock. Not literally, but it might be closer than you think. Invite a close friend to do something adventurous with you. This weekend, catch up on loose ends, even if it means missing out on something fun.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Someone you haven't heard from in a while gives you a call. If you're in the right place at the right time, you'll get the nod for an important assignment. Shoulder it as best you can, and

you'll do just fine. Don't let yourself be limited by low expectations.

Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Gearing up for the holidays could be causing you stress. Treating yourself will take the edge off the tension. To organize things further, list what needs to be done, and then prioritize. Even if the list is long, it is more manageable than you think.

Aquarius
Jan. 21-Feb. 18

A milestone approaches, making this a good time to take stock. Are you where you want to be? Do your goals

feel worthwhile? If not, you're in the perfect position to make changes. Put your talents to the test, and you'll surprise everyone, including yourself.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20

Buckling down for the winter means completing some long-neglected chores. The sooner you finish them, the sooner you'll be able to start enjoying a fun activity that someone has planned for you. Look to a child for some unexpected wisdom.

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- Look through magazines and catalogues and collect pictures of rooms that appeal to you. Do they have wooden or laminate cabinets? Bold or subtle patterned flooring? Perhaps you see that you're collecting pictures of rattan furniture or decor featuring leather sofas and club chairs. After a time, you'll see the commonality of styles that appeal to you.

- Look in your closet. Dresses, business suits and high-heeled shoes may indicate comfort with more formal or traditional styles, whereas an abundance of jeans and T-shirts may represent a more casual lifestyle.

- Visit a variety of department stores and showrooms to determine decorating styles that make you feel comfortable.

- Pay attention to colors — in your clothes, in nature, in artwork — and how they make you feel.

- Walk into your home as if for the first time. Look around. What is your first impression? Does it give off the feeling you want to have? Go from room to room. Are you reflecting your personality today, your family's lifestyle? If not, consider changes that will bring your home's decor in sync with your style. Perhaps this means making a favorite collection a design focus in the kitchen, or bringing those beautiful flowers from your garden indoors all year long. Focus on those things that nourish the soul and senses.

Once you find your style, you'll be able to express yourself — things you enjoy and feel passionate about — through the environment you create at home.

Comfort and quality are worth the price

When asked why they reupholstered a sofa or other furniture in their homes, survey respondents indicated practicality wasn't the issue. Most of them simply wanted a change. In the home, as in the closet, survey respondents made it clear that they recognize quality in fabrics, with an eye for natural fibers. And they're willing to pay to have them. Even when cotton sheets were more expensive than cotton/polyester blends, they were favored by a wide margin. Price was less important than perceived comfort.

Of the respondents ages 35 to 55, 50.7 percent labeled their current style of home decor as mixed casual, 43.2 percent said color-coordinated, somewhat casual and a mere 5.6 percent said their decor was more formal. When asked what their decor would be if they redecorated their homes, only 33.4 percent of those surveyed said they would favor a mixed casual look, while 52.4 percent would strive for a color-coordinated, somewhat casual style and 12.8 percent said they would opt for a more formal decor. As income increased, so did the desire for a more formal home decor. Of the respondents earning \$50,000 or more, only 35.6 percent said their current style of home can be described as mixed casual, while 4.6 percent said color-coordinated and somewhat casual, and 8.8 percent had a more formal decor.

If they redecorated, 17.6 percent of the higher-income group said they would have a more formal home style, while 54.7 percent would have somewhat casual and only 24.5 percent would have mixed casual.

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HEALTHY LIVING

NEWS CLIPS

St. Barnabas is offering the following ongoing programs, classes, and support groups:

Hiv/Aids Support Group For Caregivers, Families and/or Significant Others

This support group offers education, information and mutual support for caregivers, families and/or significant others. Meetings are held on alternating Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 308 of the East Wing Building at Saint Barnabas. The program provides an opportunity to discuss issues of both a medical and emotional nature and is facilitated by clinical specialists in the field. For further information or to register for the program, call (973) 533-5193.

Living With Recurrent Or Metastatic Cancer

This group is open to patients facing cancer which has returned or spread to another part of the body. This group provides a place in which people can explore feelings, obtain emotional support and develop coping skills to deal with the issues of recurrent cancer. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Cancer Center Conference Room located on the second floor of the East Wing. For more information, call (973) 533-8414.

