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## Salary dispute sparks write-in candidate

By Pamela Isaacson  
Managing Editor  
Mountainside resident Adele Magnolia has agreed to serve as a write-in candidate for mayor in the Nov. 2 election.

"A democracy is a government that encourages free and open discussion," Magnolia wrote to more than 400 voters. "If that cannot work at the local level, what can we as citizens expect at any other level of government?"

Magnolia's effort was sparked from attempts by council members in February to set salary ranges at \$1,500 to \$3,000 for themselves and \$3,000 to \$6,000 for the mayor.

The controversy led to much public debate and Mayor Robert Vigilanti's attempt to table the vote at the Feb. 16 council meeting. No council members, however, would provide the second for Werner Schon's motion. The ordinance passed to cries of "shame on you" from the audience.

Magnolia spearheaded a petition and collected more than 400 signatures that would place the salary question on the November ballot. Council members that rescinded the ordinance and appointed a special salary committee to make recommendations. These have not yet been made public.

"In my opinion, the appointment of a committee now is too late," Magnolia wrote. "That should have been done before they went ahead and voted on an ordinance that suited them."

By appointing a committee the mayor and council have totally disregarded the more than 400 voters who made their wishes known through the petition.



Adele Magnolia

As mayor, Magnolia said she would "work to pass a resolution to remove the salary ordinance. I see no need for it. I would establish a clear, fair process for reimbursing the mayor and council for legitimate expenses."

Increasing volunteerism in the borough, Magnolia said, also would be a priority. She said she would "take a proactive role in involving community members. We need more volunteerism, and I would take an active role in trying to generate those volunteers. It is critical to get young adults to participate more fully in the community."

Vigilanti, who has never been opposed for the mayor's seat, said he does not feel Magnolia is qualified to

serve. "I believe you have to be in the bullpen before you get on the mound," he said.

"I don't feel she's qualified. How will a person with her lack of background present a budget to the council and the residents?"

Vigilanti is running for his fourth term. He served for nine years on the Borough Council before becoming mayor.

"I am told she is running because she wants the salary issue brought to the public," Vigilanti said. "That's what I'm asking for."

Magnolia served on the Mountainside Recreation Commission and currently serves on the Planning Board.

"I don't think we go to school to become a mayor or councilman," Magnolia said. "People who take on those responsibilities come from all walks of life. I'm not sure there's a mandatory resume, otherwise we'd have trouble in our democracy. People in our community have confidence that all people are eligible to serve; we don't have to have special training."

Magnolia said her decision ultimately came about after she had finished a workshop in a school district where she and other teachers and administrators discussed how to teach higher-level thinking skills.

"We were discussing how to teach students skills to be community leaders, I thought. I should really put my money where my mouth is. As citizens, we've got to be willing to take on tasks."

Magnolia, now retired, began her career as an English teacher. She

started and stayed in the Rahway School District, became a department chairperson, district supervisor, principal and pre-kindergarten through 12th grade supervisor and instructor.

On the state level, Magnolia had been involved in a committee to design the High School Proficiency Test. She retired in 1992, and now serves as a curriculum and planning consultant to school districts.

"I have the ability to assess problems, assess situations and apply a process that would work best for problem solving and decision-making," Magnolia said. "Frequently, it is not one person who makes all the decisions, but I am not fearful of making decisions."

Through her work in the Rahway schools, Magnolia said she has experience assembling portions of budgets, presenting them and promoting them in the community.

Vigilanti said he was confused about Magnolia's decision to challenge him for the seat for several reasons. "I am surprised she's running as a Republican. She's been a Democrat for 30 years," he said. "I don't understand the issue of changing parties."

Magnolia said she had been an inactive Democrat who no longer voted in primary elections. "I just thought my name was removed from the list," she said.

Within the past year, Magnolia corrected her party affiliation because she identifies more with the Republican party.

Magnolia married her husband, Frank, and moved to Mountainside 35 years ago.



Photo By Barbara Kalkala

This space will welcome the Springfield Post Office in June 2000. It rests across the street from the current location at 225 Mountain Ave.

## New address planned for town's post office

By Joe Lugara  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Post Office is splitting in half. The current Mountain Avenue space, occupied by the postal service since the early 1960s, will become an annex. Mail processing, bulk mailings and deliveries will be handled there, with customer service moving across the street to a larger space at 225 Mountain Ave.

"We're limited in terms of space here," said Postmaster Joseph Gornicz. "There's no parking for our customers here; across the street we'll be able to pick up about 30 spaces. Our window section and post office box section will both be moved across the street, and the boxes will be state-of-the-art. The new location will be handicapped-accessible, and there will be postal items — things like mailing boxes and commemorative stamps — available."

Although the number of postal employees handling customer service will remain a consistent three between locations, Gornicz said the new space will allow for additional vending machines, resulting in shorter lines.

Renovations are currently underway for the new building. According to Gornicz, the changes will consist mainly of "a couple of walls." "We're taking the space that's already there," Gornicz said. "It's zoned for business, so we don't really need to contact the township's zoning or planning boards."

Gornicz said the plans for the new space recently have been adjusted, and will go out for bid immediately upon completion. He described the project as being on "the fast track."

"The building is owned by a private developer," Township Attorney Bruce Bergen said. "So they probably didn't need the approval of the town. The building is for office use; they may still need to submit something to the town, but I don't know."

According to Gornicz, expanding the post office's existing facility would have involved the zoning board. The building will be revamped instead, to allow for more mail-handling space. Gornicz said he expects the move to happen by June.

"The citizens of Springfield have been very loyal to us," Gornicz said. "Their criticism, as well as their praise, have both been helpful. We've grown with their help."

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## Engineer submits plans for township improvements

By Joe Lugara  
Staff Writer

The majority of Tuesday night's brief meeting of the Springfield Township Committee should have been devoted to a hearing on proposals for the Community Development Block Grant Program. Instead, discussion was replaced by wholehearted approval.

Assistant Engineer Sam Martini presented the proposals. "We've submitted six proposals this year," Martini said. "Historically, we usually get 50 percent or more than what we apply for."

The first proposal involved the installation of flood barriers, in the form of concrete walls and steps, for the municipal building. The structure was hit hard last month by Tropical Storm Floyd, with its basement

receiving over 7 feet of flood water. Pumps lifted water in the basement were submerged, as was the boiler. Much of the water forced into the basement through the collar steps, a problem Martini said he hopes to correct with an old solution: a series of steps leading up to a small landing and then down into the basement.

The feature, which was once part of the Town Hall, had long been removed. Martini's proposal asked for \$38,000.

Phase II of improvements to Center Street was figured at \$28,000. Phase I included work to the curbs and sidewalks down Center Street to Hannah Street. Phase II will involve improvements from Hannah Street to North Trivet Avenue. Martini estimated the overall cost of improvements to be \$34,000.

Restoration of a portion of Van Winkle Creek, which runs along Mountain Avenue, includes the replacement of another footbridge. The original footbridge, which was located behind the Herberly's Ice Cream building, was ripped from its moorings during Tropical Storm Floyd and deposited down the block, near the bridge by Hannah Street. Martini's proposal asked for \$30,000.

An alarm system for the Town Hall's annex building was figured at \$5,000, with maintenance for the senior citizens bus, along with a salary for the driver, set at \$28,000.

Opposition to OTD  
The committee passed a resolution to oppose the establishment of an Off-Track Betting facility on Morris Avenue. According to Committee

man Steven Goldstein, legislation from state Sen. Richard Codey, D-Essex, would result in a gambling facility exempt from property taxes and local zoning laws. It would be permitted to establish its own hours, which could be around the clock.

"I grow up across the street from an OTB," said Goldstein, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y. "And I saw what happened to a lot of the people who went there. I'm not talking about casino gambling — I'm talking about the sordid side of gambling."

Committeeman Sy Mullman was even more direct. "There's nothing positive we can say about this," he said. "This is a bad thing for young people — open 24 hours on Morris Avenue, with a liquor license through the state."

## Grace under pressure



Photo by Jeff Grant

Brian Pickup, 6, plays 'Grace,' a colonial game in which children catch a ring using old slinks. The game was taught at this year's Harvest Festival, sponsored by the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside earlier this month.

## Hopeluls face off at debate

By Philip Sean Curran  
Staff Writer

Hoping to inject life into another moribund campaign, the two Democrats running for General Assembly advocated raising the income tax to make the state less reliant on property taxes.

Michael Cohan and Dennis Cauffield raised the idea at a forum sponsored by the Union chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. Cohan, a teacher at Kawameh Middle School in Union, offered few specifics on how the plan would work. The plan would force wealthier taxpayers to bear more of the burden.

"I think it's a more natural way to generate revenues at the state level," Cohan said. "The only way that I would agree to raise income taxes or any other state tax would be if there was an absolute requirement that the revenue raised would be used dollar for dollar to reduce property taxes," Cohan said afterward. "The tax bill would be based on the ability to pay."

Cohan, critical of the Whelan administration, said Republicans have not offered a way to pay off the debt they have run up. He called his opponents "borrow-and-spend Republicans."

But Cauffield, a Rowland native, said Tuesday afternoon that his plan would raise the income tax for people whose income is \$500,000 or greater by half a percent and by 1 percent for those whose income is \$1 million or more.

Raising the income tax could raise \$200 million and make the state become less reliant on property taxes to fund education, Cauffield said. Cauffield's idea excludes raising the sales tax.

How the Democrats' idea will play to more the affluent voters in the 21st district is unclear. The district, cutting across Union and Essex counties, includes Summit, Cedar Grove, Verona, among the wealthiest communities in the state.

To their Republican opponents, the idea made little sense. "I know Joel and I would never advocate increasing the sales or income tax," Assemblyman Kevin O'Toole said.

"I feel folks in New Jersey are taxed too much as it is," Joel Weingarten added.

Weingarten cited one example in which the Legislature had tried to lower property taxes. This year, Union Township received about \$8 million more in school aid, thanks to a funding formula that helps middle-income districts rely less on property taxes to meet their budgets.

Starting 15 minutes late, the forum took place inside the Elks Lodge on Chestnut Street. An audience made up of seniors listened to the speakers. And cognizant of who their audience was, they talked mainly about issues that affect seniors: property taxes, telemarketing fraud and affordable housing.

Cauffield's plan to allow seniors to have both the Homestead Rebate and the New Jersey Sever Pay drew the loudest cheers. At the moment, seniors can take one, whichever is higher.

## Enrollment projections are priority for district

By Pamela Isaacson  
Managing Editor

Members of the Mountainside Board of Education have started determining the feasibility of each school building in the borough.

One crucial building block of an accurate demographic study is every child in the district. By analyzing historic trends, the firm White Hall Associates Inc. will attempt to predict future enrollment for Mountainside schools. The board will then determine expansion plans or reopening Beechwood School for public school students.

The study will cost the school district \$2,500.

So far, Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller and Business Administrator Frances Tolley have supplied firm representatives with the enrollment figures from 1994 through 1998. The accurate 1999 figures will be calculated after tomorrow's state-mandated cutoff.

According to Schaller, White Hall will research records of students in Mountainside that date back to 1930.

Previously, the board had acquired Sarah Weisman, an area demographer, to make projections for the 1999-2000 school year. Board members found her figures, however, to be inaccurate.

When school ended in June, Deerfield had 574 students. In September, the doors opened for 615 children. Tolley explained there was a "spike with the kindergartens" which forced administrators to open a third class, in addition to hiring teachers' aids in each classroom. The ratio of students to teachers, Tolley said, is between 23 and 25 to one.

