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Furious Floyd attacks

Springfield overrun with roaring rivers

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer

Hurricane Floyd's visit last week resulted in Springfield being assaulted from three different sources Thursday.

A Rahway River tributary on Caldwell Place and a stream on Morris Avenue, along with a build-up of water in a parking lot behind a row of Morris Avenue businesses, combined to deposit water, mud and mulch in the cellars and on the stairs of the township's businesses, residences, government offices and library.

The municipal building was especially hard hit, with water from the Mountain Avenue stream rushing down Center Street and rising to a height of over 6 feet in the building's basement. According to a press release from the Springfield Office of Emergency Management, "At 6:30 p.m., the basement of the Town Hall had filled with water and raw sewage."

All electrical panels, meters, telephone switching equipment, 9-1-1 equipment, offices and lockers full of equipment were submerged. The Police Department's radio system went off the air, local 9-1-1 was down and even cellular phones failed. Lesser flooding occurred across the street, in the Municipal Building's annex on North Trivet Avenue.

Local Emergency Management Coordinator John Cottage declared a "State of Emergency" by radio to the Emergency Operating Center. Police were forced to relocate to the Sarah Bailey Civic Center. All 9-1-1 calls

were routed to the Union County Police Department, who then forwarded the calls to the civic center. During the crisis, the Springfield Fire Department continued to dispatch from mobile radio equipment.

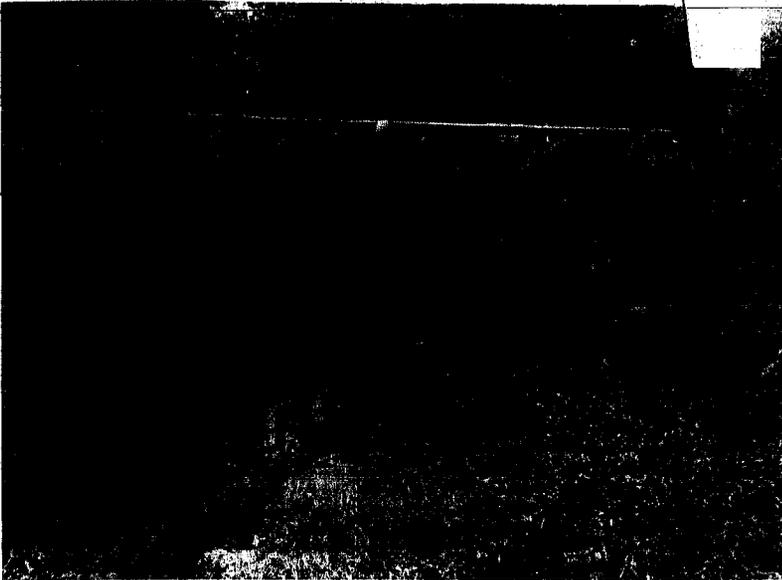
According to Township Administrator Rich Sheola, township employees left their offices at noon Thursday.

Sheola himself went around the block to the fire house, where water from the tributary on Caldwell Place continued to rise until, around early evening, it began a final, rapid climb up the ramp leading to the garage doors. Fire personnel were forced to evacuate in a hurry, taking shelter in a Chinese restaurant on Morris Avenue.

Sheola described the water level in front of the Municipal Building as being nearly as high as the bushes circling the World War II memorial.

A South Trivet Avenue resident confirmed the height, pointing out that the small "Police Parking Only" signs dotting the grass along Trivet were all submerged.

Water rushed from the Mountain Avenue stream, prying loose the wooden footbridge from behind Hershey Ice Cream and depositing it a few hundred yards down the road against the bridge on Hannah Street. Driveways along Center Street flooded, submerging car engines under several feet of water. The Department of Public Works, also located on Center Street, had about 2 feet of water inside its garage, according to Ken Homlish, the department's supervisor.



The wooden footbridge behind the Hershey Ice Cream building is pried loose from the Mountain Avenue stream because of the water and winds from Hurricane Floyd. It landed a few hundred yards down the road against the bridge on Hannah Street.

Photo by Barbara Kobbins

"We lost things like stationary supplies and some files, although nothing expensive," Homlish said. "We scrambled. We put most of the files in a bag and ran the bag out and put it on high ground."

On Thursday night, following the storm, Homlish and his crew went to the front-end loaders to pull down trees and debris. DFW crews spent most of Friday pumping out basements and dealing with tree and branch clean-up. DFW pumped out the Municipal Building's annex, with members of the Fire Department doing the pumping on the Municipal Building proper.

According to Fire Chief William Gras, the department also answered

numerous water rescue calls. Victims often were able to extricate themselves, although on several occasions people had to be taken to a shelter that had been established at Jonathan Dayton High School.

One Mockes Street family received shelter from another family on their block when the rear side partial side wall of their basement collapsed into their home around 6:30 p.m. The collapse was caused by outside water pressure.

The storm had the Fire Department running full tilt. "We were at full staff for two continuous days," Gras said. "One hundred percent of our personnel, plus volunteers. The men were working 24 hours nonstop, with three hours rest. This one really taxed us."

The department prepared for the storm by stocking up on supplies. "We knew we'd be here for a while," Gras said. "It was amazing to see how all our services around town pulled together to deal with this. I'm proud of the way all the services — fire, health, police — worked together."

On Morris Avenue, business was spotty the day after the storm. The Il Nido Italian Restaurant had a note on the door, informing its patrons of flood conditions. Just a few doors away, Morris Avenue Hair Styling was open for business, with no water reported in the cellar. A chiropractic office was closed, with a pump in operation in its driveway. Wells' Opticians was victimized with some

mud and water from the lot behind the building.

Across the street, florist Donna DelMauro reported 2 feet of water in her basement. DelMauro's business is just feet away from the Mountain Avenue stream.

"Most businesses had water in the cellar," DelMauro said. The brook here has almost nothing in it, usually. It's been bad when there's been a lot of snow or rain, but we've never had anything like this."

DelMauro's business, which is housed in an old building, is next door to Sunmaster Tanning and Spa. Water entering from an upstairs apartment leaked through the ceiling of Sunmaster. See LIBRARY, Page 3



Springfield's Town Hall was one of the hardest buildings hit by Hurricane Floyd Sept. 16. The Police Department is temporarily operating from the Sarah Bailey Civic Center.

Photo by Barbara Kobbins

Borough 'fares well' during Floyd's floods

By Pamela Isaacson
Managing Editor

As Mountainside residents dug canoes out of their garages to paddle on borough streets Thursday, volunteers assisted homeowners in clearing water from their basements.

"We are all grateful that we have these men and women who volunteer their time to help our community," said Police Chief/Interim Borough Administrator James DeBilis.

In Mountainside, there were no injuries and no evacuations during last week's Hurricane Floyd. "We fared well," said Detective Sgt. Todd Turner. "We were fortunate."

He said a majority of the complaints registered with the department concerned power outages and water in the basement of homes.

Police officers shut down roads along Route 22 because of flooding conditions. "The aftermath produced power outages which resulted in having officers direct traffic at intersections otherwise handled by traffic lights," stated a release from the Police Department.

The volunteer Fire Department handled calls for downed power lines and helped residents pump water from their basements.

"It was a team effort on the part of the Police Department and all of the volunteer emergency services," Turner said. "There are still people who see that their community will benefit from their efforts. Maybe this will spark the spirit."

The Police Department acted as a hub for concerned residents. "Naturally, when there's a problem, everyone calls the police," Turner said. "We get the brunt of it, and it goes from there."

He said a major role of the department last week was to coordinate efforts between the police, fire department, rescue squad and Department of Public Works, to disseminate information, remove fallen trees and direct traffic. The contaminated water situation was announced by rescue squad members driving around town and announcing over a loud speaker the precautions to take before drinking water. Residents were instructed to boil all water five minutes prior to drinking.

Mountainside receives its water from the Elizabethtown Water Company.

Borough approves Comcast deal

By Anthony Puglisi
Staff Writer

Mountainside soon will have its own cable access channel with local programming available for 24 hours a day.

The Borough Council unanimously approved a 15-year contract with Comcast Cablevision of New Jersey to provide cable television service to the borough.

Under the terms of the contract, the borough will no longer have to share a community access channel with Fanwood and will receive programming that is developed by Berkeley Heights.

Under the old contract, Mountainside and Fanwood used the station on alternating days and Mountainside could not access programming that originated from Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights, where high school students from Mountainside are enrolled.

In addition, the borough will receive \$2,500 in cash from Comcast to purchase video equipment and will receive a personal computer-based character generator to make it easier to post announcements on the station. A second character generator

computer will be provided to the school district. The total cost of the two computers will be about \$10,000.

There are provisions to provide a second dedicated fiber optic return line to Deerfield School, in addition to the one now serving the municipal building. There also are provisions to provide the town and school district with Internet access.

As a franchise fee, the borough will receive 2 percent of the gross revenues from all subscription costs charged to residents.

The way the contract is structured, the borough can review the contract every five years and negotiate changes in or terminate the contract at those times.

In other business, the council unanimously approved an amendment to a two-year-old bond ordinance to pay for the construction of a computer parking lot across the street from the municipal building. The \$180,000 for the parking lot will be paid by the borough, which will be reimbursed by the state Department of Transportation.

field to renovate the firehouse. Work to be performed is powerwashing the exterior of the building, painting the interior, cleaning the chimney and fixing ceiling and floor tiles.

During public participation, Linda Esmerline asked why the council waited to perform the renovations in bulk instead of fixing items as problems arose. "I want to know what your long-range plans are so we don't have to spend large sums of money all at once," she said.

The firehouse was built in the mid-1970s. Little work has been done on the building, except for roof repairs made several years ago.

Work on the firehouse is being paid for from the same bond ordinance which is funding the parking lot improvements.

Also during the public comment session, resident Adele Magnolia asked for an update on the committee investigating salary increases for the council and mayor.

Mayor Robert Vigilanti said he could not provide an update because he has avoided going involved in the committee. "It is an autonomous body," he said.

The golden rules



Deerfield School teacher Jana MacMillan reviews the rules with her kindergarten students in Mountainside on the first day of school.

Photo by Milton Holt

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The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To give your community event the publicity it deserves, mail your schedule to managing editor, Echo Leader, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today
• The Newcomers of Mountaineer will sponsor a new member coffee for anyone interested in joining. For more information call Teri Schmiedel at (908) 301-0147.

• All are invited to attend the opening meeting of the 1999-2000 session of the Springfield Hadassah at Temple Beth Ahim, Springfield at 8 p.m. a topic for discussion this evening will be the honor given to first lady Hillary Clinton at the Hadassah national conference in July.

Sunday
• Visitors are invited to celebrate America's heritage at Trailside's Annual Harvest Festival from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Guests will see demonstrations of how early Americans lived and performed daily tasks. Admission is \$3 for each person. Children ages 7 and under are free.

• At noon, 1, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m., visitors can delve into the mythology of Native Americans at the Trailside Nature and Science Center. Admission is \$3 per person and \$2.50 for senior citizens. The noon and 2:30 p.m. shows are for ages 6 and up. The programs at 1 and 3:30 p.m. are for ages 4 to 6 with an adult.

Tuesday
• The Union County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a networking social at the Office Depot in Springfield from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The store is located in the Echo Shopping Plaza, in between Route 22 and Mountain Avenue, Springfield. The fee is \$15 for members and \$20 for nonmembers. For more information call (908) 325-0900.

Wednesday
• The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will feature Monique Gilbert, assistant director of financial aid at Fairleigh Dickinson University at 7 p.m. She will discuss with high school students and parents the often-complicated process of applying for financial aid. For details and registration call (973) 376-4930.

Upcoming events
Sept. 30
• The Westfield Regional Health Department will

conduct a Pneumonia Vaccination Program from 6 to 7 p.m. The program will be in the Westfield Municipal Building, Court Room, 425 East Broad St., Westfield. The department handles Greenwood, Fanwood, Mountaineer, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield.

Oct. 2
• Springfield's James Caldwell School Parent Teachers Association will sponsor its annual Fall Festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 36 Caldwell Place.
• Members of the Mountaineer Newcomers Club are invited to the club's annual progressive dinner. For more information call Janine Cardone at (908) 232-6411.

Oct. 3
• Mary Feinsinger's "Klezmer All Stars" will be performing at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library at 2 p.m. This program is free and open to all with an attendance limit of 120 people. Tickets are available at the circulation desk. The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Library at 66 Mountain Ave. For more information call (973) 376-4930.

Oct. 14
• The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., is rounding its Foreign Film Festival with movies from around the world with "After Life" at noon and 7 p.m.

