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Their turning point



Holly Kaplan, Kristina Ippolito, Monica Struck, Ashley Pinakiewicz and Tabitha Fiskin from the Turning Point Dance Center in Springfield display their talents after storming the Babarban Talent Competition and winning first place in MBC competitions.

STUDENT UPDATE

Leyer awarded

Mark Leyer of Mountainside has been awarded an All-College Scholarship of \$3,000 from Aid Association for Students.

Leyer is graduated from Overton High School in Union on June 22. He is one of 1,700 graduating high school seniors to receive the award.

Oratory graduates

Adam Benninger and Janki Heran of Mountainside graduated from Oratory Prep. in Summit on June 6. Benninger, the son of Margaret and George Benninger, will attend from Pratt Institute in the fall. Heran, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Herth, will attend Lafayette College in the fall.

Mojilinos is recipient

Kaushika Mojilinos of Springfield was among 46 students selected to receive a scholarship from Comcast through the cable operator's College Scholarship Program. She attends the \$1000 scholarship to attend The College of New Jersey in the fall. Comcast offered financial assistance in the form of on-site grants ranging from \$500 to \$2,000. Students were chosen on the basis of their outstanding academic achievements, SAT scores, personal essays, recommendations, participation in extracurricular and community activities, and financial need.

Sarracino selected

Ralph Sarracino of Springfield, a senior at Joseph D'Antonio High School, has been selected to receive the 1998 Brian Piccolo Award from the Springfield/Mountainside chapter of USICO. Sarracino was selected from among three nominees submitted by Dayton's Athletic Department. A dinner was held June 16 at L'Affaire in Mountainside to honor him.

The Brian Piccolo Award is traditionally given to a senior who demonstrates excellence in academics and athletics. Sarracino was starting center for the Bulldogs basketball team, which won the Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division Championship this year. This past fall, Sarracino played varsity football for the first time and was chosen offensive lineman of the year.

In addition to his achievements in football and basketball, Sarracino won a gold medal in the Millburn Track and Field Relay this spring. Academically, Sarracino was a mem-



Members held on June 7. Musial was awarded the B. Jerry Donahue Memorial Prize for Fine Arts and will attend Cooper Union in New York City in the fall. He is the son of Noel and Barbara Musial of Mountainside.

Two graduate

Springfield residents Adam Gebauer and Jeffrey Miller graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory School on June 15. Gebauer will attend the University of Rhode Island in the fall.

Musial graduates

Noel Musial, a resident of Mountainside, was among the 128 students graduated from The Pignio School during its 137th commencement cere-

Good makes dean's list

Mano E. Good, daughter of Ms. Barbara T. Good of Springfield, was named to the dean's list of Emory College for the spring semester. Students must be in the top 20 percent of Emory College or have a grade point average of 3.7 or higher to be named to the Dean's list.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Monday: A topic Markov will give a lecture followed by a discussion of Home-Work at the Springfield Public Library at 7 p.m. Markov is a former Mountainside resident a graduate of Jonathan Dayton High School and a current assistant professor at Houston Baptist University. The lecture is free and open to all. The Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave.

Ongoing: If you're looking for challenge, adventure and creativity this summer, the Springfield Summer School is the place to be. The summer session will run from June 28 to July 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The program includes courses in wood-working, arts and crafts, ceramics, gymnastics, computer technology, creative writing and publishing, cooking, science, basketball, tennis, study skills, baby-sitting, reading, mathematics, music and fitness. Many classes fill early, so register for your summer adventure soon. The brochure and registration forms will be available in early May. The registration fee of \$60 per one hour course for the four weeks makes up a reasonable expense to learn and have fun each morning in July. For registration information or further questions, call Nicholas Clark at Sandpaper School at (973) 476-1025. Ext. 3430.

The Springfield Garden Club is sponsoring a contest to find the tree in town with the largest circumference. Measurements 3 feet off the ground. Send entries to Springfield Garden Club, P.O. Box 970, Springfield, 07081. In case of duplicate entries, the earliest postmark will win the floral prize.

Pool membership registration is being accepted for all previous members and new members. Registration is taken from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mfll. If anyone did not receive a form for pool membership or ds camp, they may call (973) 912-2227 or pick one up at the office.

The Springfield Community Pool will hold three sessions of swim lessons during the summer. Classes will be taught Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Refunds of full checks will not be given for those classes cancelled due to inclement weather.

This year will include an infant/toddler aquatic program for children ages 18 months to 3 years and a special pre-natal aquatic program for children ages 18 and older. Classes will have a maximum of five children and a maximum of 10 children. Sessions will run from July 10, Session Two from July 20 to July 30, and Session three from Aug. 3 to Aug. 13. The cost for each swim class is \$15 per child, per session and \$10 for each additional child, per session in the same family.

