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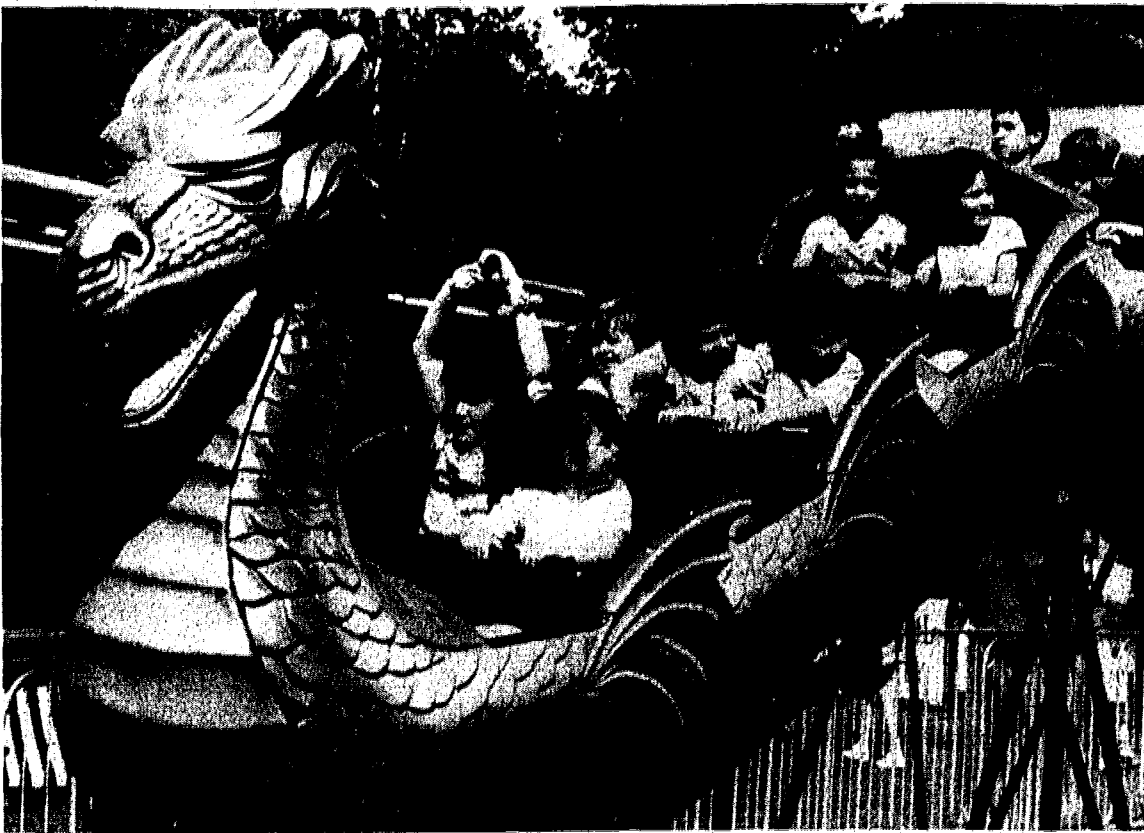


Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Riding the front seat of the dragon at the St. James Festival last week are Jaclyn Friedman and her cousin, Springfield resident and Edward V. Walton pre-kindergartener Sabrina Bibbo.

Vote on defeated sch budget expected Monday

By Jay-Me Brown
Staff Writer

Residents, parents and educators offered their views on the defeated school budget during the Springfield Township Committee's meeting Tuesday night in the Jonathan Dayton High School auditorium.

Committee members repeatedly told the audience that the educational programs are not in jeopardy. "We have no intentions of sacrificing the education and leave Springfield behind," said Committeewoman Clara Hareluk.

However, many individuals were concerned about the student programming particularly the pre-kindergarten program at the Walton School.

Parent-Teacher Association President Nancy Scileppi urged the Township Committee to protect the pre-kindergarten program. Scileppi said she heard there was a suggestion to implement a tuition-based program at the Walton School for the pre-k program.

"I'm concerned whether or not the Board of Education may require parents to pay tuition fees," Scileppi said. The committee assured Scileppi that the programs are not in any danger.

Committeeman Steven Goldstein classified the possibility of adding a tuition fee to the Walton school a rumor. "We're not the bad guys, I don't want to hurt the schools with budget cuts."

Goldstein informed the attendants of the committee's role in examining the budget. Since the budget was voted down in last month's school board election, the committee

must review the budget line-item by line-item with the Board of Education.

By May 21, both parties must come up with a final solution. Until then the joint private sessions are scheduled to continue. Goldstein said low voter turnout was instrumental in the budget defeat.

"This vote down should be a wakeup call for everyone and once again this crisis continues to spark interest."

Mayor Sy Mullman agreed with Goldstein regarding the lack of voter participation. He conveyed to the audience that not every senior citizen voted against the budget. The mayor reinforced the fact that the township and Board of Education will continue to work together.

Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld said the Township Committee acts as consultants to the Board of Education on the defeated budget.

Several individuals at the meeting said they were unaware of the basic mechanics of the school budget. The entire committee encouraged the audience to obtain a copy of the budget since it is a public record.

After the public session was officially closed the possibility of creating a tuition-based program at Walton surfaced again. Co-chairman of the Springfield Improvement Association, Hazel Hardgrove expressed her views about the budget. She said every student should have the opportunity to have a quality education.

The committee expects to vote on the school budget by Monday, at the high school.

Centenarians celebrate at Brighton Gardens

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor

Reaching a milestone of living for 100 years is something not many people get the chance to do.

Yet for the centenarians who were acknowledged with a special birthday party at Brighton Gardens Assisted Living of Mountainside last Friday, it was more than a celebration of age, it was a testimony to the human spirit.

"I feel like dancing but I got nobody to dance with," said Rachel "Ray" Ruggerio, 99.

Ruggerio, who celebrates her 100th birthday on Christmas Day, was one of the several area centenarians who were present at the celebration. Others included Katherine "Kitty" Fiore, 100, Angela Guerriero, 103, Minnie Guttenberg, 100, and Minnie Kaspar, who turns 102 in June.

"I think it's just thrilling to be in a room with these five people," said Aviva Schwartz, director of community relations for senior living services at Brighton Gardens. "The amount of stories collectively amongst these five women must be pretty amazing."

In honor of Older Americans Month, Brighton Gardens acknowledged the centenarians along with the Union County Department of Human Services Division on Aging. Fran Besnon, assistant director of the Division

on Aging talked about the different services offered for the elderly, while Schwartz was on hand to present the centenarians with their certificates and gift bags.

Each of the certificates awarded the centenarians for their accomplishment and included signatures from the mayor of their hometown.

The second annual Centenarian Celebration kicked off with plenty of food, birthday cake, and music by Springfield resident and professional entertainer Ted O'Connell. Helping the centenarians celebrate were family and friends who came along to share with the excitement of their accomplishment.

"I'm very glad I came," said Kaspar. "I look good."

Kaspar was born in Elizabeth and worked in the Singer Manufacturing Company for 45 years. She currently lives at ManorCare in Mountainside.

"I love having her as a patient," said Nurse Patty Iannucci. "She's awake when I get in and her favorite show is 'Who Wants to Be a Millionaire.'"

Kaspar's niece, Mary Mulkeen was also present to help her take part in the celebration.