Oct. 16
• Springfield will hold its seventh annual Clean Communities Weekend Oct. 16 and 17 to reduce the litter in public parks and playgrounds. Registration forms can be picked up at Town Hall, the Annex Building, Public Works Garage, the Springfield Free Public Library and the Sarah Bailey Civic Center.

• At 1 p.m., in celebration of Humanities Festival Week, the Springfield Free Public Library plans to present a lecture with photographs — "A Jewish Boy in Poland." The lecture, given by Norman Salsitz of Springfield, will be in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the library, 66 Mountain Ave.

Oct. 21
• The First Congregation of The Presbyterian Church at Springfield will hold a rummage sale Oct. 21 through Oct. 23. Held at the Parish House, 37 Church Mall, the first two days will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Oct. 23 sale will run from 9:30 to noon.

NEWS CLIPS

Foothill Club plans lunch

Members of the Foothill Club of Mountaineer set a date for lunch and laughter.
Reservations are being taken for the comedy show "Never too Late" at the Somerville Elks Club Sept. 30. The cost is \$28.50 per person. Car pooling will be available.
For more information call Rose Sjeik at (908) 232-0403.

The Foothill Club is a nonprofit organization contributing to community needs. Guests are always welcome.
For more information and reservations call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626.

Participation required to keep Springfield green

The Township of Springfield will sponsor its seventh annual Clean Communities Weekend Oct. 16 and 17. Community organizations, families and interested individuals are invited to work together to reduce the amount of litter in the parks, playgrounds and on public property and roadsides.
Registration forms can be picked up at Town Hall, the Annex Building, Public Works Garage, the Springfield Free Public Library and the Sarah Bailey Civic Center.

Library hosts series for college-bound kids

Attention high school juniors and seniors: As September rapidly approaches, are you starting to worry about applying to college? How will you write a meaningful essay? Will you be eligible for financial aid, and how do you even apply? Are you content with your PSAT and SAT scores, or could you use some test-taking strategies to help give you the boost?

To help college-bound high school seniors and their parents tackle some of these difficult issues, the Springfield Public Library is presenting a three-part series titled, "Getting Ready for College."
A program on Wednesday at 7 p.m. will feature Monique Gilbert, assistant director of financial aid at Fairleigh Dickinson University. She will discuss the often-complicated process of applying for financial aid.

All programs are free, but advanced registration is requested. Refreshments will be served.
Call (973) 376-4930 to reserve a space, or register in person at the library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield.

Palmer Museum accepts artists' applications

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library is currently accepting applications for artists who wish to exhibit their work in 2000-2001.
Applicants are asked to submit a

current resume, 10 slides representative of the work and a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Applications will be reviewed by the Museum Committee in November.

The 36-by-56-foot Palmer Museum was opened at its current site in 1939 when the Library Board of Trustees appropriated \$25 to Springfield resident Donald Palmer to purchase pictures of Springfield. Portions of the permanent Palmer Collection are on display throughout the year.

Since 1992, the museum has provided space for the exhibit of art and historical works and for the presentation of cultural programs.

The museum is currently in the second year of a three-year series of concerts sponsored by the Barber family. Many other events have been made possible through grants from the Union County Department of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Applications should be mailed to the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield, 07081 no later than Oct. 29.

Library seeks donations

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library would like donations of used paperback novels. Also welcome are magazines with one year's date.

The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are from 1 to 4 p.m.

Clubs use SPL computer

Those organizations in Springfield that wish to have the latest information on their organization in the Springfield Free Public Library's computer, can call the library's reference department at (973) 376-4930, ext. 28.

The library needs the name, address and telephone number of the person to be contacted for anyone interested in further information.

Seniors organize events

The senior citizens of Springfield are alive and well meeting on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning in September.

The group also will sponsor the following trips:
• Oct. 17-18 — The Wonders of the Connecticut Woods — This trip includes a one-and-a-half-hour tour to Newport, R.I. Stops include Foxwoods casino and the Methuen Sun.
• Oct. 25 — "Flavors Brewhaus" includes lunch, dinner and a day filled with many activities. The October Fest costs \$55 for each person.
• Dec. 13 — "City Lights" — Enjoy dinner in Little Italy, a three-hour tour of the festive lights and a visit to Ferrara's Bakery. The cost is \$65 for each person. All tips and taxes are included.

For more information call Charlotte Faigenbaum at (973) 379-5241.

Klezmer stars will perform at library

Mary Feinsinger's "Klezmer All Stars" will be performing at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., on Oct. 3 at 2 p.m. The "Klezmer All Stars" are four musical artists who combine their talents to present a unique sound in klezmer music — often called "Jewish Jazz." They offer a mix of traditional and original klezmer tunes, Yiddish songs and gypsy, Russian and Latino melodies.
Feinsinger, voice and keyboard, co-wrote and performed in last season's off-Broadway "Hot Klezmer" and was co-founder, vocalist and keyboard artist of the West End Klezmerim. A Juilliard graduate in voice, she has sung contemporary classical music, opera and cabaret. She currently serves as cantor of the Rossmore Jewish congregation. She teaches at Manges College of Music.

and tenor banjo, is one of New York's foremost performers and instrumental teachers. He has performed with the New York City Ballet orchestra and played the madolin at a 1999 Metro-politan Opera premiere.
Peter Stan, accordion, was a member of the West End Klezmerim. Born in Australia into a Rom musical family from Yugoslavia, he brings the richness of Balkan music to the "All Stars."
Funding for this concert has been provided by the A. Leigh Barber Memorial Fund. Barber, a longtime local resident, was active in all library issues. Because of his actions on behalf of the county system and of local libraries in Essex County, the New Jersey State Library Association awarded him its Library Service Award in 1988.
This program is free and open to all with an attendance limit of 120 people. Tickets are available at the circulation desk.



Mary Feinsinger

The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Library at 66 Mountain Ave. For more information call (973) 376-4930.

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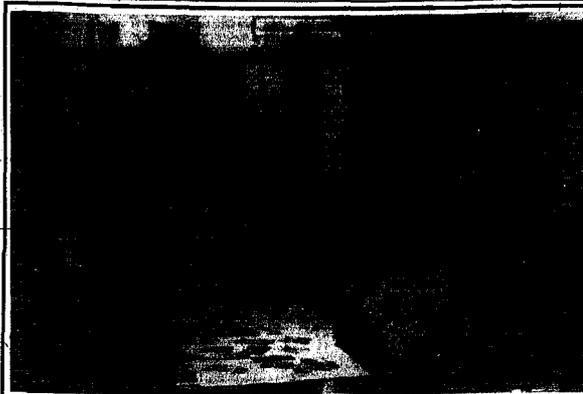
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Foundation grants enhance curricula

By Pamela Isaacson
Managing Editor

Students in Mountside may start seeing a few little extras that venture outside the standard curriculum.

With enough support from the business community, the fledgling Mountside Education Foundation could raise money to support a myriad of innovative programs.

An independent, nonprofit, community-based organization, the foundation was "formed for the purpose of enhancing the quality of education by promoting additional educational opportunities," reads the mission statement. "The foundation is a community response to a national challenge to keep Mountside's young people competitive and productive in an increasingly competitive, complex and changing world and marketplace. Through community and business support, the Mountside Education Foundation will direct available resources toward areas of identified need, providing an effective mechanism for allocating resources for valuable educational programs."

President Laura Alpert explained the foundation is there for teachers, administrators, members of the general community, parents or students to brainstorm an idea that would further enhance education and enrich the current curriculum. Through a grant from the foundation, these ideas could be implemented at Deerfield School.

As the foundation is in its formative stages, resources are limited. As of now, funds requested may not exceed \$300. After the first three years of the foundation's existence, funds are expected to increase to \$500 per staff member for one fiscal year.

Alpert said she hopes eventually to distribute funds twice a year, in September and January. She said the foundation, while similar to the Parent-Teacher Association in that it raises money, the PTA focuses on enrichment events, such as assemblies

or field trips. The foundation-sponsored programs would be built into the curriculum.

There are six primary award categories that touch on every aspect of a well-rounded curriculum. The first, academic enrichment, would be awarded to a program that fulfills a variety of needs for students and teachers "with the primary aim to provide learning opportunities beyond the core curriculum."

The arts and education award would give students a chance to experience programs in the fine arts and performing arts.

Students would be exposed to a variety of cross-cultural experiences with the multi-cultural award. Community outreach focuses on projects

designed "to expand the interaction between students, faculty and members of the broader community."

The foundation also leaves room for professional development for teachers and administrators and technology and learning.

Open to the public, an Oct. 15 kick-off event will be the first official fundraiser for the foundation. Held at Deerfield School from 7 to 9 p.m., there will be entertainment and prizes donated from local residents and merchants.

Residents Harry and Wende Devlin, renowned artists, donated two prints as prizes. Other prizes include a used car from Planet Honda on Route 22 and dinner at Gramercy Tavern in New York.

Resident provides BlueJean opportunity

Tara Vaccaro of Springfield is the program coordinator for Opportunity Project's third annual BlueJean Week, Oct. 25-29. Opportunity Project is a Millburn-based organization that has a work-oriented clubhouse programs to empower persons with acquired brain injury to lead more independent lives.

Corporate underwriters this year are the New Jersey Nets and Schering Plough. Sponsors include St. Barnabas Healthcare Development Foundation, The Economics Press, Dialogic Corporation and Kirker Enterprises. Due to their support, all funds raised from this event

will be used to provide scholarships to individuals who would otherwise be unable to attend the clubhouse.

Prizes are available for the participants in BlueJean Week, such as NJ Nets tickets, Gap certificates and other items. The project works when businesses designate a BlueJean Day. During the weeks leading up to that day, employees purchase a button for a minimum contribution of \$5. This entitles employees to dress in "casual attire" on the selected day.

For more information call (973) 763-5771.

Springfield Public Library resumes film festival

The Springfield Free Public Library will resume its Foreign Film Festival with movies from around the world with "After Life" Oct. 14 at noon and 7 p.m.

"After Life" is a 1999 release of a Japanese film directed by Hirokazu Kore-EDA. This film, in the tradition of "It's a Wonderful Life" and "Heaven Can Wait," is a thought-provoking fantasy that's sure to haunt the viewer long after seeing it. At a metaphysical way-station between heaven and earth, a batch of recently deceased people of all ages arrive for "processing."

They have to choose one memory they may take with them to Eternity. Will it be the taste of the sweetest fruit, the ecstasy of love or resting

your head in your mother's lap? This moving and often funny meditation on the meaning of life and happiness was filmed in 16mm with natural lighting for a grainy, other-worldly effect. This film is 115 minutes long.

Other films in the 1999 half of this series are "The Best Man," Nov. 18 and "A Friend of the Deceased," Dec. 16. Watch out for more movies in the spring of 2000.

Funding for this program has been made possible by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. It also is funded in part by the Friends of the Springfield Public Library. Admission is free to all films.

Space is limited to 60 people at each showing.

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EDITORIALS

Impact will linger

The winds and rain from Hurricane Floyd were a memory, albeit a bad memory for many, but its impact will remain with us for weeks to come.

Not only did Floyd cause massive flooding, ranging in the billions of dollars in states along the East Coast, and power outages for hundreds of thousands of people, it has severely affected our local water supply.

Although Elizabethtown Water Co. was hardest hit because its water treatment facility in Bound Brook was submerged by the flood waters that devastated the Somerset County town, several water companies in the area are asking residents to take precautions before consuming tap water in our homes and businesses.

They are also asking residents and business owners to drastically reduce their consumption of water because, until repairs at the treatment facility can be made, water could become a luxury.

One of the biggest obstacles facing the water companies has been their ability to alert the public to tainted water supplies. As a public service, we are publishing tips our readers should follow to ensure that we move smoothly through this water crisis.

The information is being released by Elizabethtown Water Co., but applies to all areas that are affected.

- Boil water for three minutes before consuming.
- Use bottled water instead of tap water.
- When cleaning dishes in a dishwasher, turn the dishwasher to sanitizing rinse.
- When cleaning dishes by hand, use soap and water. Air dry.

- If at all possible, limit flushing the toilet to once per day.
- Showering uses less water than bathing. When showering, keep your time to a minimum.

If residents use these tips, water companies report that there will not be such a strain on their supplies. If we were able to cut back consumption of water during this summer's drought, we certainly can find ways to adhere to these suggestions, especially because the consequences will have a greater impact.

Also with Floyd, the most frequent comment we have heard was, "In all my time in my house, I never got water." Many homes that had never experienced water in basements were not exempt from the torrential rains from what had become Tropical Storm Floyd by the time it reached New Jersey.

Although by now, most residents have dried their basements and discarded many damaged items, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has issued advisories for residents who experienced a great deal of water in their basements or had to be evacuated because of excessive flooding.

- Turn off electricity — Don't use appliances or motors that have gotten wet until they have been taken apart, cleaned and dried.

