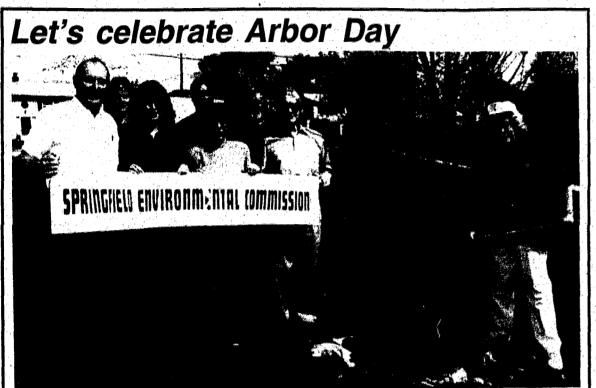
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In honor of Arbor Day tomorrow, the Springfield Environmental Commission took part in an earlyr tree planting Tuesday, in Veteran's Park. Helping out are, from left, front row, Bernard Kotler, Township Committeewoman Clara Harelik, Faith Brancato, and Bill Levidow, back row, Robert Brennan, Fred Miceli, and Ken Homlish, head of the Springfield Department of Public Works. Standing by the new tree is Eleanor Gural, chairwoman of the commission.

Fischbein elected board pres

By Joan M. Devlin Staff Writer

The Springfield Board of Education met Monday night at its organizational meeting, when they voted to elect Stephen Fischbein the new president, and Linda Duke as vice president.

Irwin Sablosky and Patricia Venezia were elected to the board for the first time while Benito Stravato lost his seat in the election April 17 after serving 12 years on the board. Duke was re-elected to a second term.

Election results were reported again by Assistant School Superintendent Judy Zimmerman, presiding for Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland, who had a death in the family and was absent.

The school budget last week was narrowly defeated for the first time in many years, and Board of Education members seemed still smarting from the unhappy results.

"It was not even 19 votes; we had two write-in votes, and it was defeated by only 17 votes," Shanes said.

As required, the election results had

been reported and submitted to the Township Committee within two days of the election, with the information on the defeat of the budget. "We must now establish a meeting time as soon as possible with the Township Committee, as we must certify taxes by May 21," said Shanes.

At the meeting were about 15 town residents. Before the actual meeting began, there was a closed session and everyone waited outside in the corridor. One mother was overheard to say, "We came to see what happens next; I can't believe they didn't pass our budget!"

After the results were repeated, the meeting was opened to the public for input by Fischbein. The first to speak was Scott Simansky, who had encouraging words for the board members.

"I want to congratulate the board for all your work, and want to say that I am sure you all know there is a huge gap between those who wanted the budget and those who did not. We want you to keep doing what it is you are doing. I know you are frustrated; but you have a whole lot of people that are still behind you. I am available to volunteer in whatever way you may need."

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Applause greeted his short speech, and Fischbein thanked him for his offer. A woman then stood and asked. "Will there be a public hearing?" She was told no. Another woman asked, "As of now, are you all considering what you would propose cutting?' She was told this was premature, and Fischbein added, "We may not cut at all." Shanes said, "We already cut everything we felt we should."

Another resident stood to give assurance. "We want you to know we support the budget just as it is." Fischbein added, "When we do go before the Township Committee, there may be things we can put off or postpone."

Another woman, who said she was a mom, said "I support the budget wholeheartedly; it seems there must be something that can be done to save it." Answering her. Fischbein said. "For 85 percent of the budget, there is nothing that we can do; you can wait to replace textbooks, but not a roof; we already did a lot of cutting. The bulk of our budget is fixed."

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Businesses seeking to build ties with Chamber of Commerce

oto By Jeff Grani

Mountainside plans to be division of Westfield chamber By Jay-Me Brown

Staff Writer

For 40 years, Bayberry Lane made its home on Mountain Avenue. The specialty gift shop survived the several cycles of economic change. However, the business is interested in forming stronger ties with other businesses throughout Mountainside.

Bayberry Lane is one of the many businesses intending to join the Mountainside Chamber of Commerce that will be organized as a division of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

The WACC is recruiting Mountainside business owners to unite and become a stronger unit. Once the Mountainside division is fully established it plans to work interactively local hu

ment, and residents to enhance the business community.

Bayberry President Beatrice Atler said she is interested in the business initiative.

"One time we were a strong business town, now it's become a ghost town," she said. "The Westfield chamber will help us bring more business into the town."

Debbie Schmidt serves as the executive director of the Westfield chamber, and works closely with the Mountainside division. Once the business owners become members of the WACC, she intends to help them promote their businesses.

According to Schmidt, the members will have their own business web sites designed by WACC. The members are able to attend field and Mountainside business workshops and activities. Currently, WACC is composing a business directory for all Mountainside members.

Schmidt said she encourages all businesses regardless of size to become a part of the Mountainside divison. WACC also offers services and support for home-based businesses. When these businesses are associated with WACC they receive the networking opportunities and workshops. Schmidt said WACC helps business gain exposure among other bussinesses and residents.

New businesses associated with the organization are entitled to a grand opening ceremony. WACC sends press releases and has photographers on site to capture new business owners opening their stores to the public.

help them develop a customer base," Schmidt said.

Bill Moore has been a member of WACC for 40 years. He has served as a recruiter for the organization since 1999. As a recruiter, Moore said he must answer a certain burning question for business owners.

"All business owners want to know how the WACC can help their businesses," he said. Once Moore introduces the program opportunities, he helps business owners expand through networking.

In the upcoming meetings, the group will elect a Board of Directors which consists of a chairman, vice chairman and a secretary. Schmidt said the officer installation signifies the leadership that the group needs to move forward. There are 14 other businesses that are associated with the Mountainside division.

businesses. "We give businesses that face-toface contact which is a necessary part of busin2ss, in order to help the business owners develop a sense of belonging."

Businesses are required to submit dues that range in three categories. Home-based businesses/single operator/no employees are required to pay \$125. For businesses with two to 25 employees, the rate is \$250. All organizations that have over 25 employees pay \$500. A \$25 processing fee applies to all the applicants.

The Mountainside Chamber of Commerce has scheduled a luncheon at noon on May 16 at Raagini Restaurant. Tickets are \$10 per person.

For more information about the business project, call the chamber office at (908)

Township Committee wary of extensive budget cuts

Governing body to decide on budget

By Jay-Me Brown Staff Writer

Although Springfield voters rejected the 2001 school budget, the Township Committee agreed to take the initiative and protect the educational system from extensive budget cuts.

The committee stated in front of a standing room audience of parents and educators at Tuesday night's meeting that they intend to improve the quality of Springfield's educational programs.

Township Committeeman Steven Goldstein said the outcome of the crucial vote continues to shape Springfield's future.

"I'm willing to spend a couple hundred dollars to ensure the pre-kindergarten program offers children the best introduction to education," Goldstein said.

Committee members are certain a strong public school system that challenges students is a major priority. Above all, the committee intends to maintain and improve the public schools to give parents options from private day care services. Committeeman Gregory Clarke, who served on the school board in the past, explained why the township is dedicated to making education a top priority.

"Four of my children went through the system and no one should fear the Township Committee will dissect the budget in a miserable fashion," Clarke said

Also, Clarke said the committee has no intentions of making any school budget decisions based on local politics. However, members said they may reduce expenses in some areas of the school budget.

The committee agreed to investigate other ways to possibly implement costeffective programming without diminishing quality education programming.

"We will examine the budget line by line and we may be able to trim some fat from this budget," Committeewoman Clara Harelik said. "We want to be fair and keep the programs that benefit the children."

After the committee shared their views they were unable to answer direct questions from the public. Once the committee members familiarize themselves with the information, they said they will be ready to respond to any public concerns. The Township Committee will answer questions from the public at its meeting on May 8. Once that meeting concludes, the committee will go into a consultation phase by May 21.

In last week's school board elections, 1,050 voters were in favor of the school budget while 1,069 voted against it. As a result, nearly 20 parents and educators informed the committee about their concerns.

Nancy Scileppi, president of the Parent-Teacher Association at Edward V. Walton School, said she is concerned about the budget cuts. "The Walton School provides excellent pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs for children and other schools even model their curriculums after ours."

"I'm a native New Yorker and I love the Springfield school system," George Pallis said. "I trust the Township Committee to do a good job to enforce the pre-kindergarten and computer technology programs."

Earlier in the meeting, 15 Springfield volunteer organizations were recognized by the committee in honor of National Volunteers Week. Mayor Sv Mullman said the volunteers deserve to be honored and that it is great to see so many young people serving the community. Harelik agreed with Mullman and expressed her views about the volunteers. "We appreciate your efforts; the work that you do makes a difference in this community," Harelik said.

The volunteers ranged from the Auxiliary Police and Fire Department to the Board of Adjustment. The following organizations were honored as well: Emergency Management, The Planning Board, Grant Leveling Board, Board of Health, Environmental Commission, Library Board, First Aid Squad, Commission on Aging, Recreation Committee and the Beautification Committee.



Barbara Trueger presented her workshop at the New Jersey Association for Gifted Children on March 21, a statewide association for gifted educators.

Thinking outside the classroom

By Brian Pedersen Managing Editor

Combining PowerPoint presentations, real-life research, and hands-on experience, the Jonathan Dayton Gifted & Talented Program is something that takes teens to new levels of knowledge and self discovery --- to the world outside the classroom.

"These students are very bright and gifted," said Barbara Trueger, Gifted & Talented teacher at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield. "It's challenging, stimulating, and creative but it's teaching them to use their imagination and creativity in a very resourceful way."

Part of what makes the Gifted & Talented Program at Jonathan Dayton

unique is that there are very few Gifted & Talented programs in the state. The program was started at the high school four years ago, but as Trueger pointed out, the program has never been as focused as it is now.

According to Pamela Gray, supervisor of the Gifted & Talented program, most high schools only offer Advanced Placement courses, rather than actual programs for Gifted & Talented students.

But what exactly makes a student "Gifted & Talented?" To take part in the program, students go through a nomination process, and can be nominated either by peers, faculty, parents, or even themselves. Then, the selection committee of the program looks

at test scores, recommendations from teachers, and how well the student interviewed before making a decision on having them become a part of the program.

Divided into two parts, the Gifted & Talented program offers students at each high school grade level activities and projects that enhance their education by taking them outside the classroom, both physically and mentally.

The first part, called ACT ---Accelerating Creativity and Talents --- addresses the ninth- and 10thgraders and includes trips to The Seeing Eye museum in Morristown, the Metropolitan Opera House in New See STUDENTS, Page 9

A super smile

Amy Batallones, a fourth-grader at James Caldwell School in Springfield, and Alex Thomson are congratulated as grand prize winners in the 2001 Union County Dental Contest by, from left, Lee Kaswiner, Douglas Chester and Glen Roslvack. Both students won tickets to the circus as well as a \$100 bond. The theme for the poster contest was 'Sport a Winning Smile.

Repaving slated for some borough roads

By Mark Hrywna **Regional Editor**

Several borough roads can expect a facelift commencing sometime this summer, if all goes well, while some have recently been completed.

The Mountainside Borough Council awarded a bid for paving improvements on Old Tote Road and Sunny Slope Drive to Traditional Works Co. Inc. for \$197,827.26 last week and also introduced a \$160,000 ordinance from the Capital Improvement Fund and the state Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of Wood Valley Road, secton 2, which runs from Old Tote Road to Central Avenue.

Final adoption of the ordinance is expected at the Borough Council's next regular meeting on May 15. About \$105,000 of the Wood Valley resurfacing project will come from a state DOT grant. Three weeks after the ordinance is approved, Disko said designs will begin and the project might start by August.

The Old Tote Road and Sunny Slope Drive improvements are part of the borough's \$6-million infrastructure project started last year. A preconstruction meeting will take place to set a schedule for the project, said Disko, who hopes to begin by June.

Both road projects will include resurfacing, drainage improvements and replacing or installing new Belgian block curbs.

The borough last week completed a project on Prospect Avenue and Sylvan Lane which came in under budget. Borough Engineer Mike Disko asked the council to approve a \$6,500 change-order to install a dry well to alleviate an area of Sylvan Lane that is taking a lot of water.

A dry well is an excavation filled with stone to create a space for the road. water runoff to drain into the ground, Disko said, with a catch basin on top. Dry wells are used in areas where there is a low point in the road but no storm SEWCIS.

At the end of the cul-de-sac, Disko said, the during the winter a lot of snow and dirt would come down, filling one end of the road.

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Photo By Barbara Kokkalls

Springfield resident Benjamin Pershpalaj, 5, a pre-K student at Edward V. Walton, takes part in Clean Communities Day by helping his mom, Wendy, clean up litter at the Chisholm Community Center on Sunday. The Springfield Environmental Commission invited volunteer groups and families to pick up litter at various spots around town in honor of Earth Day.

EVENTS

Annual luncheon set

The annual May Luncheon sponsored by the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Springfield will be Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Chanticler Chateau, Warren. The luncheon is open to both men and women, friends and neighbors. Reservations are required by Friday.

Tickets are \$13.50 for either a beef burgundy or chicken fillet entree plus "all the trimmings," and are available through the church office, 37 Church Mall, Springfield, or by calling (973) 379-4320.

The highlight of the day will be a program in story and song presented by Jesslyn Wheeless. Wheeless is a renowned story teller who has performed throughout New Jersey and the Unitd States. She lives Summit with her family and is an active layperson in the Episcopal Church.

Rotary sponsors annual flea market Sunday

Spring has arrived in Springfield. It's time for the Springfield Rotary's annual flea market. Over the past years spring has been ushered in with this event. Once again the grounds of Dayton High School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield will be crowded with vendors selling their wares.

There is a special event taking place a this year's market. At approximately 3:30 p.m., a raffle drawing will be held. If all tickets are sold, the first prize winner will receive \$4,000 and the second prize winner more than \$800. Tickets will be available at the flea market, with the maximum number of tickets limited to 500.

St. James Festival

The 2001 St. James Parish Festival will be Tuesday to May 5. In addition to exciting new thrill rides, games of chance and great homemade food, the festival this year will feature a nightly Tin Can auction as well as the popular 50/50 raffles.

Festival hours are 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; 6 to 11 p.m. Friday, and 1 to 11 p.m. Saturday. One-price ride bracelets are available Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoon from 1 to 6 p.m.

The festival is located on the grounds of Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield.