Specialists develop book

The expertise of two of Children's Specialized Hospital's early childhood development specialists is now available in paperback for professionals and parents. Ellen-D'Amato, Ph.D. of Ridgewood, an educational psychologist, and Dorothy Benson, M.A. of South Amboy, a teacher in CSH's Early Intervention Program, along with speech therapists and a physical therapist from another special education facility, have written Text for Teaching: Infants and Toddlers.

The book has become a guide for new EIP teachers and therapists who are looking to incorporate new activities into their sessions. The activities can also be easily performed by parents and childcare providers looking to enhance their child's development.

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We're asking Should off-peak tolls be decreased?

By Mark Goldwert
Staff Writer

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey have announced a possible plan to decrease tolls during off-peak hours. The Turnpike Authority and Port Authority hope this will be an incentive for motorists to use the Turnpike and Hudson River Crossings during off-peak hours and alleviate congestion.

We asked residents of Springfield what they thought of this idea.

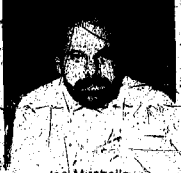
"I think it's controversial," said Vincent Degeisard. "To take advantage of that kind of thing people would have to adjust their schedules. I think they only make those



Sue Ortger
kinds of changes to make a few people happy."

"Sure I think they should, to save money," said John Schlager. "What else can you say? It could reduce congestion during peak hours."

"I don't know if it's going to matter at this point after so many



Joel Mirabella
years," said Sue Ortger. "Off-peak hours aren't the problem; peak hours are."

"It sounds like a good idea," said Joel Mirabella. "I'd say it's something that will encourage people to try something different. It needs to be studied to see if it works."

It's fiesta time!



Jennifer Buonagura, Gabrielle Lentini, Katarina Kingston, Mallory Corrigan, Kelly Montagna, Amelia Christoffers and Jean Ruggiero, members of Mountaintop Daisy Troop, No. 195, model their decorated somarros on a recent camping trip to Camp Hoover.

Pool opening signals summer events

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

Summer in Springfield has hardly begun, and the township's municipal pool has opened to mostly rave reviews.

"My husband, Bob, and I went out to the pool the other weekend and looked around," said Committeewoman Judith Bitzer. "The water is cold and has never been higher."

The pool has been open on weekends since Memorial Day and we shifted to daily operation Monday," said Recreation Director Michael Tennaro. "As of June 15, we have 550 families and individuals signed up for membership. That's about a 25 percent increase over last year."

The present state of affairs is a far cry from this time two years ago. A hole in the pool bottom developed, causing thousands of gallons of water to be lost. The leak indirectly led to the uncovering of other technical and personnel problems.

The Township Committee signed a repair plan and hired Tennaro in March 1997. The joint effort resulted in getting the revamped pool completed by May 25, 1997.

Work this winter concentrated on installing a new filtration system and refurbishing the kiddie wading pool. Basketball field lights were installed and a new pool manager was hired.

"This year's preparation got down to opening day like last year did," said Tennaro. "There were 14 straight days of rain in April, keeping the pool-tile caulking from drying."

Tennaro, with the Township Committee's permission, added an individual *senior citizen* rate on the membership roster. Individual and family rates are available, although the June 1 discount has expired.

Swimming instruction and swim teams are also available.

"Another thing we're doing is holding a day camp at the pool," said Tennaro. "It is open for children between 5 and 11 years old and replaces a program which used to be at the old Chisholm School."

A day camp at the Chisholm School Playground, however, will continue until Aug. 18. Games, sports, and arts and crafts, as in previous years, will be offered. Conversion of Chisholm to a recreation center, however, will make the building's basketball court and rest rooms unavailable.

Victims may be alerted to custody status

Legislation that would require the Department of Corrections to notify prosecutors and victims which selected inmates are granted custody status reviews was approved by the Legislature last week.

The bill, A-1849, sponsored by Assemblyman Joel Weingarten and Kevin O'Toole, would require the Department of Corrections to notify the attorney general or county prosecutor whenever an inmate incarcerated for a violent crime is scheduled to leave the correctional facility to participate in a community re-entry agreement program, halfway house program, substance abuse treatment program.

The county prosecutor then must notify the appropriate county Office of Victim and Witness Advocacy, which in turn would contact the crime victim or the victim's nearest relative if the crime resulted in death.

"Comments from the prosecutor, attorney general or victim could persuade the Department of Corrections to limit a prisoner's access to such programs and keep him or her behind bars longer," said Weingarten, R-Essex, Union, victims' especially, must be given that option.

"Situations in which a victim or family fears for their lives, notification is an absolute necessity," said O'Toole, R-Essex, Union. "Not only is it a matter of courtesy, but in some

cases it could be a matter of life and death."