Testing concerns  
Schaller said he has compiled a report of suggestions and concerns on behalf of the school district regarding the state's new standardized tests, the

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Friday: The Mountaineer Senior Citizen Club has a bus trip planned to Lily Langry in Pennsylvania. There are a few openings left. For more information call Loreta at (908) 232-1404.

Saturday: Springfield sponsors its seventh annual Clean Communities Weekend today and tomorrow 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 Salitz of Springfield, will be in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the library, 66 Mountain Ave.

Sunday: "The Metro Rhythm Chorale" will sing in a cappella four-part harmony style at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., at 2 p.m. Tickets will be available at the Circulation Desk. For more information call (973) 376-4930.

"Is Anyone Out There?" the Sunday planetarium show at Trillidae Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, will be presented Sunday and Oct. 24 and 31 at 2 p.m. for ages 6 and up. Admission is \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors.

"Down by the Old Stream," the Sunday family program at Trillidae Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, will be at 2 p.m. for ages 6 and up. Hike from Scoley's Pond to the old mill ruins along the Green Brook. Admission is \$2 per person.

Monday: Parents are invited to "How to Listen to your Teenager," a free, 60-minute parenting workshop at 7:30 p.m., at Holy Cross Church, 639 Mountain Ave., Springfield, Call (973) 379-4524 to register.

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., offers a training course about communicating via e-mail from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration is limited to eight people. For information call (973) 376-4930.

Wednesday: Two contenders for one Springfield Township Committee seat have been invited to take part in a candidates night at the Springfield Municipal Building at 8

p.m. The League of Women Voters of Springfield is sponsoring the forum.

Upcoming events 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 a.m. to noon.

Oct. 22: The Mountaineer Senior Citizen Club will meet at noon at the Community Presbyterian Church on Deer Path and Meeting House Lane. Sponsored by The American Red Cross, guest speaker David Kelley will discuss senior disaster protocol. Light refreshments will be served.

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library will sponsor the annual book sale Oct. 22 and 23 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Donald B. Palmer Museum in the library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield.

"The Millennium Celebration," a fall dinner of the Mountaineer Republican Club, will be at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire in Mountaineer. For more information and reservations call either Donna Ostaja at (908) 252-4904 or Marilyn Hart at (908) 233-4036.

Visitors to the Trillidae Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, can take a deserted village walking tour at 2 p.m. Oct. 23 and 24.

Oct. 24: The Springfield Halloween Blast will be at the Chisholm Community Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Activities include kids' pumpkin painting, face painting, a Halloween puppet show, bake sale and costume parade and contest.

"The Question, 'Is Anyone Out There?'" will be considered at the Trillidae Science & Nature Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, at 2 p.m. for ages 6 and up. Admission is \$3 per person and \$2.55 for senior citizens.

"Sky Stories" will be told at the Trillidae Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, at 3:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 per person and \$2.55 for senior citizens. The program is for ages 4 through 6 with an adult.

Oct. 25: The first fall meeting of the Springfield Woman's Club will be at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, Church Mall, at 1 p.m. Guest speaker will be Audrey Boice of Summit, speaking about "Norway: Land of the Sea and Mountains." For information about membership call (973) 379-7632.

Oct. 31: "Autumn Astral Arrangements," the Sunday planetarium show at Trillidae Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer, will be presented at 3:30 p.m. for ages 6 and up. Admission is \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors.

Local women showcase prints at public library

Lynn Keffler of Chatham and Jessica Leonard of Summit will be exhibiting "PRINTS: A Two Women Art Show" at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library from Oct. 30 to Dec. 2.

Keffler holds a bachelor of arts degree from Bucknell University and has studied at the School of Visual Arts. As a fine artist she has studied under John Beckley, Neil Anderson and recently with Sergei Tevskov and Helen Frank.

She will be showing her work in New York City in December. Leonard has exhibited in Amsterdam, Holland, and will be showing her prints in Moscow in May 2000. Leonard will be showing two pieces in the Millennium Show at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Professional experience as a graphic designer has been with House & Garden, Johnson & Simpson Graphic Design where clients included Johnson & Johnson, Bell Labs, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

Leonard will be showing color-prints and monotypes in work that is narrative and autobiographical. Leonard, who teaches printmaking at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, has been a working artist for 25 years, but for the last two years has concentrated on printmaking. Leonard has exhibited widely in the area and has worked in several museum collections.

There will be a reception for the artists on Nov. 7 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For more information call (973) 376-4930.

NEWS CLIPS

Former Houdaille Quarry opens for public tour

All residents are invited to join the Springfield Environmental Commission on a tour of the former Houdaille Quarry Oct. 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. Guests can visit the area which is undergoing 'passive' regeneration after years of physical change caused by quarrying.

Rotary requests relief for Bound Brook flood

The Mountaineer Rotary Club is requesting help from all Mountaineer residents for Bound Brook flood relief. Bring nonperishable food items and cleaning supplies to Fleet Bank, 855 Mountain Ave., Mountaineer, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Do not include clothing.

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.

Palmer Museum accepts artists' applications

The 36-by-50-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 pieces of Springfield. Portions of the permanent Palmer Collection are on display throughout the year.

Library holds book sale

The Friends of the Mountaineer Library will hold its annual book sale on Oct. 23 and Oct. 24 during library hours.

Library holds book sale

Everyone with a paid Friends membership also is welcome to the Preview Sale Oct. 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. Our annual sale will include books, videos, audio tapes, compact discs and puzzles.

Seniors organize events

The senior citizens of Springfield are alive and well meeting on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning in September. The also group will sponsor the following trips:

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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.

Library seeks donations

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. For more information call (973) 376-4930.

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 archives department at (973) 376-4930, ext. 28.

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Participation required to keep Springfield green

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# Township officer may face jail

By Joe Lugara  
Staff Writer

Another Springfield police officer is in trouble. Michael Ferrigno, 34, a nine-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department, was arrested in Westfield and charged for allegedly attempting to fill a fraudulent prescription at Baron's Drug Store on East Broad Street Sept. 10.

According to Sgt. John Parizeau of the Westfield Police Department, Ferrigno obtained the prescription for the narcotic oxycodone from a physician in a South Orange medical group. Parizeau said he did not know exactly how Ferrigno acquired the prescription from the office.

Parizeau said Ferrigno disappeared from the drug store before the pharmacist was able to call the physician, referred to by the sergeant only as Dr. Mehta. The pharmacist called the doctor after Ferrigno's departure and was informed that Ferrigno was not a patient of Mehta's. Ferrigno was arrested and charged

with forgery and attempting to obtain a controlled dangerous substance. Forgery is a fourth-degree offense. Attempting to obtain a controlled dangerous substance is a third-degree offense. Both offenses carry jail time.

According to an anonymous source, Ferrigno suffered a physical injury sometime late last year. The exact nature of the injury is not known.

Ferrigno was released on his own recognizance. His case will be heard in the Superior Court in Elizabeth. Ferrigno has not been fired from the Springfield force. Township Administrator Richard Sheola described him as being "on leave pending the outcome of his disability pension." Sheola said Ferrigno submitted the necessary paperwork a few weeks ago.

"This is a sad situation," Township Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld said. "He should seek out treatment. It's incumbent on us to protect our community — to either get him help or remove him if he can't function in his capacity as an officer."

A published report last week indicated Ferrigno had "settled with the department brass in early September over undisclosed internal disciplinary counts," citing as one of the infractions the officer's alleged possession of a BB gun earlier in the year. The report also claimed Ferrigno had expected to be fired.

Capt. Richard Hietala of the Springfield Police Department declined comment on the incident. Police Chief William Chisholm was reported to be on vacation.

Calls to Ferrigno's lawyer, Joseph Spagnoli of Cranford, and Dr. Mehta were not returned.

The incident with Ferrigno is one of a string of recent problems plaguing Springfield's police force. This summer, the township sealed with three police officers who had previously filed lawsuits charging harassment. One of the officers, the township's only black patrolman at the time, allegedly was the target of racial remarks from one of the department's captains, Vernon Pedersen.



From left, Jessica Fidella, Michael Mohr, Nicole Milano and Jessica Honer display their winning posters urging residents to help keep Springfield clean. Clean Communities Weekend will be Saturday and Sunday.

# Board reviews state testing practices

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Grade Eight Proficiency Assessment and the Elementary School Proficiency Assessment given to fourth-graders.

Concerns include the amount of testing and length of tests for each grade. Schaller estimated the district spent about two weeks testing fourth-graders last year. He said, this time includes preparation and make-up days for students who missed exams.

Another issue, he said, is the delay of receiving test results. "It has helped in planning for students in need," Schaller said. "And the results didn't help with strengths and weaknesses."

Other school officials expressed similar sentiments. "My biggest concern is the time taken away from the classroom," said Board President Pat Taeschler. "The board and the faculty work so hard to make the most of every moment."

The exams do not display a breakdown of specific skill levels, but place students in categories from highest to lowest.

Schaller will present an update with more itemized scores for the IOWA, GEPA and ESPA standardized tests at the Nov. 9 meeting. All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Deerfield School Library. The next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 25.

Save your newspaper for recycling.

# Westfield Health Department requests medical information

The Westfield Regional Health Department is requesting all physicians and dentists practicing within its jurisdiction — Fenwood, Garwood, Mountaineer, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield — to provide the Health Department with their Fax numbers and/or e-mail addresses to be used for the dissemination of emergency health bulletins.

The Health Department is attempting to develop a communication system that would allow for an effective and timely distribution of health information relative to the current water emergency associated with Tropical Storm Floyd, as well as any other future public health or environmental bulletins.

Medical and dental offices are asked to contact the Health Department at (908) 789-4070 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by mail sent to the Westfield Regional Health Department, 425 E. Broad St., Westfield, 07090.

# Additional space reserved for Post Office

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The strip of offices are currently occupied by the Hocht Family Chiropractic Center and the NorCrown Bank. A 1,900-square-foot space, on the corner near Oakland Avenue, has yet to be rented.

"We're always trying to get more retail-type businesses," said Township Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld. "It would be nice to bring in something like an ice cream parlor, something that enhances the shopping feeling. We want to keep a small business environment."

"We fought hard, in court, to keep CVS out last year. The neighbors protested. CVS. They created a community block association and hired an attorney, and combined with our township attorney, we all fought against it. CVS could have kept coming back and fighting, but it wasn't cost-effective for them to do that."

"Having CVS there would have been an attempt to put out the mom-and-pop businesses and we didn't want that to happen," Hirschfeld said. "There would have been huge tractor-trailers making deliveries there, and that's a busy corner. There are children walking by there all the time."

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# COMMUNITY FORUM

## EDITORIALS

### Opinions will count in the election

Did the committee actually serve a purpose? That one question leaves a burning hole in the recommendations made from Mountainside's salary committee.

The nine-person committee faced an 8-1 split as Lou Thomas, also president of the Mountainside Democratic Club, submitted a minority report because he disagreed with the committee's decision and, more importantly, the decision-making process.

This has been an issue that has disgusted many since its initial presentation as well as events in the preceding eight months. What have been the contradictions regarding setting salary ranges?

Equal representation: Mayor Robert Vigilanti initially said the committee would be composed of an equal number of political representatives — three Republicans, three Democrats and three Independents. In reality, the committee consists of four Independents, three Republicans and two Democrats. More than 400 borough residents were excluded because they signed a petition against the ordinance that set salary ranges at \$1,500 to \$3,000 for council members and \$3,000 to \$6,000 for the mayor.

