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Vo-Tech board regroups

The Board of Education of the Union County Vocational School District has reorganized for the 1997-98 school year. The officer and members are: President Charles S. Mancuso, Vice President Jane Lygber, member Gail Iammatteo, board attorney Edward Kofrig, and special counsel Donald DiFrancesco.

Bridge work planned

Improvements soon will be made to the Berkeley Heights section of the Sierra Trail, an 11-mile trail that traverses Union County's largest park, the Wachung Reservation. Three bridges will be installed along eroded portions of trail to aid users in crossing streams and to prevent further erosion of the stream bank. The project is funded in part by a \$4,000 grant received from the Federal Highway Administration's National Recreational Trails Act.

No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Trail work takes place regularly, once a month, usually the first Saturday, from March through December from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Other projects include removal of exotic plant species which compete with native plants; installation of erosion control measures, including steps and water bars; putting litter pickers, trail blazing and more.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Springfield Leader and Mountainside Echo to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To give your community events the publicity they deserve, mail your schedule to P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

The Mountainside Recreation Commission is sponsoring a trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Several special exhibitions will be featured, including Picasso 'The Engraver', Jackson Pollock, 'Early Sketchbooks and Drawings,' and the Private Collection of Edgar Degas. The annual Christmas tree and Neapolitan Creche will also be on display.

Overlook Hospital's Healthy Avenues Van will be at the Mountainside Public Library For Senior Citizen Screening Day from 10 a.m. to noon. As a special service there will be Free Carotid Artery Screenings.

The Springfield Knights of Columbus are holding a pancake breakfast from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Springfield Knights of Columbus scholarship fund. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 5 to 12.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Battle Hill Post 7423 and other veterans organizations will observe Pearl Harbor Day at Veterans Memorial Park, on the corner Mountain Avenue and Snunpike Road, Springfield.

The Springfield Historical Society will hold a Holiday Open House from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Historic Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Ave., Springfield. All are invited to this free event. Christmas decorations will be shown, and guided tours will be available.

The Jewish Women International of Springfield, formerly B'nai B'rith Women of Springfield, will meet at 12:15 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield. Barbara Fried, president, will conduct the meeting. A Chanukkah play will be presented by the members and there will be a candle lighting program celebrating Chanukkah.

On Friday and Saturday the combined choirs of Holy Cross and Evangelical Churches of Springfield will present 'I Have Seen the Light' a musical on the meaning of Christmas. The story is told by 4 narrators and a 50-voice choir. It begins in a modern-day living room, and ends in a glorious finale with a stage full of shepherds, kings and angels.

The Township of Springfield will start the holiday season off with its annual tree lighting celebration at 7 p.m. in front of Town Hall, 100 Mountain Ave. Join in to celebrate the holiday season with the lighting of the tree and decorations, singing from your local school groups, cider and donuts, and a visit from a special friend. Have a safe and healthy new year. For more information, call 912-2227.

President Vincent Bonadies of Springfield/Mountainside Unico National announced that their annual Christmas dinner will be held at 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) 376-3982.

The Mountainside Board of Education will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. in the Deerfield Media Center. Budget development will be the item on the agenda.

The Italian film 'Mediterraneo' will be shown at the Springfield Free Public Library at noon and 7 p.m. 'Mediterraneo' won Best Foreign Film Oscar in 1991. It is set on an island in the Aegean where eight Italian soldiers have been sent to man a garrison during World War II.

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The Dayton cheerleading squad huddles at safe distance from the bonfire at a football rally Thanksgiving Day.

# Writer's work is off the beaten path

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Author Arline Zatz wants New Jerseyans to take a walk — as in, around the state.

"This state is not just what exit by the Turnpike you live at," Zatz said. "That's usually said by people who don't know about the many attractions and sights we have."

Zatz spoke to an intimate crowd at a local bookstore Nov. 23. Although she was on hand to promote her latest book on bicycle tours within the Garden State, she spent an hour talking about how one can walk, hike and canoe their way to the state's wonders.

"Hiking is one of the fastest growing recreational activities in the country," said Zatz. "There are 40 million people who are getting exercise, bringing their families and experi-

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— Arline Zatz,  
Author

ing nature."

Zatz went through a hiking kit. The 18 items include compass, a pocket-sized flower or wildlife book, matches in a film can, and pepper spray. Most of the items are common and inexpensive.

"The pepper spray isn't for what you think," said Zatz. "I haven't encountered a bear yet but I don't plan to. I also keep a plastic newspaper bag with me because the state parks and forestry department requires people to take out whatever they brought in with them."

Zatz has spent the last two decades writing and lecturing about nature touring. Her articles and photographs have appeared in publications such as *The New York Times* to *New Jersey Outdoors*.

Before hitting the trail, Zatz suggested wearing breakers for all but the most rocky surfaces. After a simple guide to directions on the trail, she took the audience out to see the state's wildlife — on slides.

Her tour destinations virtually went from High Point to Cape May, Woodlands, historical villages, beaches and

estuaries frequently turned up on the itinerary.

There were the familiar sights like Paterson's Great Falls and the Delaware Water Gap. There were some off track venues like a fish hatchery and a fossil hunt park.

But there was something missing: Union County.

"You have Watchung Reservation in Mountainside," said Zatz. "It is a good place to hike or walk and there's always some activity or exhibit at the Trailside Center."

Zatz then opened her bicycling trail book to a tour of Union and Somerset counties. The 26-mile round-trip winds through the Watchung area. The starting and finishing points are at the Springfield end of Echo Lake Park.

Zatz, when asked, favors the idea of converting railroad rights of way to linear parks. She does favor, however, on mountain biking.

"There's a trail in Warren County which uses a railroad bed," said Zatz. "The problem I have with mountain bikers is that they appear without warning from nowhere. I would rather see them on separate trails."

# Dayton stokes embers of tradition

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

About 200 people came to the Jonathan Dayton High School front lawn Nov. 26 for a revival of the Thanksgiving Eve bonfire and rally.

The wood of the bonfire, before the ceremony, was not in itself impressive. A 15-foot pyramid of shipping pallets sat on Dayton's front lawn, well away from the tennis court and soccer field, taking in the midafternoon drizzle. That it exists at all, however, is noteworthy.

"I gave permission to hold the fire at 9:30 p.m., a half-hour before the start," said Springfield Fire Chief Bill Gras. "High winds cancelled the fire last year." "I'm glad they're having it," said Dayton junior Sara Klein. "Last year, they only had a tailgate party before the football game."

Jonathan Dayton High School is one of several schools in New Jersey that continue the tradition of Thanksgiving Day games. The match against Basking Ridge High School would end Dayton's season. Nevertheless, the game and preceding bonfire ritual is the first in Dayton's post-regional district era.

Members of the Springfield Volunteer Fire Company and the Office of Emergency Management quickly set up fire hoses and vehicles on Gras' order. Principal Charles Serson, Coach Sal Mistretta, and other Dayton faculty were greeting visitors.

The ceremony started about 10 minutes late but no one seemed to mind. Members of the varsity cheerleading squad and the Bulldog football team were introduced between remarks by Serson and Mistretta.

An effigy of a Ridge player was passed around for people to punch in one of the ceremony's highlights. Someone's fist was apparently too hard, briefly

knocking off the dummy's head.

The effigy was tossed onto the woodpile and members in the pyle at 7:17 p.m. The fire, slightly dampened by the light rain but encouraged by the cheering crowd, grew to full fury within 10 minutes.

"I graduated Dayton in 1942," said overseer Raymond Schramm. "They had something like this then, but it's been a while since I've seen another one. This sort of event is good for school spirit."

"I'm from Brearley High in Kenilworth," said Kyran Liboli. "We have nothing like a bonfire there."

Liboli, according to Mistretta, may not have to wait long for a Brearley bonfire.

"We're playing Ridge for the first time but only for this Thanksgiving," Mistretta said. "Starting next year, we'll have the Brearley Bears over."

The pallets were fully engulfed before the order was given to extinguish the fire. Within three minutes, a 20-foot-diameter burn spot and charred embers were all that remained of the blaze.

Afterward, most of the audience repaired to the school cafeteria. The Dayton Booster Club and a disk jockey had already set up shop, prepared to dispense food and music.

"You'll have to talk with my wife, Cheryl and some of the other Booster Club people," said Committeeman By Mullman as he held a serving tray of hot dogs. "They're the ones who put this event together."

A tradition is made when an event is consistently held, makes a communal bond, and endures the test of time. The question of whether the bonfire will become a part of Dayton's new era must wait until next Thanksgiving Eve.

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# COMMUNITY FORUM

## Good method

Police departments in Union County, including Mountainside and Springfield, are participating in a traffic education and enforcement program. The program, being conducted by the Union County Traffic Officers Association, will be titled "The Violation of the Month," and is scheduled to run for one year, starting Dec. 1, 1997.

Traffic safety is always important, but with the arrival of the holiday season, it is even more so. There is more shopping to do, more parties to go to, and more people to see in less time; and the "celebratory spirit" of the holidays — the drinking — and the increased bustle and traffic are a bad mix. The Violation of the Month program will emphasize one New Jersey traffic statute each month, and make special effort to enforce it. At the beginning of each month, information about the statute being emphasized will be released to the public in a meeting and in newspapers across the county. A statute will be chosen according to its implications for a particular month. For example, in December, police will be enforcing speed regulations.

According to AAA, motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death among Americans younger than 34 years old, and speeding, alcohol and tailgating are among the main contributing factors. The societal costs of accidents is estimated to exceed \$150 billion annually. But you can't put a dollar value on human life.

With motor vehicle deaths on the rise nationally — 41,907 people died as a result of accidents in 1996 — something needs to be done, and highway safety programs such as this are a good start. According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, this number of traffic fatalities reflects an increase for the fourth straight year.

"Without safer streets and highways, we cannot truly say we are reducing the level of community violence and fear, and making our streets safe for our citizens," said one UCTOA representative. This is true, but police shouldn't stop here. Other preventative efforts are needed.

For example, the Mountainside Police Department will be introducing a state-of-the-art traffic violator sign which will be placed on the side of the road like an ordinary street sign and flash the actual speed of a driver as he or she passes. Captain Attanasio has said this would be a great way to control speeding, and he is likely right. What better way to control speeding than to publicly shame lawbreakers into compliance. Not only do speeders and police see the violation, but so does everybody else. The psychology of it is brilliant.

Efforts such as these can work, and should be commended. By looking at the statistics on accidents and fatalities, it is obvious that better methods of traffic control need to be implemented. A speeder will speed, it is ingrained in his or her behavior, regardless of the number of tickets amassed. Often something drastic is what it takes to make them stop, something like an accident, very often with tragic consequences.

## Better safe than sorry

Take the time this holiday season to check your car from top to bottom for any leaks, blocked vents, worn seatbelt straps, or defective engine parts. Often we turn the car over to a mechanic and expect him to take care of everything. But ignorance, as they say, is no excuse.

Batteries are also a frequent casualty during the winter months. Be sure to have your car battery checked by a professional and, if need be, buy a new one. The peace of mind you get will be worth the few extra dollars spent.

Certainly check and change the oil and make an appointment to have the tires checked and rotated before the snow begins to fall. The start of the holiday season is a great time to get your vehicle roadworthy. And hide an extra copy of a key somewhere near your parking spot — you never know when it may come in handy.

### Government representatives

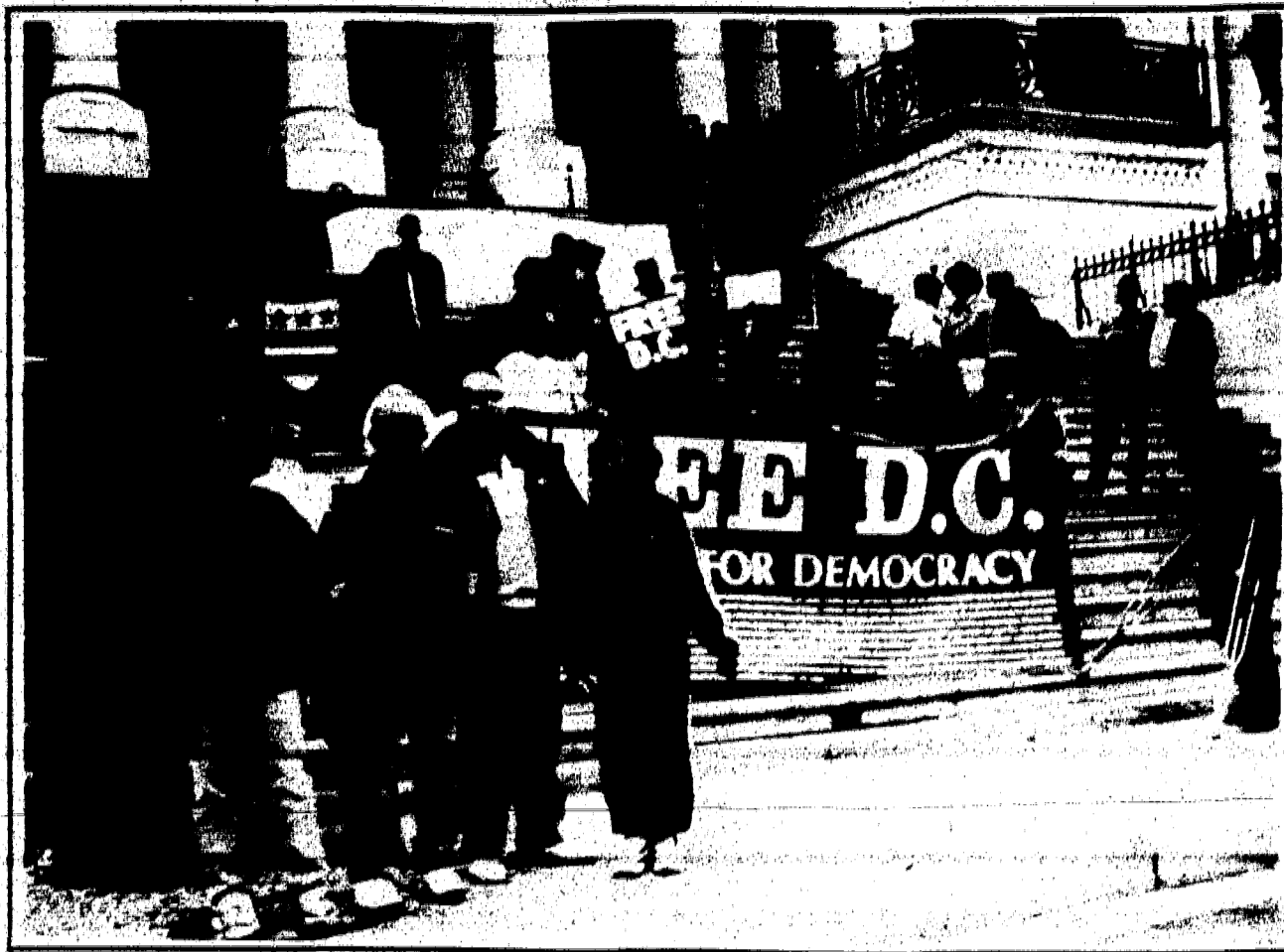
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Gregory Clarke, 119 Tucker Ave., 379-4520, Democrat.  
Judith Blitzer, 21 Crest Pl., 376-3518, Republican.  
William Puzoski, 26 Joanne Way, 376-5812, Republican.  
Sy Muliman, 65 Redwood Road, 376-5929, Democrat.

#### Mountainside

Mayor Robert Vighanti, 1144 Ridge Drive, 232-6931.  
David Hart, 379 Summit Road, 233-4036.  
Werner Saron, 1082 Sunny Slope Drive, 233-0780.  
Pinhad Pomak, 1139 Ridge Drive, 233-9467.  
Thomas Perratta, 254 Hickory Lane, 654-3615.  
Keith Turner, 297 Bridle Path, 322-2750.  
Paul Marabelli, 291 Bridle Path, 264-4036.

Entire council is Republican.



**A CAPITAL TRIP** — Seventh-graders from Gaudineer Middle School in Springfield stand on the steps of the Capitol Building. Recently, Merle Murphy's seventh-grade class took a trip to Washington D.C. Pictured above are Katherine Ciullo, Steven Cohen, Murphy, and Kshitiya Sharma.

## Take opportunity to learn from our veterans

Of the 200 or so people who gathered at Veterans Memorial Park in Springfield on Nov. 11, about the only people who were paying full attention at the observance were the school children.

Most of the older people there had a legitimate reason to have their thinking drift elsewhere. Some were veterans, recalling wartime experiences either stateside or on distant lands. There were other adults who, while not going through the crucible of war, may think back to life on the homefront.

What military personnel and civilians present have in one common link. Both parties know of relatives, friends and acquaintances who served — some of whom are no longer among us.

The one group there who most likely have no memories or experiences of our country at war are the students. They were delegations brought to represent Springfield's public schools. Some of the students were visited in class by veterans, who told of their war days.

The students' listening to the veterans and their attentiveness at the ceremony are good things to see. One immediate effect is the boost in atten-

### While I'm Here

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

dance at the observances. Several veterans group officials told me they've had more participants than spectators in recent years.

The greater effect is educational. Like it or not, one of the means of remembering history is by wars. Learning why and how our country became involved in armed conflicts is part of the national and world story.