The other centenarians felt proud to be a part of this special celebration in their honor.



Photo By Bob Helfrich

Gathering under their birthday banner, several of the area centenarians celebrate at the Centenarian Party Friday at Brighton Gardens in Mountainside.

"They make me feel right at home," said Guttenberg. "Everyone is friendly."

The centenarians who could not attend the event included Minnie Bensky, Mary Burroughs, Birdell Johnson, Thelma Kimbrough, Alex-

andra Kniazkynsky, Clara Krebs and Josephine Ross.

The Union County Division on Aging's theme for May, "The Many Faces of Aging," reflects the growing diversity found among today's elderly population.

"If you look around, our culture is changing and we really want to celebrate the diversity of all different people," said Benson. "I think it's very important for the community to know that there are older people out there and they have long, creative lives."

Program gives new teachers support

By Jay-Me Brown
Staff Writer

For two years, several educators from the Springfield school system developed a program that provides a support system for incoming teachers.

The educators created Recommendations For A Teacher Induction Program which assists in the establishment and development of newly-hired teachers, and also helps teachers meet district standards. Over a three-year period, the program is targeted to enhance and promote professional

growth and self-confidence among educators.

"The survival rate is dismal among educators, so this mentorship initiative would provide a much-needed three-year program," said Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School teacher Judy Cariani.

Another major program goal enables new teachers to analyze, reflect and evaluate their growth in the teaching profession with assistance from support teachers and the staff. Presently, a mentorship program

exists within the school system. However, it gives educators an extra year of guidance.

According to Jonathan Dayton High School teacher Stacey Roberts, by state law, teachers are mentored for two years. Under the Springfield program, new educators may have more time to foster relationships during the additional year.

"An extended mentoring program will add the vitality to our careers and train new teachers in the essential ele-

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Mountainside Rotary Club will sponsor bike collection Saturday

By Jay-Me Brown
Staff Writer

Now is the time to tackle the clutter in the garage, basement, or cellar and start the spring cleaning. It may be possible that you come across an old bicycle or two. Whatever you do, make an attempt to save the bikes from becoming new editions in the landfills. Some of those worn out bikes may be the mode of transportation for someone in a distant land.

The Mountainside Rotary Club is sponsoring a bike collection for Pedals for Progress which recycles and delivers bikes to 16 developing countries throughout Latin America, Africa and the Pacific Islands.

Deerfield Elementary School at Central Avenue and School Drive in Mountainside will be the site for the bike collection on Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. Both old and new bikes are welcome at the bike drive. However, the old

bikes must be in repairable condition, so the next person can use it.

Mountainside Rotary Club President Bruce Dickerson, explained how the bikes increase the employment rate within the developing countries.

"The bikes will provide the needed transportation for the people to find jobs in other villages as carpenters, masons, or laborers."

Annually, Pedals for Progress recycles and distributes over 9,000 bikes to those in need. Once the bikes are transported from Deerfield, club members remove the pedals for easy transport.

To ship, collect, process rebuild and distribute the bikes it costs \$25. Anyone who decides to donate bikes can also defray the shipping cost with a \$10 donation. The club accepts bikes beyond the deadline date. For information call (908) 322-7230.

Pinning his hopes



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Hoping to win a stuffed animal at the St. James Festival Saturday, Springfield resident Stephen Lynn, 5, throws a ball into the cups while father John stands by for good luck.

Residents call for fairness

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer

If the Mountainside Board of Education meeting on Tuesday night had a theme, it would be "Let there be light on the Little League Field." But not yet; there is too much controversy about it now.

The Borough Council planned to reallocate \$75,000 from a state grant obtained last year to install lights on the baseball field near Deerfield School. The Board of Education owns the property where the Little League field lies.

More than 100 people came to discuss the planned lighting Tuesday night, and to put it mildly, there was no agreement on the matter.

Board of Education President Richard Kress turned the meeting over to Borough Engineer Michael Disco to explain the proposed lighting. Disco had brought slides and handouts about spill and glare control technology for the audience.

"Over the years there has been considerable interest in lighting the Deerfield baseball field. The grant of \$75,000 could fund this lighting for the Little League games. I have volunteered my time to bring this to a concept situation for the Board of Education, who are owners of the field."

He said that various vendors over time had come forward to discuss doing this, and one plan he had chosen was by Musco, who had made the design drawings he handed out. The plan included four poles for the infield, 60 feet high, with four flood lights per pole, at 1,500 watts, and for the outfield, the poles would be 70 feet high.

"We also have a large tree canopy around the field on both sides, and the lights would be targeted away from the nearby homes," said Disco. He said new technology today casts light downward, allowing very little spillover behind the poles that reach to homes around the field, and little or no glare to the homes.

Disco summarized by saying he thought it would be a very acceptable situation if the Board of Education chose to move forward and make a decision. If approved, the matter would go to the Planning Board very informally, according to Disco, allowing them to react, review and make recommendations. Then a general resolution by the board would be next before bidding. It never got off the ground on Tuesday.

Kress opened the project to the public and people raised their hands and spoke spontaneously before Kress had time to make them come to the microphone.

"Since this improvement is going to be made on Board of Education property, there are rules under Title See QUESTION, Page 3

Question over Title IX

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IX," said Holly Ruggiero, who asked whether the board would take a vote that night. Kress said the board would not vote that night and questioned whether Title 9, which is about gender equity in sports programs, would apply.

"Youth baseball has always used this field; it is not state money, it is coming from the town council. Our main concern is if they want to do this...we just want to be satisfied that our neighbors are happy with this," Kress said.

Several parents were there with their daughters, who played baseball, and there seemed to be an undercurrent about girls being allowed to use the field even with the lighting. Coach and president of Mountainside Youth Baseball John Amalfe stood to make his point. "We have tried to remove all safety issues; I run the sports and we spent over \$140,000 which we raised ourselves; we are a private organization. The borough approach-

ed us and we are improving all the fields. They want to give us the night lights...it is something we always have wanted and our program is open to boys and girls."

Lou Ruggiero disagreed. "Part of the problem is we are using public money to support the private organization; why don't we put it towards Beechwood School instead?" Another man suggested that the Board of Education refuse the grant money. "It is not our money," Kress said. "Besides, we don't get the money, just the lights."

Mary Trimmer read her written recommendations to the Board of Education on how to solve the disagreement. "You should require a written plan by the Mountainside Youth Baseball Association and the Recreation Department outlining specific times and days when the field would be used into the night hours, which would provide for inclusion of girls' teams as well as the boys' teams presently using the field."

Garden time again



Painted faces, flourishing plantings and crafts are all part of the annual Master Gardener Spring Garden Fair and Plant Sale at Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside. Last year's Union County Master Gardeners included Jesse Meade of Westfield, right, and Vince DeGaetano of Springfield. This year's fair will take place May 20, noon to 5 p.m., rain or shine. For more see Page B1.

Gaudineer students get feedback on competition

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ments of teaching," Roberts said. This team of educators researched, collated data and conducted surveys among teachers in order to enhance the program development. The school board supports the project and expects to approve the program in the upcoming year.

Board member Robert Fish commended the team for its efforts. "This presentation is an excellent example of a well-rounded mentorship program."

Mock trial members honored

The mock trial team from the Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School are gaining more recognition for their performance in the statewide Law Adventure Competition.

At Monday's meeting, the Board of Education honored several students from the Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School for their performance.