"Proving it": Following more than one hour of public debate, Vigilanti told residents on Feb. 16 that members of the council have not presented a strong enough case for setting a salary range. "It has not been proven to you," he said. He told the public he would ask the council to put together additional information to "prove it." Where is this information?

In reality, committee members did not hear from the council, they did not hear from residents, nor did they even make their meetings public. They simply gathered information from surrounding municipalities regarding their practices. Since when has Mountainside followed others rather than set a trend for others to follow? Since when is what's best for bordering cities and towns best for the borough?

Can members of the committee and the mayor honestly believe that merits of this issue has been proven?

This committee was formed because the mayor and council members feared the salary question appearing on next month's ballot. But by excluding those most affected — council members and residents — the committee's recommendations are made with incomplete information.

Let's face reality: While they all spout about Mountainside lacking in volunteerism, members of the Borough Council and the mayor will most likely vote to give themselves salaries. With or without the committee, public servants were likely to be given these unvouchered reimbursements. By forming a committee, the mayor stifled taxpayers' opinions. The only option left for residents is to show how they feel when they make their selections during the Nov. 2 election.

### Now is the time to start the fight

Three children search dutily through their closets...trying to find appropriate black outfits. None of them much cared; none even noticed what they chose. What did they wear to the funeral of the woman who used to pick their clothing? What could ever be appropriate for young children to wear to their young mother's funeral?

Their mother was taken by breast cancer, the most common form of cancer among American women. A few statistics: approximately 180,000 American women will develop breast cancer this year, and about 44,000 will die from the disease. In New Jersey alone this year, more than 1,600 people will die from breast cancer. Only lung cancer causes more cancer deaths among women.

The numbers are frightening — numbers of women diagnosed, families infected, children left motherless. But these numbers can be lowered if women begin going for annual mammograms at age 40, had annual breast exams by a physician and practiced monthly breast self-examinations starting before they turn 20. There is treatment for those who receive a prompt diagnosis.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Throughout the county this month, hospitals, women's health centers, schools and other concerned organizations are offering free breast examinations and information about early detection, symptoms, risks and treatment.

For more information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or check the web site at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

*"Truth is generally the best vindication against slander."*

—Abraham Lincoln



Ben Smith, 7, left, learns how to make firewood while Raven, 5, entertains the crowd with a native dance at the Harvest Festival in the Watchung Reservation in Mountainside last month.



Photos by Jeff Great

### Trouble continues with the Springfield police

Another employee of the Springfield Police Department is in trouble. Michael Ferrigno, a nine-year veteran, was accused last week of attempting to obtain prescription painkillers illegally. This, after two members of the department settled out-of-court with the township for having been the victims of racial remarks by Capt. Vernon Pedersen. A third officer also settled, claiming he was harassed by the department after having morally supported one of the officers.

The Springfield Police Department seems to be doing its very best to emulate a bad big brother. It doesn't have the scope of a New York City or a Newark, but for as little a place as it is, it certainly has a substantial percentage of problems.

This isn't a question of recent hires. Ferrigno and Pedersen have both been around long enough. From where we stand, the problem is clearly communication. There isn't any. None with us at the *Echo Leader*, and, apparently, little or none within the department itself. And none with the community.

Even the township's DARE program has been the object of long, pro-

### Joe's Place

By Joe Lugara  
Staff Writer

tracted silences and foot-dragging. At first, the department didn't want to pay its officers for teaching the DARE program to the township's students, citing "something problems," and suspending the program before the assigned officers were able to complete the curriculum. Then, just before the school year officially ended, the program was reinstated, forcing the officers to rush through the remainder of their lessons. This reporter attempted — attempted is the word — to speak with Police Chief William Chisholm on the subject of the program's reinstatement, only to be told that there was never a suspension.

Picture the scene: This reporter, seated at his desk with a newspaper a few months old containing a story about the suspension of Springfield's

DARE program, listening as Chisholm tells him during a phone conversation that the program was "never suspended." Chisholm apparently, proffered the word "hiatus" to suspension, a fact of which I was unaware because I forgot to take my mind-reading seeds that morning. I also happen to know that the words "hiatus" and "suspension" mean exactly the same thing. The chief's highly contradictory remark made its way into the story; it was even highlighted in a box in the center of the article.

Communication starts at the top. Residents of Springfield should know that their police department is becoming a rather widely known joke. I also cover Mountainside and Summit, and in both those communities, long faces are pulled whenever Springfield is mentioned. The town is

achieving notoriety, to be sure, but of an undesirable sort.

The public hasn't demonstrated any communication skills in this matter either. No one ever says a word about the Police Department's hijinks at Township Committee meetings. The occasional citizen will complain here and there about situations involving nickels and dimes, but when it comes to such things as Pedersen's remarks costing the township big dollars in settlements, they don't say a word. Not a peep.

All this misbehavior may seem like small potatoes, but taken together during a short period of time, it equals something very big. Something is very wrong.

This is the Police Department. If they won't talk to you, go to your elected officials and talk about them.

### Election coverage guidelines

In fairness to all Township Committee and Borough Council candidates and to provide the best service to our readers, this newspaper has established guidelines and a schedule for coverage of the special election in November.

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

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

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

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

We will strive to avoid the initial raising of controversial or sensational issues in the final edition before election.

We aim to focus on what the voter needs to know and not on what the candidates want to say.

Our guidelines reflect the reader service objectives of this newspaper in municipal elections. However, we will review our guidelines from time-to-time and revise them if necessary to benefit our readers.

Following is the schedule we will adhere to in the Nov. 2 special election:

**Letters to the editor:** Political letters, and those of endorsement, will be accepted up to and including the issue of Oct. 21 for council candidates. Letters may be printed or appear as excerpts at the editor's discretion.

**Candidate's Corner:** Candidates running for the Township Committee will be given the opportunity to speak to the readers on these pages as they present their backgrounds, platforms and goals. Their columns will appear Oct. 21.

**Our endorsements:** Endorsement editorials will appear Oct. 28.

**Staff-written round-up stories:** A final look at the candidates, their platforms and goals, etc., will appear Oct. 28.

**Election results:** Election results will be announced on this newspaper's Infocourse hotline. Look for the telephone number and extension in the Oct. 28 edition and listen to the results as they come in Nov. 2. Follow-up with complete election result coverage will be in the Nov. 4 edition.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### People thankful for county now

To the Editor:

Three years and a slap in the face to Mountainside resident Frank Marchese for his ill-timed commentary on county government. His recent e-mail made no sense at all. For anyone who missed it, Frank praised a former Cranford mayor who came to a firefighter meeting suggesting to do away with county government.

I wonder what that former official is saying now in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Floyd because the Union County government was out there in full force to the rescue. The lead of Operational Services, Frank Dann, and his men were out there with the county's front-end loaders rescuing people literally by the buckets from the flood waters. And while the residents are waiting for their insurance companies or the state and federal governments for financial aid, the Union County government was there already with \$1,000 interest-free loans to help anyone who got flooded, get back on their feet.

Vincent Lehotsky  
Elizabeth

#### Football program gains support

To the Editor:

On Oct. 2 the Springfield Minutemen Football program commenced its annual canister drive at several locations throughout Springfield. The response was overwhelming.

This fund-raiser helps defray the cost of equipment purchases, equipment reconditioning, insurance and an end-of-the-season dinner honoring the players. Players are from the fourth- through eighth-grades, from Sandmeier, Caldwell, Gaudineer and St. James schools.

This year, the program is sponsoring two teams, a "B" team comprised of seventh- and eighth-graders, while the "C" team is made up of fourth- through sixth-graders.

We would like to publicly thank all who contributed their dollars and their change to this worthwhile youth activity. We truly appreciate your support. We will be continuing our canister drive on Oct. 23. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Heather G. Suarez  
Springfield

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## We're asking Do you intend to get a flu shot this season?



Robert Steinhart

"I got one already, although I'm generally pretty healthy."



Ruth Lang

"I plan to get mine at Sarah Bailey on Oct. 21."



Alan Steir

"My wife and I are planning to get them. Now that we're over 60, we get them."



Nancy Spence

"I never take a flu shot. I had one about 10 years ago and got sick anyway."

## Sharing Network says TV gave false impression

Joseph Roth, president and chief executive officer of the Springfield-based New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network criticized CBS' "Chicago Hope" for a recent episode titled, "Ya Gotta Have Hope," that he says gave the false impression that the wealthy can buy priority placement on the transplant waiting list.

"This practice would not only be unethical, but illegal," Roth said. "The basic premise of the episode in question revolves around two patients who desperately need a heart transplant — one rich and one poor — in the broadcast, the rich patient gets the new heart basically in exchange for giving money to the hospital."

"I am concerned and somewhat dismayed by the 'Chicago Hope' episode," Roth said. "There is already a false perception among economically-disadvantaged and minority citizens that organs can be purchased by the wealthy. With the waiting list disproportionately consisting of these groups, maintaining confidence in the medical community is crucial."

"In reality," he said, "organs are allocated to the sickest patients with consideration given to medical matching criteria and time on the waiting list."

Roth added, "I'm concerned that the show's premise — almost tantamount to buying human organs — was seen as reality and has the danger of discouraging people from giving life-saving organ donations. With 67,000 on the transplant waiting list, it is irresponsible to imply that this type of practice occurs."

Roth said in New Jersey residents are "fortunate that the economically disadvantaged have access to life-saving transplants through state healthcare initiatives. "The Sharing Network has achieved a great deal of success in its ongoing efforts to increase the number of African-American, Latino and Asian-American community," Roth said. "Misconceptions portrayed on the 'Chicago Hope' episode are extremely detrimental to our work."

On a final note, Roth said, "The show has the opportunity to play an instrumental role in promoting increased awareness among all Americans. I would encourage 'Chicago Hope's' producers to use the platform of their show to get the message out concerning the gift of renewed life that's made possible through organ donation."

The Sharing Network is a federally-designated, state-certified procurement organization responsible for recovering organs and tissue for New Jersey residents in need of transplantation, as well as those on waiting lists nationwide.

Organ donor cards, additional information or a copy of The Sharing Network's donor registry brochure, can be obtained by calling The Sharing Network at 1-800-SHARE-NJ, visiting their web site at <http://www.sharenj.org> or e-mailing them at [tn@esharenj.org](mailto:tn@esharenj.org).

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## Survivor shares story of life in the camps

Tomorrow 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.

Those war experiences and eyewitness 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.

## Volunteers are needed to aid hospital's kids

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.

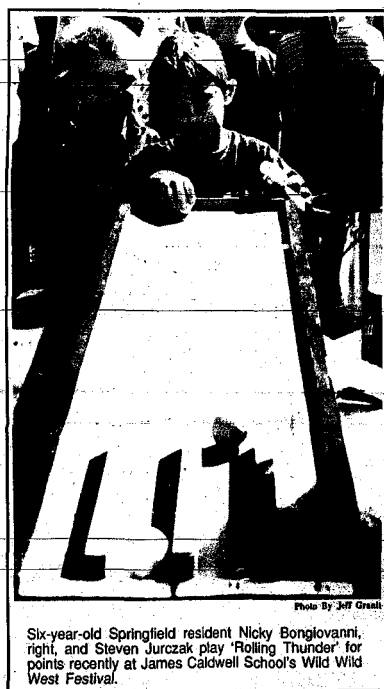


Photo By Jeff Grant

Six-year-old Springfield resident Nicky Bongiovanni, right, and Steven Jurczak play "Rolling Thunder" for points recently at James Caldwell School's Wild Wild West Festival.

## Springfield Library resumes films

The Springfield Free Public Library will resume its Foreign Film Festival with movies from around the world with "After Life" today 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, otherworldly 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. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information call (973) 376-4930.