For more information call (973) 376-3044.

Used clothing drive

A used clothing drive will be May 5 to benefit Project Graduation for Governor Livingston High School's Class of 2001. The public is urged to bring their wearable, used clothing to the Community Center at 29 Park Ave., Berkeley Heights, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Saturday

• The Board of Chosen Freeholders presents "Adopt-A-Trail," an orientation meeting at Trailside Nature & Science Center, 425 New Providence Road, Mountainside, from 9:45 a.m. to noon. Adopt a trail or section of trail in the Watchung reservation, to monitor and maintain throughout the year. The meeting discuss the purpose of Adopt-A-Trail and requirements, pruning demonstration and assignment of trails and trail sections. Light refreshments are provided.

Pre-registration is required. Call (908) 789-3670 to register.

Sunday

• The Springfield Rotary Club sponsors its annual flea market with over 120 vendors at Jonathan Dayton High School on Mountain Avenue from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event includes food and beverages, a free blood pressure screening and fire prevention exhibition, a raffle to win over \$4,000, and a fund-raiser for a scholarship for graduating seniors at Jonathan Dayton. The rain date is May 6. Admission is free.

• The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., presents magician Bobby J. Gallo at 1:30 p.m. The performance is made possible by the Springfield Cable Committee. Admission will be by free ticket only. Tickets may be picked up at the Circulation Desk. The show will be in the Donald B. Palmer Museum of library. For information call (973) 376-4930.

• The Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside, presents a Deserted Village Tour at 2 p.m. The tour is an illustrated slide lecture introducing you to the Deserted Village of Feltville, its past and future. Then car-pool to the village for a walking tour. Meet at Trailside Visitor Center and wear sturdy shoes. For ages 12 and up. The fee is \$3 per person.

Tuesday

• The Mountainside Board of Education conducts its annual reorganization meeting at 8 p.m. in the media center at Deerfield School, 302 Central Ave.

• The Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., presents the films "Great Puccini Love Scenes" and "Highlights from La Scala" as part of its lunchtime video program at noon. For information call (973) 376-4930.

 The 2001 St. James Parish Festival at Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, opens from 6 to 10 p.m. For more information call (973) 376-3044.

Wednesday

• The 2001 St. James Parish Festival at Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, continues from 6 to 10 p.m.

Upcoming May 3

• The Foothill Club of Mountainside will meet for lunch at noon at B.G. Fields Restaurant, 560 Springfield Ave., Westfield. Installation of officers will take place followed by bingo. Call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626 for a reservation. Guests ae welcome. Members are reminded that dues are due.

• The 2001 St. James Parish Festival at Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, will continue from 6 to 10 p.m.

p.m., at Governor Livingston High School, 175 Watchung Blvd., Berkeley Heights. The event marks the debut of her solo CD release and will benefit the organization that she had been a part of during her high school years. Tickets are \$5 for students and seniors, \$10 for adults, and can be purchased in advance by calling (908) 654-8692. Seating will be limited due to the single show.

• The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will open the photo exhibit, "Vietnam, A People and A War, A Study in Contrast," which runs through June 14. The exhibit is set to coincide with and commemmorate Memorial Day. An artist's reception will be May 6, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information call (973) 376-4930.

May 5

• The 2001 St. James Parish Festival at Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, will continue from 1 to 11 p.m.

• A used clothing drive will benefit Project Graduation for Governor Livingston High School's Class of 2001. The public is urged to bring their wearable, used clothing to the Community Center at 29 Park Ave., Berkeley Heights, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call (908) 665-9481.

May 6

• The 2001 St. James Parish Festival at Saint James The Apostle Church, 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, will conclude its final day from 1 to 6 p.m.

• The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will host an artist's reception from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. for the exhibit, "Vietnam, A People and A War, A Study in Contrast," which runs through June 14.

May 8

• The Mountainside Active Retirees will meet at 10 a.m. at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East, Mountainside. An art show will be presented with paintings exhibited by two local artists, Karen Freudenberger and Martha Ventura from the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

May 10

• The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will continue its International Film Festival with "Black Cat, White Cat" at noon and 7 p.m. Admission is free for all films. Space is limited to 60 people at each showing. For information call (973) 376-4930.

May 14

• The Springfield Senior Citizens will sponsor a trip to the Liberty Science Center with the bus leaving the Sarah Bailey Civic Center at 10 a.m. The price is \$18 per person, which includes entrance to the Science Center and exhibits/IMAX/3-D programs. For information call (973) 912-2227, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 4 p.m.

May 15

• The Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will present as part of its lunchtime video program the films, "Ballet Favorites" and "Great Pas de Deux" at noon. For information call (973) 376-4930. May 17

• The CMI Community Center, Inc. presents the third annual Leadership Award Banquet at L'Affaire, Route 22 East, Mountainside. Hors d'oeuvres are at 6 p.m. and dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$55. For information call (908) 629-0041.

Ongoing

• The Springfield Recreation Department conducts blood pressure screenings the second Wednesday of every month at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, from 1 to 2 p.m. It is open to all residents

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Items available for purchase are highly varied, from toys to antiques. The flea market is nearly sold out this year, with over 120 vendors.

Springfield Rotary members will be manning the refreshment stands, selling hot dogs, burgers, soda, ice cream and other great food. They also will have a white elephant table. Free blood pressure screening and fire prevention will be available. Admmission is free.

On Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the people of Springfield and surrounding communities can help support Rotary's annual flea market, with proceeds going to fund scholarships given to needy Springfield seniors graduating from Dayton High School.

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May 4

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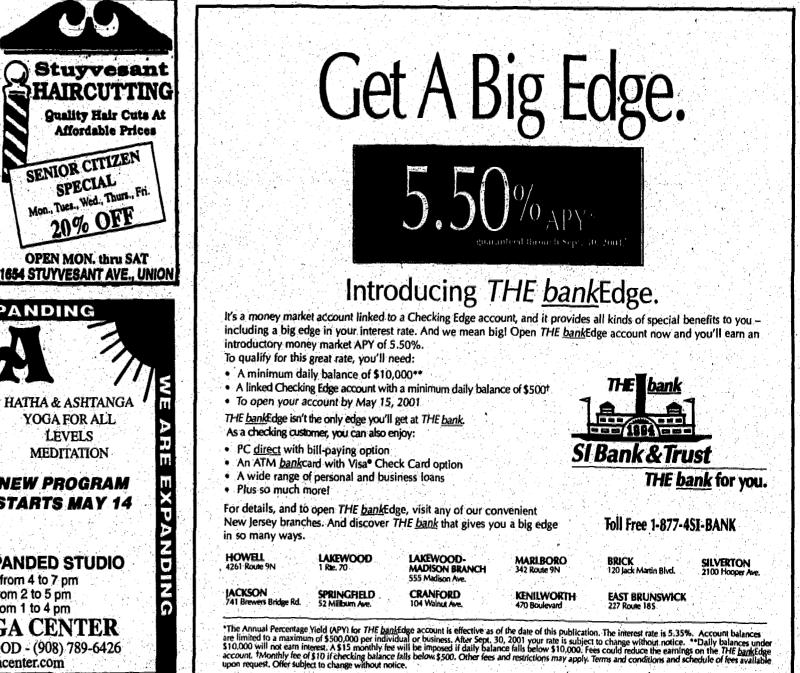
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 Mountainside recording artist Kassy Michaels will return to her high school for her first solo concert at 8

of Springfield. For more information, call (973) 912-2227.

• The Friends of the Springfield Public Library would like donations of used paperback novels. Also welcome are magazines within the last year.

• "Write Your Life Stories" is a writing group that meets regularly on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at 10:30 a.m. at the Springfield Free Public Library. Writing expertise is not required and sharing is optional. The meeting is facilitated by writer/teacher Zella R.P. Geltman. No registration is required. For information, call (973) 376-4930.



Negotiations headed to arbitration

Township unable to come to agreement with police, fire

By Jay-Me Brown **Staff Writer**

A contract negotiation period between the police union and the Springfield Township Committee recently expired and the ongoing debate over a contract will enter an arbitration phase by May 24.

According to Steven Studlack, president of Policeman's Benevolent Association Local 76, the union presented a contract to the committee last June. Studlack expressed his disapproval with the committee's response to their contract requests.

"We wanted to avoid arbitration, but the Township Committee has not been bargaining in good faith," Studlack said.

Presently, police are working under a contract that expired in December. The contract requires that officers work a schedule of four days on with two days off. During the two-day period, there are not enough supervisors to cover the shifts.

With few supervisors, the department manages shift coverage with overtime. Studlack said the supervisors will accumulate 1,000 hours in overtime throughout the work week by the end of this year. Not only is the department short on supervisors, it has a limited amount of officers.

The department has a total of 22 officers instead of 28. Studlack said the four days on, four days off schedule which is part of the revised contract, will reduce overtime. This schedule allows supervisors to work less than 12 hours a day, and provide the officers with more of a flexible schedule.

"The long hours add a lot of fatigue, I'm tired of bending over backwards and would like to see some results," he said.

However, several Township Committee members dis-

agreed with Studlack's view regarding the negotiations. Committeman Township Attorney Bruce Bergen explained how arbitration is common with contract negotiations.

"Most negotiations end up in arbitrations," he said. "It's a normal process." Likewise, Township Committeeman Steven Goldstein

said the police never presented a counter offer. "We appreciate all the work they do for the community,

but we couldn't come to an agreement without the offer, Goldstein said.

Studlack said he presented several offers concerning salary increases and benefits. He said the committee ignored the offers and refused to make a deal.

Although the police have a date set for arbitration, the Springfield Fire Department filed for arbitration and are waiting for a hearing date. Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association President Jim Beyer said it has been difficult to set a date to meet with Mayor Sy Mullman, including a meeting that had to be cancelled last week.

Mullman attributed the missed meeting to a schedule conflict and intends to reschedule it in order to come to a resolution.

The Fire Department hopes to trade its current contract for a 24-hour schedule. A 24-hour shift would require firefighters to work for 24 hours, followed by 72 hours off. The department's current arrangement involves two 10-hour days, followed by one day off and two 14-hour nights.

Beyer said the Fire Department also is understaffed under the old contract.

"I'm waiting to see what the township plans to propose," Beyer said.



LOOKIN' FOR EGGS -Isha and Shree Ganeriwala enjoyed finding eggs at the Mountainside Newcomers Easter Egg Hunt. The annual event was at the Loop Playground in the Watchung Reservation and this year over 60 children participated. The members of the club also donated over 120 Easter baskets to St. Joseph's Shelter in Elizabeth.

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New Lido Diner John Priovolos, Owner

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A pleasant atmosphere, consistently fine quality and warm, friendly service have made this restaurant a favorite of people in-the-know. But don't just sit there-find out for yourself why New Lido Diner has pleased so many other people in the area. Stop in soon and sample one of the area's favorite dining spots for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Their courteous service and fine food will bring you back time and time again. While you are there, be sure to take a trip to their impressive serve-yourself salad bar where you'll find fresh vegetables, crisp greens and a variety of dressings.

Fandango Painting José Jimenez, Owner

Sometimes we recognize a problem, but try to solve it the wrong way. Does your living room or kitchen suddenly appear dreary? Does your office look boring? Surprisingly, you may not need new furniture or an office layout. A professional painting project will make a world of difference in the appearance of any room, and Fandango Painting is the company that can make it happen.

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Studies by mental health professionals have shown that colors have a profound impact on human emotions and perceptions.

Kravitz resigns as chamber co-chair

Ron Kravitz, a charter member, cofounder and co-chairman of the Springfield Chamber since its inception, recently notified members of his decision to step down as co-chairman. Citing his move to Washington, N.J., and the related travel time constraints, he said he hopes he will still be able to attend meetings and be an active member of the chamber.

The chamber honored Kravitz this past fall as the Business Leader of the Year. His personal dedication to community service is well known in Springfield and also is an integral part of his business philosophy.

Among his many volunteer activities, Kravitz is treasurer and past president, sponsor and manager of the Springfield Men's Softball League; member of the Springfield Elks; treasurer, vice commissioner and past secretary of the Harry M. Steens League; member of the Take Pride in Springfield Committee, and a member of the Emergency Services of Springfield Executive Council, Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Downtown Redevelopment Committee.

Scott Seidel has accepted the positon of co-chairman of the Springfield

Chamber. He was selected as the recipient of the chamber's Lifetime Achievement Award for his dedication and service to Springfield.

A lifelong resident, and charter member of the chamber, Seidel is deputy director of Emergency Management and the Auxiliary Police. He has co-chaired Springfield's Fourth of July Committee since 1979. He also served on the Springfield Bicentennial Committee and was recently elected to the Board of Trustees of TV-36.

A licensed real estate broker, Seidel is vice president of Cardinal Land Properties.

Environmental Commission celebrates Arbor Day

Arbor Day on Friday will be recognized by the Springfield Environmental Commission, beginning with members' attendance at the planting of one of the trees which the commission has donated for the greening of the town.

At the commission's Rotary Club Flea Market table on Sunday, seedlings of white pine, lilac and redosier

dogwood will be given to those who would like to try their hands at growing one of them at home. Information on various environmental subjects will also be available -

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you take these extra measures to protect your car. More information on their quality products and services is available at Ziebart Of Union County. You are invited to call or come by soon.

Doria Pizzeria & Restaurant

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Don't let anyone kid you about who has the best pizza in town. People around these parts know from experience that the best pizza is served by Dorla Pizzeria & Restaurant, located in Summit at 432 Springfield Avenue, phone (908) 277-0909. Call ahead and have your pizza ready and waiting when you arrive!

Through the use of their special recipes and fine quality ingredients, this pizza shop offers this area authentic Old World pizza in many delicious varieties that you can either eat there or take out. They serve many different combinations of pizza with 40 varieties including a mouthwatering choice of toppings, the *Doria* supreme and primavera pizza. They specialize in both regular and Sicilian pies. They also feature Italian dinners including delicious calzones and pasta dinners as well as hero sandwicches—both hot and cold. Delivery service is available throughout the area.

The owner has made it a point to hire people that will give you fast, friendly service. They are open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Bring your family and friends to Doria Pizzeria & Restaurant for the best pizza in town, or call (908) 277-0909 for a hot, tasty pizza ready when you arrive.