That kind of education is how we became a reluctant superpower this century. When and how to use our military forces are to be entrusted to future generations.

The difficulty is that more of our growing population has little or no experience of war and the attendant hardships. While none of us want to fight, there are ideals and principles worth fighting for. We must therefore be prepared for future conflicts and use our firepower wisely.

At the same time, the older generation, whose past sacrifices we are to honor, are dying. I was born when the last Civil War soldiers died, but there were plenty of World War I doughboys and fliers around. Those WWI veterans are almost gone now, taking whatever memories they haven't passed on into history with them.

What the veterans groups in Springfield are doing are having their members talk about their war experiences to students. Their recollections make the history of textbooks personal, fleshing a link between past and present.

While the asking should be to kin or acquaintances who are veterans, one can also learn from those who were on the homefront. While learning of the ancestors who fought is invaluable to me, I learned a lot about World War II from my parents, who were children at the time.

My father, for instance, grew up in Maplewood during the war. He built model airplanes at the time and, to this day, he knows most of the Allied and Axis fighters and bombers.

He also saw service star banners hung in front windows in houses. A banner with a blue star meant some-

one in the household was in the forces, silver meant wounded in action and gold killed. Dad once walked past a house that bore five gold stars.

We had two distant cousins, the Lamberts, who were Navy pilots in the Pacific Theater. They were stationed on the Essex and the Lexington during the Second Battle of the Philippines. The Lambert on the Lexington was the last to fly from the carrier before it was severely damaged. The Essex Lambert didn't know the other survived until after the battle.

There are other stories, like how Captain John Thaw was pressed into courier service during the Battle of Gettysburg. Or, on my mother's side, how one Kahler was blinded by poison gas during WWI. Or how Mom came across an MIA bracelet for another Kahler who was shot down over Vietnam.

Sunday provides one more opportunity to learn from and honor our veterans. The Veterans Alliance is to mark Pearl Harbor Day at the memorial park at 10 a.m. or at the Elks Lodge in case of bad weather. The park is on the corner of Mountain Avenue and Shunpike Road and the lodge is on Springfield Avenue.

## Naming rest-stops is not worth the thought

As if we didn't have enough controversy swirling about, we now have another one that came out of nowhere: the New Jersey Turnpike rest stops and what to do about them.

For many years now, the state has tried to honor its more famous natives by naming a Turnpike rest stop after them. Among the first was the stop named after Joyce Kilmer, the poet who wrote "Trees." Kilmer, who was born in the New Brunswick area, was killed during World War I. Then there's the Molly Pitcher stop named for the legendary heroine of the Battle of Monmouth during the Revolutionary War. Molly supposedly took her husband's place at the cannon he was firing after he had been badly wounded. She is also said to have brought pitchers of water to the patriots during the heat of the battle; hence, the name Molly "Pitcher." Though some historians challenge the accuracy of Molly's exploits, here is a legend that's part of New Jersey's history.

Now, some people want to take a second look at the rest stop honorees and perhaps change them. For exam-

### As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

ple, in a recent poll, Frank Sinatra came in as a heavy favorite, though there were some concern about his rumored ties with the mob and questionable lifestyle. Others thought that Bruce Springsteen should have a stop named in his honor. Another entrant was St. Elizabeth Seton, who founded the Sisters of Charity in Convent Station, and whose nephew, James Bayley, founded Seton Hall University. Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf of Gulf War fame; Sgt. John Basilone of Raritan, who earned the Medal of Honor during World War II and was killed at Iwo Jima in 1945; and Whitney Houston were others suggested for a rest stop honor.

However, the poll showed many were opposed to naming rest-stops after after so-called famous Jerseyans

at all. Some thought the stops should be named for the countless number of truck drivers who have traversed the Pike. Others even questioned the names already inscribed at the stops. Who is Richard Stockton, one interviewee asked, and just who was John Fenwick? To put both names into perspective, Stockton was a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and Fenwick founded Salem County 320 years ago. True, both men have been relegated to the cubbies of history, but is that any reason to remove them as rest stop honorees?

Of course, many had their own favorites. Students at New Brunswick High School thought that Imam Muhammad Ali, someone most people never even heard of, should be honored. Other personal favorites include the late Sarah Vaughan and actors, Jack Nicholson, Danny DeVito and John Travolta. Two of those polled did not know who Carl Sagan, the noted astronomer from Rahway, was, and Paul Robeson, an all-American football player at Rutgers, as well as a famous actor and singer.

If it were up to me to decide, I would make things as simple as possible. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Leave the rest stop names alone. After all, they're just gas stations and a place to get a bite to eat.

The poll did show one thing. The generation gap is as wide as ever. For some reason, some got Joyce Kilmer mixed up with Helen Keller, and a few never heard of the Battle of Guadacanal where Sgt. Basilone earned his Medal of Honor. However, there was hardly anyone who did not hear of Tom Cruise, who is from Glen Ridge, or Count Basie of Red Bank.

To achieve any consensus would take a lifetime, maybe more. Do we need any more difficulties in our already complicated lives? I don't think so. I say, leave the rest stops in peace. Let them serve gasoline and burgers and candy bars. We've got enough to think about already.

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

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Will friendships survive the split?

To the Editor:

The fall has quickly approached again, and as in years before that means many high school students are getting back into the swing of school. But the case for high school students in Kenilworth is much different this year than in the past. For this year, our beloved Brearley High School is once again open, but the question is, "Is it better for the students now that the regional district has been dissolved?"

For years, Brearley was Kenilworth's pride and joy, especially its stellar sports program, but that was taken away by the district school board four years ago. Many Kenilworth residents remember that fateful day when Brearley was

chosen as the one school of the four sister schools to be closed.

But last year, the town bonded together to save its school from desolation and dissolved the regional district to which Brearley belonged in a four-town to two-town vote.

Though many parents supported deregionalization, many students did not; some secretly stood against it to not upset others. But the deed has been done and the students of Kenilworth and Springfield now must go to separate schools.

So now Kenilworth has back its beloved Brearley, but was it worth the happiness of some students? Only time will tell.

Jonathan Santos  
Kenilworth

### VIEW POINT

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Should the Turnpike Authority name rest-stops for celebrities?

Responses will be published next week. Polls close Monday at noon. Calls are free. Touch tone phones only.

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#### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Has the county deer hunt affected deer-car accidents?

YES — 100%  
NO — 0%

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## Cracking down on speed

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Members of the Mountainside and Union County police forces line up in front of a state-of-the-art electronic sign designed to flash the speeds of passing cars. The sign is a new weapon in preventing speeding and accidents. County Police have initiated a new traffic safety initiative called "Traffic Violation of the Month." Beginning in December, each month, one violation will be highlighted and enforced. December's violation is speeding.

## Man arrested for stealing a phone booth

### Mountainside

A Linden resident was arrested and charged with possession of stolen property after being found with a telephone booth in the back of his pick-up truck.

According to police, on Nov. 25, at 11:30 p.m., Mountainside Police Officer Donald Amberg stopped a motorist identified as Mark Levy, 40, on Vasser Road when he saw the booth in the bed of his truck.

Levy stated that the booth was lying on the ground in the Meineke Parking Lot, 1149 Route 22 East, the report said. He said he thought it was garbage and was planning to sell it as scrap metal. Levy was dismissed on a disorderly person complaint and charges of receiving stolen property. He was released on his own recognizance.

A New Brunswick man was arrested on Nov. 26 for possession of marijuana.

During a routine motor vehicle check on Route 22 East, Officer Todd Turner pulled over a man who initially identified himself as John Fitz, police said. But when Turner asked for his credentials, the suspect was unable to produce a license, and according to Turner, appeared nervous.

The man was found to have in his possession a clear plastic bag containing marijuana. The man was identified as Shawn Kelly, 27, of New Brunswick. Kelly was charged with driving while suspended, and possession of under 50 grams of marijuana.

A Mountainside resident reported

### POLICE BLOTTER

her diamond earrings missing on Nov. 21.

At approximately 10:15 p.m., Officer Tom Murphy responded to a call at the 1000 block of Ridge Drive, Mountainside. The victim stated that as she went to retrieve her diamond earrings from her jewelry box, they were missing. The victim stated her earrings were kept in a box on her dresser in her bedroom, underneath a larger, less valuable pair of earrings. She reported that nothing else was either missing or disturbed.

The earrings were described as being small-type diamonds with a screw on the back of each, valued at approximately \$6,000.

The victim stated there had been a few contractors in the house within the last month, who had been doing work on the home.

On Nov. 25, a theft was reported from Sony Theaters on Route 22. Detective Sgt. Rich Osieja and Officer Donald Amberg responded to the call at approximately 4 p.m. Night manager John Looz stated that 77 movie tickets were missing at a value of \$385. The next day, manager Sean Holzi reported that an employee had stolen the money, and filed a complaint.

Officer Andrew Sullivan arrested three suspects on Nov. 30 at approximately midnight for felony motor vehicle theft. The suspects, identified as Altarik Mujhid of Elizabeth, and

Latonia Anna Williams, and Kendal Smith, both of Newark, were charged with stealing a Hyundai Elantra, valued at \$10,000.

Three young white males were observed by a waiter in the Echo Queen Diner being loud and disruptive. The men then left without paying for their meals. They were observed leaving in a red Volkswagen, but after running the vehicle's license plates in Mountainside Police Headquarters, Officer John Philippakos found no match between the plates and the vehicle.

Police Officer Ken Capobianco stopped a motorist identified as Gregory Murrell, 41, of Scotch Plains, for weaving in and out of lanes at 12:30 a.m., Nov. 29. Murrell was charged with driving while intoxicated, and had several warrants for his arrest in Newark.

### Springfield

Someone managed to break in and burgle a service station on Caldwell Place between midnight and 8:30 a.m. on Nov. 24. Station employees discovered a broken rear plate glass window and \$2,000 in receipts missing. A previous break-in had been attempted on Nov. 18.

Other neighborhood thefts include a Keeler Street resident's report of three missing checks, two chrome wheel rings taken from a Morris Avenue address the same day, and the removal of an \$8 antenna from a vehicle parked on Wabeno Avenue, all on Nov. 24.

Mystery motorists come in different forms. A Buick driver was travel-

ing southbound along Springfield Avenue on Friday when he was cut off by a tractor trailer truck leaving Victory Road at 3:50 p.m. Another motorist, while at the Colonial Motel on Friday, discovered rear end damage to her parked Buick at 8 a.m.

A Buick four-door was traveling southbound on Mountain Avenue when it sideswiped a parked Ford near Kipling Street at 1:44 p.m. on Nov. 26. The Buick had to be towed and its driver was cited for speeding.

Sometimes backing up is hard to do. A Nissan Altima driver on westbound Morris Avenue said she backed up after missing a turn onto Springfield Avenue and ran into a Mercury wagon behind her at 4:35 p.m., Friday. Springfield and Morris Avenues were the site of a similar accident between a Chevrolet convertible and a Mazda MPV at 2:11 p.m. Sunday.

It is that time of year when shopping beckons on Route 22 and fender benders happen. The driver of a Jaguar four door said he had signaled to enter the Ladd Diner lot from Route 22 East on Nov. 26 while a Ford pickup driver using the west-east U-turn said he didn't see such a signal when the pair collided at 12:39 p.m. The driver of an Isuzu Trooper operator thought the Toyota Camry ahead of him had merged on to Route 22 West and ran into the Toyota on Schaffernoth Avenue at 4:35 p.m. the same day. A Nissan Maxima driver said he looked away from the Jeep Wagoneer ahead of him after their South Springfield Avenue ramp run-in approaching Route 22 West at 3:49 p.m.

## NEWS CLIPS

### Open House planned

The Springfield Historical Society will hold a Holiday Open House on Sunday, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Historic Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Ave., Springfield. All are invited to this free event. The house will be decked in colonial Christmas decora-

tions, and guided tours will be available. For more information, call (973) 376-4784.

### Wrestling registration

The Springfield Recreation Department is accepting registration for the 1998 wrestling program. This prog-

ram is for children in grades 3 to 8. The team will participate in the Union County Youth Wrestling League. Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting in December.

The registration fee is \$20 and is non-refundable.

### Town decoration drive

The Township of Springfield is asking for support of the holiday decorations around the town. Due to the usual budget restraints and foul weather last year, the displays need a lot of assistance. Almost every fixture needs wiring, light bulbs and a little paint. Since starting a few years ago, the township has come a long way from red ribbons on telephone poles to displays that rival other larger towns.

Donations may be sent to "The Township of Springfield's Annual

Holiday Fund Drive", c/o Carme Verducci, 100 Mountain Ave., Springfield, NJ 07081.

### Wreaths for sale

Cub Scout Pack 177 will sell Evergreen Products for their annual fundraiser.

This year the pack is offering garland and wreaths shipped to relatives and friends out of the area. A 22-inch balsam wreath with pine cones and a red velvet bow can be purchased for \$15. A 25-foot balsam garland can be had for \$18 or a wreath shipped via UPS for \$22.

Delivery will be Thanksgiving week. Monies raised are used for Scout activities and carrying.

To place an order, or for more information, call 233-3647 or 232-9551.

## Firefighters deliver medical aid to home

### Springfield

Springfield firefighters saw a lot of the township's multiple dwellings recently. The first call was at 12:22 p.m. on Nov. 21 for medical assistance at a Park Place condominium, the second to investigate an odor in a Stone Hill Road complex at 6:53 p.m.

A garbage can fire at a school was handled by a unit at 7:43 p.m. on Nov. 20. Medical assistance was dispensed at a Hillside Avenue residence at 10:56 a.m. on Nov. 21.

All units went to a Route 22 business on an activated fire alarm call at 10:54 p.m. on Nov. 20. The entire force also went on a similar call from a Twin Oaks Oval home just before noon on Nov. 21, and for smoke detection at a Linda Lane residence three hours later.

### FIRE BLOTTER

Two more carbon monoxide detectors went off from a Kerner Avenue home at 6:50 p.m., Nov. 20, and a Maple Avenue residence at 8:43 p.m., Nov. 22.

A house fire in Elizabeth destroyed two homes on Nov. 22, leaving 12 people homeless. The Springfield Fire Department on stand-by. Elizabeth firefighters fought the three-alarm blaze on Livingston Street at 6:26 a.m., prompting assistance calls to Kenilworth, Roselle Park, and Union Township. Union, through the county mutual aid line, then called Springfield at 7:20 a.m. to put a ladder truck on alert.

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## Rotarians match East and West

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Rotary Club is sending member Mel Kevoe to either Cyprus or Egypt this spring to become the first team leader from the township club to participate in the Rotary's Group Study Exchange program.

"I'm looking forward to the exchange," Kevoe said during the club's luncheon Tuesday. "It's a chance to see how others conduct business and live in a different part of the world."

Kevoe, a 14-year Rotarian, is a repair technician for Mack Camera. "I attended the Sept. 30 meeting when District Gov. John Wilczynski talked about the exchange program," Kevoe said. "After giving it some thought, I applied."

"We're excited about Mel's exchange," said Ron Goldberger, president of the club. "In the 49 years of the club's existence, he's the first one here to go."

"I met Mel during the interview process," said Rotary Chairman of Group Studies Jerry Friedman. "He's a solid Rotary member and he'll do well."

Goldberger said the Group Study Exchange is similar to a student exchange program done by colleges. But instead of students trading places on an individual basis, teams of five people make the trip. A Rotary team leader and four non-club members will work and live in the guest country, like an average citizen.

"We've exchanged people around the world last year," said Friedman. "The Group Study matches Rotary districts in several areas, including geography and population. The central New Jersey district, which also includes Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, and Somerset, has the same population size as the Cyprus-Cairo district."

When asked about the attack on a tourist bus in Luxor, Egypt last month, Goldberger said the Rotary International monitors districts for potential trouble and makes substitutions of locales when needed. Both Goldberger and Friedman said the western exchange is set for March, and the eastern reciprocation in May.





STUDENT UPDATE

EDUCATION

Governor Livingston announces honor roll

The following Governor Livingston High School students have made the honor roll for the first marking period:

12th grade: Lauren Amico... Benjamin Bakas... 11th grade: David Aizenberg... Momika Andersson...

Headly, Winnie Huang... 10th grade: Sara Axelrod... 9th grade: Rhonda Barkan...

Jessica Boehmer... Deerfield honor roll... Sixth grade... High Honor Roll: Michael Amalfi...

Neha Desai... Seventh grade... High Honor Roll: Katrina Blas... Eighth grade... High Honor Roll: Steven Brown...

has been named an AP Scholar... Merit scholar named... AP scholar named...

Board of Ed meetings... The following is the schedule of Board of Education meetings for the Mountainside School District...

Special meeting planned... The Mountainside Board of Education will hold a special meeting on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Deerfield Media Center.

Kindergarten Registration... Deerfield School has announced registration for its 1998-99 kindergarten classes...

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# AT THE LIBRARY

## Plays being presented

Plays by Sid Frank and Ed Shakespeare will be presented at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library on Dec. 14 at 1:30 p.m.

Frank, Springfield resident, has a long career in theater and recording. He wrote the book and lyrics for a series of educational musical presentations including "Jerz," a play about New Jersey; "Tarheel," about North Carolina, and "Rebel," a musical adaptation of George Bernard Shaw's play "The Devil's Disciple." Frank has written the lyrics for songs recorded by Johnny Rah, Frank Sinatra, Billy Eckstine and Sarah Vaughan. In addition, he wrote the scripts and lyrics for 40 children's LPs. Frank is the author of books, "The Presidents," "Tidbits and Trivia" and "Howard the Horrible Horse."