Seventeen eighth-graders devised the Mason v. Greendale Board of Education case that earned this mock trial team second place in the event sponsored by the New Jersey Bar Association.

After the students presented their award-winning case to a packed audience, the participants were awarded with certificates from the school board.

Board President Stephen Fischbein praised the students for their dedication throughout the highly competitive event.

"These children achieved their goals through hard work."

The team excelled throughout the field of 209 middle schools. All participants were required to produce mock trial cases dealing with medical, legal, professional malpractice, or discrimination. Over a four-month per-

iod the students focused on the discrimination factor and wrote several depositions for the plaintiff and defense.

The students based their case upon a teen diagnosed with Tourettes Syndrome with coprolalia. The disease causes the uncontrollable desire to use inappropriate language. Once the students formed their case they created Lawrence Mason, a junior soccer player at Springbrook High School.

Mason allegedly was granted special treatment by his coach, who alerted the coach from the opposing team that Mason would not be thrown out of the game if he used foul language. However, a Greendale athlete thought Mason should be reprimanded. The player began to use some of the inappropriate language Mason used during the game and was ejected from the game while Mason continued to play.

The Greendale teammates were upset with the decision and taunted Mason. The ridicule was too much for Mason, so he left the game. As a form of recourse, the Mason family filed suit with the Greendale Board of Education for discrimination and violation of privacy.

Pamela Gray, Florence M. Gaudineer supervisor of educational programs prepared the students for the competition. Gray expressed her pride toward the students.

"These children are wonderful; they wrote the entire document and developed all the concepts."

In her first mock trial competition, student Christina Leshko, explained her new found awareness for law.

"It's great to know that we are known as one of the best mock trial teams in the state and I learned how to write and present arguments," Leshko said.

Volunteer club bridges gap between teens, seniors

By Jay-Me Brown
Staff Writer

"We're not Generation Xers bringing guns to school. We happen to be a group of high school students who care about giving back to our community," said 17 year-old Pamela Bookbinder.

Bookbinder belongs to the Jonathan Dayton High School Volunteer Club that focuses on providing volunteer services for individuals throughout Springfield and Mountainside.

The club is composed of more than 60 juniors and seniors who plan and participate in volunteer projects. In 1997, the club entered its developmental stage, which later blossomed into a community service outlet for many teen-agers.

With only 10 students, Club Advisor Linda Axelrad molded the participants into an organization that has been officially recognized by former Gov. Christine Whitman and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, along with the Springfield

Township Committee.

"Four years ago, some students and I volunteered at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside," she said. "We've developed several other programs that help the community."

Throughout the academic year, the club has a variety of programs that serve citizens, including monthly breakfast programs, introductory computer classes, snow shoveling and food shopping.

At 90 years old, Milly Guenther has been an active member of the senior citizens program at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center. Guenther attended several breakfast programs organized by the volunteer club over the years.

Although the next breakfast is scheduled during the fall, Guenther said she can hardly wait. She explained how the breakfast program helped her develop new relationships among the students.

"Everyone says kids do bad things and when they do good things nobody gives them credit," she said. "When

we meet, the kids are able to see that not all senior citizens are old foggies."

Senior Coordinator Theresa Herkalo informs the senior citizens about the programs offered by the volunteer club. In fact, Herkalo organizes activities for 500 senior group members.

"It's great to see students, senior citizens, and teachers socializing in order to cross the generational gap."

The volunteer club is familiar with the needs concerning the senior citizen population. Dayton Principal Charles Serson said the students regularly attend the Committee on Aging meetings. He said students interact with the senior citizens and bond.

"The club has turned out to be a rewarding experience that benefits both parties."

Participants volunteer in other activities that include community cleanup projects, March of Dimes, American Red Cross, food drives and soup kitchen service.

Senior Jonathan Zipkin and junior Grace Alfano are members of the vol-

unteer club and explained how the organization helps build their characters.

Zipkin has been involved in the organization since his early high school years. He went to Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside. Initially, Zipkin said he was apprehensive about visiting ill children, but over time he became fascinated with them.

"Visiting the sick children turned out to be my favorite activity," he said. "Even though the children are sick they manage to create the most amazing smiles without holding back."

Anyone interested in donating to the organization can call Axelrad at (973) 376-1025.

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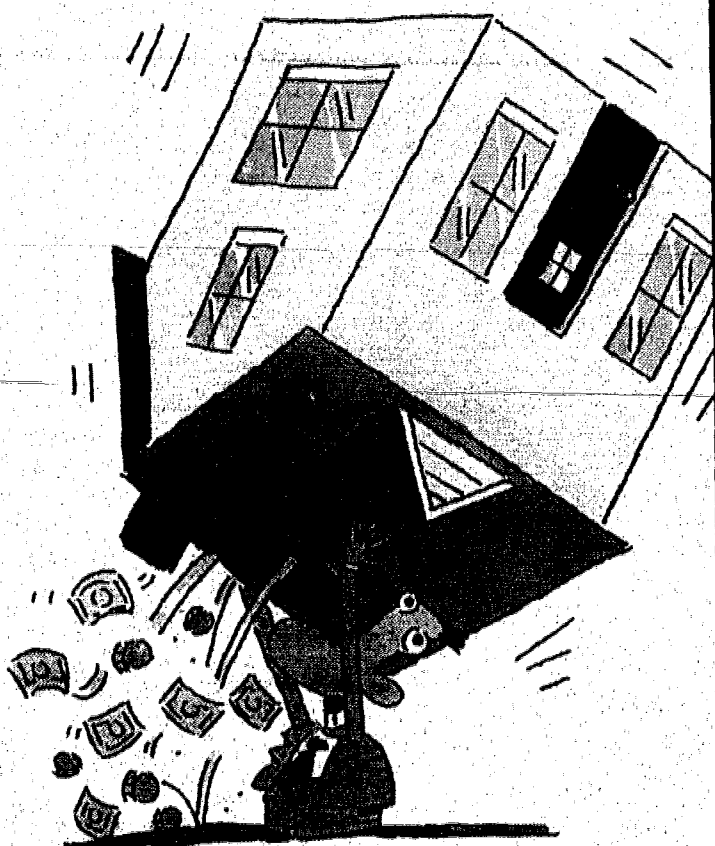
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COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

One small step

With the recent installation of six new streetlights along a section of the business district on Morris Avenue in Springfield, the town has seen a boost in beauty, and hopefully as a result, in business as well.

Completed by the Springfield Beautification Committee, the 14-foot-high lights are designed to reduce darkness along the block and make it more inviting to shoppers. Improved, aesthetically pleasing light fixtures are just a small part of addressing this particular business district. The lights may display a prominent glow of visible elegance, but they also shed light on another much needed improvement for the area.

At any given time of day or night, speeding cars rush along this stretch of Morris Avenue where the new lights have been placed. As motorists enter this narrow strip of Morris Avenue, the speed limit changes from 35 to 30 miles per hour and drivers are supposed to slow down in order to merge into the single lane and safely navigate the busy stretch of the road.

Naturally, with the addition of the streetlights, more light will mean more visibility for drivers and pedestrians, making the block safer.

But with the amount of speeding cars on Morris Avenue going more than the 30-mph speed limit, no amount of lighting will make pedestrians safe from automobiles. As many of the local merchants can attest, the street is not safe for a pedestrian to park his or her car or walk across any time there is a bit of traffic, which is regularly.