Soufflé Restaurant

Winner Of The Award Of Distinction – Zagat Survey 2001

We all agree that a top-rated restaurant has four main requisites—first, fine food; second, faultless service; third, a large selec-tion; and last, but not least, reasonable prices. When we find a restaurant that offers these four things, it is indeed a treat, and this treat is yours at Soufflé Restaurant, celebrating their sixth anniversary in May. They are located in Summit at 7 Union Place, phone (908) 598-0717. They invite you to visit their Website at *www.soufflerestaurant.homepage.com*. This fine restaurant is well-known for its appetizing food. You may make your selection from a wide variety of foods and be assured, it will be one of the best meals you have ever eaten. If you're planning a party, their facilities will accommodate up to 65 people. They have one primary goal in mind—to offer the people of this area the finest food, served among friendly people in a pleasant atmosphere and always with the best service in town. The fact that **Soufflé Restaurant** has achieved just exactly that is evidenced by the ever-returning groups of people who have made them their favorite place to dine. evidenced by the ever-returning groups of people who have made them their favorite place to dine. Their warm, pleasant atmosphere, delicious food and friendly service will make you want to return time and time again.

Remember Souffle Restaurant for a truly enjoyable dining experience. Treat Mom special this Mother's Day by taking her to Soufflé Restaurant.

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Hacienda Mexican Restaurant & Grill has become a very popular restaurant. Join the list of satisfied patrons who make them their favorite place to dine. Their fine service, excellent food and warm atmosphere have samed for them a reputation second to none. The friendly people there will always make you feel welcome whether you stop by for just a snack or for a complete meal. They are open seven days a week for lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Dinner is served Monday through Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 4:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Reservations are recommended on weekends. This Mother's Day, treat Mom special with dinner at Hacienda Mexican Restaurant & Grill.



COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

Support Project Graduation 2001

With all the pressures that teens face on a day to day basis, it's nice to know their last night as a class together can be one that's worry-free and truly a cause for celebration.

Project Graduation is something that does just that by giving seniors a chance to relax, have fun, and most importantly, be safe. It's a night that shows them that it's not only possible to have fun without alcohol or drugs, but that it's okay too.

That's why it's important that people support a program such as Project Graduation, so it can continue to thrive as a safe, healthy, fun-filled event.

This year, Project Graduation will be held for the graduating seniors at Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights, where Mountainside students attend school, and Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield.

For the seniors at Jonathan Dayton, Project Graduation 2001 will kick off on June 19 at the YMCA in Summit and will feature a mix of entertainment and activities. With plenty of chaperones, students can have full access to the pool, fitness center, and basketball court, and also get full meals including breakfast and dinner.

Highlights include a disc jockey, hypnotist, fortune teller, and temporary tattoo artist, all of whom will add to the night's roster of special events.

As a result of nine fund-raisers organized by five Springfield mothers and chairwomen of the Parent Teacher Student Organization, Project Graduation for Jonathan Dayton High School will be a night not only the students will be waiting for, but all those who volunteered their time and effort in making it a reality.

The fund-raisers included an Atlantic City bus trip to the Sands Casino on Sunday, a student-run car wash on Saturday, a teacher and student sumo wrestling match on March 29, plus a 50/50 raffle, and several cannister drives.

Continue supporting Project Graduation by sending contributions to: Jonathan Dayton High School c/o Project Graduation, Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081.

For students of Governor Livingston, Project Graduation will take place June 21 at the College of St. Elizabeth in Morristown. Activities will include volleyball, racquetball, basketball and swimming, plus live entertainment, games, giveaways, and plenty more to do throughout the night.

Begun by the Project Graduation committee at Governor. Livingston High School in 1989, Project Graduation aims to build on their previous success by continuing the tradition.

To help build excitement for the event, the school offers monthly "spirit" days, which tell students how many days remain until graduation night to remind them of their milestone evening.

The committee begins to prepare for the event in February with the help of participating seniors. Together, they conduct clothing drives and create a newsletter during the following months to help build awareness.



WREATH TIME --- Making spring wreaths at a recent Mountainside Newcomers Ladies Night Out are, from left, Anjali Ganeriwala, Michelle Sblendorio, Monica Boenning and Nancy Longo. The Ladies Night Out is among the many activities the club plans. If you are a new resident of Mountainside or an established resident who has had a change in lifestyle, such as the birth of a child, change of employment or marital status, and would like information on joining the Mountainside Newcomers Club, call Monica Boenning at (908) 928-0321.

Mountainside too easily Democrats are distracted

Democrats in Mountainside must be too easily distracted. Louis Thomas of the Mountainside Democratic Club got up during last week's Borough Council meeting to speak about the previous month's meeting, which featured the public hearing on the 2001 municipal budget.

Thomas claimed the budget hearing "happened in a the blink of an eye" and since he was "distracted from paying full attention to the proceedings for a few seconds," he missed the opportunity to discuss the budget. Thomas, a regular at the Borough Council's monthly meetings, called it "another example that Mayor Viglianti has no tolerance for any perceived dissenting opinion or even any request for information."

"He rules with a very heavy hand and openly ridicules any citizen who has the temerity to disagree with him

My Two Cents

By Mark Hrywna **Regional Editor**

on any issue," Thomas said of the mayor.

Temerity. I'll admit I had to look that one up when I got back to the office: "boldness," "rashness," according to my New American Webster.

Thomas conceded there was no one at the March 20 meeting but himself and Steven Brociner but still, he said, "The mayor using 'trickery' to shut off any discussion by the public on the budget represents arrogance and a total disregard for the public's right to

know." What did the mayor do, flash a light in his eyes; throw his voice? As I recall from that March 20

meeting, everyone in the room all but waited for Thomas or Brociner to speak about the budget. Maybe if Thomas hadn't been chatting with Brociner during the meeting, he would have realized the hearing was in progress. In fact, he did step to the podium at the end of the meeting and remarked how helpful borough employees were in his search for budget information and answers to his budget questions.

"So the 2001 municipal budget has been passed without any comment or input from the public," Thomas said. "This just isn't right." Well, it's not exactly the mayor or council's fault that the public isn't interested enough to speak about the budget.

The average municipal tax increase

is expected to be \$16 as a result of the

2001 budget. Had it been 10 times that, then residents might have come out, maybe. Otherwise, they're at home watching the meeting on public access, or more likely, watching "Millionaire."

Last week's meeting actually had more than the scant few who usually attend. There were residents who attended to speak about flooding and street improvement issues as well as awarding contracts for borough business.

Don't get me wrong, the Borough Council needs someone like Thomas around to liven up its regular meetings. It's pretty much five guys sitting quietly while another guy who happens to be sitting in the middle of the dais runs the show. Their work session meetings are at least a little more interesting, as someone besides the mayor actually speaks.

What is happening to Springfield?

To the Editor:

What is happening to Springfield? According to the newspapers, our citizens and our elected officials just don't seem to care. Our children are being denied a decent school budget. Our Police Department is in shambles. The town is beginning to look quite run down and dirty.

support clubs and activities in town, volunteer to help for the Fourth of July picnic, or even offer to coach a Little League or soccer team. The potential is endless, but we have to start somewhere.

Who doesn't want to live in one of the nicest communities in northern New Jersey? Show that you take pride in Springfield and show that you care. If you do, please e-mail us at springfieldcares@hotmail.com. We already have more

In June, the committee offers sign-ups for seniors interested in helping and allows them a chance to see how meaningful the night can really be by taking part in it.

Interested businesses, organizations, parents, and other contributors can send donations to: Project Graduation 2001, Governor Livingston High School, 175 Watchung Blvd. Berkeley Heights, 07922.

Imagine giving teens a choice. That's what Project Graduation is all about. We give them a choice that we know will be a positive one. It is up to them if they want to take part in it, but it allows them a safe, healthy option.

Instead of letting them have free reign of the car, the keys. and the alcohol, Project Graduation shows them a safe way to have fun. Transportation is provided, and the event is an all-night affair. What better way to keep them safe and off the streets on a night traditionally known for heavy drinking and driving?

Project Graduation eliminates all the danger, but keeps in all the fun, and even adds more.

Through the hard work of all those involved, Project Graduation 2001 is shaping up to be the success that it has become each year. We hope that its positive message lasts not for just one night, but for a lifetime.

"Experience should teach us to be most on our guard to protect liberty when the government's purposes are beneficent."

> Louis D. Brandeis U.S. Supreme Court justice *1928*



We should not have a superintendent who gets an absurd salary while our schools are lacking in many areas. Our teachers, who deal with our most precious and valuable commodity, our children, deserve the compensation.

Why are our children and all our citizens denied the lifesaving ability of defibrillators, which we do not provide to our policemen who are always the first on the scene of an emergency? Our policemen who put their lives on the line every day for all the citizens of Springfield deserve the very best from us. That means decent salaries, benefits and equipment for them. Would you like to risk your life every day for your neighbors?

Every building that is put up in this town or is renovated should have a colonial facade. Isn't this colonial Springfield? Why do we allow businesses to run valet services when they have no place to park the cars they are servicing except on the streets of residential neighborhoods? The solution is not permit only parking.

Citizens of Springfield need to take a look around. Let's start fixing the problems instead of overlooking them.

> Gail McGrory Springfield

Group formed to better town

To the Editor:

What do families look for when they move into a town? Nice parks and fields? Good schools? A nice community pool? A strong community association? We believed that Springfield possessed these attributes and that was why we chose to live in Springfield.

However, based on the results of the last two elections — the school budget and the field referendum - we are concerned others do not share the same view as us. Do the people of Springfield want the town's children to get the best education available? Do they not want to have safe parks for their kids?

We know the answer is yes, however, based on the turnout at the polls, we are concerned. This past election is the first time in 15 years the school budget did not pass. And did you know only 2,000 people came out to vote? That is only a 20 percent turnout of registered voters.

Do not be fooled by organizations such as the Springfield Improvement Association. They do not have the best interest of Springfield at heart. This organization would rather jeopardize the future of Springfield and the future of its children to save a few hundred dollars.

Surely, you would be willing to spend approximately 50 cents a day to ensure that the children of Springfield have the best education possible. Additionally, the small investment made in education and infrastructure will be greatly rewarded through increased property values. Not a bad investment, indeed.

As a result of the failure of the school budget to pass, we have taken the step of forming Springfield Cares. The mission of the organization is the overall betterment of the town. Together, as a group, we can act as a united front to help improve the town we live in and make a difference.

We do not only have to get together to talk about budgets and taxes. We can

than 50 members and are growing. We will be holding our first official meeting next month and look forward to seeing you there.

> Gary Bachman and Steven Kaplan, co-chairmen Springfield Cares

I'm opposed to super store

To The Editor:

E - MAIL

I was extremely upset by the article titled "Testimony continues in Stop & Shop hearings" printed on April 19. I was mentioned by name as the person welcoming the Stop & Shop being built in a residential area. I can assure you the exact opposite is true. I am 100 percent against Stop & Shop or any supermarket for that matter building a store on the old Saks property. I feel very strongly that I need my position clarified by your newspaper.

I have spent every third Tuesday of each month for the past nine months attending the meetings of the Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment to voice my opposition. I understand many of my neighbors have been doing the same for many years and I believe they should be commended for their desire to keep this community a residential one.

Perhaps the writer of the article, Jay-Me Brown, did not recognize the sarcasm in the statement I made to Mr. Segreto regarding the truck traffic the residents of Tower Drive and Short Hills Avenue would have to endure if a Stop & Shop opened on Millburn Avenue.

If the truck traffic was averted from the residential area as it should be, the building would have to be repositioned from its existing plan, and Stop & Shop could not get approval to build their super store. That is what I was trying to point out to Mr. Segreto. He is trying to get approval for the store at the expense of the residents of Springfield.

There are many, many other reasons why I oppose the Stop & Shop, too numerous to mention in one article. I hope you will print this letter to make it clear that I strongly contest the building of this super store. I have had to explain your error to some of my neighbors, and I hope this letter will rectify my position on this matter. I do not want Stop & Shop.

> Kim Tompson Springfield

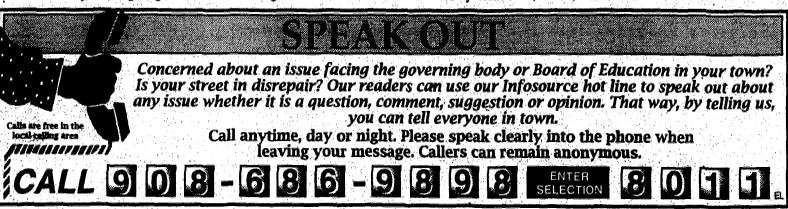
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The Echo Leader welcomes submissions from its readers. Either letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion pages.

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

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

For publication, all letters and essays must be received before 9 a.m. Monday at 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083.



<u>We're asking</u> Do you think everyone should have a home computer?



Rebecca Kirk

"Yes, I do. If they can afford it, that is. They are very helpful. I have one and it is also a lot of fun, and I think we would have gotten one even if we didn't need it."



Anna Rodrigues

"Yes, I do. I have a computer and I use it for fun and also for work."



Donna Hodge Harper

"Yes. With modern technology I think everyone should have a computer; that is why I use the library, but I am thinking of getting one in the very near future."



"No, I don't think everyone should have a computer. I have one,

but there are some people who never will want to get it, especially the older population. They are afraid of the technology."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Springfield not a must move now

To the Editor:

I certainly hope that *The New York Times* and *The Star-Ledger* are not planning to highlight Springfield anytime soon in their real estate section features, "If You're Thinking of Living In..." or "Town Focus."

Springfield has recently incurred two black eyes on its otherwise beautiful face, what with voting down the athletic field referendum and now voting down the proposed school budget.

The current climate in Springfield certainly does not make it a must move to town.

Mara Friedman Springfield

Mayor has no tolerance for dissent

To the Editor:

The principal item on the agenda for the March 20 Mountainside Borough Council meeting was the final reading on the 2001 municipal budget and the only opportunity for citizens to ask questions.

It is disturbing that the hall was virtually empty. Only Steve Brociner and me, and a few borough employees, including Michele Swisher, chief financial officer of the borough, were present.

I was distracted from paying full attention to the proceedings for a few seconds and the next thing I heard was Councilman Werner Schon's words, "Since there is no public participation the public discussion is closed." All this happened in the blink of an eye, and it is obvious that Mayor Robert Viglianti did not want to hear from Steve Brociner or me, as we were the only ones present who might discuss the budget.