Family And Friends Support Group

This group is designed to offer family and friends of cancer patients a forum to discuss issues related to caring about someone with cancer. This group meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Suite 302 of the East Wing Building. Call (973) 533-8414 for additional information.

Coping Through Creativity

This group offers adults undergoing treatment for cancer a new means for expressing their feelings. By creative endeavor, people with cancer have the opportunity to express emotion and develop new ways to cope with the stress of a cancer diagnosis and treatment. Prior experience with art is not necessary. The group meets every other Thursday from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. For more information call Lisa Parsonnet, coordinator of Psychological Programs at The Cancer Center at Saint Barnabas, at (973) 533-8414.

Hiv/Aids Support Group For Patients

This support group provides participants with an opportunity to discuss medical, emotional and spiritual issues relative to the disease with an emphasis on the mind/body connection. Meetings are held on alternate Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 308 of the East Wing Building at Saint Barnabas Medical Center. The program is facilitated by clinical specialists in the field. Educational programs on specific interests and other activities are planned by the group. For further information or to register for the program, call (973) 533-5193.

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Growing Through Loss Bereavement Support Groups

These support groups offer a caring

and supportive environment for persons grieving the loss of loved one. Some topics of discussion include "Why does it hurt so much?" "Dealing with feeling of anger" and "Changing perspective on life and letting go." The evening group meets on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The daytime group meets on Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. For further information or to register, call the Pastoral Care department at (201) 533-5016.

Look Good — Feel Better: Cosmetic Make-Overs For Female Cancer Patients

Saint Barnabas hosts "Look Good — Feel Better" sessions in conjunction with the American Cancer Society, the Cosmetics, Toiletary and Fragrance Association, and the American Cosmetology Association. The session include information on wig, skin care, make-up application and turban styling. Each participant receives a complimentary make-up kit. Attendance is limited. Call (201) 533-5164 for reservations.

Breast Cancer Support Group

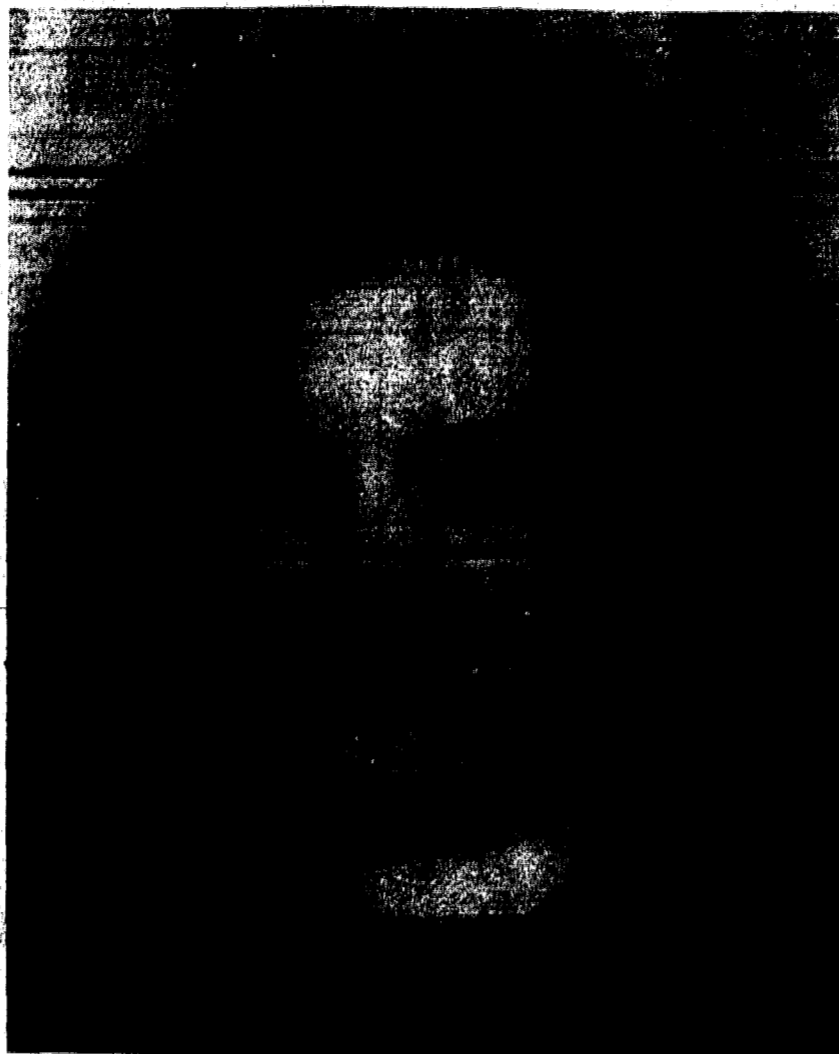
This group is open to women currently receiving treatment for breast cancer. The group provides a supportive atmosphere in which to gain emotional support and practical information about issues specific to breast cancer. Meeting are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Cancer Center Conference Room located on the second floor of the East Wing Building. From more information, call (201) 533-8414.

