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Friendships sealed in book signing

By Joe Lúgarra
Staff Writer

A dream situation: Doing a book signing in your own backyard.

Jayne Wexler, a New York-based photographer, formerly of Mountainside, has provided the images for a new book, "Girlfriends." Published by Running Press, "Girlfriends" is the second book by Wexler and her writer-friend Lauren Cowen. Their first joint work, "Daughters & Mothers," was a 1997 New York Times bestseller.

Wexler and Cowen brought their signing tour to Barnes and Noble in Springfield Tuesday night. The event was something of a homecoming for Wexler, with her mother and numerous friends in attendance. Wexler was even introduced to the audience by a close friend, Susan Runkel-Dobbié.

"Jayne is totally qualified to work on a book called 'Girlfriends,'" Debbie said. "She was there for me in the bad times and also for the good times, which isn't always as easy as it sounds. She gave me a great bachelorette party I won't ever forget, and she was there at my wedding."

Wexler was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., with her family moving to Mountainside when she was 6. She attended Deerfield School and Jonathan Dayton Regional High



Mountainside native and photographer Jayne Wexler, right, embraces author Lauren Cowen. The women appeared in Springfield's Barnes and Noble for a book signing of their newest work, 'Girlfriends.'

School, and eventually studied photography at the Philadelphia College of Art.

"I was always interested in art," Wexler said. "And I've always been interested in portraits, especially in the relationships between subjects. In college, you're encouraged to be more experimental, your work is more toward fine art. Later you have to make a living."

Wexler began shooting portraits of musicians — Yoko Ono, David Byrne, Phil Collins, Tracy Chapman and Lenny Kravitz among them — for magazines such as Vanity Fair, Esquire Japan and Newsweek. Her freelance career is now in its 10th year.

She recently photographed a group of noted authors, including

Norman Mailer and George Plimpton, and is currently working in more of a corporate vein, with clients such as Johnson and Johnson and First Boston.

Wexler's friendship and professional relationship with Cowen began with "Daughters & Mothers." "We didn't know each other before that book," Wexler said. "The publishers introduced us. We became close quickly. This book is kind of an example of that."

"Girlfriends" includes a number of celebrities, Jennifer Lopez, Katie Holmes, Darlene Love, Eleanor Mondale and Cynthia Rowley, and their best friends are all included. "But the book also contains a substantial number of noncelebrity pairings.

Students in Springfield score net high marks in basic

By Joe Lúgarra
Staff Writer

Monday night's meeting of the Springfield Board of Education was dedicated to the fall testing report. Assistant Superintendent Judith Zimmerman made the presentation. The results were for the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and the Elementary School Proficiency Assessments, given to students in grades one through seven.

The Iowas measure performance in vocabulary, reading, language, spelling, capitalization and punctuation, math concepts, problem solving and data interpretation and computation and study skills.

The ESPAs, given to fourth-graders for language arts literacy, mathematics and science, was given for the first time in May, with the current results being considered "benchmark data." Like the Grade Eight Proficiency Assessment, test results for the ESPAs are determined by three proficiency levels: advanced proficient, with scores of 250-300; proficient, with scores of 200-249 and partially proficient, with scores of 100-199.

In the Iowas, at the first-grade level, the "typical" Springfield student, as defined by the report, scored the same or higher as 90 percent of the nation in the total math test, with Springfield coming in at 2-6. In computation, the average math score was 2.5, with Springfield's scoring the same or higher than 84 percent of the students in the nation.

According to the report, math scores were much higher than they were prior to the implementation of the Everyday Math Program, the new program adopted by board members last year. Scores in math concepts are described as "especially high."

In grade two, students took the complete language portion of the test. This was the fourth year the complete language portion had been given; previously, only the listening section, considered a subsection of the language portion, had been administered. Springfield students scored especially well in the language section, at or higher than 85 percent of second graders nationally.

The Everyday Math Program, recently expanded into the second grade, scored high in both computation and concepts.

Grade three expectations were met or exceeded in the areas of language and math. In the area of language, capitalization, punctuation and mechanics were particularly strong, as were math concepts.

Reading, in grade five, was described in the report as being "at grade level," although language was considered strong. School scores are "at the target" in math and computation, but below in reading.

"It is perplexing as to why this class did not score as well in this grade as they did in fourth grade," the report stated. "We will have to analyze scores carefully in each area to be sure that our curriculum and assessment are closely articulated."

At the grade six level, language and computation were identified as "special strengths," with only a small percentage of students scoring below 25 percent in language, math and computation. Compared with the national distribution of student scores, Springfield students scored the same or higher than 83 percent of grade six students in the areas of math concepts and estimation — both of which are subsections of the math test.

"At the final level, seventh grade,

grade equivalent targets and standard scores were achieved in all areas. Overall, in the Iowa Basic Skills, language continues to make a strong show, with mathematical computation showing a "positive difference." Reading, however, needs to be "watched carefully."

The language arts literacy assessment of the ESPAs measures reading, writing, working with text and analyzing/critiquing text. Math assessment judges number sense, operations and properties, measurement, spatial sense and geometry, data analysis, probability and discrete mathematics and patterns and algebra. The science portion covers life, physical and earth sciences.

In language arts literacy, Springfield scored higher than the state average in both the proficient and advanced proficient areas, with 31.6 percent scoring as only partially proficient, as opposed to 39 percent in the state.

In math, Springfield showed a 3 1/2 percent edge in advanced proficiency, and a nearly 14 percent edge in proficiency. Again, Springfield showed a less proficient percentage than the state average.

In science, Springfield showed slightly less proficiency than the state average, but only 1.5 percent in partial proficiency, as opposed to a 14 percent average for the state. The township's edge in advanced proficient science is over 15 percent.

"I'm not a believer in training students to take a test," Superintendent Gary Friedland said. "The purpose of a test is to provide diagnostic information. Taking a test is like taking a physical exam — you can't prepare for it, except through normal healthy practices."

Legacies last through survivor, resident

By Joe Lúgarra
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Springfield resident Norman Salsitz is carrying on two legacies.

Salsitz, a Holocaust survivor, provided a photographic journey of his life in a book, "The Jewish Boyhood in Poland," at the Springfield Public Library Saturday afternoon.

"I'm from a small town," Salsitz, nearly 80, said. "I lived in that small town for 22 years. And although America has given me everything, it's been better to me than anything I could have ever imagined. I'm still really from Kolbuszowa."

Salsitz's legacy comes from his parents, both of whom died at the hands of the Nazis. His mother, along with five of his sisters and their husbands and children, were murdered, with Salsitz himself witnessing the shooting of his father by the gestapo.

"My father's last words, before he

'We are alive, we are a continuation, and since we have children and grandchildren, the continuation goes on.'

— Norman Salsitz

was shot, were 'Revenge,'" Salsitz said. "That was my first legacy. The second legacy came from my mother."

When she was taken from the ghetto by cattle car to a death camp, she wrote to me, "You are the youngest of our nine children — go and survive. Tell people of these barbaric deeds."

Now that I'm a survivor, that's my job."

Many of the pictures accompanying the lecture were taken by Salsitz himself. Salsitz's brother, who was living in Brooklyn, N.Y., in the early 1930s, visited his family in Poland in 1934 and asked what he could bring

as gifts. Salsitz asked for a camera, and his brother brought him a Brownie.

Salsitz used his Brownie to document the activities in occupied Poland. When the Germans invaded Kolbuszowa on Sept. 9, 1939, Salsitz was assigned to clear away snow.

"There was a lot of snow in Poland in the winter," he remembered. "The Germans had to clear the roads. There were 200 workers and we would clear the roads from our town to the next town. We went out every day."

Salsitz would often hand his camera to a co-worker; in several pictures, Salsitz himself can be seen working.

"The Germans were not adverse to showing the residents of Kolbuszowa who was in control. 'Half the houses in our town were destroyed, burned,' Salsitz said. "And they hanged two Jews and left them hanging for a week, to show who was in charge."

Images of Kolbuszowa's synagogue and Hebrew school reflect the control and destructive forces of German occupation. The synagogue survived only because it served as a stable for the Nazis' horses; a crowded picture of Salsitz's Hebrew school demonstrated the utter disregard for life. "Only two people in the picture survived," Salsitz said, "including myself. The rest were all killed on the same day."

A photo of Salsitz at 21 years old, showing him with a bandaged ear, represented another instance in which life and death often quickly changed places. "I had a middle ear infection for three months," Salsitz said in describing the picture. "I was smuggled out of the ghetto to a doctor they called 'Golden Hands.' When he looked at me, he didn't feel I would survive but he did the surgery anyway. The surgery went from 10 a.m. to 11 at night. The doctor was eventually shot for operating on a Polish soldier and saving his life."