This is another example that Mayor Viglianti has no tolerance for any perceived dissenting opinion or even any request for information. He regularly forgets that he is mayor of all Mountainside and he is obliged to hear from the entire public, not just those in his inner political circle.

He rules with a very heavy hand and openly ridicules any citizen who has the temerity to disagree with him on any issue.

So the 2001 municipal budget has been passed without any comment or input from the public. This just isn't right.

The mayor's actions in shutting off any public discussion compares most unfavorably with the school board, whose members state their positions and welcome the opportunity to address local groups and to listen to all concerned citizens. I implore the Board of Education, in the famous words of the late Jim Valvano "Don't give up. Don't ever give up." Please see to it that these issues do not die, or so too will Springfield.

> Michael Sack Springfield

Increases would've been negligible

To the Editor:

I was shocked and saddened to read that the Springfield budget was defeated. I wonder if all of those citizens who voted against this really understand the full meaning of what they have done.

First of all, and most importantly, the Board of Education will now have to negotiate with the Township Committee to remove portions of our budget. The only losers are the children. If the budget had passed, the resulting increase of taxes, if any, would have been negligible compared to the benefits the children would derive.

My next comment is to all of the senior citizens who voted no. I too am a senior, who moved to this town many years ago from another community where school budgets had failed for many years. When you decide to sell your home, who do you think is coming to buy a three- or four-bedroom home? Certainly not another senior citizen. It will most certainly be a family with school-age children.

Well, take it from me, if you do not have a school system to sell, then your most beautiful home will decline in value, but, then it will be too late to do anything about it. To all of you seniors, think about this the next time you are asked to go to the polls and vote for a budget, or any other proposals that will ultimately affect the educational system and value of your homes.

Evelyn Chait Springfield

Laughable if it wasn't frightening

To the Editor:

In last week's edition, Springfield resident Hazel Hardgrove wrote a letter favorably comparing both the economy and the education system of Mexico to our own. This would be laughable if it wasn't so frightening. It would be laughable if the author wasn't the head of the local group who purports to want to improve Springfield, but whose only recent accomplishments have been leading successful efforts to defeat a referendum aimed at improving our town's



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The school board represents democracy in action. The mayor using "trickery" to shut off any discussion by the public on the budget represents arrogance and a total disregard for the public's right to know.

What is he afraid of?

Louis' J. Thomas, president Mountainside Democratic Club

Why should we choose Springfield?

To the Editor:

When I opened *The Star-Ledger* this morning, my first thought was well, here we go again. Recently, each hopeful opportunity for the betterment of Springfield has been rejected.

First, it was the athletic field referendum, and now the school budget that was defeated. What will it take to make the residents in town wake up and stop being so worried about themselves, and make them think about the community as a whole? Will it take a serious injury to a baseball player — I see the lawyers lining up now — or perhaps the dissolution of our quality pre-K program to make the naysayers realize they have done the whole township an injustice by rejecting these issues?

I believe I represent a significant number of residents — the majority, although the numbers are no indication — who are disgusted at the defeat of the recent Springfield school budget proposal. As a parent of two young children — 9 and 5 — I question why my family should remain homeowners in this town.

When the athletic field referendum failed, my sons were heartbroken. News of the school budget defeat only heightened my sense that Springfield may not the best place to raise a family.

Why is it that surrounding towns like Westfield, Summit, and Millburn/Short Hills continue to grow and prosper while Springfield is fast becoming the laughingstock of the area? Is it because of a downtown shopping area — Hazel Hardgrove where are you? — or is it that the residents of those towns think about the big picture and realize what helps the whole community helps the individuals within the community?

Without a solid infrastructure — athletic and education — Springfield will not attract younger residents. It will become a retirement community. Why don't we sell all of our assets to Marriott and they can turn Springfield into another Brighton Gardens development? At this point, who else would want to buy into town? recreational facilities as well as the recent school budget.

Ms. Hardgrove wrote that recently during her sixth visit to Mexico, she noticed that the shopping malls were filled with people eager to purchase the latest in American goods. Also, she expressed admiration for the educational system where many of the schools were used in split shifts as to accommodate many more students.

Perhaps Ms. Hardgrove might be interested in a few facts on how Mexico treats its children. The fact that many are willing to die to cross the border into our country indicates a large number of Mexico's citizens don't have the money to hang out at shopping malls.

Even though the literacy rate for those over 14 years of age is only 69 percent, high school is optional in Mexico, perhaps explaining why there isn't a great boom in school construction. Teachers in Mexico are paid at the poverty line let's hope Ms. Hardgrove isn't interested in instituting that here as well. Finally, a measure of any country's commitment to children is the infant morality rate; Mexico's is roughly five times that of the United States. Mexico has made great strides educationally and economically in the last 30 years, but to hold it up as a model of what we should aspire to be is laughable.

As much as I am pleased that Ms. Hardgrove is not unduly burdened by the level of tax she pays in Springfield so she can enjoy a holiday in Mexico, I truly believe that all residents of our town would be better served if she and her group no longer led the debate on spending.

As a parent of school-age children in Springfield, I have watched in surprise and disgust as the referendum and school budget went down to defeat; wondering what possibly could be motivating Ms. Hardgrove's relentless opposition to helping our children. Now I know — she and her group holds us to a higher standard — Mexico.

> Kevin Finnegan Springfield

'Hostages' subject to such hazards

To the Editor:

RECREATION

We need to accept the fact that the Americans held "hostage" in China are really military personnel and subject to hazards of such. Needless to say, we do all we can for releases.

Heartless as it may sound, they are expendable just like the GIs on the Normandy beaches that so gallantly served with valor.

Joseph C. Chieppa Mountainside

Summer playground

The Springfield Recreation Department will present the Summer Playground Program-2001 from June 25 to Aug. 17. The registration fee is \$20 for the entire eight-week program.

The supervised outdoor playground operates at the Chisholm Community Center in the playground area. The program runs for eight weeks and is available for boys and girls in Springfield ages 5-12. Activities include games, arts and crafts, field trips, athletics, special events, morning trips to the Springfield Pool, color wars, parties, sports tournaments and much more. Playground hours are 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Children are to be dropped off no earlier than 8:30 a.m., the staff will not be responsible until this time. Pickup time begins at 12:15 p.m. and every child must be picked up by 12:30 p.m. Counselors will sign your child into camp. Parents/guardians must sign their child out. Time changes on pool trip and field trip days may occur. Return this registration/medical

form located on back and a registration fee of \$20 before the first day of program. Checks may be made payable to "Township of Springfield," Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield, 07081.

Tennis badges available

The Springfield Recreation announces tennis badges are now available at the Recreation Department, 30 Church Mall.

All residents who use the township tennis courts are required to purchase a tennis badge. The fee is \$10 per badge set by township ordinance. There is a one-time charge and thereafter the badges are updated each vear.

For more information call (973) 912-2227.

Pool registration begins The Springfield Pool opens May 26 at 11 a.m. Pool registration is accepted Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center 30 Church Mall. Special registration dates include May 12 from noon; May 20 from noon to 3 p.m., and May 22 from 5 to 8 p.m. For more information call (973) 912-2227.

Day Camp at the pool this season will be under the direction of Sarah Smith. Day Camp will now include children age 4 as of June 1.

For more information call the Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227.

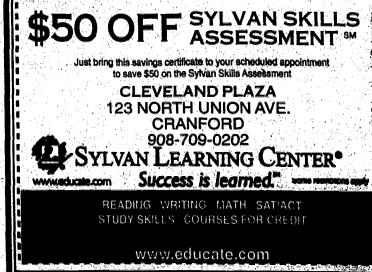


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John Daniel Proctor

John Daniel Proctor, 76, of Summit, an executive and Marine veteran of two wars, died April 18 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Kalamazoo, Mich., Mr. Proctor lived in Summit since 1954. He owned and operated Lermer Packaging Inc., Garwood, since 1986. Mr. Proctor also served as president of the company from 1965 through 1997. Earlier, he had been vice president and general manager of Celluplastics,

of Michigan in Ann Arbor for three years. He served in the Marines during World War II and the Korean War, attaining the rank of captain. Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Jane; two sons, Steve and Bud; two daughters, Cathy Kane and Betsy Kohl; a sister, Doris McGrath, and six

Henry L. Morrison Jr., 80, of South Plainfield, formerly of Springfield, died April 16 at home.

Rachel Grindlinger of Mountainside died April 9 in the Summit home of her daughter, Anne Brown.

Rachel Grindlinger

Born in Russia, Mrs. Grindlinger lived in Newark before moving to Mountainside in 1968. She was an office manager and bookkeeper at Lasko Oldsmobile, Newark, and

Surviving are three sons, Joseph L.

Troy Anderson Jr.

Troy H. Anderson Jr., 68, of Summit, a professor, died April 17 at home.

Born in Vicksburg, Miss., Mr. Anderson moved to Summit in 1969. He taught business management at Monmouth University, West Long Branch. Mr. Anderson received a inson University, Rutherford.

grandchildren.

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stitute teacher in Summit.

ter's certified hypnotherapist. Surviving are two sons, Richard and William, and three grandchildren.

Arthur R. Zeitler

Arthur R. Zeitler, 80, of Phillipsburg, formerly of Summit, died April

19 in the Brakeley Park Care Center, Phillipsburg.

Born in Belleville, Mr. Zeitler lived in Summit before moving to Phillipsburg. He was a gas appliance specialist in Summit for 36 years and retired in 1980. Mr. Zeitler served in the Air Force during World War II. Surviving are his wife, Doris; two sons, Arthur Jr. and Richard; three

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daughters, Mary Suckey, Lynn Knopp and Doris; two sisters, Loretta Krueger and Eleanor Machette; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.



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Arts center celebrates annual gala

On March 31, Images 2001: An Art Odyssey, the 20th annual gala to benefit education programs took place at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit. Marite Robinson was general chairman of the event.

The black-tie dinner dance was hosted by Joe Taylor, president and chief operating officer of Panasonic Industrial Company at the headquarters of Matsushita Electric Corporation of America and Panasonic Industrial Company in Secaucus.

Former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, Don Iwatani, chairman and chief executive officer of Matsushita, and Joe Taylor served as honorary chairmen. Rick Sherlund, managing director of Goldman Sachs & Co., was Images Corporate Chairman. Donald T. DiFrancesco, Senate President and Acting Governor of the state of New Jersey proclaimed March 31, as New Jersey Center for Visual Arts Day in the Garden State.

The nationally-accredited, nonprofit art center, celebrating 69 years of



Joseph and Marite Robinson gather with fellow Summit residents Denis and Terry Turko at Images 2001: An Art Odyssey, the 20th annual gala to benefit education programs at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

service to New Jersey's cultural community, offers art education and w appreciation programs for children

and adults of all ages and levels, as well as for persons with disabilities. The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. For information call (908) 273-9121.

Pulitzer Prize winner will speak at Kent Place

The seventh annual Speakers Series lecture at Kent Place Schol will feature Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning playwright Wendy Wasserstein on May 3 at 7:30 p.m. for a lecture and presentation entitled, "A Life in the Theater." Seen by many as the voice of a generation, Wendy Wasserstein has used her art to chronicle the staggering social changes that have transformed modern life.

Wasserstein won a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for the best play for "The Heidi Chronicles" — the first woman in history to win the Pulitzer as the author of an original play. Other plays by Wasserstein include "Isn't It Romantic" and "Uncommon Women and Others" — one of the most frequently performed plays on college campuses. She received a Tony nomination for her major Broadway hit, "The Sisters Rosensweig." Wassetein's most recent Broadway production, "An American Daughter," was nominated for several Tony Awards and was recently made into a movie airing on Lifetime cable network.

Wasserstein's talents extend for beyond the state. She is the author of the children's book, "Pamela's First Musical," about a young girl's first visit to the theater; and "Bachelor Girls," a collection of her "New York Woman" essays. In her lecture, "A Life in the Theater," Wasserstein will share what it takes to make a career in the arts and gives personal anecdotes about testing new ideas and the persistence needed to win an audience. Wasserstein, lauded by many for

her ability to laugh at life, will bring her witty and evocative insight into the world of the arts for an engaging presentation not to be missed.

Wasserstein was educated at Mount Holyoke College, City College of the City University of New York, and Yale University, where she studied creative writing with playwright Israel Horovitz and novelist Joseph Heller. She received an M.F.A. from Yale in 1976.

The Speakers Series lecture, now in its seventh year, is a much anticipated event for the school and local community. It is by far the largest event of its kind in the local secondary school arena. Drawing hundreds of guests each year, the lecture series has elevated to "brand name" status among locals.

"TV-36 looks forward to the Speakers Series lecture every year," said Beth Pincus, a producer at the local television channel. "Not only do we look forward to getting an interview with their featured guest, but on a personal level, I am always eager to attend the lecture. Kent Place has done a great job bringing quality speakers who discuss the relevant issues of today."

The Speaker Series lecture is open to the public. General admission for adults is \$20 and \$10 for students with I.D. For ticket information, call 273-0900, Ext. 231.

Wasserstein's books will be available for purchase at the event courtesy of Watchung Bookseller.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

BAPTIST

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH - "CHRIST OUR HOPE AND PEACE." - 242 Shunpike Rd., Springfield. Rev. Frederick Mackey, Sr. Pastor, Sundays: 9:30 AM Bible School for all ages -Nursery through 'Senions: 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care - 5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Prögram for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Service & Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study: Junior/Senior High Ministry. Active Youth Ministry; Wide Range Music Program; Super Seniors 3rd Thursday at 11 AM followed by Iunch. Ample Parking. Chair Lift provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us, For further information contact church office (973) 379study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-3; on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday evenings for post bar/bat mitzvah students. Pre-school, classes are available for children ages 2-1/2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Staterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

LUTHERAN

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 201-379-4525, Fax 201-379-8887. Joel R. Yoss, Pastor opportunities to serve others, or have prayer requests, please call the Rev. Jeff Markay at the Church Office: 973-376-1695, at 7:30

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Summit is located in the heart of town on the Summary Connection and State and DeForest Avenue: Church School and Bible Study is held at 9:30'a.m. Sunday morning Workship is at 10:30 a.m.; the emphasis of which is to always have a "good week" because of Paul's reminder to us in his letter to the Romans "that ALL things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose". The sermons are uplifting, Biblically sound and guaranteed to keep you awake. The music and weekly children's message are memorable. All me to hear th News of love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyone. Come worship with us and find out how you too can have a "good week". Call the church office or Pastor Lee Weaver for more information at 908 277-1700.

Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m.; Ladies' Evening Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kaffceklatsch - 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. The Rev. Daniel J. Russell, Jr., Pastor.

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THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081. 201-376-3044, SUNDAY EUCHARIST: Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Musses: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

ST. TERESA'S OF AVILA, 306 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, 908-277-3700. Sunday

RELIGION

Dual keyboards Sunday

Calvary Chorale's 27th season of monthly concerts continues on Sunday at 4 p.m. with the popular Dual Keyboards, featuring James Little and Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth. The concert will feature Mozart's Concerto for Two Pianos in E Flat, Darius Milhaud's Scaramouche for Two Pianos, a Handel organ concerto arranged for two organs, and other music for organ the piano.

The season will conclude on May 20 with a performance of John Rutter's Requiem and Benjamin Britten's Rejoice in the Lamb. Calvary Church is located at 31 Woodland Ave. in Summit.

A free-will offering will be taken at Sunday's concert, and funding for Calvary Chorale has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Young musicians will perform at Christ Church

Christ Church, 561 Springfield Ave., will be hosting a recital featuring two of its talented youth musicians, on Sunday at 4 p.m. in Lite Hall. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Della Davies, a sophomore at Summit High School, has been studying the violin for six years. She studied with Nasha Hart for four years and is presently studying with Alejandro Mendoza.

Davies has been a member of the Murray Hill-based New Jersey Youth Symphony for five years, and has performed with the National Festival Orchestra in January at Carnegie Hall.

Katrina Loh has been studying the piano for nine years, and is currently under the direction of Anna Vozhik at the Calderone School of Music. A freshman at Summit High School, she also plays the clarinet in the High School Jazz Band.

Loh has performed in recitals and entered various competitions over the years. SHe has also been a grant recipient of the Children's Foundation for the Arts for the past four years.

Davies and Loh will be performing the Meditation from Thais by Massenet and the third movement of the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto in E minor, Opus 64.

Wayne Bradford, musical director of Christ Church, will accompany Davies on the first and second Movements of the Dvorak Violin Concerto in A minor, Opus 53 and Beethoven's Spring Sonata for violin, first movement.

Loh wil perform various selections on the piano, including Prelude No. 10 & No. 14 from Opus 11 by Alexander Scriabin, the first movement of the Sonata in F Major, K. 322 by Mozart, O Policinelo from "Prole Do Bebe" by H. Villa-Lobos, and others. There will be refreshments served following the concert and time to meet the artists.

vance of May Friendship Day. Church. Women United has a long history of working to bring about justice for all persons. Nearly 50 years after the civil rights movement, racism remains a pervasive moral issue in American society.

Reservations for the luncheon are necessary, tickets are \$7 and may be obtained from the representatives of the various churches who serve on the Church Women Board. The public is invited to attend. Seating is limited.

Rabbi to visit Sinai

Faith in the modern age. Congregational change. Clergy shortage. Pastoral care. Gender issues. Social justice. Liturgical traditions. These are the major themes facing contemporary religious communities. At the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion these topics are addressed through critical understanding balanced by compassionate engagement.

Rabbi Andrea Weiss, instructor of Bible, at HUC-JIR/NY, will visit Temple Sinai, 208 Summit Ave., on Friday. She will be speaking about significant issues which are facing religion in America today. She is among the scores of scholars, rabbis, cantors, students, and staff affiliated with the institution traveling across North America in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the founding of HUC-JIR.

Religious School open house will be Sunday

The Religious School of Temple Sinai, 208 Summit Ave., will host an open house and forum on "The Value of Early Jewish Education" on Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m, beginning with an informal breakfast reception at 8:30 a.m. A tour of Temple Sinai's facilities will conclude the morning. Parents with children ages 4 to 9 years old are invited to attend.

Rabbi Stuart Gershon will lead an interactive forum on "Your Dreams for you Jewish Child." Religious School educator Sandy Schlanger will discuss kindergarten through fourth grade at Temple Sinai. Part of her talk will include plan for "Connections," a new program that will begin in the fourth grade next year, and may one day extend to the other grades.

In this program, parents have the option to attend religious school and learn a similar curriculum as their children.

For information call Angela Raio, executive director of Temple Sinai, at (908) 273-4921. Temple Sinai is a Reform Jewish congregation.

Beth Ahm celebrates

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JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, 973-376-0539. Mark Mallach Springfield. Rabbi. Richard Nadel, Cantor. Dr. Scott D. Zinberg, President. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekday services Mon.-Fri. 7:00 AM Sun.-Thurs. 7:45 PM Shabbat (Friday) 6:00 PM & 8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; Sundays, 8:30 AM. Festival & Holiday mornings 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (thirdseventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesday. There are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Pre-School Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for sixth through twelfth graders, and a busy Adult Education program. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

JEWISH - REFORM

TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabi; Arny Daniels, Cantor/Education Director; Nina Greenman, Pre-School Director; Murray Bell, President. Temple Sha'arey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union Of American Hebrew Congregations. (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM. with monthly Family Services at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning Torah 4525, Fax 201-379-8887. Joel R. Yoss, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 a.m. at JONATHAN DAYTON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield, For information about our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL, 229 Cowperthwaite Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E: Kritsch, Pastor. (908) 232-1517. Beginning Sunday, July 6. Summer Worship Times are as follows: Sunday Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning Nursery available. Wednesday Evening Worship Service, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all worship services. The church and all rooms are handicapped accessible.

METHODIST

The SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located at 40 Church Mall in Springfield, NJ invites ALL people of all ages and backgrounds to join us in their spiritua journey. Sunday Worship Service starts at 10:30 A.M. with childcare available for babies and toddlers. Christian Education opportunities for children begin during the Worship Service with a special time for children led by the Pastor before they depart for classes. Service of Prayer and Healing held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 P.M. Please call and ask about our Adult Christian Education, Young Adult Ministries, Bible Studies, Small Group Ministries, Prayer Chain, Music Ministry and other opportunities to serve. If you have any questions, interest in

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PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4320. Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m., Sunday morning: Worship Service 10:15 a.m. (July and August 9:30 a.m.), with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through worship, Christian education, Choir, church activities and fellowship. Communion first Sunday of each month; Ladies' Benevolent Society - 1st Masses: Saturday, 5:30 PM; Sunday, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 1:15 (Spanish), 5:00 PM in the Church; Children's Mass - 9:30 AM Memorial Hall will resume September 14th; Weekday Masses: 7:00, 8:30 AM; 12:10 PM; Saturday weekday Mass. 8:30 AM; Holy Days: Same as weekday masses with a 5:30 PM anticipated Mass and a 7:30 PM evening Mass. Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00 -5:00 PM.

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May Friendship Day

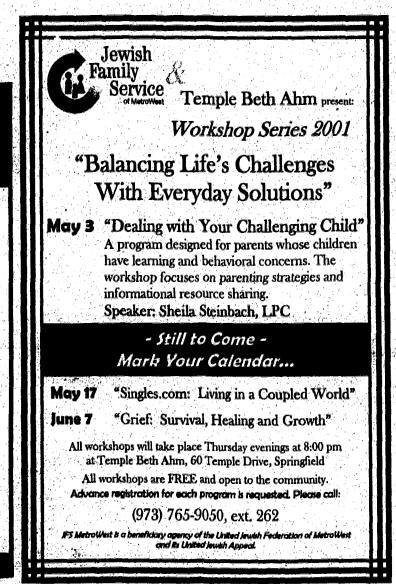
The Summit Unit of Church Women United will sponsor the annual observance of May Friendship Day on May 4 at noon. This year's observance will be at Pilgrim Baptist Church on Morris Avenue. The members of Wallace Chapel will assist the members of Pilgrim Baptist Church. The women of Summit will gather

to worship, pray and call for an end to racism as part of the annual obserDrive, Springfield, celebrates Cantor Richard Nadel's 20th anniversary of his service to the temple on Saturday at 6:45 p.m. with Minha/Maariv/ Havdalah. Dinner will follow.

For more information call the temple at (973) 376-0539 or e-mail to tbaspringfield@aol.com.

Free workshops

Jewish Family Service of MetroWest and Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield presents a series of free workshops, including "Dealing With Your Challenging Child," on May 3. The program features guest speaker Sheila Steinbach and will take place at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth, Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. The public is invited to attend. Advanced registration for each workshop is requested.



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ECHO LEADER



STAMPING OUT HUNGER- Minnie The Postmoustress will be the ambassador of goodwill on May 12 as she helps check in food donations in front of the Westfield Post Office between 12 and 4 p.m. The Letter Carriers of Westfield/ Mountainside will be joining their Brothers and Sister in the National Food Drive. Patrons who wish to donate non-perishable foods can place the items in their home mailbox for their personal letter carrier to collect.

Residents come out to support school board

(Continued from Page 1) Another woman said she had read that Springfield was classified as "wealthy" in the state, and she said she disagreed. "Many are, but not all, and I think we are upper middle class, and eligible for more state funding." Another woman said, "I spoke to

three committee people and they said they were looking to 'trim the fat' from the budget."

Zimmerman then spoke about goalsetting, and asked well-meaning people to think about the goals of the school system and write them down.

"Send them to us and we will discuss them at the next meeting."

All is now up to the Township Committee to determine how much or if the budget should be reduced, and the school board must then decide where to cut.

physical therapy has a significant ben-

efit on their improvement," said

Nicole Burke said she chose to

organize the Healing Heart Walk-

athon on May 5 because she enjoys

volunteering and she knew someone

"I thought it was for a good cause,

since it was for kids with cancer," said

Burke. She is now in the process of

who died of a form of leukemia.

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lobby sale this month

Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., is accepting donations for the Lobby Sale to benefit the library. Donations of jewelry, glassware and china, small appliances and kitchen items, linens, artificial flowers, tools, toys and furniture that can be carried out, are wel-

AT THE LIBRARY

'Love scenes' Tuesday

The Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., continues its celebration of the arts with opera videos as part of its lunchtime video program. The films, "Great Puccini Love Scenes" and "Highlights from La Scala," will run at noon on Tuesday.

The spectacular compilation of "Great Puccini Love Scenes," 111 minutes, presents the very best on Placido Domingo, Kiri Te Kanawa and others, in operatic roles by Puccini, Verdi, Strauss and Offenbach, that these world-renowned stars have made their own. The performances were filmed at the Royal Opera House, Covent Gardens, the Arena di Verona and La Scala, Milan.

"Highlights from La Scala," 60 minutes, present some of the very best operatic moments from one of the greatest opera houses in the world, the Teatro alla Scala in Milan. Worldclass operatic stars, including Jose Carreras, Placido Domingo, Renato Bruson, Eva Martin, Ghena Dimitrova and Mirella Freni, perform spectacular productions of operas by Verdi and Giordano.

The series continues at noon on May 15 with "Ballet Favorites" and "Great Pas de Deux."

Bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be

Donations sought for

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TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Ordi-nance was passed and approved at a Reg-ular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jarsey, held on Tuesday evening, April 24, 2001. KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk U4783 ECL April 26, 2001 (\$10.25)

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that deci-ions were made at a public meeting by the Australia data Blanding Board on Marth 8

come. No books or clothing. Items should be clean and in generally good condition.

Donations may be dropped off at the library, Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 8:45 p.m., and Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Also on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

The Lobby Sale will be Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Sunday, the sale hours will be from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

For more information call (973) 376-4930.

Magician set for Sunday

As soon as he enters the room on Sunday at 1:30 p.m., you will realize that the magician has arrived. Bobby J. Gallo personifies the timeless personality and image of the magician. He "looks" like a classic magician. He "sounds" like a true showman with his smooth baritone voice, and he possesses the uncanny skill of a world-class sleight-of-hand artist.

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The performance is made possible by the Springfield Cable Committee. Admission will be by free ticket only. Tickets may be picked up at the Circulation Desk of the Springfield Free Public Library. The show will be in

PUBLIC NOTICE

Joseph D'Antuono, 1170 Wyoming Drive, Block 5.G, Lot 10 - Addition with variances APPROVED

Peter Metz, 1009 Mary Allen Lane, Block 7.C, Lot 10 - Addition with variances APPROVED

Ruth M. Ree

Secretary (\$7.50) U4737 ECL April 26, 2001

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, NJ

CAPITAL ORDINANCE AUTHOR-IZING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL POOL IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$53,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP TO PAY THE COSTS THEREOF.

TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Ordi-nance was passed and approved at a Reg-ular Meeting of the Township Committee of

the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the library.

For information call (973) 376-4930.

Used paperbacks wanted

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., would like donations of used paperback novels and also welcomes used magazines within a year's date.

The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. For information call (973) 376-4930.

Photographer exhibits at Palmer Museum

For more than 20 years as a freelance documentary photographer and as author of "No Easy Walk, Newark 1980-1993," Helen Stummer has been photographing both the struggles and the dignity of impoverished people in New York, New Jersey, Maine, Guatemala and France. Her exhibit, "International Images of Struggle and Dignity, 1977 to 2000." will run through May 3 at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave.

"Although geographically diverse, they speak the same language. It is the language of the streets, the subsistence farms, the aldeas. It is the mother tongue of oppressed people everywhere...poverty," Stummer says of her photographs.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, April 24, 2001, KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk U4784 ECL April 28, 2001 (\$9,50)

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ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, CHAPTER 7 TRAFFIC TO ESTABLISH ON-STREET, RESIDENT ONLY PARKING ON CERTAIN BTREETS BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRING-FIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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getting a permit and sponsors for the PUBLIC NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, NJ

Church, club and social - Thursday noon

Entertainment - Friday noon.

Students pursue various subjects in G&T (Continued from Page 1) compare the numbers and see how own interests in the independent

York City, and Duke Gardens in Somerville.

What makes these trips remarkable is the focus on how the knowledge they've gained can be used to help others. Students also get to volunteer at the Community Foodbank of New Jersey in Hillside, go to the Eye Bank and The Sharing Network of New Jersey — an organ and tissue donation service based in Springfield — and go on a trip to Kean University to hear Holocaust survivor Jay Sommer speak about his experiences.