The township should look at different ways to deter speeders. Consultants are still in the process of studying the Morris Avenue business district and hopefully their final report will include some recommendations to address traffic and pedestrian safety.

Neighboring towns employ a variety of strategies to calm traffic in pedestrian or shopping areas. Whether through increased policing, rumble strips or the use of pedestrian signs placed strategically in the center of the roadway to remind drivers of people crossing the street, something needs to be done to improve the speeding situation along this particular block of Morris Avenue.

By making a necessary, but ultimately aesthetic improvement to the community with the installation of the streetlights, Springfield should continue to address other issues in the business district, as many are interconnected. Officials should use this opportunity to look for ways to make living and shopping in Springfield safer for everyone, day and night.

Thank you, Mom

Everybody has one and often it is the first word out of a child's mouth — mama.

The bond between mother and child is like no other in the world. It surpasses all tangible evidence and is only felt in the seat of a person's heart. Everybody on this earth — humans and most animals — owes their existence largely to their mother. Therefore, it is only fitting we officially celebrate Moms throughout the world with one day a year, even though they are in our hearts our whole life.

While some say Mother's Day has its origins in ancient Greek civilization or earlier, the important thing is to celebrate and appreciate that undying love that is given to us by our mother.

Anna M. Jarvis did this by starting a letter-writing campaign to congressmen, businessmen and church officials in an attempt to make Mother's Day a national holiday in the United States.

Thanks to Jarvis' efforts, the first Mother's Day was observed by a church service in May 1908. In addition, the first Mother's Day proclamation was issued by the governor of West Virginia in 1910, and by 1911 every state had its own tradition in place.

Jarvis believed children often neglected to truly appreciate their mother while she was still alive, so she came up with the idea of the national holiday. We encourage our readers to do something special for their mothers this holiday. It does not have to be something extravagant, but it does have to come from the heart.

Considering mothers give so much of their time, energy and love to their children, it is incumbent upon us to give back what we have received.

A mother's love is forever strong, through good times and bad. She will worry about her baby, but never get too mad. Willing to forgive when a child is wrong, she knows how to comfort. Always there to show she cares, it is amazing the burden she bears.

A mother's love is linked to heaven. The precious bond that comes from God knows only to create, unique in that respect from their mate.

So celebrate this Mother's Day by having something nice to say. A simple "thank you for everything" or "I love you" will do, because Mom loves you for you.

Happy Mother's Day.



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

CRADLING COCO — Checking out Coco, a shepherd mix, at the Pet Fair at Trailside in Mountainside on Sunday are Michael Grey, 8, a third-grader at Sandmeier School in Springfield, brother Alex, 13, a seventh-grader at Gaudineer School, and sister Jessica, a freshman at Union County College. Coco is 7 weeks old and was bottle raised at Husky House in Branchburg for adoption.

Special education: Restoring Washington's promise

In 1975, Congress opened the doors of learning to millions of children by approving landmark legislation mandating that kids with special education needs receive the same public school education that every other young American enjoys.

To cover this federal mandate, Congress pledged to pay 40 percent of the costs of special education — which can be more than double the cost of educating other students.

But in the quarter-century since the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act became law, the federal government has not kept its word to families with special-needs students. Rather than paying 40 percent of the costs, Congress only pays 15 percent.

That means local schools are forced to cover the difference and make difficult choices among worthy initiatives such as hiring new teachers to reduce class, paying teachers more, installing computers in the classroom or building new schools.

Of course, working families also share in the burden because increased local education costs often mean dramatically higher property tax bills.

As a former teacher, I know firsthand the value of education and the importance of ensuring that all children share in the pride and promise of public education. That's why I introduced, as my very first bill in Congress, legislation to guarantee the federal government lives up to its promise by funding 40 percent of IDEA costs over the next six years.

District Seat

By Mike Ferguson

This reform — H.R. 1330 — is simply common sense and has attracted broad support from both Republicans and Democrats. My bill's chief Democratic sponsor is Rep. Patrick Kennedy of Rhode Island. Also backing the bill is senior member of the House Education Committee, Rep. Marge Roukema of New Jersey.

Before IDEA became law, only 20 percent of students with disabilities were educated in public schools. By 1970, only seven states provided education to more than 50 percent of their students with disabilities and many states passed laws specifically banning certain students from public schools, such as students who were blind, deaf, emotionally disturbed or "feeble minded."

Worse, before the enactment of IDEA, one million children with disabilities were excluded from school altogether and others were housed in psychiatric institutions that failed to address the children's educational needs.

Today, IDEA serves more than 184,000 New Jersey students, ages 3 to 21, and 6.2 million pupils nationwide. In the 7th Congressional Dis-

trict, which I represent, more than 15,400 students, or 14 percent of the district's 111,000 pupils, qualify under IDEA at an estimated annual cost of \$16,318 per student — more than twice the cost of educating the town's other children.

And the success of IDEA has been dramatic. Studies from the 1980s and 1990s show that the percentage of students with disabilities completing high school increased 64 percent.

The success isn't limited to the children's school years; children with disabilities who graduate from high school have a much greater likelihood of being employed than those without high school degrees, particularly those students who enroll in occupationally-oriented education programs.

According to researchers, 44 percent of all adults with a disability today have completed some college or received a degree, compared to only 29 percent in 1986.

Still, more needs to be done. By not keeping its promise to fund 40 percent of IDEA costs, the federal government is forcing local school districts to cut needed programs to cover the federal IDEA mandate.

How has Washington's shortfall affected local schools? Had the federal government funded IDEA at the promised 40 percent — instead of the current 15 percent — local schools nationwide would have had access to more than \$300 billion in additional

funding during the last 25 years.

With both the costs of educating students and the number of students with disabilities increasing, special education costs are consuming a growing share of our school budgets. In New Jersey, the proposed state budget for next year is expected to provide \$910 million for special education. But New Jersey received less than \$170 million from Washington for IDEA last year. Under my legislation, the federal government would meet its commitment and provide more than \$725 million in IDEA funding to New Jersey by 2007.

In many ways, children with disabilities are among our most vulnerable citizens. But most of these kids can excel in education, and many become active participants in our communities. To ensure their long-term success, though, Washington must fulfill its promise to appropriately fund the costs of their educations.

Children with disabilities can achieve their dreams. We must allow every child to fulfill their potential and give young people greater opportunities. To do that, Washington must fulfill its promise to fund more of the cost of their educations.

A resident of Warren, Republican Mike Ferguson represents the 7th Congressional District, which includes Mountainside and Springfield.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Citizens must involve themselves

To the Editor:

Missing in the previous week's "Letters to the Editor" section of the *Echo Leader* is the voice of Springfield's students. Not only is the student body most directly affected by such issues such as the budget, they're aware — and in the case of the referendum, already experiencing — the consequences of these outcomes.

Prior to February's referendum defeat, *The Dawg Print*, Jonathan Dayton High School's student paper, presented its position:

Meisel has always been a county park, funded by taxpayers. It seems logical that the county, not the local taxpayers, should foot the lion's share of the bill for renovations. However, the track and other recreational facilities on its grounds were not originally built with the park; they were later constructed by the school, foremost for Dayton athletics. Moreover, because the county agreed to allow Dayton to use their land, it is understood that construction and maintenance for the track is not the county's responsibility. That is why the burden of financing this project is the township's.

