District pledged \$675K by state

By Joe Lugars
Staff Writer
The Springfield Board of Education divided its attention Monday right, with
Superintendein Gary Friedand and board member Steven Fischbein taking off
for the Jonathan Dayton High School auditorium to talk to the public about the
district's track and field rehabilitation project.
The project did not go unnoticed at the board's regular meeting, however.
Board President Jacqueline Shanes opened the meeting by announcing a pledge
from the state for \$674,076.80. The money would be put tow aid renovations of
the district's track and athletic fields if the board's proposed referending
sassed by vioters Dec. 12. The project's \$3.4-million price tag currently adds up
to \$100 per year on the average assessed home. The \$649,0000-plus figure would
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Overall, Springfield students managed to stay abead of, or at least equal to, aste figures in all areas. In the advanced proficient category, township students topped the state in all areas — language arts/literacy, mathematics and science, with the instruments margin of victory in the language arts/literacy area. In the proficient category, Springfield students finished equal to the state average. District students were successful in Keeping their numbers low enough to avoid the state's partially proficient category.

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Zimmerman summarized the test by grade level rather than by school. Overall, she proclaimed the district's math scores "very strong," particularly at the levels of grades one, two and three, although she was unwilling to credit that success strictly to the district's recently-adopted program, Everyday Math, etcing its relative newness.

Everyday Math was only in its third year at the time the district's students took the test, a fact Zimmerman repeatedly stressed. She cited the importance of continuing to track the progress of the program, but was nevertheless satisfied with the grade three results, pointing out that the new program made its debut in that grade only last year.

Although district students faired well overall on a state level, a glitch surfaced in the grade three level in reading, with students failing slightly short of the district's targets. The results caused Zimmerman to admit that "it looks like we have a reading issue to deal with in third grade." Language strength, however, exceeded district expectations.

Zimmerman also spoke on the subject of the district's "Course of Study," the look used by high school sudents in selecting classes.

"We've hooking toward changes in next year's book," Zimmerman said, we've looking toward changes in next year's book," Zimmerman said. "We've looking some proposals that we've put off, and some others that we'll put forward lonight. We'll come back to the board with the changes in December." The book is scheduled to be printed in Inhauary.

Zimmerman pointed out that the district is looking into expanding online courses for Advanced Placement students. "We've levels specified by Apex Learning and Johns Hopkins University" the most reputable right now."

Apso offers calculus, chemistry, English language and literature, physics, statistics, macroeconomics and mi



Lori Gostyla assists her 4-year-old daughter Hope, left, and Kelly Goense, 6, with the construction of molds for a craft project during Mountainside PTA's annual holiday craft show Saturday at Deerfield School

Parents to go I to school next ween

By Joe Lugara Staff Writer

Parents of middle and high school students in Springfield will finally have the chance to drop in and learn nave use enance to drop in and learn all about their children's educational programs on Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday.

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The district's Back to School Day actually kicked off on Nov 13 with American Education Week.

"During American Education Week burning and the schools are opened more widely than they usually are." said Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland. "As part of that, I asked the principals to plan a day when parents could orne in, view the programs and get an overview."

The district's schools were open for classroom visits during American Education Week. Now parents will have the chance to meet teachers, without the students present, and ask questions about the programs, learn about the schools' yearly goals, and review the teaching materials used.

According to Friedland, Back to School Day gives each of the district's schools the opportunity to highlight its own individual programs. Parents will have the chance to experience their child's curriculum through an interaction with the school's staff.

Back to School Day marks a basic reversal from the district's usual pro-cedure. The more familiar Back to School Night was cancelled due to the district's continuing negotiations over

School Night was cancelled due to the district's contracts.
"One of the things we lost with Back to School Night, and one of the things we're trying to bring back here, is the chance to give parents a number of options," said Gaudineer's principal, Dennis McCarthy. "We want them to see the school's program in action, and to have the opportunity to discuss it with the teachers."
Gaudineer's activities kick off on Monday with parent/teacher conferences for grades five and six, in which parents can discuss their child's academic progress. Teaching workshops for grades seven and eight will also be conducted during the course of the day. Students will arrive at 9:30 a.m., in a delayed opening.

On Tuesday afternoon, Gaudineer parents will experience what McCarthy called a "simulation of Back to School Night" by meeting with teachers in the cafeteria to discuss current curriculum from 2:30 to 4 p.m. More conferences and workshops are scheduled for both Tuesday and Wednes.

conferences and workshops are scheduled for both Tuesday and Wednesday, with student dismissal at 12:15 p.m. both days.

Deerfield students excel on lowa tests

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer
Guidance countelor Barbara Komoroski of Deerfield School finally got to
make her presentation on the district's test scores at the Nov. 14 Beard of Education meeding.
At the previous meeting, her participation was postponed due to like to fatendance, and at the Nov. 14 meeting, there were still just a few parents and teacheres present.

ers present.

Komoroski used a slide projector and graphs to elaborate the results. "These are the lowa test scores, and we were delighted that the Deerfield children overall, scored as well or better than the rest of the children in the district," she

said. The lowas are tests given to every grade level. Komoroski also had figures for the ESPAs and the GEPAs, which are the Elementary School Proficiency Assessment and the Grade light Proficiency Assessment. She explained that both of these tests are challenging and difficult for all grade levels, especially for the younger children. The split of that fact, I am proud to say that they all did extremely well," said the guidance counselor.

On the slide sheets, all scores were in the 80 and 90 percentiles in all categories, from second grade to eighth grade. The children were tested in language arts, mathematics, and science, and most were in the proficient level, with a

Komoroski noted that science had been added to the GEPA scores this year, and the eighth-graders ranked exceptionally in the subject. The same was true for eighth-graders in mathematics, where half of those tested were in the advanced proficient column. In language arts, the scores were not as dramatic but the children scored above the state median in all of the tests. "We are in line with the State of New Icrsey in everything," said Komoroski, adding, "even the special education children did better than the state mean." On the ESPA test for fourth-graders, results showed most were in the proficient level with a few students in the advanced proficient category. Summarizing, Komoroski said, "Ifeel that the children at all grade levels did very well. These were difficult tests which the children test all grade levels did very well. These were difficult tests which the children took very seriously and I am thrilled at the results."

Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller thanked her for her presentation, adding, "We are surprised and delighted with the results."

Native American advocates his race

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer
Santos Hawk's Blood demonstrated the drumbeat he remembered
hearing on television shows as a boy
— a rapid "bum bum bum bum"

sound.
"It's the most ridiculous thing I ever heard," he told a gathering of about 100 students from Springfield's St. James the Apostle School during a visit Thursday. "And we grew up listening to this crazy garbage."

santos, a Chiricahua Apache, was on a visit to St. James "to set the record straight" about Native American culture. The visit marked just one of many the Texas-born Santos, wing saved a bleeding hawk, has made throughout 45 states over the past 13

Asking the students and teachers to put their hands over their hearts, Santos struck the drum again, producing a much more regular and deliberate beat — a heartbeat sound, the way an Indian drum "is supposed to sound."

Indian drum "is supposed to sound...
"Does your heart sound like this?"
he asked. "Do you know what we say?
"Listen to your heart. If you do, the world might not be in the mess it is."
Returning to the rapid "burn burn burn burn"
burn" beat, he added, "But if is sound's like this, pick up the phone and dial

9-1-1 because you might be having a heart attack."

heart attack."

In coremonial dress, with a red
"mask" painted across his eyes, Santos emphasized the importance of
prayer and radition within the Apache Nation. But he also stressed the
similarities between himself and his
immediate audience.

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Sanios told the story of a boy at a school in Reston, Va., who once asked if Indians still hunted buffalo on horseback with bows and arrows.

"I said I cat at McDonald's," Santos replied. "And I'll tell you what, this Indian eats at Pizza Hut too."

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Despite his often comic tone, San-tos is profoundly serious in his atti-tude seward his culture. "America is still in the dark, to some degree, about Native Americans," he said. "To some degree, they still want to know who these Native American people are, these people who have been here for thousands of years."

Santos showed the gathering his crucifix. "We're very spiritual people, we believe in prayer — just like Catholic people, Baptist people, Methodist people, Baptist people, Christ — I'll always hold him close in here. In my wild and crazy days, he kept me out of trouble."

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Describing his grandfather as having "yellow eyes that looked like fire

came from them," and smoking a King Edward cigar. Santos remembers being told by the old man to "Come here."

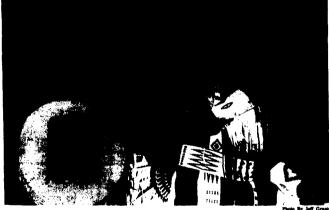
"My grandfather taught me the Indiam Way," he said, "We don't beat our children. We talk to them. Man is just coming to that; we've been doing it for thousands of years. We don't call creatures with four legs' animals, we call them four-legged people. It hurts me when I see hunters brag about their trophies on the walls."

Santos told of a bus trip he took from Memphis to Washington, D.C., in which a female passenger asked if he was grateful for the developments brought over by the Europeans. "You'd still be in the Dark Ages, a savage, without them," Santos quoted the woman as having said. "The old people say, find the right word and educate." Santos explained. "So I said, 'Do you have a computer?' She said, "What does that have to do with anything?' I said. If the Native Americans hadn't developed the numeral zero, you wouldn't have your computer."

"The first Europeans only knew thirst and warm?"

"The first Europeans only knew kings and queens," Santos continued. "When Benjamin Franklin looked for the 13 coloideas for government for the 13 colonies, he saw the Mohawk people in small number in each category in the advanced proficiency level.

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Santos Hawk's Blood of the Chiricahua Apache tribe sets the record straight about Native American culture during a Nov. 16 assembly at St. James the Apostle School in Springfield. Dressed in the ceremonial garb of the Apache Nation, Santos told students that America is still in the dark about Native Americans.

Challenging the long-held cliche of Native Americans simply fashioning trinkets, Santos told the gathering that

George Washington himself credited the Mohawk Indiana with helping to defeat the British by having his armies adopt their technique of guerilla war-fare. Warfare, Santos pointed out,

only served Native Americans "as a way of protecting our homes."
"We're not the people you saw on TV with a knife in one hand and a scalp in the other."

Fight against diabetes, blindness continues for Lions Club

Staff Writer
The Lions Club of Springfield is looking to fight diabetes and blindness through art.
The club's second annual art auction is set for Dec. 3 at the Springfield Knights of Columbus Hall, located at Shunpike Road and Harvard Street.
Part of the proceeds from the 1 p.m. event, presented by Martin Art Inc., will go toward the club's blindness prevention activities as part of

One in every 17 Americans suffer from diabetes. The disease kills one American every three minutes.

Awareness Month. Frints by noted artists such as Marc Chagall, Michel Delacroix, LeRoy Neiman and Norman Rockwell, along with a number of original oils and watercolors, will be on the block.