For the 11th- and 12th-graders, the second part of the Gifted & Talented program involves an independent seminar that offers an individual approach to studying a topic at great depth. Students choose their own project based on their own personal interest, work on the project all year, and then develop a written research thesis, which is modeled after a graduatelevel thesis. moning

Finally, when all is done, they perform a final presentation before peers, mentors, administrators and family. That's where they will display what they have discovered in a PowerPoint presentation that incorporates all their

seminar, the students found that many of their topics allowed them to think "outside the classroom." "I was always fascinated with the

stock market," said Jared Weisman. "I picked six stocks from all different sectors and studied what makes individual stocks go up and down."

Weisman is currently charting and graphing the stocks and is the first one to go for his PowerPoint presentation on May 24.

Focusing on the theory of multiple intelligences, Grace Alfano is doing research on how they affect the act of teaching a classroom.

"I decided to use my second-grade religious education class at St. James," said Alfano. "Once a week, I'm teaching that class using those theories and infusing them into my lesson plans."

Alfano said she has a control group for her other religious education class and has been giving them short-term and long-term memory tests.

Hoping to become a physical therapist, Pam Traum has been going to the Kessler Institute in West Orange to do a study of patients who experience pain in their lower extremities, Traum has been measuring their progress through the weeks with a scaling process of a 0-10 pain level. She will then see if they experience pain doing certain activities and at what level it occurs. "I give them the same survey, then I

Perhaps what the Gifted & Talented Program at Jonathan Dayton teaches most of all is that through hands-on research and learning, the students have learned that they have the power to change people's lives for

the better, and that their personal interests can have a profound impact

Editorial deadlines

on the outside world.

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Sports - Monday noon.

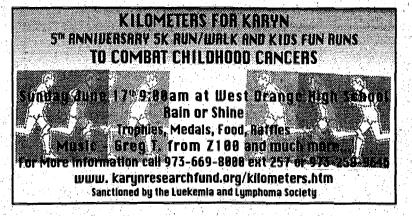
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research

Trueger has been using a workshop to teach the Gifted & Talented students and show them how to use PowerPoint to illustrate what they have learned and to enhance their computer skills.

Pursuing subjects close to their



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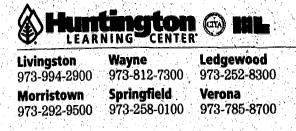
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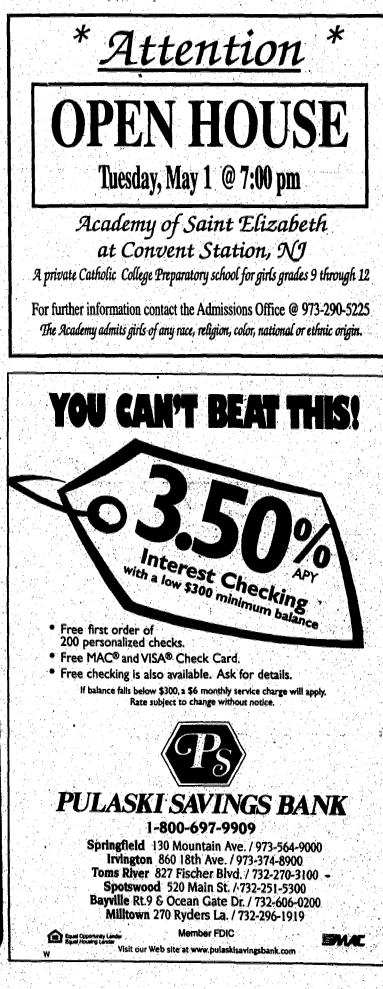
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NICOLE'S YOGA CENTER IS OPENING ITS NEWLY RENOVATED AND EXPANDED STUDIO WITH THE NEW SESSION STARTING ON MAY 14TH. The Center located 94 North Avenue in Garwood is dedicated to teaching and practicing of authentic science and philosophy of Yoga uniquely since 1988. The center offers a variety of 22 classes of Yoga per week: breathing awareness, back elongation & restoration, designed to energize and detoxify the joints, glands and internal organs in order to improve not only posture, but physical, mental, emotional well-being as well. Each class will also include a chance to experience the art and science of Meditation. Experienced and specially trained teachers will guide you step by step on your own transcendental journey. Join us too for engaging and enlightening seminars for weight reduction, Meditation and learning to access and properly use your inner strength. The Center is devoted to share sage knowledge derived from real Yoga with teenagers by showing them ways to avoid and cope with bullies. Many adolescents are unaware of their own dynamism, which Yoga will introduce to them through their own nature so that they can experience happiness, creativity, and loving relationships. In turn, this will enable them to balance and unify the power of their mind body and spirit to realize their full potential, the secret of happiness in their own lives. The Center offers classes for kids, teenagers, senior citizens, and future Moms.

Nicole will be giving a lecture on April 28th at Union County College and also on May 6th at the Rahway Hospital. All are welcome.

Nicole a resident of Westfield for over 23 years, opened Nicole's Yoga Center in 1988. The studio has been renovated and expanded which will allow it to better serve its students. Should a student miss a class, there are many opportunities to make it up during the same session. For additional information and registration, please call 908-789-6426. You can also visit us and register for classes on the World Wide Web at www.nicolesyogacenter.com. Nicole will be offering open house days on the following dates: Monday May 7th and 14th from 4 to 7pm, Thursday May 10th from 2 to 5pm, and Saturday May 12th from 1pm to 4pm. Private trial classes by appointment only.





STUDENT UPDATE



Kristin Joham

Joham awarded 2001 Glee Club scholarship

Kristin Joham of Mountainside, a senior at Governor Livingston High School, received the Westfield Glee Club 2001 Competitive Auditions and Scholarship award. Joham is an active student musician who has been recognized for proficiency in playing the French horn and other instruments, vocal and musical theater, dance, and academic honors. Performance in community service at The Children's Specialized Hospital is one of the outreach activities.

In addition to her music studies and performance at Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights, Joham has attended the Manhattan School and the Julliard Pre-College Program, as she prepares for continuation as a French Horn Performance Major.

The Westfield Glee Club Scholarship award will be presented to Joham at the Spring Concert on May 5 at Roosevelt School, Westfield. She will perform at the Saturday Concert, and also at the Sunday Afternoon Concert at the First Congregational Church, Westfield.

For more information call Dale Junitlla at (908) 232-0673.

Sherman named US National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Laurie Sherman from Springfield has been Laurie Sherman

named a United States National Award Winner in foreign language. The award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Sherman, who attends Jonathan Davton High School in Springfield, was nominated for the national award by Sara Axelrad, a teacher at the school.

Sherman is the daughter of Debbie and Alan Sherman of Springfield and the grandaughter of Beverly and Arthur Kesselhaut of Springfield and Rita Sherman of Passaic.

Sherman will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said George Stevens, executive director for the United States Achievement Academy.

International film festival

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., continues its International Film Festival with "Black Cat, White Cat" on May 10 at noon and 7 p.m.

Fire Department helps out Union with mutual aid

The Springfield Fire Department responded with a pumper to Union Fire Headquarters on a request from Union County Mutual Aid April 19 at complex, and at 4:42 p.m. at a Garden 6:04 a.m. Also on that day, at 1:23 p.m. the department responded to a Green Hill Road residence for an acti- responded to Mountain and Wabeno vated fire alarm before handling a avenues for a motor vehicle accident. medical service call 2:52 p.m. at Garden Oval residence.

 Medical service calls were handled Friday at 10:43 a.m. at a Mountain Avenue business, at 4:06 p.m. at a South Springfield Avenue apartment residence.

FIRE BLOTTER

Oval residence. At 12:21 p.m., the department • On April 18 at 2:47 p.m., firefigh-

ters responded to a Morris Turnpike business for an activated water flow alarm in addition to a medical service call at 4:15 p.m. at a Garden Oval

At 4:23 p.m., units responded to Meisel Avenue and Milltown Road for a motor vehicle accident with injuries.

• On April 17 at 12:03 a.m. and 8:47 a.m., firefighters handled calls for lift assists at South Springfield Avenue residences. The department was on Route 78 East at milepost 50.7 at 3:31 p.m. for a motor vehicle accident with injuries.

• The Fire Department April 16 responded to a Hillside Avenue residence at 8:41 a.m., a Fadam Road business at 8:55 a.m., a Hillside Avenue residence at 9:40 a.m. and a Prospect Place residence at 4:13 p.m. for medical service calls.

The department handled two lift assists, on at 8:29 a.m. at a South Springfield Avenue residence and another at 1:13 p.m. at a arden Oval residence.

A call of a lockout came in at 10:24 a.m. at a Hilltop Court residence.

All units responded at 11:38 a.m. to a Fadam Road business for a water flow alarm.

Police make drug arrest after Route 22 stop

Mountainside

Michael Joseph Masi Jr., 28, of Linden Avenue, Springfield, was charged with drug possession at Route 22 East on the Springfield/ Mountainside border. On Friday at 11:25 p.m., Masi was a passenger in a car without a seat belt, according to police. Authorities searched the car and found a hypodermic syringe and

an illegal pain killer medication. Avenue, Ridgewood, N.Y., was charged with driving while intoxicated. Ramos was apprehended by authorities at 9:58 p.m. on Glen Road and the court date is scheduled for today.

Seniors plan trip to

Liberty Science Center

The Springfield Senior Citizens are

sponsoring a trip to the Liberty Sci-

ence Center on May 14. The price is

\$18 per person, which includes

entrance to the Science Center and

The bus will leave the Sarah Bailey

For information call (973)

912-2227, Monday through Friday,

Men's Night Out Tonight

Club announces the following upcom-

The Mountainside Newcomers

• Men's Night Out, tonight, The

Office in Summit, across from the

train station. Call Jim Pisano at (908)

Exhibits/IMAX/3-D programs.

Civic Center at 10 a.m.

from 9 to 4 p.m.

ing member activities:

POLICE BLOTTER

 Michael Shaw, 32, of Timberline Court, Monmouth Junction. was charged with presenting false reports to authorities. On April 19, Shaw was apprehended by authorities in Mountainside by 2 p.m.

• Ronald Avelar Jr., 24, of East • Fernando Ramos, 40, of Gates Front Street, Plainfield, was charged with presenting false reports to authorities.

According to authorities, Avelar reported his vehicle stolen, however, in Mountainside. Bail was set at \$375 the investigation revealed that Avelar had someone take it in order to collect the insurance money. Avelar was

apprehended by authorities on April 19 in Mountainside at noon.

• Michael Maricic, 23, of Seneca Avenue, Westfield, was charged with contempt of the Mountainside Municipal Court. Authorities apprehended Maricic on Monday near Mountain Avenue at Sherwood Parkway, Maricic had an active warrant from Mountainside. Bail was set at \$250. On May 31, Maricic will have his court date at the Mountainside Municipal Court at 9 a.m.

• Lori Flores, 20, of Avenue B, Bayonne, was charged with contempt of the Mountainside Municipal Court. Flores had an active warrant from Mountainside for \$250.00. She was

apprehended by authorities on Monday at 1:39 a.m.

• Michael Hunt, 20, of Academy Street, Rockaway, was charged with contempt of court from another township. Hunt had an active Newark warrant and his bail was set at \$250. On Sunday at Summit and Willow roads in Mountainside, Hunt was apprehended by authorities at 9:15 p.m.

• On Saturday, Robert Shanley, 33, of Spruce Street, Union, was charged with receiving movable property. Stanley was apprehended by authorities at 1050 Sheffield St., Mountainside, at 8:57 p.m.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

389-0455 for information and to RSVP. • Mommy & Me is planning a picn-

ic at the Loop Playground on May 4 at noon. Meet by the swings. If weather is questionable call Jean Marie Morgan at (908) 518-9409 to see if the picnic has been cancelled.

 Lunch bunch will meet on May 9 at 12:30 pm at LIME in Westfield on Elm Street. Call Sue Zavodny to RSVP at (908) 789-8543.

• The annual June Bar-B-Que will take place on June 30 at 6:30 p.m. at Monica and Frank Boenning's house. For more information call Maureen Angelo at (908) 654-1025.

The Mountainside Newcomers Club Inc. is a social organization whose purpose is to extend a friendly greeting to its new members, to help them meet others, and to make them feel welcome and a 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 baby, or a change in employment or marital status.

For membership information call Monica Boenning at (908) 928-0321.

Foothill Club meets

The Foothill Club, a community service group, will meet for lunch on May 3 at noon at B.G. Fields Restaurant, 560 Springfield Ave., Westfield. Installation of officers will take place followed by bingo.

Call Genevieve at (908) 232-3626 for a reservation. Guests ae welcome. Members are reminded that dues are due.

Retirees plan art show

The next regular meeting of the Mountainside Active Retirees will be May 8 at 10 a.m. at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East, Mountainside. An art show will be presented with paintings exhibited by two local artists, Karen Freudenberger and Martha Ventura from the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

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SPORTS

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Union Fax: 908-686-4169 Orange Fax: 973-674-2038 Maplewood Fax: 973-763-2557

LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Summit Lacrosse Club has clinics

The Summit Lacrosse Club will once again be offering a skills clinic for boys in first grade who live in Summit. The club will also be offering, for the first time, a skills clinic for girls in the second grade who live in Summit.

The clinics will offer instruction in the fundamental skills of the game, including scooping, passing, catching and shooting.

There will be no contact or scrimmaging. The only equipment required is a lacrosse stick, a mouth guard and a tennis ball.

The clinic's instructors will be members of the club's coaching staff and the girls' clinic will be supplemented with experienced women players.

The clinics will be Saturdays from 10:15 to 11 a.m. from April 28 to June 9. There will be no clinic on May 26.

They will take place at the upper field of Memorial Field, except for the final clinic on June 9, which will be at Tatlock Field.

The fee for the programs are \$30, which includes membership in USLacrosse and a t-shirt. Checks may be made payable to: The Summit Lacrosse Club.

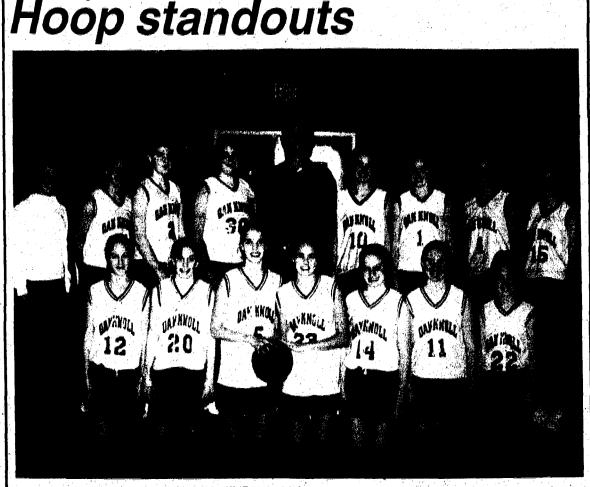
Registration will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the upper field of Memorial Field.