Shakespeare, playwright and actor, has had two plays produced. His play "Firehouse" was awarded a New Jersey State Council on the Arts Fellowship Award. As an actor he has appeared in productions of "Glenary Glenn Ross," "Our Town" and "Eat Your Heart Out." Shakespeare is the author of "The Boiler Room" being performed in this program. His education includes a Master of Arts in English Literature and a Doctorate in Jurisprudence both from Seton Hall Uni-

versity. Shakespeare studied acting at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts, and now teaches Dramatics and English at Freehold Borough High School.

## Film festival continues

The Italian film "Mediterraneo" will be shown at the Springfield Free Public Library on Dec. 11 at noon and 7 p.m.

"Mediterraneo" won Best Foreign Film Oscar in 1991. It is set on an island in the Aegean where eight Italian soldiers have been sent to man an island garrison during World War II. They believe the island is deserted until they find a small population of children, women and old men, the younger men having been taken away by an earlier German garrison. Predictably, the unwilling conquerors fraternize with the locals and go native, and the rest of the story unfolds from there.

Other films in the series include "Celestial Clockwork" on March 12, "Santa Clara" on April 23 and "Life on a String" on May 14.

Admission is free to all films. Space is limited to 60 people at each showing. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information call (973) 376-4930.

## Donor quilt displayed

The New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network is proud to display a quilt made up by the families of organ donors at the Springfield Free Public Library from Monday through Jan. 2.

Each square in this quilt was created to honor the memory and to celebrate the life of their loved one.

## Photographs on exhibit

Martin Deutsch is exhibiting his photography at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library through Dec. 18.

Deutsch began taking pictures while in the army during the Korean war period, starting with color slides. As his interest grew, he switched to black-and-white photography which he finds more stimulating and dramatic than color could ever be.

Deutsch has had pictures published in "U.S. Camera" magazine, "Modern Photography" magazine, "Photography Yearbook Annual," and "Woman's Day" magazine.

## Artist's work displayed

Local Artist Alice Bryan Hondru will present her exhibit "Color, Line, and Form in Watercolor and Print" at the Mountainside Public Library meeting room until Dec. 24 during library hours.

A resident of Mountainside for 16 years, Hondru has long enjoyed drawing figures and painting in color. Her approach is to make an ink drawing of her subject then adding color with watercolor. Some subjects are repeated in black-and-white line-cuts. Her love of travel and appreciation of different peoples, cultures, foods and arts is reflected in her work.

This past summer Hondru exhibited her work in a one-person show at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts. She also received an Award of Recognition from the 1997 New Jersey Watercolor Society Associate Member Show at the Paper Mill Playhouse.

## Songwriter to perform

A humorous program, "Songs of the Season," will be performed by singer-songwriter Mark Levy at the Mountainside Public Library, on Dec. 13 at 2 p.m. Mark Levy, a popular children's performer from California, will present one show only. Recommended for children and families, this

program will provide lots of laughs with silly songs about the holiday season, including tunes for Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. This program is free and open to the public, thanks to sponsorship by the Friends of the Mountainside Public Library. Call the library at 233-0115 for more information.

The Summit Free Public Library has new arrivals. They are:

**Fiction:**  
Nick Bantock, "The Forgetting Room"; A.C. Crispin, "Star Wars: The Paradise Snare"; Kathleen Gear, "People of the Mist"; John Hawkes, "An Irish Eye"; and Johanna Lindsey, "All I Need Is You."

**Non-Fiction:**  
Stephen Ambrose, "Americans at War"; "Better Homes & Gardens New Complete Guide to Home Repair & Improvement"; Georgeanne Brennan, "Food & Flavours of Haute Provence"; Jack Canfield, "Chicken Soup for the Mother's Soul"; Christy Ferer, "Decorating on a Dime"; Whopi Goldberg, "Book"; Donald Hys-

lop, "Titanic Voices"; James Karmback, "It's Only Rock 'n' Roll"; Brian Lamb, "Booknotes"; Gary Null, "Healing Your Body Naturally"; Jane Quinn, "Making the Most of Your Money"; Sally Quinn, "The Party: Adventures in Entertaining"; Della Reese, "Angels Along the Way"; Gary Rempe, "1001 Simple Ways to Lose Weight"; and Martha Stewart, "Martha Stewart's Helathy Quick Cook."

**Videocassettes:**  
"Big Night," "Looking for Richard," "Secrets & Lies," "Sleeping Beauty" and "The Sweet Smell of Success."

This is a selected list of new titles received by the library. Other recent titles can be found in the new book area. Questions can be answered by asking a librarian for assistance. The Summit Free Public Library is located at 75 Maple St. Library hours: Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The telephone number is 273-0350.

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# OBITUARIES

**Thelma Y. Atkins**  
Thelma Yecies Atkins, 79, of Springfield, a businesswoman and a fund raiser, died Nov. 22 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.  
Born in Newark, Mrs. Atkins lived in Maplewood before moving to Springfield in 1968. In 1958, upon the death of her first husband, Sidney Yecies, she became president of Louis D. Yecies & Sons, an industrial hardware distribution firm, founded in 1904 in Newark. Mrs. Atkins retired in 1980. She was active in economic development and business issues on the state level. Mrs. Atkins was one of the first women to serve as secretary of the New Jersey Association of Purchasing Agents.  
She was a graduate of Drake Business School, Newark. Since 1982, Mrs. Atkins had been a member of the board of the Children's Institute, a school for emotionally-disturbed and autistic children in Livingston. She and fellow board member, Ethel Silbermann, founded the school's first clothing boutique. She also did fundraising for the school. Mrs. Atkins was a founding member of Congregation Beth El in Union Orange and was a member of its Sisterhood.  
Surviving are a son, Lewis Yecies; two daughters, Judith Ross Bennett and Susan M. Yecies; a sister, Janice Polansky, and five grandchildren.

**Denise M. Moroney**  
Denise Marie Moroney, 46, of Roselle Park, formerly of Mountain-

side, died Nov. 25 in Union Hospital. Born in Summit, Mrs. Moroney lived in Mountainside before moving to Roselle Park several years ago. She was a member of the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.  
Surviving are a son, Martin G. Jr., her parents, James and Veronica Herrick; a brother, James Herrick, and a sister, Marianne Bergeski.  
**Margaret M. Carroll**  
Margaret M. "Peg" Looby Carroll, 77, of Holland, Pa., formerly of Mountainside, died Nov. 28 in St. Mary Medical Center, Langhorne, Pa.  
Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Carroll resided in Mountainside for 40 years before moving to Holland in 1992. She received her nursing degree in 1941 from City Hospital, Newark.  
Mrs. Carroll was a lieutenant in the United States navy during World War II. She served as a nurse on the Hospital Ship USS Solace from November 1943 until December 1944 in enemy waters. Mrs. Carroll received a citation from Rear Admiral William Chambers for Meritorious Service, which praised her "for gentle and sympathetic nursing care, patience and physical endurance during long and arduous hours." After the war, she continued her care-giving spirit as a member of the Visiting Nurse Association in the New Jersey area. Mrs. Carroll was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside.

Surviving are a daughter, Susan C. Albanese; a sister, Winifred Lynch, and three grandchildren.  
**Eleanor Giasullo**  
Eleanor Giasullo, 83, of Springfield died Nov. 29 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.  
Born in Boston, Mass., Mrs. Giasullo lived in Vailsburg before moving to Springfield 12 years ago.  
Surviving are her husband, Frank; a daughter, Annette F. Monaghan; a son, Frank M.; two sisters, Palma Moscarello and Margaret Laurenti; three brothers, Patrick, Dominick and John Abbatangelo, and three grandchildren.

**Walter Kuczynski**  
Walter Kuczynski, 76, of Mountainside, formerly of Union, died Nov. 30 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.  
Born in Newark, Mr. Kuczynski lived in Union before moving to Mountainside. He was a self-employed mechanical engineer in the Mountainside area for 10 years before retiring 12 years ago. Previously, Mr. Kuczynski had worked at H.A. Weston Weston Instruments.  
Surviving are a daughter, Donna Lodato; two sons, Robert and Kenneth; a sister, Mary Sandy; a brother, Victor Karlen, and two grandchildren.

**Lexie Cieri**  
Lexie Cieri of Springfield died Nov. 26 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Lawton, Okla., Mrs. Cieri lived in Newark before moving to Springfield 45 years ago. She was a member of the Rosary Society of St. James Church, Springfield.  
Surviving are her husband, William G.; four sisters, Florence Fite, Maible Clark, Mary Sammann and Martha Hayes; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.  
**Eugene Rodgers**  
Eugene Rodgers, 73, of Mountainside died Nov. 25 in the Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center, Berkeley Heights.  
Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Rodgers lived in Syracuse and Linden before moving to Mountainside in 1960. He was an executive for Exxon Corp., Bayonne, for 37 years and retired in 1986. Mr. Rodgers received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Syracuse University and a master's degree in business administration from Rutgers University, Newark.  
He served with the 112th Army Air Force in Southern France and Normandy during World War II. Mr. Rodgers was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post of Mountainside and had been president of the Lung Association of New Jersey.

Surviving are his wife, Violet; two daughters, Nancy L. Bechtold and Victoria L. Leary; a brother, Clifford, and five grandchildren.

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## 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 p.m. 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 Elesa Bakshi, concert pianist on Dec. 12, and the Early Music Players of New Jersey on Dec. 19. For more information call 273-6441.

## Church to hold bazaar

The Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church will be holding a Christmas Crafts Bazaar in the church's Fellowship Hall on Dec. 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) 587-0779, or Esther Reimlinger at (908) 276-4968. Applications can be picked up at the church.

## 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 15 homeless participants. 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 and other supportive services, including permanent, affordable housing and educational training from the Interfaith Council.  
Denise Moore, director of Interfaith Council, states the homeless program is a year-long effort throughout the state with the Springfield area being active every 14 weeks for a one-week period.  
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.

# WORSHIP CALENDAR

**BAPTIST**  
EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH - "CHRIST OUR KING AND PEACE" - 242 Shopshire Pt., 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 A.W.A.N.A. 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 Wide Range Active Youth Ministry. Wide Range Music Program. Super Seniors 3rd Thursday at 11 AM followed by lunch. Ample Parking. Choir Lift provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us. For further information contact church office (973) 379-4371.

**SUMMIT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER** 67 Kent Place Boulevard, Summit, 273-8130. William B. Horn, Rabbi, Josef Roth, Krupnick, Cantor. Janice Wilson, 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 Mincha 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-Graduate classes for Grades 7 through 12. The SJCC also offers a complete pre-school nursery including a morning and afternoon Nursery School, Wee Two, designed for children 18-24 months and a parent-caregiver and Parent 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 - REFORM**  
TEMPLE SHAB'AREY SHALOM, 28 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi, Amy Daniels, Cantor/Education Director, Sam Greenman, Pre-School Director, Bruce Pflman, President. Temple Shab'arey 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-barmitz mitzvah students. Pre-school classes are available for children ages 2-4. 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.

questions, interest or concerns, please call the pastor, Rev. Jeff Markay at 201-376-1695.

**THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Summit** is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. The Sabbath is observed starting at 9:15 am with Christian Education for all ages. Sunday morning worship is at 10:30 am, the emphasis of which is to always have a "good week" because of Paul's reminder to us in his letter to the Romans "that ALL things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose". The sermons are uplifting, Biblically sound and geared to keep you awake. The music and weekly children's message are memorable. All are welcome to hear the Good News of God's love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyone. Come worship with us and find out how you too can have a "good week". Call the church office or Pastor Lee Weaver for more information at 908-277-1700.

**EPISCOPAL**  
ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH 119 Main Street, Millburn, (973) 376-0888. A blessed 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 Tarplee, Pastor. The Rev. Judy Baldwin, Associate. Karen Eberhardt, Seminarian Assistant, Robert Jenner, Music Director. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sundays 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion in traditional language, the Pastor preaching 9:00 a.m. Adult Forum 9:00 a.m. Intergenerational Event first 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) 376-0888.

**JEWISH - ORTHODOX**  
CONGREGATION ISRAEL 329 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 201-467-5666. Daily services are 6:30 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 sessions are devoted to the religious thought of Maimonides, offered in the Hebrew language. On Sunday mornings, after our 8:00 A.M. services, we study Maimonides - legal code, and from 9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M., we have an advanced program in the study of Jewish Law. On Shabbat afternoons we review the weekly Biblical portion in light of traditional and contemporary commentaries between the minhah and Ma'ariv prayers. We have a dynamic Sisterhood, vibrant Jewish and Senior NCSY chapters, a Boy Scout troop, Karate classes for all ages, a Nursery School and Summer Camp. We are a family oriented modern Orthodox community and we welcome you to join with us for our programs. Rabbi Alan J. Yuter, Dr. Leonard Strulowitz, President.

**LUTHERAN**  
HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 609 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, (973) 201-379-4525. Fax: 201-279-8887. Joel P. York, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10:30 a.m. at JONATHAN DAYTON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about our outreach children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4320. Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning Worship Service 10:30 a.m. (July and August 9:30 a.m.) with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through worship, Christian education, Choir, church activities and fellowship. Communion first Sunday of each month. Ladies' Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m.; Ladies' Evening Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kaffeeklatch - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. The Rev. Daniel J. Russell, Jr., Pastor.

**METHODIST**  
THE SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located on 40 Church Mall in Springfield, NJ invites people of all ages and backgrounds to join us on Sunday mornings for Adult Christian Education Forum at 9:15 AM, and for worship at 10:30 AM. We are a warm and welcoming congregation of Christian who gather together to be encouraged in the faith, strengthen in hope, and employed to be brave and faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Child care and nursery are available following the part of our worship service that is especially geared toward young children. The Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. Know that all people are welcome here! If you have any

**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.

**JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE**  
TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, 379-0539. Perry Raptalka, Rabbi, Richard Nadel, Cantor. Simon Rosenberg, President. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekly services including Sunday evening and Friday morning are conducted at 7:00 AM & 7:45 PM. Shabbat (Friday) evening 8:30 PM; Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset, Sunday, festival & holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesdays. There are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Nursery School, Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for fifth through twelfth graders, and a busy Adult Education program. A Seniors' League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

**FORTY HOURS DEVOTION**  
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Tel: (973) 325-2233

**SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, December 7**  
Masses at 7:30 AM; 9 AM (with Procession); 11 AM  
Adoration all day until 4 PM  
**Monday, December 8**  
**(Feast of the Immaculate Conception)**  
Masses at: 10AM; 7:30 PM (with Procession)  
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1 Pet. 4:11

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Jesus warns that all the modern day miracle workers, fake healers, and those who pretend to speak in tongues (a foreign language one did NOT learn) are servants of SATAN, and their claims are wholly false and fraudulent (Acts 8:9-11, Acts 13:6-10). Jesus foretold that "False Christs, false prophets and false apostles," will arise and perform false miracles, lying wonders and deceiving many. Thus, the word of God clearly teaches these men and women are impostors; wolves in sheep clothing (Matt 7:13-23). Therefore we urge readers to go back to the Bible and investigate the scriptures that they may be enlightened of the fundamental TRUTH (Gen. 3:4-5, Matt 24:23-25, 2Cor. 11:13-15, 2Thess. 2:9-12, 1Jn. 4:1). The Bible plainly teaches that: God is NOT mocked and failure to discern the TRUTH from error is FATAL.

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NEWS CLIPS

**Health van coming**

Overlook Hospital's Healthy Avenues Van will be at the Mountain Side Public Library For Senior Citizen Screening Day tomorrow, 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, special health screenings for organizations which call in advance can be arranged. 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.

**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-off 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.

**Post office 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 main 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 clear during the winter months.

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

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

**Banking on food**

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

**Artists to hold exhibit**

Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside will host a two-month exhibition of paintings, pastels and narrative quilts by artists Barbara Glander of Columbia, Royane Mosley of Flanders, and Margaret Beach of Scotch Plains, during the months of December and January.

Barbara Glander's large, abstract paintings are a positive result of a tragic accident. Due to injuries sustained when she was a passenger in a free-falling elevator, Glander, a self-taught artist, was forced to retreat from creating stone and metal sculptures, detailed watercolor paintings and custom jewelry making.

No longer able to do intricate work, but unwilling to give up the art she loves, Glander turned to large format work which became an expressive release of emotion. The resulting paintings reflect the peace and tranquility she finds when painting. More than twenty of these can be seen December through January at CSH.

Barbara Glander's work has gained popularity with local and international collectors, as well as with physicians who notice the positive effect her paintings have as a visual stimulus for their patients.

Although Royane Mosley is primarily a "painter of people and animals," she also paints whimsical images that capture her imagination. Over twenty of her paintings will be on display at CSH.

Using either oil paints or pastels, Mosley exemplifies her fascination with color and the juxtaposition of line, form and pattern. She pays close attention to the composition and play of positive and negative shapes within the picture plane.

Mosley has been a commissioned portrait artist for more than 20 years. Combining traditional artistic methods and quilting techniques, Margaret Beach uses fabric, paints and reused and recycled materials to make innovative and contemporary works of art. Over 10 pieces, including one over four feet in length, can be seen at her upcoming CSH exhibition.