Children's Asthma Center's Family Support Group

This support group is for parents of children with asthma. When a child is diagnosed with asthma, it impacts every aspect of family life. Through the Children's Asthma Center's Family Support Group, parents can meet others who have similar experiences. Together, families can learn and gain support from one another. In addition, education regarding the care of a child with asthma is offered. The group is led by a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and meets monthly. For more information, call (800) Asthma-3.

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Rosie O'Donnell

Hospital gala features a special celebrity guest

Rosie O'Donnell, Daytime Emmy Award winner and one of Hollywood's top comedic actresses, made a special guest appearance at the Tenth Annual Children's Specialized Hospital Umbrella Gala starring Roberta Flack and attended the sponsors' reception prior to the performance.

The Gala, produced for the past ten years by the Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, has raised \$1.5 million for the pediatric rehabilitation hospital. The goal for this year's event, held Nov. 3 at the new New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, was \$250,000.

Billed as "An Evening with Roberta Flack," the concert is one of the first benefit performances staged in NJPAC's 2,750-seat Prudential Hall.

Rosie O'Donnell has become America's best friends for an hour each day as host and executive producer of the critically acclaimed, nationally syndicated talk/variety series "The Rosie O'Donnell Show."

As a tireless crusader for children, O'Donnell established the For All Kids Foundation, which distributes money to children's charities across the country. In April 1997, "Kids Are Funny," a best-selling collection of Rosies's favorite jokes sent to her TV show by kids, was published by Warner Books with all proceeds going to the Foundation.

All funds raised by this event will support the work of Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's only hospital dedicated exclusively to pediatric rehabilitation, treating children and adolescents from birth through 21 years.

Founded in 1891, the hospital provides a network of services including inpatient, outpatient, acute rehabilitation and long-term care through its sites in Mountainside, Fanwood, Toms River, Newark and Union, as well as outreach programs in many communities.

Alzheimer's support groups are offered

Alzheimer's Disease support groups are sponsored by the Northern New Jersey Alzheimer's Association on the second Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m., by Westfield Center, Genesis ElderCare Network, located at 1515 Lamberts Mill Road, Westfield. The meeting is open to the public. If you are a caregiver or if you know someone who is suffering from Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia, you will find this group discussion helpful. Guest speakers often address the meeting and provide helpful information. Call (908) 233-9700 for further details.

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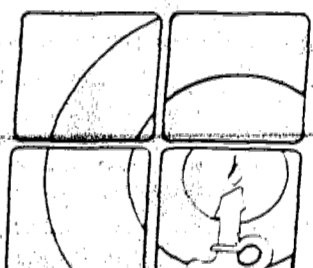


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Automotive

Put an end to SUV drawbacks with new Volvo Sportswagon

Tracking straight for the SUV market, Volvo introduces an entire family of versatile V70 all-wheel-drive Sportswagons. While SUVs are known for their take-off traction on slick or loose road surfaces, they also come with a host of drawbacks. Built on its proven V70 Sportswagon platform, Volvo has melded its famous safety engineering and luxurious passenger comforts and added cutting edge all-wheel-drive technology to build an almost unstoppable Sportswagon.

Three key components direct torque, as needed and without driver intervention, to the wheel that provides best traction in almost any given situation. Upfront next to the specially modified automatic transmission is a transfer differential. Just in front of the rear differential is a viscous coupling, the major element of the AWD drive system. Finally, the rear drive unit is housed in an independent rear differential assembly similar to the one found in the S90/V90 series. The viscous coupling directs torque to either the front or rear wheels depending on wheel slippage. AWD operation is totally transparent to the driver and in fact is akin to an automatic transmission in its seamlessness.

While SUV advertisements might lead you to believe that we all drive in jungles, on dunes, and routinely traverse sand dunes, the reality is that most drivers only utilize 4-wheel or all-wheel-drive when road conditions deteriorate, making travel difficult. The Volvo system fulfills that need while providing a level of comfort, safety engineering and traditional Volvo values not commonly found in the truck-like offerings, thus making any member of the V70 AWD family an attractive alternative to SUVs.

