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## **Emergency personnel** help in NYC disaster

by Joan M. Devin
and Mark Hrywna
At presstime, the entire country is experiencing a national emergency which happened Tuesday, when hijacked
planes crashed into the World Trade Center in New York
City and also into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. New
Jersey was called upon to help, and in local communities.

Jersey was called upon to help, and in local communities, they have,

"We have sent two engines and a truck for service in Staten Island," Springfield Fire Chief William Gras said,
'This is to over for those companies who are serving in the city. The chief said 12 men were on those trucks, and most likely would be staying the night.

Also, the chief said the Springfield Volunteer First Aid Squad had sent one ambulance to Staten Island, with a stuff of at lead two people, to help in the overwhelming situation in New York City.

Mountainside Police Chief James Debbie wears two hats: lie also is the borough administrator, and in both his roles, he knew exactly what Mountainside was contributing to the critical situation just across the river in Manhattan.

"We have six firemen and one truck presently at the "We have six firemen and one truck presently at the Goethals Bridge in Blizabeth, for deployment to wherever they are needed, or to relieve the New York City firemen," said the chief, "Also, I know that our Rescue Squad has suyed behind to do Matual Ald in all the surrounding com-munities who have sent over their squads to help." Debbie also advised this all police and fire personnel were on full emergency alert. "Our police have already checked all houses of worship, all schools, and all govern-ment buildings." He said the IRS office on Sheffield Street

as it was being checked, was requested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to closes.

Union County sent all non-essential employees home within an hour of the glisaster and the State Superior Court in Elizabeth also was; closed for the day.

Ar Rümells Spécialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights, 30 beds were to be available. Tuesday for drose wounded in the Manhattan incident, County Manager Michael Lapolla said, Morristown Meinorfal Hospital, a regional gramms senter, was expecting 250 patients Tuesday afternoon, he added, and Rumenles could be used as a backep. "We if low whatever we have to do." The county manager said major corporations in Unition County, especially defense contractors, stepped up security following Tuesday morning's terrorist attack.

The Union County Office of Emergency Management was contacted by New York City officials for requests to help with emergency efforts, Precholder Chairman Alexander Minabella said. He added that all sheriff so officers, county police and authorities in the Prosecutor's Office were called to duty Tuesday. "We're, working to give 100 percent cooperation." percent cooperati

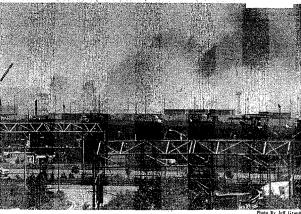
percent cooperation."

He said roadways leading to New York City were closed to allow whiches to exit the city. Streets around the county complex in Elizabeth were closed as officials met review emergency plans. "There are a lot of plans in place to deal with emergencies."

A grief counseling center also was set up Tuesday at Trints Hospital in Elizabeth.

The county was planning to update its web site to provide emergency nhone admits and other information.

vide emergency phone numbers and other information. The information was to be posted under "Important infor-



Traffic was at a standstill on the New Jersey Tumpike following the destruction of the Twin Towers in Manhatlan Tuesday morning.

mation" at www.unioncountynj.org by the end of the day

Tuesday.

Acting Gov. Donald DiFrancesco ordered the entire state of New Jersey to be placed utilizer a state of emergency at the recommendation of the attorney general. "We anticipate that many of the services that we will be asked to pro-vide in support of New York's efforts will be based or coordinated from this side of the Hudson."

DiFrancesco asked that residents in the area, including

Union County, avoid using major roadways and limiting use of communications equipment to aid in the effort. "Right now, the most important thing is that we be able to move people. There is no reason for people to dramatically after their daily routnes."

With the exception of those in Newark, state offices remain open, the acting governor said, while school clos-ings are at the discretion of local district officials.

### Grandson saves his grandma from choking

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor
Bobbie Giannakis of Mountainside has found a hero in her family, someone

Channakis of Mountainside has found a hero in her family, someone who is responsible for saving her life. The young savior's name is her grandson, Nicholas James, 11, of South Plainfield.

Plainfield.

It all started one recent afternoon when Giannakis was at home eating a salad and enjoying a visit from her grandson.

Suddeally, she began choking.

White she was eating, a piece of romaine lettuce got lodged in her throat and she was unable to speak or breathe.

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"I could not cough up the lettuce that was lodged in my throat, nor could I speak," said Giannakis. "I thought this was the end for me."

But heckly, Nicholas, who had been studying the Heimitch manuever poster at his father's concession stand at a bowling alley had learned something by at his father's concession suna at a owning, and the grandmother and discount thinking. Nicholas came running over to his grandmother and dislodged the lettuce by performing the Heimlich maneuver. "I was gasping for breath," said Giannekis. "He just came around the table when he saw I couldn't breathe," She was surprised that the Heimlich mannever is something not often taught in schools.

m schools.
"Nicholas truly is my hero," said Giannakis. "If it were not for his fast action and cool head in this life-threatening situation, my story would have a different



Bobbie Glannakis of Mountainside stands by her grandson Nicholas, whom she calls 'her hero.' Nichograndson, Nicholas, whom she calls 'her hero.' Nicho-las recently rescued his grandmother in a choking inci-dent by performing the Helmlich maneuver.

### School boards move on co-op football program

By Joan M. Devlin Staff Writer Shakespeare said in first, "All's vell that ends well"

That describes the results of the special Springfield Board of Education meeting on Monday night, when co-op football with the Kenilworth School District was unanimously approved by the board. After the vote, the audience of parents and football approved by the obard. After the vote, the audience of pareins and football players broke into spontaneous applause, and for a brief moment, everyone was smilling. The Kenilworth school board also approved the program. Monday. program Monday.

Because of the potential soil conu-mination at Meisel Field in Spring-field, varsity football had been in a precarious position, with nowhere to play or practice. Brearley High School in Kenilworth will be where Springfield football players with play.

Prior to the vote that calmed foot-ball parents down, Springfield Super-intendent of Schools Walter Mahler asked Board of Education attorney Vito Gagliardi Jr. to give a report on the latest findings regarding the con-tamination of Meisel Field.

Gagliardi introduced two environmental attorneys who were with him, experts in the field of environmental law, to answer questions, but first, he said the state also has called in experts sand the sade and sand that results would not be in for two to three weeks. The attorneys, Edward Hogan and Thomas Spiesman, spoke separately

separately.

First, Mahler asked them. "How dangerous are things like arsenic, lead, and other chemicals?" Hogan answered. "Increased risk of cancer, for example, is relatively at a very low risk level. So far the arsenic was found only at a surface level; Mutrix Environmental is stiff conducting further tests."

Spiesman said they had been told Spiesman sald they had been told hynon digging deeper into the field that there was no evidence of arsenic, which was a good sign. One of the parents askid, "What does arsenic come from?" Hogan replied, "Almost, anything; fresh-treated wood, can become a pesticide often found in orchards."

One of the Board of Education members asked if the arsenic was found to be of surface origin, would it entail digging up the entire field? Hogan responded. The state wants to make sure that it eliminates the context heavest agent and the sail tact between people and the soil. There would be many solutions, such as paving, to eliminate the arsente."