"We're always working on projects

such as juvenile diabetes," said Stan-ley Grossman, one of the International Directors of the Lions Club. "We have a health program, and we're con-tinuing to do diabetic work." The Lions Club International

and research into the detection and treatment of diabetic rethopathy, one of the leading causes of blindness. The club also offers its Lious Eye Health Program, an educational out-reach initiative working to fight against diabetic eye disease, as well as glaucoma.

With one in every 17 Americans — 15.7 million Americans overall — suffering from the disease, and with the month of November dedicated to

espected that public knowledge of the disease is considerable. It isn't. According to a 2000 survey conducted by the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, at least half the population of the United States is unaware of the difference between Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes. Type 1 diabetes, known as juvenile diabetes for its frequent childhood diagnosis, results when the pancreas produces little or no insulin, the hormone necessary to turn food into energy. Type 1 diabetes requires the suf-

ferer to perform the one familiar ges-ture most people recognize about the

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Palmer museum exhibiting a multimedia artistic work

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Silvia de la Rosa of Maplewood will show her multimedia artistivor in the control of the Market and Metaphor' at the Donald B. Palmer Misseum of the Springfield Free Public Labrary do Mountain Ave, through Dec. 8

De la Rosa's exhibit will engage the viewer through all the venses, including the sense of smell. To achieve this, she takes a multimedia approach in creating montages and assemblages as journeys into her inner world using the following elements: handmade soaps made with herbs and flowers, scented sculptures made from powered rose petals, polymer class sculptures, photographis, found objects, handwritten stores and poems with illustrations and handmade millinery.

De La Rosa said, 'It's my intention to evoke that inner dreaming through imagery and symbols to touch the viewer's imagination.'

De La Rosa was born in Argentina, and as a child, in her grandmouber's garden, she began seeking out the

healing power of plants. Still as a child, she came to the United States settling with her family in New York. City. With her early dancing lessons and arristic background, her mission is to align herself with the ultimate essence of life and its healing and truth to help others.

As a dancer, she has performed for 10 years with the Guidde Dancers, and for the past four years has been the lead dance.

in years with the Clube Bathers, and for the past four years has been the lead dance. In 1999, she performed in a series of Poetry-Dance with Holly Scalera at the Jewish Community Center in Livingston. As an artist, De La Rosa has shown her work at Mora Hame Gallery and The National Academy of Design in New York City. De La Rosa is the creator of Remembrances Hand Made Soaps and Magical Scents. She is also a certified Polarity Therapy Practitioner. The hours of the exhibit are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Tuesdays, Fridness and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, call (973) 376-4930.

Jazz trio to perform 'Afternoon of Music'

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, So Mountain Ave, will present "Grandma's Garden: An Aftermoon of Music and Song" on Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. With lyrics by Arthur Thieberger and music by Ted Trancato, the Ted Brancato Trio will perform songs that range from happy to somber, from though the progressent a wide range of musical styles. Thieberger is an 85-year-old long-time resident of Springfield, and has written poems since age 11. Two years ago, his daughter Lisa suggested he try writing some song lyrics. And she bid, and so far he has written lyrics for more than 150 songs. A disabled veteran of World War II, he owned a dis-casting business in Newark for 25 years. It was through the Springfield Garden Club, where he is poet-laureate, that he met jazz panist Brancato.

Brancato, pianist, composer and maranger, has played piano with jazz

Johnson named new director

The Westfield/Mountainside Chap-ter of the American Red Cross wel-comed Linda Johnson as their new director of Health and Safety. Johnson comes to the chapter with a degree in psychology, and she was a longtime employee of another West-field non-profit organization. Among her many strengths are run-ning programs for youth and teens. Johnson is a lifetong resident of West-field and lives in town with her hus-band, Tim, and daughter, Amber.

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As part of her job, Johnson will be teaching and overseeing the instructors of the chapter's health and safety classes. These classes range from CPR and First Aid to Community Awareness and Babysiting Training. The American Red Cross Westfield/Mountainside chapter is looking for volunteers and instructors. Should you have any questions or would like to attend an American Red Cross class, contact Johnson at (908) 232-7990 or stop by the Chapter House, located at 321 Elm St., in Westfield.



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Tuesday

The Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. commies its lunchtime video series at noon with Episode 4 of "New York"

Participants should bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. For information, call (973) 376-4930.

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The Mountainside Borough Council meets for a regular meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East. This meeting date had to be changed.

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The Mountainside Board of Education meets for a regular meeting at 8 p.m. in the media center at Peerfield School, 302 Central Across a feet seman at 8 p.m. Guest speaker Carolyhn Schneider, author of "The Ultimate Consignment and Thrift Store Guide." will reveal her secrets on how to find the best bargains in second-hand stores. For more information, call the synagogue at (973) 476-9666. All are welcome.

Wednesday
The Mountainside Planning Board meets for a special meeting to re-examine the master plan at 8 p.m. Borough Hall, 1385 Route 2 East. Board members will also review the Mountainside School District's expansion plans.

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Upcoming events
Nov. 30

• The Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will continue its foreign film festival at noon and 7 p.m. with "Three Lives and Only One Death."

Admission is free, but space is limited to 60 people a cach jshowing. For information call (973) 376-4930.

• Baula Cellis, a licensed chinical social worker, will speak before members of the Springfield Hadassah at the group's Nov. 30 meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm. 60 Temple Drive. Springfield. Gellis' topic will be "stress management in your retirement years." Beth Ann, Of Temple Drive, springified Gettlis Copic will be "stress management in your retirement years." Gellis, who has more than 20 years experience in her field and is in private practice, is a member of the Academy of Certified Social Workers and the American Society on Aging, Gellis, an Oradell resident, serves on Hadassah's Northern New Jersey Region Committee for Women's Health Advocacy. The public

 Trailwork projects will resume at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Moun-tainside, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers age 14 and older are needed to assist with trail maintenance 14 and older are needed to assist with trail maintenance projects in the Watchung Reservation. Participants should bring a lunch, mug for a beverage, and a shovel, pickaxe and gloves, if available. Pre-registration is required by calling (908) 789-3670.

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• Springfield artist Sue Preston will be featured at the cighth annual holiday craft show to benefit HOMECorp of Montelair, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 2 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 3 re he address is 106 South Fullerton Ave., in Montelair. Preston will feature her hand-painted glassware.

Dec. 3

• The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield

CALENDAR

Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will present an afternoon of music and song at 2 p.m. with "Grandmax's Gardein." Admixson for the concert is free by toket only Tickets must be picked up at the circulation desk. For information, call (973) 376-4940.

• The Finon County, Board of Chosen Freeholder will spinson at Indialy Smirner Bountinge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Traiside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside Handmade crafts, gift terms and holiday refreshments will be for sale. Admission is free and no strollers are permitted.

For information, call (908) 789-3670

• The Rosary Altar Society of our Lady of Lourdes Church, 300 Central Ave., Mountainside, will meet at 7 pm. with an induction of new members beginning at 7:30 p.m. A light supper will follow at 8 pm. with a holiday program and Christmas songs by the Chanchettes planned. For more information or to become a Rosaran call Flora Servello at (908) 654-4328.

• The Springfield Board of Education meets for a conference meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the board meeting room at Jonathan Dayton High School, 125 Mountain Ave.

Dec. 6

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• The Springfield Recreation Department will sponsor a bus trip to see the 11 m. mannee of the musical "A Christmas Caroli."
Tickets are "KS ==="

"A Christmas Carol."

Tecktes are \$55 per person and includes a continental freekfast at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, from 8 to 9 a.m. and transportation to and from Malion Square Garden. The bus departs at 9-30 a.m. Interested participants should register at the civic center with payment by Nov. 27 For information call (973) 912-2227.

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• The Springfield Planning Board will meet for its regular monthly meeting at 8 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. 100 Mountain Ave.

Dec. 7

• The Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct memoral services at 11 a.m. at Veterans Park, Shunpike Road and Mountain Avenue. Springfield.

• The Foothill Club of Mountainside will meet at noon at B.G. Fields Restaurant in Westfield for its

annual Christmas luncheon. For reservations, call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626

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• The Mountainside Active Retirees will meet at 10 a.m. at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East. Mountainside residents and their guests are welcome.

Ongoing

• The Springfield Recreation Department conducts blood pressure screenings the second Wednesday of every month at the Sarah Balley Cvic Center, 30 Church Mall, from 1 to 2 p.m. It is open to all residents of Springfield. For more information call (973) 912-2227.

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Dayton teacher drops in on the City of Lights

Ah, Paris Marlene Moscowitz, a teacher of both French and Spanish at Jonathan Dayton High School, took a week this past July to attend the 73rd annual convention of the American Association of Teachers of French in the Gry of Lights. About 3,000 teachers of French worldwide attended.

"I belong to the organization. I asked the school of they'd pay for my registration if I paid for everything else," Moscowitz said. "Both the Board of Education and the school administration have been very

administration have been very

The event offered more than 350 different roundtable discussions and different roundtable discussions and workshops on the country's language, literature and culture. Instructors had the opportunity to learn teaching methods—and most importantly, the chance to exchange ideas in a com-

mon language.
"I was talking to another teacher, and she asked me where I was from,"

Moscowitz recalled, "I said I was from New Jersey and got a blank look. Then I said the United States. Finally I said "Near New York," and that did it."

said Near New York, and that did it."

The teacher Moscowitz was talking to turned out to be from a place even more remote than New Jersey. Sibern-a. The exchange underscored the sig-miticance of bridging a language gap through the use of language. Moscowitz is Dayton's only French teacher. Her classroom attests to her interest in the nation and its culture: a little Pairs, it has replicas of both the Eiffel Tower and the Arche de Triom-he within its confines. The architec-tural magnificence of the tower's con-struction is also recorded in a photo-graphic sequence, taken in 1889, tacked to a rear bulletin board. Moscowitz described the craft of

Moscowitz described the craft of Moscowitz described the craft of teaching language as "much more than learning the vocabulary. You learn the vocabulary and then you go out and use it." To that end, Moscowitz returned from the workshops with a few supplementary teaching

maternals, including a book on teaching French classical literature and a CD-rom of "The Luttle Prince." The workshops also gave instructurs advice on Internet use, something Miscowitz heartly believes in She already uses the web to bring he radients in touch with French headtines and up-to-the-minute results of the French Open. Students have used the service to apartment hunt, look for a joh, and pursue a car purchase in France—a far cry from the usual classroom approach of vocabulary and pronunciation lessons.

The use of French television as a teaching device was also discussed in the workshops. For her own class, Moscowitz intends to videotape a French news program that airs on a local cable channel, masking off the subtitled portion of the screen to provide a purely aural experience of the language. For especially dilligent and early-rising students, overseas new is provided by 21.5 PM s. "Radio French International."

Moscowitz has taken her profes-

ston across the Atlantic before, attending teaching programs in Monti-pellier in 1997 and St. Raphael in 1998. Stateside, she has taken her stu-dents on field imps to the Metropolitian Museum of Art for the "Pamiers in Paris" exhibition, and to the Museum of Modern Art for an exhibition of paintings by Fernand Leger.