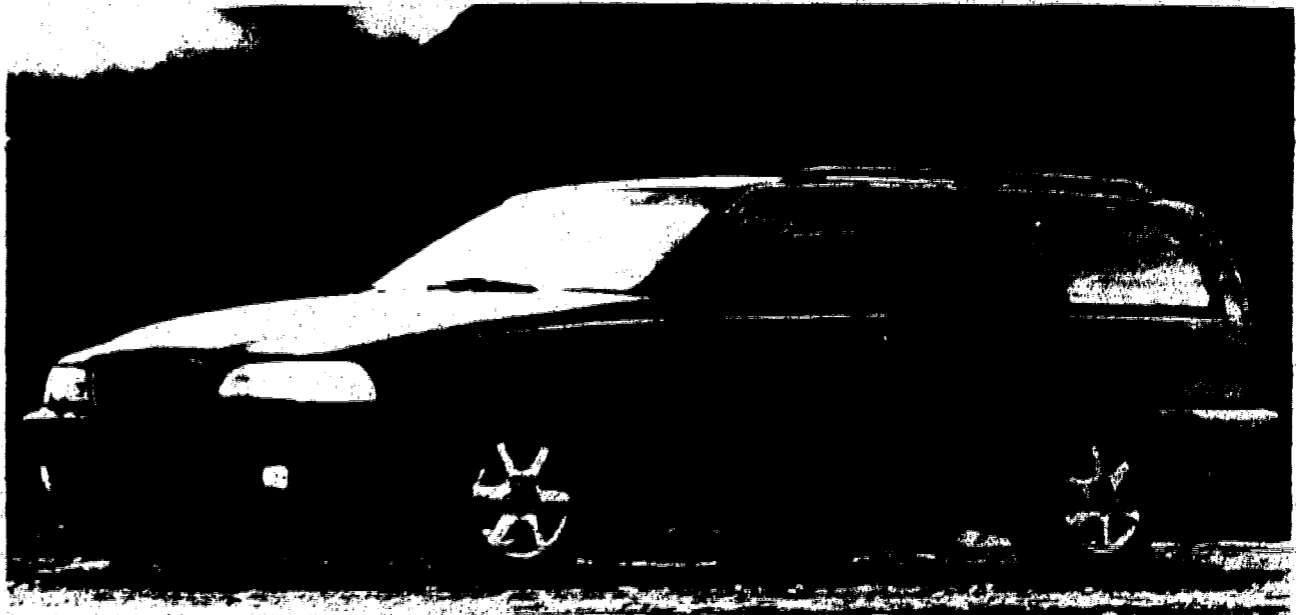
Created for families that need the added traction capabilities of all-wheel-drive, this versatile wagon has all the

same appearances of the two-wheel-drive V70. The only difference in the outward appearance is a ride height of 57.1 inches versus 56.2 inches for its two-wheel counterpart. But under the skin are all the all-wheel-drive components that help propel this V70 through most of what Mother Nature can dish out.

Designed for the outdoor enthusiast whose weekend aspiration might include boating, mountain biking, or skiing, this versatile XC, Cross Country, helps traverse many different types of urban and back country roads. Designed for traveling on loose road surfaces, getting to most types of outdoor locations will be easier with the XC. Ground clearance is one inch and ride height is two inches more than the two-wheel V70 variant.

Life in the fast lane just got a little more exciting. The 1995 introduction of the Volvo T5-R pushed Volvo's performance, speed and handling image far into the red zone. By combining the superior traction of all-wheel-drive with a 236-horsepower high-pressure turbocharged engine, the 1998 V70 R AWD is probably the quickest, more sure-footed high performance production sportswagon ever sold in America.

This limited edition sports a unique interior and exterior trim package that sets this Sportswagon apart from all other Volvo V70s. The interior features patterned alloy panels surrounding the audio and climate control system, and center console. The upholstery is an exclusive combination of genuine leather, and Alcantara suede with a stitched-in-diamond-style design pattern. The steering wheel is also leather-clad and has Alcantara suede inlays. The V70 R AWD comes in only one color: saffron—a color available on only one other Volvo: the stunning C70 coupe, and is perhaps one of the most unique colors ever



The versatile Volvo V70 wagon

offered on any Volvo. Production is limited to 1,000 wagons.