The bandaged ear photo, along with another portrait of Salsitz, provided a lesson in survival theory. "To live illegally, you had to have two things," Salsitz said. "First, you had to have a good face. Meaning, if you looked like a Ukrainian or a Pole, you could mingle. It would give you a chance to survive. Second, you had to speak

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False alarm could lead to disaster

By Joe Lúgarra
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Springfield Firefighter Joseph Pepe, accused of participating in placing a false alarm to his own Fire Department from Scooty's Restaurant on Morris Avenue last November, was "in the restaurant" at the time the call was made," according to Fire Chief William Gras.

Pepe, along with two fellow firefighters, Christopher LaLeve and Donald Voorhees, were identified during an April hearing by a female patron who testified to seeing all three men in the restaurant. According to Gras, LaLeve and Voorhees approached the patron in the bar, asking her to place the call. When she refused, LaLeve and Voorhees offered a female employee \$10 to make the call, telling her that it was going out to one of the firefighter's brothers, he said.

"Pepe was charged with having knowledge that the false alarm was being made, and of accompanying the two other firefighters to the phone," Gras said.

The call brought the Springfield Fire Department to the south side of town. "The location of the fire was reported as 9 Kipling Ave.," Gras said. "There was no such address."

"That call caused us to go through two major intersections under emergency conditions. If a serious accident had occurred, or a fire on the other side of town had happened, then all three of these individuals, and very possibly the town, would be answering to criminal charges."

The department was alerted to the source of the false alarm by the owner of the restaurant, who complained of the firefighters' mistreatment of the men's room; a roll of toilet paper reportedly had been jammed into one of the toilets, causing the water to overflow and the bathroom to flood.

LaLeve and Voorhees pleaded guilty to harassment charges after an investigation by the Union County Prosecutor's Office last March. LaLeve resigned and Voorhees was fired. Pepe, however, maintained his innocence, despite the fact that the female patron had identified him. Gras recommended that Pepe be fired on the basis of the woman's testimony.

A hearing, held by attorney Robert Czech, then was arranged. Czech suggested that Pepe be reinstated, but recommended that the firefighter be

suspended for three months without pay for his involvement.

According to a previous report, LaLeve testified that Pepe was not involved in the incident. Gras, however, explicitly denied any such testimony on the part of LaLeve. "LaLeve did not testify for Pepe," Gras said. "They asked him to and he wouldn't."

The hearing officer determined Pepe's involvement through his association with the other firefighters," Gras said.

Astounded by Czech's decision,

Pepe filed a lawsuit to reverse the judgment. Union County Superior Court Judge Edward Toy then ruled that Pepe would be allowed to receive the three months of back pay he lost as a result of the hearing. The Township Committee then appealed.

"The Township Committee appeal was unanimous," Gras said. "That very same evening they decided to appeal." Gras said the back pay, along with Pepe's seniority, are being held until the results of the appeal.

Gras pointed out that Pepe was See FIRE, Page 3

No more litter bugs



Photo by Jeff Straits

Hannah Paskow, 8, gets down on all fours to help Girl Scout Troop 695 clean around Mountainside earlier this month.

Sparking safety



'Sparky,' the Springfield Fire Department's mascot, teaches pre-kindergarten student Christopher Gorgia the best methods for preventing fires. The program was offered for students at Walton School Oct. 5.

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

Today

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

Tonight

• The Mountaineers 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 today and tomorrow 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 Mountaineers Republican Club, will be at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire in Mountaineers. For more information and reservations call either Donna Onizja at (908) 232-4904 or Marilyn Hart at (908) 233-4036.

Saturday

• The third annual Craft Show at St. James the Apostle Church will be in the parking lot from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Visitors to the Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineers, can take a deserted village walking tour at 2 p.m. today and tomorrow. Admission is free.

Sunday

• 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 Trailside Science & Nature Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineers, 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 Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineers, 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.

Monday

• The first fall meeting of the Springfield Women's Club will be at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, Church Mall, at 1 p.m. Guest speaker will be Audrey Boase of Summit, speaking about "Norway: Land of the Sea and

Mountains." For information about membership call (973) 379-7623.

• The Mountaineers Board of Education will hold a regular meeting at the Deerfield School Library at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday

• The Mountaineers Borough Council meets for a regular meeting at Borough Hall at 8 p.m.

• The Springfield Township Committee meets for a regular meeting at the Municipal Building at 8 p.m.

• The Union-Essex Chapter of the Mendoc Hearts meets at 8 p.m. in the Springfield First Aid Squad building at 973-276-0582.

Upcoming events

Oct. 30

• All Mountaineers residents are invited to a Fall Family Festival from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Mountaineers Borough Hall soccer field. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. Free attractions include pony rides, moon walk, trackless train rides, face painting and spin art.

Oct. 31

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

• Visitors can learn to do some simple tricks such as the "electric ghost" and get a sweet treat in return with "Tricks for Treats" at the Trailside Science & Nature Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineers at 2 p.m. Donations are requested. The program is for ages 6 and up.

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

Nov. 4

• The Foothill Club of Mountaineers will meet at noon at B.G. Fields. For a lunch reservation call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626. Guests are welcome.

• "Too Much Too Soon: Reducing Stress in Children's Lives" will be presented from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Holy Cross Church, 639 Mountain Ave., Springfield, Call, (973) 379-4252 to register.

Nov. 6

• The Mountaineers Board of Health will conduct a Health Day from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Mountaineers Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountaineers. The health program will offer an extensive blood screening.

Nov. 17

• The Jonathan Dayton High School PTSO in Springfield will be sponsoring its annual Bulldog Basket Bonanza at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Project Graduation and the scholarship fund.

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 Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Guests can visit the area which is undergoing peaceful regeneration after years of physical change caused by quarrying.

Enter on Shumpke Road at the sign for Union County Park Maintenance Yard and park inside the gate. Personal vehicles may not be driven within the grounds. Transportation within the quarry will be provided for those who require it. Attendees are urged to wear walking shoes as the ground is uneven and steep.

The program will be cancelled in case of rain; no rain date is planned. For more information call (908) 273-1263, (973) 564-5683 or (973) 379-6065.

Doc. 13 — "City Lights"

Enjoy dinner in Little Italy, a three-hour tour of the festive lights and a visit to Ferrara's Bakery. The cost is \$65 for each person. All tips and taxes are included.

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

Rotary requests relief for Bound Brook flood

The Mountaineers Rotary Club is requesting help from all Mountaineers residents for Bound Brook flood relief.

Bring nonperishable food items and cleaning supplies to Fleet Bank, 855 Mountain Ave., Mountaineers 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.

The 36-39-50-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 portions of Springfield. Portions of the permanent Palmer Collection are on display throughout the year.

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

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

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

Library holds book sale

The Friends of the Mountaineers Library will sponsor its annual book sale on Saturday and Monday during library hours.

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

For more information call the library at (908) 233-0115.

PTSO holds fund-raiser for Project Graduation

The Jonathan Dayton High School PTSO in Springfield will sponsor its annual Bulldog Basket Bonanza Nov. 17 at 6:30 p.m. Various theme baskets, restaurant and store gift certificates and hand-made items have been donated as prizes. Proceeds of this event will benefit Project Graduation and the scholarship fund.

Admission is \$10 and includes sandwiches, dessert, coffee, tea and soda. Tickets will be on sale at the high school from Nov. 4 to Nov. 10 from 2 to 4 p.m.

For more information call Sandy at (973) 467-8465 or Lisa at (973) 564-8827.

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:

• Monday — "Platzel Brauhaus" includes lunch, dinner and a day filled with many activities. The October Fee—only \$55 for cash-payers.

Library seeks donations

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

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

For more information call (973) 376-4030.

Classics come alive at Springfield Public Library

The Springfield Free Public Library continues its Lunchtime Video series, "Hollywood Classics: Old & New," with "Anatomy of a Murder," 1959, 161 minutes. This program is on Nov. 9 at noon.

Starring James Stewart and Lee Remick, "Anatomy of a Murder" is a riveting courtroom drama of rape and premeditated murder. Nominated for seven Academy Awards including Best Picture, the film pits a humble small-town lawyer against a big-city, hard-headed prosecutor. Also featured in this film are George C. Scott

and Ben Gazzara. This film will keep viewers on the edge of their seats. The series continues at noon on the following Tuesdays of every other week as follows:

• Nov. 23 — "The Devil at 4 o'clock," 1961.

• Dec. 7 — "Gandhi," 1982.

• Dec. 21 — "A River Runs Through It," 1992.

• Jan. 4 — "Philadelphia," 1994.

• Jan. 18 — "Ghosts of Mississippi," 1996.

• Feb. 1 — "As Good As It Gets," 1997.

• Feb. 15 — "My Best Friend's Wedding," 1998.

• Bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. The Springfield Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave.

For information call (973) 376-4030.

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Betting facility hails frosty response

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer

A bill sponsored by Senator Robert Codey has resulted in a vote of displeasure from Springfield's Township Committee.

The bill, which would allow the state to open a number of Off-Track Betting facilities, caused the committee to adopt a resolution at its Oct. 12 regular meeting to oppose its legislation.