After the close of the July conference, Moscomiz and her husband took some exita time for themselves in order to track the footsteps of Van Gogh and Cezanne through Provence, visiting Aftes and St. Remy in search of Van Gogh and dropping in on Cezanne's studio in Aix-en-Provence, with the parties of the studio in Aix-en-Provence, where the painter's studio still stands, intact, with his har and coat still hands, intact, with his har and coat still hands, intact, so the parties of the parti

or buried, and the site of artist's fam-ous painting "Church at Auvers."

Of the benefits of knowing another language, Moscowitz said, "You never know when you might need it. You might travel someday."



Jayne Abrate, executive director of the American Association of Teacher's of French, left, and Jonathan Dayton High School French teacher Marlene Moscowitz, were among about 3,000 French teachers from across the globe to converge on Paris for the organization's 73rd annual convention this past summer. Moscowitz is Dayton's only French teacher.

Before the fall



The former site of the Schaible Oil Company feels the effect of the bulldozer during its demolition phase last week. The township's new fire headquarters will eventually call the location its home. The Springfield Township Committee passed a Nov. 14 resolution, awarding a contract for the project to the architectural firm of Schaardt, Fullan and deSilva.

EVENTS

Hadassah meets Nov. 30

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Paula Gellis, a licensed clinicas social worker, will speak before members of the Springfield Hadassah at the group's Nov. 30 meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield.
Gellis' who No. 30 meeting at 7:30 cellis topic will be "stress management in your retirement years." Gellis, who has more than 20 years experience in her field and is in private practice, is a member of the Academy of Certified Social Workers and the American Society on Aging. An Oradell resident, Gellis serves on Hadassah's Northern New Jersey Region Committee for Women's Health Advocacy.

She most recently participated as the social work facilitator at Hadassah's "Check It Out" breast health

sah's "Check It Out" breast health awareness program at the Bergen County Shelter for women and child-. Most of her professional focus is working with women, as well as with families of the aged and the aged

emselves. The public is invited.

Annual dinner Dec. 4

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The Women's League and Men's
Club of Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield will sponsor its annual Paid Up
Membership Dinner which is deemed
"An Evening of Mystery" on Dec. 4 at
6 p.m. at the synagogue.
After dinner, new members will be
honored. Membership is open to ali
members of Temple Beth Ahm.
Brenda Cohen, dues secretary, will
be accepting dues at the down.
Advance reservations are required.
Additional information can be
obtained by calling the temple office
at (973) 376-0539.

Santa's workshop Dec. 8

The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield will host a Santa's Work-

shop on Dec. 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish House Auditorium, 37 Church Mall.

Children between the ages of 5 and 13 are welcome to participate in the event, where they get to be busy little elves by making gifts for family, friends and teachers.

Parents are asked to call the church office (973) 379-4320 by Dec. 4, since a limited number of children can be put on the workshop list.

There is a \$5 charge per child for this Yuletide activity. Refreshments will be served.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

Newcomers plan events

The Mountainside Newcomers Club has announced the following member activities for the upcoming

- A Ladies Lunch is scheduled for Nov. 29 at 12:30 p.m. at The Lonestar Steakhouse, 2377 Route 22 West, Scotch Plains. For more information
- Scotch Plains. For more information call Suzanne Streeter at (908) 522-1379 by Monday.

 Santa will visit the members' homes and delight their children on Dec. 17. Call Susan McCarthy at (908) 654-4694 by no later than Dec.

7 so the club can plan Santa's travel

tinerary.

The Mountainside Newcomers Club is a social organization whose purpose is to extend a friendly greeting to newcomers in town, to belp them meet other newcomers, and to do everything possible to make them feel welcome and part of the community. Membership is open to new residents of Mountainside or established residents who have experienced a change in lifestyle, such as the birth of a child, or a change in the birth of a child, or a change in employment or marital status.

For membership information call Heather Pisano at (908) 389-0455.

Foothill Club to meet

The Foothill Club of Mountainside will meet at noon Dec. 7 at B.G. Fields Restaurant in Westfield for its Christmas luncheon. Guests are always welcome.

ways welcome.

The program that day will feature
Kassandra Ciasulli, soloist, singing a
bouquet of holiday songs and familiar

For reservations call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626.





Leading the Mountainside Newcomers Club in its endeavor to greet newcomers to town and help make them feel welcome and part of the community are the club's executive board of directors, from left, Treasurer Beth Haydanek, Vice President Terl Schmedel, President Susan Zavodny, Secretary Janine Mosier and Assistant Treasurer Nancy Longo.





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EDITORIALS

So much for which to be thankful

Tomorrow, residents in our town and all across America will celebrate Thanksgiving, perhaps the most truly indigen-ous of all American holidays.

When initially celebrated by our forefathers, this was not

so much a holiday, but more a feast to celebrate a plentiful harvest. While most of us no longer cultivate our own crops or hunt our own meat, there is still much to be thankful for in

a world in which, sadly, famine and starvation still exist.

Whether our tables are strewn tomorrow with the bounty
of a personal harvest or a trip to the supermarket, we should all pause and remember how truly fortunate we are to live in all pause and remember how truly fortunate we are to live in a society wherein the hunger of the few is often felt by the many. We should pause to consider how we can "pay forward" our good fortune — be it through charitable contributions or volunteer work that benefits those not lucky enough to share a holiday table with loved ones.

Also to be considered is the lesson left behind by that first Thanksgiving — namely, one of fellowship and brotherhood.

On that long ago day when the Puritans broke bread, they were not alone. They were joined by their neighbors who could not have been more different from the settlers.

could not have been more different from the settlers. Two peoples, one cause — ensuring sustenance for the winter. Once having guaranteed their mutual well-being, these factions clasped hands and thanked their respective gods for the blessings of food and health.

Their differences — which could well have divided them into warring parties — were put aside, eclipsed by a more present need to provide for their people. Together, much was accomplished, not the least of which is a lesson for all time that through collaboration and bermany, the constitutions are constituted to the constitution of the cons

accompushed, not the least of which is a lesson for all time that through collaboration and harmony, the seemingly impossible is well within our reach.

We encourage all of our readers to express their thanks, not only to their supreme being in the form of prayers, but to their neighbors — especially those in need and those with whom they don't see eye to eye. No man is an island, and the blassings, we enjoy come from many course. gs we enjoy come from many sources.

vish each and every one of our readers and their fami-

lies a Thanksgiving filled with harmony, blessings and

Abide by the deadline

With a Dec. 15 state deadline looming for the completion of Mountainside School District's expansion plans, swift and scrupulous action is imperative on the part of all

nivolved parties.

During a Nov. 14 meeting, Board of Education members received an update on the architectural firm's progress to date. Representatives from Jordan, Pease, Andreychik and date. Representatives from Jordan, Pease, Andreychik and Kelemen of Raritan admitted to the board that cost estimates for the Beechwood and Deerfield school renovations have not yet been completed. When questioned by Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller about whether the plans would be completed in time for a Nov. 29 meeting with the Mountainside Planning Board, the architects wavered before actually acceding. We encourage the architectural firm to adhere to this deadline.

Board of Education members will be meeting with Planning Board members as required by the newly enacted Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act. The legislation empowers the Planning Board to decide whether or not the proposed facilities expansion plan follows procedures that are consistent with the borough's master plan. By law, Planning Board members have 55 days to review capi-

law, Planning Board members have 55 days to review capi-tal improvement projects.

We suggest that Planning Board members exercise their

new authority in an expedient manner. Both of these groups should bear in mind that a speedy resolution is essential to-ward the betterment of the community. In the end, the prop-osal will provide the district and the borough with an effective teaching and learning facility that meets the require-ments caused by the projected growth of the Mountainside student population.

Officials must abide by the timeline if a March referendum is anticipated. Other districts from across the state will also be pitching their plights to the state next month and there is only so much money available.

The mission of the Mountainside School District is to

develop self-confident, independent, responsible citizens by providing the highest quality education to all students through a school, family and community partnership. At this point in time, we submit that community partnership is the key toward realizing this mission.

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WALK THROUGH TIME —
Fifth-grade students at St.
James The Apostle School
in Springfield listen intentily
to their guide from the historical society during a
recent walking tour of
Springfield. While visiting
the First Presbyterian
Church and cemetery and
the Cannon Ball House,
they learned about Springfield's role in the American
Revolution.

Return generosity of Springfield's bravest

It the recent weather has been any indication, the holidays are either approaching or have just passed. Wart — I just looked at my calendar. They're approaching.

I just looked at my calendar. They're approaching.
The Springfield Fire Department does a very good-hacted thing at this time of year. The fact is, these goodnatured guys do thousands of things to this township all year. But near the holidays, they do something especially thoughtful. They take a collection for ill and underprivileged kids in a program called "Toys for Tots."

Depending on the kind of child-lived you had, you can either be gush-ingly grateful—as I am, although pri-vately—or else be relieved to have survived into adulthood. But regard-less of which kind of childhood we're talking about, you have to admit one thing—childhood is tough. And to heap illness or poverty on top of childhood—to dump it on top of childhood—to dump it on top of those years when you're doing your most significant physical and mental

Joe's Place

By Joe Lugara Staff Writer

developing — I'm sure is abominable Sorry to say, being unloved often fac-

The further back in time something falls, the more abstract it becomes. It may be easy, or even desirable, to forget the details of childhood. But you can't forget the overall experi-ence of childhood. You can't forget ence of childhood. You can't forget that because it's ingrained in you, it makes you who you are. If the overall picture is a bad one, you're most like-ly going to go through the rest of your days with the feeling that you're sorry you're here.

you're here.

Some of you who read this column
on a regular basis may not like me very much. But I'll tell you this It

you can give me points for anything, give me points for having championed kids. Kids are everything. They're the product of all humankind. Whether or not you have any yourself, they're still the product of all homankind.

When I react to a kid, or on behalf When I react to a kid, or on behalf of a kid, I react to the way! was treated, which was — generally speaking — great I can't speak for the people who were treated badly, but I think a well-balanced individual night approach a child with the sort of kindness they themselves were denied. That may be crackpot psychology, but I doubt it.

The "Toys for Tots" program is a genuinely good gesture. By and large, this isn't a world of genuinely good gestures: it's more a world of, "What

does the gesture really mean?"

This gesture asks you to support the idea of childhood — childhood as you remember and cherish it, or childhood as you would have liked it to have

The firefighters don't keep your donations for themselves. They don't donations for themselves. They don't put them under the tree for their own kids. They're collecting on behalf of the Marine. Cops., the organization that really units the program. The toys go to children's hospitals, organizations for terminally III children such as "Make a Wish." the Division of Youth and Family Services — you name it. Wherever the kids are, frefighters and Marines deliver the goods.

P.S. The Marines don't keep the stuff either.