The measure specifically pertains to first- or second-degree crimes involving serious bodily injury. In addition to offenses of murder, rape, vehicular homicide, aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault, aggravated assault, kidnapping, endangering the welfare of a child, and luring or enticing a child.

Under the bill, the written notice must include the inmate's name, identifying factors and the inmate's offense history. "Immediately upon receipt of this notice the county prosecutor or Attorney General must notify the Office of Victim and Witness Advocacy of the county in which the inmate was convicted and that office must use any reasonable means available to it to provide notice within 10 working days to the victim of the crime or the victim's family."

The bill specifies that notice to the victim is only required if requests for notification have been made by the victim or the victim's family. The bill specifies that notice to the victim is only required if requests for such notification has been made by the victim or the victim's family to the county prosecutor.

As amended, the bill permits the prosecutor or attorney general to sub

mit comments regarding the inmate's participation in re-entry community release program to the Department of Corrections for review. These comments may include any recommendations from the victim or the victim's family regarding the inmate's transfer to a release program or a halfway house. Upon receipt of comments for a victim, prosecutor or attorney general, the Department of Corrections would be required to give all due consideration to the information contained in comments when evaluating the inmate for participation in the program.

"This bill will provide victims and prosecutors with a greater degree of knowledge about the classification status of offenders," Weingarten said.

"One of the most important complaints heard is that a victim or the victim's family has no idea of the inmate's status, especially when it relates to possible release until the convict is back on the streets."

"A victim has a right to know when his or her assailant has been granted an opportunity involving less restriction and supervision," O'Toole said.

The Weingarten-O'Toole measure, which was merged with identical Senate legislation, was approved by a 78-41 vote. It now heads to the Governor for consideration.

Hospital awarded

The Children's Specialized Hospital Speech and Hearing Department in Mountaintop was the recipient of the President's Award for Excellence at the annual convention of the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Children's Specialized Hospital was the first pediatric program in the state to address feeding and swallowing as part of the speech therapy service and to integrate that program into the inpatient nursing care. Other innovative services include summer camps for those in need of intensive speech therapy, training in the use of augmentative communication devices, and a mobile clinic to provide evaluation, therapy and early intervention services to surrounding communities.

A day for doctors



Grazella Zonerach, M.D., a resident of Springfield and a gynecologist on the Medical Staff of Clara Maass Medical Center in Belleville, celebrates Doctor's Day with Donna Onisolo of the Essex County Medical Society Auxiliary.

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Stations such as TV-36 become an enormous asset to the local communities they serve when staff members dedicate themselves to supplying not only top quality programming but also valuable resources for area residents. In the past year alone, TV-36 produced 46 public service announcements for nonprofit groups, a feat which aids both the organizations that have few other means of voicing their messages and those who watch, listen, and learn a little something they might not otherwise have realized.

In addition, TV-36 featured 200 production volunteers in the past year, including two groups from Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield. Through the efforts of TV-36 staff, the eyes of high school students and other members of the community were opened to the tangible reality of creating programs and running a television station. This invaluable hands-on education undoubtedly broadened horizons for those intent upon a career in television.

TV-36 accomplished all of this while concurrently producing more than 175 quality shows that span the diverse interests of area residents, from legal and financial programming to art shows, religious broadcasts to women's health forums. One program in particular, Pat Andri's "Gourmet Lifestyle" magazine, was recognized for excellence in the Alliance for Community Media HomeTown Video Awards International Division.

We hope the creative and dedicated staff at TV-36 will continue to demonstrate the best in public access programming, and that residents of the 24,000 area homes serviced by the station will not only tune in but also support a valuable community resource.

Celebrate the American dream

Saturday is the Fourth of July, marking our nation's 219th birthday. Communities across the country will commemorate the occasion with a wealth of events — picnics, parades, fireworks, and the like.

We envision all residents of our community to embrace and participate in these activities, not for the sole purpose of having a party but to celebrate our nation, wars and all. Some 200 years ago, the finest each of the 13 colonies had to offer gathered in Philadelphia, each bringing differing views and philosophies. During that so-called spring and summer of 1776, these men, the greatest minds of their day, forged a nation despite heated arguments regarding what this new nation would be — in fact, there even was one. For many of these delegates, **opposed independence.**

The differences between Thomas Jefferson's original draft of the Declaration of Independence and the version that was finally approved by the Second Continental Congress are monumental. Debating everything from minutiae such as syntax to larger issues such as slavery, the delegates bickered and battled, conceded and compromised until the document reflected, as best it could, the beliefs of each and every man in attendance.

However, despite seemingly insurmountable odds, not the least of which was a violent war which the colonies were losing; the United States of America was born. This very event should serve as a stark example of just how much can be accomplished when we Americans unite, despite our differing opinions, just as we do today.