"When I was mayor last year, I stressed the idea that Springfield should be a leader, not a follower," Township Committee member Sy Mullman said.

Although Springfield has not been specifically targeted as yet for an OTB, Mullman said he felt the need for any betting facility is unnecessary in New Jersey, and that the establishment of OTBs would increase access to gambling for youthful adults.

"We decided to make a resolution just to let our displeasure be known," Mullman said. "Our displeasure really has to do with the fact that the business would be open to 18 year olds. What's going to stop a kid from Springfield from driving up to northern New Jersey, or down the shore, to go to an OTB?"

"I would never envision Spring-

field as a site for an OTB," Codey said. "Nothing against the town, but it's just that it's too close to the Meadowlands."

"We got the bill from Codey only as a generality," Mullman said. "He must have sent it to every municipality to see how we'd feel about it. New Jersey doesn't even need an OTB. The Meadowlands is open late, with simulcasting, and it isn't doing well."

Other members of the committee echoed Mullman's concerns. "With respect to the character of our community, I think having an OTB would present problems," committee member Clara Harelik said. "We've been told that OTB would be exempted from various local laws, and that's a problem."

Talk that an OTB facility would not be subjected to local zoning laws is inaccurate, according to Codey.

"If the state came along and wanted to build an office building on Morris Avenue, they could just walk in there and do it," Codey said. "But in this case, we put into law that they'd have to conform to the zoning laws."

"Any township business can go to the Planning Board or Board of Adjustment and apply for a variance," said Richard Coan, Springfield's zoning official. "To do something like

stay open for 24 hours, a business would have to get a variance. They'd have to state their case before the Planning Board."

Coan cited several township businesses — notably the Lido Diner on Route 22, which has a Grandfather Clause permitting it to operate 24 hours, and Staples, which has a conditional variance allowing it to stay open late on occasion — as instances in which different business hours have been established.

Questions also exist as to exactly what type of establishment OTB is. The image of a seedy storefront with windows with betting tickets strewn all over the floor is inaccurate, according to Codey, who described OTB as an "upscale restaurant."

Mullman and Harelik, at least, had trouble coming to terms with Codey's description. Prior to this position he was clinical director of the organization for 11 years where he managed the day-to-day activity of organ/tissue recovery in the state of New Jersey.

"We need a constructive place for our 18 year olds to go," Mullman said. "We need to entertain our kids with positive things. That's why we had the resolution; we thought this was a detriment to young people."

Survivor addresses group at library

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perfect Polish, which I could. Those two things gave me a chance."

Salsitz saved 500 photos. "You couldn't keep things like photographs in a labor camp, so I would pack 25 pictures at a time in wax paper and I went to the peasants, who had barns, and I hid them in the straw," he said. "I'd include a letter with my brother's address in Brooklyn saying that if I didn't survive, then the pictures should be sent to him in America." Salsitz began hiding his pictures in 1942. He didn't take them out until 1945.

Salsitz spent time in three labor camps, eventually managing to escape from all three. After his last escape, he spent more than two years with various partisan groups, finally becoming the commander of a Jewish partisan group in south Poland. It was at that point that he ran afoul of a member of the "AK," a group belonging to the Polish Underground. His antagonist was a former classmate.

"He had been my school friend for seven years," Salsitz said. "His group was in our section and had confidence in him; I came to him because his organization had killed many Jewish people."

Instead of a mediation, Salsitz was shot four times by his former classmate, once in the hand and three times in the neck. As he lay on the ground in the dark stable, wounded and dizzy, Salsitz managed to fire his own gun three times, hitting his former schoolmate in the heart, killing him.

Along with his own personal photos, Salsitz included numerous pictures of German atrocities. A photo taken by a member of the SS showed a German officer posing proudly in front of two Poles, hung by their hands, their arms stretched behind their backs.

"For six years they tortured the people," Salsitz said. "Religious Jews were forced to cut one another's beards. German soldiers would make Jews put on their prayer shawls and

Fire chief reacts to behavior

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found guilty of violating eight distinct sections of the Fire Department's rules and regulations, pertaining mostly to codes of ethics, standards of conduct and the "general responsibilities of a firefighter."

Joseph Pope was found guilty of exactly what he was charged with

lie down in the street, then they would shoot them."

Other pictures showed the electrified fences surrounding the concentration camps and the storage areas for human hair and fat which, according to Salsitz, were sent back to Germany for mattress stuffing and the manufacture of soap.

Salsitz was liberated in 1944 and joined the army, entering officer's school. He and his wife came to the United States after the war, where they raised a family. Photos of children and grandchildren closed out the presentation, providing a link between present and past. "We are alive, we are a continuation, and since we have children and grandchildren, the continuation goes on," Salsitz said.

Gras said, "That has not been changed."

"This practice defies the trust placed in firefighters by our citizens," Gras said. "These firefighters not only subjected their fellow firefighters to serious injury, but also to the general public."

High-flying flag



Pat Knodel, president of the Mountaineer Woman's Club, left; Mountaineer Mayor Robert Vigilanti; Joan Shomo and Ruth Goense recognize October as American Flag Awareness Month. To purchase a flag, call Shomo at (908) 233-0737 or Goense at (908) 233-5283.

Sharing Network has new leader

The New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network, based in Springfield, announced that William Reitsma has been promoted to the position of vice president and chief operating officer. Prior to this position he was clinical director of the organization for 11 years where he managed the day-to-day activity of organ/tissue recovery in the state of New Jersey.

In his new position, Reitsma assumes responsibility for all operations of the organ procurement organization as he seeks to develop uniform and consistent approaches to increasing organ donation among New Jersey residents.

Prior to joining The Sharing Network in 1987, he was supervisor of transplant coordinators at The Trans-

plant Foundation of New Jersey and previously held positions in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and St. Joseph Hospital and Medical Center.

Reitsma received a bachelor of science in nursing degree from William Paterson College in Wayne and has been a certified procurement transplant coordinator for the past 10 years. He also is the recipient of the Excellence in Management Award, the highest award given by the organ recovery community, as well as many other honors.

His professional affiliations include: Sigma Theta Tau, Nursing Honor Society, member; American Nurses Association, member; North American Transplant Coordinators Organization, co-chair; Quality

Improvement Committee and the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations where he served as a member of the standards and accreditation committee.

Reitsma and his wife, Nancy, are the parents of three children and reside in Prospect Park.

The Sharing Network is a non-profit, federally certified, state-approved procurement organization responsible for the recovery of organs and tissue for transplant in New Jersey.

For more information on how to become an organ donor or to join the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Donor Registry, call The Sharing Network at 1-800-SHARE-NJ or visit their web site at www.sharenj.org.

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EDITORIALS

Be a voter, be informed

During election time, there often is a cliché spread around: "It doesn't matter who they vote for, as long as they vote." While it is true that voter turnout continues to disappoint us year after year, voters must be informed before they arrive at the polling stations.

Tonight at 7:30, the Westfield League of Women Voters will co-sponsor a candidates forum at Mountaintide Borough Hall. This will provide residents with the opportunity to meet the incumbents and challengers for Borough Council and mayor and hear all sides of the issues. Even though each candidate for the council seats has run before, it does not mean his platform is the same or that the results will be consistent with previous years.

It is easy to sit back and let politics happen. It is easy to get too busy to vote and feel that others will do it for you. That is not a democracy. This nation was founded so its citizens could express their opinions and find their voices. It was founded so people could ask questions and get answers. It was founded so voters could make informed decisions. We encourage residents to become more involved in the two weeks before the election. Attending tonight's candidates forum is an important step. Learn the issues. Hear from the candidates. Discuss their strengths and weaknesses with your neighbors, your friends and your family.

Most importantly, vote on Nov. 2. Whether you are a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or undeclared, make an informed decision before you pull the lever.

Making a difference

When was the last time you made a difference? Some of us — an alarmingly low percentage of us — make a difference every day. As a nation, we laud the handful of us who join rescue and first aid squads, tutor in after-school programs, volunteer at hospitals or serve on municipal committees — but we do not join at their sides. Community service has become the domain of those who have to, either because of a higher calling or court order. We hope there are more of the former, but we aren't so sure.

Civic responsibility has hit such an all-time low that even some of the rights it took 200 years of independence to secure for all of us — the right to vote, to serve on a jury, to speak freely in a public forum such as a letter to the editor — are dismissed as a chore.

Saturday is the ninth annual Make a Difference Day, an annual challenge to Americans to help others in their communities or around the world. On this day we celebrate the achievements of those of us who do volunteer and ask ourselves what we can do to make a difference in the lives of others.

With family, work and other responsibilities, many of us feel we simply do not have the time to volunteer. One may not have the money to contribute to support these causes, either. But even if we can't take the time to make a difference, perhaps we can give someone else the opportunity to take our place. The Springfield-based Sharing Network, New Jersey's organ and tissue donation service, is calling on everyone to fill out and carry an organ donor card. Residents should donate blood for the local Red Cross.