An important question came from other member of the audience, who asked, "Who bears the cost of the clean-up?" Gagliardi responded, "Taxpayers of Union County, but we

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- Scott Hollander

don't know yet. It is too early to make

Another parent asked if perhaps people were overreacting. Mahler said, "No, all county fields have been tested and the results are not in yet,"

Before the vote on the co-op foot-ball, the public was asked to com-ment. David Hollander said. "I sup-port the co-op vote for football with Kenilworth at Brearley High School for purely selfish reasons as my son plays senior football. Junior varsity would not be the same; it is important for high school seniors to play at a varsity level. Therefore, I think you need to make a yes vote, or make a decision to drop football totally."

Another father also spoke. "My son is a junior at the high school and I strongly urge you to consider co-op football with Brearley; they have a strong program and some history. It is obvious there is no program at Day-on, and their moremic severelator." ton, and their program is excellent. This is the only way to go."

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Another mother stood and said her son was an honor student, and if the board did not vote for the co-op foot-ball program, she would take him ont of school and opt for a private school. "We have already lost a lot of kips because of sports, who have moved to private schools."

pfysiae schools.

After the unanimous vote for co-opfootball. Mahler reminded them that
the state still had to approve the leads
and that would happen yesterday
morning, after this newspaper went to
press. "We have been told, however,
that they would have no reason to
overtime the wishes of the conference." Kenilworth Superintendent of
School: Loud Laechly we credited Schools Lloyd Leschuk was credited by Mahler with the idea of the co-op plan.

Scott Hollander, football player and senior at Jonathan Dayton High School, was present at the meeting, and when asked for comment, he said, "Hopefully this will take affect quick-ly, as soon as the state gives approval; we are ready to go."

Another student asked the Board of Education, "What is going to happen to the football budget now that we are going to be co-oping with Brearley."

Mahler answered, "There will still be
a lot of expenses at Brearley, such as
things like helmeis; etc., we just don't
know yet."

#### Testimony continues on senior housing complex

By Brian Pedersen Managing Editor Presenting the changes made to their site plan, the applicants for a senior citizen housing complex at the end of Black's Lane revealed how they plan to meet the recommenda-tions set forth by the Springfield Planning Board. The propo

ning Board.

The proposal was carried over from the last board meeting on Aug. 1, where the applicants for K&K Developers were told to come back before the board for further review.

Acting upon recommendations by Township, Engineer Robert Kirkpats, rick. Township Planier Robert Michaels, the board and several other.

vaship officials, the applicants realed their revisions.

The main issues that needed to be addressed this time included the principle area of the height limitation on the roof, the definition of the front of the building, and parking for hand-icapped residents.

apped residents.
Originally, the board questioned
e height of a portion of the roof of
e, building since it would extend
youd the confines of the townshipts With their latest revision. Donald

Chapman, a licensed architect for the Chapman Studio its Summit, revealed how they have managed to keep the height within the requirements of the

ordinance:

To git the height of the building at its highest point within the 10 percent limit allowed in the ordinance, they measured in mentre length of the building and not apart those observes to get a balance of 98.5 See for the average grade elevation; guing them a surpage of 44 feet from the

highest point to the average grade
"This does come within the 10 per
cent overage of the 40 feet as define
in the ordinance by fleight," sain

The township's ordinance mea-sures height by measuring the vertical distance from the average elevation of the finished grade along the front of

the building to the highest elevation of the roof surface.

Chapman pointed out that the area of contention is only a portion of the roof, at 30 percent of the entire tength of the building. The main portion of the roof, at the highest point of the roof, the elevation is 140.2 feet, and at the center, at the highest point of the roof, the elevation is 142.5 feet.

Despite some dispute among board members over the calculations. Max Sherman, the attorney representing K&K Developers, found no use in questioning the exact figures.

"We're still at the same point," said terman. "We're within the framew-See TESTIMONY, Page 10

## New ambulance for squad



Standing in nont of the Mountainside Volunteer Rescue Squad's new ambulance are from left. First Lt. doe Murray, Dick Platoff, who donated a new stretcher to the squad, and Capt. Mary Paskow.

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om 1 to 3:30 p.m.
The book sale will be Oct. 19 and

20 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on each day, in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave.

#### Annual Metro Show

Until Oct. 15, the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will host the 19th annual Metro Show. The host the 19th annual Metro Show. The show, which is a juried small works traveling exhibition, is organized by City Without Walls, a nonprofit gal-lery; showcasing new and emerging artists since 1975. Now in its 19th year, the Metro Show was originally named for the practice of transporting the attwo-from place to place by, way of mass transit. This year's show was chosen by three prominent jurors, including

by three prominent jurors, including director of the Morris Museum. Steven Klindt, who selected from about 500 entries.

500 entries.

All artwork is under 13 inches in any dimension. A wide range of sayles, media and subject matter is expressed by the show. Artists come from New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. Bach of these annual exhibitions travel for one full year after appearing first at Clty Without Walls' gallery in November and December. and December. Hours of the exhibit are Monday.

Hours of the exhibit are Monday. Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Oct. 7 and 14 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For information, call 973-376-4930.

#### Great books to read

The Great Books Reading and Dis-cussion Group will meet at the Springfield Public Library, 66 Moun-tain Ave., Sept. 20 from 10 to 11 a.m., at which time "Rameau's Nephew" at which time "Rameau's Nephew" by Diderot will be discussed leader will be Rhoda Rosenfield.

Other Great Books Discussion Programs for the fall include the fol-Discussion Programs for the fall include the following selections: The Tempest by Shakespeare on Oct. 18. The Pederalist by Hamilton, Jay, and Madison on Nov. 15, and The Overcoat by Gogol on Dec. 20. In January a new series of Great Books will begin.



The Great Books Reading and Dis-The Great Books Reading and Dis-cussion Group miests each mouth on the third Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Springfield Public Library. Copies of the Great Books Series are available for a reasonable fee at the Springfield Library Circulation Desk. All are wel-come to attend, but in order to participate in the discussion you must have read the selection. No fee or advanced registration is required. Por in for mation, call 973-376-4930.

#### Storytime programs

The Mountainside Public Library, Constitution Plaza, will present story-time programs for children ranging in ages from 2 through 5 years old. Storytime Theater will be for kin-dergatteners on Tuesdays, Oct. 9 through 30 from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. The

through 30 from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. The program incorporates storytelling, acting, singing and dancing, and is approximately 45 minutes in length. Preschool Storytime is scheduled for 3 and 4-year-olds on 'Thursdays, starting today through Oct. 4, at 2 p.m. The preschool program includes stories and simple crafts, and is approximately 30 minutes in length. Toddler Time will be Pridays, suring this Friday through Oct. 5, at 10:30 a.m. Stories and nursery rhymes are shared with 2-year-olds and their adult companion for approximately companion for approximately and their adult companion for approximately and their adult companion for approximately and their adult companion for approximations.

and their adult companion for approx-imately 30 minutes, Registration is required for all programs. Visit the library or call

908-233-0115 to sign

#### Museum accepting applications for exhibits

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., is currently accepting applications for artists who wish to exhibit their work in 2002-03. Applicants are asked to submit a cur-Applicants are asked to submit a current resume, 10 slides representative of the work and a stamped self-addressed envelope. All slides are representative material will be returned. The Museum Commitage with review applications in the fall. The 36-foot-by-50-foot Palmer Museum was opened at its current site in 1975. The Palmer Collection was started in 1939 when the Library Board of Trustees appropriated \$25 to

Board of Trustees appropriated \$25 to Springfield resident Donald Palmer to Springfield resident Donald Palmer to purchase pictures of Springfield. The collection grew to include historical mementos, antique guns, toys, tool glass and china. etc. Portions of the permanent Palmer Collection are on display throughout the year. Since 1992, the museum has pro-vided space for the exhibit of art and historical works and for the presenta-tion of cultural programs.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo ader 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: markaging editor, P.O. Box 3109, Theles 2023

Union, 07083.