Among these men were names that would become part of our nation's history and foundation: Jefferson, John Adams, John Hancock, Benjamin Franklin, Samuel Adams, Richard Henry Lee, and so many others; men whose vision and tenacity would lead us out of oppression, through a war-torn valley of darkness, and into a free and noble land.

During that time, John Adams of Massachusetts, among the strongest proponents of independence, wrote in his letters to his wife, Abigail, of his vision of the future of an independent America. He wrote, "I see fireworks! I see the pagan and pompous parade. Hear the bells ringing out, I hear the cannons roar, I see Americans, all Americans, free forever more."

A more prophetic statement could not have been made. We are free Americans, celebrating loudly those very freedoms, and the men and women whose determination and leadership made us free.

Think Saturday, live Adams' vision. Celebrate our freedom as loudly as you can, remembering always how very lucky we are to be Americans... free forever more.



Lauren Gaffney sniffs a celebratory carnation after commencement ceremonies at Governor Livingston High School last week.

Photo by Milton Hill

Short tempers are all the rage on the road

A frightening new phenomenon has become part of our language lexicon and doesn't just go by the name "Road Rage." It has become part of our psyche and it is becoming more and more dangerous for those on the receiving end.

Road rage psychologically sums up the feelings of drivers who have been wrongfully punished for a driver's failure to conform to the constant hunking of a horn or waving in and out. There are other offenses and you probably know what they are. Unfortunately, road rage is a game of Russian Roulette and could end up with one or more people dead.

Of course, road rage is a kind of relief to get even. In a way, it's pay-back time and the fiercer could also lose his/her life.

Road rage is nothing new. It goes back to the "automobile's" earliest times and probably started on a Sunday afternoon before the turn of the century when Main Street was cluttered with three cars and none would yield to another.

Naturally, as the number of cars increased so did road rage. By now, Main Street is cluttered with 40 cars, none of which back off. I wonder when the first obscene gesture, flashed along with the usual string of foul words.

And as improvements were made to the cars, such as the ability to go ever faster, traffic tie-ups became more numerous and jampers began to rise in direct proportion to the gathering road mess.

AST See It

By Norman Rauscher, Correspondent

With some reason, there are too many drivers who fail to look at the automobile and its two tons of metal as a potent weapon capable of maiming, killing and doing great damage. For many, the automobile is an instrument to take you from one place to another in the shortest amount of time. And since cars are all but ubiquitous these days, some drivers put their entire faith into them, depending on them to know when to slow down for a curve, keep safe distances and stay within the lane. With all the advance in automobile engineering, a competent driver is still needed to guide the car through traffic jams, speeding vehicles and other road hazards.

There must have been a time in the life of the car when courtesy ruled the roadway. People did not take to heart or take too an obnoxious and sneering for a fight as they did today. As in most everything else, times were more genteel and kinder.

Today, if a driver gets too close to you, it's hugging the road; it's not too unusual for the offended one to shout out the window, promising to break open the driver's head like a

coconut. Now that's not too spirit of passive in the light of the hundreds, nay, thousands of new cars making their road debut every day. What's going to happen when the day arrives that America becomes one vast parking lot and cars come to a complete standstill because there's no place to go? Such a disaster would quell a lot of our problems: road rage would drop to a minimum since there would be no moving cars and there would be no need for rudeness, stupidity, or obscene gestures. We'd all be in the same boat.

Road rage has been slowly building, but in the last couple of years it has increased dramatically and at an escalating pace, making many drivers nervous wrecks afraid to venture onto the roads for fear that an overzealous driver will take it out of your line if you yawned a real or imagined traffic booby too near his car.

A few weeks ago I was on Route 78 when I suddenly realized that two cars a little bit ahead of me were leaving it out for some reason. Obviously, one driver was angry at something and the fire iron was going to be the weapon of choice.

Actually, road rage is a violent sign of impotence, earned to the extreme. Somehow or another, we have been weakened on getting things done as quickly as possible, whether it be writing a report, driving to a destination, getting into a restaurant, getting waited on at a store, etc., etc., etc. We are all burned, frustrated and complained to by a bank, etc. are always in back of

someone who has tons of business to attend to before the teller can get to you. You find it almost impossible to speak to a human being when calling your bank or credit card company. You take it because you realize you can't do a thing about it. However, on the road, where drivers feel they have no choice with others buffering the frame slugs, put-ons and obstructions, an angry driver will try to fight back through intimidation, getting out of his car or being go with a string of cuss words and threats. Most normal people don't like confrontation or public arguments. But there are others who thrive in that atmosphere and are equally spoiling for a fight.