Springfield can't wait for a future referendum to be voted on five years down the road. Not only are the deteriorating facilities long overdue for renovation and are in deplorable condition, but the cost to taxpayers will unquestionably increase. The state has approved \$675,000 in aid and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will subsidize the \$325,000 track installation. Approximately \$1 million has been raised by the county to further offset the total cost of the project. These generous funds are not guaranteed for future proposals and should not be squandered while an opportunity to take advantage of them is available. The cost to the average homeowner is roughly \$85 a year, for five years. Without the aid that is being offered, the total jumps to \$100 per household, a \$75 difference over the course of five years. For those on fixed incomes or tight budgets, \$85 is a sizeable figure; enough to dissuade these individuals to vote "no."

This time there was no excuse for the failure of what should have been an overwhelming "yes" vote. A lackluster attempt to increase support of the referendum on the part of the school and a misleading mailing effort attacking the referendum on behalf of the Springfield Improvement Association are to blame. The Springfield Improvement Association stuffed hundreds of fliers into mailboxes, just days before the vote. The fliers, urging Springfield residents to vote against the referendum were misleading, ambiguous, and completely neglected to mention the athletic field referendum's impact on Jonathan Dayton.

Unquestionably, Springfield's senior citizens comprised much of the "no" votes in the referendum and school budget defeats. In all due respect to these residents, voting against an increase in taxes without considering the benefits is foolish and often results in lower property values that undermine any immediate savings. Younger voters — ages 18 to 60 — are equally responsible for the disappointing outcomes because the vast majority didn't even come to the polls. Those without students in the school system are affected by these decisions since the desirability of their home shifts when a potential buyer sees the miserable conditions of Meisel Field or learns of the difficulty in passing a school budget.

The Bulldog track team was notified by school administration to discontinue use of Dayton's surrounding fields, citing valid safety concerns. Millburn High School has graciously hosted Dayton track practices since the condemnation of the Bulldogs' former practice field, but additional busing costs further strain Dayton's athletic budget. The football, soccer, softball, baseball, track and cross-country teams all stood to benefit had the referendum been approved. Sadly, the substandard facilities/fields used by these teams will only get worse in the near future.

Opponents of the referendum and school budget are quick to point out that Springfield already spends more money per student than comparable districts. It's not so much an issue that Springfield spends \$10,000 per student, as it is how Springfield spends this money. A detailed, spending-per-student breakdown does not exist, but examples of ill-advised spending are not hard to find.

Our superintendent is one of the highest paid in the state. For a district with less than 2,000 students, Dr. Gary Friedland has somehow managed to reach the Mount Everest of salaries, approaching \$200,000 annually. Regardless of the high demand for superintendents, Springfield's next superintendent cannot be paid this much. It is wasteful and unjustified, particularly in lieu of the fact that Springfield rejects legitimate spending in other areas.

Another example of unnecessary spending is calculators for every student. As a middle and upper class township, almost all students can get calculators.

Following the deregionalization of Jonathan Dayton, which Springfield overwhelmingly supported, there has been high rates of mobility among the high school's faculty and a general sentiment of confinement amid students who find themselves limited by several of Dayton's overbearing policies. Springfield has the potential to instruct students in a small setting, yet still provide adequate funding to maintain good teachers and modernize classrooms.

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Spinning 'round



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Springfield twins Joseph Di Benedetto, 3, rear, and brother Jason, also 3, take a spin on one of the many rides at the St. James Festival at St. James The Apostle Church in Springfield on Saturday.

Mountainside chamber has monthly luncheon

The Mountainside Chamber of Commerce will have its monthly luncheon meeting on Wednesday at noon at Raagini Restaurant, 1085 Route 22, Mountainside. Mountainside businesses are invited to attend and become part of the new Mountainside chamber being created as a division of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Mountainside chamber plans to work interactively with the municipal government, residents and businesses to plan events and promotions, publicity for the organization, and to create a Mountainside Business Directory. This new alliance promises to benefit both Westfield and Mountainside, adding members to the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and strengthening both business communities with new contracts and support.

The cost is \$10 per person. To reserve your place, call Debbie Schmidt at the WACC at (908) 233-3021.

EVENTS

Olympic Park slide presentation Tuesday

The Springfield Historical Society and the Union Historical Society host author Alan A. Siegel on Tuesday at 8 p.m. for a slide presentation on Olympic Park at the First Presbyterian Parish House on Church Mall in Springfield.

Siegel, an attorney in Chatham, has written many books on local history, including the Images of America series books on Warren Township and on Irvington. Born in Irvington, he

has many fond memories of visiting the amusement park which straddled the Maplewood-Irvington until it closed in September 1965 after 50 seasons.

Mention Olympic Park in a group of people whose childhoods or young parenthood spanned the '50s and '60s and memories are likely to spill forth: the rides, the games, the food, the special adventures of going there on a hot summer night. After the slide presentation, there will be a question-and-answer period and an opportunity to share those memories.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

Seniors planning trip to Liberty Science Center

The Springfield Senior Citizens sponsor a trip to the Liberty Science Center on Tuesday. The price is \$18 per person, which includes entrance to the Science Center and Exhibits/IMAX/3-D programs.

The bus will leave the Sarah Bailey Civic Center at 10 a.m. For information call (973) 912-2227, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 4 p.m.

Mountainside Newcomers Club sets June Bar-B-Que

The Mountainside Newcomers Club will host its annual June Bar-B-Que 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.

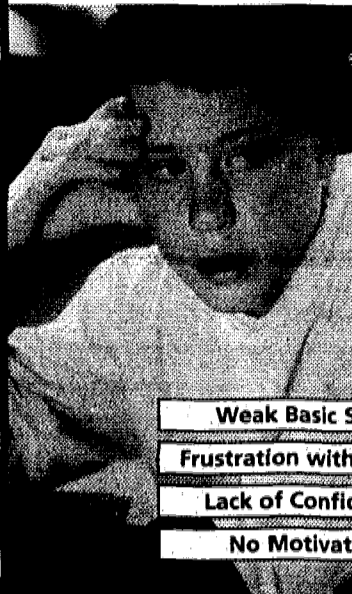
The Mountainside Newcomers Club Inc. is a social organization whose purpose is to extend a friendly greeting to its new members, to help them meet others, and to make them feel welcome and a part of the community. Membership is open to new residents of Mountainside or established residents who have experienced 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.

Mountainside Active Retirees meet Tuesdays

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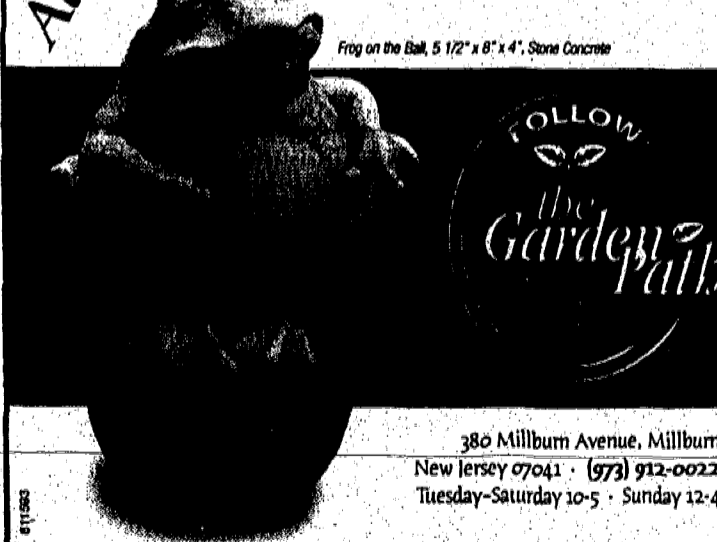
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OBITUARIES

Sylvia Leon

Sylvia Leon, 88, of Springfield died May 5 in the Ashbrook Nursing Home, Scotch Plains.