Mountaintide has been reeling from the lack of volunteers for the Fire Department and First Aid Squad. Government officials feel that times are simply changing. Now it is time for residents to show their commitment to the community and to each other. Springfield has a large number of senior citizens. Surely, the seniors will want to share their energy by giving back to the community. Volunteer at a local hospital. Offer to spend time reading to children at the public library. It does not matter how you volunteer your time, as long as that time is not wasted.

Make a Difference Day is but once a year, but there is always the chance to change another person's life. Ask any volunteer and he or she will tell you — the person you help the most through volunteering is yourself.

Freeholder candidates speak

Three seats on the Union County Board of Freeholders are being challenged this year. For statements by the six candidates vying for those seats, see Page B2.

"Press releases tell us when federal agencies do something right, but the Freedom of Information Act lets us know when they do not."

—Patrick Leahy
U.S. senator (D-Vt)
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CANDIDATES

Robert Vigilanti

I am very proud of the accomplishments my administration has achieved in the past years.

We have totally revamped our town center, renovated our Borough Hall, added a new police facility, added a community room, restored our community pool, upgraded our fire building and library, improved many major and lesser roads and got the state of New Jersey to modernize the intersection of Route 22 and New Providence Road.

We also upgraded our Rescue Squad building and we still maintained the lowest effective tax rate in all of Union County.

Future programs/projects will include the addition of a commuter parking lot, under construction, and the addition of a new community bus, paid for by a state grant, which will provide needed transportation for seniors who are no longer able to drive and also will be used for social functions for all residents.

Rest assured that I am concentrating on the future of our community.



Robert Vigilanti
R-Mountaintide
Mayor

and that I recognize the importance of keeping a sensible tax rate. I also realize that low taxes, without services and an excellent education system, will not serve any community well.

Steve Brociner

As a 17-year resident of Mountaintide, I continue to be confronted not only with one-party rule, but almost exclusively with one-man rule. At Borough Council meetings I hear only one voice. I honestly believe each of the council members is sincere, but at long intervals ago we took a path that completely blocks out an independent point of view which leads to a lack of accountability to voters and taxpayers.

Take, for example, the attempt by council members last February to set salary guides for themselves and the mayor. The subsequent formation of a lopsided committee to make salary recommendations was an insult to Mountaintide voters. The committee, which was intended to represent a balance of political interests, became a committee of exclusion.

The move that 400 residents who signed a petition against the February salary ordinance, and who wanted to place the salary question on the November ballot, were pointedly excluded from serving on the committee. Furthermore, in its deliberations, the committee received no input from neither council members nor the public regarding the pros and cons of establishing a salary for elected officials. Though the mayor may believe that this committee satisfies the democratic process, in reality it is a sham, established out of fear of the salary question appearing on the November ballot.

I respect Mountaintide's longstanding tradition of volunteerism. Our residents give of themselves tirelessly, which makes Mountaintide such a wonderful and unique community to live in. Our residents volunteer as coaches, PTA members, school board members, community leaders and in many social and civic organizations. Now, some of our council members think that their time and effort are worth more than the time and efforts of the voters. Why should council members seek a different standard for themselves? Is this public service or self-service?

I am running for Borough Council, not for pay, but to keep volunteerism



Steve Brociner
D-Mountaintide
Borough Council

alive. I pledge to the community that I will accept no salary in return for my services on the council, and I will work to establish a fair method for reimbursing elected officials for legitimate expenses.

In order to provide for real accountability, I would insist on monthly reports from each council member regarding their assignments, areas of responsibility. In order to promote attendance and genuine discussion at monthly meetings, I would allow direct questioning of council members, a practice which is currently nonexistent.

In a further attempt to establish accountability, I support the establishment of six specific geographical sections in town to which each of the six council members would have a special relationship and responsibility. This arrangement will provide residents, when they need assistance, with clear and direct access to their own particular elected official.

As you can see, these are not partisan issues, but issues of open, representative and responsible government. Let's move Mountaintide forward by ending backroom decision making. Your vote on Nov. 2 will bring a voice for your interests into Mountaintide Borough Hall.

Keith Turner

I consider it a privilege to have served on the Mountaintide Borough Council for the past nine years, and I am looking forward to serving the residents for a fourth term.

My goal as a councilman is to provide a government that will be fully responsive to the needs of all Mountaintide families whether they are senior citizens, young families just starting out or middle-aged families with school-aged children.

Being a lifelong resident of Mountaintide, having two children in Deerfield School, a brother who is employed as a detective sergeant on the borough police force and having parents who are residents of the borough since the early 1950s gives me an insight.

See KEITH TURNER, Page 5



Keith Turner
R-Mountaintide
Borough Council

Adele Magnolia

Little did I know when I opposed the ordinance establishing salaries for the mayor and the council members that I would become a write-in candidate for mayor in November.

There are a number of reasons why I was persuaded to be a write-in candidate. First, I believe that by trying to establish salaries for the mayor and the council, they are circumventing the normal process of documenting and submitting expenses for public scrutiny.

Secondly, such a course leads to state pensions and entitlements to health benefits which is not compatible with the volunteerism which has been the hallmark of our public officials. This would break the tradition of public service that has been the legacy in Mountaintide for many years. If I were to become the mayor, I would act to remove the stipend which mayor and council receive now. However, I would work to assure that they would be compensated for legitimate, documented expenses.

Third, there appears to be a need for a closer examination of personnel requirements for the borough in all departments. Discovering suddenly that we do not need a full-time administrator and that we do need additional full-time recreation employees are reasons enough to require a thorough assessment.

Fourth, many citizens have told me of their loss of confidence in the mayor, resulting from the outcomes of the school system deregionalization's impact on their property taxes.

The early lawmakers in our country purposely did not impose many requirements for citizens to participate in civic life in the government. Their intention was to seek public servants from all walks of life and not to be limited by their lack of formal education in government.

No one should ever think that they are ineligible to hold office because of their background. It is important to draw people into government who have diverse backgrounds and differing opinions. The collective wisdom of the many is preferable to any one's single dictates.



Adele Magnolia
R-Mountaintide
Mayor

While serving for many years on the Recreation Commission, I was instrumental in providing a program that was well thought out to meet the needs of the community. Many of these benefits are still visible today. I was instrumental in providing a program that was well thought out to meet the needs of the community. Many of these benefits are still visible today. I was instrumental in providing a program that was well thought out to meet the needs of the community. Many of these benefits are still visible today.

In my professional career as a director of curriculum and instruction in pre-kindergarten through grade 12, I have had extensive experience in many aspects of administration. I was responsible for designing improvement programs for assisting programs, initiating partnerships with Merck & Co, hiring, supervising and evaluating personnel, developing and promoting departmental and district budgets and many other aspects of administration.

In addition, I served the state Department of Education as the chair of the test development committee for the High School Proficiency Reading Test, as well as served on many other state-level committees. Currently, I provide consulting services for several large school districts.

Paul Mirabelli

My goal as your councilman is to provide a local government which is fully responsive to the needs of all of our Mountaintide families, including senior citizens, young people who are just starting families or middle-aged couples with children in grammar school and high school.

To me, the phrase "fully responsive" means providing the services which enable our residents to feel safe and secure in their homes and in our community. It means providing physical facilities which enable the efficient and effective delivery of those services, and it means doing all of this at a cost which is affordable.

Our Police Department has a brand new, state-of-the-art facility which enables the efficient and effective delivery of those services, and it means doing all of this at a cost which is affordable.

As councilman, I have supported our continued effort to maintain our current members and to attract new members for our Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Both the firehouse and the Rescue Squad buildings were upgraded. In addition, the economic benefits of being a member of the Fire Department and Rescue Squad have been enhanced.

The response by our police, fire department, rescue squad and Public Works Department during the Hurricane Floyd disaster is a good measure of their capacity to serve our community. Those of you who experienced their efforts first hand, whether clearing your street, pumping your basement or any of the multitude of problems which beset the borough, know that we can feel safe and secure in our homes because of their presence.

An additional staff member has been added to the Recreation Department, a change which has made possible



Paul Mirabelli
R-Mountaintide
Borough Council

a broad range of new recreational programs like basketball for kindergarten and first-graders and exercising for seniors. There is now a large, attractive community room at Borough Hall where many of the Recreation Department activities are conducted. If mother nature cooperates this winter, there will be an ice skating rink on the tennis courts adjoining Borough Hall.

The Mountaintide Library is an increasingly vital municipal resource. It now has five computer work stations at the library which provides free access to the Internet. The library also conducts classes for those who want to use the Internet, and it has many CD-Rom programs for those who want to teach themselves. In 2000, Mountaintide will have a Mountaintide Community Bus to meet senior citizens' needs for medical, shopping and recreational/social transportation. A new parking area adjoining the library and the Herfield House is currently under construction in order to address the need for commuter parking.