Today

Freschool Storytime for 3- and 4-year-olds takes place at 2 p.m. andi Oct 4 at the Mountainside Public Library, Constitution Flaza,

For information, call 908-233-0115.

The Woman of the Year will be announced by the Springfield Hadassha at its first meeting of the year for 2001-02 at 6 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm. 60 Temple Drive, Springfield A sloppy joe supper will be offered at \$10 per person, with reservations made by calling 973-376-3171.

The Mountainside Planning Bend • The Mountainside Planning Board meets at 8 p.m.

in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East.

• The Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

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Friday

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Plaza. Stories and nursery thymes will be shared with
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The Springfield YMCA hosts a community blood drive from 2 to 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield YMCA, 100

S. Springfield Ave. Everyone in the community is encouraged to participate and donors must have social For information, call 908-273-2076.

Saturday

• The Westfield Regional Health Department sponsors a health fair for residents of Garwood, Fanwood, Mountainside, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield from 8:30 a.m. to anon at the Westfield Municipal Building Community Room, 425 E. Broad St.

The program includes the following free services: multiple physician consults, blood sugar screening, blood pressure screening, anemia screening, and free samples.

For information, call 908-789-4070.

Sunday

 Learn about butterflies by uking a hike to identify some local natives at the butterfly garden at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road.

Mountains and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road. Mountainside

The fee is \$2 per person. For information, call 908-789-3670.

Tuesday

• The Mountainside. Borough Council meets at 8 m. in Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 1385 Route

Wednesday

• The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield conducts its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House on Church Mall.

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After a devotional period, there will be a business meeting and plans-will be disensed for the coming year. All-women are invited to attend.

For information, call 973-376-0210.

Upcoming
Sept. 20
• The Great Books Reading and Discussion Group

will meet at the Springfield Pree Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., from 10 to 11 am., at which time "Rameau's Nephew" by Diderot will be discussed. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month at 10 a.m.

For information, call 973-376-4930.

Sept. 23
• Intermarried families who want to learn about Judaism in a non-judgemental setting are invited to attend "A Taste of Judaism Family Style" from 3 to 7 pm. at Temple Beth Alim, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. The program will include family projects based on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kipper.

The cost is \$10 per family, with dinher included. For information, call 973-884-4800, Ext. 192.

Oct. 6

• The Mountainside Newcomers Club plans a fall Community Garage Sale. There will be a \$20 fee for hose who participate, which will cover the advertising cost of the event in local papers, maps, and signs. Anyone interested in conducting a garage sale at their home can call Karen Storza at 908-233-1671.

• The Mountainside Police Athletic League will sponsor its second annual Cop Trot. The \$KS'-milleracetwalk is open to all residents and non residents from serious racers to seniors and everyone in between. Proceeds will benefit the various programs of the PAL, which focus primarily on youth.

For more information, call the PAL hot line at 908-232-1596. Ext. 531. Corinne Moore at 908-317-9268, or Pat Debbie at 908-654-5388.

Oct. 14

Oct. 14

B'Nai B'rith of Springfield plans a bus trip, to Resorts in Atlantic City at \$22 per person. The bonus package includes breakfast at Bagel Chatean, 222 Mountain Ave, Springfield, at 8:30 a.m. The bus will leave the Echo Plaza Mall at 10:30 a.m. between Mountain Avenue and Route 22 in Springfield.
To reserve early, call Jerry Kamen at 908-687-9120. RSVP by Sept. 22 and mail checks to Kamen at 2824 Morris Ave. Union, 07083. Limited to bus capacity.

• The Dinner Dance Committee of the Mountainside Republican Club will conduct its annual dinner dance at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire. Route 22 East, Mountainside. All are invited to a night of fun. Tood, music and fellowship. For information call, 908-232-4904.

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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 of Springfield. For more information, call 193-3912-2227.

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library would like donations of useful 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, 66 Mountain Ave. Writing expertise is not required and/sharing is optional. The meeting is facilitated by writerfreacher Zella R.P. Geltman. No registration is sequired. tion is required.
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### New Red Cross program hopes to attract youth

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer
Young people of all ages, the
merican Red Cross wants you.

Young people of all ages, the American Red Cross wants you. A new youth program, working through clubs and designed especially for young people from middle school turough high school age, is about to start and exciting areas of service a shoot to start and exciting areas of service scordinator at the Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross on Springfield Avenue. The chapter serves several local municipalities, including Springfield. "This is an all-volunteer program and we are asking kids to think about doing something for others, about giving back. There is a need, and a place for every single child in our program." said Balish.

Some of the things children will

ram, 'said Balish.

Some of the things children will learn is how to administer and then teach others to do CPR, first aid, and babysitting instruction, disaster training, and all of it involves leadership training. The youth clubs will work drough the schools, and Balish has coordinators working with him at both Summit Middle School and the high school.

both Summit Middle School and the high school. At 29. Balish, who was born and raised in Summit, said he personally has been a volunteer all his life. He is a member of the Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad, and although a paid employee of the American Red Cross, he also is a volunteer for them as a health and safety instructor of CPR and the disaster services. About die club concept, Balish said, "Clubs are big in schools, and we are working through them. My liaison at the middle school, said we are working through them. My liaison at the high school, Michael Jordan, vice principal, is my contact."

principal, is my contact."

Clubs will meet once a month in a

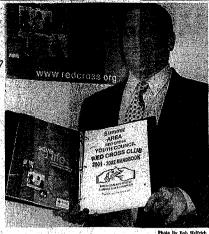
and mostly after school. If a child, is 17 or above, he or she can become a CPR/First Aid instructor, and/or a babysitting instructor. "We train them very well. This is a good way for kids to get into public speaking also." said Balish.

Balish.
"If you are between eighth grade and up, or 14-plus, you can become what is called a FACT instructor; this stands for First Aid for Children Today. This club would be geared towards instructing K-3rd graders. Red Cross club members will most of the time to the communication. the time do the community service after school hours, but some of the

after school hours, but some of the programs are run at convenient times during school hours," said Balish.
Besides a feeling of self-esteem and pride in helping others, Balish points out that all of the leadership raining will reflect dramadically on their future college applications. "This is because colleges more and more are booking at community service as a bigger part of the application. They feel the child is more well-rounded."