I take the attitude, especially on the road, that nothing can be settled in an intelligent manner by going at it hammer and tongs. I always remember that my car is a weapon. So is the other person's car.

Under those circumstances, it would be better and smarter to shrug, let your spine and back off, making sure that you stay as far away as possible from the person with the fire iron.

Rage gradually subsides given time for heads to cool and emotions to calm down. Remember road rage is an expression we made up, and it's an offspring of our collective personalities. Let's not have road rage get the better of us. We're too smart, aren't we?

Norman Rauscher is a former newspaper publisher and frequent columnist for this newspaper.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Enjoy the Fourth of July

To the Editor:
During the past few weeks, residents have seen on TV and in the local press negative views of Springfield's government. Well, it's time to set the record straight about the real Springfield. Simply stated, Springfield is my home and a wonderful town to live in and raise a family. We have a great school system and excellent superintendent of schools who is making every effort to create an effective education for our children.

We have also been working diligently for the community to improve and change many things for the better. Talk about taxes and property values — all facts that taxes stabilized this year in the municipal portion. I want to mention some new changes in your town which can only enhance the image of Springfield and add to your property value. We now have FIRE Responders in our Fire Department. This is very important as it means that unlike many other towns, if there is an emergency or ambulance squad call, specially trained EMTs will be available during the day. This can really save a loved one's life.

We worked diligently and lobbied effectively for two major grants from the state. We will be adding to playgrounds in town with new and modernized equipment. We have removed all unsafe and outdated equipment. A major boost to property values will be the implementation of a new injury service for commuters to Manhattan. For too long, residents of town have been unfairly treated by Millburn and Summit, not allowing a large number of resident park the NJ Transit train to commuters' complaints and had me presenting them weekly to help Springfield's train commuters. As a result, we will be receiving a bus and a grant from NJ Transit to implement this service by the fall. We will provide a central location and various pickup sites to the train station. Imagine your having to beg for a parking spot and instead of paying ridiculous parking fees, to be taken directly to the train station at a nominal monthly fee.

As far as the Police Department, does it seem on one or two officers. Preeson is gone and I for one will make every effort to make sure he never returns. Overall, the Springfield Police Department is out there every day keeping our families and our neighborhoods safe.

Have you been watching the Chisholm building being renovated? Notice the new windows and new sidewalks. The inside will amaze you once it is all done! How about an air conditioned gym in the fall when the summer recreation center opens? It can only enhance the value of living in town. We will also have the YMCA of Summit share the space with all their programs. The YMCA's journal of part of the building will cover most of the cost of the debt service on the building.

Have the spines returned?

To the Editor:
This summer, if you have been in the pool, there are no complaints about the water of the pool. Now that just about everything has been repaired, the pool is running great with a banner year in membership. Come to the pool this season and enjoy the many programs for children and adults and simply enjoy the day!

Keeping Springfield a community is what we are all about. We have fought hard to maintain the small town image and will continue to fight big corporations from taking us out of town. We have the honor to present the local Chamber of Commerce into an effective group, in one year we have gone from 10 members to more than 50. The coming together of the business community will culminate in a dinner we have planned at Ballhaus on June 30. Any residents welcome to attend and learn more about our local chamber. We are also gearing up for the July 4 festival which this year will feature more fireworks, Springfield food vendors, exhibits and a petting zoo. Come to Meisel Field and enjoy the fun.

Let's all work together as we have always done for the betterment of Springfield and think about why we live here and will continue to do so. I welcome your comments and guidance, so feel free to call me at town hall at 912-2200 or send a note on our website. Remember, there will always be those in our community who want to incite anger and hatred. Let's ignore them and focus on the future of Springfield. Happy July 4 and many, many more. Celebrate Springfield!

Roy Hursfield
Springfield Township Committee

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Parade ends year of centennial celebration



Photo By Jeff Grant

Members of Fountain Baptist Church relax in front of the Centennial Quilt, which was displayed on Saturday as part of a parade, celebrating the church's 100th anniversary.



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Daniel Horn reaches for a balloon from one of the many clowns entertaining the parade's crowd. Members of the congregation have been marking the birthday of the Fountain Baptist Church all year and many pitched in to help make the final celebration a success.



Photo By Jeff Grant

Children, waiting for a balloon, peer up at Jamillah Glover.



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Centennial floats glide through the streets with church members on board.

Firefighters free captive of hospital elevator

A report of a person trapped in an Overlook Hospital elevator brought the department to the facility at about 8:36 a.m. on June 24. Firefighters and Overlook engineers found an elevator stuck between floors, preventing the adjacent elevator for releasing its passenger.

Engineering staffers shut off power in the shaft while firefighters freed the rider by going through the top hatch. The hospital paid both shafts out of service until repairs are made.