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CANDIDATES

Sy Mullman

Over the last almost three years I have served my second term on the Township Committee. There has been a lot of progress made in Springfield. I am proud to have been a part of it, serving last year as mayor and this year as deputy mayor. I know I have the experience, ability and willingness to continue to serve our town over the next three years.

A review of the accomplishments should surely begin with the newly-renovated Chisholm Community Center, which turned a long-standing eyesore into a beautiful, useful recreation building for our citizens. Based upon the partnership between Springfield and the Summit Y, the actual cost to the taxpayers for these renovations is small. We have reopened the Teen Center for our older children, and there are numerous activities available to citizens of all ages.

More mundane, but just as important, was the hiring of a full-time administrator. Springfield is a multi-million dollar operation which requires hands-on management, all the time. In just one short year, we have seen tangible changes for the better in our government, both financially and in improved efficiency of the day-to-day operations. The positive effects of a professional administrator can only increase as time goes on.

Over the last number of years, there have been various attacks on Springfield's neighborhoods and our quality-of-life. I have joined with the other members of our governing body to fight these out-of-town influences. We have been successful in our fight against CVS, but the fight over the old SAs property goes on. The court case against the Union methadone clinic continues, as does the one concerning zoning violations on Keeler Street. We will continue to fight, for as long as it takes, to protect the families living in these neighborhoods and every in neighborhood.

Money and taxes are major issues



Sy Mullman
D-Springfield
Township Committee

for everyone. Over the past two years, there has been absolutely no local tax increase for Springfield property owners. This was possible because we have cut our costs and raised our revenues. Our annual garbage collection and disposal costs have been reduced by almost \$200,000.

We negotiated fair contracts with our unions, which contained "give-backs" to save tax dollars. We have obtained hundreds of thousands of dollars in grant money for our playgrounds, parks, sidewalks, curbs and streets. We also received a grant to establish the "park-and-ride" jitney service, to assist our commuters and to increase property values. I have been active in the "Take Pride in Springfield" program and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce to help create a positive attitude in Springfield for both residents and businesses.

In the 24 years I have been here, Springfield has always been a wonderful place to live and work. I am committed to continue to make Springfield even better as we enter the new millennium, and continue with Springfield's second hundred years.

Florence Faraone

I am the Republican candidate for the Springfield Township Committee because I feel my qualifications will be an asset to the committee, as well as to the people of Springfield.

I have more than 20 years of successful experience in the public and private sectors, providing employee client services in administration and financial development. My background includes extensive budgeting, accounting, procurement and personnel experience.

As manager of plant operations for the New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission, I was responsible for assisting the executive vice president in implementing client services to a staff of 125 employees. Prior to assuming duties in the Commerce Commission, I was a manager of the former New Jersey Commerce and Economic Development Bureau. During this tenure I planned and organized the financial and administrative activities for several divisions. Prior to joining state government I worked for AT&T as a manager in finance.

The plans of my Republican platform are simple enough and are intended to help the taxpayers of Springfield have better government.

First: The need for two-party government is a priority. Minority representation is an opportunity for Springfield to be represented by another segment of the community. An all-Democrat Township Committee is a single-party philosophy and, although its members claim independent thinking, there is more than a perception of "rubber stamp politics." This is a necessary change that has to be made.

Second: There is a need for better management in many of the departments of our township government. My skills and experience will be a distinct advantage to our business administrator. He should have less interference in his duties, while leaning on a



Florence Faraone
R-Springfield
Township Committee

view of help, understanding and assistance by the governing body. I support increased management training for our professional department heads and staff to further enhance their abilities.

Third: We have to relieve the tension and discontent in the Town Hall. More dialogue is needed to prevent the continuing flood of lawsuits and settlements the lawyers have had to handle. The Township Committee has to listen to this, not our counsels. My experience with over 125 employees for many years will give me this opportunity.

Fourth: Future planning is a necessity so that crisis management can be avoided wherever possible. We must be prepared for things such as natural disasters, health problems and better services for our citizens. This is where I can lend some of my experience to the business administrator and to the Township Committee.

When elected, I will work diligently to implement this platform. I believe it can be accomplished within a two-party system for a fresh start of the new millennium.

Keith Turner

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into the borough's past, present and future that very few people can bring to the forum.

Mountainside — residents deserve experienced, responsible and proactive people serving on the town council. The facts are that Mountainside has the lowest effective tax rate and one of the highest property values in the county. Did this happen by accident? I think not!

The governing body has achieved these goals by proper planning and prudent fiscal management. During the last four years, there has not been an increase in our municipal taxes. I know that it is unrealistic to expect that this can continue. I give you my promise that during my next term as councilman I will employ the same prudent fiscal management that will minimize these inevitable increases. As a resident of Mountainside who is in a position to affect positive changes, I am proud to have played an

active role in improving the quality of life within the borough. In 1997 the Recreation Department, of which I was the council liaison, became the direct responsibility of the borough. This enabled us to reorganize the community pool, enhance and expand programs and activities for residents from kindergarten basketball to seniors exercise classes and provide our residents with a community room within Borough Hall. Other community enhancements include five computer work stations

with free Internet access at the library, the soon-to-be completed computer parking lot and the addition of two new police officers to our existing force.

I am committed to the borough of Mountainside, and I am asking the residents for their support on Election Day, Nov. 2. It is important for Mountainside to elect dedicated public servants with proven records and not to be misled by inexperienced individuals who seek elected positions for their own special interests.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Review the record before voting

To the Editor:
I just became aware that Adele Magnolia plans to run for mayor of Mountainside. I don't know Magnolia nor pass on her qualification. But what "lets" me about candidates, and frequently voters, is their voting decision based on one single issue.

Unless Magnolia comes up with more than one reason to vote for her, I will vote for Mayor Robert Vigniani. I suggest all voters review a candidate's total record before casting their vote.

Joseph Chieppa
Mountainside

Unity of committee serves township

To the Editor:
Regarding the coming election, it is necessary to confront the issue of two-party representation in the Township Committee. Such a political structure provides opportunity for expression of differing philosophies and also keeps the pressure on incumbents to be worthy of re-election. There are no true ends, but they apply in Springfield?

In our community, we face only typically small town local problems. We have no voice in foreign affairs, federal budgets, Social Security, health care or any other of the many factors influencing our daily lives. Even our local budget

and municipal operations are formatted and circumscribed by state and other regulatory bodies.

- The Township Committee, in broadest terms, chiefly:
 - Formalizes imposed legal requirements.
 - Acts to keep the machinery of government as efficient as possible.
 - Plans for the future needs of the community.

These are functions which have no political label. In Springfield, there simply are no ideologies to separate Democrat from Republican. Of ambition and vanity, we have seen enough.

For several years, the Democrats have been a majority on the Township Committee, and, more recently, have filled all five seats. However, this has not produced a monolithic bloc and certainly not one captive to "The Party." To the contrary, the members have exchanged many differences both on policy and on details. But, absent the rancor and distractions of past partisanship, they have remained united to produce solid progress in administration reform, fiscal responsibility, capital improvements and long-range planning. In their diversities, they reflect the community; in their unity, they serve it.

Which brings me to the election and the candidates. My regard for Sy Mullman can be expressed simply. His plain language reflects his clear thinking. He expects Springfield to be run on a business-like basis, as he conducts his own affairs. He has served long, effectively and honorably.

Until the Republican Party can produce candidates of stature, and earn itself the respect of its own fellow Republicans, I see no abuse of the democratic process in a totally Democratic Township Committee. Herbert W. Sloe
Springfield

We're asking

"Do you plan on voting in November?"



John Paterson

"I'm registered and I'm voting. I vote in all the elections and the school board."



Nicole Desch

"I'm not a citizen. I was born in Toronto. I'm a resident alien but I still hold citizenship in Canada."



Richard Hogarth

"Yes. I always vote."



Peter Skolnik

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Make a difference through donation

On Saturday, the ninth annual Make a Difference Day will be observed. Millions of Americans will be challenged to make a decision to help others in their local communities and around the world.

On of the greatest gifts another person can give to his fellow man is the gift of life. That is why the Springfield-based New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network is asking everyone in New Jersey to register to become an organ and tissue donor on Saturday by calling 1-800-SHARE-NJ.

Currently, there are more than 69,000 people on waiting lists for organ transplants, including more than 1,700 in New Jersey. "The need is critical," said Joseph S. Roth, president and chief executive officer of The Sharing Network. "By joining with the New Jersey Organ Donor Registry, you can make a difference

by actually saving lives."

He said that one organ donor can save up to seven lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through tissue donation. "Can you think of a more meaningful way to make a difference in someone's life?" Roth asked.

"Signing an organ donor card and telling your family of your wishes to become a donor is an excellent way to make a difference in the lives of others," Roth said.

Since 1990, more than 3,000 transplants have been performed in New Jersey with 339 performed last year. "Naturally, we would like to increase the number of lives we are able to save, but we can't do that unless organs become available through the donation process," he said.