Emblematic of Volvo's future styling focus, the C70 coupe brings a new level of elegance and beauty to a brand image synonymous with the word "box." Pure in form with strong, aggressive overtones, the C70 is as quick as it is agile. Peter Horbury, Volvo Car Corporation's chief of design, lead the team of Hakan Abrahamsson and Anders Gunnarsson and created a car that people would desire, not just need. As Horbury states, "This time we threw away the box and kept the toy." With the 236-horsepower and 243

lb/ft of torque engine from the S and V70 T5, the C70 is powerful enough to take on any super sedan or coupe. The C70 is available with either a 5-speed manual or a 4-speed automatic transmission. The C70 went on sale during the third quarter of 1997 and carries a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$38,995.

New to the 1998 models, the Volvo S70 and V70 are being sold through a flexible model system in which customers can combine a wide variety of equipment in order to have cars that match individual preferences, needs and budgets.

Safe driving is an important part of road safety

Once it's winterized and checked by a qualified technician, your car is probably ready to hit the road. But are you?

According to the AAA New Jersey Automobile Club, winter driving requires a great deal of caution, and some simple driving rules can lessen your chances of being involved in a winter collision.

Most importantly, you must be aware of what's going on around you since, according to Paul Keilblock, AAA's safety manager, drivers need 15 to 30 seconds of visual lead time or warning under winter conditions. "You need to be able to spot trouble well in advance and give yourself adequate time to react," said Keilblock. "Your vehicle's stopping ability decreases significantly in ice and snow."

Keilblock also stresses that a cautious driver must be able to see well. "Keep your car's headlights on low beam. Low beam provide better visibility than high beams — especially when driving through fog or a snowstorm."

"Anticipate and prepare for slippery roads or other unexpected dangers," he continued. "Take note of how the cars ahead of you are reacting. This way, you can avoid stopping quickly or reducing your speed too suddenly."

If you need to slow down or stop on a slick road, Keilblock recommends using the "squeeze" or "threshold braking" method. Keeping your heel on the

floor, apply the brakes firmly and steadily, but not so firmly that they lock up. Then gently ease the pressure on the brake pedal. Don't pump the brakes. You may want to practice this technique in a safe, secluded place.

"Steering on ice or snowy roads requires caution," he said. "Learn to steer your car with smooth, careful and controlled movements. Accelerating slowly and deliberately will keep your steering precise. Anticipating curves or lane changes can decrease the likelihood of sudden, jerky movements that may cause skids."

"If your car does skid, don't panic," stresses Keilblock. "The best way to handle a skid is to take your foot off the brake. You should steer your car in the direction you want it to go. Once your vehicle regains traction and begins to move in the right direction, you can straighten the steering wheel."

For a free brochure detailing these and other winter safe driving tips, visit the AAA office in Florham Park, Randolph, Springfield and Verona, or send a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to: How To Go In Ice & Snow, AAA Safety Department, 1 Hanover Road, Florham Park, N.J. 07932.

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Auto show slated for the spring

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The Auto Show will take place from April 11 to 19 at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in Manhattan. Prior to the public opening, the show will host Press Preview Days on April 8 and 9. Dealer/Supplier Preview Day will be held April 10.

In his announcement of the upcoming show dates, John LaSorsa, chair of the Auto Show Committee, said, "New York is the nation's largest metropolitan area and the financial, media and advertising center of the world. If an automotive product is a hit in New York, you can be sure the rest of the nation is going to hear about it. For this reason, the New York International Auto Show is one of the manufacturer's largest marketing events of the year."

"In addition, our show is a great forum for addressing serious issues facing the millions of consumers," continued LaSorsa. "For example, last year's exhibits and conferences on 'People With Disabilities' brought a great deal of attention to a growing segment of the car-buying population."

The 1998 New York International Auto Show will be an impressive collection of cutting-edge design and remarkable innovation. More than four floors of exhibitors, including 36 vehicle manufacturers, are expected to feature their new automobiles and futuristic concept cars. More than 1,000 cars and trucks will be on display, filling 750,000 square feet of exhibit space. In addition, over a dozen world, national and regional vehicle debuts are expected at the 1998 show.

Attendance at the 1997 New York International Automobile Show surpassed 1.1 million, the 9th consecutive year the show has had more than one million visitors. In addition, over 3,200 members of the media attended the show. Expectations are for increased press and public attendance in 1998.

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