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OBITUARIES

Yvonne Spitznagel

Yvonne A. Spitznagel, 56, of Summit died Oct. 3 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Spitznagel lived in Phillipsburg, Wayne and Convent Station before moving to Summit seven years ago. She maintained a summer residence in Loveladies.

Mrs. Spitznagel was a freelance technical writer and the first female executive in management structure with Xerox in Rochester, N.Y. She received a bachelor's degree in journalism from Rider College, now Rider University, Lawrenceville, in 1964. Mrs. Spitznagel was a member of the American Association of University Women.

Surviving are her husband, John T.; a daughter, Yvonne T.; a son, John T. Jr.; her mother, Teresa Alexander, and a brother, Eugene R. Alexander.

Marie Renn

Marie Renn, 76, of Green Acres, Fla., formerly of Summit, died Oct. 2 in John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Altamonte, Fla.

Born in Summit, Mrs. Renn moved to Florida 15 years ago. Surviving are her husband, Benny; two daughters, Phyllis Dill and Linda Caruso; a sister, Eleanor Noco; a brother, Anthony Lombardi, and four grandchildren.

Francis P. Grieco

Francis P. Grieco, 60, of Springfield died Oct. 4 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Summit, Mr. Grieco lived in Millburn before moving to Springfield 24 years ago. He was service manager with Bernie's Tire & Auto of Millburn since 1990.

Earlier, Mr. Grieco had been a partner with his brother, Bernie, at Bernie's Exom in Millburn and South Orange from 1968 to 1991. He was an honorary member of the Millburn Police Benevolent Association Local 34. Mr. Grieco was active with the Millburn Bowling League.

Surviving are his wife, Carol; two daughters, Diane Leibowitz and Michelle; a brother, Bernie, and two grandchildren.

James Herrick Sr.

James E. Herrick Sr., a lifelong resident of Mountainside, and former lieutenant with the Mountainside Police Department, died Oct. 4 in Berkeley Convalescent Center.

Mr. Herrick was a lieutenant and first detective with the Mountainside Police Department for 28 years, where he was his first detective. Later, Mr. Herrick worked as a security guard for All State Legal Supply Co., Cranford, for 11 years and retired in 1991.

He served with the Coast Guard during World War II and was awarded the American Campaign Medal, the Navy Occupation Service Medal with an Asia Clasp and the World War II Victory Medal.

He was a member of the Policemen's Benevolent Association Local 126 in Mountainside, where he received the honorary Silver Shield. Mr. Herrick also was a member of the American Legion Martin Wallberg Post 3 in Westfield and the Veterans

of Foreign Wars Post in Mountainside.

Surviving are his wife, Veronica; a son, James E. Jr.; a daughter, Marlene Bergelski; his twin brother, Bernard; and six grandchildren.

Edith Sgarro

Edith Sgarro, 88, of Mountainside died Oct. 9 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Sgarro lived in South Bound Brook before moving to Mountainside in 1936. She worked as a secretary for several insurance companies and retired in 1947. Mrs. Sgarro was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church, Mountainside, where she was a deacon and a member of its Women's Association.

Mrs. Sgarro was a member of the Newcomers Club of Mountainside, the Mountainside Women's Club and served as a parliamentarian of the club. She also was a member of the Parliamentary Club of Cranford.

Mrs. Sgarro held positions with the Sixth District of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Surviving are a daughter, Louise M., and a sister, Lois Conrad.

Ethel M. Habig

Ethel M. Habig, 86, of Summit died Oct. 6 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Habig lived in Summit for 30 years. She was a surgical filter for 30 years with the Fruchman Surgical Center in Summit and retired in 1983. Mrs. Habig was a member of the Senior Citizens in New Providence and volunteered at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Lyons, for many years.

Surviving is a son, Peter C.

Miriam Fisch

Miriam Fisch, 97, of Springfield died Oct. 8 at home.

Born in Lemberg, Poland, Mrs. Fisch lived in Elizabeth before moving to Springfield 25 years ago. She was a member of the Jewish Educational Center and the JEC Hadassah, both of Elizabeth.

Surviving are a son, Erwin; a daughter, Elizabeth Wilf, four grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Edward Ehrmann Jr.

Edward J. Ehrmann Jr., 69, of Summit and Point Pleasant, a business owner and retired Army lieutenant, died Oct. 8 at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in East Orange, Mr. Ehrmann lived in Summit for many years while maintaining a home in Point Pleasant. He owned Central Cleaning Co., Summit, for many years. He was a graduate of the Fort Bliss, Texas, Officers Candidate School and Guided Missile School and served in the Army during the Korean War. Mr. Ehrmann was a member of the Fort Monmouth Officers Club.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara; and a son, E.J.

Lillian Hutchinson

Lillian Hutchinson, 97, of Greenwich, Conn., formerly of Mountainside, died Oct. 7 in Greenwich Hospital.

Lee S. Kolarsey

Lee S. Kolarsey of Charlotte, N.C., formerly of Summit, died Oct. 9 in Mercy South Hospital, Pineville, N.C. Born in Bethlehem, Pa., Mrs. Kolarsey lived in Irvington and Summit before moving to Charlotte in 1981. She co-owned The Huntbarber Gift Shop, Charlotte, and owned Raleigh Antiques in Summit.

Mrs. Kolarsey attended the University of Pennsylvania and received a bachelor's degree from Moravian College, Bethlehem. She was past president of Montibello's Lady Bugs and a member of the Carmel Country Club in Charlotte.

In Summit, Mrs. Kolarsey was a member of the Furnishing Club and volunteered at Overlook Hospital with the Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving are two daughters, Lynne K. Blair and Jane K. Kusater; a son, E. Raymond; and six grandchildren.

Mildred Steinbock

Mildred Steinbock of West Orange, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 9 in the Daughters of Israel Geriatric Center, West Orange.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Steinbock lived in Caldwell and Springfield before moving to West Orange 12 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Donald Zimmerman; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Carmela A. Bozzo

Carmela A. Bozzo, 91, of Morristown, formerly of Summit, died Oct. 8 at home.

Born in Morristown, Mrs. Bozzo lived in Summit and Madison before returning to Morristown four years ago. She was a cafeteria worker at Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison, for six years and retired 25 years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Anthony, Giulio and Eugene; a sister, Anne Filippone; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

William J. Ditzel

William J. Ditzel, 83, of Port St. Lucie, Fla., formerly of Mountainside, retired president of a Linden firm, died Oct. 11 at home.

Born in Westfield, Mr. Ditzel lived in Mountainside before moving to Port St. Lucie 22 years ago. He was the president of W.A. Ditzel & Co., Linden, before retiring. Mr. Ditzel was a councilman and chairman with the Mountainside Recreation Committee. He also was president of the Kiwanis Club in Mountainside.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Helen; two sons, Tom and Jim; and four grandchildren.

DEATH NOTICE

GRICCO - On Monday, October 4, 1999 Miriam M. Grisco of Springfield formerly of Summit, beloved wife of Carol Bernauer Grisco. Devoted mother of Diane Labowitz and Michele Grisco. Loving grandmother of Matthew and Andrew Labowitz. Dear mother of Berna Grisco. The funeral Mass was offered in St. Rose of Lima Church, 50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, New Jersey at the convenience of the HOLLE FUNERAL HOME, 2122 Midway Avenue, a chapel-in-home, in Paramus, New York. The funeral Mass was offered in St. Rose of Lima Church, 50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, New Jersey at the convenience of the HOLLE FUNERAL HOME, 2122 Midway Avenue, a chapel-in-home, in Paramus, New York. In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Legion Post 45, Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081, would be appreciated.

Dayton students named

commended scholars

Charles Seron, principal of Jonathan Dayton High School, announced Alan Cohn, Dina Gordon, Jessica Lau and Todd Walters have been named Commended Students in the year 2000 National Merit Scholarship Program. A letter of commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corp., which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to these scholastically talented seniors.

Some 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards to be offered next spring, Commended Students placed among the top 5 percent of more than one million students who entered the year 2000 Merit Program by taking the 1998 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

A Merit Program spokesperson said, "The young men and women named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding academic potential by their high performance in the extremely competitive National Merit Program."

These scholastically-talented youth represent a valuable resource to our nation, and it is important to publicly recognize their attainments and to credit schools for the important part they play in their development. We hope this recognition will help to broaden the educational opportunities of Commended Students and serve as encouragement to them and other able students to develop their abilities to the fullest."

Lau selected to attend

N.J. Governor's School

Jessica Lau, a senior at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield, was selected to attend the 1999 session of the New Jersey Governor's School in the Sciences this summer.

As a governor scholar, Lau participated in the four-week program at Drew University in Madison. Students were nominated by high schools across the state, then subjected to a screening process at the county level, and finally selected by an admission committee of faculty and scientists. Selection was based on academic record, PSAT/SAT scores, recommendations from science and math teachers and personal essays.

Nine students completed an intensive course of study in science and mathematics including core courses, electives labs and team research projects.

Seniors are semifinalists

Three Summit High School seniors have been named semifinalists in the year 2000 National Merit Scholarship competition.

Kevin Keating, Charles Santusie and Colton Smith were chosen as semifinalists based on their performance in the 1998 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which they took as juniors, and which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

Nearly 1.2 million students in more than 20,000 high schools nationwide entered the competition by taking the

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qualifying test. Fewer than 1 percent of that number were designated semifinalists - on a state representative basis.

Keating is a member of the Summit High School Marching Band, Concert Band and Pit Band. He has participated in the New Jersey Math League, the Iron Hills Mathematics Competition, the Science League and Science Olympiad. An avid reader, Keating is a member of the Aviator-Yacht Club, Juniors and Junior Racing Team.

He is a member of the Temple Sinai Temple Youth Group and is the group's publicity vice president. For the past two summers, Keating has worked at the Summit Child Care Centers as a computer specialist.

Santusie has played soccer all four years at Summit High School and was captain of the junior varsity soccer team. He is a member of the World Languages Honor Society and the New Jersey Math League, in which he was a top finisher junior year. Santusie is a National Merit Scholar and has received the Cornell Book Award and a Spanish Excellence Award, and is a candidate for a Bluestein scholarship.

He has tutored both middle school students and adults in Spanish. Santusie has spent his past four summers

as a counselor at Cape Cod Sea Camps.

Smith is a member of Summit High School's Model United Nations program and has participated in the school's Japanese Exchange Program with Toyama Technical High School in Toyama, Japan.

She is an editor of "Insight Out," Summit High School's literary magazine, a member of the Book Club and manager of the women's volleyball team. Smith also plays piano and teaches Sunday school.

The three students now have an opportunity to continue in the competition from some 7,600 Merit Scholarship awards, worth over \$28 million dollars, which will be offered next spring.

Township residents

Commended Students

Springfield residents Ryan T. Farrell and Sean Ciullo have been named Commended Students by the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Farrell is a student at Seton Hall Preparatory School in West Orange. A Letter of Commendation from the school and the National Merit Scholarship Corp., which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this senior.

RELIGION

Summit's Wallace Chapel holds Women's Day

This year's Women's Day event at Wallace Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church will be observed Oct. 24 at the 11 a.m. worship service. A special Women's Day choir will provide the music for the occasion.

The morning speaker will be the Rev. Theresa Rusden, a granddaughter of a former pastor of Wallace Chapel, the Rev. Thomas Coarsey. Rusden is an assistant minister of St. James A.M.E. Church in Newark. The Women's Day theme is "Admin: Summit, Commit and Be Blessed."