- Be alert for gas leaks — Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Don't smoke or use candles, lanterns or open flames unless you are sure that the gas has been turned off and the area has been aired out.

- Clean everything that got wet — Flood waters have picked up sewage and chemicals from roads, factories and storage buildings. Spoiled food and flooded cosmetics and medicines are health hazards. "When in doubt, throw it out," FEMA states.

- Do not save ruined items for inspectors — Mud and mold left behind by flood waters may be health hazards. Take photographs or compile a list to itemize your losses, but get rid of the ruined items as soon as possible.

- Be prepared for a rough time — Recovering from a flood is a big job. It is wearing on both the body and the spirit. The after-effects of a disaster on you and your family may last a long time. Consult a health professional on how to recognize and care for anxiety, stress and fatigue.

President Clinton signed an emergency declaration Sunday for New Jersey to help meet immediate needs and pay part of the cost for debris removal and emergency services related to Hurricane Floyd in all of the state's 21 counties. That should help in towns such as Cranford, Springfield, West Orange, Maplewood, Irvington and Union, where the Rockaway River spilled vigorously into the streets and then into the homes of neighboring property owners.

Hurricane Floyd came roaring through our towns, and sadly, there was not a darned thing we could have done about it. Now that the storm is a memory, we must continue to pick up the pieces of the devastation it left behind.

"Liberty is meaningless where the right to utter one's thoughts and opinions has ceased to exist."
—Frederick Douglass
Abolitionist, journalist
1860

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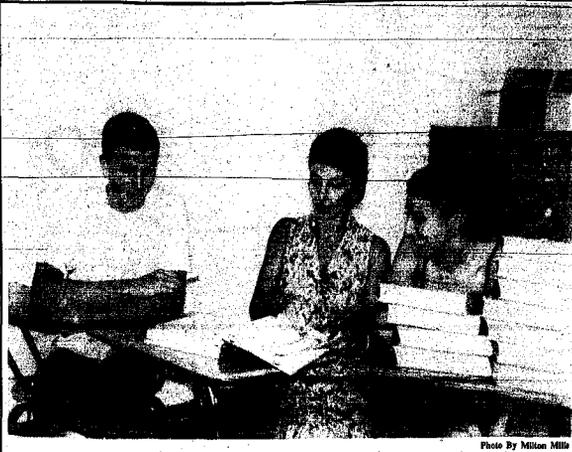


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ACCOUNTING 101 — Jonathan Dayton High School teacher Pat Darcy assigns accounting textbooks to students David Woodruff and Rebecca Friedman on the first day of school.

A lesson learned from my battle with Floyd

Storms don't scare me. The remnants of Hurricane Floyd blustered and flustered, flailed and wailed. I wasn't worried. My home in Springfield used the blueprints left behind by the third of the three little pigs. Floyd huffed and puffed but he couldn't get in.

Rain hammered the shingles, branches crashed against the doors, the wind howled across the windows. The only casualty proved to be a backyard bird house. With impotent rage, Floyd flung the little home onto the neighbor's lawn. No problem; I've got his garbage cans. We can work out a trade.

Unable to breach the walls of my little brick bunker, the hurricane resorted to siege tactics. The water rose, slowly but surely; by evening, Springfield's creeks and ponds had crested. Mountain, Meisel and Springfield avenues were closed, but inside my home the sump-pump and I were warm and dry. We had withstood the flood waters. But Floyd hadn't surrendered yet. He was about to deliver the cruelest blow of all.

Friday morning, the electricity in my neighborhood had waned, but held. I was lucky; many had lost power the previous day. One friend lost power and telephone service to a felled tree. Another had a combination water heater/furnace with an electric pilot — in other words, no hot water. I smugly invited him to my impenetrable fortress for a shower and the Yankee game. He declined; he had to bail water from his basement.

Driving home Friday evening from work, the traffic lights were out. A traffic cop was diverting every car away from my street; I had to tell him

Reporter's Notebook

By Craig Garretson
Staff Writer

my address before he'd let me continue home.

Surely, this was a bad omen. Past dark street lights and dark homes, I pulled into my driveway and negotiated around the obstacle course Floyd had thrown across my back yard. Fumbling with my keys in the blackness, I made my way inside to an equally dark home.

For the first time in years, perhaps every home on my street hit the pillow before 11 p.m. No Jay Leno, no "SportsCenter," no late-night Web surfing. Floyd had but one weapon left at his disposal, but it was a powerful one. He couldn't bring down the walls to crush me, nor raise a flood to drown me, not even close every major road in town to maroon me in Union. But by shutting off the power, Floyd's meaning was clear — he intended to bore me to death.

Alarm clock dark, I awoke with the sun — rising high and bright in the clear blue sky following Floyd's departure — and set about surveying the damage. Lights, out. Computer, out. Television, out. Even the radio didn't work. I was beginning to sense a pattern.

By 9 a.m. — my best guess based on the sun's position in the sky — I set about on the grim task of finding the source of that horrible stench emanating from the kitchen.

In the shadows of the just-about-room-temperature refrigerator I encountered the good, the bad and the ugly; what had turned bad, what would turn bad and what had been bad already. I sorted everything into one of these three categories based on how far away I had to hold it from my nose. Predictably, only the beer survived.

Mission accomplished and apparently no closer to the 20th century, I grudgingly had to face the fact that I was now a digital man in an analog world. If only my roommates were Gilligan and the Professor, perhaps we could fashion a radio out of coconut shells and palm fronds. Alas, my efforts to fashion an iMac out of pine cones and orange peels met with failure. I had been trapped in this pre-Edition world for no more than 18 hours and already I was pondering the unthinkable — perhaps mopping up the freezer water now spreading across the kitchen floor or even washing the dishes. But I'd heard it was best to boil water before drinking it and if I can't drink it I don't want it on my silverware.

Housework thus avoided, there seemed to be just one option left —

reading a book. One of the actual old-fashioned paper ones once preferred, it was said, by my father and father's father, in the days before the Internet.

The interface seemed user-friendly enough; the document loaded up as quickly as I could open the cover. And best of all, no banner ads across the bottom of each page.

Just before I could figure out where to plug in the keyboard, something magical happened. A light flickered. Then, heralded by the wail of burglar alarms at neighboring homes, every clock in the house blinked "12:00" in unison and, two days after he had arrived, the last effects of Floyd had disappeared.

At the touch of a button my computer roared back to life and the book returned to its rightful place as my mouse pad.

The battle had roared, but it had won. After my day in electricity-deprived purgatory, I now know Y2K holds no terror for me. Hurricane Floyd taught me a valuable lesson: how to survive a blackout.

Get a lap-top with an extended-life battery.

Craig Garretson is a resident of Springfield.

Our policy on letters and columns

The Echo Leader welcomes submissions from its readers. Either letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion pages.

This opportunity also is open to all officials and employees of the borough and township and the County of Union.

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Hurricanes destructive, but not surprising

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher
Correspondent

Why anyone should be surprised when hurricanes occur at this time of year is a mystery to me.

We have been lulled into complacency in recent years, but come late August, September and October, and sometimes even November, it's hurricane season in these parts.

While we are barely into this year's hurricane season, there have been several alerts, and at least one of the storms gave the Carolina coast and the barrier islands a real taste of nature. And that storm simply refused to go away. It came. It went. And it came back.

As of this writing, the East Coast is again being slammed with another storm. That storm hit the continental United States, and again hit the Carolinas and drove north on to New England. Parts of New Jersey went under water — well under.

Just before this latest storm hit the Bahamas, tearing through with great velocity, and knocking out all means of communication, except for the ham radio operators.

In back of that storm was yet another churning up the Atlantic, again with dire predictions of what could happen if and when it hit land.

While we had ample proof of the power of hurricanes. Not too many years ago, Hurricane Andrew hit the southern coast of Florida. While we viewed the devastation on television and many residents sent food and other needed supplies down through an operation set up by a local woman, the true effect really registered when we learned one of our Florida friends had lost the roof on their one-story house. Needless to say, the house contents almost were completely destroyed.

If they suffered, their son suffered even more. He lived in an adjoining community, and his home was blown away.

We can only imagine that, last week, the entire family was very nervous.

Those of us who are older well remember the hurricanes of the past.

While we are not so old as to remember the devastation of Galveston in the early part of the century, we sure do recall the Hurricane of 1938, which washed away a good portion of Fire Island and devastated many sections of the East Coast.

My wife and her family were in a summer home on Great South Bay during that hurricane, and, while her recollections were of having fun splashing in the water in the backyard, she also remembers her mother fighting a battle trying to keep water out of the house.

We both recall hurricanes of the 1950s. During one of those storms, we were due to fly to Cape Cod. When the storm hit the area, naturally there were no planes flying out.

When we finally could leave, we arrived in the Hyannis Airport when there was no electricity. Landing on a field which is being hit by keroseene lamps is an unique experience. The experience became even more eerie when we stepped off the plane to face

our short stay there we saw no such activity.

The auto trip home from that vacation was marked by some unusual sights, not the least of which were boats flung on the wrong side of the road in Fall River. The right of the ocean had come to bear in full force on this community, ordinarily known for Lizzie Borden.

Recently, some pundits have been attempting to blame the more recent hurricanes on the warming of the oceans, because of global warming.

These pundits might just recall hurricanes in full force have been around for a long time. And, scientists seem to regard them as coming in cycles, with the conclusion we are now in a new cycle.

The warnings are clear. Be prepared. Do not be surprised. Mother Nature is strong and can prove to be destructive, especially in those areas where buildings did not exist in the past and probably should not exist now.

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

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Curtis Taylor

"A little intermittent power failure, a little water."



Connie Goldstein

"We had two small power outages, but I was surprised to see how few downed trees there were. There was a lot of rushing water, but little water in our basement."



Michael Petriano

"We had outages from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. and now we have the water problem, which no one seems to know much about. Other than that, Mountainside did beautifully in cleaning it up."



Pat O'Leary

"I had no problems at home — I live on a hill — but as a volunteer firefighter in Fanwood I saw as much as a foot of water on the first floor of some homes."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Police need quality management

To the Editor:
I agree with the Echo Leader that the settlement of the Springfield Police Department discrimination controversy sends an unfortunate message that "money says we're sorry." However, I strongly disagree that this episode should now be put behind us: What happened to accountability?
The settlement acts like the buck stops nowhere. Except that it does stop with the residents of Springfield who pay the tab and suffer the consequences of bad decision-making, and questionable ethics, by the police brass.
Members of the Township Committee showed some principle when they decided that a mediator's recommendation that Capt. Vernon Pedersen be suspended was too weak, but now seems to have tucked its tail in the face of an idiotic judicial ruling reversing the committee's action.
The judge should well know that "errors" of the sort by Capt. Pedersen are usually not isolated, but are the tip of an iceberg. And, during those years, who was going to give Pedersen a bad review, the chief, who dealt with allegations of bigotry, racism and favoritism by insidiously attacking the accusers who had unfettered evidence?

I think the problem is Police Chief William Chisolm. Capt. Pedersen's comment may have been the catalyst, but Chief Chisolm's management is the problem.

Chief Chisolm's predecessor had gained tenure in spite of years of poor performance, and the town's residents had to pay him off to vacate his position. Is this story now going to be repeated because a succession of township committees do not deal with personnel problems?

I think most residents do not want employees in positions of power and influence who have track records of questionable ethics and/or put the community at financial risk. The town cannot wait for a continued succession of township committees to abrogate their responsibility to properly supervise the police chief or any other employee.

There can be no closure until the citizens of Springfield no longer are forced to tolerate stupidity and bad management by its employees, and by judges or members of township committees wishing controversy away instead of dealing with root causes of problems.

Steve Eisenberg
Springfield

Overall crime rate down in Mountainside

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer
The 1998 numbers on crime are out, and in Mountainside the figures are slightly up in just two categories: larceny and domestic violence.
"This is just a guess, but I'd say that any increase in larceny is due to thefts of objects from inside motor vehicles," said Detective Sgt. Todd Turner of the Mountainside Police Department.

Items such as cell phones and lap top computers have added to the number of valuable items drivers tend to leave in their cars.

As for domestic violence, Turner said he has seen an increase in repeat offenders.

"Restraining orders vary," Turner, a domestic violence liaison for Union County, said. "Some say you can't communicate in person, some say you can't communicate by phone, some say both. People get restraining orders, then often end up not asking for a final restraining order. That's how you get a repeat offender."

The figures on motor vehicle theft and burglary in Mountainside remain identical from 1997 to 1998, at 42 and 18 respectively, with aggravated

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— Detective Sgt. Todd Turner

assault and robbery remaining close, but low, in number. No rapes or murders were reported in the borough for 1998, although rapes can often go unreported.