Call Leo Paytas at 908-598-1877 or Mary Ellen Phelan at 908-608-1020.

Minutemen grid clinic May 5, 12

The second annual free Springfield Minutemen Football Clinic will be May 5 and 12 at the Meisel Avenue football field from 9 a.m. to noon.

The clinic is open to all boys in grades 4-8. The coaching staff of the Minutemen will be joined by Dayton High School head coach Kris Kohler and his staff in two mornings of instruction and fun. The Minutemen Football program also announces the formation of a flag football team. This will be conducted as a non-tackle instructional program for children in



The 7th and 8th grade Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child basketball team enjoyed an outstanding 2000-2001 season, finishing with a perfect record of 12-0. Kneeling, from left, are Danielle Patterson of Chatham, Kelly Polisin of Summit, Courtney Hubschmann of Short Hills, Jessica McBride of Madison, Lara Gibbons of Short Hills, Kim Hightower of Madison and Elizabeth Nolan of Summit. Standing, from left, are team manager Alyson Young of Maplewood, Julie Myers of Basking Ridge, Clare Burke of Summit, Kirsten McGlynn of Watchung, head coach Charlie White, Amy Demoreuille of Upper Montclair, Kristen Hoefling of Basking Ridge, Darcy Newell of Summit and Bridget O'Keefe of Madison.

Summit's Schroeder sparks Georgetown lacrosse team

Makes 14 saves in 13-12 win over UMass

Junior goalie Scott Schroeder of Summit made 14 saves and Steve Dusseau scored the game-winning goal with 12 seconds to play as the Georgetown Hoyas edged the UMass Minutemen 13-12 to take control in the men's lacrosse Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference before more than 2,100 fans in Amherst, Mass., on Saturday. The Hoyas can clinch their second straight ECAC title and an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament when they host Rutgers on Saturday and go for their 17th straight home victory. Georgetown will host second-ranked Syracuse on May 5 to finish the regular season before the NCAA tournament gets under way.

Georgetown and UMass both entered Saturday's match-

defenseman Scott Kinum of Summit was named to the Ivy League honor roll for men's lacrosse.

For the week ending April 16, Kinum was among five named to the honor roll for his play in a 10-5 loss to nationally-ranked Cornell. He caused 11 loose balls and gathered four ground balls in the April 14 defeat. The senior co-captain followed that up with 12 ground balls in games against Yale, a 10-9 loss, and Brown, including his first career goal in Saturday's 12-6 victory versus Brown to the make the honor roll again, for the week ending Monday. He is among the team leaders in ground balls.

Dartmouth snapped a three-game losing streak with the vin over the Bears, their first Ivy League win against three

Summit is getting confidence back

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer

SUMMIT — "Hopefully we got our confidence back and can take this win and move forward with it," is what Summit High School baseball coach Jim Dietz said after his team came back from a 4-0 deficit to take a 9-4 decision over Governor Livingston Monday afternoon at Memorial Field.

Summit, 3-7 as of Tuesday, dropped its previous three games. First came a 4-2 loss at home to Mount Olive on April 18. Next was a 6-5 loss at Hanover Park last Friday. Then came a 7-6 loss at Millburn last Saturday in the consolation game of the Millburn Tournament.

All three losses came in the last inning, with the setback to Mount Olive coming in eight innings.

"At 2-7 we decided it's now over never," senior shortstop Mike Nelson said. "We will take it one game at a time and try to get to the state tournament."

High School Baseball

Nelson, who had three hits and two RBI along with sophomore Paul Kropa's two hits and three RBI, led the charge for the Hilltoppers against GL.

Trailing 4-0 entering the bottom of the fourth inning, senior centerfielder Matt Benedetti reached third on a two-base throwing error by the Highlander shortstop. Catcher Nick Monaco then bounced into a 4-3 groundout to plate Benedetti for the Hilltoppers' first run.

Another error put Steve Bariexca aboard with two out. After stealing second, Bariexca scored on a sharp single to center from Kropa to cut the lead in half at 4-2. A single from first baseman Chris Kaiser and a walk to designated hitter Rob Delgado loaded the bases for Nelson, who punched a single to left to plate Kropa for the third run.

Matt Williams struck out to end the inning, but Summit now trailed by only a run at 4-3.

Bariexca, now on in relief of starter Kropa, retired the side in order in the top of the fifth, picking up a strikeout in the process.

"I was just mixing things up the best I could, throwing fastballs and curves," Bariexca said.

The Hilltopper bats came alive in the bottom half of the frame as they scored four more runs to take a 7-4 lead.

Benedetti got things going with a walk and then scored on an RBI-double off the bat of third baseman Ryan Carey. After Monaco flew to right, Bariexca hit into a fielder's choice as Carey beat the throw to third, putting runners at the corners.

Kropa grounded out 4-3 to pick up another RBI to give Summit the lead at 5-4. Kaiser then lined a single to plate Bariexca and then moved down to second on a single from Delgado. That brought up Nelson, who lined a single to left for an RBI and the 7-4 lead.

Lefthanded starter Andrew Gropper, who beat the Hilltoppers earlier in the season, then got Williams swinging to end the inning.

After GL, which fell to 6-4 with the defeat, leadoff hitter Tom Lallis opened up the top of the sixth with a walk and advanced to third on a throwing error, Bariexca beared down and got the next two hitters on strikeouts to end the threath.

The Hilltoppers added two more runs in the bottom half of the inning on a wild pitch and an RBI-triple from Kropa to bring the score to its 9-4 final. After getting the first two outs of the top of the seventh inning, Bariexca gave up his only hit to Highlander catcher Steve Lesnewich. The righty then faced pinch-hilter Pete Flynn and got him swinging to end the non-conference contest.

"Steve did a fantastic job," Dietz said. "He came in and shut the door on them."

Things didn't look so good early in the contest for the Hilltoppers as the Highlanders scored a run in the first on a groundout and added another in the third on a sacrifrice fly to take a 2-0 lead.

grades 2 and 3.

Games will be in the fall on Saturday mornings, with one practice during the week. This clinic is also free of charge and will emphasize learning positions, football fundamentals and team play. Forms for both clinics are available at the Springfield Recreation Department.

Swimming team registration now

Registration for the Springfield swimming team that competes in the North Jersey Summer Swim League will take place Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield.

Special registration dates include May 12 from noon to 3 p.m., May 20 from noon to 3 p.m. and May 22 from 5 -8 p.m.

Boys and girls ages 5-17 are eligible to participate. All participants should be comfortable in deep water, though need not be "Olympic" quality swimmers.

Team practice will begin in June and the swim meets run from June to the last week in July.

All Springfield residents are eligible to participate without being a pool member. Non-residents who wish to participate must be a pool member.

The fee is \$30 for the first child, and \$25 for each additional child. Checks are to be made payable to: Township of Springfield. Call 973-912-2227.

Summit 7th grad lacrosse triumphs

The Summit Middle School 7th grade gold lacrosse team blanked Somerset Hills 10-0 last Sunday at Washington School in Summit to improve to 2-0.

Kevin Feeney had four goals and one assist, Rob Hillenbrand had a goal and three assists, Justin Oplinger had a goal and two assists, Logan Bartlett had two goals and Chris Sneickus and Scott O'Sullivan had one goal each. Also playing well for Summit were Andy Sigler, Ross Anderson, Phil Powers, Michael Shea, Steve Allegrini, Andrew Donnantuono, Billy Tully, Kevin White and goalkeeper Charlie Forbes. up ranked in the top 10 nationally, the Hoyas at No. 8, the Minutemen at No. 4. The Hoyas handed UMass its first loss of the season as both teams now stand at 10-1, 4-1 in conference play. In their first meeting ever, the Hoyas downed the Minutemen 19-18 last season.

Tied at 5-5 at halftime, Georgetown scored seven of the next eight goals before UMass stormed back to tie the game at 12-12 with 2:04 to play.

Sophomore defenseman Pat Collins of Mountainside, an all-stater at Delbarton in 1999, assisted on Mike Henehan's 12th goal of the year at 12:28 of the fourth quarter to make it 12-6. It was Collins' first career point at Georgetown. Summit's Britt leads Yale to victory

Freshman midfielder Ned Britt of Summit scored two fourth-quarter goals to help Yale come back and defeat Dartmouth 10-9 on April 18 in Ivy League men's lacrosse.

Britt, the New Jersey player of the year last year when he played for Summit High School, scored at 5:47 of the fourth quarter and again with 1:57 remaining to knot the game at 9-9 before Mike Morris netted the game-winner from 10 feet out with only-nine seconds to play.

The Bulldogs gained their second straight win on Saturday, with a 9-7 victory at Harvard to close out their Ivy League season at 3-3 and even their overall mark at 6-6. Yale will host nationally-ranked Maryland on Saturday at 1 p.m. to conclude the 2001 campaign.

For the season, Britt has eight goals and one assist, good for seven points.

Summit's Kinum on Ivy League honor roll For the second consecutive week, Dartmouth senior losses, and improved to 4-6 overall.

Kinum, who was a first team all-stater for Delbarton, was named to the honor roll twice during the 2000 campaign when he held the top players for Pennsylvania and Colgate scoreless. The 5-10, 175-pound senior co-captain was named to the All-Ivy Second Team last year and was the team MVP.

The Big Green were scheduled to host Boston College Tuesday and Sacred Heart yesterday. The squad travels to Princeton Saturday at 1 p.m. to face the top-ranked Tigers, who last week clinched the Ivy League title and an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament with a 7-4 triumph at Cornell.

Dartmouth will close out the regular season on May 5 against Harvard.

Summit's Haire scores for Middlebury

Senior midfielder Jamie Haire of Summit scored a goal in Middlebury's 13-8 win over Trinity College on Saturday. The Panthers improved to 9-1 and remained undefeated at 6-0 in the New England Small College Athletic Conference.

Haire has 16 goals and 10 assists for 26 points for the defending Division 3 men's lacrosse national champions this season.

Middlebury, ranked seventh nationally, was scheduled to visit Williams College yesterday before hosting Bates College on Saturday to finish conference play. The NES-CAC Tournament will get under way with the first round on Tuesday and the semifinals and finals on May 5 and 6, respectively.



Govemor Livingston High School varsity ice hockey coaches, from left, Chris "Miko" Kolajczyk and Paul Kostrowski, along with GL faculty members, met in a friendly game of floor hockey in the high school gym. With the coaches are team captain Kevin Giglio, to the right with stick and goaltender Kyle Weltman, back right.

GL added two more runs in the top of the fourth off Kropa. Gropper struck out to start the inning, but centerfielder Pete Findlay and Lallis followed with singles to center to get aboard.

Rightfielder Frank Cavallo grounded out to first for the second out, but then first baseman Pete Caggiano walked to load the bases. Third baseman Dan Drake then lined a single to left to drive in what would be GL's final two runs.

"A lot of guys play winter sports and might be a little rusty from that," Carey said. "Once the middle of the season comes around, everyone should get going."

GL sought another win

By Jeff Wolfrum

Staff Writer SUMMIT — Seeking to get back on the winning track after its five-game

winning streak was snapped, the Governor Livingston High School baseball team fell to Summit 9-4 Monday afternoon at Memorial Field.

The Highlanders saw their five-game winning streak end last Saturday as they were defeated by Hanover Park 5-3 in the Millburn Tournament final in Millburn.

GL was then seeking another victory over Summit as it had previously defeated the Hilltoppers by a 3-1 score back on April 7 in the first round of the Millburn Tournament.

High School Baseball

Sophomore lefthander Andrew Gropper beat Summit April 7, limiting the Hilltoppers to just three hits. Frank Cavallo had an outstanding day at the plate for GL in that win, coming up with a 3-for-3 performance that included a double and two runs scored.

GL was 6-4 overall and 3-1 in the Mountain Division of the Mountain Valley, Conference as of Tuesday.

Things looked good early on for GL Monday as it struck for an early run in the top of the first. Leftfielder Tom Lallis opened the game by being struck on the hip by a pitch from Summit starter Paul Kropa. After he stole second, Lallis advanced to third on a single from Cavallo, who was GL's rightfielder.

An RBI-groundout from first baseman Pete Caggiano sent Lallis home as the Highlanders led 1-0.

Gropper sent down the first two batters in the bottom half of the inning, the second one retired on a nice diving grab from shortstop Jon Mekisock to roh Summit leftfielder Matt Williams of a single. Then Hilltopper centerfielder Matt Benedetti laced a single to center for his team's first hit. After stealing second, Benedetti was left stranded as third baseman Ryan Carey flew out to center to end the inning.

Bad baserunning might have cost the Highlanders a chance to score more runs in the top of the second.

Catcher Steve Lesnewich opened with a double down the third base line just out of the reach of a diving Carey. Gropper walked to put runners at first and second which brought up centerfielder Pete Findlay, who struck out. Lallis then drove a shot to deep right that Steve Bariexca caught and fired to first as Gropper was caught in between on the play.

Gropper made up for the gaffe in the bottom half of the frame as he set the side down in order, getting the first two batters on strikeouts.

The Highlanders tacked on a run in the top of the third for a 2-0 lead. With one out, Caggiano lined a single to right and moved down to third on consecutive singles from third baseman Dan Drake and second baseman Matt Donahue. That sent up Mountainside resident Matt Deanna, who hit a sacrifrice fly to center to plate Caggiano with the run.

Gropper, who finished with six strikeouts, got two more in the bottom half of the third inning as he kept the Hilltoppers scoreless.

GL scored its last runs of the game in the top of the fourth to take a 4-0 lead. With one out, Findlay and Lallis had consecutive singles to center, putting runners at first and second. Drake, another Mountainside resident, banged out a two-run single to make it 4-0.