The chapel is located at 140 Broad St., Summit. For more information call 277-0574.

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-by-8-foot area will be in the auditorium.

The fee is \$30 for one space equivalent to two parking spaces 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.

Presbyterian Church

holds rummage sale

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

EVENTS

New members invited to Choral Art Society

The Choral Art Society of New Jersey Inc. welcomes new members to its fall rehearsals at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield at the corner of Mountain Avenue and East Broad Street. The group meets each Tuesday at 8 p.m. under the direction of James S. Little and Mary Beth McFall, accompanist. The society is currently preparing the "Mass in B Minor" by J.S. Bach.

Little is the organist and choirmaster at Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit, where he directs three choirs and the Calvary Concert Series. He is a graduate of Trenton State College and Westminster Choir College. He also is the director of MadJazz, a Union County a capella group, and the Prep Choir of the Somerset Hills Children's Chorus.

The Choral Art Society of New Jersey Inc. now in its 37th year, is a nonprofit community chorus dedicated to the study and performance of great choral works.

Arboretum holds classes

Teachers can bring nature to life for students by planning a field trip to the Reeve-Reed Arboretum this school year. The arboretum is accepting registration now for fall and spring programs.

"Networks-to-Nature" classes can be scheduled on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for a morning or afternoon session, and there are a variety of programs from which to choose.

Call the arboretum at (908) 273-8787 to arrange for a class to explore the natural environment, learn to appreciate its beauty and respect its natural systems.

BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

Grid of 12 business advertisements including: ADDITIONS, AIR CONDITIONING, CERAMIC TILE, COMPUTER, SPACE AVAILABLE, GUTTERS/LEADERS, HANDYMAN, POLICE AGENCY, HOME IMPROVEMENTS, Bath Ugly?, Kitchen Ugly?, HOME IMPROVEMENT, LANDSCAPING, MOVING, SCHAEFER MOVING, PAINTING, PAINTING, Fin's N Feather, PETS, QUALITY ROOFING AT A REASONABLE PRICE, WANTED TO BUY, ANTIQUES.



# Maintenance crew keeps schools set for learning

The Summit public schools' foremost priority is providing a top-notch education for all of its students. But, in order to effectively deliver its product, the district also must establish and maintain a safe, efficient and attractive learning environment.

It is the responsibility of Roger Jarman, the Summit schools' maintenance supervisor, to ensure that the district's facilities are up to the task of servicing more than 3,000 students. "My department may not be directly involved in education, but the students are still our first responsibility," Jarman said. "My employees and I must make sure that the students and staff have a safe, clean and comfortable environment in which to learn and work."

Jarman has been with the Summit district for seven years, having worked previously for the Rahway Board of Education. He is a certified education facilities manager and holds a Blue Seal Engineer's license and an electrical contractor's license.

He also is Summit's "Right to Know" trainer and educates any employees who may in their job come in contact with certain materials about the proper handling and use of such materials. The district's custodians, science teachers and health workers are among those required to have "Right to Know" training. Jarman reports to the district's business administrator, Harold Kessler.

Custodians are on the job. The polish and shine so obvious in all of Summit's schools reflect the hard work of Jarman's employees — 26 full-time custodians, one part-time custodian and five tradesmen: Vince Infillo, maintenance mechanic; Siegfried Hlad, carpenter; Sal Errante, auto mechanic; Angelo Palumbo, electrician; and Adam Grzycki, plumber.

The custodians are assigned among the seven school buildings; three custodians also double as school bus drivers. Each building is supervised by a head custodian.

"In general, our custodians are responsible for the cleanliness and

security of their buildings," Jarman said.

Each day, they are the first to arrive at the schools. Dismantling the alarms and unlocking the doors, they get the buildings ready for business. During the winter, their first duty every morning is to check the boilers. Each day every classroom, bathroom and cafeteria is cleaned. After school, or later in the evening if a meeting is being held in the building, the custodians make sure every window and door are locked, alarms set and the building is secured.

The custodians are people for all seasons. Snow gets them out earlier than usual — plowing, shoveling and de-icing parking lots and paths. Spring means grass cutting and landscaping.

They also are on-call for emergencies. The area's recent run-in with Tropical Storm Floyd had Jarman and Brayton School's custodians on the job until 2:30 a.m. mopping up floods in hallways and several classrooms that resulted from an overflow of a nearby creek. The school was back in operation when the students returned the next day.

The five tradesmen play their skills wherever needed, in keeping the schools and the district's equipment in working order. Mechanic Sal Errante performs most of the repairs and maintenance on the district's 18 vehicles that include five buses, a dump truck and a pick-up truck, as well as assorted ride-on lawnmowers, tractors and snow blowers.

"Our department works year round," Jarman said. "Each summer, every building is cleaned from top to bottom and every piece of furniture is cleaned, as well. Walls are washed, floors stripped and refinished and painting is done where necessary. In between, the custodians are assembling furniture, making repairs and taking care of the grounds."

The ongoing construction and renovations throughout the district have added some extra duties to Jarman's schedule. He has been involved with



Roger Jarman, right, Summit public schools supervisor of buildings and grounds, looks on as district electrician Angelo Palumbo retrofits an exit sign with energy-saving LEDs. This sign should not need relamping for up to 25 years.

the construction and renovations at the elementary and middle schools by overseeing the day-to-day progress of the projects and reporting any problems to the architect.

Because of its scope, however, the upcoming capital project at the high school will be overseen by a "Clerk of the Works." Jarman's predecessor, George Gross, has been hired for that role and the two will work together on certain aspects of the project.

### Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention.

If you believe that we have made such an error, write to Tom Canavan, Editor in Chief, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700, weekdays before 5 p.m.

# City library receives technology funding

The Summit Free Public Library has received a \$9,660 grant from the Technology Bond Fund, administered by the New Jersey State Library.

The money has been used to purchase three new Internet workstations for the adult reading room, raising the total number of Internet computers to eight. Two new CD-ROM workstations for the juvenile reading room, and a new computer on which to process patron Internet Library Loan requests also were added. "An increasing number of our reference materials are now computerized," said Robin Carroll-Mann, head of adult services. "In addition to Internet access, we also have corporate directories, phone books and magazine databases. These resources are heavily used, so it's important to have enough terminals to meet public demand."

The new workstations will significantly add to the number of Internet terminals available to the public and should cut down on waiting time.

The goal of the grant program is to provide public libraries with state-of-the-art computer equipment which supports access to electronic resources. Libraries submit a request which is reviewed by the State Library, and funds then are awarded for eligible projects. This is the third time the Summit library has benefited from a technology grant from the State Library.

In 1998, the city's library received money to purchase three new workstations for the adult reading room and a battery back-up unit to protect the Internet server.

The Summit Free Public Library opened in its newly renovated facilities in February, and will be upgrading its computer system over the coming year. For information or questions call the main library number at (908) 273-0350.



Isabelle Devenney of Summit was honored recently by Geoff Worden, co-founder, at a luncheon for BRIDGES volunteers to celebrate 10 years of helping the homeless in New Jersey and New York.

# BRIDGES volunteer honored

Isabelle Devenney of Summit was recently honored at a luncheon for BRIDGES volunteers to celebrate 10 years of helping the homeless in New Jersey and New York. Geoff Worden, co-founder of BRIDGES, praised Isabelle for her tireless work organizing the preparation of over 300 bag dinners each week since 1988.

Many other volunteers from Christ Church, St. John's Lutheran Church, St. Teresa's Church, Mountain Baptist Church and United Methodist Church also were recognized for their dedicated efforts in making sandwiches, soup and hot chocolate for people in need.

Without these volunteers, BRIDGES would not be able to bring food, clothing, blankets and toiletries to those in need on the streets each week. Over 1,000 student and adult volunteers from Union, Morris, Essex and Monmouth counties have been involved with BRIDGES outreach to the homeless.

On Oct. 23, BRIDGES will hold its 10th Birthday Bash at Liberty State Park to celebrate the leadership of its founders, Ginger and Geoff Worden, as well as to honor several homeless or formerly homeless people whose lives have been touched by BRIDGES.

The proceeds of its first-ever fund-raising event will enable BRIDGES to sustain its current outreach and provide its services and fellowship to more homeless neighbors in New Jersey and New York. The evening will include a performance by the Newark Boys Chorus, a live auction, a movable feast and dancing. Tickets range from \$150 to \$500 a person. Anyone interested in receiving an invitation to BRIDGES' 10th Birthday Bash or in helping BRIDGES in another way should call (908) 273-0176.

## WORSHIP CALENDAR

**BAPTIST**  
EVA-NEUCHA-BAPTIST CHURCH — "CHIN'S OIR HOPE AND PEACE," 214 Shunpike Rd., Springfield. Rev. Vladimir Mackey Sr. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages • Nursery through Seniors. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Nursery care. 5:30-7:00 p.m. AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-7. 7:00 p.m. Evening Service • Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 Bible Prayer, Praise and Bible Study. Junior-Senior Ministry. Active Youth Ministry. Wide-Range Music Program. Super Seniors on Thursday at 11 a.m. followed by lunch. Anybody parking. Choir led provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us. For further information contact church office (973) 379-4351.

**JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE**  
TEMPLE BETH AMI, 40 Temple Drive, Springfield, 973-376-0539. Mark Malachuk, Rabbi; Richard Nadel, Cantor; Paul N. Poyser, President. Beth Ami is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekday services: Mon.-Fri., 7:00 a.m. Sun.-Thurs. 7:45 p.m. Shabbat (Friday) 6:00 PM & 8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset. Sundays: 8:30 AM. Festival & Holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grades) meet on Sunday and there are pre-school through eighth grade high school and pre-religious school aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Preschool Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for 6th through twelfth graders, and a Youth Adult Education program. A Senior's League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

**JEWISH - REFORM**  
TEMPLE SHARAY SEALON 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Daniels, Cantor/Education Director; Nina Greenberg, Pre-School Director; Bruce Pizansky, President. Temple Sharay Sealon is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC).

Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM. "Singing with the Spirit" Wednesday 7:30 PM. Sunday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 a.m. following worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school classes meet on Sunday mornings for grades K-2, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7, and Tuesday evenings for post bar mitzvah students. Sunday classes are available for children ages 2-12. Shabbat services are held at the site of active Synagogue, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include: Multi-Educational, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple Office, (201) 379-5387.

**LUTHERAN**  
HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081. 201-379-4225, Fax: 201-379-8887. Joel R. Ryan, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 a.m. at JONATHAN DAYTON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**, 222 Cowpasture Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E. Krich, Pastor. (908) 232-5117. Beginning Sunday, July 6, Summer Worship Services will follow: Sun. Morning Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning worship, enhanced. Wednesday Evening Worship Services, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all worship services. The church and all rooms are handicapped accessible.

**METHODIST**  
THE SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located at 40 Church Hill in Springfield, NJ invites ALL people of all ages and backgrounds to join us in their spiritual journey. Sunday Worship Services starts at 10:30 A.M. with children available for babies and toddlers. Christian Education opportunities for children begin during the worship Service with a special

time for children led by the Pastor before they depart for class. Service of Prayer and Praise begins at 11:00 AM on Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M. Please call and ask about our Adult Christian Education, Young Adult Ministries, Bible Studies, Small Group Ministries, Prayer Chain, Music Ministry and other opportunities to serve. If you have any questions, interest in opportunities to serve others, or have prayer requests, please contact Rev. Mark at the Church Office: 973-376-1695.

**THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** of Summit is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. Sunday morning worship is at 10:00 a.m., the emphasis of which is to always have a "good word" because of Paul's reminder to us in his letter to the Romans "that ALL things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose". The sermons are uplifting, biblically sound and guaranteed to keep you warm. Five minute and weekly children's message are memorable. All are welcome to hear the Good News of God's love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyone. Come worship with us and find out how you too can have a "good word". Call the church office of Pastor Lee Weaver for more information at 908-277-7700.

**PENTECOSTAL-NON-DENOMINATIONAL**  
VISIONS OF GOD FAMILY WORSHIP "RISING PEOPLE OF POWER FOR THE 21ST CENTURY" 243 Shunpike Road, Springfield (located at Evangel Baptist Church). Office located at 1132 Spruce Drive, Mountlake, side. Phone: 908-921-0212. Pastors: Paul & Sharon Dean. Worship Service - Sunday at 2:00 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study - Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Ministries include: Singles, Married Couples, Women, Men. We welcome everyone who is someone to come and worship with us.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
FIRST-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 210 Morris Ave. at Church Hill, Springfield, 973-376-7200. Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m., Sunday morning Worship Service 10:15 a.m. (July and August 9:30 a.m.), with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through worship, Christian education, choir, church activities and fellowship. Communion first Sunday of each month. Ladies' Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Ladies' Evening Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kaffeeklatsch - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. The Rev. Daniel J. Russell, Jr., Pastor.

**ROMAN CATHOLIC**  
THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081. 201-376-3044. SUN-DAY MASS: 8:00 AM. PARISHIST: 8:30 PM. SUN: 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:00 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Mass: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m. ST. TERESA'S OF AVILA, 306 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, 908-277-5700. Sunday Masses: Saturday, 5:30 PM; Sunday, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 1:15 (Spanish), 5:00 PM in the Church; Children's Mass: 10:30 AM. Menorah Hall will resume September 14th. Weekday Masses: 7:00, 8:30 AM, 12:10 PM; Saturday weekday Mass, 8:30 AM; Holy Days: Same as weekday masses with a 5:30 PM anticipatory Mass and a 7:30 PM evening Mass. Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 PM.

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## Washington's butterflies



Fifth-grade students Chrus Burgdorf, left, and Mark Shefata, right, celebrate the dedication of the Butterfly Garden at Washington School with Garden Club members Betty McColgan and Gloria Patti. The garden was planted last spring and maintained all summer by members of the Washington School Parent-Teacher Association.

## League of Voters hosts Candidates Brunch

A Candidates Brunch, hosted by the League of Women Voters of Summit and the Summit College Club, will be Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. in the Calvary Episcopal Church Parish Hall at the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in Summit.

The brunch is free and open to the public. It is an opportunity to meet and get to know the candidates for state, county and local government.

Among those invited to the brunch are the candidates for the General Assembly from the 21st District, Democrats Dennis M. Caufield of

Roseland and Michael Cohan of Union. Independent candidate Robert Diamond of Springfield and the Republican incumbents Kevin O'Toole of Verona and Joel Weingarten of Millburn.

Also invited are the candidates for County Surrogate, Democrat James Lacorte and Republican Linda-Lee Kelly, both of Elizabeth, and candidates for the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Democrats Angel Estrada of Elizabeth, Nicholas Sciarri of Linden and Linda Stender of Fanwood. Republicans include

Albert D. Dill Jr. of Summit, Richard Ravella of Elizabeth and Wally K. Shackell Jr. of Cranford.

Local candidates up for re-election and expected to attend are Summit Mayor Walter Long, 1st Ward Councilwoman Cynthia B. Martin, 2nd Ward Councilwoman P. Kelly Hatfield and Councilman At-large Eric Munoz.

### Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Entertainment - Friday noon.

## Civility, survival are interweave topics

Recent research confirms that the quality of connections with others — friends, co-workers, family, loved ones and even strangers — affects physical health. A special conference, titled "Love, Civility and Survival: How Cultivating Friendship, Civility and Love Can Help Mend Self and Society," will examine how interpersonal relationships enhance individual well-being and the state of the world.

The conference, sponsored by the Interweave Center for Wholistic Living, will be Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Calvary Parish House, 31 Woodland Ave., Summit.

"Spend a morning cultivating skills that can save your life — and help mend our society's frayed social fabric," said Robert Corin Morris of South Orange, director of Interweave.

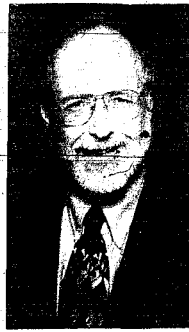
Morris noted people damage themselves when they're too busy to keep up friendships or spend un rushed time with loved ones, and when they are hassled by rude encounters in public.

The keynote address on "Love and Survival," to be presented by Interweave, will focus on new evidence that mental, emotional and spiritual well-being promote good physical health. Following the keynote speech, conference participants will attend one of two workshops from 9:45 to 11 a.m.; and one of two workshops from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The first series of workshops will include:

"Easing Those Difficult Encounters," led by Tilly-Jo Emerson of Maplewood, a skilled group process trainer. She will spotlight ways to deal with people who disagree with you, as well as offer up-to-date research findings on practical ways to keep your cool, guard your heart, defuse conflict and work toward satisfying resolutions.

"Necessary Networks," conducted by Morris, an Episcopal priest who teaches people the connections between science, psychology, spirituality and daily life. Morris points out



Robert Corin Morris

one special person in your life is not enough to ensure your well-being, according to recent research on humans and animals.

Morris plans to explore the concept of personal networks — beyond simply one partner — and delve into how to make your relationships better as a way to improve your life and your health.

The second series of workshops will include:

"Dealing with Everyday Losses," led by Robert H. Clark of Madison, a family therapist and a professor in the graduate school of Drew University. Clark will examine the process of letting go, moving on, perhaps grieving, that accompanies the loss of old jobs, old friends who have moved, the empty nest and even successes now past.

Accumulating a "loss" backlog subtly undermines your joy in life and your health. By learning how to spot and deal with these inevitable losses small and great, Clark believes you will bolster the quality of your life and health.

"Open Heart, Healing Love," conducted by Marie Roberts, an ordained Presbyterian minister and meditation and yoga teacher. Learn how and when to open your heart to others. By tapping into love's real energy, one can connect more deeply with others and make close relationships more meaningful.

Interweave is a community learning center teaching skills for wholistic living — that — strength, wellness, deep spirituality and promote the common good.

The half-day Interweave workshop series includes a light buffet lunch. Admission is \$45 a person for Interweave members and \$50 for nonmembers.

For more information about "Love, Civility and Survival," or to register for the conference, call Interweave at (973) 763-8312 or visit the Interweave Web site at [www.interweave.org](http://www.interweave.org).

## YMCA to hold haunted house

The Summit YMCA, 67 Maple St., Summit will sponsor its annual Haunted House family event on Oct. 30 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. The event is open to the community and is free of charge.

Bring the family along to enjoy parent/child art and crafts Halloween-theme activities. A costume contest will be held and will award children wearing costumes. Categories may include: most original, best costume, funniest, etc.

Residents can take a tour in the creepy haunted house featuring ghoulish characters and spooky sounds to get you into the "spirit" of Halloween. Light refreshments will be served.

The PAL parade through downtown Summit will follow beginning at 3:30 p.m.

For details call the Summit YMCA at (908) 273-3330.

## Kessler to hold seminar on pain, injuries

Kessler Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation at Bally Total Fitness will hold a free lecture on "Shoulder Pain and Related Injuries" Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Springfield facility at 99 Route 22.

Dr. David Bullock, a board-certified sports medicine and orthopedic surgery specialist, will discuss shoulder pain and common shoulder injuries, including bursitis and those conditions that affect the strength, flexibility, agility and muscle balance of both weekend and competitive athletes of all ages and skill levels.

In addition, the licensed physical therapists of Kessler Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation will be available to answer questions and schedule free fitness consultations.

Bullock and Dr. Albert Throver maintain their practice, Center for Orthopedic Surgery and Sports Medicine, in Westfield and Summit.

This free seminar is open to the public. Reservations can be made by calling (973) 921-1936.

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## Department tests water

The Westfield Regional Health Department has announced it will offer bacteriological water testing for residents within its jurisdiction with private wells as their source of drinking water.

The testing is being offered free of charge to residents with well water to assure that it is bacteriologically safe to drink after the flooding associated with Tropical Storm Floyd.

As a general rule, residents with well water should boil water used for essential purposes — drinking, cooking, ice and brushing teeth — until the water has been tested.

Private wells that were not subjected to flood water, are not located next to an industrial, manufacturing or commercial zoned property, and are not located on properties having a septic system would be considered safe to drink unless any household member is an infant, elderly or currently immunocompromised.

Households that do not meet these guidelines should have their water tested prior to discontinuing boiling the water.

Generally, well water used for potable purposes should be tested at least annually for bacteria contamination, and at least every five years, or more often depending upon nearby industrial development, such as heavy manufacturing or gasoline stations, for Volatile Organics, pesticides and petroleum hydrocarbons.

For more information or to arrange for testing call the Health Department at (908) 789-4070, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Westfield Health Department provides public health and environmental health services to Fanwood, Garwood, Mountaineer, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield.

## Editorial deadlines

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

Entertainment - Friday noon.

Sports - Monday noon.

Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m.

General - Monday 5 p.m.

## Reduce, reuse, recycle



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Practicing recycling at a special environmental puppet show at Springfield's Walton School are, from left, Flamy Eldaly, Nicolas Mozzarata, Johnny Dunai, Tyler Bujnowski and Erin McDermott.

## Vehicle donated to education foundation

Planet Honda, located on westbound Route 22 in Union, has donated a fully-loaded 1999 Honda Accord EX, valued at \$5,495, to benefit the Mountaineer Education Foundation.

The automobile will be used as a prize during the foundation's Family Kickoff Celebration Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Deerfield School in Mountaineer.

Tim Casulli, president and chief executive officer of Planet Honda, said he is committed to giving back to his community and to supporting educational institutions, such as the Mountaineer Education Foundation.

"It goes without saying that it is our duty in the local community to look out for our children and to give what we can to ensure that they receive a quality education," Casulli said. "It's just our way at Planet Honda of saying that we are deeply committed to education."

According to Laura Alpert, president of the Mountaineer Education Foundation, "Planet Honda has been extremely generous and helpful to us in supporting the foundation. It says a lot about their commitment to education and to the broader community."

The Mountaineer Education Foundation is a nonprofit, community-based organization that it devoted to enhancing the quality of education for children in Mountaineer

public schools through promotion of additional educational opportunities.

Proceeds from the sale of the vehicle will be used by the foundation to provide mini-grants to promote creative educational programs in areas including academic enrichment, the arts, multicultural programming, community outreach, professional development and technology.

The foundation's Family Kickoff Celebration will include arts and crafts, videos for children and musical entertainment by members of the Mountaineer community. Coffee and dessert are being provided. The event is free and members of the community are invited to attend.

## Library Friends hold book sale

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library will hold the Annual Book Sale to benefit the library Oct. 22 and 23 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days.

Jewelry, compact discs and cassettes also will be on sale.

The sale will be held in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield.

## LIFESTYLE

## Iglesias to marry Turney

Rosa Iglesias of Elizabet, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angel Iglesias of Villavieja de Odon, Madrid, Spain, is engaged to James Thomas Turney of Elizabet, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turney of Mountaineer.

The bride-to-be completed high school at El Instituto de Calatalla and is attending Union County College with a major in international business. She is employed as a peer tutor in English, Spanish and math at Academic Learning Center, Elizabet. She received a Turney family heirloom engagement ring.