Larceny and/or theft is defined as the taking of property and does not include embezzlement, unlawful conversions, fraud or bad checks. Burglary is the unlawful entry, or

attempted entry, of any structure to commit felony or larceny. The term "unlawful entry" does not imply the use of force.

Robbery involves the element of personal confrontation. The term aggravated assault includes assault attempts, since it is not necessary that an injury result when a firearm, knife or other weapon is used.

The Sharing Network commissions study

The New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network in Springfield recently conducted an extensive research study to gather information on the best ways to increase organ and tissue donation awareness within the African-American and Hispanic communities, according to Joseph S. Roth, president and chief executive officer.

The independent study, performed by Brownstone Information Resources of Morristown, cited various misconceptions and social objections which tended to dissuade Hispanic and African-Americans from considering organ donation.

One of the most prominent misconceptions in both groups was the belief that organs are unfairly distributed — going primarily to wealthy, white males.

"That perception is totally false," Roth said. "Organs are distributed fairly on the basis of need, the viability of the potential recipient and other objective criteria."

The Hispanic focus group cited a belief that they would not be able to receive organs if they needed a transplant because of a perceived shortfall in healthcare insurance. "New Jersey has some of the best healthcare in America concerning those who are without insurance and/or healthcare coverage, or who are indigent," Roth said.

"We believe there's no reason anyone should be denied a transplant. So, the Sharing Network works as hard and diligently as possible to increase public awareness — so that everyone will have an opportunity for a second lease on life."

"We did the study because we're dedicated to finding new and better ways to reach every community and to get our message of life and hope across to every New Jersey citizen."

He said organ donations offer "the gift of life regardless of race or ethnicity. Whether it's our mothers or fathers, sons or daughters, everyone should have a chance at life."

Dr. Dorian J. Wilson, medical director of The Sharing Network,

said, "If the recipient shares ethnicity with the donor, the chance of a successful transplant operation is dramatically increased."

"One of the most persistent myths is that organ transplants can be 'bought' by the wealthy and powerful," Wilson said.

"The fact is that organs are computer-matched according to compatibility of donor and recipient tissue, determined by various tests, waiting time and the medical need of the recipient. Social or financial data are not part of the computer database and, therefore, are not factors in the determination of who receives an organ."

Wilson added that the African-American and Hispanic communities have "historically been less likely to donate even though they're predisposed to certain illnesses such as kidney and liver disease that may lead to a greater need for organ transplantation."

Another obstacle listed in the report was alleged religious objections — cited by both groups, Roth said. "The assumption that there are religious objections to organ donation was something that came up in the information-gathering process. However, the truth of the matter is that every major religion has either declared support for organ donation or has no objection to organ donation."

He added, "With the recent observance of Minority Organ and Tissue Transplant Education Day, Aug. 1, and the Minority Health Awareness Month observance, the release of the report's findings are especially timely."

With the above-mentioned date in mind, Roth said, "The Sharing Network is continuing its aggressive campaign to dispel myths and get the word out to minorities about the importance of organ/tissue donation and transplantation. The research study is an important tool in the effort to increase organ donation."

The Sharing Network is a nonpro-

fit, federally certified and state approved procurement organization, responsible for recovering organs and tissue for New Jersey residents and its part of the national recovery system.

Transport volunteers needed

Children's Specialized Hospital is seeking volunteers, ages 18 and older, to transport patients between therapy appointments within the hospital's Mountainside site.

These "Internal Transporters" are needed between 8:15 and 11:30 a.m. or 12:15 and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The duties and responsibilities of Internal Transporters include transporting children, ages one month through 21 years, to their assigned therapists within the hospital in a safe and timely manner.

Transporters also must be able to communicate in a gentle manner with children, respect the privacy of the patients and abide by the confidentiality policy of the hospital.

The physical demands of the position include walking, bending, stretching and pushing wheelchairs and stretchers.
All volunteer transporters are required to attend an in-service training session and an evening volunteer orientation.

For more information, or to apply, call (908) 233-3720, ext. 5379. Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's first comprehensive rehabilitation hospital dedicated exclusively to children, is an affiliate member of the Robert Wood Johnson Health System.

Children's Specialized Hospital treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years through a network of services for young people with and without disabilities including out-patient 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.

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When sending a picture with the announcement, a check for \$10 is required. Black and white or clear color pictures are acceptable. Pictures of the couple sitting or standing together are preferred. Pictures of one person standing and the other seated present design problems, so if possible, state by side is better. For more information call (908) 686-7700.

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Spend-a-Day licensed as adult center

SAGE has announced that its Spend-a-Day center has been licensed by the State Department of Health and Senior Services as an adult day health center, and is now offering health services, in addition to its social/recreational adult day services program.

For older adults who already cherish the independence of living at home and value the advantages of daily peer interaction, the new health services at Spend-a-Day will bring added options for those who need or want professional health monitoring on a regular basis.

SAGE Spend-a-Day continues to be a most exciting place to spend the day," said Tish Isack, director of the center. "Our social and recreational programs continue to be varied and stimulating, and now we can offer high quality, affordable health services when and where our clients need them. This is an added benefit for any person with a condition that needs monitoring. They can maintain their level of independence and possibly improve their level of functioning."

Specialized staff, such as a registered nurse, will be at the Spend-a-Day center at all times, while services from a medical director, pharmacist, registered dietitian, speech, physical and occupational therapy professionals, in coordination with the clients' family physicians, also will be available.

The Spend-a-Day medical director will oversee all health aspects of the program. Additionally, a van equipped with a wheelchair lift will accommodate the transportation needs of a frailler and older clientele who otherwise would be unable to join Spend-a-Day.

"The introduction of health services at Spend-a-Day is bringing SAGE closer to our objective - to serve our clients who need health monitoring on-site, while also offering them greater access to their own physicians and other health services," Isack said.

For example, SAGE expects if clients require health services outside Spend-a-Day facilities, the new wheelchair lift-equipped van will allow Spend-a-Day staff to transport clients to and from medical appointments during the day, alleviating the scheduling conflicts that may cause their family members to work for other appointments.

SAGE's executive director, Jacqueline Vogelmann said, "Plans for the expansion of the current Spend-a-Day building at 500 Springfield Ave. are already underway. "In addition to the health services we now offer, SAGE envisions bringing additional client services - such as personal care services - to Spend-a-Day in the future. A beautician and barber ser-

vice is one such new service being considered."

Although the Spend-a-Day center is licensed to offer health services immediately, a reopening of the Spend-a-Day center is scheduled for Sept. 21 to celebrate the new services. In addition to hosting tours of the Spend-a-Day facility, SAGE will present "Health and Tax Legislation: Good or Bad for Your Wallet," a panel discussion of four issues facing older adults and the "boomer generation" tax credits for families caring for an older adult, prescription benefits under Medicare, long-term care insurance and HMOs and managed care.

Panelists for the program include New Jersey state Senator C. Louis Bassano, chairman of the Senate Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans' Affairs and Human Services; state Assemblyman Neil M. Cohen, member of the assembly committee on banking and insurance and policy and regulatory oversight and the Joint Legislative Committee on Ethical Standards; and Robert Blanco, an advocate for aging who served as the executive director of the 1995 White House Conference on Aging. Blanco is the founder of Boomer Agenda, a bi-partisan political action committee focusing on the present

and future interests of the "baby boomer" generation.

The program is free to the public, but registration is required. To register, call Gina Sideris at 273-5942.

The Spend-a-Day program began in 1975 as one of the first adult day programs in New Jersey. Although the program was initially housed in a church basement, community, foundation and corporate support enabled SAGE to relocate Spend-a-Day in 1995 to its current facility at 500 Springfield Ave. in Berkeley Heights. Spend-a-Day serves 200 clients annually, and is considered a model for many other organizations interested in starting their own adult day programs.

SAGE is a private, non profit organization that serves as a community resource for elders, with services that promote independence and a dignified quality of life for older citizens and their families. SAGE offers 10 programs, including the Spend-a-Day adult day health center, home care and Meals-on-Wheels, and serves nearly 5,200 elders and their families annually in Union, Morris, Somerset and Essex counties.

For more information on Spend-a-Day or other SAGE programs, call SAGE at 273-5550.

Bridges honors 10 years

Bridges will sponsor its first-ever event in honor of its 10th anniversary Oct. 23, announced co-chairs Sarah and David Rosen and Carol and Bruce Tomason.

Bridges' 10th Birthday Bash will celebrate the leadership of founders Ginger and Geoff Worden of Summit and several extraordinary homeless and formerly homeless people touched by Bridges. The evening's proceeds will enable Bridges to sustain its current outreach and provide its services and fellowship to more homeless neighbors in New Jersey and New York.

Every week since 1988, Bridges has made a Friday night "run" to designated spots in Manhattan to share bag dinners, blankets, clothing and toiletries with our homeless neighbors. In 1996, a Saturday morning "run" to visit Newark's homeless began.

Each year, Bridges delivers over 18,000 bag dinners and tons of blankets, clothing and other supplies carried by Bridges' volunteers. These volunteers include over 1,000 students and adults from Summit area public and private schools, churches and community organizations.

Ellen Maher, executive director of Bridges, said she believes that "among the many positive outcomes of Bridges' outreach is the profound impact it has on area high school students and volunteers. After participating in a 'run,' our volunteers develop a lasting sensitivity to the issues associated with homelessness. The friendships that develop make a real difference in the lives of both the housed and the homeless."

Joanne and Jon Corzine, Summit residents, will serve as honorary co-chairs of Bridges' 10th Birthday Bash, which will be held in the Waiting Room at the CRRNJ Terminal at Liberty State Park. The celebratory evening will feature a special performance by the Newark Boys Choir.

The event starts at 7 p.m. and will include cocktails, a movable feast and dancing. A live auction will include several unique items, including a signet ring from Bruce Springsteen.

Tickets range from \$150 to \$500 a person, with tables available from \$1,500 to \$5,000. Donations are welcome.

Anyone interested in receiving an invitation to Bridges' 10th Birthday Bash or in helping Bridges in another way should call 273-0176.

STUDENT UPDATE

Summit resident attends accelerated program

Sarah Feldmann, a fifth-grader at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, attended the Summer Institute for the Gifted, an academic summer program at Drew University.

The program is designed for students in grades four through 11 who demonstrate exceptional academic abilities. During the three-week session, Feldmann attended accelerated and enriched academic, cultural and recreation courses taught by college professors, teachers of the gifted and talented and experts in specialized fields of study. She also participated in weekend off-campus trips, special evening programs and creativity days.

Her favorite experiences from the program, she said, were "learning chemistry through lab experiments and making friends from other countries."

Students at the program interact with other gifted and talented children from across the country and around the world. The Summer Institute holds similar sessions at five other campuses across the United States.

Student achieves honors

Mountainside resident Nicole Riviccio was placed on the dean's honor list for outstanding academic achievement in the 1998-99 spring term at Gettysburg College.

Students with a quality point average of 3.60 or higher for a semester's work are placed on the honor list.

Alberl begins studies at Hamilton College

Thomas Alberl, the son of James Alberl of Basking Ridge and Lynn Alberl of Summit, recently began his studies as a first-year student at Hamilton College.

A graduate of Summit High School, Alberl was selected from 3,957 applicants to the college and joins a class of 502.

Summit seniors join in National Merit Program

Twenty Summit High School seniors have been invited to partici-

pate in the 2000 National Merit Scholarship Program's College Plans Reporting Service.

The students include Adam Allogrameno, Martha Bell, Hilary Bolter, Daniel Cole, Steven Fitzpatrick, Alexander Grisham, Beverly Halpern, Alexander Hardy, Abigail Hunt Kevin Keating, Lawrence Kiefer, Jennifer Kowitz, John Melcom, Annmarie Nye, Charles Sanuste, Katherine Skarszynski, Colleen Smith, Sara Stranovsky, Darshan Trivedi and Matthew Tsiang.

More than 1 million students who took the 1998 PSAT/NMSQT last October entered the Year 2000 National Merit Scholarship Program. The Merit invited to participate in the College Plans Reporting Service attained scores in the PSAT/NMSQT that place them among the approximately 50,000 highest scorers in the program.

Because of their outstanding academic potential, these students are invited, through their schools, to be referred to two colleges or universities in the United States in which they are particularly interested.

Resources available for parents, girls

Upcoming programs at the Resource Center for Women in downtown Summit focus on a variety of issues of particular interest to parents, including "Raising African-American Sons" and the "Mother-Daughter Club," as well as workshops for girls on self-defense and social skills.

"The Joys and Challenges of Raising African-American Sons" returns to the center Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to noon, facilitated by Dr. Valerie Scott.