Beach's narrative quilts, displayed in antique and cast-off frames, exhibit a combination of the historically rich tradition of patchwork and a special collage process she has developed to illustrate her ideas. Her strong sense of color attracts the eye and then holds viewers' attention.

According to Beach, the stories she tells with her quilts are stories from her life, stories she has heard from others and images inspired by music and literature.

Children's Specialized Hospital's Art Exhibitions are open to the public, free of charge, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., daily. Visitors are requested to enter the hospital, located at 150 New Providence Road, through the Ambulance Entry.

The artists' works are offered for sale. A portion of the sale proceeds will benefit the hospital.

Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's only hospital dedicated exclusively to pediatric rehabilitation, treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years. Founded in 1891, the hospital provides a network of services including outpatient services, 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.

**Flights of fancy**



Mrs. Trueger's fourth-grade 'Discovery' students at James Caldwell School display their hand-made spacecrafts. These students have been studying Mars, specifically the missions of Pathfinder and Sojourner. Pictured are Koula Louros, Lauren Bernstein, Kathryn Stigliano, Raquel Domaratasky, and Adam Hirst.

**Counseling workshop**

The Counseling Center for Human Development in Cranford is offering a workshop on loss and grieving to the community.

Staff therapist Linda Van Fossen will lead the two and a half hour seminar on Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The workshop is open to all and will be held at CCHD's offices at the Cranford United Methodist Church. The donation is \$20. For registration and further information, call (908) 276-0590.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PASSED ORDINANCE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinance was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a Regular Meeting duly held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, New Jersey, in the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on the 25th day of November, 1997.

ORDINANCE 973-97  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER III, ENTITLED "POLICE REGULATIONS OF REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE 1985."

Judith E. Oaty  
Borough Clerk  
U7393 EL-MS Dec. 4, 1997 (\$7.25)

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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND SETTING A SALARY RANGE.

Judith E. Oaty  
Borough Clerk  
U7394 EL-MS Dec. 4, 1997 (\$8.50)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on December 15, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. a hearing will be held before the Springfield Board of Adjustment at the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave., Springfield, New Jersey, on the application of Cellular Telephone Company d/b/a AT & T Wireless Services for a use variance and height variance to install antennas for a wireless telephone network on the roof of the existing office building at 899 Mountain Ave. (Echo Executive Plaza). The premises are designated as Block 39.01, Lot 1 on the Springfield Township Tax Map. The roof is at 140 feet 6 inches, the existing antenna is at 48 feet 6 inches, and the top of the antennas will be 54 feet, 10 inches. The applicant also seeks site plan, if required, and any other waivers or variances that may be necessary.

The application and plans are on file in the Annex building located at 20 North Trivet St. and available for inspection from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the rules of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Judith E. Oaty  
Borough Clerk  
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ORDINANCE 973-97  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 12, SECTION 1209, OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE LAND USE ORDINANCE INCREASING MAXIMUM PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE LAND USE ORDINANCE.

Judith E. Oaty  
Borough Clerk  
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**SHERIFF'S SALE**

SHERIFF'S NUMBER OH-753422  
DIVISION CHANCERY  
COUNTY: UNION  
DOCKET NO. F955396  
PLAINTIFF: IRVING TOBIN  
DEFENDANT: ISHAGAHU MARGOLIS; ISHAGAHU MARGOLIS, HIS WIFE, ET ALs.

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 the Bank Building, 24 Eastern 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.

Re: **Tobin vs Margolus**  
Municipality: Springfield, New Jersey  
Address: 182 Hawthorne Avenue  
The lot and block are as shown on the Springfield Tax Map  
Dimensions: 50 x 115 feet

**JUDGMENT AMOUNT: THREE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR DOLLARS AND FORTY NINE CENTS (\$324.49)**

ATTEST:  
SHERIFF RALPH PROENLICH  
ELIZABETH, N.J. 07208  
SHERIFF RALPH PROENLICH IS FILED AT THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

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Sports Editor J.R. Parachini  
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## THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini  
Sports Editor

As the 1997 season came to a close for 10 area teams on Thanksgiving and an 11th two days later, more than half of our 12 schools finished with winning records.

Seven clubs completed the 1997 campaign with above-500 marks and four of those qualified for the NJSIAA playoffs in their respective sections.

One of those four schools, No. 1 Elizabeth, made it to a sectional final. The Minutemen will face Plainfield in this Saturday's North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 title game.

The Minutemen last won the section in 1989 when they blanked Morris Knolls 25-0 in the title game at Williams Field en route to an 11-0 season and No. 1 state ranking.

Elizabeth also won the section in 1981 when it beat Union 21-0 in the final and 1988 when it beat Morris Knolls 13-12.

Plainfield has never won a playoff sectional championship.

Elizabeth will seek to avenge its only loss this year as it was defeated by Plainfield 8-6 on Sunday, Nov. 2 at Hub Stine Field. It was the first time Plainfield defeated Elizabeth since 1980, which was the last year the Minutemen had a losing season, finishing 4-5.

Schools that finished with winning records included Elizabeth (17th straight season), Union (21st), Roselle Park (14th), Johnson (5th) and Brearley (4th). Linden and Governor Livingston also recorded winning seasons after finishing below .500 last year.

Elizabeth captured its third consecutive Watchung Conference-American Division championship while Westfield won the National Division crown.

Immaculata won the Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division title while Ridge captured the Valley Division championship.

### WEEK TEN

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### NJSIAA PLAYOFFS

Sectional Final  
 North Jersey, Group 4  
 2-Elizabeth vs. 1-Plainfield

### J.R.'s pick

Elizabeth over Plainfield  
 Last Week: 7-1  
 Season: 72-21 (.774)

### Andrew's pick

Plainfield over Elizabeth  
 Last Week: 6-2  
 Season: 68-25 (.739)

### TERRIFIC TWELVE

1. Elizabeth (9-1)
2. Union (7-3)
3. Johnson (8-2)
4. Linden (5-4)
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10. Hillside (2-7)
11. Rahway (2-7)
12. Dayton (2-7)

## GL football proved to be quite a competitive team

By Joe Ragozzino  
Staff Writer

Two losses, or even one, in the regular season would kill any playoff hopes.

Indeed, many area high school football teams have come to grips with that feeling, none more so than Governor Livingston, which missed the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 postseason this year by a handful of power points.

But if you ask head coach Joe Hubert, the Highlanders' 6-3 season was perhaps the second-best in his 12-season tenure at the school, behind the 8-3 campaign his team had in 1989, the last year the Highlanders made the state playoffs.

This year's squad, among the best in the Mountain Division of the Mountain Valley Conference, was determined to post a victory in the season finale against Johnson to give the school its best season ever, Hubert noted. Although Johnson prevailed 34-6 last Thursday in Berkeley Heights, Hubert was proud of what his team accomplished.

"The kids were a little disappointed," Hubert said about the players' reaction after the Thanksgiving Day game. "But I give them a lot of credit. We lost a lot of kids (from last season) and I think these kids pulled it together. I'm really pleased with how we finished the season."

The Highlanders' losses were to no slouches. In addition to Johnson, Governor Livingston fell to Immaculata and Newark Central, with the latter game resulting in a 48-34 hamfister.

"Our three losses were to three good teams," Hubert said.

Before the season, the playoffs were far from Hubert's mind. After all, the Highlanders' last decent season came in 1993 when the team had 6-3 record.

"I went into the season feeling our conference was really strong, very balanced, and it would take a superior effort on our part to make the playoffs," said Hubert, at the helm since 1986. "Everyone would like to make the playoffs, but only four teams make the playoffs. We gave it everything in our power to make it."

Playoff positioning will change starting next year when as many as eight teams will make the playoffs in each section as an extra round will be added.

This year the Highlanders were a "no-name" group that improved with each game, Hubert said. By the end of the season, the players made household names for themselves,

featuring senior running back and Mountainside resident Jimmy Debbie, who led the team with 415 yards rushing, while averting 17 yards per punt return.

Debbie and fellow senior tailback Jeff Smith, who had 253 rushing yards, were quite a tandem.

"The two of them were very competitive," Hubert said. "They pushed each other."

Blocking for the tailback duo were fullbacks and Mountainside natives John Kulscar, Joe Leone, and Mike Debbie, Jimmy's brother.

The Highlanders possessed a potent air attack. Senior quarterback Danny Guyton threw for more than 1,110 yards and 10 touchdowns. Guyton's favorite target was Dave Greico, who caught 34 passes for 740 yards and nine touchdowns. Junior Billy Stolling of Mountainside also had a fine season and is poised to be the leading receiver next year.

**Hubert was quite pleased with junior offensive linemen** Derrick Whitenour and Phil Statile, the Mountainside residents who spelled injured starters in a victory over Roselle Park.

"It was a turnaround game for us," Hubert said of the Roselle Park contest. "Our two guys were down and they stepped in and their play was solid on their part."

On defense, Leone was a force, leading the team in sacks.

"He's fast and is a super pass-rusher," Hubert said of the senior, who played defensive tackle. "He runs down people really well."

Senior defensive end Chet King (6-3, 225) also rebounded nicely from an ankle injury last season.

"He's a player," Hubert said of King, a Mountainside resident. "He's a recruitable kid waiting to be found."

With the new expanded playoff system in place next season, the Highlanders, returning a strong nucleus, have an excellent shot of making the postseason. But Hubert cautions about looking too far ahead, hoping his players remain committed during the off-season by hitting the weight room.

"It's going to be another year where we're going to be tested," he said. "A lot is going to depend on how hard (the players) work. It's that simple."

"It will be nice to make the playoffs and that's definitely one of our goals. Our biggest concern is to be bigger and stronger. Hard work pays off."

## Dayton grid team improved as the season progressed

By Joe Ragozzino  
Staff Writer

Gone were all the players hailing from Kenilworth, after that community re-opened its high school, Brearley.

For the Dayton High School football team, it was indeed — a rebuilding season.

Consider this: only eight seniors were on this season's squad and not one had ever played before.

Take all these factors into account and it was no wonder that not many had given Dayton a chance to compete, let alone win, this season.

The Bulldogs, however, proved their doubters wrong, improving as the season progressed in finishing with a 2-7 record.

"I have a lot of pride in what these kids accomplished because they weren't expected to survive," said first-year head coach Sal Mistretta, who recalled the strong concerns of fielding a varsity team back in August.

What's impressive about the young team's season was not its win total, although it does deserve a degree of kudos. Rather, it was the players' ability to prove to the community that they could compete with more physical and experienced foes in the Mountain Valley Conference, Mistretta said.

"The fact that we survived without any major injuries was a surprise," Mistretta said. "That's a tribute to their conditioning and toughness. That's a big feather in their hats."

And the players plan to become bigger and tougher. After the 41-0 loss at Ridge on Thanksgiving, the Bulldogs made it clear to Mistretta that they are committed to building their strength this off-season.

For Mistretta, that's the spirit he wants to see. "It makes me feel fantastic," Mistretta said about the players' desire to hit the weights year-round. "To see these kids come along, that was a great feeling. They have a great attitude."

With wins against Middlesex and Manville and one-point losses to North Plainfield and Bound Brook, the

Bulldogs quickly earned the respect of many opponents.

"I took this position because it was a chance to start from scratch," said Mistretta, who has enjoyed head coaching stints at St. Peter's in New Brunswick and Sayreville. "We're really building a program from the ground up."

That ground is pretty solid, with a team composed of 30 returning players and a solid defensive unit.

This year's leading tacklers included senior linebacker Jeff Vogt and sophomore linebackers Matt Fischer and Brian Berger.

Vogt paced the team with 100 tackles, while Fischer registered 85 stops and two fumble recoveries and Berger had 45 tackles.

"They're the kinds of kids we're trying to build the program around," said Mistretta of sopho Fischer and Berger. "They're tough and understand what we're trying to do."

Sophomore linemen Attila Vigilante, Dan Delloicono and Todd Walters gained valuable experience and will comprise a formidable front in the next two seasons.

Sophomore tailback B.J. Jones also is developing into one of the area's top offensive threats as he scored five touchdowns. On defense, Jones excelled at the safety spot, tallying 70 tackles.

Mistretta acknowledges it may take a while to achieve the level of success attained by teams like Brearley, which earned a post-season bid. But, with the continuing support of the community, improvement is definitely in store, he said.

"We're very optimistic about the future," Mistretta said. "It's going to take some time, but (the community) is going to see that their patience will be rewarded, because I think we're building a nice little program here."

Other seniors who excelled included quarterback Michael Lee and wide receiver Robert Jones.

Lee scored four touchdowns and recorded 70 tackles from his safety position.

Jones scored two touchdowns, including catching the game-winning touchdown pass from Lee in Dayton's first win over Middlesex.

## High school football season wrapping up

The 1997 high school football season will conclude with this weekend's 20 NJSIAA sectional championship games.

One area team, Elizabeth, is included in the mix, the Minutemen preparing for their North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 championship game with Plainfield.

As many as eight teams will make the playoffs in each of the state's 20 sections next year, eliminating the possibility of 7-1 teams not making the playoffs because of a lack of power points, which was the main argument for increasing the number of teams that should qualify.

A 7-1 team at the cutoff date that did not make it this year was Ridge in Central Jersey, Group 2.

It was a shame for Ridge because the Red Devils finished 8-1 after opening with a 13-12 loss to Johnson.

Other teams that were 7-1 at the cutoff date and did not qualify in recent years include Union and Roselle Park in 1989, Elizabeth and Brearley in 1990, Orange in 1991 and Irvington in 1995.

Here's a look at how our 12 area teams performed in 1997:

### Elizabeth (9-1)

(A) Elizabeth 44, East Side 0  
 (H) Eliz. 30, St. Peter's Prep 0  
 (A) Elizabeth 26, Shabazz 20  
 (A) Elizabeth 21, Union 7  
 (H) Elizabeth 31, Westfield 14  
 (A) Plainfield 8, Elizabeth 6  
 (H) Elizabeth 20, Linden 6  
 (H) Elizabeth 41, Irvington 0  
 (H) Elizabeth 20, Union 6  
 (H) Elizabeth 36, Cranford 14  
 Dec. 6 vs. Plainfield, 1:00  
 Record: 9-1  
 Home: 6-0  
 Away: 3-1  
 Points for: 275  
 Points against: 75  
 Shutouts: 3

### Union (7-3)

(A) Union 28, Linden 10  
 (H) North Bergen 22, Union 20  
 (A) Union 34, East Side 8  
 (H) Elizabeth 21, Union 7  
 (H) Union 17, Plainfield 16  
 (A) Union 21, Kearny 14  
 (H) Union 30, Irvington 7  
 (H) Union 14, Westfield 7  
 (A) Elizabeth 20, Union 6  
 (A) Union 22, Scotch Plains 7  
 Record: 7-3  
 Home: 3-2  
 Away: 4-1  
 Points for: 199  
 Points against: 132  
 Shutouts: 0

### Johnson (8-2)

(H) Johnson 13, Ridge 12  
 (A) Johnson 47, Brearley 19  
 (A) Johnson 29, North Plainfield 9  
 (A) Johnson 14, Newark Central 0  
 (H) Johnson 50, Roselle 14  
 (H) Johnson 28, New Providence 6  
 (H) Immaculata 29, Johnson 22  
 (A) Johnson 47, Hillside 6  
 (H) Mendham 42, Johnson 29  
 (A) Johnson 34, Gov. Livingston 6  
 Record: 8-2  
 Home: 3-2  
 Away: 5-0  
 Points for: 314  
 Points against: 143  
 Shutouts: 1

### Linden (5-4)

(H) Union 28, Linden 10  
 (H) Linden 48, Ferris 14  
 (H) Linden 28, Westfield 7  
 (A) Scotch Plains 24, Linden 17  
 (A) Linden 35, East Side 0  
 (A) Linden 26, Irvington 13  
 (A) Elizabeth 20, Linden 6  
 (H) Plainfield 36, Linden 7  
 (H) Linden 27, Rahway 6  
 Record: 5-4  
 Home: 3-2  
 Away: 2-2  
 Points for: 204  
 Points against: 148  
 Shutouts: 1

### Brearley (7-3)

(H) Brearley 21, Hillside 0  
 (H) Johnson 47, Brearley 19  
 (H) Brearley 48, Dayton 0  
 (A) Ridge 34, Brearley 7  
 (A) Brearley 22, Highland Park 14  
 (A) Brearley 32, Middlesex 0  
 (A) Brearley 12, Roselle 6 (OT)  
 (H) Brearley 32, Manville 0  
 (A) Brearley 21, Bound Brook 0  
 (A) Butler 14, Brearley 7  
 Record: 7-3  
 Home: 3-1  
 Away: 4-2  
 Points for: 221  
 Points against: 115  
 Shutouts: 5  
 Overtime: 1-0

### G. Livingston (6-3)

(A) GL 7, New Providence 0  
 (A) GL 28, Dayton 13  
 (A) Immaculata 22, GL 8  
 (A) GL 19, Roselle 0  
 (A) GL 27, Hillside 14  
 (H) GL 9, Roselle Park 0  
 (A) Newark Central 48, GL 34  
 (H) GL 14, North Plainfield 0  
 (H) Johnson 34, GL 6  
 Record: 6-3  
 Home: 2-1  
 Away: 4-2  
 Points for: 152  
 Points against: 131  
 Shutouts: 4