The Sharing Network also is in need of volunteers to help with a variety of projects throughout the year. If you are interested call the network at

(973) 379-4535 and ask for Christina Goncalves or Debra Antczak.

Make a Difference Day, the largest national day of helping others, is sponsored by USA Weekend and its 560 carrier newspapers. About \$2.6 million in awards and grant money will be given to Make a Difference Day volunteers. The event is a partnership with The Points of Light Foundation and its network of 501 Volunteer Centers.

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

For more information or to register to become an organ donor, call 1-800-SHARE-NJ or visit the organization's web site at www.sharenj.org.

Borough board offers Health Day

The Mountainside Board of Health has announced it will conduct a Health Day on Nov. 6 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside.

The health program will offer an extensive blood screening. Medical Laboratory of West Orange will conduct the blood testing.

The SMAC-26 is an elaborate blood analysis monitoring several bodily functions. The CBC test is a test including a red blood cell count, a white blood cell count and differential count. The CBC test may indicate the presence of infection, anemia, allergies, lung disease and more. The HDL test measures factors protective against coronary heart disease. The SMAC 26 is used in assessing total cholesterol results, to determine possible coronary risk factors.

Robert M. Sheri, director of health, has noted that anyone taking the blood test must not eat or drink 12 hours prior, with the exception of water. Pre-registration for the

blood test is mandatory and will be conducted by the Westfield Health Department, 425 East Broad St., Westfield, from Monday through Nov. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost of the SMAC-26 test is \$16. Additional tests can be performed at the following specified cost: T4, thyroxine test, \$5; TSH, thyroid stimulating hormone, \$10; PSA, prostate test, \$30; blood group/Rh factor, \$10; iron, \$5; sed rate, \$10; Hepatitis C, \$25; Hepatitis B, \$25.

All fees must be paid upon registration.

The Health Day also will offer a blood pressure program. Hemocult test kits will be available to test for occult blood in the gastrointestinal tract. Test packets/dietary restrictions will be distributed at the Health Program.

The program is subject to cancellation, unless a minimum participation of 25 is achieved. The Health Day is open exclusively to residents of Mountainside, Westfield, Fanwood, Garwood, Roselle Park and Springfield exclusively.

Hoffman performs for Springfield Hadassah

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 Sha'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 Choiner.

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. Springfield resident Irving Malorasky, 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.

Mended Hearts group welcomes speaker

The Union-Exsex Chapter of The Mended Hearts will meet on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Springfield First Aid Squad Building, Trivett Avenue, Springfield.

This date is one week earlier than the usual meeting.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Roberto Roberti, a member of the Mid-Atlantic Cardiology Group in Springfield. He is certified in nuclear cardiology and has published many articles on that subject and nutrition for cardiac patients. A social period will conclude the meeting.

Mended Hearts is a support group which meets on the third Tuesday of each month and is designed to help those, as well as their families, with heart problems. All are welcome.

Republican Club has historic dinner

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

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

For more information and reservations, call either Donna Osjeja at (908) 232-4004 or Marilyn Hart at (908) 233-4036.

Policy on weddings and engagements

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announcements to the lifestyle editor. Announcements should be typed, double spaced or legibly handwritten and no longer than one page. All announcements should have a daytime phone number for verification or if questions arise.

Information requested for engagements are parents names, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title and the date of marriage.

Information requested for weddings are parents names, date of wedding, where the wedding took place, who officiated, who attended the bride and groom, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title and where the couple honeymooned and will reside.



Springfield fire official David Maas, above, demonstrates fire safety equipment to kindergarten student Daniel Zawadzki. Fire inspector Joe Popolo, left, allows pre-kindergarten student George Wentz III to practice fighting fires. The children learned the importance of fire safety when members of the Springfield Fire Department visited Walton School Oct. 5.

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.

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OBITUARIES

Edward Karpenski

Edward Karpenski, 72, of Haven Beach, formerly of Summit, a retired Summit police lieutenant, died Oct. 11 in Southern Ocean Hospital, Manahawick.

Born in Summit, Mr. Karpenski moved to Haven Beach seven years ago. He was a member of the Summit Police Department for 31 years before retiring with the rank of lieutenant in 1980. Mr. Karpenski was a purchasing manager for the Chatham Trust Co., Chatham, from 1987 to 1992. He served as an 82nd Airborne paratrooper during World War II.

Mr. Karpenski was a member of the Policemen's Benevolent Association in Summit and the Summit Police Department Honor Guard. He also was vice president of the Kiwanis Club of Long Beach Island and a member of the American Association of Retired Persons. Mr. Karpenski was an avid musician and played the piano. He was president of the Roosevelt's, funeral with the Tommy Dorsey Band.

Surviving are his wife, Jane; a son, Edward G.; a daughter, Ann Cooke; two sisters, Catherine Serwell and Jeanne Anspach; and four grandchildren.

Rita M. Lovett

Rita M. Lovett, 73, of Hamilton, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 12 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Hamilton.

Born in Boston, Mass., Mrs. Lovett lived in Springfield for 26 years before moving to Hamilton.

Surviving are her husband of 50 years, Thomas P.; four daughters, Catherine McFall, Mary DeRose, Rita Potomski and Peggy Iserman; a son, Thomas; and 11 grandchildren.

Glenworth E. Lyle

Glenworth E. Lyle of Summit died Oct. 10 at home.

Born in West-Morland, Jamaica,

Mr. Lyle moved to Summit 27 years ago. He was an account executive with Foster Wheeler's in Livingston for 10 years and retired in 1988. Earlier, Mr. Lyle had worked as a clerk-accountant for the Graver Water Condition Co., Union, for seven years. Surviving are two sons, Allan and Victor; three stepsons, Rudolph, Dudley and Paul; a daughter, Myrna H.; two stepdaughters, Beverly Mapp and Jeanette McDonald, and a brother, Clement.

Angela M. Meister

Angela M. Meister, 89, of New Providence, formerly of Union and Mountaineer, died Oct. 13 in the Glenside Nursing Home, New Providence.

Born in Newark, Miss. Meister lived in Vailsburg, Union and Mountaineer before moving to New Providence a year ago. She was a bookkeeper for Kenny Press, Newark, and retired in 1974.

Miss Meister was a member of the Rosary Society of Sacred Heart Church, Vailsburg. She was a member of the Court Immaculate Hour of Mary Council 1360 Catholic Daughters of America, Union. Miss Meister also was a member of the Benedictine Mother's League of St. Abby in Morristown and the senior citizens of St. Michael's Church, Union.

Surviving is a sister, Gertrude E.

Kathleen T. Kopp

Kathleen T. Kopp, 83, of Summit died Oct. 13 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Kopp lived in Summit for 25 years.

Alice Salvato

Alice "Grandma Ricky" Salvato of Westfield and Brick, who was active in Mountaineer, died on Oct. 12.

Mrs. Salvato was active in the Westfield Garden Club and the Child-

ren's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary, Mountaineer, and she was a member of the Mountaineer Presbyterian Church and a long time member of the church choir.

Surviving are her husband, Charles, three daughters, Sally Scott Stedman, Drew Weidenbacher and Nancy Boyd, and six grandchildren.

Eduardo DiLanno

Eduardo DiLanno, 65, of Summit died Oct. 15 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Naples, Italy, Mr. DiLanno lived in Newark before moving to Summit 33 years ago. He was a longshoreman employed by Sealand Corp., Elizabeth, for many years and retired three years ago. Mr. DiLanno was a member of the International Longshoremen's Association 1235 of Newark.

Surviving are his wife, Rosaria; three daughters, Theresa Paone, Anna Russo and Dolores; a sister, Margarita Surracino, and three grandchildren.

Catherine Engler

Catherine Engler, 85, of Yarmouthport, Mass., formerly of Summit, died Oct. 10 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Engler lived in Summit before moving to Yarmouthport many years ago. She was a graduate of The Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y. Mrs. Engler was a deacon at the Central Presbyterian Church, Summit, and a member of the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary, Summit, the Junior League of Summit and the Summit Animal Welfare League, Summit.

Surviving are two daughters, Virginia S. Richardson and Barbara A. Humphries Engler; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

George C. Blake

George C. Blake, 79, of Lakewood, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 16 in Medical Center of Ocean County, Brick.

Born in West Orange, Mr. Blake lived in East Orange and Springfield before moving to Lakewood four months ago. He was an East Orange firefighter for 33 years and retired in 1981 as an inspector. Mr. Blake was a member of the Firemen's Benevolent Association Local 23, East Orange, and a life member of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association. He received a Purple Heart when he was an Army medic during World War II with the 100th Division in Europe. Mr. Blake was a member of the West Orange Elks, the Knights of Columbus Council 5560, Springfield, and the Holy Name Society of Holy Name Church, East Orange.

Surviving are his wife, Stella; three sons, Thomas G., Barry M. and James N.; four daughters, Deborah J. McAuley, Mary E. Schade, Pamela A. Phillips and Judith E. Webster; 10 step children, his mother, Margaret E. Blake; a brother, Norman; 39 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Cora C. Lyons

Cora C. Lyons, 93, of Somerset, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 18 at home.