Dr. Scott will offer mothers and fathers of African-American sons an opportunity to discuss their particular concerns, challenges and solutions, as well as provide guidance on raising sons into emotionally healthy, happy, strong and loving men. The fee is \$8 for center members and \$10 for nonmembers. The registration deadline is Oct. 12.

"Systematic Training for Effective Parenting," a six-week workshop beginning Sept. 30, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., will provide a practical approach to helping parents relate more effectively to their children, ages 2 to 5. The fee is \$65 for center members and \$80 for nonmembers.

Parents also will need to purchase the STEP manual, available from the Resource Center for \$15.95. Space is limited. Register by tomorrow.

The Girl Project of the Resource Center for Women develops programs specifically designed to help girls and the adults who care for them, address the social pressures that affect them from pre-teen years through adolescence.

For parents, the Girl Project is offering a six-session workshop that is meant individually or as a series. The first session, "Raising Strong Daughters," Oct. 6 from 7 to 9 p.m., provides an overview of the messages girls receive in this culture and how adults can help them sort through these often-mixed messages.

"Girls in their Preschool Years," Oct. 13, 7 to 9 p.m., explores ways to communicate positive messages that very young girls can take with them as they grow. Subsequent sessions focus on media messages, Oct. 20; body image issues, Oct. 27 and girls in school, Nov. 3.

The fee for the series is \$55 for center members and \$70 for nonmembers. Individual sessions are \$12 for members

and \$15 for nonmembers. Space is limited. Register at least three days prior to the session.

The Girl Project also offers programs for girls. Fall workshops include:

"How to Say What You Mean Without Being Mean (and Still Keep Your Friends)" from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Oct. 2, for fifth- and sixth-graders, and Oct. 23, for third- and fourth-graders, addresses the pressure to "be nice" that often effects a pre-teen girl's ability to be direct, genuine and assertive. This popular workshop always fills early. Register as soon as possible. The fee is \$15.

"Mother-Daughter Book Club" gives mothers and daughters the chance to enrich their relationship by reading and talking together. The fall session for fourth- or fifth-grade girls and their mothers Oct. 7, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and meets twice a month for six sessions. The fee for mother-daughter pairs is \$50 for center members and \$60 for nonmembers. Space is limited. Register as soon as possible.

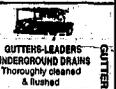
The Resource Center for Women, located in the parish house of the Calvary Episcopal Church, corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a nonsectarian, nonprofit organization offering a broad range of programs and services designed for and by women in North Central New Jersey. Scholarship assistance is available for all center programs and services. The Girl Project is partially underwritten by grants from the Junior League of Summit, Manley-Winter Foundation and Bloomfield's.

For directions, registration information and for a complete guide, call the center office at 273-7253 or visit the web site at <http://members.aol.com/rfwf>.

Attention churches and social clubs

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

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Knights hold fund-raiser for research

The Knights of Columbus, Council 4504, is sponsoring a dinner Oct. 21 at L'Affaire Restaurant, Route 52, Mountaintide.

A portion of the proceeds from this fund-raiser will be donated to the American Cancer Society for breast cancer research.

The doors open at 6 p.m. and a full-course dinner will be served. The entertainment for the evening will be Gomba Johnny and Michelle Visage, DJs from 103.5 FM.

Donations are welcome. Call Janice for donation pick up at (908) 964-1447. For ticket information and reservations call Tris Rispoli at (908) 964-4123.



Michelle Visage



Gomba Johnny

Survivor shares experiences in camps

On Oct. 16 at 1 p.m., in celebration of Humanities Festival Week, the Springfield Free Public Library will present a lecture with photographs — "A Jewish Boy in Poland." The lecture, given by Norman Salsitz of Springfield, will be in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the library.

Salsitz, an author and survivor of the Holocaust, will talk about his experiences in a Polish ghetto, his confinement in three labor camps and his eventual escape during the Nazi reign of terror.

These war experiences and eye witness accounts of the Holocaust present an opportunity to view "The Past as Prologue," especially as a prologue to current world events. Salsitz managed to photograph and hide his photographs from his captors. A selection of these photos projected onto a screen will illustrate Salsitz's powerful story.

Salsitz was born in Kolbuszowa, Poland and was the ninth and youngest child of a Hasidic family.

He attended Yeshiva until the age of 17. During the war, he was confined to a ghetto and three labor camps. Salsitz managed to escape from each camp. From the last camp, he survived with various partisan groups for more than two years. His mother and five sisters, together with their husbands and children, were murdered by the Germans. He was a witness to the shooting of his father. Following the liberation by the Russian army, Salsitz joined the newly-formed Polish army under the assumed name of "Tadeusz Zaleski" and rose to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Salsitz is the author of several books including "Against All Odds" and "A Jewish Boyhood in Poland."

Salsitz's memories also are included in a new book being published by Syracuse University Press titled "A Harvest of Jewish Memories."

Salsitz has presented many lectures and participated in scholarly studies of the Holocaust. He has spoken at Rutgers University, Harvard University, Morris County College and other places. For many years, Salsitz has been involved in Jewish organizations such as Israeli Bonds and United Jewish Appeal, among others. He organized a free loan society in Israel, as well as the suburban chapter of the American Red Magen David for Israel, for which he has served as president for 29 years. He is an executive board member of the National Federation of Holocaust Survivors.

This lecture has been made possible by a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

This program is free and open to all with a limit of 100 people. The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. For information call (973) 376-4930.

Health Department conducts vaccinations

The Westfield Regional Health Department will be conducting a Pneumonia Vaccination Program Sept. 30, between 6 and 7 p.m. The program will be held in the Westfield Municipal Building — Court Room, 425 East Broad St., Westfield.

The pneumonia vaccine will be available to those individuals that have never previously been vaccinated for pneumonia. The inoculations are specifically geared to the senior population, age 65 and over, and those individuals with chronic illnesses.

Pre-registration is required for anyone intending to obtain the pneumonia vaccine. Those individuals, who are covered by Medicare or Medicaid, must bring their identification card when pre-registered. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Health Department at (908) 789-4070.

The Westfield Regional Health Department provides health services to Fanwood, Garwood, Mountaintide, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield.

Republican Club holds historic dinner

"The Millennium Celebration," a fall dinner of the Mountaintide Republican Club, will be Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire in Mountaintide.

The focus of the dinner will be to honor the past members of local government who have made Mountaintide the community it is today.

Art Brahm, president of the Mountaintide Historic Preservation Committee, will present a special exhibit which illustrates the physical development of the borough.

Marilyn Hart, corresponding secretary of the club, said, "Unless you grew up in Mountaintide as Art and I did, this will surely enhance your understanding of and appreciation for our town.

The event is open to everyone. For more information and reservations, call either Donna Oleja at (908) 232-4904 or Marilyn Hart at (908) 233-4036.

Harvest Festival comes to town

On Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will host the 18th Annual Harvest Festival at the Wildlife Nature and Science Center in Mountaintide. This family-fun event brings colonial and Native American history to life.

The Harvest Festival is a cornucopia of events. Featured attractions include demonstrations of colonial and Native American crafts and work skills such as butter churning, canoe building, tin piercing, basketry, beespoking, cabinetry and jewelry-making. There also will be crafters specializing in decoy carving, gunsmithing, lace and soapmaking, cabinetry, old-time sled building, log sawing and shingle splitting.

There also will be many educational and fun activities for children in the crafts tent, where kids can make their own garlands, beeswax candles, whirlybirds, hats or Indian armbands. They can have their faces painted Lenape-style, play colonial games, take a pony ride, visit the peeing zoo, walk through a hay maze or build a scarecrow.

Admission to the Harvest Festival is \$3 per person; children age 7 and under are free.

Sharing Network hosts events

To promote the importance of organ donation awareness during Minority-Health-Awareness Month, throughout September, the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network in Springfield, is participating and/or sponsoring a number of workshops, health fairs and others events. Programing began with a tri-state convalesce, the "Organ and Tissue Donation: An Islamic Perspective" symposium, Sept. 3 to 6 in Philadelphia, Pa.

The Sharing Network participated in the 10th anniversary celebration of the Asian-American Political Coalition Sunday at the Stevko Manor in Mendham, featuring an appearance by Luo-Yong Wang, leading man of the hit Broadway show, "Miss Saigon."

In addition to remarks by transplant recipient Danny Bohma on the importance of organ and tissue donation, Sunday's event included the display/distribution of donor registry cards, brochures and other materials.

Along with the Minority Health Awareness Month events, there are number of events set for October — with the most prominent being the annual Black Issues Convention, Oct. 14 to 17 at the Sheraton Woodbridge Place in Iselin. During the B.I.C. convalesce, officials from The Sharing Network will present a workshop titled, "Organ and Tissue Donation, A Diversity Approach."

Appearances by recipients Tanya Pope, Helen Robbins and Jasmine Dominique, a five-year-old liver recipient, and donor family member Doug Taylor are included. Additionally, The Sharing Network is taking part in the following October events:

- The African-American Male Conference in the Atlantic City Convention Center, Oct. 8 and 9. The Sharing Net-

work will participate in the two-day conference by presenting information, as well through the display/distribution of donor registry cards, brochures and other materials.

- A women's seminar on organ and tissue donation awareness called "Organ and Tissue/Each One, Reach One: Hand-maidens in the Vineyard," sponsored by Calvary Baptist Church of East Orange on Oct. 9, will be held at the church and begin at 8 a.m.

- A workshop for women called "Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness" will be held at the Metropolitan Baptist Church in Newark, Oct. 23 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Roh added, "These events are so important because they increase awareness of the critical need for organ donation. There are illnesses that often lead to the need for organ transplantation — such as diabetes and hypertension — which greatly impact the African-American, Hispanic and Asian communities.

"We believe there's no reason anyone should be denied a transplant. So, The Sharing Network works as hard and diligently as possible to increase public awareness — so that everyone will have an opportunity for a new lease on life," he said.

The Sharing Network is a nonprofit, federally certified and state approved procurement organization, responsible for recovering organs and tissue for New Jersey residents and is part of the national recovery system.

For more information, or to register to become an organ and tissue donor, call The Sharing Network at 1-800-SHARE-NJ, or visit their web site at: www.sharenj.org.

Union County Legal Secretaries Association meets Tuesday

The Union County Legal Secretaries Association will sponsor a dinner meeting Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Nuno's Pavilion, 200 Roselle St., Linden. The guest speaker for the evening will be Union County Bar Association President William A. Daniel, an attorney in Linden.

All secretaries, receptionists, file clerks, typists, mail clerks, etc., who are employed within the legal field — private practice, federal, county, municipal government, police departments, etc. — are encouraged to attend. You do not have to be a member to come to this meeting. Guests are welcome.

UCLSA is a nonpartisan group of legal professionals and is part of a tri-level association. It is affiliated with the New Jersey Association of Legal Secretaries and NALS, the association of legal professionals. The next state event will be a fall board meeting with legal education seminars and various exhibitors at the Kenilworth

Inn, in Kenilworth, Garden State Parkway, exit 138, on Sept. 17-19.

Annual scholarships are awarded each year on both the county and state level. In addition, student memberships are available to individuals pursuing a career within the legal field. Anyone interested in obtaining more information regarding available scholarships, call Mary Ellen Schoonover,

UCLSA Scholarship Chairman, at (908) 688-1589.

For more information, contact local Membership/Marketing Chairperson and UCLSA Vice President Sueie Mack at the law offices of Craner, Nelson, Satkin & Scheer, P.A., 320 Park Ave., Scotch Plains at (908) 322-2333, or you may write to Mack at P.O. Box 24, Kenilworth, 07033-0024.

Vendors needed for PTA craft show

Mountaintide's Deerfield School PTA will be holding its annual Craft Show fund-raiser Nov. 20 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

Crafters are needed as vendors for the show. The fee is \$30 for a 10-foot space. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. Spaces will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

For reservations or more information, call Chris at (908) 233-6774 or Lauren at (908) 6964.

Trailside celebrates American culture

Visitors can celebrate America's heritage at Trailside Nature and Science Center's 18th annual Heritage Festival Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Patrons will see demonstrations of how early Americans lived and performed daily tasks. Activities are planned for the entire family including Native American dancing, story telling and planetarium shows, colonial and Native American crafts and work skills, Revolutionary War encampment, food, pumpkin and mumm sales and live period music.

The festivities also will include a petting zoo and pony rides. Admission is \$3 for each person. Children ages 7 and under are free. Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountaintide.

Foothill Club makes local donations

The Herfield House on Constitution Plaza, Mountaintide, was the setting for the presentation of annual donations.

Accepting the checks from Foothill President Ruth Goense were members of the volunteer firefighters, the Rescue Squad and the Herfield House. A donation also was given to the Mountaintide Lyons Club for Christmas Tree lights. As a Community Service project, the Foothill Club is looking forward to preparing food baskets to be given to needy families in Mountaintide for Thanksgiving.