If you do decide to make a donation If you do decide to make a donation — and I know I'm gong io — just bring a new toy or two to the Fire Headquarters on Caldwell Place, Fight behind Town Hall. The guys will be more than happy to see you. The toys, I understand, have to be new and delivered unwrapped, so they can be soned, boy-girl.

Thanks: folks: Happy Thanksgiving.

Palm Beach has nothing on Union County

One of the best investments Union County has made in the past three years has been new, automated voting machines. This seems particularly true in light of this year's election problems in Florida. New York and elsewhere across the country. As anyone who voted in this year's General Election knows, these machines have a touch-activated screen, and work by electronics, rather than levers and gears. Voters simply touch a space next to the can-

simply touch a space next to the can-didates' names and touch a red button at the bottom right side of the machine

These machines, used in all of Union County's 437 election districts, have made Election Day less expen-sive, more accurate and easier for votwith disabilities

The old machines, with metal le ers and the crank, which operated the

Freeholder **Forum**

By Daniel P. Sullivan

curtain and registered the votes, weighed in at just under 1,000 pounds. Besides the great deal of storage space they required, they needed constant maintenance and lubrication of their gears and moving parts. For nine months of the year, election workers maintained the old machines.

The old machines were work-horses, were strong and durable, and did their jobs well. In fact, they might still be in use today, except for the fact that they haven't been built since the 1970s and replacement parts for them haven't been made since then

Our new machines weigh about 225 pounds. They roll into polling places. They fold into compact cubes for storage. They have no gears to become fouled. On Election Day, they roll nicely off our trucks and into polling places. ing places, causing little wear to walls, gymnasium floors and library carpets. At the end of the day, the vote totals are printed onto a slip slightly larger than a grocery receipt. In the old machines, workers opened a large metal door and read counters that had

been moved by gears.

For people with disabilities, or older voters, there is less of a reach in the new machines, and they don't require voters to pull a lever to cast a vote or to open the curtain with the large lev-er. And write-in votes are typed on a small keyboard at the base of the

Immediately after the election, results are sent electronically to the

County Clerk's office for tabulation. County Clerk's office for tabulation, unlike the old machines which required poll workers to drive to the town clerk's office with handwritten tallies, that were then brought to the County Clerk's office.

The Board of Chosen Freeholders The Board of Chosen Freeholders purchased these machines in 1998 and rolled them out in selected towns that year. They saw their first countywide usage in the 1999 school board elec-tions, and have been used everywhere

The Union County Board of Elections is happy to provide machines to schools and civic groups for voter education programs. You can contact them at (908) 527-4122.

A resident of Elizabeth, Demo-crat Daniel P. Sullivan is chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freebolders.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Project could raise property values

The title "Project could raise taxes" of the front page article by Joe Lugara in the Nov. 9 issue was very negative and misleading. The "project" is a very positive proposal that represents much needed field and track improvements for a number of town facilities. In addition to renovating existing fields, the project will add much needed baseball and soccer field. These facilities are used by various community leagues and organizations, in addition to our schools.

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How would you feel if your high school track team was unable to have a home meet due to substandard facilities? All the Dayton teams are continually impressed by the facilities they see as visitors, but embarrassed by their home fields. Our local basebull and accourt ceams have lost too many games because of field conditions that are unphysable for days after it rains.

This project to bring Springfield's recreation facilities up to speed is long overdue. It with cost something, but will add to the community in return. Perhaps a better title would have been "Project could raise property values."

George Pallis

Thanks for great community support

To the Editor:

On behalf of the American Heart Association and as Union County businessmen, we want to say thank you Union County and Jersey Gardens Mall. The 2000 Union County American Heart Walk was a great success. A record \$125,000 was raised to help support the American Heart Association and its fight against New Jersey's No. 1 and No. 3 killers 4 heart disease and stroke.

Money raised from American Heart Walk comes back to benefit everyone in Union County, Since 1948, the American Heart Association has invested more than \$1.7 billion in cardiovascular research helping to bring us such "heart nullestones" as microsurgery, heart valve replacement, the implanted defibrillator, drug therapies for high blood pressure and cholesterol, the artificial heart machine, the benefits for external cardiac massage, coronary bypass surgery and much more. Benefits to our towns and people also include community programs, free presentations at businesses, schools or organizations, soll-free information lines, free brochures and packets and more. Through the commitment of the Union County community, American Heart Walk helps make this all possible. Money raised from American Heart Walk comes back to benefit everyone in

Featuring the theme Step Out, Save Lives! — Strengthen the Chain of Survival, nearly 1,400 walkers and volunteers joined us at Union County American Heart Walk to help bring attention to the importance of "strengthening the chain of survival" — a four-step process that can mean the difference between life and death for a victim of sudden cardiac arrest, heart attack and stroke. Strengthen your chain of survival and save the life of someone you love by learning CPR.

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learning CPR.

The success of Union County American Heart Walk would not have been possible without the support provided by volunteers, supporters, walkers and teams. We want to acknowledge the special contributions to American Heart Walk by the national, silver, red cap and official media spoosors. Thanks to the community's support of 2000 Union County American Heart Walk more people will have a fighting chance to beat studden cardiac arrest, heart attack, heart disease and stroke.

2000 co-chairman, Union County America

Concerned about an issue facing the governing body or Board of Education in your town? Is your street in disrepair? Our readers can use our Infosource hot line to speak out about any issue whether it is a question, comment, suggestion or opinion. That way, by telling us, you can tell everyone in town.

Call anytime, day or night. Please speak clearly into the phone when leaving your message. Callers can remain anonymous. CALL 9 0 8 - 6 8 6 - 9 8 9 8 11 11 1

NEWS CLIPS

<u>We're asking</u>

Have you started your holiday shopping yet?



"My kids prefer to pick out their own gifts; I just send money."



Lillian Bramwell "No. I haven't started yet. I don't want to think about it yet."



"Maybe in two weeks I will do it."



Valerie Genise "No, I haven't. I am so busy that I won't start until about Dec. 10."

Used clothing sought

Used Ciothing Sought

Lonathan Davion Project Gradia
non sconducting a need clothing collection. It is collecting mon's,
women's and children's need clothing, shees, belts, handbags, lineus
and suited animals.

Donated items should be put in
plastic garbage bags and dropped off
in the rear of the high school at with
side on Nov. 29 between 7-30 and
8:30 p.m.

Recycling day changed

Hecycling day changed Due to the Thanksgroung hadiday curbside recycling collection for Springfield residents will occur Mon day instead of Thursda, Materials should be placed at curbside after 6 p.m. Sunday. Recycling pickups in December are scheduled for Dec. 7 and Dec. 21. Collections for bulky waste and metal are scheduled for Dec. 28 and Dec 29, respectively.

Toy drive under way

Toy drive under way

New tops and clothing for infants
through tenagers are being accepted
at Children's Specialized Hispital in
Mountainside now through the 6-a
part of its annual holiday up drive for
the hospital's patients.
Each year, the pediatric rehabilitation hispital collects new, unwrapped
gifts for the children who will be
spending their holiday in the hospital.
Only new clothing, toys and games
will be accepted for newhorms, children and adolescents through 21 years
old, Stuffed animals and pre-owned
toys and clothing of any kind cannot
be distributed due to the hospital's
infection control policy.
All gifts donated should remain unwrapped. The hospital stuff will
assess each item and distribute the
toys based on each patient's develop-

Last year, more than 4,000 gifts ere donated to 987 children, as well as monetary donations, which allow-ed special gifts to be purchased for the

collecting pits to be purchased for the children. All donatons will be accepted at the East Wing Ambulance Entrance at the hospital's Mountainside facility, 150 New Providence Road Delive-nes must be scheduled. To make an appointment. call. (908): 233-3720, ext. 5379.

ext. 5379
Gitts must be dropped off by Dec. 6 to allow for sorting, wrapping and distribution. Those who donate are asked to leave their name and address with

IRS seeks volunteers

The Internal Revenue Service is seeking volunteers for its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance and Tax Counseling for the Elderly programs. The IRS is looking for volunteers to take part in VITA and TCE throughout New Jersey.

During the tax-fing season, VITA and TCE soft and TCE and TCE throughout New Jersey.

During the tax-fiting season, VITA and TCE volunteers, in community locations all through the state, help fill out tax returns for older taxpage people with disabilities, non-English speaking and other people who cannot altord professional assistance. Some of the volunteer groups even offer free electronic tax filing. The IRS provides VITA and TCE volunteers with free materials and all the materials are structured and all the materials. VIIA and TCE volunteers with free instruction and all the materials needed to prepare basic income tax returns such as Forms 1040EZ, 1040A and 1040. Training is general-by held during January at convenient locations.

locations.

To get involved, contact the IRS New Jersey VITA/TCE Coordinator by Dec. 15 for more information. To do so, phone 973-645-6690 or send a FAX to 973-645-6691. You can also request information by writing to IRS — VITA/TCE Coordinator, P.O. Box 794, Newark, 07101-9788.

Awareness helps in deterring identity theft

In September 1998, the Union County Prosecutor's Office sponsored a symposium on identity theft in order to address increasing concern about type of criminal activity often referred to as an "epidemic." In the two years since that symposium took place, New Jersey has become a national New Jersey has become a national leader in terms of remedial legislation by making the theft of one's identity, without more, a crime. Unfortunately, this legislation has not significantly liminished an "epidemic" about which the general public is very much

Among the reasons for the rampan cy of identity theft, or "secret crime" as it is referred to internationally, is the ease with which criminals car obtain information needed to commit the crime, particularly Social Security

Social Security numbers are being utilized in a manner not proscribed by the Social Security Act. They are used for identification and account num bers by insurance companies, univer sities, cable television companies, the military, banks and by many others. Ir ber is the driver's license number

The prevalence and availability of these critical identifying numbers work to assist thieves who will go so far as to sift through trash outside of

Point Of View

businesses and residences in the hope of finding unshredded documents containing important personal information. Equally croubling is the number of dishonest employees who obtain priviledged information in the workplace by accessing personnel files or by accessing personnel files or by accessing personnel files or by accessing credit reporting data bases commonly available in auto dealerships, realtor's offices, banks and other businesses that approve loans.

Another problem area involves instant credit opportunities. Due to increased competition, some credit grantors send several pre-approved offers of credit to consumers. The identity thief who retrieves these offers from mailboxes or from the trash — with the envelope offen unopened — fills out the credit

name and identifying information but has the credit card mailed to another address.

Due to the prevalance of this type of theft, most credit card issues have now taken steps to confirm a change of address upon receiving an application but there is no law that requires that this be done.

Identify theives usually do not act alone. Frequently, they are part of an organized crime ring. These groups will seek employment positions in companies that will allow them access to employee information such as security guards, custodians and retail clerks with the purpose to access information that will be used to assume someone's identity.

The Internet has become a popular resource for identity theves as well. For example, on the Internet there are web sites that will sell individual's Social Security numbers, in some instances for as little as \$20. This information is usually found in records called "credit headers" sold by credit reed legal restrictions on this type of sale.