What if a child is involved in a What if a child is involved in a heavy afterschool sports program, for example, will he or she have time to be in the Red Cross clubs? Balish had a quick answer, "Yes, that is because there is something that everyone can do. We need indians as well as chiefs. The time frame for service is strictly up to the individual child."
The fundamental principles of the International Red Cross, a humanita-rian organization led by volunteers.

rian organization led by volunteers, have always been ones that young people could aspire to, such as being there in times of disaster, and preventthere in times of disaster, and prevent-ing and alleviating human suffering wherever possible. "There is a role for youth in the Red Cross and we are try-ing to get the principles across to the young people," said Balish.



Alex Balish, youth services coordinator at the Sumit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, hopes to draw youngsters to volunteer for the chapter through clubs in the middle and high schools.

One example he gave was the Christmas Box project. The club col-lects various items necessary for use in a classroom; notebooks, pens. penin a classroom; notebooks, pens, pen-cils, crayons, etc., and puts them in a box. The boxes are brought to the American Red Cross and sent to dis-sater areas where schools have been bombed out or destroyed; the teacher will have the basic school supphies in one box. "These have gone to Bosnia, and other disaster areas already," said Ratish

Balish.

Closer to home, another example would be programs for a club involving Halloween safety, making laneurs. "Many of the programs become an adjunct to scouting programs; troops come to us for first aid and CPR instruction anyway, and those clubs are geared for the younger

children," said Balish. He instructs these courses himself throughout the Summit area, in New Providence,

Summit area, in New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Springfield and Long Hill Townstlip, Ideally, Balish said he would love to see a child come into the club program in the middle school and continue on to the clubs in the high school. "That makes the child a volunteer for seven years. It is a prear character-seven years. It is a prear characterseven years. It is a great character-builder and a great recommendation for college; the fact that the child has

for college: the fact that the chifd has learned to give something back to the community. There is a great need and the Red Cross specializes in this." If a parent or child — 14 and up — is interested in becoming involved in a service chub of any kind, call Balish at 908-273-2076 and he will set it in motion.

### Fritzen earns certification

Fritzen earns certification

Springfield resident Elizabeth J. Fritzen, the township clerk of the Township of Maplewood, has been awarded the prestigious designation of certified municipal clerk from the International Institute of Municipal Clerk for achieving its high educational, experience and service requirements.

Fritzen has been employed with the Township of Maplewood since August 1979, serving as program supervisor and sent or citizen coordinator before assuming her current position as township clerk in May 1988.

She achieved the certified municipal clerk status through the combination of attending the IMC-approved Municipal Clerks institute and completion of the educational requirements needed for the State of New Jersey Certified Municipal Clerk designation. Both programs are conducted by the Center for Government Services, Ratgers — The State University of New Jersey. New Brusswick. These programs provide over 100 student/instructor contact hours of indepth courses in managerial and leadership skills, social and interpersonal concerns, and exchinical training needed to deal with changes taking place in government today. She holds an associate of arts degree in liberal arts-detaction from Union County College, Cranford, and a bachelor of arts degree in ultra and outdoor recreation from Kean College of New Jersey, Union.

Active in her professional and civic affiliations she is a member of the Municipal Clerks Association of Sexex County, New Jersey Recreation and Parks Associations. New Jersey State Pirst Aid Council, Maplewood Chamber of Commerce, Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Springfield Volanteer Pirst Aid Squad, and holds designations of State of New Jersey Certified BMT, CPR and Defibrillation.

Fritzen has been a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in improving job performance and recognizes the professionalism of the municipal clerk.

The unique Certification for Orgam of the IMC was launched in 1970, climaxing a decade of planning. The program and smunicipal clerks an

#### Red Cross chapter to host raffle

How would you like to spend four How would you like to spend four days of fun the sun at Amelia Island in Florida? Or attend four sporting events with three of your friends? How about a limo ride and dinner at Tavern on the Green? If this sounds like something you would like to do; buy a raffle ticket or two. The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross is hosting a raffle. The top prize is four days/ three nights in an ocean front condominum at Amelia Island Florida.

dominium at Amelia Island Florida The package includes airlare, meals, golf, and tennis for two, Second prize is a sports package: four tickets to Devils hockey, four tickets to Mets

haseball, four tickets to Yankees base-

baseball, four tickets to Yankees base-ball and two tickets to Nets basket-ball. The third prize is dinner for two in New York City at Tavern on the Green with limo service. Tickets are \$10 each and purchased at the Chapter House, 321 Elm St., or the following locations: Town Bank of Westfield, The Wind-mill, Mountainside Deli and Bonsall Chiropractic & Sports Center. Tickets also can be purchased at the Red Cross booth at PestiFall on Sept. 23. The rafile drawing will take place

The raffle drawing will take place on Sept. 23 at 4 p.m. at the Chapter House. Proceeds go toward funding the chapter's various programs.

#### Newcomers Club plans fall community garage sale next month

The Mountainside Newcomers Club is currently plan-quing a Fall Community Garage Sale that will be taking place the weekend of Oct. 6. There will be a \$20 (fee, which will cover advertising the event in local newspapers, maps and signs. Anyone interested in holding a garage sale at home and would like to particiapte can call Karen Sforza at 008.233.167 908-233-1671

The annual Progressive dinner is planned for Oct. 20. The annual Progressive dinner is planned for Coct 20. The evening begins with appetizers in a newcomer a home. Then, newcomers all split up into smaller groups for dining as a guest in the home of one of their hosts. To complete the evening, all guests return for deserts and röpfete at another home. Call Lori Goldberg at 908-232-6362 for information.

Any new members who have not yet attended a new member coffee, can do so tonight for an evening of fun and rehaxation, Call Monica Boenning for location information and to RSVP at 908-928-0321. Peelling winced out after the summer and back to school

and to KNYP at 908-928-0321. Feeling wiped out after the summer and back to school crazles? Well, join the ladies for a massage night at Rejuvenations Spa in Mountainside. The cost will be \$20 for a 15-minute. Stees Buser's massage. Call Heather Pisano at 389-0455 to RSVP, If your husband needs a night out also, tell him to facet the guy at ED's Grille in Kentlw-

orth on Sept. 27 at 8 p.m. RSVP to Jim Pisano at 908-389-0455.

908-389-0455.

Momray & Me has plenty planned to keep your fall full of fun beginning with a hayride on Sept. 27 at Wighunan's Farm in Morristown. The annual event will include a hayride, a pumpkin for your youngster to pick, and cider and doughnuis. The cost is \$6 per child. To RSVP call Mardougnatis. The cost is 80 per child. To KSVP call Mar-garet DiPalma by Wednesday, Also keep Oct. 77 fee for a Halloween Party from 10:30 to noon at Borough Hall. Trick-or-treating in Downtown Westfield starting at noon will follow up the party. Whp says it's too early to think of Santa Claus? Keep Dee: 16 free for a Santa Claus? visit to ware home.

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 their community.

Membership is open to new residents or established residents who have experienced a change in lifestyle, such as the birth of a baby, or change in employment or marital

For membership information, call Boenning at 908-928-0321.