Born in Harrison, Mrs. Leon lived in Newark before moving to Springfield in 1956. She was a secretary in the records department at Kean University, Union, and retired in 1983. She was a life member of B'nai B'rith and Hadassah, both of Springfield.

Surviving are a son, Dr. Arnold H. Bodner; a daughter, Judith Bodner Lazzaretti; a sister, Ruth Reiles; a brother, Dr. Allen Abrams, and three grandchildren.

Elly Platter

Elly Platter, 95, of Lakehurst, formerly of Mountainside, died May 4 in the Leisure Park Senior Living Community, Lakewood.

Born in Germany, Mrs. Platter came to Mountainside many years ago and moved to Lakehurst several years ago. Mrs. Platter co-founded the Lehigh Tool & Manufacturing Co., Roselle, where she worked for 40 years before retiring 20 years ago. She was a member of the Women's Club of Mountainside.

Surviving are a daughter, Marianne Phielech; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ruth A. Young

Ruth A. Young, 83, of Mountainside died April 29 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Young lived in Mountainside for 44 years. She was a real estate agent for 15 years with Remlinger Realty, Springfield, and retired in 1972. Mrs. Young was a member of the Women's Club of Mountainside.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Donald

Young and Darren; two daughters, Dolores Makrogianni and Deborah Stowers, and two grandchildren.

Samuel S. Scanzo

Samuel S. Scanzo of Whiting, a retired Summit credit union president, died April 30 in Community Medical Center, Toms River. Born in Somerville, Mr. Scanzo lived in North Plainfield before moving to Whiting in 1985. He was the president of the Miko Federal Credit Union in Summit, where he worked for 35 years and retired in 1984.

Joan H. Schumann

Joan H. Schumann, 53, a lifelong resident of Summit, died May 3 at home. Miss Schumann was a self-employed accountant. She received a bachelor's degree from Moravian College, Bethlehem, P.A., in 1969. Miss Schumann volunteered at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Surviving are her mother, Frances Schumann, and two brothers, Ric and Doug.

Marjorie Johnson

Marjorie Elaine Johnson, 65, of Plainfield, formerly of Summit, died May 2 in Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield. Born in Hadonfield, Mrs. Johnson lived in Summit before moving to Plainfield 35 years ago.

Surviving are husband, E. Donald; two sons, Gregory E. and Donald B. Sr.; two daughters, Kim Elaine and Lori R.; her mother, Mildred Bennett, and five grandchildren.

David Garlen

David Garlen, 75, of Summit died May 6 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Glen Falls, N.Y., Mr. Garlen lived in Manhattan and White Plains, N.Y., before moving to Summit. He owned and operated Cosmetech Lab, Fairfield, where he also was a cosmetic chemist since 1973. He served in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Hyla; a son, Daniel; two daughters, Nancy Leone and Elizabeth Arrison, and six grandchildren.

Roy G. Daniels

Roy G. Daniels, 79, of Mountainside, formerly of Cranford, died May 3 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Chicago, Ill., Mr. Daniels lived in Cranford before moving to Mountainside in 1951. He was a World War II Army veteran and was honorably discharged as a sergeant with the 42nd Rainbow Division. Mr. Daniels taught at the Cranford High School as an industrial arts teacher and work study coordinator for 34 before his retirement in 1983.

Surviving are three sons, Scott S., Todd and Gregg; a daughter, Kim; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Clara Stern

Clara Stern, 76, of Mountainside died May 2 in the St. Cloud Health Care, West Orange.

Born in Yasi, Romania, Mrs. Stern lived in Bayonne, Newark and Irvington before moving to Mountainside 30 years ago. She owned Tabatchnick's Delicatessan in Springfield before retiring in 1995. Mrs. Stern was a member of Hadassah and B'nai B'rith, both in Springfield.

Surviving is a brother, Peasch Vagner.

Multicultural celebration



Narrator Grace Obando thanks all those involved in the multicultural celebration at Summit Middle School April 27. Two ladies who did a tremendous amount of work were ESL teacher Christina Ramirez and guidance counselor Jane Parkinson. The program, entitled 'A Rainbow of Cultures,' was funded by the Goals 2000 grant.

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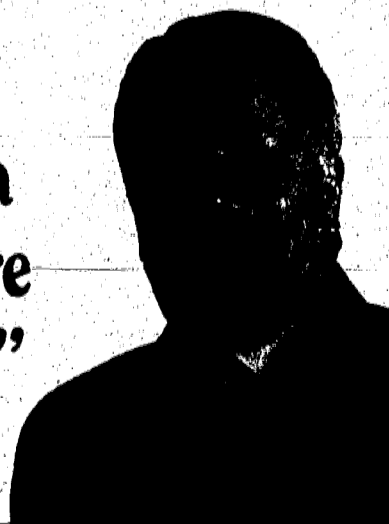