In a study by the U.S. General Accounting Office, it was found that approximately \$00,000 to 700,000

identity thefts occur each year. The unfortunate victims of this crime must deal with collection agencies, face their wages, and spend a great deal of their wages, and spend a great deal of time dealing with credit companies trying to undo the harm that has been done.

In order to increase awareness of the crime of identity theft, the Union

In order to increase awareness of the crime of identity theft, the Union County Prosecutor's Office has two pamphlets which are available to the public entitled. 'How to Avoid Becoming a Victim of Identity Theri' and 'What to do in the Event that You Become a Victim of Identity Theri' Included among the recommenda-tions contained in these pamphlets is no check need's credit report periodi-

to check one's credit report periodi-cally which will enable one to detect carry which will enable one to detect whether they may have become a victim and, hopefully, minimize the impact of the crime. Notably, New Jersey is among six states that have laws that mandate the provision of one free copy of your, credit report warb ware.

each year.
While no one is immune from having their identity stolen, consumer awareness combined with law enforcement vigilance and appropriate legislation will greatly assist in com-bating this multi-faceted crime.

A good read



Parent-Teacher Association member Fran Sandler helps first-grader Anthony Maldonado pick out a book at the Sandmeier School Book Fair in Springfield last month. The PTA sponsored the week-long event for the school's first through fourth grades.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We won't lose if we keep fighting

To the Editor:
I want to thank the voters of the 7th District for giving me the opportunity to run for Congress. It is an honor that is awarded to few people and for that, I am truly grateful.

I'm proud of the campaign we ran. Unfortunately, the votes didn't add up in our favor, but I want you to know that the experience of running has really

touched my life.
I wish Mr. Ferguson the best and I challenge him to live up to his campaign

Twisting Transcent and the promises.

We began some important battles during this campaign and we must keep fighting. The next Congress must preserve a woman's right to choose, protect Social Security for the next generation, use the budget surplus wisely and ensure that our environmental laws are never weakened.

We won't lose on the issues that matter to us, and our families, if we keep on fighting, every day.

Our policy on letters and columns

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

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

The Echo Leader reserves the right to edit all submissions for length, content and style. Where must include their name, address and daytime telephone number for verification.

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OBITUARIES

George R. Evans

George R. Evans of Summit died ov. 12 in Morristown Memorial

George R. Evans of Suntina died Nov. 12 in Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Born in Hubbyard Otios Mr. Evans heed in Summit for 30 years. He worked for Beneficial Corp. for 10 years and returned as vice charman of the board of directors in 1981.

Earlier, Mr. Evans served as schin man of the executive committee at Western Audo Supply Co. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Otios. Curierists, Athenis, Ga.

Mr. Evans was a former trustee of the Hodson Trust, Baltimore, Ma. and served on the board of trustees of the Hodson Trust. Baltimore, Ma. and served on the board of trustees of the Hodson Morrigage Association and a member of the Board of Governors and secretary of the Bultimord Golf Club in Springfield.

Sursying are his wife, Arabelle a daughter, Jill Farits, four grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren.

Dr. James Khalaf Jr.

Dr. James W. Khalaf Jr. of Spring-field, a retired dentist, died Nov. 13 in Overlook. Hospital. Summit Born in Newark. Dr. Khalaf lived in Maplewood and Toms River before recently moving to Springfield. Has also spent his returnment in Light-house Point, Fla., and Little River, SC.

S.C.

Dr. Khalaf maintained a dental practice in Newark, Maplewood and Toms River from 1930 to his retirement in 1988. He was a graduate of Newark Academy, Livingston, and inducted into its athletic Hall of Fame.

Dr. Khalch also was a graduate of a predicted in the state of th

Dr. Rhalf also was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the Columba. University department of Orthodonics. While attending the University of Pennsylvania, he was a member of the Pennsylvania. TAU Chapter and Xi Psi Phi Fraternity and the orbotal properties.

the school's baseball team.

Dr. Khalaf was a member of the
American Dental Association, the Dr. Khalaf was a member of the American Dental Association, the Essex County Dental Society and the Masonic Order and the Maplewood Country Club. He was an Army veter-an of World War II. He served in the National Guard at Fort Dix and with the dental Corps of the 165 F.A. of the 44th Division. Dr. KHalaf was honor-shly discharged with the rank of cap-44th Division. Dr. KHalaf was honorably discharged with the rank of captain in 1942.

Surviving are his wife, Vivian; two-sons, James W. III and Gregory S., and two grandchildren

William Boorujy

William Booruly
Witham Booruly, 91, of Chathom,
tormerly of Summit, died Nov. 12 in
Overlook, Hospital, Summit
Born in Tarkey, Mr Booruly, Ived
in Summit, South Jersey and Madroon
before moving to Chathan three years
ago. He was a partner in Columbia.
Cleaners, Summit, for many years and
retired in 1974.
Surviving are his wife. Josephine
S., two daughters, Drane V. Eknolan
and Judy Eschak, a son, Duughas, butother, George, six grandchildren
and direct great-grandchildren
and three great-grandchildren.

John J. Sotak Sr.

John J. Solak Sr. 85. of Manahawkin, formerly of Summit, died Nov. 10 in the Manahawkin Convalescent Center. Born in Rahway, Mr. Sotak lived in Summit before moving to Manahawkin in 1994. He was a machinist for Micropol Co. Summit, and retired in 1977.

Surviving are a son, John J. Jr.; two brothers, George and Andrew Szotak; two sisters, Mary Miller and Anna Benites, and three grandchildren.

Joseph Cucciniello

Joseph George Cucciniello, 78, died in Baylor Medical Center, Irving.

Born in Summit, Mr. Cucciniello lived in Irving since 1996. He was a retired letter carrier for the United States Post Office and a member of St Luke's Catholic Church, Mr. Cucci-niello was a World War II Army

Surviving are a son, Dominick J.; a daughter. Vee Miller; two sisters. Pauline Lynch and Mary Laverdiere: a brother. August, and two grandchildren.

Margaret L. Holmfelt

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things at St. John's Lutheran Church, Summit. Mrs. Holmfelt also was a volunteer at the Glenside Nursing

Home, New Providence.
Surviving are her husband, George;
a daughter. Betty K; a brother, John
C. Schaeffer, and two grandchildren.

Howard S. Anderson

Howard S. Anderson, 69, of Sum-it, where he was a veteran coach and nit, where he was a veiering source in the inherit of the control of the control

Born in Mount Vernon, N.Y., Mr.
Anderson lived in Summul for the pass
by years. He was director of athletics
for the Summit Board of Education
and retured in 1998. Mr. Anderson
joined the school district in 1956 and
served as a physical education teachin
and football and baseball coach at
Summul High School for many years.
He was a 1953 science graduate of
Rutgers University, New Brunswick,
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Rutgers University, New Brunswick,
the was a 1953 science graduate of
Rutgers university, New Brunswick,
the received a master's degree
from Rutgers a year later. Mr. Anderson served in the Air Force from 1954
to 1956. Born in Mount Vernon, N.Y., Mr.

Mr. Anderson was a member of the New Jersey State Coaches Associa-tion and was a member of the New Jersey State Inter-Scholastic Athletic Jersey State Inter-scholastic Anthetic Association, where he coordinated the state Lacrosse tournament. He also was a member of the New Jersey Lacrosse Hail of Fame, the New Jersey Football Coaches Hall of Fame, the Union County Attletic Association, the State Directors of Athletics Association, the Summit Football Club and the Summer Boosters. He was an inductee into the Rut-gers. Football. Hall of Fame.

Surviving are his wife, Constance; three daughters, Wendy A. McKenna, Jodi A. Rele and Jill L.; a sister, Judith, and seven grandchildren

Verner D. Peer

Verner D. Peer, 78, a lifelong resident of Summit, and father of Union County Freeholder Deborah P. Scanton, died Nov. 18 in Overlook Hospi-

lon, died Nov. 18 in Overlook Hospi-cal, Summut.

Mr. Peer was a self-employed home builder with Peer and Peer, Summit He served in the Army Air Force during World War II.

Also surviving are his wife, Berna-dine; two sons, V. Dixon and Richard; a daughter, Diane Pabet; eight grand-children and four great-grandchildren.

Library announces most recent arrivals

The Summit Public Library announces its most recent

Jane Hamilton. "Disobedience", Barbara Kingsolver, "Prodigal summer"; John Updike, "Licks of Love"; Fay Weldon, "Rhode Island Blues," and Stuart Woods, "L.A.

Dead."

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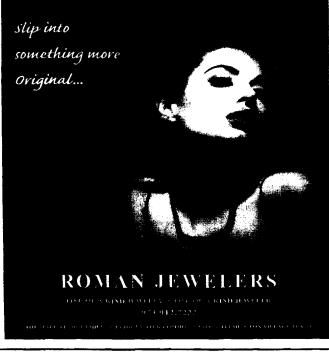
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phen Michaud, "Ted Bundy", Dennis Overbye, "Einstein in Love", Bill Parcets, "The Final Season", Roger Schank, (Coloring Outside the Lines"), Sam Varner, "Slimner, Younger, Stronger," and Linda Waite, "The Case for March

Unabridged audiobooks

Jennifer Cruse, "Welcome to Tempatation", F. Scott
Fitzgerald, "Tender's the Night", Alice Hoffman, "River
King", Nora Roberts, "Carolina Moon," and Beck Weathers, "Left for Dead."

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During American Education Week, parents of students at Thelma L. Sandmeier School in Springfield joined their children to work on class assignments. Above left, Genna Gincei's dad, Douglas, and Arman Avasia's dad, Cyrus, worked with their children, as did Darren Farbstein's mom, Amy, in the photo on the right.





Left photo, Kaitlyn Boettcher's dad, Dave, watches his daughter complete an assignment. Right photo, Barbara Hoffer, the grandmother of Sara Berkowitz, looks on as Sara completes her assignment. The students are in the second grade at the

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Ippolito is promoted

Springfield resident Patricia A. Ippolito has been promoted to vice president and branch manager of Val-ley National Bank's South Kearny

Ippolito will continue to oversee branch operations and be responsible for all business development efforts within the community.

As a result of a merger, Ippolito joined Valley in 1995 and has more than 23 years of banking experience. Ippolito is involved in the com-

ty and serves as treasurer of the South Kearny Industrial Association and on the Advisory Board of Education Health Systems

Staff member honored

Head baseball couch and essistant football couch Lou Della Pia has been named September's staff member of the month at Jonathan Dayton High School. He is also the advisor to the Atternatives Club and works with special education students.