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# **COMMUNITY FORUM**

EDITORIALS

### Join the club

The Mountainside Newcomers Club offers new residents omething that's often hard to come by — a sense of

belonging.
In today's hectic, busy, technology-driven world, it's hard to make time for friends within the same community, let

For Mountainside residents, who are just moving into a new area, the process of getting to know their neighbors has been made much easier with clubs such as the Newcomers. They plan just about every kind of event that can help

members feel welcome and meet new people at informal

gatherings and activities.

The annual Progressive Dinner planned for Oct. 20 offers members a chance to enjoy appetizers at one home, with the group splitting into smaller groups for a dinner at another home, and ending at yet another home for dessert. This house-hopping event is a great way for everyone to get involved and participate, shifting the roles of guest and host. For information about the Progressive Dinner, call

For informa 908-232-6362.

Coffee socials are often hosted by members to welcome new members into the fold. New members get to relax and gather information about the club in an informal setting.

To find out when the next coffee social is held, call

908-928-0321.

This organization also extends its concerns for people outside of Mountainside by doing such things as collecting school supplies for needy kids at St. Joseph's Social Center

To donate items, call 908-233-1671.

They also are planning a Fall Community Garage Sale for the weekend of Oct. 6. This will be one more way members can meet each other by going to different homes that will be hosting the sales.

Not only do shoppers and bargain hunters get to visit other members' homes, but those who host the sales will get the

nembers' homes, but those who host the sales will get the chance to meet people from the neighborhood.

For new members, going to a garage sale could be a great way to get a feel for their new neighbors.

For information on this event, call 908-233-1671.

This organization is unique and special for the way it brings people together, how it helps them connect with others and build strong social ties.

Residents of Mountainside are lucky to have such a dedicated group of people in their midst whose purpose is simply

cated group of people in their midst whose purpose is simply to offer a friendly greeting and make new residents feel at

Having such a strong social support group is rare in many places today, which is why it is so important for new members to join this organization so it can continue to grow and

### Remedy for renovations

With the news of the additional funding that Springfield received to help fix the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, the Township Committee should be commended for not using

township money for the project.

Since they have been successful in the past in getting funding for building projects through the Union County Community Development Revenue Sharing Committee, the township should continue to seek funds through other groups for various improvements to the Springfield center.

There are plenty of places in Springfield that could use quite a bit of work.

Passing through the center of town is like taking a step ack in time, which isn't necessarily a good thing. A historic town such as Springfield should not have vac-

ant, empty storefronts, outdated signs, or empty sidewalks. With the Sarah Bailey Civic Center in the heart of the his-

toric Church Mall area, the recent renovations, when com-pleted, will no double enhance the look of the township. But the township has the potential to be aesthetically pleasing in other areas as well, and there's no reason the centhat can make residents proud and attract locals.

Hopefully, when the Springfield Chapter of the Chamber

of Commerce meets in October to discuss downtown plans, they can come up with some ways to make the center of Springfield something all citizens can be proud of.

"Freedom of speech is of little use unless people have the freedom to hear."

-Vinton Cerf, senior vice president, MCI WorldCom, 1999

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OH WHAT A NIGHT — The Dinner-Dance Committee of the Mountainside Republican Club recently met to formulate plans for the annual dinner dance Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire, Route 22 East, Mountainside. Gathered are club members, from left, Elsa Jackson, Dbnna Osiega and Marilyn Hatt. Anyone interested in attending can call 908-232-4904.

### State must take the lead on identity theft

A friend of mine was making lunch recently when the telephone rang, It was her credit company telling her that she had been the victim of a crime. A thief had stolen her identity, the opportunity to become her, at least as the outside world knew. In, the weeks preceding that call, a thief had applied for dozens of credit cards providing instant credit to charge \$50,000 in my friend's name. What banoned to my friend is said.

S50,000 in my friend's name.

What happened to my friend is, sad
to say, increasingly commonplace.

The Federal Trade Commission says
that 700,000 Americans complained
last year of identify theft — up from
the 35,000 complaints that the credit
reporting giant Transtflindir reported
received in 1992. The United States
Source Service tracked from cases in Secret Service tracked fraud cases in 1995 that totaled \$442 million. By 1995 that foliated \$442 million. By 1997, the Secret Service was tracking \$745 million in identity theft related losses and estimates now put the losses in excess of \$1 billion annually. Most observers believe these numbers are low. Police put the number at several billion dollars a year lost to this feath.

Confirmation of the huge dimen sion of the problem comes from the private sector. Visa and MasterCard private sector. Visa and MasterCard say the majority of the losses they suf-fer comes from identity thieves using others' identities to steal, MasterCard says that in 1997, 96 percent of its los-ses were the results of identity theft totaling \$407 million.

Credit card companies do not always elicit sympathy, but the cost of identity theft goes beyond a single sector of our economy. Communica-tions companies report that identity thieves use their stolen identities to open telephone, cellular or other utili-ty services in the names of their vicopen telephone, cellular or other utili-ty services in the names of their vic-tims. Banks report that accounts are opened with bogus names and that bad checks are passed using a good person's name. Identity thieves even use stolen IDs to take out loans in the

Shakespeare once observed that

Assembly Seat

By Richard H. Bagge

"he who steals my purse, 'tis nothing, but he that filches my good name...makes me very poor indeed." Avon's Bard was on to something five

Avon's band was on to something rive centuries ago.

A survey commissioned by Image Data, an identify theft prevention service, found that one in five Americans have been victimized. On average, it takes victims 175 precious hours of their fives and more than \$800 in out-fineder, securing the receiption their of-pocket expenses to reclaim their lives. That doesn't calculate the amount of bogus debt racked on the

amount of bogus debt racked on the spending sprees by the bad guys.

Here's what the United States Department of Justice has to say about righting identity theft: "The investigation of identity theft is labor intensive and individual cases are usually voiriedered too small for federal prosecution. Perpetrators usually victimize multiple victims in multiple jurisdictions. Victims often do not realize they have been victimized until weeks they have been victimized until weeks or months after the crime has been committed, and can provide little assistance to law enforcement. In assistance to law enforcement. In exhort, identify theft has become the fastest growing financial crime in America and perhaps the fastest growing crime of any kind in our society."

at is the government doing about this? Three years ago, Congress enacted the Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence Act Federal agents and autorneys have been breaking and making cases every since. The state? The truth of the matter is that state? The truth of the matter sightat most of New Jersey's approaches to identity theft are inadequate. Our laws aren't up to date and our law enforce-ment techniques are not either. What's the answer? There's a cou-ple of steps. First, the state needs to

take the lead on this issue. As deter-mined, devoted and valiant as the loc-

mined, devoted and valiant as the local police are, they are not going out of state to track down identify thieves who operate in a number of states. The Divisions of State Police, Criminal Justice and Consumer Affairs will work on some piece of this, but we need more concerted effort. I am urging Atorney General John Farmer to create a task force to study and recommend changes to the study and recommend changes to the way New Jersey fights these crimes. I would like to see the attorney general give the same priority to this crime as we now give to fighting insurance fraud.