Word of an Euclid Avenue apartment fire brought an engine to the building at about 7:00 p.m. on June 25. Crew members traced the sixth floor smoke to some burnt chicken on an unattended stove. The cook halted the blaze by throwing a lid on the pot.

Other June 25 entries included a call for medical assistance at the Senior Citizens housing complex at about 11:23 a.m.

FIRE BLOTTER

The Fire Headquarters' day shift accepted a medical walk-in at about 12:17 p.m. on June 22. The Summit man said a puncture wound on his left arm was bleeding. Department members stopped the bleeding, applied bandage and let the man go on his way.

Unattended cooking brought an engine unit out for the second time in three days on June 21. This time, the location was a Pittsford Hill Avenue home at about 9:43 a.m. and the burning matter was butter. Water flowing through a Maple Street electrical junction box, creating sparks, was logged in at about 6:06 p.m.

A faulty electrical panel brought firefighters back to the Senior Center on Chestnut Street at about 11:14 a.m. on June 20.

Fire investigators removed an overheating ballast resistor from a Maple Street ceiling light at about 6:25 p.m. on June 19. Malfunctioning alarms sent units to the Washington School at 3 and 3:46 p.m. on June 19. The day's log also included the report of a General Public Utilities cable falling onto Edison Place at about 8:39 a.m.

Summit Fire Department members helped locate a noise in a Henry Street house in the middle of the night on June 19. The incident called fire headquarters, saying he was hearing a buzzing sound in a wall at about 4:17 a.m. It took investigators about 15 minutes to find the source of the noise, which was a radio left on inside a backpack leaning against an interior wall.

Police issue summons for sidewalk parking

The Summit Police Department advises motorists that parking on sidewalks is not a recommended remedy to a city's space shortage.

A city resident learned a lesson the hard way when she parked her pickup truck on Chestnut Street and received a summons on June 19. The driver, identified as Cathy A. Rubino, 40, was then arrested when she was discovered to be using a suspended driver's license.

Three police cars and a fire department engine were called to handle a two-car accident on Essex Road on June 25.

A Honda and a Land Rover collided near the traffic island on Springfield Avenue at about 2 p.m. One person was transported to Overlook Hospital by the Springfield Volunteer First Aid Squad. Essex Street was closed at the island until both vehicles were towed at 2:30 p.m.

A Newark man, identified as Gerald Hatcher, 37, was arrested for possession of stolen property and shoplifting on June 23.

Workers at Oratory Prep High

POLICE BLOTTER

School reported the building's front was defaced by spray paint sometime during June 22. The markings, which are considered by the police to be vandalism, were removed by June 26.

A city resident and two out-of-town men were arrested for motor vehicle violations on June 21 and 22.

The Summit man, identified as Emmanuel Rivera, 20, was booked for driving with a suspended license on June 21. He was joined by an Orange man, identified as Reinerio M. Gomez Jr., 28, for failing to stop at a red light and for driving an unregistered vehicle with a suspended registration.

The third man, identified as Ronald Serrano-Villegas, 32, of Gillette, was picked up for driving with a suspended license.

June 21 and 22 also saw a pair of burglaries and thefts. Someone removed a rear window screen to enter a house on Tulip Street sometime on June 21. The burglar took a

purse containing \$450 in cash and credit cards and an additional \$20 from an unlocked car parked in the driveway.

An open window appears to be the means for a Butler Parkway robbery on June 22. This thief took a gold necklace with rubies and diamonds valued at \$3,000. It is not known if the two thefts are related.

A 1992 Honda took an unauthorized trip to Newark on June 19. The vehicle, which was parked in a Harvard Street driveway, was reported stolen and was found in Newark the same day.

A \$200 cell phone was reportedly taken from an unlocked car on Hobart Avenue on June 19.

A Springfield resident identified as Barbara Mudge, 44, was pulled over by a Summit squad car for careless driving on June 18. The officer then noticed an open container of alcohol, but Mudge refused to take a breathalyzer test. She was subsequently arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Lions Club sponsors drive

The Summit Lions Club is sponsoring a blood drive to help shore up critically low supplies. The drive will be held at the Summit Area Red Cross, 685 Springfield Ave., Summit, on July 13, from 2 to 7:30 p.m.

Marie Babcock, blood director for the Summit Red Cross, said, "A spokesperson for New Jersey Blood Services has told us that blood supplies in the metropolitan area are critically low. In fact, supplies are so low that just one person who needs a large amount of blood in an emergency basis can create havoc with the system."

Babcock said all blood types are needed, especially O-Negative and B-Negative.

"O-Negative, the universal blood type which can be used in all

emergency for all types. It flows out the door like water. We are calling on everyone who is eligible to give blood. Even if it is only to make a critical difference in someone's life. And it costs nothing but an hour of your time," she said.