Briechle earns honor

Jonathan Dayton High School social studies teacher Richard Briech-le has been named to "Who's Who Among American High School

Teachers" for the year 2000.
Former Dayton student Jonathar
Zipkin nominated Briechle for his
outstanding work with students
Briechle teaches world cultures
sociology and contemporary ociology

Patricia Ippolito

Pinto Joins law firm

Mountainside resident and local attorney Vito (Tony) Pinto recently

joined the firm of Schenck, Price, Smith and King, A partner in the firm and a member of the Environmental Practice Group, Pinto counsels businesses with respect to compliance with federal and state environmental laws and has successfully hitigated multi-million dollar environmental insurance cases.

Pinto is a well-respected author in his field and a speaker on environmental insurance cases.

Pinto graduated from Frankin and Marshall College with a degree in geology and received his law degree with honors from the George Washington University National Law Center in Washington, D.C.
Pinto and his wife, Donna, reside in Mountainside with their three children.

Hazak receives grant

The Hazak Chapter of Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, in conjunction with Kean University, has received a HEART grant from the

Union County Board of Chosen

Hazak is a group within the temple community whose membership is open to all those 55 years old and old-er, regardless of temple affiliation.

er, regardless of temple affiliation.
This grant will partly fund a lecture series titled "From Generation to Generation" to be conducted at the temple on six Monday evenings from November through April. The series is designed to belp grandparents transmit to their grandchildren information on salient events of their lifetimes, as well as values and ideas that are significant to them.

At the first lecture Monday at 8.

are significant to them.

At the first lecture, Monday at 8 p.m., Prof. Michael Israel of Kean University will speak on "War Crimes: The Legacy of Nurmberg," Israel, director of the Criminal Justice Progam at Kean University, is a criminologist who has been on the Kean faculty for 32 years.

All lectures are open to the entire community at no charge. For directions or more information, call (973) 376-0538, Ext. 11.

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Attention churches and social clubs

This newspaper encourages congregations, temples, social and civic organizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities. Releases snould be typed, double-tspaced, and include a phone number where a representative may be reached during the day.

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AT THE LIBRARY

Film festival Nov. 30

The Springfield Free Public Library continues its Foreign Film Festival with movies from around the world, with "Three Lives and Only One Death", Nov. 30 at moon and 7

p.m. "Three Lives and Only One Death" tinee gives and Only One Death is a 1996 release of a French film directed by Raul Ruiz. Starring Mar-cello Mastroianni, in his last film, this movie is a clever, intricate fable that asks us to consider the possibility that life, with all its bizarre twists, is more fronic and darkly funny than any of us can ever realize

Funding for this program has been made possible by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department

State Council on the Arts/Department of State, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. Also funded in part by the friends of the Springfield Public Library. Admission is free to this performance. Space is limited to 60 people at each showing. The Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For information, call (973)376-4990.

Video series continues

Video series continues

The Springfield Free Public
Library continues with its "Lunchime
Video" series with episode four of
"New York." This episode, "The
Power and The People," will be presented Tuesday at noon.

In this fourth episode, the forces of
capitalism and democracy in New
York come to a stunning crescendo,
as the city's industrial engine draws in
people from around the world — tripling New York's population in less
than a single lifetime. Tranformed by
their experience in the new world, the
immigrants in turn transform the city
physically, culturally, and in the end,
politically.

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physically, culturally, and in the end, politically.

This episode sees the construction of Penn Station, Grand Central Terminal, and on Wall Street, the creation of nal, and on Wall Street, the creation of the world's first skyscrapers. The film ends with the horror of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire, and the reform legislation passed in the after-math, which would become the temp-late for the New Deal.

Participants should bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. The Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For information, 6 Mountain Ave. For information, (973) 376-4930.

'Cosmopolis' presented

'Cosmopolis' presented
The Springfield Free Public
Libran, 66 Mountain Ave, continues
its Lunchtime Video series with Episode 5 of "New York." This last episode. 'Cosmopolis,' will be presented
Dec. 12 at noon.
Nearly a century and a half of capitalist growth and demographic and
physical transformation comes to a
climax during the Roaring 20s, as
New York finishes assembling the
components of a mass consumer socicity and becomes the culture of the

world. High culture and low, black culture and white, in a distinctively American form, is manufactured in New York and distributed to the rest of the world. Radio, magazine publishing, advertising and public relations make their home in a new area of town — midtown. The film concludes with the skyscraper war, the stock market rise, the Crash, and the huldinducerrise, the Crash, and the huilding of the Empire State Building, the greatest icon on the New York skyline.

skyline.

Participants should bring a brown hag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. For information, call (973) 376-4930.

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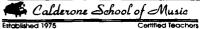
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Springfield

Two motor vehicle burglaries were reported Nos. 16. A Laurel Drive resident reported the theft of a cellular phone and a waller containing \$20 cash, two credit cards and a driver's kneense and car registration. Barlier in the day, a Christy Lane resident reported a smashed passenger side window and the theft of a purse containing \$30 cash, a checkbook, credit cards and a cellular phone

• A Millburn resident reported the theft of an implifier from a vehicle parked in the General Greene lot Nos. 15.

• A car radio antenna was reported.

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A car radio antenna was reported stolen from a vehicle owned by Avis Car Rental on Route 22 East during the overnight hours of Nos. 14.
Two vehicles were reported damaged to township police Nos. 13. A 2000 Mercury Cougar received a three-inch hole on its driver's side while parked at Erbo Executive Plaza. A Surrey Lane resident parked at Shop-Rite on Morris Arenue reported a punched door lock and the theft of some pocket change.

 Dave's Sweet Shop on Mountain
Avenue reported the theft of \$480 eash and an unknown quantity of cigarettes Nov. 12. There was no sign of forced entry.

 Two pictures, identified as Kodak photographs, were reportedly stolen during the burglary of a Mountain Avenue apartment Nov. 11. No other

Avenue apartment Nov. 11. No other terms were reported as missing.

• Juan Juse Becerra-Ramirez. 34, and Janet Lopez. 31. bush of Summit, were arrested at the Division of Motor Vehicles Nov. 9 and charged with fraud and tampering with public records. The suspects had allegedly attempted to obtain driver's licenses. through the use of counterfeit U.S. Immigration cards and counterfeit

Social Security cards.

• A motor vehicle burglary on Wentz Avenue Nov. 9 resulted in the theft of a number of items, including a

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\$90 bottle of perfume, an EZ Pass, and various items of clothing.

• A drift valued at \$182 was stolen

from a Verizon Telephone Co. van parked on Lawrence Road Nov. 8. The same day, a landscaping business

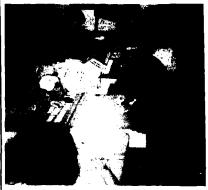
parked on Lawrence Road Nov. 8.
The same days, a landscaping business reported the theft of a number of tools salued at \$1.3.38 from a trailer parked at their Fadem Road address.

• A pair of Sharp projection TVs were reportedly stolen from oth Avenue Electronics on Route 22 West Nov. 4. The combined cost of the stolen inerchandise was reported to be \$13.496. The manager of Kinko's on Route 22 East reported that a female customer walked out on a \$23.95 bill that included 135 color photocopies and 69 minutes of computer time.

• Damage to the dost of a Baltus-rol Avenue address, caused by an attempted breaking and entering, was reported to township police Nov. 1.

• Employees of the Florence M. Gaudineer School cafeteria reported the theft of \$498.70 in cash Oct. 31.

Good old math



Second-graders use math slates and chalk to group two-digit numbers at James Caldwell School in Springfield. After listening to the story 'The Emperor's New Clothes,' the students were assigned the exercise, which focused on figuring out more than one effective solution to a problem.

Public knowledge of disease is lacking

(Conunued from Page 1) disease: the taking of insulin injections. With Type 2, or adult onset diab-

with type 2, or adult once that etes, the pancreas does produce insu-lin, although the body fails to use it effectively. Type 2 diabetes does not always require insulin injections. The taking of insulin is not a cure for diabetes, and does not prevent complica-tions such as kidney disease, amputa-

s or blindness. Varning signs for Type 1 diabetes

weight loss, drowsiness and rapid hard breathing. Warning signs for Type 2 include some of the Type 1 symptoms, along with tingling or numbness in the hands or feet, skin or

numbness in the hands of feet, skin or genital itching, fecurring slow-healing skin or gum or unnary tract intections.

There are no preventive measures for handling diabetes, nor can victims outgrow the disease, as some may believe. Diabetes kills one American every three minutes.

Hanukkah performance at library Dec. 7
Area residents and their children can get into the holiday mood early with an evening of Hanukkah fin on Dec. 7 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. art the Springfield Public Library. 66 Mountain Ave.
Using props, costume pieces and homemade scenery. Laurie Harday of Youth Stages and the audience will act out a story about everyone's favorite Hanukkah treat. All participants need to bring is their imagination. The performance is made possible by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library.

The program is intended for children in kindergarten through third grade. The

erformance is free, but pre-registration is required.

Call (973) 376-4930 or stop by the library to reserve a spot.

Palmer exhibit features work of local mixed media artist

Francesca Azzara of Westfield will be exhibiting her encaustic paintings at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., through Dec. 8. Azzara is a mixed media artist working in encaustic paints. Encaustics are a waxed-based paint that permits the application of many transparent layers over a painted canvas sur-

face. Linework that is incised, scraped and gauged into the waxy surface creates nuanced, edgy imagery that evokes an emotional response.

Azzara's work has been exhibited extensively in solo and group exhibi-tions throughout the Northeast. Her work has been featured in gallenes and museums such as the State Museum, the Lindenburg Gallery in Chelsea, the Cork Gallery in New York City and the Marami Gallery in Philadelphia. Her works have been acquired by numerous private accorporate collectors. The recipient of many awards, she recently received Union County's HEART grant. Her studio is located in Rahway.

Lecture series starts

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The first lecture in the series 'From Generation' will be presented on Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm. 60 Temple Drive, Springfield.
Professor Michael Israel of Kean University will speak on "The Legacy of Nuremberg."

The six part series will continue monthly through April 2001 and is jointly sponsored by the Hazak Chapter of Temple Beth Ahm and Kean University Department of Jewish Studies and World Affairs.

The lecuture series is open to the public at no charge. Refreshments will be served following the program.

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Quiz time

Quizzing one another on presidential election facts at Solomon Schechter Day School of Essex and Union at the Cranford Campus are, from left, Jamee Glinn of Edison, Michael Kandel of Springfield, Rachel Wener of Springfield and Eddy Allen of New Providence. The second-graders designed the game and researched election questions to teach first-graders about the election process.

Alarms keep firefighters busy

Springfield

An alarm activation sent townstiff infrighters to a Tree Top Drive
residence Saturday,

A pair of activated alarms sent the
department to Town Hall Friday,

A leaf fire, a lock-in at a Meisel
Avenue residence and one medical
service call were handled by the
department Thursday,

One motor vehicle accident, one
vehicle lock-out, four medical service

calls and one mutual aid response to Union Fire Headquarters kept the department busy Nov. 15. • Three medical service calls were answered Nov. 14.

• Firefighters responded to a Mor-ris Avenue business for a water condi-tion at 8:07 a.m. Nov. 13. There were five medical service calls. • Four alarm activations were handled Nov. 12.