Even before the review is complete Even before the review is complete. I can tell you that there are some ideas that are worth giving serious consid-eration. My Assembly colleague George Geist has a bill which I sup-ported when it passed the Assembly in June which makes identity theft in which means to force documents. In which people forge documents to commit the thefts a third degree commi

commit the thefts a third degree crime. It also requires convicted thieves to make restitution for any costs they force the victims to incur. Second, we need furthur changes to our laws. When the law enforcement community evaluates a case, one of the first things its members do is to classify the offense as a crime of the first-, second-, third- or fourth-degree offense. The most serious crimes. The most serious crimes, with the most serious penalties, are the first and second crimes. Under the first and second crimes. Under existing New Jersey law, only those crimes carry the presumption of a jail time. Simply put it is extremely unlikely that a criminal is going behind bars unless the or she commits a first- or second-degree crime.

There is, generally, sound logic for this approach, particularly when property is concerned. The threshold for a second-degree crime investigation property.

second-degree crime involving prop-erty is whether the thief has stolen erty is whether the their has stolen more than \$75,000 worth of property. But identity then is the exception to the rule. As the Justice Department notes, these crimes are unique. They demand a unique solution which will

deter. As a result, I believe we should change our criminal code to say that where identity theft has been committed, and proven beyond a reasonable doubt, that an identity theft of the third degree will carry with it the pre-sumption that the crook is going to

sumption that the crook is going to jail. This will deter.

Third, we must change our civil laws. Why? It is much harder, purposely and wisely, to put a inan ownean in jail than it is to punish him civilly. In a criminal proceeding, the civilly. In a criminal proceeding, the prosecutor must show intent to commit the crime and show beyond a reasonable doubt that the accused did it. In a civil case, the prosecutor, particularly under the Consumer Fraud Act, does not have to show intent, and need only prove that it is more likely than not that the fraud was committed. We should amend the Consumer Fraud Act to get at this type of fraud

We should amend the Consumer Fraud Act to get at this type of fraud the way we amended it to get at elder fraud. Last year, we said that when the attorney general prosecutes someone who victimizes the elderly or disab-led, the attorney general can recover double the amount lost from the thief, We should use this same approach for identity theft. This will also deter and make it more likely that we will actu-ally recoup some of our citizens' lost ally recoup some of our citizens' lost

When once asked what she wanted to be remembered for, Mae West replied, "Everything." Most of us would not be so expansive. In fact, when it comes to our identifies, particularly the nuts and bolts of bank account numbers, personal identification and Social Security numbers, we would probably answer the question nothing." particularly when an identity thief is sniffing around. When once asked what she wanted

A resident of Westfield, Republican Assemblyman Richard H. Bagcan assemblyman Richard H. Bag-ger represents the 22nd Legislative District, which includes Mountain-side. He is seeking a term in the State Senate this fall in the new 21st District.

#### E - MAIL

#### Review spending more carefully

Review spending more carefully.

To the Editor:
Editor's note: The following is an open letter to Mayor Sy Multman and the Springfield Township Committee.

My wife and I moved to Springfield a little over a year ago from Union. Lifelong Democrats, we had been very actively involved in Union and thought seriously about being actively involved in Springfield. However, after the Township Committee, ignored the wishes of voters on this spring's defeated-school budget probably will split my toket in the November election to vote for the Republican candidates for Township Committee or cast write-in-votes. My wife and I supported the referendum for renovations to Meiscal Avenue Field and we really wanted to support the school budget! However, when we found out the cost per pupil in Springfield is \$10,000, the school district is spending over \$205,000 per, year on computer upkeep and school board members think it is a travesty to have more than 23 pupils in a classroom, we decided to vote against the budget.

Why do we need to spend \$10,000 per pupil when many surrounding districts, with more Merit Scholars and better achievement results, spend considerably less? These and other reasons probably, and justifiably, resulted in the defeat of the school budget. However, from the time the budget was defeated in April until the tigne it recommended a "cut" to the budget the Township Committee and you, in particular, attacked the decision of the voters. I believe, therefore, instead of taking an objective look at the budget when it was presented to the committee for action, our governing body following its own present

agenda. The paltry \$30,000 cut it suggested, not even equal to one salary, proves this. I support quality education to the fullest, but I believe it can be achieved with fiscal efficiency.

I gives some residents of Springfield, however, believe, as did the former superintendent of sohools, that the taxpayers should be forced to support a public sohool system. "Those who desire and can afford to send their children to private school system." Those who desire and can afford to send their children to private school system bould do so but they should not expect the taxpayers of Springfield to pay for private schools out of our tax dollars. At a time when many residents are being laid off or facing salary increases in the area of 4 percent, my taxes for the last two quarters of this year are being increased close to 10.5 percent. This is absurd, Mr. Mayor.

#### Our policy on letters and columns

The Echo Lealler welcomes submissions from its readers. Elither letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion page;

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



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<u>We're asking</u>

### How should the deer population be controlled?



Cathy McGregor

"I have heard there is a problem, but I don't think they should ever shoot them. Our neighbors have deer and they don't bother anything except a few heads of lettuce. They have got to find another way to con trol them, but I don't know what solution would be."



Herb Cohen

"Yes, there is a problem, but it has not affected me. They have to find a way to control them; there is also a bear problem which is much worse. There should be a remedy other than shooting — let the environmentalists solve it."



Yeda Fish

"I have seen deer in Springfield "I have seen deer in Springfield in places in town where they should not be; therefore, there is a prob-lern. I am an animal lover so I would hate to ever see them should and I think they should keep trying to refocate them."



Barbara Eisnei

neighborhood, but I understand they are there. I do believe that if they are appearing in residential neighborhoods, then there should be controlled hunting.

#### **EVENTS**

### Butterfly watchers take flight at Trailside Sunday

Learn about these winged jewels and take a hike to identify some local butterflies on Sunday at 2 p.m. Visit Trallsjide Butterfly Garden to see what cultivated plants attract butterflies. All indoors if it rains. The fee is \$2 per adult.

per adult.

For information call Trailside
Nature & Science Center at
908-789-3670.

#### Meet the candidate

Wheet the Carindate

Bllen Steinberg, the Democratic
nominee for State Senate in the 21st
district, welcomes Springfield residents to meet her at a reception on
Sunday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the
home of Shelley Staugler, 21 Ron's
Edge Road, Springfield.
New Jersey has 40 legislative disricts, each containing approximately
210,000 people in adjacent cities,
often in more than one county. Recent
redistricting has placed Sprinefield in

redistricting has placed Springfield in the 21st Legislative District. The 21st district also includes Berkeley Heights, Garwood, Westfield, Cran Heights, Garwood, Westfield, Cran-ford, Mountainside, New Providence, Roselle Park and Summit in Union County; Chatham Township, Hard-ing, Long Hill and Madison in Morris County; Millburn in Essex County, and Warren and Watchung in Some-rest County.

For more information, call 908-687-8500.

#### **Evening Group meets**

The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Churcht in Springfield will have its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Par-ish House on Church Mall.

ish House on Church Mall.