The future groom is a graduate of Union High School and earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Fairfield University and a culinary arts degree from The New York Restaurant School. He was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Fairfield University for swimming.

Turney is employed at Dish Restaurant in Passaic.

A June 30, 2000 wedding is planned in Toledo, Spain.

## EVENTS

### Training courses are offered at town library

The Springfield, Free Public Library is offering two computer training courses: "Communicating via E-Mail" and "Internet Searching Techniques."

"Communicating Via E-Mail," learning how to use free e-mail services available on the Internet, will be Monday from 7 to 8 p.m.

"Internet Searching Techniques" involves searching the World Wide Web for intermediate-level searches. Training will include use of on-line periodical databases. The training sessions will take place on Oct. 28 from 7 to 8 p.m. Oct. 29 from 11 a.m. to noon and Nov. 2 from 3 to 4 p.m.

The prerequisite for both training sessions is proficiency in the use of a mouse and a working knowledge of the Internet. Registration is limited to eight people for each session. Register at the reference desk of the Springfield Public Library at 66 Mountain Ave.

For more information call (973) 376-4930.

### Knights hold fund-raiser

The Knights of Columbus Council 4504 will sponsor a dinner Oct. 21 at L'Affaire Restaurant, Route 22, Mountaineer.

A portion of the proceeds from this fund-raiser will be donated to the American Cancer Society for breast cancer research. Call Janice for donation pick up at (908) 964-1447.

For ticket information and reservations call Iris Rispoli at (908) 964-4123.

### Seniors club plans a meeting tomorrow

Members of the Mountaineer Senior Citizen Club will meet at the Community Presbyterian Church on Door Path and Meeting House Lane. A representative, Joanne McDonald of Miracle Ear, will discuss problems on hearing. Tomorrow's meeting starts at noon with refreshments.

### Township Committee candidates will debate

Two contenders for one Springfield Township Committee seat have been invited to take part in a candidates night at the Springfield Municipal Building Wednesday at 8 p.m. The League of Women Voters of Springfield is sponsoring the forum.

The two candidates are Republican challenger Florence Faraone and incumbent Democrat Sy Mullan. They will make opening statements, answer questions from the floor and finish with closing statements. TV-36 will tape the forum for broadcast at 10:30 p.m.

In addition to the public meeting, the League of Women Voters also has prepared printed sheets with information provided by the two candidates. The sheets will be distributed to the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, the library, the municipal building and other sites and also will be available at the candidates forum.

## Walton parents head back to school



Edward V. Walton School Principal Rosemarie Krosche, left, and Parent Teacher Association President Lisa Ebert, right, addressed parents in the gymnasium on Back-to-School Night Sept. 27. The parents then walked to their children's classrooms. Walton is a school for kindergarten and kindergarten students.

## Springfield library ways to 'Metro Rhythms'

The "Metro Rhythm Chorus" will be singing in the cappella four-part harmony style at the Springfield Free Public Library Sunday at 2 p.m.

The "Metro Rhythm Chorus," started in 1998, is a member of Sweet Adelines, an international organization of over 30,000 women. Sweet Adelines promotes harmony, friendship, self-esteem and a sense of belonging among women of all ages all over the world. The organization perpetuates and enhances the barbershop music art form, one of only four forms of music native to the United States.

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. His campaign to lobby to preserve library budgets and other resources at city and county levels resulted in preservation of integrated services. 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. Barber remained

active in library affairs until his death in 1995.

Admission to this show will be by free ticket only. Tickets will be available at the Circulation Desk. The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library at 66 Mountain Ave.

For more information call (973) 376-4930.

## Vendors needed for PTA craft show

Mountaineer'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.

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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

This is the weekend of 4-0 vs. 4-0. We have two games involving unbeaten Watchung Conference schools.

First, we have our top two teams — No. 1 Elizabeth (4-0) at No. 2 Union (4-0) tomorrow night at Cooke Memorial Field in Union, a 7 p.m. kickoff.

Second, we have No. 3 Linden (4-0) hosting Scotch Plains (4-0) Saturday afternoon at 1:30 at Cooper Field in Linden.

Elizabeth, Union and Linden remain the only three unbeaten schools in the area. The three, along with Montclair, are now among the only four unbeaten schools in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4.

That's because, last Friday night, defending champion Roxbury (4-1) lost to Morristown 20-16, while Bloomfield (4-1) lost to Bergen Catholic 41-6.

Morristown has the state's longest winning streak at 23 and is seeking a third consecutive North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 championship. Bergen Catholic has an 18-game winning streak and is seeking a second consecutive Parochial, Group 4 crown.

BC finished No. 1 in New Jersey last year and Morristown No. 2. BC is presently No. 1 again.

Elizabeth and Union meet undefeated for the first time since the 1991 season. Union won that contest 6-0 in Union as the Farmers went on to post an 11-0 record that season and win the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 title.

Elizabeth, which lost at Union 17-3 in the first round of the state playoffs that year, finished 8-2, its only two losses coming to Union.

Linden, seeking its first state playoff berth since 1994, will have its hands full trying to contain Scotch Plains senior tailback Nathan Jones.

One of the best running backs in North Jersey, Jones rushed for 303 yards and four touchdowns in last Saturday's 40-7 win at Cranford. Jones has 14 touchdowns in four games and ran for 361 yards and four TDs in Scotch Plains' third win of the year, a 47-23 decision over Westfield.

Jones rushed for 136 yards and 11 TDs last year.

Elizabeth is sparked by running back Billy Gilbert, who has 10 TDs. WEEK FIVE

Friday, Oct. 15
Elizabeth at Union, 7:00
Summit at Mount Olive, 7:00
Marville at R. Park, 7:30
Saturday, Oct. 16
Johnson at Rahway, 1:00
Roselle at Hillside, 1:00
Ridge at Gov. Liv., 1:00
Immaculate at Brearley, 1:00
North Plain at Dayton, 1:00
Scotch Plains at Linden, 1:30
Cranford has the week off

WEEK FOUR
Friday, Oct. 8
Elizabeth 28, East Side 7
Immaculate 41, Roselle 0
North Plain 20, R. Park 0
Brearley 14, Bound Brook 12
Mendham 35, Summit 20
Saturday, Oct. 9
Johnson 29, Gov. Liv. 6
Ridge 14, Hillside 6
New Providence 42, Dayton 6
Union 49, Kearny 0
Linden 20, Shabazz 0
Scotch Plains 40, Cranford 7
Rahway had the week off

J.R.'s picks
for Week Five:
Elizabeth over Union
Mount Olive over Summit
Roselle Park over Marville
Rahway over Johnson
Hillside over Roselle
Ridge over Gov. Liv.
Immaculate over Brearley
North Plain over Dayton
Linden over Scotch Plains
Cranford has the week off
Last week: 10-1
Season: 34-9 (.791)

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

Tennis standouts



Photo by Barbara Kokkala

Mountainside residents, from left, Chrissy Souder, Lauren Whritenour and Olivia Bantuszewicz are members of this year's Governor Livingston High School girls' tennis team. The Highlanders began the week with an undefeated record of 5-0 after posting wins last week against Roselle Catholic, Union Catholic twice and Johnson. Souder, a senior, plays second doubles, while juniors Whritenour and Bantuszewicz are backup doubles players.

Points were hard to come by for Dayton and GL grid teams

Both MVC squads fall in road contests

Points were hard to come by for the Dayton and Governor Livingston high school football teams last weekend. Both were defeated in on the road in Mountain Valley Conference competition.

Dayton was defeated at New Providence 42-6 in a Valley Division contest, while Governor Livingston was defeated at Johnson 29-6 in a Mountain Division clash. Dayton's record ended at 2-2, while Governor Livingston slipped to 0-4.

New Providence improved to 4-0 as five different players scored touchdowns for the Pioneers at Lieber Field. Troymane Fugh, Wesley Gircus, Nick DeMoo and Ryan Mundrick rushed for scores, while Brian Kostrowicz caught a touchdown pass from quarterback Andy Silivaggi. Dayton avoided a shutout when senior fullback Matt Fisher scored on a seven-yard run after senior Charles Meyer blocked a punt. The Bulldogs' punting two-point pass attempt failed.

The schedule does not get any easier for Dayton this week as the Bulldogs are preparing to face another 4-0 team. Dayton hosts North Plainfield (4-0) this Saturday at 1 p.m. at Meisel Field in Springfield.

North Plainfield, coming off a fine 7-3 season, leads the Valley Division and is coming off a 20-0 win at home over Roselle Park last Friday night. Governor Livingston also scored its only points last

weekend in the fourth quarter, but closed to within 15-6 when Keith Miller completed a five-yard touchdown pass to Tim Marcanonio in a game played at Nolan Field in Clark.

Johnson's Ed Nowak then stepped up by returning two interceptions for touchdowns to seal the victory for the Crusaders. His first TD pick went for 24 yards and his second was a 45-yard run.

Sean-Gamer scored on a five-yard run in the second quarter and Derek Bogner caught a two-point pass from Kevin Kolmos to give Johnson an 8-0 lead, an advantage it took into the fourth quarter.

Johnson went ahead 15-0 after quarterback John Polizzi completed a nine-yard touchdown pass to Bogner and Matt Posky kicked his first of three extra points.

Governor Livingston is also at home this Saturday and also faces a tough opponent in Mountain Division rival Ridge. The Red Devils from Basking Ridge enter the game with a 3-1 record and are 2-1 in their last three despite playing without injured senior quarterback Erik DiL. Ridge outlasted Hillside 14-6 last Saturday in Basking Ridge in a Mountain Division clash.

Other Mountain Valley Conference games this weekend include Mountaineer at R. Park tomorrow night at 7:30. Johnson at Rahway Saturday at 1 p.m., Roselle at Hillside Saturday at 1 p.m. and Immac. at Brearley Saturday at 1 p.m.

Dayton goes OT for first victory

Bulldogs won again last week

By John Zucal
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — The Dayton High School boys' soccer team took the field Oct. 1 with a big reason to be down. The Bulldogs were 0-4, with their last loss coming in the final half-minute of the day before.

But the Bulldogs put the ghosts of yesterdays behind them and gained an overtime goal from Carmine Santarella, his second of the match, for a 3-2 Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division victory over Brearley.

It was the first win of the season for Dayton, which began the week at 2-5 after gaining another victory over Bound Brook last week.

High School Boys' Soccer

Freshman Frank Lomonaco put the visiting Bears on the scoreboard 24 minutes into the match when he received a crossing pass in the penalty area and put a shot to the right of goalkeeper Guillermo Casparini from eight yards out.

Alex Myalkouski drew the match even 10 minutes later. Santarella received a pass in the center of the penalty area, but the ball was knocked away by Sam Eran. Myalkouski, outside the left post, shot the free ball into the upper right corner of the goal.

Dayton grabbed the lead five minutes after halftime when Santarella took a direct kick outside the box from 12 yards out. His right-to-left kick looked more like a chip, waiting for a teammate to head the ball toward the goal. But the ball continued its flight, past goalkeeper Kyle Hrynkiwicz and into the goal just inside the left post.

It may have looked like a chip into the box, but Dayton head coach Felix Fabiano said Santarella was "going for the goal," because he has the ability to come through with a shot from an extreme angle.

Joseph Frank, a senior, gave Brearley a tying goal in the 61st minute in a case of whose something bad turned into something good.

A bouncing ball off a Dayton player in the box drew a plead for a hand-ball call, but none would be called. Several seconds later, Frank received a crossing pass and from five yards away fired a shot to the right of Casparini.