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throughout the state in the last decade. Hours of the exhibit are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 am to 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday hours are from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For information, call (973) 376-4930.

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PERSONAL CHECKS

Acceptance is key in Unitarian faith

By Joan M. Devlin Staff Writer Editor's note: This is the 13th part in a series about the various religious and houses of worship in Summit.

Summit. Unitarians have been in Summit since the early 1900s, and the beautiful white church with pillars, on the corner of Springfield and Waldron Avenues, was built in 1913. Figuratively speaking, the Unitarian Church in Summit is bursting at the seams as the congregation to growing rapidly in this area; therefore, it is undergoing extensive removations.— a good sign extensive renovations — a good sign.
The Rev. Oren Peterson is the inter-

im pastor, and he estimates there are more than 400 adult members from Summit and the surrounding towns, making two services per week necessary to accommodate everyone. During the renovations, services are being held at 165 Summit Ave., a building they own, and Sunday School meets there also.

A smaller liberal branch of Protes.

there also.

A smaller, liberal branch of Protestantism, the full name is Uniturian Universalist, and Peterson explained its origins. "We evolved from the old Purtian church in New England, and liberal clergy formed the association back in 1825. By the end of the Civil War, it had begun to slowly spread," he added.

he added.
Frankly, the pastor said, "We are a questioning people of faith and vary over all the spectrum of theology, Actually, we believe that the idea of God is just too vast to be narrowed by acreed or simple statement of belief."
Peterson has been a Unitarian minister for 30 years, but he said, "This is my second career I was a career naval officer and reured as a

more liberal aspects of the faith." He said it was a gradual evolution for him. He entered Harvard Divinity School and received his master of distinty divinity degree before becoming ordained in 1971 in Germantown, Pa., where he also accepted his first Umitarian parish assignment

I came here to Summit this pas-August as interim pastor, I like it very much. It is a very progressive and active congregation," said Peterson. Since Unitarians are proud of being tree thinkers, one of the newer aspects

free thinkers, one of the newer aspects of the faith is its acceptance of gar and lesshan couples.

"We believe that it people love each other, we are willing to bless the timon." Said the minister He is aware, however, that any marriage between same sex couples is not legal in any state except Hawan at this time. He also said that at least 50 percent of clergy are women, who have always been welcomed to the pulpi. Explaining the unique beliefs further, Peterson said. "We believe that what is in your heart and in your mind, and the way you live, your life, that is your religion. Each individual must come to his or her own understanding of truth and meaning, and the

standing of truth and meaning, and the church exists to help each person in this quest."
Different Unitarians have different

values, so it is not possible to state what all Unitarians believe or affirm. They do not ask for conformity, according to the minister, only the free and reverent exchange of convictions. They do not believe in the infallibility of the Bible, nor do they accept



As the interim pastor of the Unitarian Church in Summit, the Rev. Oren Peterson oversees an active and progressive congregation of about 400 adults. One of the newer aspects of the faith is its acceptance of gay and lesbian couples. 'We believe that what is in your heart and in your mind, and the way you live your life — that is your religion.' Peterson said.

Peterson said. belef in the Trinity, which mainline Christians preach, however, freedom to individual belief is a common hiread in all of the Unitarian churches, In keeping with this, Unitarian churches have no problem with mixed religious backgrounds; in fact, they welcome people of all faiths. "We don't try to change people's minds, either," said Peterson. "We go way back in history, and in spite of being a small denomination, we have influenced political opinion in the small denomination, we have influenced political opinion in the country. Five presidents have been Unitarians," continued the pastor. "They are Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, John Quincy Adams, his son;

Millard Filmore and William Howard Taft."

Proof of the growth of Summit's church is in the massive reconstruction now under way. The church is iterally being raised from the ground so that the basement hall can be colarged and rebuilt. The Unitarian House next door will be torn down and replaced with a new, larger structure for social and administrative functions and use by the Sunday School.

School.

The main sanctuary will remain intact, with its white wooden pillars inside, fireplaces, and simplicity reminiscent of a New England meet-

ing house. It has lighting around the side in small fixtures, and a plain altar, with organ and choir loft in the

altar, with organ and choir loft in the balcony.

Peterson said he enjoys his membership in the Summit Interfaith Clergy Association, and meeting with other clergy in the area, for whom he has much respect. Since interim pastors do not say for a long period of time in the Unitarian faith, he is not see his church renovations completed, but it sure all will be well. "All is going along very well and I have made many friends in this area. We are used to traveling."

Fire Department urges caution in chimney care

As the heating season approaches, residents need to be aware of the potential fire hazards of unclean or unsafe chimneys. The Summit Fire Department and Code Administration Division recommend annual cleaning Division recommend annual cleaning and examination of masonry chim-neys serving fireplaces. A chimney lined with deposits can eath fire or have its draft impeded to prevent proper exhaust of combustion by-

products.

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protect exhaust of connectatory products.

The cay also advises property owners of the less-than-scruphius contractors preying on residents fire safety concerns to generate work, namely the sale of chimney liners. Most chimneys will ultimately require repairs or a new liner. This specialized work requires custom size globased on the configuration of the dwelling. Moreover, the work requires a city permit prior to the construction and final inspection. The Construction office recommends, as with all home improvement work, that residents solient and contact local references for this work.

Currently a license is not required, however, professional trade associations such as the Chimney Sweeps Guild provide some professional standards for their members. Lastly, all home improvement work of this value requires a written home improvement chimners and the contract under state regulation.

Avoid embarrassment and costly repairs — do not authorize replacement chimney-liner work without a construction permit. This way, it will be certified for use and sizing, inspected for compliance and a giving, inspected for compliance and a sizing, inspected for compliance and a sizing, inspected for compliance and a sizing inspected for compliance and construction office at 273-6408.

SAGE open house boasts health aides

As the country celebrates National Home Health Caregivers Month in November, SAGE Home Care will conduct an open house on Monday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., to inform the public of SAGE's rote in helping older adults maintain their lifestyle at home with assistance from a SAGE home health aide.

The desire for more elderly persons to remain in their homes is one reason for the success of SAGE's Home Care.

for the success of SAGE: Home Care.

According to Jacqueline Vogelmann, executive director of SAGE, "The last 10 years have seen a tremendous increase in the need for community-based services such as Home Care because of the increased life expecuancy and the preference of older people to remain in their homes."

older people to remain in their homes."

Home health care encompasses a wide range of personal, medical and homenaking services and its an important alternative to lengthy hospital stays or nursing home placement. It also provides respite care, so caregivers can take a much needed vacation or rest.

The in-home services the older adults most frequently need can often be provided by home health aides. Home health aides assist with the activities of daily life that most of us take for granted until liness, age or an accident interferes with our ability to perform them independently.

"SAGE opens its doors to the public and invites them to meet and greet excites rest of theme."

perform them independenty.

"SAGE opens its doors to the public and invites them to meet and greet the earing staff of Home Care and the agency," said SAGE Home Care Director Kathy Lyons. "SAGE Homecare prides themselves on caring beyond compare. We have been in home care for more than 45 years, and take great pride in helping the elderly and frail. We offer experienced certified home health aides, companion and skilled registered nurses as part of our multi levels of service, all with the goal of helping our clients achieve and maintain their opimum level of beath and independence at home."

The open house includes refreshneats and a free blood pressure screening. Anyone with concerns for a loved one who is older may visit during this event to take advantage of SAGE's elder care resources for older adults and their families, or to learn more about providing elder care the sure of care the sure of care the sure of th

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A lighthearted activity that will occur during the event is the announcement of the winner of the SAGE House drawing. Throughout the month of November, SAGE has been displaying a Plexiglas house filled with cotton balls in front of SAGE. 50 DeForest Ave., Summit. The person guesting the number closest to the actual number of cotton balls in the house will receive a gift basket filled with surprises.

Batry forms are available at SAGE. For more information about the SAGE House Care open house event, or for details on the SAGE House drawing, call Kathy Lyons at SAGE.

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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor
And then there was No. 1.
As many as eight area teams qualified for the state playoffs, but only No. 1 Elizabeth was able to advance to a champonistip game. The top seed in North Jersay, Section 2, Group 4, Elizabeth will host seventh seeded. Montelari Saturday, Dec. 2 at 1 pin at Wilhams Field in the ritle game. The teams met in the title contest last year, with Elizabeth pulling away to a thrilling 20-14 victory at Giants Madhum.

away to a thrilling 26-14 victory at Chants Stadium. All 13 area schools will be in action either tought or tomerrow in season-ending (except for Eli-zabeth) Thanksgiving holiday con-tests. Elizabeth hosts Cranford and Dayton is a North Planfield toright, with the remainder of area teams set to kick off one more tim

tomorrow. Eližabeth has turned around its

timorow

Ihzabeth has turned around its playoff fortunes the past few years. The Minutemen, after capturing back-to-back North 2, Group 4 titles in 1988 (16-1) and 1989 (11-0, No. 1 in the state), lost their first five playoff games in the 1990s, the last three of those defeats coming at home. However, since 1997 (Ehrabeth is 8-1 in the playoffs, with titles in 1997 and 1999.

Montclair is in the North 2, Montclair is in the North 2, the past seven seasons. Head coach Ed Lebida has done an excellent job or the Mounties after taking over in 1993. Montclair defeated Randelph in the 1994 final and bested Union in the 1996 title game. And it was 10 years ago when Montclair, No. 1 in the state and 10-0 at the time, lost to an undefeated Randolph team 22-21 at home in perhaps the most memorable state playoff game in New Jersey history. Montclair, and its fans, though the Mountclair son began in Son Hans, the state and for game as a celebration began. How ever, fans had to be removed fror the field so that play could resume resulting in a dramatic field goal b Randolph that gave the Rams the

Elizabeth, which finjshed 8-1 in 1990, did not qualify for the play offs that season despite having a 7-1 record at the cutoff date. That was one of only two seasons, 1994 being the other, that Elizabeth did

not qualify in the 1990s. Elizabeth dominated Roxbury again last week, winning 32-7 a home. Last year Elizabeth downed Roxbury 32-14 in Roxbury in the

KONDUTY 32-14 in ROXDUTY in the same round.

Montclair, with its 20-14 over-time win over Linden last Saturday, has now won playoff games at Union (1994), at Elizabeth (1995) and at Linden (2000) the past six years. Montclair also won at Unior in the 1983 final.