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NOTICE OF PASSED ORDINANCE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the fol-NOTICE 15 HEREBY GIVEN that the fol-lowing ordinance was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a Regular Meeting duly held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, New Jersey, in the Municipal Build-ing, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on the 17th day of April 2001. Judith E. Osty, RMC Municipal Clerk ORDINANCE 1033-01 AN ORDINANCE TO APPRO-PRIATE THE SUM OF TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00) FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT U4729 ECL April 26, 2001 (\$8.25)

HEARING NOTICE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE The bond ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mountainside on April 17, 2001 and will be further considered for final pas-sage after public hearing at the meeting of sald Borough Council to be held at the Bor-ough Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ on May 15, 2001, beginning at 8:00 p.m. During the week prior to and including the date of such further consideration, coples will be made available at the Municipal Clerk's Office in said Municipal Building to members of the General Public who shall request such coples. request such copies.

Judith E. Osty Municipal Clerk

Municipal Clerk ORDINANCE 1034-01 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RESURFACING OF WOOD VALLEY ROAD, SECTION 2, APPROVING THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOU-SAND DOLLARS (\$180,000.00) TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PRO-VIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPA-TION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and

BUNDS BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I: The Resurfacing of Wood Valley Road Section 2 in the Borough of Mountainside is hereby authorized. SECTION II: The sum of \$160,000.00 be

Valicy Foundation Section 2 in the Bolocy of Section 3 Section 1 and the same is hereby authorized. SECTION II: The sum of \$160,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated for large sauthorized in Section 1 of this Ordi-nance. Said sum so appropriated shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of bonds and notes authorized by this Ordi-nance, and a Grant received by the New Jersey Department of Transportation. SECTION III. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) resultacing of Wood Valley Road in the Borough of Mountainside (nerein referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of the Borough; and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough purpose of the Borough and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough purpose is \$160,000.00; and (4) \$85,000.00 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose; and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes neces-sary to be issued for said purpose is \$152,000.00; and (6) the cost of such pur-pose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$20,000.00 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of auchorizing, selling and issuing obligations, and other expenses, to the extent permitted by Section 40A:2-20 of the Local Bond Law. SECTION IV: It is hereby determined and stated that an aggregate amount not exceeding \$20,000.00 for items or expenses listed in and permitted under NJ.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the esti-mated cost indicated herein for the purpose. BECTION V: It is hereby determined and stated that the argungets amount not exceeding \$20,000.00 for items of expenses listed in and permitted under NJ.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the esti-mated cost indicated herein for the purpose.

mated cost indicated herein for the purpose. BECTION V: It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$8,000.00 be and the same is appropriated as the down payment required for the cost of said purpose. BECTION VI: To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$152,000.00 are hereby authorized to be issued purpuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this Ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

BECTION VII: To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceedan aggregate principal amount not exceed-ing \$152,000,00 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said-bonds. In the event that bonds are issued-pursuant to this Ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outequal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of out-standing bonds and notes issued pursuant to this Ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this Section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall be not less than the amount of such excess, and shall be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding. SECTION VIII: Each bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this Ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear inter-set at a rate per anum as may be hereafter shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear inter-est at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations pre-cribed by the Local Bond Law, Each of said notes shall be signed by the Mayor and the Borough Treasurer and shall be under the seal of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue such notes in such forms as they may adopt in conformity with itsw. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes is hereby delegated to the Borough Treasurer v ho is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law. SECTION IX: It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of 10 years computed from the date of said bonds. SECTION X: It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemential Debt State-ment required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, as defined in Section 40A:2-43 of the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 40A:2-43 of the Local Bond Law has been duly the local Bond Law. SECTION XI: Any funde received from the ostate on sauthorized by this Ordi-nance will be within all debt limitations pre-scribed by asia Local Bond Law. SECTION XI: Any funde received from the state on New Jersey Department of Transportation or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States

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PUBLIC NOTICE of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose shall be used to reduce the cost of such purpose, or if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such pur-pose shall be reduced accordingly. SECTION XII: The full faith and credit of the said Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this Ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount. SECTION XII: The Engineer is hereby authorized to prepare specifications for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount. SECTION XII: The Engineer is hereby authorized to prepare specifications for the object for said improvements. SECTION XIV: This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publi-cation hereof after final passage. U4730 ECL April 26, 2001 (\$71.00)

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION P.O. BOX 210 SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07081

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, New Jersey until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 15, 2001 in the office of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, at the Jonathan Dayton High School, Springfield, New Jersey for the following:

High School, Springfield, New Jersey for the following: CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES Instruction to Bidders, Form of Proposal and Specifications may be examined at the office of the Secretary, at the Jonathan Dayton High School Board of Education Office, Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey and one (1) copy thereof may be obtained by each bidder. Bids shall be made only on the form pro-vided with all blanks filled in and signed by the bidder. Bids shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes giving the name of the bidder and the type of materials or services bid on. A certified check or bid bond equal to 10% of the bid total must accompany speci-fied bids.

10% of the bid total must accompany speci-fied bids. No bidder may withdraw the bid for a per-lod of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in any bid, and shall, further make awards in any way it deems advisable to the best interests of the School District. Bidders are required to comply with the rules and regulations of Chapter 127 P.L. 1975 concerning Affirmative Action and must furniah Notice of Compliance with the same with their bid. Bidders are required to comply with the rules and regulations of the comply with the rules and regulations of the Americana with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) concerning unlawful discrimination in amployment

(ADA) concerning unlawful discrimination in employment. All successful vendors must submit within seven (7) days of the notice of intent to award or the signing of the contract, one of the following:

 A photo copy of their Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval
 A photo copy of their Certificate of Employee Information Report (AA 302)
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302) OR 3. A complete Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA 302) The Affirmative Action Affidavit for vendors having less than fifty employ-es is no longer acceptable. By order of the Board of Education, Springfield, Union County, New Jersey, U4741 ECL April 29, 2001 (\$25,50)

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, NJ

RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL BERVICES CONTRACT TO KELLER & KIRK-PATRICK, INC. BY THE TOWN-SHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for Professional Surveying Services for the updating of existing fax maps within the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jensey, and

existing fax maps within the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, and WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et aeg., requires a resolution authorizing the sward of the con-tract for professional services without com-petitive bids and that the contract lise/i must be available for inspection: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Town-ship of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and the Township Clerk of the Township of Spring-field are hereby authorized, respectively to exclute and attest to an agreement with Keller & Kirkpatrick, inc. for the update of Current Municipal Tax Maps involving lot line changes, addition of deed distances, minor subdivisions, one major subdivision and street addresses, at a fee not to exceed \$6,582.50, pursuant to a letter datad April 19, 2001. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Ser-vices Contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Con-tracts Law. TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meet-ing of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, April 24, 2001, KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI, RMC/CMC U4790 ECL April 26, 2001 (\$19.50)

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public hearings will be held by the Planning Board of the Borough of Mountainside in the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ on May 10, 2001 at 8:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Larry Stevens, 1534 Route 22, Block 3.A, Lot 12 - Appealing decision regarding horo-scope reading in a residential dwelling.

APPLICATION NUMBERS:

Project Applicant (& Address):

Operator of Project (& Address):

Project Address:

A. K. Stamping Co., Inc., 1159 Route 22, Block 23.C. Lots 8.D, 34, 35, 21 & 24 -Revised site plan to construct a second floor addition on Plant #2. Bulk variances if required. Variances sub-ject to the Mountainside Land Use Ordi-nance. Other issues may be discussed and

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action may be taken. Ruth M. Rees Secretary (\$10.25)

U4761 ECL April 26, 2001

NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The New Jersey Economic Development Authority will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting on May 8, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at its offices at 36 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey to discuss and take action with respect to various applications for private activity bond financing, including, but not limited to, the following application:

Maximum Amount of Issue Requested:

Description of Project:

P13296 and P13297 A.K. Stamping Co., Inc. 1159 U.S. Route 22 East Mountainside, New Jersey 07092 Same 2135 U.S. Route 22 Union, Union County, New Jersey

and 1159 U.S. Route 22 East Mountainside, Union County, New Jersey Jersey

Not exceeding \$3,370,000

Financing is sought for the purchase of equipment and machinery to be located in the Township of Union, County of Union and State of New Jersey and the refinancing of an existing New Jersey Economic Development Authority Bond for equipment located in the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

At the meeting, members of the public may appear in person or by attorney to express their views, which may either be provided orally or may be submitted in writing at the Authority's address above concerning the proposed issuance of bonds and the location and nature of the Project to be financed thereby. PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND FINANCINGS OF THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVE-LOPMENT AUTHORITY ARE NOT OBLIGATIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, NOR ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY THEREOF. Funding for such financings are secured privately through conventional lending sources. This notice is published in accordance with the public notice requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1988, as amended. U4740 ECL April 26, 2001 (\$35.25)

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD COUNTY OF UNION, NJ BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2001-

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$1,005,150 THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$837,875 BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

SECTION 1. The Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, New Jersey (herei-natter the "Township"), hereby authorizes the improvements described in Section 3 (A) of this Bond Ordinance (hereinalter the "Purposes"), which shall be undertaken by the Town-ship as general improvements, the cost of which shall be borne by the Township at large. For the Purposes described in Section 3 (A) the Township hereby appropriates the sum of \$1,005,150 including the sum of \$125,000 available as a Department of Transportation grant and the sum of \$42,175 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The Down Payment is now available by provision for down payments or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets of the Township, said sum being not less than five (5%) per cent of the obligations authorized herein.

SECTION 2. In order to finance the cost of the Purposes not covered by application of the grant and down payment, negotiable general improvement bonds are hereby author-ized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in the principal amount of \$837,975. In anticipation of the issued pursuant to and within the imitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law in the principal amount of \$837,975.

SECTION 3. A. The Purposes hereby authorized and for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each Purpose and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each Purpose and the period of useful-ness of each Purpose are as follows:

ness of each Purpose are as to Purposes	Appropriation and Estimated Costs	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes	Period or Average Period of Usefuiness
(a) Acquisition of one new. vehicle for the Public Works Department.	\$25,000	\$23,800	5 years
(b) Acquisition of new furniture for the Free Public Library.	\$12,175	\$11,575	5 years
(c) Acquisition of six new or replacement computers for the Free, Public Library.	\$12,000	\$11,400	10 years
(d) Improvements to the electrical system in the Free Publ- ic Library, including the acquisi- tion of all materials and the perfor- mance of all work necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	\$5,500	\$5,225	10 years
(e) Replacement and expansion of the computer network in the Free Public Library.	\$16,675	\$15,875	10 years
(f) Acquisition of new or upgraded computer and electron- ic equipment including: copier for the Fire Department! Wo compu-	\$107,000	\$101,900	10 years

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performance of all work necessary therefor or incidential thereto.	Transportation grant)		
(h) Renovations to various parks and recreation facilities, including the acquisition of all materials and the performance of all work necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	\$31,800	\$30,200	15 years
(i) Impvrovements to sanitary sewer system, including work on inflow and infiltration problems and the acquisition of all materials and the performance of all work necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	\$420,000	\$400,000	40 yeara
	\$1,005,150	\$837,975	24.289 years

B. The excess of the appropriation made for each of the aforesaid Purposes over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, namely, an aggregate amount of \$167,175, is the amount of the grant of \$125,000 and the down payments of \$42,175 for said Purpose. C. The estimated cost of each Purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made. Therefore, and the appropriation herein the amount of the appropriation herein the amount of the appropriation herein the appropriation herein the amount of the appropriation herein the appropriation the appropriation the appropriation the appropriation herein the approprise herein the appropriation therein therein the appropr

made therefor.

SECTION 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. Each note shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclu-sive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued pursuant to this from time to time subject to the provisione of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8 (a). The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited

and stated: (a) The Purposes described in Section 3 (A) of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are acquisitions and improvements that the Township may lawfully under-take as capital projects and general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby. (b) The average period of usefulness of the Purposes with the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 24.289 years.

aurorized by this bond ordinance, is 24.289 years.
(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this amendad bond ordinance by \$337,975, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount of not exceed \$140,000 for iteme of expense listed in and per-mitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the Purposes or improvements.

SECTION 6. Any funds received from the County of Union, the State of New Jersey, including any grant from the State Municipal Aid portion of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act, or the United States of America, or any of their agencies, or from any other source in aid of the Purposes, shall be applied either to the direct payment of the cost of the Purposes, or, if bonds or bond anticipation notes have been issued, to payment of the bonds or bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of bonds authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

SECTION 7. The capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Govern-ment Services is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

ment Services is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection. SECTION 9. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse the Township's expendi-ture of certain costs related to the Purpose ("Project Costs") incurred and paid prior to the issuance of any bords or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. This Section is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditure of Project Costs incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.160-2 (e). The bonds or notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance to pay Project Costs will be in an amount not to exceed \$837,975. As soon as possible after the adoption hereof and in any case within thinty (30) days from the adoption hereof, this bond ordinance will be available at least until the issuadce of the Township or the customary location of records of the Township that are available to the general public. This bond ordinance will be available at least until the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital expenditures" as defined in upon proper notice during working hours. The Project Costs to be available at least until the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital expenditures" as defined in authorized or an expenditure described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.148-6 (d) (3) (i) (B). The allocation of proceeds of the bonds or notes lasued pursuant to this bond ordi-nance to reimburse Project Costs to be reimbursed with the pro-ceds of the date the Project Cost of the bonds or notes incured prior to the issuance of on the sode or notes authorized or an expenditure described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.148-6 (d) (3) (ii) (B). The allocation of proceeds of the bonds or notes lasued pursuant to this bond ordi-nance to reimburse Project Costs to be reimbursed

Section 9. The Chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distri-buted in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclo-sure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securitias and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpre-tation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be in the opinion of a national-ly recognized bond coursel, consistent with the reculrements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking; the Township shall not be liable, for any monstary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punc-hual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to lavy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

the Fire Department; two compu-ters for the Office of Emergency Management; computer and print-er for Fire Prevention; computer for the Finance Department; and other computer equipment, prog-rams and electrical improvements for various Township Depart-ments. ments.

(g) Rehabilitation of various roads, curbs and sidewalks, including work in the right-of-way and drainage work as required, and the acquisition of all materials and the

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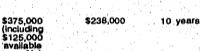
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ATTEST: INTRODUCTION: April 10, 2001 Kathleen D. Wisniewski, Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION Sy Muliman, Mayor

STATEMENT

The Bond Ordinance published herewith has been finally adopted on April 24, 2001, and the twenty-day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinances can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement.

U4786 ECL April 26, 2001

KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI, RMC/CMC TOWNSHIP CLERK (\$174.75

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