After a devotional period, there will be a business meeting and plans will be discussed for the coming year.
Refreshments will be served and all women are invited to attend.

#### Blood drive Friday

The Springfield YMCA will host a community blood drive on Friday from 2 to 7 p.m. at the YMCA, 100 S. Springfield Ave. Springfield The drive is open to the entire community and all eligible donors are encouraged to notifi

and all eligible donors are encouraged to participate.

The demand for blood is rising both localfy and nationally due to an aging population, an increase in cancer diagnoses requiring aggressive chemotherapy with blood transfusion support and more routine, yet sophisticated, medical and surgical procedures such as onen heart and organ dures, such as open heart and organ transplant operations requiring blood.

transplant operations requiring blood. Yet, it was reported, that donation rates are not keeping pace with the increased demand for blood.

Nearly anyone can be a life-saving hero. Donating blood is safe, and between the ages of 17—with parental consent—and 76, a person can donate blood every 56 days. One hour of one's time can mean a lifetime for

Someone in need of a blood transfusion.

Donors will need to know their Social Security number and have identification. For information, call the Summit Area Chapter Red Cross at 908-273-2076.

#### Meet candidates Sept. 20

Steve Brociner and John Shackel-ford, candidates for Borough Council, invite Mountainside residents to get to know candidates for the Legislature and Union County sheriff at a meeting

and Union County sheriff at a meeting on Sept. 20. The gathering will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Millenhaim Room of Mountainside Manor Care. 1180 Route 22 West. It is sponsored by the Mountainside Democratic Club. Refreshments will be served. In District 21. Blen Steinberg seeks the State Senate seak Brooke Hern and Thomas Jardin are running for Assembly.

Hern and Thomas Jardia are running for Assembly. Sheriff Ralph Freehlich, a candidate for re-election, also will be welcomed by Brociner and Shackelford, who are contenders for Mountainside Borough Council.

The candidates will explain their views add invite questions on district and local conditions and on campaign issues.

District 21 of the Legislature includes Mountainside and eight of its neighboring communities in Union County; as well as communities in three other counties. To provide more information about candidates and community affairs, the Mountainside Democratic Club has expanded its web site — www.mountainsidenj.org. Brochner and Shackelford encourage residents to e-mail them with any questions. comments, or concerns about Mountainside or the 2001 election

#### Cop Trot set for Oct. 6

The second annual Cop Trot spon-sored by the Mountainside Police Athletic League is set for Oct. 6. The Kt/3-mile race/walk is 'open to all residents and non residents from seri-ous racers to seniors and everyone in between. Proceeds will benefit the various programs of the PAL, which focus primarily on 'wouth' our's well-

focus primarily on youth.

There are nine age group categories. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place finishers in second and third place finishers in each group categories. The registra-tion fees prior to Sept. 30 are: 5K adult 515, 5K child 510 and family 550. After fand atte. a 55 face fee will be added. The registration fee includes a T-shirt and computerized scoring results. Information packets and race numbers will be distributed on race day.

on race day.

Registration forms are available at Borough Hall in the Police and Recreation departments, as well as various other locations about town. Look for the signs that say "PAL cop trot forms

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Babysitter's training

Babysitter's training

The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross will host two bibysitter's training courses for youth ages 71—6.15 years old.

The first class will be on Oct. 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The class will be offered again on Nov. 8 and 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The course is ideal for current and future babysitters. It teaches youth the best ways to keep the children in their care safe. Topics include making good decisions, supervising children of different ages, safety inside and outside of the home, handling emergencies, sage appropriate activiemergencies, age appropriate activi-ties, performing basic infant care — feeding, diapering, burping — basic first aid and more.

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To give adolescents the feeling of how to interact with a real baby, the course userfulls called "Baby Think it Over." These are infant simulators or "babies" that cry at random, unpre-dictable times. They also cy' if held in the wrong position, if the head is not supported or if the baby is handled roughly. These infant simulators where purchased with a grant pro-vided through the Westfield Foundation.

Two classes being offered to teens this fall are CPR & First Aid. The infantichild CPR class will be offered on Sept. 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The first aid class will be offered on Nov. 3 from 9:a.m. to 1:n. Both

on Nov. 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Both classes are certification American classes are certification American Red Cross courses taught to youth in a ton-threatening environment with

non-threatening environment with their peers.

All classes will be at the Chapter House, 321 Elm St., Westfield. Inter-ested persons most pre-register. Space is limited and on a first cone basis. The chapter hosts babysitter's training course every month. Inter-ested individual may call the chapter at 908-232-7090, stop by the Chapter House or send an e-mail to johnson!@crossnet.org.

#### Red Cross classes

The Westfield/Mountainside Chan-

ter of the American Red Cross has scheduled its fall course/classes in lifeaving skills.

Community First Aid & Safety—adult, infant, child CFR & basic first aid—class will be offered vice, first on Saurday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and then again on Nov. 10 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Adult CFR class will be CFR 23.

p.m. Adult CPR class will be Oct. 23. The course teaches participants how to deal with chocking, breathing and cardiac emergencies. It will also include training in automated external defibrillation. On Nov. 27, the course will be repeated. Class time is 6 to 10:30 p.m. Three \* Infant/Child. CPR classes

10:30 p.m.
Three Infam/Child CPR classes
will be held. The course covers choking, breathing emergencies and CPR
for infants and children. Classes will
be hosted on Sept. 20 from 6 to 10
p.m.; Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
and on Nov. 13 from 5:30 to 10:30

p.m. — A First Aid Basics 'class' will be offered on two dates: Oct. 25 from 6 to 10 p.m. and again on Nov. 29 from 6 to 10 p.m. The course teaches participants how to check the condition of conscious and unconscious victims, how to recognize and care for life-treatening illness and injures as well as handling checking and breathing enterconcies.

 infant, child, adult and two-person
 CPR — class will be offered on Sept.
 24 and 25 from 6 to 10:30 p.m. The course is intended for individuals who course is intended for individuals who have the duty to respond to emergencies as job requirements, i.e. life-guards, EMTs and health professionals. The course will be repeated on Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For this currently holding this certification but need renewal, a renewal class is offered on Oct. 16 from 6 to 10 m. iii.

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All trainings take place at the Red Cross Chapter House, 321 Elm St., Westfield. Advance registration is required and space is limited.
For more information, visit the Chapter House, call the chapter at 908-232-7090.

#### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

#### Silberman promoted

Mandi Silberman of Springfield has been promoted to marketing anal-yst for Conneast's Northeast region. Previously she was marketing coordi-nator of retention efforts for Conneast. Silberman will work closely with

several departments within Conteast in New Jersey and Connecticut, analyzing marketing strategies. She received a haghelor of arts degree in

1997 from Rutgers University and an M.B.A. in 1998 from Rutgers Gradu-ate School of Management.

#### Perselay appointed

Acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrances-co last week submitted to the State Sehate the appointment of Lisel Fahl Perselay of Mountainside to the Cata-strophic Illness in Children Relief Fund Commission.