### Roselle Park (5-4)

(H) Newark Central 28, R. Park 12  
 (A) Roselle Park 34, Middlesex 13  
 (H) Roselle Park 9, Manville 0  
 (H) Roselle Park 33, Dayton 0  
 (A) New Providence 17, R. Park 0  
 (A) GL 9, Roselle Park 0  
 (H) Roselle Park 22, Bound Brook 6  
 (H) Ridge 30, Roselle Park 0  
 (A) Roselle Park 26, Roselle 16  
 Record: 5-4  
 Home: 3-2  
 Away: 2-2  
 Points for: 136  
 Points against: 119  
 Shutouts: 2

### Summit (4-5)

(H) Parsippany 24, Summit 21 (2OT)  
 (A) Summit 41, Morris Hills 21  
 (H) Summit 46, Boonton 0  
 (H) Summit 27, Mount Olive 7  
 (A) Dover 38, Summit 8  
 (A) West Essex 13, Summit 0  
 (H) Parsippany Hills 28, Summit 12  
 (A) Hanover Park 29, Summit 22  
 (H) Summit 26, Mendham 20 (OT)  
 Record: 4-5  
 Home: 3-2  
 Away: 1-3  
 Points for: 203  
 Points against: 180  
 Shutouts: 1  
 Overtime: 1-1

### Roselle (4-5)

(A) Roselle 36, Middlesex 12  
 (H) Roselle 42, Newark Central-20  
 (A) Roselle 20, Hillside 18 (3OT)  
 (H) Gov. Livingston 19, Roselle 0  
 (A) Johnson 50, Roselle 14  
 (H) Brearley 12, Roselle 6 (OT)  
 (A) Roselle 14, North Plainfield 7  
 (A) Immaculata 34, Roselle 0  
 (H) Roselle Park 26, Roselle 16  
 Record: 4-5  
 Home: 1-3  
 Away: 3-2  
 Points for: 148  
 Points against: 198  
 Shutouts: 0  
 Overtime: 1-1

### Hillside (2-7)

(A) Brearley 21, Hillside 0  
 (A) Hillside 34, New Providence 28  
 (H) Immaculata 21, Hillside 14  
 (H) Roselle 20, Hillside 18 (3OT)  
 (A) North Plainfield 19, Hill. 14  
 (H) Gov. Livingston 27, Hill. 14  
 (A) Hillside 42, Manville 6  
 (H) Hillside 47, Hillside 6  
 (H) Newark Central 30, Hillside 6  
 Record: 2-7  
 Home: 0-5  
 Away: 2-2  
 Points for: 148  
 Points against: 219  
 Shutouts: 0  
 Overtime: 0-1

### Rahway (2-7)

(A) Rahway 31, Snyder 6  
 (H) Kearny 34, Rahway 0  
 (A) Westfield 42, Rahway 7  
 (A) Shabazz 21, Rahway 0  
 (H) Rahway 21, East Side 14  
 (H) Scotch Plains 25, Rahway 0  
 (H) Plainfield 28, Rahway 0  
 (A) Cranford 34, Rahway 6  
 (A) Linden 27, Rahway 6  
 Record: 2-7  
 Home: 1-3  
 Away: 1-4  
 Points for: 71  
 Points against: 231  
 Shutouts: 0

### Dayton (2-7)

(H) Newark Central 26, Dayton 6  
 (H) GL 28, Dayton 13  
 (A) Brearley 48, Dayton 0  
 (A) Roselle Park 33, Dayton 0  
 (H) Bound Brook 13, Dayton 12  
 (H) North Plainfield 7, Dayton 6  
 (H) Dayton 21, Middlesex 17  
 (A) Dayton 14, Manville 0  
 (A) Ridge 41, Dayton 0  
 Record: 2-7  
 Home: 1-4  
 Away: 1-3  
 Points for: 72  
 Points against: 213  
 Shutouts: 1

## Rennie excited about opportunity

By Joe Ragozzino  
Staff Writer

When Dave Rennie guided the Union High School girls' basketball team to its first state playoff appearance in five years last season, it was truly one of his most cherishable moments as a coach.

"It was definitely gratifying," said Rennie, whose team went 11-11 last season. "It felt like it was a milestone the girls could be proud of."

After two seasons at Union, Rennie has taken his coaching skills to Dayton, where he is the new head man for the girls' squad.

Dayton was 11-11 last year under Staci Hartzler.

Prior to the official start of basketball practice last Friday, Rennie had a pair of meetings with his new team and liked what he saw.

"I'm very excited," said Rennie,



Dave Rennie  
...New Dayton  
girls' hoops coach

who was officially hired last month. "They're hard-working and receptive to me as a new coach. I think they're going to work well together as a team and realize that it's going to take hard work and a team effort to be successful."

Rennie, who also coached freshmen boys' basketball at Bloomfield and Immaculate Conception, had a difficult first year at Union as the team finished a dismal 5-16. The following season was characterized as a major turnaround, highlighted by a Holiday Tournament championship and a berth in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 playoffs in which the Farmers lost in the first round to Livingston.

Jumping from the Watchung Conference to the Valley Division of the Mountain Valley Conference won't be too arduous for Rennie, who is

familiar with many of the teams and their respective coaches.

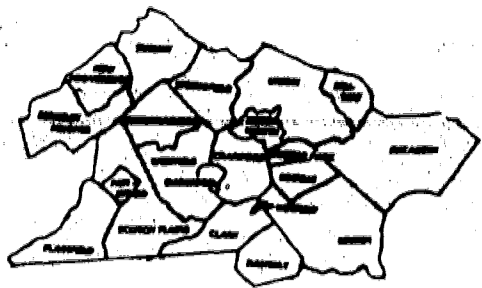
"I know a lot of the coaches (in the Mountain Valley Conference)," Rennie said. "They demand a lot out of their players and I'm expecting a lot of tough games."

"For girls' basketball I would say the competition in the Mountain Valley Conference comes close to the caliber of play in the Watchung."

The new position for Rennie is a reunion of sorts. Rennie has been a teacher at James Caldwell Elementary School for the past six years and many of the Dayton freshmen players are his former students.

"I think they're pleased, but that's yet to be seen," said Rennie with a laugh.

Joking aside, Rennie knows it's going to be a serious challenge this season.



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## From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Canavan  
Editor in Chief



Last week, the New Jersey School Boards Association endorsed the idea that all public school students should be subject to random drug testing.

Despite what the American Civil Liberties Union will do to challenge the idea, it's an interesting concept that should be pursued by the School Boards Association.

The ACLU, among others, will challenge the constitutionality of the idea, charging that it would infringe on students' rights as human beings. But the ACLU usually takes that kind of stand, even when the issue clearly would benefit the individuals involved.

Drug testing of students should not fall into the category of violating a person's civil rights. After all, students, with the exception of some high school seniors, are minors, left to the care of a school district in the absence of their parents. Without parental guidance for most of a day, students should have the teachers and administrators looking out for their welfare while on school grounds.

This doesn't mean school districts will become police states, where every five minutes a teacher will be seen frisking a student at a locker or a chalkboard to determine whether or not the student is under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance or in possession of one. The district's administration must have just cause to stop a student. If a student is not in possession of a controlled dangerous substance or is not under the influence of one, the student does not have anything to fear.

However, if a student is under the influence or in possession of a controlled dangerous substance and is caught, there's the potential that the student will not use drugs again, fearing getting caught again.

I would guess that many school-age students who experiment with drugs probably do so because of peer pressure. They probably do not think about getting caught or what getting caught and having a record can do to them for the rest of their lives.

And it seems like drug use among students starts at an earlier age than when I was in high school. It wasn't until my junior year that I can recall students involved with smoking marijuana.

In September, my sister and I were at a birthday party for one of our nephews and she told me, "My worst fears came true and it's only one week into the school year."

I asked what she meant and she related a story about her son, my eldest nephew, who had his first encounter with the threat of drugs.

My nephew was beginning middle school, which meant changing schools and being joined by students from other elementary schools in his town. During the first week of school, he met new friends and they, in addition to the friends who traveled with him from his elementary school, went to one of their new friend's house. It was there that one of the new friends displayed marijuana and offered some to everyone in the room.

These are seventh-graders. My sister told me that her son excused himself and went home, telling her and her husband about what had happened.

My nephew had the sense to walk away because, as my sister said, it was her worst nightmare and she prepared for it by talking to her son before school even started for the new year. But a 12-year-old wanting to make new friends can easily be pressured into drug use "because it's the cool thing." How many of them actually think of the consequences?

When the parents are away, the teachers must be looking out for the welfare of the minors.

The earlier, the better, in this case. Students at this age have a lot to look forward to in life. Their futures shouldn't be ruined because they were afraid to say no and now have to pay the penalty of addiction.

## UCUA and freeholders draft new trash plan

By Sean Daily  
Staff Writer

With waste flow laws in the state overturned, it is up to the UCUA and the freeholders to amend the county's garbage disposal plan.

The Union County Utilities Authority took the first step toward this during a special meeting Nov. 25, when its board of commissioners approved an amendment to the county's solid waste disposal plan. The amendment must be approved by the county government and the state Department of Environmental Protection.

The amendment would reduce per-ton garbage disposal fees or "tipping fees" at the Rahway-based incinerator to \$50. Until recently, they had been \$83.05 for Union County towns.

But it would also impose a \$13.53 per ton charge on towns that choose not to sign waste disposal contracts with the UCUA.

The amendment relies heavily on a proposed lease between the UCUA and the incinerator's operator, Ogden Martin. This lease is expected to come before the UCUA Board of Commissioners for approval later this month.

Under the amended waste disposal

plan, Ogden Martin would terminate and then amend its service contract with the UCUA and lease the incinerator for 25 years.

Bonded debt totalling \$175 million of the UCUA's \$283 million would be bought by Ogden Martin in exchange for the remaining \$108 million would be paid partly through existing UCUA funds: \$28.3 million from a debt service reserve fund, \$11.5 million in a redirected state loan and \$3 million intended for construction.

Of the remaining \$75 million, \$46 million would be paid through a segment of the \$50 tipping fee with \$13.53 of the tipping fee going toward debt service. Smaller portions of the tipping fee — \$2.71 and \$2.50 — would be used for paying off the host community fee to Rahway and for administrative fees at the UCUA, respectively.

Not all of the bonds or the UCUA's costs would be paid off through the tipping fee.

The remaining \$29 million would be paid by communities sending their garbage to other disposal facilities. These towns would be charged \$13.53 per ton. This would be charged to the haulers carrying the waste, said

UCUA Chairman John Kulish.

This fee drew some criticism from the public at the meeting.

"Am I to understand that if I don't sign an agreement with you people, I'm going to have to pay you extra to bring my trash anywhere?" said Frank Festa, a resident of Scotch Plains who is active in the Conservative Party.

But, according to the UCUA, all of the residents of Union County were required by the state to incur the UCUA's bonded debt to build it. This is an equal application of debt, they said.

The state also could force the county to assess a user charge on all of the UCUA's debt and, if the UCUA should default on its bonds, impose the debt service on Union County's towns.

The tipping fee also will not pay for all of the \$2.2 million in annual host community fees to Rahway.

The UCUA expects to bring in 442,000 tons of garbage each year — 250,000 tons in a "put or pay" agreement with Union County as part of the lease agreement and 192,000 tons from the Bergen County Utilities Authority. Since the host community fee portion of the tipping fee is \$2.71,

this would equal \$12 million — about half of Rahway's host fee.

The rest is to be paid by Ogden Martin and by Union and Bergen counties. Ogden Martin will pay \$850,000 and the counties will pay a total of \$1.35 million. Union County's portion will be paid directly from the county government.

The \$2.50 administrative portion of the tipping fee will not cover the UCUA's estimated \$1.7 million in administrative fees, either. The Union County government would also cover this shortfall — about \$595,000.

Much of the county's solid waste disposal plan will remain intact.

Existing contracts with J&J Recycling in Elizabeth, the John Messler, Jr. Sanitary Landfill in Linden for bulky items and the Alliance Sanitary Landfill in Taylor, Pa., where the UCUA disposes of its incinerator ash. The UCUA will also continue its countywide program of recyclable disposal and education.

But an existing contract with the BCUA may not stand.

The BCUA has tried to get out of its contract with the UCUA, claiming its contract was not put to

competitive bidding due to the now-defunct state waste flow laws.

The contract will stand until at least the middle of this month, when federal court Judge Joseph Irenas will hear the case.

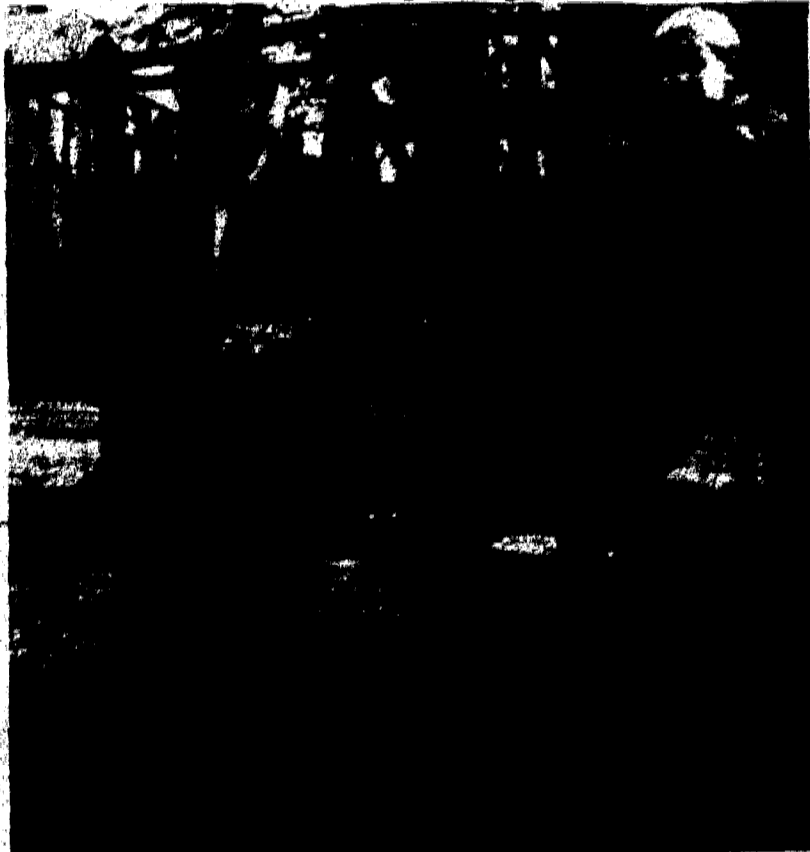
The amended solid waste plan may include a re-instatement of waste flow control laws in Union County. Irenas has allowed waste flow control to be re-instated in Essex, Hudson and Mercer counties for a short time.

This is because these counties are far along in their new waste disposal plans. A loss in garbage to their county utilities authorities, brought on by a lack of waste flow control, could hinder their transformations.

Union County was not a part of this application to Irenas. UCUA Executive Director Joseph Spatola has made his own application, saying the county needs 90 days of waste flow control to help get its new garbage disposal plan underway.

Irenas has not re-instituted waste flow control. Instead, he said that Union County has made a case for a re-instatement of waste flow controls: to gain that approval, the county will have to apply to Irenas' court.

## At work, at play



Freeholder Dan Sullivan shows two-year-old Matthew Smith of Cranford the new Unami Park playground in Garwood. This playground, which has sections appropriate for different age-groups, will serve as a model for other playgrounds. Other playgrounds scheduled for renovations include Mattano Park in Winnanco Park, the loop area of the Watchung Reservation; parts of Elizabeth River Park; Ulrich Pool; and Echo Lake Park.

## With ISTEA extension, county continues transportation plans

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Transportation projects in Union County and around New Jersey can enjoy their ISTEA funding for six more months, but after May 1, Congress may rethink its spending plan.

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act funds road and mass transit construction improvements. The seven-year-old mechanism was to have expired Sept. 30 while Congress debated changing the funding formula.

When the House and Senate failed to agree on formula changes, they voted for a \$3.3 billion extension. According to Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, about \$274 million is available to New Jersey.

"The compromise was a victory for our state," said Franks, a member of the House Transportation Committee who represents much of Union County. "It provides for additional highway funding which wasn't included in the Senate version of the bill."

Under the current formula, New Jersey and other states in the Northeast have been receiving a better return on their federal gasoline tax revenues. Congressmen from the West and South, seeking a greater share, have proposed six ISTEA alternatives over the last six months. Some legislators have tied funding approval to the federal balanced budget plan.

"Having the ISTEA funding continue is advantageous to Union County," said county Director of the Office of Policy and Planning Mauro Checchio. "The fund is designed to assist areas of high congestion and air pollution. Union County is just the area for the ISTEA."

Checchio said ISTEA money will allow several projects to continue. Upgrading the intermodal freight railroad between Staten Island and Roselle, for example, remains on track. Also ongoing are planning studies for the

*'We want to get a planning study going for a Route 22 pedestrian overpass.'*

— Freeholder Frank Lehr

Cranford-Elizabeth cross county commuter line and the Elizabeth-Rahway Transportation Development District.

"We've yet to get an itemized list of what ISTEA money goes where from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority," said Freeholder Frank Lehr. "Whatever projects that have been funded by ISTEA, however, will continue."