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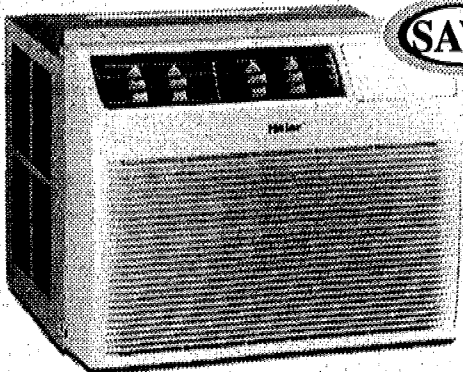
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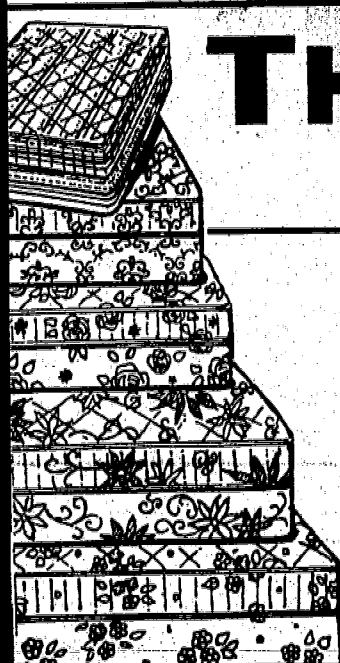
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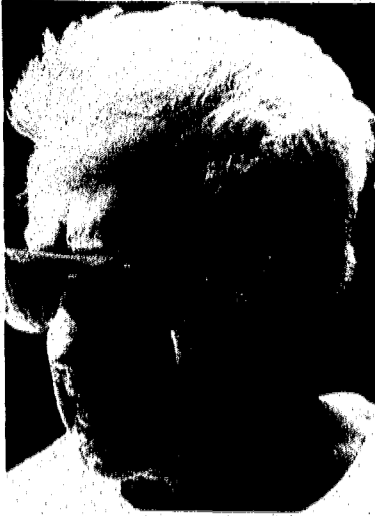
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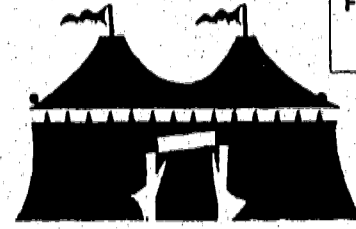
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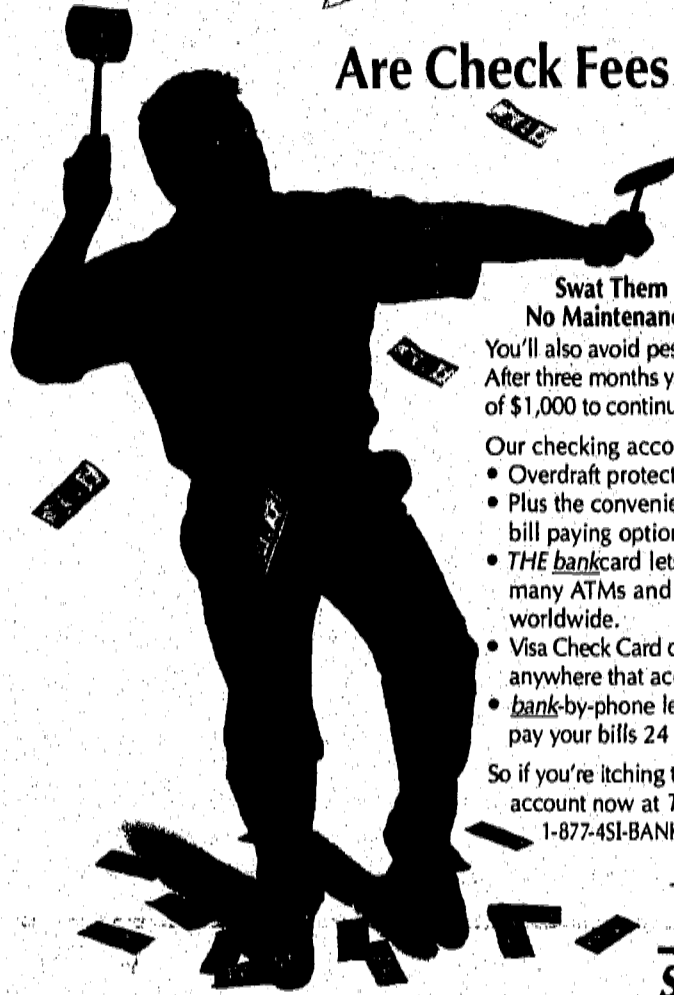
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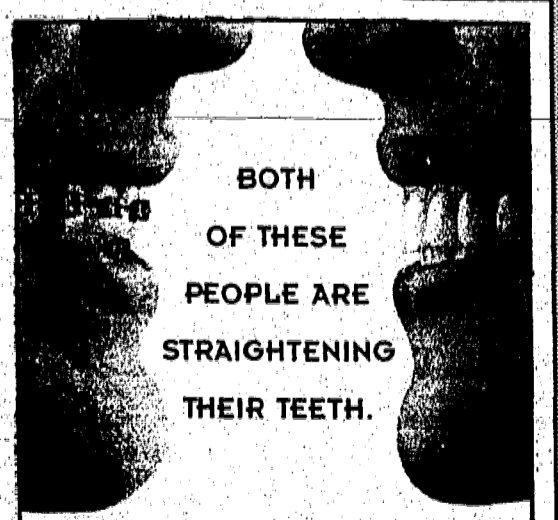
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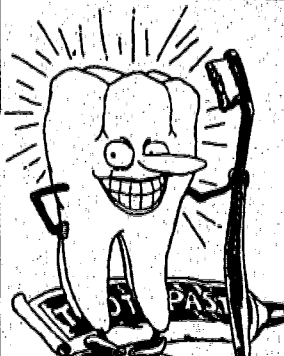
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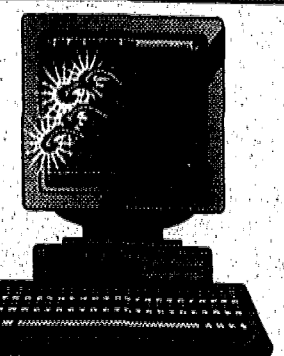
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NEWS CLIPS

Babysitter training

The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross will be hosting a babysitters training course for youth 11 to 15 years old on Saturday.

The course is ideal for current and future babysitters. It teaches them the best ways to keep the children in their care safe.

Topics that are covered include making good and responsible decisions, supervising children, age appropriate activities, keeping everyone safe inside and outside, handling emergencies, performing basics care — diapering, feeding, infant care — first aid and a lot more.

The class will be at the chapter house at 321 Elm St. in Westfield from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and lunch is provided.

The cost is \$40 per student and includes a course handbook and small first aid kit. Registration is limited and closes one week prior to the class.

Interested individuals or those wanting course information should call Linda Johnson at (908) 232-7090 or stop by the chapter house.

CPR training offered

The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross will host trainings classes in lifesaving skills. The spring course schedule for

the course "CRP for the professional rescuer" has been set.

CPR for the Professional Rescuer is a course that covers CPR for infant, child, adult and two-person rescuer. It teaches how to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies. The course is intended for those who need to respond to emergencies for their job or occupation such as life-guards or medical personal. Two classes are available: May 19 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or June 5 and 7 from 6 to 10:30 p.m. both evenings.

Interested individuals should call Linda Johnson at (908) 232-7090, e-mail at johnson@crossnet.org, or stop by the chapter house.

Day trips are planned

The Springfield Recreation Department will sponsor the following trips:

• Tuesday, Liberty Science Center, leaving Sarah Bailey at 10 a.m. Price is \$48 for admission and transportation.

• June 15, Hunterdon Playhouse, lunch and show, "Abie's Irish Rose," leaving Sarah Bailey at 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$48 including show, lunch and transportation.

• June 22, Monmouth Race Track, bus will leave Sarah Bailey at 10:30 a.m. and return approximately 5 p.m. The cost is \$6 per person.

Anyone interested in going on any

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of these trips, can call Theresa Herkalo at (973) 912-2227, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and for more information.

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.

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.

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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 Seniors: 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care - 5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program 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 lunch. 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) 379-4351.

JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. 973-376-0539. Mark Mallach, 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 (third-seventh 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 SHALOM SHALOM 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Daniels, Cantor/Education Director; Nina Greenman, Pre-School Director; Murray Bell, President. Temple 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

study 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 Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

LUTHERAN

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 201-379-4525, 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 spiritual 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

opportunities to serve others, or have prayer requests, please call the Rev. Jeff Markay at the Church Office: 973-376-1695.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Summit is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. Church School and Bible Study is held at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Worship 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 are welcome to hear the Good News of God's love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyone. Come worship with us and find out how you too can have a "good week". Call the church office or Pastor Lee Weaver for more information at 908 277-1700.