Born in the Bronx, Mrs. Lyons lived in Springfield and Westfield before moving to Somerset six months ago. She was employed by the Springfield Board of Education for 20 years and retired in 1969. During the 1930s and 1940s, Mrs. Lyons had been a clerical worker with New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., Elizabeth. Surviving is a daughter, Gail L. Stock.

Antoinette Duffy

Antoinette Duffy, 87, of Springfield died Oct. 17 at home.

Born in Orange, Mrs. Duffy lived in Springfield since 1954. Surviving are two sons, John J. Lyons and Joseph J. Duffy Sr.; five sisters, Ann Pischerio, Margaret Springer, Katherine Rice, Betty Fania and Joan Sorenson, and two grandchildren.

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 Sunday 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 Ruden, a granddaughter of a former pastor of Wallace Chapel, the Rev. Thomas Cooney. Ruden is the assistant minister of St. James A.M.E. Church in Newark. The Women's Day theme is "Admit, Submit, 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 held 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 Mall, will sponsor a rummage sale today through Saturday.

Today and tomorrow's sales will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Sunday, the event will run from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Church women hold day of community service

Christian women throughout Summit can gather Nov. 5 at Pilgrim Baptist Church on Morris Avenue, Summit, for a day of community service. This celebration will be sponsored locally by the Summit Unit of Church Women United.

Expanding on the theme of divine love introduced earlier this year in the World Day of Prayer and May Friendship services, World Community Day will provide participants with an opportunity to experience God's love anew through the laughter, tears, joy and pain of daily living.

"God's Pastoral Love: Holy Laughter, Holy Tears" was written by four women from Church Women United in Southern California/South Nevada. Offerings received on World Community Day help support Church Women United's ministries toward justice and peace for all persons.

Members of the Summit Unit invite men and women to attend. The women of Pilgrim Baptist Church will host the fellowship hour which will follow the church services. Light refreshments will be served. No reservations are necessary.

Your abilities can earn extra income. Advertise them with a classified ad by calling 1-800-564-8911.

Woman's Club explores Norway

The first meeting this fall of the Springfield Woman's Club will be at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, Church Mall, Springfield, Monday at 1 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Miss Audrey Boies of Summit. Her topic will be "Norway - Land of the Sea and Mountains." Her program will be marked with color slides, speaking with local, national and international experts.

Guests are welcome and refreshments will be served. The Springfield Woman's Club was organized in 1949 with first president Marjorie Hatten. The purpose of the organization is the mutual counsel and united action of its members for the promotion of higher social and moral conditions, and the improvement of civic and social conditions through study by its members. The club motto is "Study-Service-Sociability."

The club will celebrate its 50 years of service to the community in November. If any one is interested in joining the club, call (973) 379-7632.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

BAPTIST

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH - CHRIST OUR HOPE AND PEACE: 244 Shunpike Road, Springfield, 9:30 AM Bible School for all ages - Nursery through Seniors: 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care - 5:30-7:00 PM A.W.A.N.A. Club Program for Children ages 4-11: 8:00 PM Evening Service & Nursery Care, Wednesday 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study: Junior/Senior High Ministry: Active Youth Ministry: Wide-Range Music Program: Super Seniors Sat. Thursday 11 AM followed by lunch. AMPK Prayer, Choir LIT 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 BEETH ARHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, 973-376-0579. Marc Malachuk, Rabbi, Richard Nevel, Cantor, Paul M. Forster, President. Beth Arhm is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekday services: Mon-Fri, 7:00 AM Sun-Thurs, 7:45 PM Shabbat (Friday) 6:00 PM & 8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; 8:30 AM. Festival & Holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (100-level) meets on Sunday mornings. Tuesday, there are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Pre-School Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for fifth through twelfth graders, and a Study Adult Education program. Gentiles' League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

JEWISH - REFORM

TEMPLE SHE'AREY SHALOM 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 375-4647. Joshua Glick, Rabbi. Amy Dattner, Cantor/Education Director. Amy Greenman, Pre-School Director; Bruce Pitman, President. Temple She'arey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC).

Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM, with monthly Family Services at 7:30 PM. Sunday morning Torah study class begins at 10:30 AM. Led by worship leader AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-5, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7, and Tuesday evenings for post-bar/bat mitzvah students. Pre-school classes are available for children ages 2-5 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5367.

LUTHERAN

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 679 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 379-4452, Fax 201-378-8487, and E-Mail: Pastor-Otto-Sonday-Worship Service takes place at 10 AM at JONATHAN DAY-TON RESIDENTIAL 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 AM.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

220 Cooperhewitt Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E. Krieh, Pastor, (908) 232-1517. Services: Sunday, 8:30 AM; Sunday Morning, 10:30 AM; Sunday Evening, 7:00 PM; 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 Mall in Springfield, NJ invites ALL people of all ages and backgrounds to join us in their spiritual journey. Sunday Worship Service starts at 10:30 AM with childcare provided 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 classes. Service of Prayer and Healing held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. All are invited to 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 programmatic ideas, call the Rev. Jeff Markay at the Church Office: 973-376-1095.

FIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. Sunday morning worship is at 10:30 a.m. with the emphasis of which is to always have a "good week" because of Paul's reminder to us in his letter to the Romans "that ALL things will be 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 awake. The music and weekly children's message are memorable. All are welcome to hear the Good News of God's love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyone. Come worship with us and find out how you too can have a "good week." Call the Church Office at Pastor Lee Weaver for more information at 908 277-1700.

PENTECOSTAL-NON-DENOMINATIONAL

VISIONS OF GOD FAMILY WORSHIP "RAISING PEOPLE OF POWER FOR THE 21ST CENTURY" 242 Shunpike Road, Springfield (located at Evangel Baptist Church). Office located at 1132 Spence Drive, Mountaineer. Phone: 908-728-0212. Pastors: Paul & Sharon Dean. Worship Service - Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study - Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Ministers include: Singers, Mimed Choir, Women, Men. We welcome everyone who is someone to come and worship with us.

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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
 Sports Editor

Union beating Elizabeth is usually no big deal because the Farmers dominate the biggest high school in the state when it comes to competing on the gridiron.

But Union's latest win over Elizabeth last Friday night at Union's Cooke Memorial Field earned the Farmers a lot of respect.

"We have a good team and we played it tonight," Union running back/linebacker Jasper Hankins said Friday night moments after Union's 14-8 win over Elizabeth in a battle of 4-0 Watchung Conference-American Division opponents. "We feel like we deserve to be among the top teams in the state."

Union finally cracked the state's Top 20 this week and is 5-0 for the second consecutive season. Last year Union fell to Plainfield and Westfield after a 5-0 start, the loss to Plainfield its first since 1976 and the loss to Westfield its first since 1981.

Union is the only unbeaten team left in the area and the only unbeaten team remaining in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4. Teams with one loss in the section include Roxbury and Bloomfield 5-1 and Elizabeth, Linden and Montclair 4-1.

Only five area teams have records above .500 and four appear to be locks to qualify for the state playoffs in their respective sections.

Union, Elizabeth and Linden are on their way to qualifying in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4. Rabway should make the grade in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 and Hillside has a good chance to make the grade for a second consecutive year in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2. Rabway qualified in Hillside's section last year, making the state playoffs for the first time since 1984. Hillside made the state last year for the first time since 1985.

There are three weekends to go that count towards the playoffs. All area teams have played five games, with the three that started on Week Zero having had their week off.

The playoff/cutoff weekend is Nov. 5-6.

Elizabeth and Linden will attempt to bounce back from their first loss with home games this weekend. Elizabeth hosting Irvington tomorrow night and Linden hosting Westfield Saturday.

WEEK SIX
 Friday, Oct. 22
 Plainfield at Union, 7:00
 Irvington at Elizabeth, 7:00
 R. Park at Bound Brook, 7:30

Saturday, Oct. 23
 Rabway at Roselle, 1:00
 Johnson at Hillside, 1:30
 Dayton at Gov. Liv., 1:00
 Manville at Brearley, 1:00
 Westfield at Linden, 1:30
 Cranford at Shabazz, 1:30
 West Essex at Summit, 1:30

WEEK FIVE
 Friday, Oct. 15
 Union 14, Elizabeth 8
 Mount Olive 62, Summit 56
 R. Park 34, Manville 0

Saturday, Oct. 16
 Rahway 39, Johnson 0
 Hillside 30, Roselle 28
 Ridge 14, Gov. Liv. 3
 Immaculata 50, Brearley 6
 North Plain 28, Dayton 20
 Scotch Plains 33, Linden 0
 Cranford had the week off

J.R.'s picks for Week Six:
 Union over Plainfield
 Elizabeth over Irvington
 Bound Brook over R. Park
 Rahway over Roselle
 Hillside over Johnson
 Dayton over Gov. Liv.
 Brearley over Manville
 Linden over Westfield
 Shabazz over Cranford
 West Essex over Summit

Last week: 7-2
 Season: 41-11 (1789)

TERRIFIC THIRTEEN

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

Bulldogs play tough



Photo by Charles Byler

The Dayton High School football team gave a major scare to unbeaten North Plainfield (5-0) last Saturday before falling 28-20 in Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division action at Meisel Field in Springfield. The Bulldogs scored three second-half touchdowns after trailing 21-0 at the half. Keith Allen and Sean Frank caught touchdown passes from Lorenzo Williams and Matt Fischer rushed for a score for Dayton, which fell to 2-3. The Bulldogs are scheduled to play Saturday at Governor Livingston (0-5) at 1 p.m.