The next regular monthly meeting will be Oct. 7 at noon at B.G. Fields. The program will feature a jewelry demonstration. Guests are welcome.

For more information about the Foothill Club or reservations call Genevieve Kazek at (908) 232-3626.

Chamber sponsors networking event

The Union County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a networking social at the Office Depot in Springfield Tuesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The store is located in the Bobo Shopping Plaza in between Route 22 and Mountaintide Avenue, Springfield. The fee is \$15 for members and \$20 for nonmembers.

For more information call (908) 352-0900. R.S.V.P. by Sept. 22.

Caldwell School sponsors fall festival

Springfield's James Caldwell School Parent Teachers Association will sponsor its annual Fall Festival Oct. 2 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 36 Caldwell Plaza.

This year's theme is the Wild, Wild West. All students, teachers, parents and members of the community are invited to participate in the foods, games and cowboy-like treats.

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Giovanni Ugalde lifts and stretches at the Chisholm Recreation Center in Springfield.

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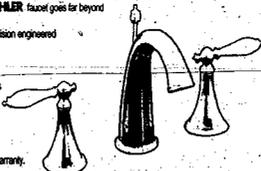
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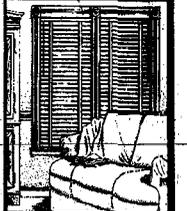
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Philomels to perform

The Advent Philomels, a college student group from Mountain View College in the Philippines, will sing popular religious hymns at The United Methodist Church in Summit Sunday.

The Advent Philomels was organized in 1978. The group currently is touring the United States to help raise funds for the college library, Mountain View College, in Bukidnon, Philippines; has an enrollment of 2,000 students.

The library only can accommodate 300 students at a time. Upgrading the library is one of the highest priorities on the list of recommendations made by the accreditation board.

All are welcome to attend the 10:30 a.m. performance at the United Methodist Church located on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue in Summit.

St. James Church plans outdoor craft show

The third annual craft show at St. James the Apostle, Springfield, will be Oct. 23 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the front parking lot. In case of rain, a 6 feet by 8 feet area will be in the auditorium.

The fee is \$30 for one space equivalent to two parking space in the lot and \$45 for two spaces equivalent to four parking spaces. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. Spaces will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information or for an application call Anne at (973) 376-5612 or Janet at (973) 912-0392.

Springfield's Hadassah addresses controversy

The Hadassah July national conference in Washington, at which first lady Hillary Clinton was honored, will highlight the opening meeting of the 1999-2000 season of the Springfield Hadassah at Temple Beth Ahim, Springfield, today at 8 p.m.

Loyce Debra Rasch, vice president of Hadassah's Northern New Jersey Region, will brief Springfield members on the bitter controversy which arose after Hadassah's national leaders decided to honor Clinton, according to Irene Chofner and Dorothea Schwartz, co-presidents of the Springfield chapter.

Much of the controversy was over Clinton's views calling for a Palestinian Arab State and the fact that she is expected to be the Democratic candidate for senator from New York, according to Eleanor Kuperstein, program vice president.

Rasch, who has held numerous key positions in her 20 years as a Hadassah member, is a freelance writer and associate editor of "A Tapestry of Hadassah Memories," the book of over 170 memories published by National Hadassah, Kuperstein said. Schwartz and Chofner said Hadassah is not only the largest women's volunteer group in the nation but also is the largest Zionist group in the world. Among its many roles, Hadassah supports two major research hospitals and a college of technology in Israel and job training and resettlement

ment for thousands of persons who emigrate to that country.

Presbyterian Church holds rummage sale

The First Congregation of The Presbyterian Church at Springfield, 37 Church Hill, will sponsor a rummage sale Oct. 21 and 22, Oct. 23.

The Oct. 21 and 22 sale will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Oct. 23, the event will run from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Rosary Shrine celebrates 80 years since founding

Rosary Pilgrimage at Summit Rosary Shrine will celebrate the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, at 3 p.m. Oct. 3.

Ceremonies will open with an outdoor procession in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, led by the Knights of Columbus.

The Rosary Pilgrimage is hosted by the Dominican Nuns, a cloistered community of prayer founded on Oct. 2, 1919 from the Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City. The origins of the Dominican Nuns, however, go back to St. Dominic, who founded the first community of nuns in 1206 in Prouille, France.

Guest speaker for this occasion will be the Rev. David Folsy, associate professor of theology at Providence College. He did graduate work in theology and religious education in Washington, D.C. for three years.

The Rosary Shrine Chapter of the Dominican Nuns, which meets at the monastery each month, will participate in the Rosary Procession, both at

the entrance ceremony and during the dejections.

Churches train for 'Stephen Ministries'

Christ Church and Calvary Episcopal Church, both in Summit, sent lay people and clergy to a week-long leadership training course in the Stephen Series, a system developed over 20 years ago by Stephen Ministries, a nonprofit religious and educational organization based in St. Louis, Mo. Beginning in January 2000, parishioners from both congregations will train to become "Stephen Ministers" under local leadership. Congregants will undertake 50 hours of training in Christian caring skills, such as effective listening, being aware of feelings, using the traditional resources of Christianity in caring, maintaining confidentiality and being present with persons experiencing crises, among other subjects.

Upon completion of the course, the lay person will be commissioned and begin work under continuing supervision. They will be available to care for persons experiencing challenges in their lives such as hospitalization, terminal illness, grief, hospitalization, birth, adoption, separation or divorce. Stephen Ministry reaches both into and beyond the boundaries of congregations into the wider community.

Christ Church and Calvary Episcopal Church follow an already established Stephen Ministry program at Central Presbyterian Church in Summit. Both congregations learned about Stephen Ministry from Central Presbyterian, which has successfully sponsored the program for several years.

Heritage Festival holds activities for children

The Junior League of Summit and the Summit Cultural Heritage Festival Steering Committee have been working to make the festival a memorable day for Summit children and youth.

Arts and crafts, face painters and storytellers will be available for Summit's young people at the Summit Cultural Heritage Festival, scheduled for Oct. 10. The Junior League of Summit and the Cultural Heritage Festival have been working together to ensure that the day is filled with activities for children.

"We hope Summit's families will make the festival a family outing," said Allison Brokaw, Junior League president. "It's going to be wonderful."

Beginning at noon and continuing until 5:30 p.m., children and youth ages 3 to 12 will have the opportunity to make arts and crafts from a variety of cultures and countries. Children can make Native American dream catchers, Japanese origami heliocs and swans, African masks and beaded pins, maracas from Puerto Rico, Middle Eastern paper mosaics, sand paintings from India, medieval face masks from Europe, Latino crafts, Chinese calligraphy book marks, Irish dollies, Shamrock necklaces and other Irish crafts and heritage books.

Each craft table will provide the children with a brief explanation of the craft and its relevance to the culture represented. Volunteers from the Junior League of Summit will facilitate and there will be arts and crafts teachers as well.

There also will be storytellers at the festival to capture the imagination and enthrall the children. At 1 and 3 p.m., Dhriti Bagchi will offer stories and related crafts from India. "Dhriti Bagchi, of the South Asian Center for Language and Heritage, is well known in the Asian Indian community and we are extremely lucky that she will be at the festival," said Mia Andersen, co-chair of the festival.

At 2 p.m., the children will have the opportunity to hear African-American stories from Aunt Sista, a well known storyteller who has enchanted children for many years.

Evelyn Van Voorhies

Evelyn C. Van Voorhies, 84, of Ogallala, Neb., formerly of Union and Mountaineer, died Sept. 14 in the Hospice Center at Wel-Life of Ogallala.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Van Voorhies lived in Union and Mountaineer before moving to Ogallala earlier this year. She was a secretary in New York City for several years. On May 28, 1938, she married Douglas Edell Tuttle in Union, who had been prominent in the printing industry and was credited with numerous inventions including flexography, the precursor of off-set printing. He died on March 21, 1990.

She married Robert L. Van Voorhies, a retired chemical engineer from Exxon Engineering and Research Co. on June 29, 1991 in Mountaineer. They lived in Mountaineer until May. Mrs. Van Voorhies had been a secretary in New York City for several years. She was an elder, choir member and clerk of the session, all of the Community Presbyterian Church, Mountaineer. Mrs. Van Voorhies also was a Girl Scout Leader.

She was a member of the Church Women United, the Council of Churches and the Fair Housing Committee and helped establish and develop the Day Care Center, all in Westfield. Also surviving are three daughters, Lois Little, Wendy Pokorny and Linda Thornburg; two stepsons, Robert R. Craig, Wayne and Kurt; a stepdaughter, Lynn E. McGaha; 12 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Steven J. Galluzzo

Steven J. Galluzzo, 62, of Springfield died Sept. 13 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in New York City, Mr. Galluzzo lived in Bloomfield before moving to Springfield 33 years ago. He was a lab technologist with Henkel Corp., Hoboken, since 1982. Mr. Galluzzo graduated in 1959 from Seton Hall University, South Orange, where he received a bachelor's degree in biology.

Surviving are his wife, Lucille, and a son, Steven.

Sidney Piller

Sidney Piller of Springfield, owner and president of Elkay Products, died

OBITUARIES

Sept. 14 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in New York City, Mr. Piller lived in the Bronx and Brooklyn before moving to Springfield 40 years ago. He owned Elkay Products, manufacturers of material handling products in Springfield, for more than 60 years. Mr. Piller was a World War II veteran of the Army Air Force. He served on the board of governors at Solomon Schechter School and was voted Man of the Year in 1983.

Mr. Piller was a past president of the Springfield chapter of B'nai B'rith, a member of the board of the Hillel Foundation at Rutgers University and a member of the Industrial Committee for the township of Springfield.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth; a son, Steven; a sister, Sara Raphael, and a grandchild.

Edythe Steinberg

Edythe Steinberg of Springfield died Sept. 16 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Steinberg moved to Springfield 21 years ago. Surviving are a daughter, Rona Geiser; a son, Dr. Richard; a brother, Albert Rohstien; four grandchildren, and her companion, Murray Savel.

Claire Pollack

Claire Pollack, 77, of Mountaineer died Sept. 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Pollack lived in Cranford before moving to Mountaineer 26 years ago. She was a member of B'nai B'rith, Hadassah and the Jewish Federation, all in Union County.

Surviving are a son, Steven, and a brother, Elliot I. Greenberg.

Louis A. Blanchard

Louis A. Blanchard, 64, of Quechee, Vt., formerly of Summit, died Sept. 19 in the Mount Assonet Hospital and Health Center, Windsor.

Born in Bannock, Vt., Mr. Blanchard lived in Summit for many years before moving to Quechee in January 1997. He was a senior chemist at Ciba-Geigy Corp., Summit, where he worked for 32 years before retiring several years ago.

Mr. Blanchard received his undergraduate degree from Worcester,

Mass., and his master's degree in organic chemistry from the University of Delaware. He served in the Army at the Army Chemical Center, Edgewood, Md.

Mr. Blanchard was a member of the American Chemical Society and its divisions of medicinal and organic chemistry and of several natural history and environmental organizations, including the Nature Conservancy of Vermont, the Shelburne Farms in Vermont, the American Museum of Natural History, New York City, and the Audubon Society.

He also belonged to the Boston and Worcester museums of fine arts and the Tower Hill Botanical Society, Boylston, Mass., and a member of the Quechee Club since 1973. Mr. Blanchard was an avid golfer and photographer.

Surviving are a sister, Helen B. Price, and a brother, John.

Agnes M. Lupton

Agnes M. Lupton, 89, of Summit died Sept. 19 in the Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center.

Born in Newark, Miss Lupton lived in Irvington and Spring Lake before moving to Summit many years ago. She was a taxpayer assistant for the Internal Revenue Service, Newark, for 40 years before retiring. Miss Lupton was a member of the Rosary Society of St. Teresa of Avila Church and the Christ Child Society, both of Summit.

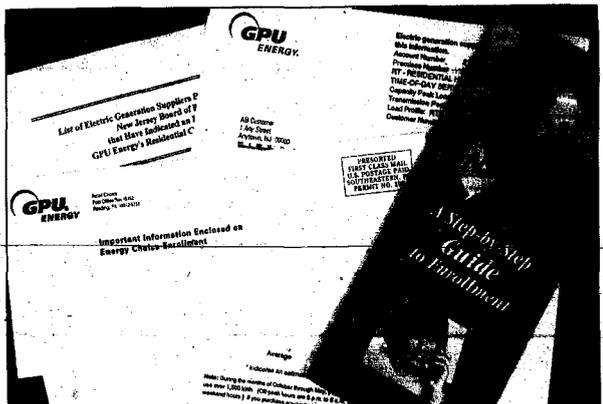
Frank W. Branning

Frank W. Branning, 80, of Forked River, formerly of Springfield, a volunteer firefighter, died Sept. 19 in the Morris Hills Center, Morristown.