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PRESBYTERIAN

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

ROMAN CATHOLIC

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081, 201-376-3044. 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 Masses: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

ST. TERESA'S OF AVILA, 306 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, 908-277-3700. Sunday Masses: Saturday, 5:30 PM; Sunday, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 1:15 (Spanish), 5:00 PM in the Church; Children's Mass - 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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BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

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Brush fires extinguished

The Springfield Fire Department responded to several different calls last week for brush fires. On April 29 at 3:53 p.m., a call came in from a Mountain Avenue business for a report of a brush fire in the rear. On April 30, a brush fire was reported at 1:11 p.m. at a Route 22 East business; at 2:04 p.m. at a Morris Avenue business, and at 5:43 p.m. on Route 78 East.

Also on April 30, firefighters responded at 8:11 a.m. to the Walton School for an activated fire alarm. A medical service call was handled at 3:58 p.m. at an Irwin Street residence.

• May 1: 1:25 a.m., Morris Avenue

FIRE BLOTTER

apartment complex for an odor of something burning; 4:56 p.m., Route 78 West for a vehicle fire; 5:12 p.m., Garden Oval residence for a gas grill fire.

• May 2: 12:23 p.m., Mountain Avenue business to assist owner with gas shut-off; 1:09 p.m., Morris Avenue business for a medical service call; 4:55 p.m., Route 78 West milepost 48 for an active CPR in progress; 5:49 p.m., Route 78 East milepost 50 for a motor vehicle accident.

Honda reported stolen

Springfield

A Honda Civic was reported stolen from the 6th Avenue Electronics parking lot on Route 22 West on May 2 at 7:44 p.m. The owner will submit a list of the stolen property at a later date.

• A window of a 1998 Dodge Caravan was smashed while in a Morris Turnpike parking lot on May 2 at 1:00 p.m.

• On April 26 at 9:44 p.m., the following items were stolen from a Lexus: a wallet, damaged door lock, gift certificate, driver's license, seven credit cards, and \$80 in cash. The items are estimated at a value of \$400.

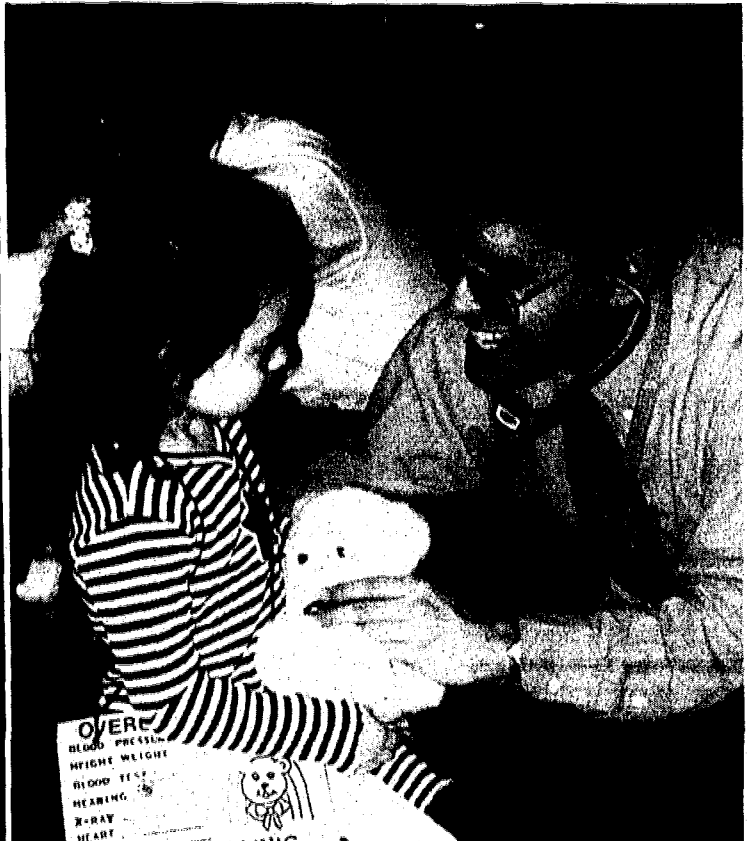
POLICE BLOTTER

• On April 30, a pair of sneakers were shoplifted from a business on Route 22 West at 10 p.m. The sneakers are valued at \$79.

• At 1:33 p.m., a compact disc player valued at \$60 was reportedly shoplifted from a Mountain Avenue business on April 28.

• Maciej Mielczarek, 23, of Springfield Avenue, Summit, was charged with marijuana possession on April 30. According to reports, police found Mielczarek in possession of less than 50 grams of the drug.

The doctor is in



Springfield resident Rachel Trinker, 3, checks the heart rate of her teddy bear with the help Dr. Daniel Hermann, pediatric resident at the Atlantic Children's Medical Center at Overlook Hospital in Summit. Trinker was one of several Temple Beth Ahm preschoolers who brought stuffed animals to the medical center's Teddy Bear Clinic last month.

First Presbyterian will present Oratorio 'Saul'

On Sunday, the First Presbyterian Church of Springfield will present a performance of George Friedrich Handel's Oratorio "Saul." The church choir will be assisted by professional soloists as well as featuring several choir members in solo parts. The service will begin at 10:15 a.m. and the public is invited to attend.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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S & Y Holding Corp.
By: Carl Simon, President
Applicant
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May 3, 10, 2001
U4933 ECL (\$27.50)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF: EDITH D. BOILES, Deceased
Pursuant to the order of James S. LaCorte, Surrogate of the County of Union, made on the 4th day of May, A.D., 2001, upon the application of the undersigned, as Executor of the estate of said deceased, notice is hereby given to the creditors of said deceased to exhibit to the subscriber under oath or affirmation their claims and demands against the estate of said deceased within six months from the date of said order, or they will be forever barred from prosecuting or recovering the same against the subscriber.

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ROBERT H. BOILES
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Executors

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U4962 ECL May 10, 2001 (\$10.50)

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that decisions were made at a public meeting by the Mountainside Planning Board on March 8, 2001 at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ 07092

Joseph D'Antonio, 1170 Wyoming Drive, Block 5.3, Lot 10 - Addition with variances. APPROVED
Peter Metz, 1009 Mary Allen Lane, Block 7.C, Lot 10 - Addition with variances. APPROVED
U4979 ECL May 10, 2001 (\$6.75)

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Mountainside Local Assistance Board at Mountainside Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey, on Wednesday, May 30, 2001 at 1:00 P.M.
Edith C. Burvett
Communications
Mountainside Local Assistance Board
U4954 ECL May 10, 2001 (\$4.50)

RESOLUTION INCREASING MAXIMUM FEES UNDER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO JASINSKI & PARNAC, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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WHEREAS, the said resolution set maximum fees to be \$4,000.00; and
WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield does now determine that it is necessary to increase this amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that they do hereby increase the maximum fees under the said professional services agreement to a total sum of \$6,100.00.

TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, May 8, 2001.
KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI
Township Clerk
U4971 ECL May 10, 2001 (\$15.00)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF: DANIEL ACKERMAN, Deceased
Pursuant to the order of James S. LaCorte, Surrogate of the County of Union, made on the 4th day of May, A.D., 2001, upon the application of the undersigned, as Executor of the estate of said deceased, notice is hereby given to the creditors of said deceased to exhibit to the subscriber under oath or affirmation their claims and demands against the estate of said deceased within six months from the date of said order, or they will be forever barred from prosecuting or recovering the same against the subscriber.

JOAN ACKERMAN
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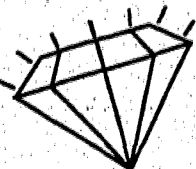
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