With the teams tied in the 85th minute, on a field made soft from early-morning rains, Santarella fired a shot from 15 yards out. Hrynkiwicz guessed correctly and fell to his left, but not fast enough as the ball bounced under his left arm for what was to be the winning goal.

The game-winner came six minutes after Santarella left the game hobbling after he was inadvertently kicked by a Brearley player as both were going after a loose ball.

"He's a tough guy, he's got it in him to win," Fabiano said of Santarella. "Carmine leads by action, he's a model the way he never gives up, and he has the ability — not just physical, but tactical — to really do some nice things with the ball."

The Bulldogs also received strong end-to-end play from Nate Denner. Whether it was a long throw-in, a free kick from midfield or a chase with an opponent, Denner always seemed to be near the ball.

"He's a physical player and he's getting better at the touch," said Fabiano about the three-year varsity performer and co-captain.

"The Bulldogs have showed signs in the past that they are a quality team in the making. However, mistakes here and there kept Dayton winless until Oct. 1. Fabiano said he understands that mistakes will occur.

"It's a nice team, but we're trying to develop," Fabiano said. "We have to expect the mistakes, but no matter who we play, it will be a battle. Dayton improved to 2-4 with a 1-0 MVC Valley win over Bound Brook Oct. 5 in Bound Brook. Cranford defeated Dayton 1-0 in Springfield last Thursday despite 14 saves from Casparini."

Springfield Rec Dept. has co-ed volleyball available

The Springfield Recreation Department has co-ed volleyball for Springfield residents at the Sandmeier School gym from 7:30-10:30 on Tuesday evenings. More information may be obtained by calling the recreation department at 973-912-2227.

Registration for the Springfield Junior Baseball League's spring 2000 season will be held Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. at the Chisholm Reg. Center. This is the only in-person registration. Forms are available at the Chisholm Reg. Center.

Springfield Recreation Girls Softball registration for the 2000 season is scheduled to take place Saturday, Oct. 23 and Sunday, Oct. 24 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chisholm Community Center (second floor, side door entrance) on 100 S. Springfield Ave. Girls in grades 2-8 are eligible.

The registration fee is \$45 and checks of \$20 payable to: Township of Springfield and \$25 payable to: Girls Softball Parent's Organization are required.

Grades 2 and 3 are for instructional league, 4 and 5 are for lower league and 6, 7 and 8 are for upper league. Call 908-467-4608.

Springfield Girls Travel Basketball Program tryout dates are Monday, Oct. 25 and Thursday, Oct. 28 for girls in grades 5-8.

Both tryout dates must be attended. The tryouts will take place at Gaudineer School and grades 5-6 will go from 6 p.m. to 7:30 and grades 7-8 from 7:30 to 9. Call Tony Tomasino at 908-467-9092.

Mountainside Youth Baseball's Fall season has two teams

Mountainside Youth Baseball's Fall Ball season commenced Sept. 1 with a team of ages 10-11 coached by John Amalfie and a team of ages 13-14 coached by Al Paella.

Both teams are doing well at the midway point of the season, the younger squad posting a 6-2 record and the older team at 4-4 as of last week.

Both teams play all home games at Deerfield School on Saturday and Sunday.

The Mountainside Youth Baseball Board met on Oct. 3 to welcome not only its new members but also returning members.

Officers are as follows: president, John Amalfie; executive vice president, Sandy Burdge; treasurer, Barry Feldman; secretary, Gary Botkin; Pony League VP, Dave Amigoni; Major League VP, Matt Wyrant; American League VP, Jim DeRoos; T-Ball; Nick Frungillo; Fields & Grounds, Chuck Fomicola; Umpires, Al Paella; Snack Bar, Susan Kelley; Publicity/Events, Nancy Cantagallo; Fund Raising, Nick Frungillo; Equipment, Clem Pace.

The board has set opening day for April 8. A traditional parade will take place and other special activities will be announced at a later date.

Signups for all leagues will be on January 1 and 10.

Springfield Minutemen B and C teams play host to Summit this Sunday

Springfield Minutemen B and C teams were scheduled to play at Perth Amboy last Sunday, but the games were canceled because of heavy rain.

Both teams are scheduled to host Summit this Sunday, the C Team playing at noon and the B Team at 3 p.m.

On Sunday, Oct. 24 the teams will host Berkeley Heights, the C Team game at noon and the B Team game to follow at 1:15 p.m.

Mountainside soccer match



Cory Falkin and Haimi Abdelaziz (in blue) pass the ball up field during the Gaudineer vs. Deerfield boys' soccer match that took place at Gaudineer School in Mountainside Sept. 29. It was Gaudineer's first home game of the season.

### Puppets teach recycling



Photo By Barbara Kinkaid

Walton School kindergartners Brett Biebelburg and Emily MacDonnell learn the value of recycling from puppets.

### Alert issued for West Nile-like virus

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, Agriculture and Environmental Protection, together with Rutgers University and the state Mosquito Control Commission have issued the following alert:

- The West Nile-like virus is closely related to the St. Louis Encephalitis virus that has been identified or suspected in numerous cases in New York City.
- Cases of West Nile-like virus or SLE have been identified in New Jersey. Neither virus is directly transmitted from birds to humans or person to person. The West Nile-like virus also can infect horses.
- New Jersey residents are advised to continue to take precautions to reduce their risk of mosquito bites. This includes spraying insect repellent containing DEET on clothing and exposed skin and wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants when outdoors. Residents should curb outdoor activities at dawn, dusk and during the evening.
- Eliminate stagnant water where mosquitoes breed such as clogged rain gutters, old tires and neglected backyard swimming pools.

- Individuals are requested to report any recent unusual occurrences of dead crows on their property by calling the local health department at (908) 789-4070. The state may be interested in examining these birds. Individuals should use gloves and double-bag any birds found before placing them in the trash.

- For more information call the Westfield Health Department at (908) 789-4070 Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Westfield Health Department provides public health and environmental services to Fanwood, Garwood, Mountaineer, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield.

### Hoffman performs for Hadassah group

Phyllis Golden Hoffman, a soprano who has performed nationally and in Israel, will entertain members of the Springfield Hadassah Chapter today at 8 p.m. at Temple Sh'arey Shalom, Springfield.

Hoffman will feature a variety of popular songs, some of which will be from "Fiddler on the Roof" and music from other Jewish-type productions, according to chapter co-presidents Dorothea Schwartz and Irene Chotiner.

Hoffman, of Great Neck, N.Y., has appeared in operas by Mozart, Brahms and Handel, according to Eleanor D. Kuperstein, program vice president. She also performed this summer in Tel Aviv before the Israel Vocal Arts Institute.

Irving Malprasky, a prominent Union County pianist, will accompany Hoffman on the piano.

All members of the public are invited to attend.

Hadassah is not only the largest Jewish organization in the United States and the largest women's volunteer group in this country but also is the largest Zionist group in the world. Hadassah, in its many roles, supports two major research hospitals and a college of technology in Israel and job training and resettlement for thousands of persons who emigrate to that nation, Chotiner and Schwartz said.

### Cardiac patients report stolen items

Two cardiac patients at Mid-Atlantic Cardiorobics on Mountain Avenue, Springfield, allegedly were robbed Oct. 5.

The thefts, which reportedly occurred in the locker room, were both from Westfield residents. A wallet containing \$300 cash was stolen from one patient, with four credit cards, an ATM card, a United Healthcare card and an AAA membership card taken from the other, Springfield police reports state. There are no suspects.

A 1988 red Chevy slid into a curb as the driver attempted to turn into the Echo Plaza lot from westbound Route 22 Sunday. The accident caused minor damage to a support pole and resulted in a fluid leak. The underside of a truck wedged under the railroad bridge at Shunpike Road Oct.

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was treated by the Springfield Fire Department. No injuries were reported.

A red Acura driven by a Chatham resident reportedly was struck by a high-end motorist at eastbound Route 22 and Lawrence Road Friday. The Acura entered eastbound Route 22 from the West-to-East U-turn when the driver reported getting hit by another vehicle crossing from the left lane into the right. The Acura sustained damage to its front end and to the passenger door. No injuries were reported.

Two thefts were reported Oct. 7. Five blank checks from Springfield Impoted Motors Ltd. on westbound

Route 22 allegedly were taken. A Staples employee reported a computer, valued at \$900, also stolen.

**Mountainside**

- Khadijah Salam, a go-go dancer at Knockers in Plainfield, was arrested Saturday and charged with providing false information during a car stop on April 14. Salam used her sister's license as identification to avoid prosecution for a suspended license, police said.
- Angel Altamirano, 24, of North Plainfield was stopped on westbound Route 22 Saturday for having an unregistered vehicle and was arrested and charged for driving while his license was intoxicated.
- Scotch Plains resident Bobbe Gilliam was stopped for driving erratically on westbound Route 22 Saturday.

### Head injury results from collision

The Springfield Fire Department responded to eastbound Route 22 and Lawrence Road to attend to a driver whose head reportedly struck the steering wheel after a rear-end collision Oct. 6.

The department took the driver's vitals and placed a c-collar around his neck, according to Springfield First Aid Squad with further treatment. A truck became wedged under the railroad bridge at Shunpike Road Oct.

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7. The department remained on the scene as the trailer was extricated, then treated the roadway with Speedy-Dry for a diesel fuel spill.

- Two medical service calls were answered Friday.
- Four medical service calls were handled Oct. 7.
- The department responded to

Mountain Avenue near the high school driveway to extricate a kitten stuck in a storm drain Oct. 6. The kitten was taken home by the resident who placed the call.

Three activated alarms and four medical service calls also were answered.

- One lock-out, three activated alarms and one medical service call were the business of the day Oct. 5.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Mountainside Local Assistance Board at the Mountainside Borough Hall, 198 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey, on Monday October 25, 1999 at 1:00 P.M.

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.**  
ORDINANCE GRANTING TENURE TO THE TREASURER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

**WHEREAS**, Marie Sackel has served as the Treasurer of the Township of Springfield for more than ten consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield is desirous of granting tenure to Marie Sackel as the Township Treasurer for the Township of Springfield;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the following Ordinance be adopted:

**SECTION I - SEVERABILITY**  
If any portion, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance, and to this end, the provisions of each section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**SECTION II - EFFECTIVE DATE**  
This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

**SECTION III - RATIFICATION**  
Except as expressly modified herein, all other provisions and terms of the Code of the Township of Springfield shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION IV - REPEAL**  
Any ordinance or portion of any ordinance which is inconsistent with the modifications of this ordinance is repealed to the extent of its inconsistency.

**SECTION V - EFFECTIVE DATE**  
This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

**SECTION VI - PUBLICATION**  
This ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the Township of Springfield, New Jersey, on or before the date of its adoption.

**SECTION VII - SIGNATURE**  
KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI, Township Clerk

US776 ECL Oct. 14, 1999 (\$16.25)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.**  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT HAS SCHEDULED A SPECIAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 21, 1999 TO BE HELD AT SPRINGFIELD TOWN HALL, 100 MOUNTAIN AVENUE STARTING AT 7:30 P.M. THE APPLICANT BEING HEARD IS THE COMMERCE BANK. APPLICATION: US767 ECL Oct. 14, 1999 (\$8.75)

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.**  
ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, SECTION 7-20, STOP INTERSECTIONS, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

**SECTION I - AMENDMENT**  
The Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, is hereby amended to add the following to Section 7-20 STOP INTERSECTIONS:

**SECTION II - INTERSECTION**  
Intersection of Tooker Avenue and Hobart Place and Tooker Place and Hobart Place.

**SECTION III - SEVERABILITY**  
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