Scoreboard gets a workout in Summit-MO grid contest

Schroeder, Wheeler set school records

By John Zucal
 Staff Writer

No one who traveled to Mount Olive High School last Friday night can say they didn't get their money's worth.

The Summit and Mount Olive football teams provided many memories on that evening as they played a wild game that was not decided until Ken Lockhart's fourth touchdown of the game with 14 seconds remaining.

That TD amazingly gave Mount Olive a 62-56 Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division victory.

Mount Olive improved to 2-3 with the victory, while Summit fell to 0-5.

It was a night when two Summit players, Keith Schroeder and Bill Wheeler, re-wrote several team offensive records as the scoreboard at Mount Olive was lit up like it never had been before. The pair teamed for four touchdowns with Schroeder, a sophomore quarterback, throwing to Wheeler for touchdowns of six, 32, 71 and 75 yards.

Schroeder also tossed a scoring strike of 19 yards to Jon Campagna during his 375-yard passing performance. Schroeder completed 15 of 23 passes.

The 375-yard mark broke the school record Schroeder set a week earlier. He threw for 275 yards in a 35-20 loss on a Friday night at Mendham. The five touchdown passes broke a mark twice set by his father, Steve, during the 1969 season. Steve Schroeder tossed four touchdown passes in games against Caldwell and Morris Hills.

Wheeler, whose final score gave the Hilltoppers a 56-55 lead in the final two minutes, set a school record previously held by four players. John Brown was the last player, in a 1996 game against Parsippany Hills, to catch three touchdown passes. The senior also returned a kick 95 yards for another touchdown. His 30 points tied a mark set by Brown, in the same game, and Morris Fogg, in a 1992 contest against Cranford.

Mike Nelson returned after missing three games due to injury and started Summit's comeback from a 55-36 deficit, with his second touchdown of the game, a rush of 44 yards.

The junior earlier scored on a 12-yard run.

"The return of Mike Nelson was a big thing for us," Summit second-year head coach Mike Colombo said. "Michael is the reason we moved to a more-open offense. He's a real wide-area catch, and runs with the ball."

After Wheeler's final touchdown and Nick Monaco's conversion kick gave Summit a 56-55 lead in the final two minutes, the Majors marched down field. They were aided by a personal foul against Summit during the drive, which ended with a one-yard touchdown run by Lockhart.

"We wanted to keep them out of the middle of the field because they have a good field goal kicker," Colombo said. "We wanted to get them into a third-and-long or fourth-down situation. We had to make tackles and not let them score."

Colombo also credited the Hilltoppers' offensive line for providing Schroeder with ample opportunities to throw.

"We've thrown the ball 62 times and Keith's been sacked only four times in the last two games," Colombo said. "Our blocking schemes are good and our kids are doing a nice job up front."

Colombo said his defense must play better if Summit is to win.

"We think we can move the ball on most teams and we've been over 400 total yards in each game except one," Colombo said. "We do some things very well on offense, but we can't seem to get it switched on the other side."

UCT field hockey semifinals set for this Saturday morning

The Union County Tournament field hockey semifinals are Saturday at 11 a.m., with 3-Summit at 2-Westfield and 9-Cranford vs. 4-Oak Knoll at Summit.

Last weekend's quarterfinals
 Summit 2, Johnson 1; Cranford 3, Kent Place 2
 Oak Knoll 1, Union 0; Westfield 8, Gov. Livingston 0

Springfield soccer team wins tourney

The Soccer Club of Springfield 13-and-under boys' team did well to capture the Hazlet Columbus Day Classic Tournament earlier this month.

The Strikers won all four of its games and outscored the opposition by an impressive 22-1 margin.

Playing shorthanded and bearing the pouring rain, the Strikers dominated all four games from the start.

Leading the scoring with 10 goals was Carlos Rodriguez, followed by Daniel Reselli with six, Rodrigo Correa with two and David Velez, Sagiv Edelman, Tom Dares and Brandon Baron with one each.

Excellent passing was provided by Rich Minneci, Nick Priestley, Jeff Kuczynski and Matt Sauerhoff. As always, Sauerhoff controlled play in the midfield.

The team was sparked defensively by the efforts of Baron at the stopper/sweeper position and middle fullback Boris Pivovarc. The other outstanding fullbacks included Tommie Heine, Alex Piselli and Dares.

Minneci, "Big" Joe as he is called, is considered the best goalkeeper in the 13-and-under division.

The Strikers entered the Roxbury Soccer Tournament earlier this season and played well despite falling 1-0 in the championship game.

The Strikers had a 1-2-1 record in league play (Premier Division) as of last Friday.

Coached by Jeff Baron and assistants Barry Priestley and Joe Minneci, the squad was scheduled to play last Sunday and has another scheduled game this Sunday. All home games are played at Dayton High School.

Sliders aggressive vs. Parsippany

The Springfield Sliders played aggressive against Parsippany in a 3-0 loss. Playing well on defense for the Sliders were Todd Bohrer, Eric Blau, Michael Diamond, Daniel Osis, Paul Raskin and Greg Krupit.

Jordan Stack was impressive in his debut in goal for the Sliders as the goalkeeper stopped three Parsippany shots.

Playing well on offense for Springfield were Zach Floyd, Justin Model, Umberto Annunziata, Daniel Sauerhoff, Kyle Cassidy and Jake Krupp.

Springfield's next home game is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 14 at 2:30 p.m. against the Chatham Cougars at Gaudineer School. It will be Springfield's final game of the season.

Springfield Minutemen B Team football is now 3-0

The Springfield Minutemen B Team gained a forfeit win over Summit last weekend, while the C Team was defeated 26-0.

The B Team improved to 3-0 and will host Berkeley Heights this Sunday following the C Team's noon contest.

Offensive yards were gained by Jimmy Guarino and Zach Silverman for the Springfield C Team in its game against Summit.

Key tackles were posted by Brandon Cheery, Jeff Foder, Matt Loffa, Matt Newer, Nick Nava, Alex Silverman and Stephen Suarez.

Silverman and Matt Nava intercepted passes and Suarez was able to break up an attempted pass. Floyd, after a punt, tackled the return player.

Springfield Recreation Department has co-ed volleyball for Springfield residents

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.

Springfield Recreation Girls Softball registration for the 2000 season is scheduled to take place Saturday and Sunday 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.

More information may be obtained by calling 908-467-4608.

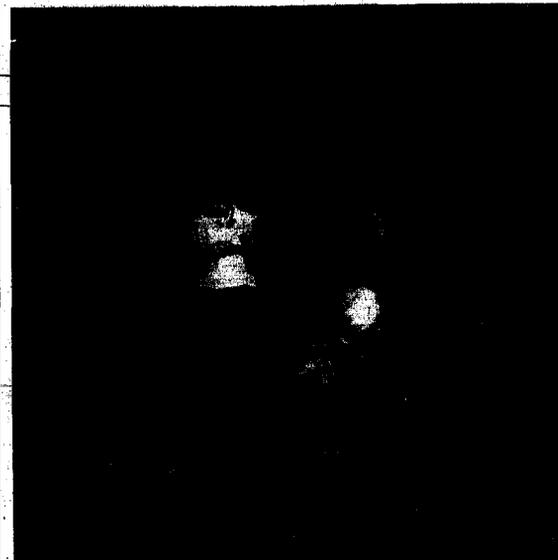
Springfield Girls Travel Basketball Program tryout dates are Monday, Oct. 25 and Thursday, Oct. 28 for girls in grades 5-8.

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.

More information may be obtained by calling Tony Tomasino at 908-467-9092.

Girls' soccer foes battle



Gaudineer Middle School girls' soccer player Erin Honcharuk anticipates the moves of a Columbia Middle School player as she steals the ball during a contest held earlier this season.

Zawacki in singles final



Photo by Barbara Kokkila

Oak Knoll freshman Tory Zawacki will face Danielle Schwartz of Newark Academy in the NJSIAA Girls' Singles Tennis Tournament final, tentatively scheduled to be played Saturday, Oct. 30 at Mercey County Park, West Windsor. Zawacki improved to 18-0 by beating Lara Spagnuolo of Shawnee 6-3, 6-1 in the semifinals.