Lehr said those projects include the \$4.3 million intermodal freight project and a survey of county sidewalks. Checchio said some ISTEA funds may be applied to a Route 22 corridor study between Union and Mountainside. The study, said Lehr, may include planning a pedestrian overpass spanning Route 22's center island.

"We wanted to get an intensive study of the 22 corridor going soon," said Checchio. "We're not sure of where the funding will come from but now's the time to start work on it."

"We want to get a planning study going for a Route 22 pedestrian overpass," Lehr said. "Right now, we have buses dropping off passengers. Those passengers then cross the highway."

"Next spring, Congress must pass a multiyear authorization bill within the framework of balancing the budget by 2002," Franks said. "I will work hard to pass the House version of ISTEA, which provides the funding needed for our state to make critical investments in highway, bridge and mass transit projects."

## Lincoln Tech offers new scholarship

It's available at LTI's Union campus and is named after freeholder chairman

Lincoln Technical Institute is seeking applicants for its Linda Stender/Union County Scholarship Award.

The scholarship, said Lincoln President and CEO Pat Santangelo, is sponsored by Linda Stender, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. It will allow the winner to choose among several technical training programs offered the Lincoln's campus in Union.

"We have openings available for scholarship testing and we're encouraging eligible residents of Union County to apply for the program," Santangelo also said.

The full tuition award, valued at up to \$13,000, may be used to train in automotive or diesel truck technology, air conditioning, refrigeration and heating technology, or architectural or mechanical drafting and CAD technology.

"These programs train workers for highly skilled, career oriented jobs," said Santangelo, adding that more than 90 percent of the school's graduates are employed in the field in which they trained.

"Linda Stender has a demonstrated commitment to local job training and employment programs, and we appreciate her support for our new scholarship program in Union County," he also said.

Stender said she was "honored that Lincoln Tech created the scholarship in my name."

"As Union County strives to become a high-technology business environment, it's critical to have a properly trained workforce. Lincoln Tech provides the kind of training in demand by businesses moving into our region," she added.

To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must be a resident of Union County, be a U.S. citizen, and possess a high school diploma or GED equivalent.

Applicants will be screened by Lincoln's standard entrance exam and the top finisher will be interviewed by an independent committee who will make the final selection.

Individuals interested in applying for the Linda Stender/LTI Scholarship award may call Tom Pellis at (908) 964-7800.

## Lawmen act in kindness for victims

For the 16th consecutive year, police officers tried to make Thanksgiving a little brighter for dozens of families victimized by crime.

Thirty-five baskets full of canned goods, turkeys and more were delivered Nov. 25 to needy families in a food drive sponsored by the Union County Juvenile Officers' Association. The group, with members of the Prosecutor's Office Victim Witness Unit, supplied 25 turkeys and other foods donated by county employees.

"This is a true gesture of kindness for those less fortunate, and it is made possible by the combined kindness of a lot of people," said Prosecutor Thomas Manahan. "We all feel good about it."

Among the families receiving baskets of food were a young mother and her son who survived a domestic violence attack; a family in Rahway victimized by an arson; a woman whose only son was shot to death in Plainfield; and an Elizabeth family whose father was attacked and beaten to death in Elizabeth.



Meeting at Lincoln Technical Institute in Union are Union County Director of Policy and Planning Mauro Checchio, LTI Executive Director Steven Buchenot, Freeholder Linda Stender and LTI Agency Representative Tom Pellis.

# COUNTY NEWS

## Vo-Tech board regroups

The Board of Education of the Union County Vocational School District has reorganized for the 1997-98 school year.

The officer and members are: President Charles S. Mancuso, Vice President Jane Lorber, member Craig Lam, member Board attorney Edward Koloni, and special counsel Dennis DiFrancesco.

The Union County Vocational-Technical School District provides training and placement with the 22 vocational and technical centers for secondary and post-secondary students.

## Bridge work planned

Improvements will be made to the Berkeley Heights section of the Sierra Trail, an 11-mile trail that traverses Union County's largest park, the Watchung Reservation.

Three bridges will be installed along eroded portions of trail to aid users in crossing streams and to prevent further erosion of the stream banks. The project is funded in part by a \$4,200 grant received from the Fed-

eral Highway Administration's National Recreational Trails Act.

The bridges will be installed in stages and trail workers are being sought to begin the process on or after Saturday.

No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Trail work takes place regularly, once a month, usually the first Saturday, from March through December from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Other projects include removal of exotic plant species which compete with native plants, installation of erosion control measures, including steps and water bars, pruning litter pickup, trail blazing and more.

Registration is required and space is limited.

Call Trailside Nature and Science Center for details and to register at (908) 276-3676. Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside.

## Skating lessons begin

Ice skating lessons for people with disabilities will be offered at the Warnance Park Skating Center.

On Saturdays through Dec. 13, individual instruction will be provided by the Skating Center's staff from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Both beginner and advanced students can be accommodated. Skates will be provided for those needing them.

For information, contact the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4900. The Warnance Park Skating Center is located off St. Georges Avenue in Roselle.

## Counseling workshop

The Counseling Center for Human Development in Cranford is offering a workshop on loss and grieving to the community.

Staff therapist Linda Van Fossen will lead the two and a half hour seminar on Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Van Fossen will focus on coping with different losses including divorce, death, the loss of a job or the loss of health or youth.

The workshop is open to all and will be held at CCHD's offices at the Cranford United Methodist Church. The donation is \$20. For registration

and further information, call 908-276-0590.

## CPR training offered

Of interest to students home for semester break is the American Red Cross' Lifeguard Training and CPR for the Professional Rescuer course, starting Dec. 20, and ending Jan. 18.

The course will be held at Berkeley Swim School, 649 Springfield Ave., Berkeley Heights, with two sessions at the Summit Area Red Cross headquarters, 695 Springfield Ave., Summit.

A minimum age of 15 years by the last scheduled class date is required for enrollment in the course, and candidates must pass a swim skills pre-test on Dec. 20 at 5:30 p.m.

The cost of the course is \$165, which includes the price of the two required textbooks.

Registration forms may be picked up at the Summit area chapter of the Red Cross. Interested persons may telephone the chapter at (908) 273-2076, and forms will be mailed.

For further information, call the instructor, Eric Eucito, at (973) 383-1036.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

# Hillside resident remembers the heyday of comedy

By Jacquie McCarthy  
Associate Editor

This is the season when many take the time to indulge in a little nostalgia, taking part in traditional events and reflecting upon the passing years. Hillside's Paul Ramsthaler is a living representative of nostalgia, having begun his career in the early days of stand-up comedy. A testimonial to the perseverance required to make it in this tough business, Ramsthaler has been making people laugh for over 45 years.

And having spent the last 45 years honing his craft, this comedian has proven the term "one-liner" to be deceptive — as he's got a million of 'em.

Well, maybe not quite that many. "I've got a couple thousand of those one-liners," the 77-year-old ("but I don't feel it") estimated. "I've been writing all my life. I started out as a kid. I used to emcee in nightclubs. And I just started putting the stuff down."

Ramsthaler's "stuff" ranges from jokes to cartoons to poetry, with the subject matter based on everything from political commentary to love and life.

"Some of the cartoons are 20 years or better," said Ramsthaler. "Ever hear of Damon Runyon? He was a great writer back in the 40s; he wrote 'Guys and Dolls.' I wrote a poem about him and it fits him right to a T."

Ramsthaler credits his comedic outlook to his father. "My father was always a witty man. He would say something, and to him it wasn't funny, but the kids would laugh. He had that natural wit, and I must have inherited it from him, in the genes or something. He was funny. He'd be mad as a wet hen — what's funnier than a wet hen? Two wet hens."

The comedian recalled growing up during the depression, with his father supporting the 14-member Ramsthaler family on a salary of \$25 per week. When Ramsthaler reached working age, he began to earn a good wage in the roofing business, but was unable to share his good fortune with his father.

"He used to spend his lunch money betting on a horse, trying to make money," Ramsthaler remembered fondly. "And just as I started to make good money, he passed away around 54. But he was funny, my old man."

Ramsthaler's foray into the world of comedy began with entertaining at family functions.

"See, I have this gift — if you can call it a gift — at weddings and parties. I was like the life of the party, especially funerals," said Ramsthaler seriously. "I think everything is funny. There's humor in everything if you can see it. And I always had that talent, I could twist it right around."

A native of Newark, Ramsthaler married and lived for a while in Irvington. His sense of humor made him popular in local clubs and taverns.

"It was like one big happy family. Now the bars are a lot different, with the younger crowd, and the fighting. Who stole who's girlfriend and who's trying, and all that jazz, that's all you run into. I never stole anybody's girlfriend in my life," Ramsthaler added. "Not while they were looking."

The comedian's first real gig was at the Miami Club on Clinton Avenue. "I wasn't too sure of myself then, but I got out there and made people laugh. But I didn't really pursue it, because I got into the roofing and I was making good money. You know who took over my spot there, Jackie Gleason." Ramsthaler mused. "That's where he got his start. Boy, that's going way back, in the early 40s. I was, in my early 20s."

After living for few years on Gurd Avenue in Hillside, Ramsthaler and wife Helen moved to California in 1984. The comedian stopped into *The Comedy*



Paul Ramsthaler

Store on Sunset Boulevard after a long break from comedy to test the waters. He found that the scene had changed a great deal since his heyday.

"To me, they ain't funny, most of them," Ramsthaler complained to the manager, who said, "Why don't you get up there?" I said, "Oh, I could never do that." But then I went home and I wrote down 32 gags. They give you five minutes. And the following Monday I went on. I got the best laughs, in the house, over all the rest of them," said the comedian proudly. "Then I appeared two more times there, then the Hollywood Cabaret. Every one I got real good laughs."

After one year, the Ramsthals moved back to Hillside. "Well, I always liked Hillside. I did about 300 roofs in town, everybody knows me there," said Ramsthaler, commenting on his good fortune with landlords. "My landlord said to me, 'I have to raise your rent this month.' I said, 'Boy, I'm glad to hear that, because I can't raise it.'"

Upon his return to New Jersey, Ramsthaler hit the open-mike circuit, making appearances at Rascals in West Orange, Tropicana in Atlantic City and Something Different in Montclair.

"I had them people going," said the charming comedian. He is especially proud of a 1993 appearance at Rascals.

"They gave me five minutes, I ran 15 minutes. Rosie O'Donnell was there that night.

"And I got up with Jackie Martling, the joke man," he continued. "He was a big star up there."

Ramsthaler had a front-row seat for the show. His trademark golf pants and white hat were an easy target for Martling.

"I'm never heckled, but once they get on me. I said, 'Don't let the hat fool you, mister, there's a man under it.' Then he got on me again. I said, 'Hey Jackie,' as loud as I could. 'We're supposed to see comedians tonight, what time do they start?'" Ramsthaler chuckled. "He didn't have an answer. Then I said, 'Didn't I see you down on Main Street last week standing on the cheese line?' He didn't have an answer for that. I said, 'Don't stand too close to that brick wall.' He said, 'Why?' I said, 'The firing squad just walked in.'"

"I gave him a half-dozen others, and he was stunned, he was speechless," said Ramsthaler of the now-famous Martling, who writes for the Howard Stern radio show. "I don't care too much for him," said Ramsthaler of Stern. "But I put that Jackie Martling in his place, brother. And he was the headline!"

Ramsthaler is just as determined about his comedy as he is about not letting upstart young comedians in their place.

"I tell jokes," said Ramsthaler firmly, explaining the difference between himself and modern comedians. "I tell good clean jokes. I write the dirty stuff for somebody that wants to use it. Now you look at even this Drew Carey, all they do is jump around, screaming and telling down, they're not telling jokes. But that's the thing today, that's the trend. And the public accepts it, because there's nothing better. They're just talking. That's what it's all about, that's the difference between me and them."

Ramsthaler still writes and makes appearances, just like his modern counterparts. Unlike his fellow comedians, however, his style isn't as in-demand as it used to be.

"I've got books this high, poems, monologues, jokes and one-liners. I've got it all, just gathering dust."

Occasionally, though, some of Ramsthaler's dusty lines make it into *The Star-Ledger*.

Despite his insight into the humor in almost any situation, Ramsthaler's physical sight has deteriorated over the years. He has had to limit his driving, thus limiting his appearances at nightclubs. Semi-retired, his physical limitations have not kept him from running around on rooftops.

"Right now I really have to, because my income is kind of limited," said Ramsthaler, "and I go out for two days a week for a few hours."

"Everyone tells him he's crazy now to be up there," said Ramsthaler's wife, Helen, with an indulgent smile.

The Ramsthals have been married 53 years, "and never had a fight," said the comedian. "We laugh, everything's funny."

Even death, the butt of many of his jokes.

"I figure maybe I can make a shot before I'm dead. I don't know how much longer I got in this world," said Ramsthaler with a hearty laugh. "Seems to me there's even humor in death. And people like that kind of stuff. Real down-to-earth facts." The comedian chuckled in a knowing way, amused by his unintentional pun.

Or maybe not so unintentional. But whether running around on rooftops or cracking on the Grim Reaper, Ramsthaler has discovered the best medicine — laughter.

### Standing ovation

From left, Freeholders Edwin H. Force, Henry W. Kurz, Frank H. Lehr, Donald Gonçalves and Freeholder Vice Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan were on hand at the Oct. 28 celebration of National Arts and Humanities Month, sponsored by Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, and hosted by Elizabethtown Gas Company at their Union headquarters. Freeholder Linda Stender, second from right, joined them to present a resolution which named October 'National Arts and Humanities Month' in Union County. The resolution was awarded to members of the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

### Some words to the wise from Paul Ramsthaler of Hillside

- The Susan B. Anthony dollar, born in 1979, died a year later due to poor circulation.
- Protect our taxpayers, they are an endangered species.
- Blood is thicker than water? Have you taken a look at our rivers lately?
- Remember when a car jack was something to be used in changing a flat tire?
- Is America becoming the home of the Knave and the land of Debris?
- Take care of our senior citizens, you may be one year old someday.
- The Supreme Court has finally made the streets safe for our criminals.

### County resident to perform with renowned college choir

Meredith Polak of Cranford was among the many talented students who performed this fall with the highly acclaimed Guilford College Choir. Polak, daughter of Charles Polak of Cranford and Barbara Polak of Bayonne, is a senior majoring in management.

Established in 1931, the Guilford College Choir, under the direction of Charles A. Dana Professor of Music Edward Lowe, is composed of students of all different majors. During the fall semester, the choir performed at many community and college events, including Guilford's Family and Homecoming weekends. The choir's fall season culminates on Sunday with "An Offering of Song," an annual holiday concert held in Guilford's Dana Auditorium. More than 700 residents from the greater Greensboro community attend the event which includes some of the most beloved seasonal choral music as well as arrangements of carols from other countries.

Founded in 1837 by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Guilford College is the third oldest co-educational college in the country. Recognized by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as one of the top four-year, liberal arts colleges in the nation, Guilford offers 29 academic majors and eight interdisciplinary concentrations. The 340-acre campus, located in Greensboro, NC, is home to 1,500 full- and part-time students.

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ORGANIZATION: Rahway High School Band Boosters

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**SATURDAY**  
December 6, 1997  
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December 6, 1997  
EVENT: Flea Market  
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, Rahway Road, Roselle, NJ  
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ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School

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December 6, 1997  
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TIME: 10am-5pm  
PRICE: Free admission, crafts, gifts, homemade baked goods  
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**SATURDAY**  
December 13, 1997  
EVENT: Holiday Craft Sale  
PLACE: St. Thomas Center, 1407 St. Georges Avenue, Rahway  
TIME: 9:00am-4:00pm  
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December 4, 1997  
EVENT: An Extravaganza  
PLACE: Costa del Sol, 2443 Journal Road, Union, New Jersey, NJ  
TIME: Preview 5:30pm to 7:30pm, Auction 7:30pm  
PRICE: \$10.00 per person. Wine and cheese, cash bar, coffee and cake. NO VISA, Discover and American Express. Presented by Ross Galleries, Inc. 761-D Coates Avenue, Holbrook, NY 11741 (516) 471-6790. For tickets and admission call 908-597-1930  
ORGANIZATION: Union Rotary Scholarship Fund

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**BAZAAR**

**SATURDAY**  
December 6, 1997  
EVENT: Holiday Bazaar  
PLACE: Calvary Baptist Church, 66 South Grove Street, East Orange, NJ  
TIME: 10:00am-3:00pm  
PRICE: Free admission. Picture taken with Santa, face painting, holiday crafts, scarfs, jewelry, handbags, baked goods, Nubian art watches. Information 973-474-9742  
ORGANIZATION: 1998 Women's Day Calvary Baptist Church

**FUN AUCTION**

**SATURDAY**  
December 6, 1997  
EVENT: Fun Auction  
PLACE: First Congregational Christian UCC, Civic Square at 1245 Clinton Avenue, Livingston, NJ  
TIME: Doors open 12:30pm  
PRICE: \$10.00 adults. For tickets call between 8:00am-9:00pm: 973-373-6863  
ORGANIZATION: Fund Committee

**SATURDAY**  
December 13, 1997  
EVENT: Philoptochos of St. Demetrios Auction  
PLACE: St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 721 Rahway Avenue, Union, NJ  
TIME: 1:00pm-5:00pm  
PRICE: \$10.00. Includes 15 free price tickets and refreshments. For information please call 908-954-7957. Tickets may be purchased at the door.  
ORGANIZATION: St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church Ladies Auxiliary Society

**OTHER**

**SUNDAY**  
December 7, 1997  
EVENT: Pet Photos with Santa, Surprise Gifts  
PLACE: 200 Valley Street, South Orange (across from Bertus Motors)  
TIME: 11:00am-4:00pm  
PRICE: \$6 for one photo, \$10 for two. To support our rescue and placement programs of lost, abused, or abandoned animals. For information call 973-763-7322  
ORGANIZATION: Jersey Animal Coalition, Inc.