Born in Johnson City, N.Y., Mr. Branning lived in Springfield before moving to Forked River 24 years ago. He was a service engineer for Detroit Diesel Allison Co., Edison, before retiring. Mr. Branning served as a staff sergeant with the Marine Corps Special Forces Unit during World War II.

He was a volunteer firefighter in Springfield. Mr. Branning also had been a member of the Elks Lodge, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, all of Lacey Township.

Surviving are a son, Gary; two daughters, Rita Tuma and Paulette; a brother, John, and six grandchildren.



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Summit library resumes discussions

The Summit Free Public Library will be resuming its book discussion series this fall. Summit resident Jon Plaut, who has led the group for several years, will continue the focus on writing that illuminates life in this century.

Future talks in the 1999-2000 series include:

- Oct. 18, 2 to 4 p.m., Ted Hughes' "Birthday Letters" and Sylvia Plath's "The Bell Jar." Plath's semi-autobiographical novel tells of a talented young woman's descent into mental illness. "Birthday Letters" is an anthology of poems written by her husband, Ted Hughes, as a "response" to her tormented life — one that ended in suicide.

- Nov. 15, 2 to 4 p.m., "The Adventures of Augie March" by Saul Bellow: Winner of the 1954 National Book Award, this picaresque and comic novel presents the life and struggles of a poor Jewish boy from Chicago.

- April 17, 2000, 7 to 9 p.m. "The Dead" by James Joyce: Perhaps the best-known story in Joyce's anthology, "Dubliners," "The Dead" explores a man's quiet realization that he knows very little about his wife's past, and even less about her heart.

- May 15, 2000, 7 to 9 p.m. John Updike's "Rabbit" novels: "Rabbit Run," "Rabbit Redux," "Rabbit is Rich" and "Rabbit at Rest" chronicle the disoriented life of Harry "Rab-

bit" Angstrom, who tries vainly to recapture the excitement of his glory days as a high school basketball star.

Plaut, a retired engineer and lawyer, is a presidential appointee to the NAFTA Commission, and a visiting professor of environment and public policy at Pennsylvania State University. He has degrees in engineering, law and the arts. He writes a regular column for local newspapers, and is the author of the environmental novel "Sour Lake, Texas."

The discussions are free and open to the public. For directions, or for more information, call the library at 273-0350.

Buddhist author highlights Interweave

Clark Strand, a former Buddhist monk and author of "The Wooden Bowl: Simple Meditation for Everyday Life," will present an all-day meditation workshop Oct. 2 at Interweave, a center for wholistic living in Summit.

The workshop, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Interweave Center, 31 Woodland Ave., Summit, will offer a new, more universal approach to spiritual practice that makes meditation accessible to everyone. Workshop tuition is \$75; \$65 for members of Interweave, which is celebrating 20 years of making lives better by teaching skills for wholistic living that strengthen wellness, deepen spirituality and promote the common good.

Among the classes coming up in

Interweave's 20th anniversary season are "Tai Chi Ch'uan: The Ancient Chinese Movement Art" with Dhanani Ayril Tuesday mornings; "Interweave 101: Seven Wholistic Practices for Better Living," an overview of Interweave's curriculum, Wednesday evenings; "Prana Yoga and Yoga-rythmics" with Lisa DeMarco, Monday evenings and a new Interweave Book Group meeting Thursday evenings.

On Oct. 7, Dick Ottaway, professor at Fairleigh Dickinson University and priest associate at Christ Church, Short Hills, will speak on "Ethics and Business," the first installment of a new lecture series, "The Soul of Work." Other lectures will include

"Spirit at Work" with Pura Perez in November, "Authentic Conversations" with Tilly-Jo Emerson in December and "Surviving Retirement" with John Cooper in January 2000.

On Oct. 9, Interweave begins a new course called "Journey to Wholeness," offering in-depth training in wholistic practices for those who want to craft a better life for soul, mind and body. Facilitated by Kay English, of Summit, the monthly group will feature guest presenters, a discussion and sharing.

A similar training program, focusing on spirituality, is "Basics of the Spiritual Journey," which will start its third, two-year cycle later in October.

Summit gardeners can adopt a local park

The Summit Area Development Corporation is seeking residents who are willing to adopt a city-owned mini-park and care for it.

The city owns many small pieces of property throughout Summit, ranging in size from small triangles to such expanses as the Village Green. While the city is able to care for most of these larger plots of land, there is not sufficient time, personnel nor funds to take care of many of the smaller properties.

Most recently, youngsters in the vicinity of Laurel Avenue and Tulip Street adopted a piece of city-owned land. After raising funds for the upkeep of the property, the youngsters turned to the SADC for additional funds to make the small plot a showpiece. Today, that triangle of land contains new plantings, a bench and is a source of pride to the neighborhood and the children involved in the renovation. SADC supplied funds to help with the renovation. The city provided the expertise about plantings and maintenance.

On Blackburn Place, two neighbors have assumed the responsibility for keeping a city-owned piece of land a credit to the neighborhood. Here, too, the city helped by providing top soil. The neighbors provide the water and

the plantings for the mini-park.

Almost every residential neighborhood in Summit has a plot of city land which may be adopted by neighbors for upkeep and maintenance. SADC will help with funds for plantings, and the city will provide information

about plantings and about the need to avoid blocking the view of pedestrians and automobile drivers.

Anyone interested in adopting a neighborhood mini-park can contact Hannah Rauscher, chairman of SADC, at 522-1700.

Pathways hosts health workshop

Cancer Care and Pathways will host a workshop titled "Better Bone Health" at Pathways, located in The Connection for Women and Families, 79 Maple St., Summit, on Oct. 7 at 7 p.m.

The Breast Cancer Support Network for Better Bone Health program is developed by Novartis Oncology. This presentation is open to the public as a community service. There is no charge, although registration is required. The program content focuses on the link between breast cancer and bone health with the goal being to empower women to take charge of their health.

Discussions by a registered nurse may help women better understand their bones, signs to look for to increase awareness and the importance of nutrition, exercise-and-stress-management-for healthy bones.

Cancer Care was founded in 1944. The organization helps people of all ages, at all stages of illness, whether patients, family or friends.

Pathways is a community-based breast cancer support and service organization. Pathways provides support groups for women diagnosed with cancer, for women in treatment, women at post-treatment, and for spouses, partners, family and friends. Pathways provides resource information, educational and complementary programs.

For more information and registration, call Pathways at 277-3663.

First Aid Squad offers CPR class

September is traditionally "Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad Month" in the city. In celebration of it's month, the First Aid Squad will offer two free programs for the public.

American Red Cross Community CPR, a program including adult, child and infant CPR, rescue breathing and obstructed airway skills will meet today from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

"Until Help Arrives..." a program designed to teach the public how to act when an emergency occurs, when to call for help and what to do until the ambulance arrives will meet Tuesday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

To register for either course, call 277-9479 or visit the squad web site: www.summitems.org.

Meet and greet



Gov. Christie Whitman shakes hands with shop owners, customers and residents while she visits Summit. The governor began at the Summit Diner and walked along Union Place Sept. 15.

Support groups begin again at Women's Center

While previous generations of women may have gathered on the front porch or at-the-back fence on a warm spring day to support, encourage or console each other, few easily find the time to make these kinds of connections today.

Yet, women still need the support of other women throughout their lives, in good times and in bad.

The Resource Center for Women's short-term support groups offer participants the chance to meet other women who are facing similar changes and challenges and to work through related issues in an encouraging environment facilitated by a professional therapist.

Because each group is strictly limited to 10 women, advanced registration is required and early registration is essential. The fee for each eight-week series is \$105 for center members, \$135 for non-members. A limited number of partial scholarships are available for all groups.

Groups focusing on the following issues will begin in late September and meet at the Resource Center's offices in downtown Summit:

- "From Co-Dependency to Self-Discovery: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics" will give women who grew up in families with alcoholism or other addictions a chance to explore the childhood experiences that continue to affect their lives. They also can identify strengths and set goals for healthier and happier lives. Lisa Pierson, LCSW, will facilitate this group which begins Sept. 30 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

- "Companies for the Journey: Living with Chronic Illness" offers women living with illnesses such as diabetes, lupus, multiple sclerosis or rheumatoid arthritis the chance to draw on shared experiences as they learn to balance the demands of a chronic illness with personal life, family and career. Facilitator Ide Mills, MSW, will encourage participants to develop strategies for moving

through life with humor, courage and hope. The group begins Monday from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

- "Lesbian Couples: Building Stronger Relationships," facilitated by Deborah Smith, MS, CADC, is intended for the lesbian couple who is committed to their relationship, but feels the need to revitalize or strengthen it. The group will focus on issues of power, boundaries, sexuality, visibility, communication, conflict resolution and ways to nurture each other and the relationship. Beginning Wednesday, from 8 to 9:30 p.m., this group is limited to five couples, so early registration is necessary.

- "Relationship in Transition:" Women in the early stages of separation and divorce will have the opportunity to work through practical and emotional issues with others in the same situation. Facilitated by Barbara Von Klemper, this group begins Monday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

- "Making Connections" is the latest addition to the Resource Center's support group lineup. This group was

developed to address the sense of isolation that many women feel due to shyness, changes in geographic location, primary relationships, career or more predictable life cycle changes, such as the "empty nest" or the demands of caring for an aging parent or spouse.

Facilitator Barbara Marshall will lead a seminar, beginning Wednesday from 6:15 to 7:45 p.m., to develop shared strategies for stepping into life and new relationships with confidence.

Advanced registration is required for all support groups. Since space is limited, early registration is strongly encouraged.

To begin the registration process or to receive more information about these or other center programs, call the center office at 273-7253 or visit the website at members.aol.com/rcfw.

The Resource Center for Women is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization providing programs and services designed by and for women of North Central New Jersey.

Connection-dance workshop postponed

The Tap Dance workshop, scheduled for Sunday at The Connection for Women and Families in Summit, has been postponed until January. This tap dance workshop, featuring Tracy Everett, is free and open to the community. The new time and date will be Jan. 9, 2000 from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Connection, 79 Maple St., Summit.

A unique ballet workshop featuring Andrei and Era Jouravleva from Russia will be held as scheduled at The Connection on Nov. 21 from 2 to 4 p.m. Interested participants may call The Connection for Women and Families and register a place for themselves at 273-4242.

Free parking is available and The Connection is two blocks from the Summit train station.

These workshops are presented as part of The Connection for Women and Families' Community Dance Program, coordinated by Myung Bondy, dance director at The Connection. Funding has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
 Sports Editor

The first full weekend of the season was a bit out of whack as the result of Hurricane Floyd ripping its way through the area.

At press time, one area team had yet to play as Dayton's Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division home game against Bound Brook was moved to Tuesday afternoon at Meisel Field in Springfield.

Another game was moved from Friday night to Sunday afternoon as our No. 1 team, Elizabeth, managed a 26-0 shutout victory over Dickinson of Jersey City, a game played at Caven Point.

Union opened with a convincing 27-6 win at Bayonne Friday night and Linden improved to 2-0 with an impressive 25-8 triumph at home over Hudson County foe Union Hill.

Unbeaten Elizabeth, Union and Linden — along with 1-1 Plainfield — could form half of the playoff pool in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4.

Elizabeth, Union and Linden were three of five Watching Conference teams that were victorious over Hudson County Interscholastic Athletic Association schools in non-conference competition last weekend.

HCAIA schools won this year's series 5-6, but Watching Conference schools came out on top by a 29-19 margin over the past four years. This is the last year of the non-conference competition between the two conferences.

Four area schools dropped season-openers at home in conference play. Hillside and Governor Livingston fell to Immaculata and Rahway, respectively in MVC-Mountain Division action.

Brearely lost a heartbreaker to New Providence 21-20 in MVC-Valley Division play, while Summit, although displaying a much-improved performance from a year ago, fell to Parsippany Hills in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division competition.

The big game in the Watching Conference-American Division this weekend is Elizabeth at Plainfield.