Most healthy people can donate blood if they weigh 110 pounds or more, are between 17 and 75 — 17 with written parent's permission — and have not donated in the last 56 days. Donors should eat before donating and will need identification with a photograph of signature.

The drive is co-sponsored by the Summit Area Red Cross and will be conducted by New Jersey Blood Services. For further information, call the Red Cross at (908) 273-2076.

Arboretum has summer positions

A high school or college student with extra time, who likes to work outdoors with children, may want to consider the paid position of teacher's assistant for two, non-consecutive weeks this summer at the Babcock Arboretum in Summit.

The Allegheny Tree Nature Camp provides, rain or shine, hikes and explorations along with related visits to connect children to their environment in a way that makes learning fun and offers new insights.

A teacher's assistant is needed for the weeks of July 27 to 31 when 5- to 7-year-olds meet "Plant Pals" and Aug. 10 to 14 for 7- to 9-year-olds who will focus on "Flora in Flight."

For more information, call Children's Education Coordinator Michelle Ocker at (908) 273-4767.

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Trip to Israel set

Temple Emanuel of Westfield is sponsoring a trip to Israel in the summer of 1989. The trip, led by Rabbi Jesse Goldring, will begin Oct. 19 and end Oct. 28. When the vacation in Israel is over, the best included in the itinerary is the sacred city of Jerusalem, the Holy Land, and the surrounding cities of Tel Aviv, Haifa, Galilee, Nazareth, Beit Shean, Old and New City of Jerusalem, Akko, and the Dead Sea. Special features include a deep tour of Galilee, the sea of Galilee, and a special tour of the Christian quarter of Jerusalem, an archaeological tour of the Old City of Jerusalem, and a special tour of the Dead Sea.

At current airfares, with a single supplement of \$835.41, you have the opportunity to celebrate Israel's 50th anniversary and Simchat Torah in Israel with Temple Emanuel at 10801 N. 2nd St., Westfield, Mass. 01095. (781) 667-6770.

Temple sponsors trip

An all-inclusive trip to celebrate Israel's 50th anniversary will be sponsored by the Renaissance Group of Temple Emanuel, 10801 N. 2nd St., Westfield, Mass. 01095. The 14-day fully escorted deluxe tour of Israel will leave from Newark Airport on Oct. 19. The cost is \$2,795 per person, round-trip, double occupancy. Single and triple rates are also available. All are invited to join the group. There will be an additional charge for non-Temple members.

The tour will begin in Jerusalem with accommodations at the new, Dan

Peal Hotel for four nights including extensive sightseeing and celebrating the Sabbath together with a dinner and service. The following day, the group will leave for Masada and an overnight stay at the Hyatt Spa at the Dead Sea. Next continuing south, there will be a visit to the Mines of Solomon, Mt. Peor, and a stop at a working kibbutz for lunch. The overnight stay will be at the Moshav Elifan, followed by a tour of the underwater aquarium, bird sanctuary and Biblical Zoo. Next on the itinerary through the Arava border, arriving at the city of Petra where the night will be spent.

The following day there will be a tour of the ancient buildings of red sandstone, traveling north to the Jordanian mountains viewing Mount Nebo where Moses first viewed the Promised Land, and stopping at Amman and Jerash, toward evening, the group will cross back into Israel

via the Hashim Bridge and an overnight stay at the Mughal Hotel in Tiberias, there will be an early morning visit to Tiberias, followed by the Galilee Heights, Megiddo, Haifa, and Caesarea. The final destination will be Tel Aviv to view such attractions as the Diaspora Museum and Jaffa and a farewell middle eastern dinner at the hotel.

Included in the tour price is the extensive sightseeing, deluxe multi-currency Israeli breakfast, daily five dinners, all taxes and service charges, all tips for guides and drivers, private shuttle vans, and meetings with Israel Government officials.

Space for the Shalom Shalom Renaissance Group of Temple Emanuel is limited. Reservations must be made by June 1. For additional information or to make reservations, contact Magye

Grushbar, of Arlene Newman through the Temple office at 10801 N. 2nd St., Westfield, Mass. 01095. (781) 667-6770.

Summer programs offered

Faith Lutheran Church, located at 524 South St. in New Providence, is offering two summer programs for children. Vacating Bible School, for children ages four through second grade, will be held July 6-10, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The curriculum focuses on prayer and is called "God's Kidz Pray." Running concurrently will be "Chug's Fun," a program for children ages five through eight grades three through six. Chug's Fun also focuses on prayer with the theme "Heart Our Prayer Everywhere World Tour."