**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  
PRICE: Free admission. Baked goods, flower arrangements and ceramics for sale. Come out and find that special ornament or stocking stuffer.  
ORGANIZATION: Moravian Women of Battle Hill Community Moravian Church

**SATURDAY**  
December 6, 1997  
EVENT: Christmas Boutique  
PLACE: Emira Presbyterian Church, Maggie and Sorely, Elizabeth, NJ  
TIME: 9:00am-3:00pm  
PRICE: Free admission. Original crafts, gifts, pictures with Santa, food, music, etc.  
ORGANIZATION: Emira Presbyterian Church

**SUNDAY**  
December 14, 1997  
EVENT: CHANUKAH Shopping Boutique  
PLACE: YMAA 501 Green Lane, Union  
TIME: 12:30 noon-4:00pm  
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(See ANSWERS on Page B9)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS**  
J. State of New Jersey to the Superior Court of the County of Essex. The undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court, has cause to believe that the following persons are absent from the County of Essex and are therefore unable to appear in person at the trial of the above-captioned matter. The undersigned has caused a notice of such absence to be published in this newspaper for a period of 35 days after the date of this publication, exclusive of such date. If you are a party to the above-captioned matter, you are hereby notified that your failure to appear in person at the trial of the above-captioned matter will result in a judgment being entered against you as a matter of course. If you wish to appear in person at the trial of the above-captioned matter, you must file a written answer or motion and proof of service with the clerk of the Superior Court of the County of Essex, 200 State Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, within 35 days after the date of this publication, exclusive of such date. If you do not file a written answer or motion within 35 days, the court may enter a judgment against you for relief plaintiff demands. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated April 28, 1997, made by the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, County of Essex, W. Jones and Donna F. Jones, Husband and Wife, to Queen City Savings & Loan Association, recorded on February 27, 1997, at Book 3392 of the Deeds for the County of Essex, Page 452; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1207 West 29th Street, Plainfield, Union County, New Jersey. You may contact the Lawyer Patricia S. Green, County of Essex, by calling (908) 353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of Essex. THIS PLEADING IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. YOU, JUANITA CAMP, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action by reason of a Child Support Judgment entered in the Superior Court of New Jersey, County of Essex, against Ernest Jones, docketed on September 1, 1992, under Judgment Number J191796-91. Case Number C53119354B. In the amount of \$7,000.00 plus costs and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim or interest you or they may have in, or against the mortgage premises being foreclosed herein by the plaintiff. Dated: November 21, 1997.

DONALD F. PHELAN  
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Mike's got a problem. He's been going out with Michelle for six years and their relationship is in a serious downward spiral. In fact, as the film begins, Mike and Michelle have called it quits. As the weeks go by, Mike begins to feel that maybe being apart from Michelle is not the best place to be. He sits in his apartment, doesn't shave, doesn't leave and lets the laundry pile up.

Enter Trent. Trent is Mike's pal. Trent is the kind of guy that likes to juggle girlfriends. He thinks that Mike is being silly, that he shouldn't be worrying about Michelle, that he should be dating 16 different women. Trent has an antidote for Mike — a trip to Las Vegas. Take the convertible on a nice road trip, gamble and meet some party girls.

The two head off for the neon night life. Mike has \$300 burning a hole in his pocket. They enter a casino, Trent flashing big smiles, Mike thinking about winning some cash and also thinking a little about Michelle. He wants to dial up his answering machine to see if maybe she called. Trent drags him to a blackjack table.

## The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

Ten seconds later Mike only has \$100 left.

But Trent has come through in other areas. He and Mike are meeting two girls at a bar at 6 a.m. Mike is pleasantly surprised, but on the other hand, his answering machine has no news — which is bad news. They go back to the girls' place. Trent makes his move. Mike hesitates. Trent is in a heated embrace with his date. Mike talks to his girl about relationships, the hard split, and Michelle. He checks his machine again. No Michelle.

The two men return to L.A. Mike, who came to the West Coast to pursue a stand-up comic career, sinks back in his apartment. Trent cruises the bar scene for a few days, giving his pal some time alone. A week later, another of Mike's friends stops by and tries to pull the sad comic out of his depression with a heartfelt pep talk.

### For the week of Dec. 7 to 13

#### Aries March 21-April 20

Now is the time to be tactful and diplomatic. You may be challenged but hold your position and make sure to get your point across to those in authority. Take time to visualize what you really want and then make plans to get it. A friend or partner really wants to spend some quality time with you.

#### Taurus April 21-May 21

Others may make a quick change of plans but being aware of the possibility makes you adaptable — you'll bend instead of breaking. You may be expecting too much from a loved one so make sure your expectations are in line with reality. Take time for a special treat.

#### Gemini May 22-June 21

Don't be overly determined to have your own way. Compromise makes you feel better and gets better results. Friends and family seek your advice.

Stick to the facts and work to keep your opinions in check. Low-key approach helps keep everything in perspective.

#### Cancer June 22-July 22

Creativity and domestic arrangements are in the spotlight. You're able to create opportunities for yourself and others. Analyze your options carefully. What appears the best now may cause problems in the future. Romance is in the air but you may have to make the first move.

#### Leo July 23-Aug. 23

Now is the perfect time to take stock of your personal and professional interests. A series of events could force you to see things as they really are. You feel overwhelmed and underappreciated. Recognize this and realize that now is the time to be nice to yourself. Spurge a little.

#### Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Take the direct approach to solving problems. Your energy level is high and you feel in control. Others look to you to take charge and show the way.

Ask questions and really listen to the answers. You get support from an unexpected source. Be sure to spend time with friends and family.

#### Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Don't let people take advantage of you. Speak up and demand what is rightfully yours. Keep your cool and try not to get too emotional. A decision needs to be made and you're the one to make it. The result may not please everyone but you'll feel better.

#### Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Your frustration increases as it seems others are working to keep you from achieving your goals. Step back and regroup. Trying to control others and see things from their perspective keeps things peaceful.

#### Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Finances take on more importance. Be conservative and make sure you're getting value and quality. Now is a good time to focus on what is really important. Others want to help but are unsure how to approach you. Tell things over and be receptive.

#### Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Work to keep your life in balance. Now may not be the time to make any major decisions or take radical action. This means caution is the key. Move slowly for the best results. A long-distance communication lifts your spirits. Friends and family rally to your side to lend encouragement.

#### Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

A change may be on the horizon. Get advice from people you respect before jumping into things. The future appears bright but remember that dark clouds could be there, too. Keeping your sense of humor helps you handle anything. Partner offers a small gift of luxury to help cheer you up.

#### Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Roadblocks force you to be flexible. Be willing to move in a new direction. Seeing a situation from another point of view gives you a more balanced picture of what's really happening. Take your time and make the right decision. Others are surprised by your insight.

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## THE TREE HUNT

Remember to dress comfortably and warmly. Christmas trees are grown in fields or on hills and mountains, so always wear low-heeled shoes or boots.

Select a tree with the height, shape and density that best suits your needs. Think about where it will be located in your home and the kind of ornaments you have (large and heavy or small and light-weight).

Remember, in the field, the sky is the ceiling so trees always appear smaller than they actually are!

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# Senior Lifestyles

## Prostate cancer sufferers find relief with new drug

According to the American Cancer Society, prostate cancer will affect the lives of one out of every six men. In nearly half of these men, the cancer will metastasize, or spread, to bone causing a painful condition known as metastatic bone disease. The pain of static bone disease can be excruciating and can undermine a patient's ability to fight his disease. But one man suffering from metastatic bone pain decided to take control of his disease, to search for alternatives and to exercise his right to get second and third opinions.

After exhausting many other alternatives, Peter Derosier experienced sustained pain relief from an innovative compound called Metastrom (strontium-89 chloride), a radio-pharmaceutical which is administered as a simple out-patient injection. While clinical studies showed that pain is generally relieved for an average of six months, Derosier's pain relief lasted 15 months following his first injection of Metastrom.

Derosier's quality of life improved dramatically. He resumed his work of restoring historical buildings and is once again enjoying his favorite activities — travel, golf, boating and fishing. "Metastrom literally gave me back my life. I wish it had been available earlier in my course of treatment. Pain is not inevitable, and Metastrom has clearly demonstrated that to me."

Metastrom has been available in the United States since June 1993 and has been used to treat more than 20,000 patients worldwide. Studies have shown that it is effective in 75 to 80 percent of patients, with 20 to 25 percent reporting complete pain relief. The clinical trials have also shown Metastrom may delay progression of new sites of pain. Although blood cell counts will be monitored periodically, Metastrom has none of the side effects commonly associated with other pain medications.

## Giving a little TLC can foster longevity

Your man is not getting older, he's getting better, thanks to your loving care. Many women care for the men in their lives by making sure they eat right, exercise and see their doctor regularly.

Just as women can suffer from menopause, as men approach middle age, they may experience "andropause." Because of diminishing hormone levels, they may notice a decrease in muscular strength, sexual performance and male assertiveness.

Andropause can vary dramatically between individuals, subtle symptoms may include a decrease in libido or a disruption in sleeping patterns. More pronounced symptoms could potentially be acute, ranging from prostate to urinary tract problems.

Many have found that natural products can help correct this deficiency and help them regain and retain their youthful vitality.

Enhance is a natural product containing plant extracts such as Wild Mexican Yam, Saw Palmetto and Ginseng, combined with DHEA, in a soothing lotion and sublingual tablet. DHEA contains the building blocks for the production of natural testosterone. It also provides natural progesterone and helps balance the adrenal gland products of key anti-aging cellular modifiers.

Users report an increased energy level, increased libido and better sleep patterns. As a lotion containing moisturizer and aloe, it can also improve skin tone.

## Alzheimer's support groups to be held in Westfield

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.

## State-of-the-art hearing aid is a virtual wonder

The new hearing-aid technology even sounds amazing. Both programmable and completely in-the-ear hearing aids are helping more people to hear better.

Miracle-Ear's CIC hearing aid, called Mirage, was recently introduced by Dahlberg Inc. Mirage is so small it is virtually invisible while being worn.

It is estimated that hearing loss is a condition shared by 26 million Americans, yet fewer than five million of this group wear hearing aids. Interestingly, putting off the decision to get help for a hearing loss is all too common. In fact, the majority of hearing aid wearers delayed their decision by an average of five years after the hearing loss had become a discernible problem. Unfortunately, a hearing loss can be more conspicuous than the hearing aid itself.

CIC hearing aids, such as Mirage, were developed for hearing-impaired individuals who have been frustrated by the limitations of traditional hearing aids. It fits snugly within the ear canal and is easily removed by pulling a tiny line attached to the aid. Because of its deep fit, Mirage provides exceptional sound quality and efficient amplification, and can reduce the likelihood of "whistling" often experienced by hearing aid wearers while talking on the telephone.

It should be noted that hearing aids can not restore natural hearing. Individual experiences may vary depending on proper fit, severity of hearing loss, accuracy of evaluation and ability to adapt to amplification.

If you feel you may be experiencing hearing loss, don't delay in getting treatment. An informative video-tape about hearing aids and hearing loss has just been produced. It is called "Hearing Loss & You" and is available free by calling (800) 796-8622.

## Carrot, spinach diets can prevent eye disease

What you don't know can hurt you, according to a recent consumer survey that examined the link between diet and prevention of eye disease.

Among consumers who report eating specific foods for eye health, 72 percent chose carrots. Only seven percent named spinach, the source of an important nutrient that helps prevent the most common and devastating form of blindness among older Americans.

"We're not saying carrots are bad for you," said Steven G. Pratt, M.D., a senior staff ophthalmologist at Scripps Memorial Hospital, La Jolla, California. "Vitamin A found in carrots helps protect color and night vision. But consumers seem completely unaware of new evidence that indicates lutein, a powerful carotenoid, is the primary antioxidant found in the retina and may be the key to preventing age-related macular degeneration. This is a case where ignorance can literally cause blindness."

A compelling link between nutrition and eye health was uncovered at Harvard Medical School in 1994. Research showed that people who ate higher amounts of carotenoids-antioxidants found in fruits and vegetables had a significantly decreased risk of macular degeneration. Lutein was singled out as the most effective antioxidant.

Although those surveyed linked diet and health, fewer than one in five eat specific foods to protect their eye health.

"It's encouraging to see consumers make the connection between nutrition and their eye health," said Pratt. "It's discouraging, however, to see how ill-prepared they are to act on this information."

Understanding diet and eye health is clearly complicated by a lack of knowledge regarding eye conditions.

When asked to identify eye problems associated with old age, only nine percent mentioned macular degeneration, although AMD is the leading cause of irreversible blindness in older Americans.

"It's difficult to change eating behavior," said Pratt, "when the individual doesn't understand the disease you're working to prevent. People need to understand the serious nature of AMD before they're likely to change their diet."

Survey respondents indicated a strong interest in changing their eating behavior after hearing about the relationship between lutein and eye health. Sixty-nine percent reported being somewhat or very likely to eat more foods containing lutein, and 41 percent indicated interest in taking a daily supplement containing lutein.

For people who didn't like spinach, eye formula supplements containing lutein are available in health food stores, pharmacies and other chain stores.

## Parkinson's disease sufferers are recognized by Congress

Both patients and physicians struggling with Parkinson's disease may get some help from Congress. The Morris K. Udall Parkinson's Research, Assistance and Education Act is named for Sen. Udall, the Arizona Democrat who served from 1961 until 1991. Since being diagnosed with Parkinson's, Udall has been a strong advocate for PD research and education. The Bill advocated an increase in federal investment in PD research to \$100 million and seeks to improve the care and assistance available for PD patients, their families and caregivers.

"The Udall Bill is very exciting as it is drawing the country's attention to the need that clearly exists for ongoing research and information on Parkinson's disease," said Ray L. Watts, M.D., associate professor of neurology and director of the movement disorders program at Emory University.

The bill was designed to create an interagency coordination council charged with planning PD research strategies; award grants to designated Morris K. Udall Centers for Research on Parkinson's Disease for patient care and clinical research; establish an information clearinghouse for PD patients and their families; and create Morris K. Udall Leadership and Excellence Awards for scientists who distinguish themselves in PD research.

In addition, the bill advocated a nationwide Parkinson's Disease Education Program to educate the public and provide assistance to patient advocacy groups, and continue initiatives by existing PD organizations, creating a powerful collective voice for millions affected by Parkinson's.

Proper diet, exercise and medication can help PD patients lead fulfilling, active lives. One of the newer options for managing PD is a drug therapy combination of Sinemet (carbidopa/levodopa) to treat symptoms and Eldepryl (selegiline hydrochloride) to help control or delay the need for Sinemet dose increases, while maintaining function over time. As the disease progresses, other medications such as Parlodel, a dopamine agonist, may be added to control symptoms.

Patients also can help manage PD by participating in one of the many education or disease management programs available today. One, called the Eldepryl VIP Value in Persistency program, is free and helps patients learn more about Parkinson's and how to maintain an active, productive lifestyle. Another is PROPATH, supported by an educational grant from Sandoz Pharmaceuticals, which analyzes the patient's condition, medical treatment and lifestyle, and creates a personalized disease management program.

If you or a loved one has Parkinson's disease, contact your local hospital for a referral to a PD organization. Many local groups offer valuable advice and programs that can help you take control of the condition.

## Start walking on the path to good health

The more you know about walking for your health, experts agree, the better you'll be able to do it. Here are a few hints from "Walking Magazine" that may help you get off on the right foot:

- Choose a walking environment in which you feel comfortable. This may be at home on a treadmill. Or you may want to walk around the neighborhood, near the office, in a mall or on a track.
- Decide what degree of sociability you desire. Do you want to go solo, work out in the company of a crowd or have the support of just a partner or two?
- What will you wear? Some people are more comfortable in clingy workout clothes, others prefer the baggy kind.
- Protect your feet by wearing shoes designed for walking, and replacing them every 500 miles or so.
- If your exercise routine begins to bore you, vary your walking routes, walk with a friend or listen to a personal stereo.
- If you're using a treadmill, remember not to grip the side safety rails unless you slip or need support while you adjust the controls. If you have to hold on to keep from inching back, decrease the speed.
- For maximum benefit, walk at a brisk, comfortable pace—fast enough to get your heart rate up, but comfortable enough that you can still carry on a conversation.

• When walking in cold weather, layer your clothing so you can shed or unzip pieces as you warm up. Inner layers should transport perspiration, middle layers provide insulation and outer layers shield you from the elements. Start with thin tops and leggings. For the middle layer, a full-zip fleece jacket or a half-zip fleece anorak can be a good choice. Finally, wear a warm, water-resistant jacket and protect your extremities with fleece or wool mittens and socks, a neck warmer or scarf. Top it off with a hat to hold in the heat.