WEEK TWO
 Friday, Sept. 24
 Union at East Side, 7:00
 Rahway at Immaculata, 7:30
 Saturday, Sept. 25
 Johnson at Brearely, 1:00
 Gov. Liv. at Hillside, 1:00
 Roselle Park at New Prov., 1:00
 Roselle at Ridge, 1:00
 Manville at Day, 1:30
 Elizabeth at Plainfield, 1:30
 Cranford at Westfield, 1:30
 Summit at Hanover Park, 1:30
 Linden has the week off

WEEK ONE
 Friday, Sept. 17
 Union 27, Bayonne 6
 Ridge 37, Roselle Park 7
 Saturday, Sept. 18
 Rahway 35, Gov. Livingston 13
 Johnson 29, Roselle 20
 Immaculata 25, Hillside 8
 New Providence 21, Brearely 20
 No. 25, Union Hill 8
 Lincoln 21, Cranford 3
 Parsippany-Hills 38, Summit 20

TERRIFIC THIRTEEN
 1. Elizabeth (1-0)
 2. Union (1-0)
 3. Linden (2-0)
 4. Rahway (2-0)
 5. Johnson (1-0)
 6. Hillside (0-1)
 6. Brearely (0-1)
 9. Roselle (0-1)
 10. Dayton (0-0)
 11. Gov. Livingston (0-1)
 12. Roselle Park (0-1)
 13. Cranford (0-2)



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This year's varsity high school football game between Dayton and Governor Livingston is still a month away, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 23 in Berkeley Heights. As of Tuesday Dayton was hoping the rain would stop as the Bulldogs' season-opener was rescheduled against Bound Brook. GL opened at home last Saturday and was defeated by Rahway 35-13 in Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division competition.

Dayton's football opener pushed back to Tuesday

Bulldogs, Bound Brook were still to play in rain

By J.R. Parachini

Sports Editor

The beginning of the Paul Sep era of Dayton High School football was pushed to Tuesday afternoon.

And, for good measure, it started raining again on Tuesday.

Dayton's season-opening Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division contest against Bound Brook was moved from last Saturday at 1 p.m. to Tuesday at 3 p.m. because of the ramifications of Hurricane Floyd.

Bound Brook was among the hardest hit towns in New Jersey by the heavy tropical rainfall.

With nine senior starters returning, the Bulldogs are anxious to improve upon last year's 2-7-1 showing.

Dayton would especially like to erase the memory of last year's season-opening 41-0 loss at Bound Brook.

Unfortunately, the Bulldogs were to face Bound Brook this year without the services of senior quarterback Lorenzo Williams, who suffered an injury during one of Dayton's scrimmages and will miss a few games.

Dayton's other returning seniors include: Charles Beyer (5-10, 210), Justin Azran (5-11, 235), Dan Deliocono (6-1, 210), Todd Walters (6-1, 220), B.J. Jones (5-9, 175), Brian Berger (5-10, 170), Matt Fisher (5-9, 170), Kevin Altier (5-7, 175) and David Wyche (5-8, 165).

David Woodruff (6-3, 175), a member of the varsity basketball team, is out for football for the first time.

On offense (Delaware Wing-T), Beyer and Azran are the guards, Deliocono is the center and Walters and junior Russell Haywood (5-9, 185) are the tackles. Sophomore Scott Hollander (5-10, 185) is the tight end.

Jones and Berger are the tailbacks and Fischer the fullback, while Allen and Woodruff are the split ends.

On defense (4-4), are Azran and Beyer and, Deliocono and Haywood at tackle, Fischer and Hollander at inside linebacker, Wyche at weak-side outside linebacker and Berger at

strongside outside linebacker.

Jones is the right cornerback, Woodruff is at left and Allen is the safety.

Other varsity players include senior fullback Brian Jones (5-7, 165), juniors John Laurencelle (5-9, 170), Karl Goforth (6-1, 175), Altay Vigilante (5-6, 160) and Mike Lyubavin (5-10, 180).

As a result of playing on Tuesday, Dayton will have a short time to prepare for this weekend's opponent, Manville.

Dayton is scheduled to host Manville Saturday afternoon at Meisel Field at 1. Dayton defeated Manville 13-6 last year on a Friday night in Manville.

Manville's opening game was rescheduled as well as the Mustangs were to host North Plainfield in MVC-Valley Division action Monday afternoon.

GL seeks to rebound

Governor Livingston scored all of its points in the fourth quarter, something the Highlanders hope will serve as some kind of momentum going into this Saturday's game at Hillside at Woodman Field at 1 p.m.

Hillside managed fewer points in its 25-8 loss at home to Immaculata Saturday. The loss marked the 13th consecutive season that the Comets have been beaten by the Spartans.

Hillside has not defeated the Somerset County powerhouse parochial school since the 1986 season.

Governor Livingston's roster includes a host of athletes from Mountaineer. They include: Seniors offensive tackle/defensive end Hank Hansen (6-4, 220), fullback/linebacker Andy O'Dowd (5-7, 150), wide receiver Matt Strenicz (6-0, 160), wide receiver/defensive guard/defensive end Mike Lauricella (5-10, 180), offensive tackle/defensive end Ed Barrett (6-5, 210).

Juniors: Offensive tackle/defensive end Nick Pace (6-0, 205) and fullback/outside linebacker Rob Moorehead (5-8, 150).

Sophomores: wide receiver/free safety Matt DeAnna (5-9, 160), fullback/inside linebacker Brian Dresel (6-1, 240), offensive guard/defensive tackle Dave Lauricella (5-8, 195), offensive tackle/defensive end Jason Krawczyk (5-8, 200), offensive guard/defensive tackle Chris Barnett (5-8, 210), offensive tackle/defensive

end Dan Legiec (6-3, 220).

Freshmen: Chuck Orlando, Frank Palumbo, Pat Barrett, Pete Klebaur, Joe Cissulli, Joe King, Jon O'Dowd.

GL head coach Joe Hubert and his staff have been working hard on eliminating big plays on defense, something that plagued the Highlanders last year.

Saturday's game against Rahway was 8-0 in the third quarter before senior Steve Ellis returned a punt 85 yards for a score. He returned another punt 70 yards for another touchdown, giving Rahway a commanding 21-0 lead.

Hillside was one of three teams that were able to shut out GL last weekend, posting a 20-0 win in Berkeley Heights.

Hillside-juniors-quarterback Troy Bishop did complete 8-of-17 passes for 143 yards and one touchdown, an eight-yard toss to Darren Prather in the fourth quarter. Bishop followed with a two-point conversion pass to tight end Anthony DeCarne.

Other MVC games this weekend include: North Plainfield at Bound Brook; Rahway at Immaculata tomorrow night and Roselle Park at New Providence, Johnson at Brearely and Roselle at Ridge this Saturday afternoon.

After this weekend Dayton has scheduled home games remaining against North Plainfield, Roselle and Brearely on Thanksgiving.

GL will remain on the road for the next two weekends after this weekend's game at Hillside. Road games follow at Roselle on Oct. 2 and at Johnson on Oct. 9.

The Highlanders have scheduled home games remaining against Ridge, Dayton and Immaculata on the last three Saturdays in October.

GL, which defeated Dayton and Manville last year, is scheduled to play at Manville on Friday night, Nov. 5 at 7, which is the beginning of the playoff cutoff weekend.

Gov. Liv. (0-1)

(H) Rahway 35, Gov. Liv. 13
 Sept. 25 at Hillside, 1:00
 Oct. 2 at Roselle, 1:00
 Oct. 9 at Johnson, 1:00
 Oct. 16 at Ridge, 1:00
 Oct. 23 at Dayton, 1:00
 Oct. 30 at Immaculata, 1:00
 Nov. 6 at Manville, 7:00
 Nov. 25 at New Providence, 10:30
 Record: 0-1
 MVC-Mountain: 0-1
 Home: 0-1
 Away: 0-0
 Points for: 13
 Points against: 35
 Shutouts: 0
 Overtime: 0-0

Coach Kozub has talent returning

Marx is at top of the list

By John Zucal
 Staff Writer

Robert Kozub has realized what may be a high school coach's ultimate dream: no one graduated from last year's boys' cross country squad.

The Dayton High School team, which finished 5-3 and third in the Mountain Valley Conference's Valley Division last season, also is running alone after having a co-op team with one runner from Brearely High School last season.

Three-year varsity performer Jeff Marx is the Bulldogs' lone senior. He did well to place third in last year's conference meet.

"We're hoping for Jeff to at least win the Valley Division championship," said Kozub, who previously coached in Dayton's football program for 16 years.

H.S. Boys' Cross Country

Kozub said he "expects a lot" from three juniors. Jonathan Zigkin returns for his third season, while Alex Kramers and Chris Melendez follow. Kramers ran the 800, 1600 and 3200 meters for the Bulldogs during the spring, while Melendez played soccer last year.

"We're looking for a good season this year. It all starts with our top gun, (Jeff) Marx. My main goal is to get four runners in each grade. It's hard in a school with 450 kids and when we're trying to run a full sports program for the students."

— Dayton boys' cross country coach Robert Kozub.

Two sophomores, returnees Bryan Demberger and Chris Phillips, could make their way to Dayton's top seven, while Andrew Yniak and Sean Cordoni could make some strides as well for the Bulldogs.

John Cottage has impressed Kozub to the point where the freshman could join the top seven.

"He's going to be a real good runner," Kozub said. "When we finish a practice, he asks, 'Is that all?' Then he goes to swim practice."

Tim Homlish and Brett Berger, both freshmen, will also run for the Bulldogs.

"We're looking for a good season this year," said Kozub, who believes his squad will fight with Oratory Prep and New Providence for the Division title. "It all starts with our top gun, Marx."

Dayton may find success in training by itself. The one Brearely runner caused the Bulldogs to compete in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 last year. The school is now a mid-level Group 1 school.

"As soon as we went from a Group 1 to a Group 2 school we saw the difference," Kozub said. "We have 450 kids; Group 2 actually goes to about 800 students. I thought it would be best for us to go to 2 it alone."

Kozub also noted the difficulty in attracting boys to run.

"My main goal is to get four runners in each grade," Kozub said, "but it's hard in a school with 450 kids and we're trying to run a full sports program for the students."

Barring weather problems, the Bulldogs' first meet, against Manville, was scheduled for Tuesday.

Dayton, GL tennis start week perfect

Net conference matches

The Dayton and Governor Livingston High School varsity girls' tennis teams took undefeated records into this week's competition.

Dayton improved to 2-0 with a 4-1 win over Roselle Park Sept. 14 in Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division competition.

GL improved to 1-0 with a 5-0 win over Roselle Catholic Sept. 14 in Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division play.

Dayton won every match except three singles against Roselle Park. Christy Deliocono defeated Jerril Davidson 6-3, 6-1 in first singles, while Rena Steinbach bested Huma Sackel 6-2, 7-6(3) at second singles. Lisa Casso of Roselle Park stopped Rachel Mandel 6-1, 6-1 at third singles.

Lillian Fasman and Nicole Obit defeated Lenore Wiener and Jamie Maggitta 6-0, 4-6, 6-4 at first doubles, while Ali Pulhi and Tabatha Fishkin stopped Kim Quercio and Christine Palamiano 6-1, 6-4 at second doubles.

GL won all five matches in straight sets against RC. The Highlanders received a win at first singles from Gina Turrucciello by the scores of 6-1, 6-1 over Andrea Chialero.

Jen Calabrese defeated Stefania Zeik 6-1, 6-0 at second singles, while Kristin Furusioe blanked Jennifer Ciano 6-0, 6-0 at third singles.

Jessica Bong and Yvonne Chen downed Nina DeAngelis and Stephanie Garz 6-1, 6-1 at first doubles, while Lindsey Lawl and Christy Souder blanked Lydia Tobisz and Allison Kelly 6-0, 6-0 at second doubles.

Dayton boys' soccer shutout; GL squad opens with shutout win

The Dayton High School boys' soccer team was blanked by Bound Brook 2-0 at home Sept. 14 in its season-opening Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division match.

GL's squad looked impressive in a season-opening 5-0 win at home against Hillside on Sept. 10 in MVC-Mountain Division competition.

Highlander goalkeeper Brent Hayden made eight saves in recording the shutout.

Dayton and GL were scheduled to play again earlier in the week.

The Union County Tournament seeding meeting will be upcoming later in the month for this year's UCT, which is scheduled to commence in October.

GL, Scotch Plains and Westfield will be among the teams favored to win the title once again.

Springfield's Lee is member of Southern Connecticut football team

Michael Lee of Springfield, a 1998 Dayton High School graduate and former Bulldog quarterback, is a member of the Southern Connecticut State University football team.

Lee, who stands at 6-0 and weighs 210, was a freshman redshirt last season. This year Lee is projected to be the backup to starter Kevin Dickinson.

Lee was the starting quarterback for Dayton in 1996 and 1997, guiding the 1996 team to an impressive 6-3 record.

Southern is coming off an 8-2 campaign and a second-place finish in the Atlantic Division of the Eastern Football Conference.

The Owls are ranked 25th nationally in Division 2 in Sports Illustrated's preseason poll and were chosen to win the EFC Atlantic by the conference's coaches.

The Owls were scheduled to open at home Sept. 11 against Gannon University.

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