WEEK ELEVEN GAMES
Wednesday, Nov. 22
Cranford at Elizabeth, 7:00
Dayton at North Plainfield, 7:00
Thursday, Nov. 23
Sootch Plains at Union, 10:30
Kearny at Linden, 10:30
Rahway at Johnson, 10:30
Roselle at Roselle Park, 10:30
Immaculata at Gov. Liv., 10:30

WEEK TEN PLAYOFF SCORES Saturday, Nov. 18 North 2, Group 4 Elizabeth 32, Roxbury 7 Montolair 20, Linden 14 (OT) North 2, Group 2 Pequannock 29, Hillside 26

JR's Picks for Week Eleven JR's Picks for Week Elever Elizabeth over Cranford North Plainfield over Dayton Union over Scotch Plains Linden over Kearmy Johnson over Rahway Hilliside over Brearley Roselle Park over Roselle Immaculata over Gov. Liv. Last Week: 1-2 Sesson: 73-22 (.768)

TERRIFIC THIRTEEN

- Elizabeth (9-1) Hillside (8-2)

- Roselle Park (5-4) Summit (5-5) Brearley (4-5) Roselle (4-5)

Johnson (5-4) Gov. Livingston (4-5) Rahway (3-6) Cranford (2-7) 12. Cranford (2-13. Dayton (0-9)



Nationally-known Todd Drevitch, Dayton's new ice hock ey coach, runs through drills with his players at a recen practice. The Buildogs will play their home games a Bridgewater Sports Arena on Route 22 in Bridgewater Dayton's season commences the first week of December

Drevitch is new **Dayton mentor**

Played with N.Y. Islanders

The Dayton High School ice hockey team now has one advantage over most teams in the state — its coach.

In hiring Todd Drevitch last month, the Bulldogs have one of the most recognizable names in the state at their helm.

Drevitch owns and operates "Hockey Techniques," a company that runs skills clinics, bockey schools and camps throughout the nation.

Drevitch is an ex-professional hockey player, who played in the New York Islanders organization. He's been teaching players from mites to collegiates for several years and helps run training programs for many local club traveling teams and middle school programs.

High School Ice Hockey

His coaching is "old school" and he demands that every one of his players hat takes the ice represents themselves, the coaching staff and the school to the est of their abilities.

previtch faces a huge task this year, a transition season for Dayton after en of last year's players were lost to graduation. The Bulldogs finished 7-13

last winter.

This year's squad consists of mostly sophomores, two freshmen, one senior and a few juniors. It's a very young team, one that will look to find its own identity under its new head coach.

After making the conference playoffs for the first time last year, the Bulldogs hope to return to the conference playoffs this year and are shooting for the state

playoffs as well.

Pete Finkel has returned to the coaching staff from last year and will be work-

Pete Finkel has returned to the coaching staff from last year and will be working with the defense and goalies.

Dayton will look towards last year's MVP — junior Adam Cohen — for leadership. He totaled 43 points in 1999-2000.

Brett Berger, last year's Rookie of the Year, leads a group of experienced sophomores. Berger's 30 points was third-best for Dayton a season ago. Fellow sophomores Enc Decter, Ross Kravetz, Mike Rodrigues and new-comer Jared Preston will comprise the defense. Decter, Kravetz and Rodrigues all played a major role in the Buildogs' success last year.

Junior Clay Boeninghaus, from Kenilworth, will provide the team with a strong, physical presence up front along with senior John Laurencelle. Sophomore A.J. Garciano jear others are season as Dayton's starting netminder. Garciano played well last season.

Supplimiter A., automated the season.

Dayton's new horms ice is Bridgewater Sports Arena on Route 22 in Bridgewater. The Buildogs' season is scheduled to commence the first week of

Summit Lacrosse C. registration Monday, Tuesday

Summit Lacrosse Club registration for the spring 2001 season is

for the spring account of the place Monday and Tuesday at the Summit Middle School Concourse from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

The Summit Lacrosse Club is open to Summit resident boys who are in

rades 2-8.

The clubs officers and board of lirectors will be available to answer

Officers are Jon Britt, Peter Cor-drey, T. Brett Haire and Leo Paytas.

Directors are Jim Davidson, Steve Jones, Craig Landi, Darren Lowe, Charlie Mueller and Mary Ellen

Membership fees for the spring season are \$125 for grades 5-8 and \$75 for grades 2-4.
Scholarships are available.

Springfield's Wnek

Springfield's Wnek honored as player

Stan Wnek of Springfield, former coach at Montelair State University and Irvington High School, was selected by The Star-Ladger as one of 10 high school baseball players of the 1930s. He was a two-time All-State catcher at Irvington, where he later coached teams to win more than 300 victories. He received a scholarship to Georgetown University. He played in the now-defunct Metropolitan Association and the Northern League in Vermonit while a student at Georgetown University. After World War 2, Wnek was signed by the Phillies to play in the Canadian-American League, and when the Phillies signed Curi Simmons the next year, he was this faucher with the Willrangton Bine Rocks in the Interstate League. Wiltanigton won the league playoffs that year and broke the league attendance record. The next year, he was offreed a contract in Toronto. Wnek retired as an administrator in the Irvington School System after 36 years in education.

Columbo aware that Summit improved play a great deal

Also feels there is room for improvement

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer
"We've made great stricks, but there's a lot of norm for improvement," that's the feeling Summit High School head football coach Mike Columbs has about his team.
After posting a 5-5 record in his third season at the helm, Columbs got his squad into the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs for the first time in fixe years.

years.
Columbo, who came over to coach the Hillioppers after a five year stint as
the head man at Manchester Regional in Passaic County, had his feature ach the
500 mark after posting records of 1.9 in 1999 and 2.8 in 1998.

High School Football

"When you rebuild a program, sometimes you have to take the slow road," Columbo said. "But hopefully it will be the right road."

Even though the Hillioppers lost at defending champion Pequamics. 3-4-21 in the first round, the coach felt his toam hipseyd well and could have won. "The wind was a factor in that game," Columbo said. "But they had a lot of structure and it, who will."

experience and it showed.

It was a factor because, Summit is predominantly a passing offense that uses a spread formation of four receivers and one running back. "This type of scheme fit our talent," Columbo said.

That talent included junior quarterback Keith Schroeder and senior running.

That talent included juffor quarterback Kolth Schneeder and senior running back. Mike Nelson.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Hilltoppers were a young min with eight starters being underclassmen, including two sophometes.

"I want to build the program by focusing on defense," Columbo said.

"They're very tough and our goal is to get down to allowing about 10 points a seaso."

One real strength the coach acknowledged was his strong kicking game."

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What turned our season around was the work the kids did in the off season,"

Columbo said. "They maured a lot and came in hungry."

Season-opening wins against playoff-bound teams Delaware Valley and Dover, the latter in triple overtime, got Summit off on the right foot "Both teams have tremendous programs and have gone on to winning records this year," Columbo said.

**Medicar she absorfe was the brighest moment of all for the Hillioppers

this year," Columbo said.

Making the playoffs was the brighest moment of all for the Hiltoppers

"That's another reason why we're so proud, because five of the teams we
played made the playoffs," Columbo said. "We played a lot of difficult

opponents."

Many of those opponents included Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division loses
Dover, Morris Hills, Weequahic, Parsippany, West Essex, Mount Olive and

"We had a taste of the playoffs and that's something you constantly want,"
Columbo said. "We're heading that way."

The coach feels that the first three months of the new year are important for

off-season preparation.
"They will be in the weight room and raring to go," Columbo added.
With a hungry, confident bunch coming back for the 2001 season. Columbo staff know that continued off-season conditioning will only help in the sence of becoming a winning team.

"We want to first develop them as human beings, with an emphasis on family," Columbo said. "The wins will follow and take care of themselves." With a crased and earing community that lives and breaths Summit football, the Hillioppers are on their way.

Summit 2000

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(A) Pequamock 34, Summat 21
Record: 55
Home: 4-1
Away: 1-3

Record: 5-5 Home: 4-1 Away: 1-4 Points for: 230 Points against: 220 Shutouts: 2 Overtime: 1-0

Summit 1999

Summit 1999
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(A) Hanover Park 41, Summit 7
(II) Lover 47, Summit 21
(A) Mendham 35, Summit 20
(A) Mount Olive 62, Summit 50
(I) West Essex 21, Summit 13
(A) Parsippany 34, Summit 13
(A) Morris Hills 41, Summit 12
(II) Sommit 42, Millburn 8
(II) Weequabite 22, Summit 6
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(A) Summit 29, Weequahic 19

Record: 2-8

Home: 0-5

Prep runner Crum sets standard

Oratory Prep senior Dan Crum has been "the rock" upon hich coach EJ Cronin has built the Mountain Valley onference-Valley Division champion boys' cross country materials.

quad.

A goal Crum had was to break the school record at the ryan Park in Summit course.

The record was 16:48 held by Dave Cruz.

The date of Oct. 23 was Crum's last chance to topple the landard as the Rams hosted Boonton.

Crum had been close on several occasions, finishing at 6:50 twice this year.

standard as the Rama Boston accommendate and the Rama Boston Serial occasions, finishing at 16:50 twice this year.

Crum took advantage of his last opportunity and smashed the record in a stellar finish of 16:42.

Despite the outstanding performance, Boonton went on to defeat Oratory in the meet.

Oratory rebounded two days later by beating St. Mary's

of Rutherford 22-36 to snap a three-meet losing streak.
Oratory concluded a successful 9-4 season on Oct. 27
when it dominated non-conference Middlesex County foe
Dunellen 15-50.

Boys' soccer triumphed: This was not a memorable asson for the Oratory Prep boys' soccer team. However, the Rams did find a way to win late in the

eason.

Oratory defeated Manville 2-1 Oct. 26, giving first-year
ead coach Chris Trefz his initial victory at the helm.

Seniors Dan Lewycky and Ken Williams provided the offense, while Lewycky was also cited for his outstanding play at the sweeper position. Oratory finished its 2000 campaign with a 1-18 record, 1-13 in the Valley Division of the MVC.

Summit gymnasts excel



Three Level 4 Summit Summies — Elizabeth Cherba (Chatham), Lauren Bland (Berkeley Heights) and Sara Beth Fischer (Watchung) — qualified for the State Gymnastics Championships to be held at Henderson's Gym in Edison on Dec. 9 and 10. At a previous meet held Oct. 15 at The Connection for Women and Families in Summit, 115 gymnastis from all over New Jersey converged to compete and quality at Levels 4 and 5. Eight members of the Summit Summies, The Connection's home team, qualified for the upcoming state meet. Qualifying at Level 4 were Stephanie Frick (Chatham) and Julie Scales (Berkeley Heights). At Level 5 were Davielle Brown (Warren), Megan Fields (Chatham), Bridget Nolan (Summit), Lauren Portnoi (Berkeley Heights), Ernilly Regan (Berkeley Heights), and Melissa Washkau (Summit), Meeling, from left, are Sara Beth Fischer, Grace Lin (Short Hills), Ernilly Murray (Summit), Davielle Brown, Julie Scales and Megan Fields. Standing, from left, are Sara Beth Pischer, Grace Lin (Short Hills), Ernilly Murray (Summit), Davielle Brown, Julie Scales and Megan Fields. Standing, from left, are Stephanie Frick, Emily Regan, Melissa Washkau, Bridget Nolan, Lauren Portnoi and Kathryn Pocci (Chatham).



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