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# Automotive

## The new Passat boasts upper class quality, middle class value

With the arrival of the all-new 1998 Volkswagen Passat, the tranquil mid-sized family car market in North America is getting a loud wake-up call from Germany.

The new Passat, Volkswagen's most refined, attractive and best driving car ever, proves that an adult decision to buy a sensible car doesn't automatically suspend one's adrenaline flow to the brain.

The new Passat stands out in a sea of midsize competitors. From its dynamic European styling, to its unique balance of comfort and functionality, to its authentic and invigorating German driving experience, the Passat delivers what can't be found anywhere else in its price segment.

And like other great cars of the Autobahn, the Passat has been built to high standards. Outwardly, this attention to quality in the new Passat can even be seen in its solid aerodynamic new looks.

A technically advanced German sports sedan, the new Passat GLS uses a revolutionary new four-link front suspension system that rewrites the rules on how well a front wheel-drive car can handle. It is powered by a potent 5-valve-per-cylinder, 150-horsepower, four-cylinder engine that can be mated to a new optional 5-speed automatic transmission with Tiptronic. ABS with electronic traction control helps keep its refined power in check.

Advanced occupant safety in this newest Volkswagen includes standard seat-mounted side airbags. Inside, the five-passenger Passat GLS's new mid-size interior is designed to accommodate active lifestyles with Volkswagen's traditional functionality and segment-leading standard equipment. It comes supremely equipped with standard amenities that include CFC-free air conditioning, one-touch down and one-touch up power windows, front only, with pinch protection, retractable front cup holders, keyless entry and a new premium AM/FM cassette stereo with CD capability.

Future Passat models to be introduced later in 1998 will be powered by a 30-valve, 190-horsepower V6 and Volkswagen's award-winning TDI, turbo-direct injection diesel. A Passat wagon will also be offered in the coming year.

The Passat is the first of a new breed of Volkswagen and has already generated high praise from the automotive press in Germany, where it was originally launched. One of that nation's most popular publications, "Bild am Sonntag," awarded the new Passat the "Golden Steering Wheel," a selection made by an international jury of race car drivers, automotive experts and consumers. Other awards from Europe include a prestigious "Best Car of 1997" from auto motor und sport and "New Car of the Year" from AutoBild.

In its review, AutoBild said of the Passat: "Volkswagen has granted a smooth ascendance with this car. The Passat offers all-around upper-class quality. It only remained true to its middle-class customers in cost and gas consumption."

The new Passat has been designed to meet and even

exceed the standards of some of Germany's most prestigious luxury sedans — at a price below what you would expect in this class of car.

This attention to quality can plainly be seen viewing the new Passat. Its solid, built-from-a-single-block appearance is not only good design, it is also a product of the Passat's exceptionally narrow panel gaps and joints lines. This also gives the Passat's bodysheet exceptional strength — 10 percent more than that of its forerunner — and adds to its rock-solid feel when driving.

To achieve such high standards in panel gaps during production, Volkswagen uses a unique "cubing model," an aluminum casting of the car that is precision-milled. This cubing model is then used as a reference by computer to detect the slightest deviation. A parallel procedure known as "internal cubing" is used to check the structure from the inside.

In addition to bodysheet-rigidity, the new Passat's dynamic rigidity, a major factor in a car's handling and crash safety, has improved by 35 percent over its predecessor. In large part this is the result of advanced production processes that include the extensive use of computer simulations, high-strength metals and a one-piece body side structure. Laser beam welding is also employed to produce a continuous, narrow and precise seam; high strength adhesives are used at the joints.

The new Passat is the first Volkswagen to be fully galvanized, allowing for an exceptional limited corrosion warranty of 11 years.

The new Passat is only slightly larger on the outside than its forerunner, but its stunning new styling represents a major step forward at Volkswagen. Adhering to Volkswagen's dictate of form following function, the Passat's dynamic new design seeks to arouse the emotions as well as the brain.

The most distinctive element of the Passat's new design is its long roofline that flows confidently in a natural arch from the distinctive front end to the trunk.

Complementing this impression are rounded bumpers and contoured Eurostyle halogen headlights that curve back into the sloped hood. At the rear, the Passat is boldly streamlined, with sharply-curved taillights. At the sides, a continuous shoulderline and flared wheel arches add to the overall impression of strength and confidence.

The new Passat also evokes a more imposing road presence thanks to its broad track and a wheelbase that has been lengthened considerably over its predecessor, 106.4 inches versus 103.3 inches for the previous model.

As you would expect from Volkswagen's renowned wind tunnels, the new Passat boasts exceptional aerodynamics. Its 0.27 drag coefficient approaches today's practical minimum and places it firmly at the forefront in the industry.

Inside, the Passat is also entirely refashioned. Finished in a high-quality standard, and carrying through the same confident flair as the exterior, the interior encourages com-



1998 Volkswagen Passat GLS

parison with the highest class passenger cars. An engaging two-tone cockpit design presents a sporty touch of elegance, and smooth transitions from the instrument panel to the doors and console help create a feeling of spatial harmony.

As found in all Volkswagens that make driving position paramount, the new Passat interior offers a nearly unrestricted view outside. Seating position is high, and controls are logically placed and instantly accessible, giving the driver a confident feeling of control. A height adjustable seat with an adjustable lumbar support, tilting/telescoping steering wheel, back-lit instrumentation and center armrest further enhance driving certitude.

Ample space inside the car and for carrying luggage makes the new Passat a sensible choice for all types of activities, whether they are recreational or part of the daily grind. The new Passat carries five adults comfortably and offers 95.4 cubic feet of passenger room, and more headroom and interior width than its forerunner. Overall legroom is 76.6 inches.

At 15 cubic feet, the Passat's trunk volume has also increased over the previous model, 14 cu. ft., ranking it among the largest in its class. Entry and expansion of the fully-lined cargo area is made easy by a space-saving hydraulic hinge design, cargo lighting and a standard split, 60/40 and lockable, rear seat.

The attention to detail in the new Passat is further evidence of its world-class status, with the goal being to

optimize operation of even the smallest elements of the car.

An example of this can be seen in features like the windshield washer jets, which have been designed to deliver a broad, fan-shaped spray. The result is more effective cleaning with far less liquid waste.

Other touches can be seen inside the Passat. In keeping with the contoured look of the interior, the ventilation outlets resemble rounded miniature Venetian blinds. The logic of this design is clear when they are adjusted, with a single high-grip surface on each outlet controlling all the slats. This design also helps ensure that no whistling noise is generated.

Grab handles may seem like an unlikely place for innovation, but in the new Passat each has been silicone-dampened to glide back smoothly and noiselessly. Noise and exertion are also eliminated at the front seats, which employ a unique roller mounting system that glides the seat when adjusted. And for higher adjustments, the Passat offers an ingenious ratcheting pump handle that fits the hand and pumps easily to the desired height.

Detail attention is also seen in the color coordination of the Passat interior, which matches the color of the safety belts to the cloth chosen. Even the dual-lighted vanity mirrors have been carefully thought through. Unlike other systems, the Passat's lights are separate from the visors and above in the headliner where they emit a softer illumination from above. Extensive interior lighting also includes a center dome light with time delay, integrated front driver and passenger reading lights and two rear reading lights.

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# Scandinavian-born Saab takes on the winter with gusto

Saab automobiles have been synonymous with innovative technology and advanced engineering since the first Saab was unveiled in 1947. The Swedish automaker has continued to pioneer a long lineup of safety, comfort and performance features, many of which have been adopted by other manufacturers. The following are Saab world innovations, and all of these features — small or large — are available on today's Saab 900 and/or 9000 models.

Although 1972 federal safety standards did not require specific side-impact reinforcement, Saab added steel beams to the side-door structure of the Saab 99 model in the fall of 1972. Saab's real-world accident investigation team had found that many collisions involved side impacts. As a result, Saab engineers integrated longitudinally welded beams into the doors, at a height to provide maximum protection for passengers. These type of welded steel beams were an industry first, and are now used in some form by most carmakers.

Side-impact protection is an integrated part of the energy-absorbing Saab safety cage design. Saab was one of the first carmakers to design a car with integrated safety cage construction. Sturdy steel reinforcements surround the passenger compartment, diverting collision forces away from the occupants, regardless of whether the impact comes from the front, rear or side. In addition, the front and rear areas of the car are designed to absorb much of the kinetic energy generated in a collision. These so-called "crumple zones" take the brunt of a crash.

Saab was the first carmaker to introduce impact-absorbing, self-restoring front and rear bumpers in the U.S. The new bumpers debuted on the 1972 Saab 99E, one year ahead of the 1973 federal bumper standard that required all cars be capable of sustaining a 5-mph front and 2.5-mph rear barrier collision without damage "to the safety systems" of the car. The 1972 Saab 99E was the first car that not only met, but exceeded the regulation by suffering no damage at all in the low-speed impacts.

Today's Saab 900 and 9000's foam-core bumpers are still designed to restore to their original shape following a low-speed impact. Each year, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety subjects new cars to a series of low-speed crash tests to check the strength of their bumpers. In the latest round of tests, the 1992 Saab 900 was the only 4-door midsize car to drive away from the 5-mph front and rear flat barrier impacts without damage. In fact, the 900 is one of only four cars tested since 1990 that suffered zero damage in the flat barrier tests.

Saab is synonymous with state-of-the-art turbocharging. Prior to 1977, other manufacturers used turbos only on limited production or very expensive sports cars. Reliability was low and cost was high. Saab revolutionized the concept of turbocharging family cars by applying an adjustable-boost turbo to a small displacement engine with the introduction of the 1977 Saab 99 Turbo, followed by the new Saab 900 Turbo a year later. Saab's turbo engines were engineered to achieve high torque at low speeds — a desirable characteristic for everyday driving.

The 1980 Saab 900 offered the award-winning Automatic Performance Control, APC, which electronically monitored and adjusted the turbo engine for maximum efficiency and low emissions, and compensated for different octane gasolines.

Saab's next "first" was the 16-valve turbo engine, introduced as the third generation-turbo in 1983. This engine was also equipped with an intercooler to lower the temperature of the intake air, which raises the engine's compression ratio and power output.

In 1992, Saab's remarkable Trionic system debuted, which further improved the efficiency of Saab turbo engines. Electronically, the award-winning Trionic system constantly adjusts the engine's fuel/air mixture, ignition timing and turbo charge.

Saab is still a leader in the production of advanced turbo engines. All of today's Saab turbo engines are intercooled, use four valves per cylinder, direct ignition and dual overhead camshafts. Over the years, refinements have reduced the feeling of "turbo lag" to virtually nil, and today's turbos are as reliable as a normally aspirated engine.

The use of daytime running lights has been proven to be an effective, low-cost method of reducing car-to-car crashes. DRLs come on automatically when the car's ignition is on, and turn off when the key is switched off. For the 1995

model year, Saab was one of the first carmakers to debut this proven safety feature as standard equipment on all its new cars sold in the United States.

DRLs are new to the U.S., but Saab has offered a DRL alternative since 1968 — a full 25 years ahead of NHTSA's new regulation that made DRLs possible nationwide. Every Saab 9000 and 900 includes an interlock system that automatically turns off the headlights through the ignition key. Consequently, drivers of earlier model Saabs can simply leave the headlight switch in the "on" position and keep the lights on continuously as DRLs without fear of running down the battery when they leave the vehicle.

Starting with the 1971 Saab 99, headlight wipers and washers became another Saab contribution to safer driving. Today's Saabs all offer headlight wipers/washers as standard equipment. This innovation is activated automatically when the windshield wipers/washers are used. In 1971, the Swedish Automobile Association awarded Saab a gold medal for this feature, which later became required by law for all cars in Sweden.

There's much more to the rear seat in the Saab 900 than meets the eyes. Called the Saab "Safeseat," the seat incorporates a full-width upper crossbeam that serves both as a load restraint and anchorage point for all three rear headrests and safety belts. All three positions use shoulder belts with inertia reel systems for maximum protection. Another full-width crossbeam is located in the lower seat cushion to add protection against side impacts, plus serving as part of an anti-submarining design to prevent occupants from sliding under the safety belts in a collision.

In addition, a pair of optional integrated child booster seats is available as part of the Saab 900 5-door's Safeseat design.

Saabs are legendary for their cargo-carrying capability. Despite the seat's built-in structural strength, the rear seat of the 900 Coupe or 5-door can be folded down in part or fully for 49.8 cubic feet of utility. Plus, the seatback has a pass-through behind the center armrest. Even the rear seatback on the 900 Con-

vertible folds forward to create a full-width pass-through to the trunk — unprecedented among Saab's soft-top competitors.

Other automakers may tout the benefits of their "new" ventilation filters, but Saab drivers have been breathing filtered air since 1978, when Saab became the first car manufacturer to offer a cabin air filter on the new 900. Saab introduced an even more efficient electrostatic cabin air filter as standard equipment on all models. The filter prevents most dust, bacteria, pollen and soot from entering the passenger cabin.

A driver's comfort is essential to safe and enjoyable driving. If a car is thoroughly cold on a winter's day, it may take 20 minutes or more for the occupant's body heat to warm the seat. This can be particularly troublesome for people who are susceptible to backaches or rheumatism. Saabs, built in the icy climates of Scandinavia, offer a welcome solution to a cold seat: heating elements built into the front seat lower cushion and seatback. Again, Saab was a pioneer by being first to offer this feature on the 1972 Saab 99. Now, heated front seats are standard on every new Saab.

Saab takes the surprise out of unpleasant weather conditions with immediate access to National Weather Service reports. Saab drivers can tune into the latest weather reports at the push of a button on their 900 or 9000's radio. Saab audio systems integrate a convenient Weather Band feature for 24-hour reports on local conditions in virtually any area. National Weather Service broadcasts are made from more than 370 locations throughout the U.S. The Saab Weather Band feature automatically seeks out the strongest signal in each area.

Concern for the environment is not a recent notion at Saab. For decades, production design and production have reflected the company's philosophy of environmental responsibility. Saab, together with a few other carmakers, introduced the catalytic converter and oxygen sensor in 1976. Saab's APC System in 1980 and Trionic in 1992 were each milestones in reducing engine emissions and fuel consumption through electronic engine management.

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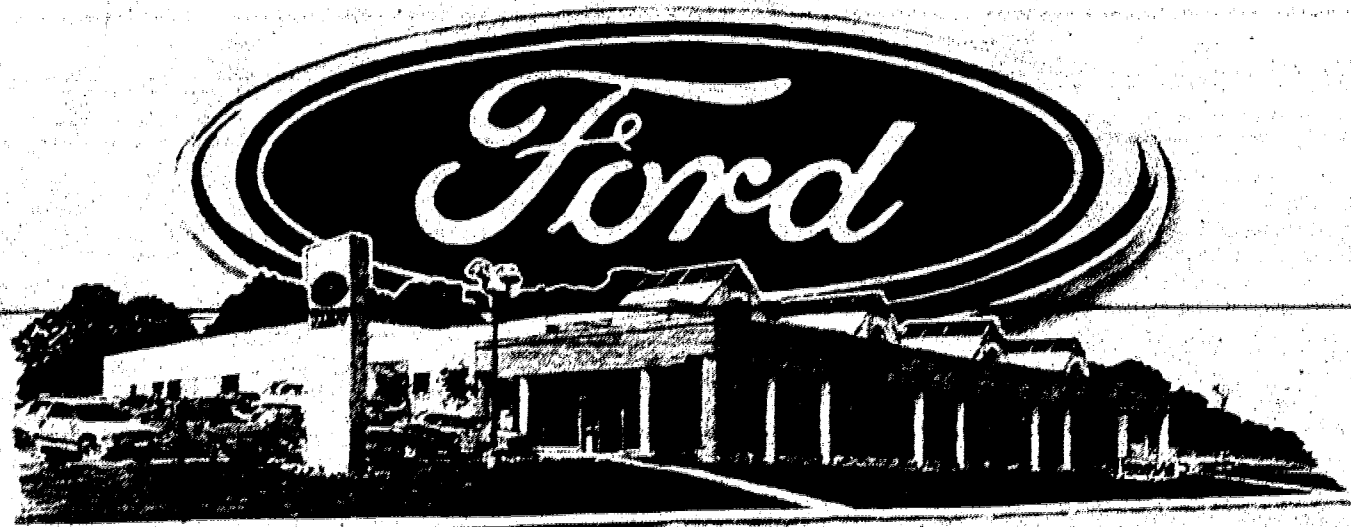
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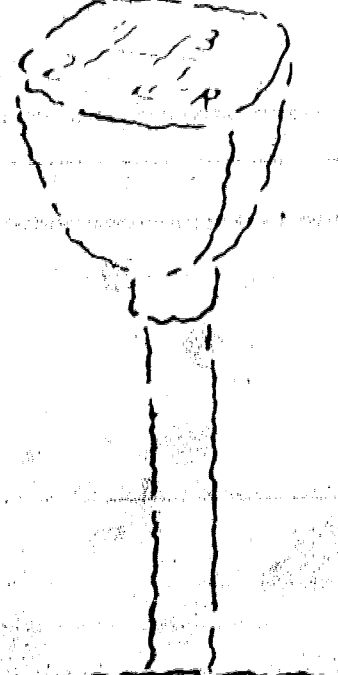
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