Both programs will include age appropriate crafts, games, and Bible

stories. Students in both programs will make crafts from Israel, Thailand, Chile, Latvia, and Namibia. Children enrolled in Club Faith will also build a World Village, with structures from Thailand, Chile, and Namibia, that the younger children can visit. The cost for both programs is \$15.00 per child. To register contact the church office at (908) 664-5177.

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OBITUARIES

Charles Burnett

Charles Burnett of Springfield died on Tuesday, June 21, 1988, at the age of 73. He was born in Springfield, Mass., on June 21, 1915. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Springfield and a member of the Springfield Golf and Country Club. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, and his parents, Charles and Mary Burnett.

Mary and Springfield before moving to Massachusetts in 1938. She was a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Springfield for many years before retiring. Previously, Mrs. Whalen had been an attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. She received a law degree from the University of Maryland and a law degree from George Washington University, Washington, D.C. Mrs. Whalen was admitted to the bar in New Jersey and the District of Columbia and also was admitted to practice law before the U.S. Supreme Court. She served as a volunteer for the Burnell Elementary School library in Bridgewater for 10 years.

Surviving are two daughters, Hope Burns and Clare Whalen Parent, and a grandchild.

Julia M. Winchurch

Julia M. Winchurch, 86, of Mountain Road, died June 21 at Oakwood Hospital, Summit. Mrs. Winchurch lived in Union before moving to Mountain Road 44 years ago. She was a member of the Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Mountain Road. Surviving are three sons, Richard A., Thomas W. and Robert E., and two granddaughters.

Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone. Obituary notices must be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call (908) 686-7700.

Mildred H. Whalen

Mildred H. Whalen, 86, of Budget Lane, died June 21 at Springfield Hospital, 5700 The Waynesburg Nursing Home, 1000 Main Ave. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Springfield.

Panic group to meet in Union

The Kappa Epsilon, based in New Brunswick, will hold weekly panic and grief support group meetings every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Township of Union. The meetings will help techniques to deal with limitations brought on by panic and anxiety disorders. The weekly group fee is \$15. For information — including meeting location, contact confidential — call Panic Relief at (732) 937-4832.

Passing the torch



Eighth-grade graduates of St. James' Apostle School in Springfield light candles for their seventh grade counterparts in the Pass It On ceremony, a recent commencement celebration. The ceremony symbolizes the responsibilities passed on to the next generation of seniors as well as the religious significance of passing on the love of God and one another.

Firm displays art in tribute

The law firm of Carpenter, Bennett & Morse recently unveiled a painting of Elmer J. Bennett's longtime partner and a former Mayor of Summit, who died in 1936. The portrait is of permanent display in the firm's conference room in Three Gateway Center, Summit.

Life-sized, it was painted by Paul W. McCormack of Glenham, N.Y., an award-winning artist. Mr. McCormack is also a faculty member of the New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts and the Somerset Art Association.

Present at the unveiling were Bennett's widow, children and grandchildren, as well as members and employees of the firm, active and retired.

Bennett retired from the firm and became a counsel in 1983 after 50 years of service, 37 of them as a partner. He specialized in trusts and estates, but also was involved in several New Jersey Supreme Court landmark decisions in the areas of corporate and insurance law. He was a senior committee member of the Client Security Fund, later taken over by the New Jersey Supreme Court, a client protection model for several other states.

A longtime co-leader in Summit, Bennett served as mayor from 1970 through 1973, following 10 years on the Colton Council, including four as council president.

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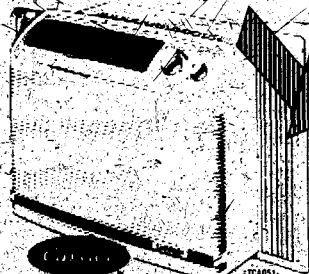
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FBLA Award of Excellence
Fourth Place Regional Competition
Computer Applications
Sophomore

Fifth Place State Competition in Economics
Rafal Polanski

Business Management
Outstanding Service to Charitable Organizations Award: Wendy Horowitz, Jameson Kon, Keasha Simmons and Jenn Vogel

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October: Wendy Horowitz, November: Katerina Moulinos, December: Melissa Trautenberg, January: Tara Neumeister, February: Lisa Siegler, March: Adam Steele, April: Jessica Stapler, May: Josh Milman, June: Sam Battaglia

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Band Service Award: Ben Krayon

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Physics II: Chris Behar, Mike Ferdman and Adam Steele
Earth Science: Michael Lyubimov
Top 10 percent of students in Science League:
Biology: I. Sergey Khorochevskiy

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Coaches: Holly and Fred Hausman

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Culinary Award: Chris Loeffler
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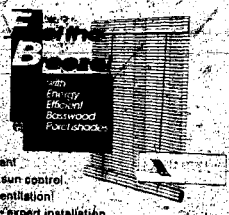
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