#### RELIGION

#### 'A Taste of Judaism'

Internarried families who want to Internarried families who want to learn about Judajsm in a non-judgmental setting are invited to "A Taste of Judaism — Family Style" on Sept. 23 from 3 to 7 p.m., at Temple Beth Ahm. 60 Temple Drive, Spring-field. The program will include family projects based on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, which will be observed Tuesday through. Wednesday and Sept. 27.

onducted jointly by Pathways, each to Intermarried Families of Outreach to Interna the United Jewish Federation of Met-ro West and Temple Beth Ahm, the program is designed for interfaith families who live in religious limbo

and have not yet decided about the religious identity of their family. "A Taste of Judaism — Family Style" is intended to impart some of the tools needed to make such decisions.

Participants are asked only to spend a few hours exploring Judaism with other intermarried families. There is a cost of \$10 per family, and dinner will

cost of \$10 per family, and dunner will be served.

To register, call Lynne Wolfe, Pathways director, at 973-884-4800, Ext. 192, or e-mail lwolfe@ujfmetrowest.org.

### Woman of The Year

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announced by the Springfield Hadas-sah at its first meeting of 2001-02 today at 6 p.m. in Temple Beth Ahm. 60 Temple Drive. Springfield. Co-Presidents Dorothea Schwartz

and Irene Chottner said the person chosen for the chapter's highest annu-al award will represent the local group at the Hadassah's Northern New Jersey Region major function December.

A "Sloppy Joe" supper will be offered at \$10 a person, with reserva-tions made by calling Pearl Kaplan at \$73-376-3171,

Another highlight of the meeting will be a report of the evening of the national Hadassah convention in

national Hadassah convention in larael in July.

Hadassah is the largest women's volunteer group in the United States with a membership of 300,000. It takes a strong stand on women's health and reproductive rights and slos supports projects in Israel which include job training two major research hospitals, a college of technology and resettlement for thousands of emigrants to Israel.

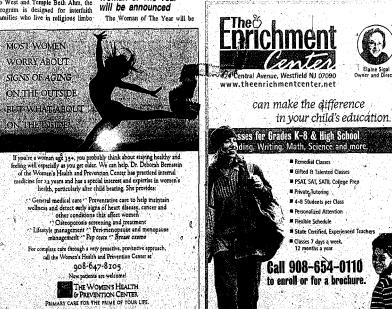
#### Beth Ahm Teen Institute

Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, is taking registra-tion for its new Teen fusitute starting Sunday. The program is designed for Jewish students in the eighth, minth and 10th grades to continue their education past their Bar or Bat Mitzvah, and it is not intended to be ordinary,

traditional Hebrew High School The program focuses on the issues Jewish teens face as they are manning and the Jewish perspective on how to handle and face those problems. The faculty will include Rabbi Mark Mallach, the temple's spiritual leader and other teachers.

Tuition for the 2001-02 school year will be \$500.

To secure a place, call Temple Beth Ahm at 973-376-0539, Ext. 11. or, office@templebethahm.com for a registration form.





#### **EDUCATION**

#### Babysitter's training

The Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Gross announces its fall schedule of Babysithe's Training classes. Egohecutes is a tolal of 8 1/4 hours. Three different sessions are offered to meet a variety of schedules. The cost of the class is 335.

The course is ideal for current and future bubysitters—teaching them the best ways to be safe and keep the children in their care safe. Participans will learn a variety of skills such as

will learn a variety of skills such as making good responsible decisions, supervising children, choosing safe and age-appropriate toys and games, handling an emergency or illness, performing first aid, performing basic care routines, like diapering, feeding, and dressing, and handling bedtime issues effectively.

The Babysitter's Training fall course is 3:30 to 5:45 pm, on the following dates: Sept. 21, Sept. 28, Oct. 12, Oct. 12, Oct. 12, Cet. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 16, and on Dec. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 pm. Bring a lunch to the Dec. 8 workshop. will learn a variety of skills such as

workshop.
The Summit Area Red Cross Chapter provides service to five communi ties: Berkeley Heights, New Provi-dence, Long Hill Township, Spring-tield and Summit. Call 908-273-2076 to register for

class or for information

#### Free dance workshop

Karine Plantadit-Bageot will pre-sent a "Throughly Modern" Dance Workshop at The Connection for Women and Families, 79 Maple St. on Sept. 23 from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. The free workshop will include a halfhour lecture and question-and-answer hour lecture and question-and-answer session and an hour and a half of dance instruction. Men, women and youths age 10 and older who have some dance experience are invited to attend. Preregistration is requested. Plantadil-Bagot is a dancer and choreographer of exceptional talent, style and presence. She was a princi-ple dancer with Alvin Ailey American

Dance Theatre and The Jamison Project. Her Broadway experience includes featured roles in "The Libn King" and "Saturday Night Pever." A cofounder and choreographer of RhythMek diptee company, she also caches Horlon and Jaze techniques. This is the seventh year The Connection for Women and Famillies, in conjunction with 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, has offered a series of dance workshops which are free and open to the community. Free parking is available. Reservations are requested. Call The Connection a 908-273-4242 to reserve or for additional information on this and upcoming workshops are available on The Connection's web site at www.thechnectionorline.org.

#### Arboretum field trips

Our field trip programs immerse children in nature. The groups are small, so the guide can pay attention to each child, and each child can pay close attention to the plants and ani-mals," said Michelle Celia Wiessner director of children's education at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit, which offers field trip programs for children from Union. Essex and Mor-

ris counties.
"We rely on our volunteer guides, who allow us to brack up visiting classes into small groups. Without them, our field trips would not be so individualized," Wiessner said. "We would have to continue to expand our field trips urity programs and invite even more children to the arrhortem, but to do that are noted more subtracted untile?" that we need more volunteer guides

The only background necessary to The only background necessary to become a volunteer guide is enjoyment of nature and of children. Reeves-Reed Athoretum will provide training to volunteer guides. Field trips take place in May, June, September and October, To find out more

about becoming a volunteer guide, eality 908-273-3787.

"Besides volunteers, we also need money to bring children from Newark to the advoctum," said Wiessner.

"What a treat it is — for us as well as for the children — to bring them here on the Hands to Nature program." The Hands to Nature program is a cooperation between the arboretum and the Greater Newark Conservancy. Children arrive for the program on a school bus, and spend the morning in small groups at five educational centers around the grounds. Then they relax on the lawn for a pizza lunch before returning to school.

Local businesses and organizations, including the Summit Junior Fortnightly Club, Madison Garden. Chub, Summit Garden Club, PSE&G, Hillop Community Bank and the Flying Horse Foundation underwrote the cost of the bus trip and the lunch this spring.

"We have six Hands to Nature

cost of the bus trip and the lunch this spring.
"We have six Hands to Nature programs scheduled for the fall. Some of them are still available to be funded," said Wiessner. "Sponsorships cost \$300. This is a satisfying way to make a difference in a child's life."

life."

Reeves-Reed Arboretum, 165

Hobart Ave., Sunmit, is a suburban conservancy dedicated to environmental and horticultural education for children and adults. The arboretum is entirely funded by private

contributions.

For more information about the arboretum's educational programs, call 908-273-8787.

#### Red Cross announces fall schedule of classes

Injuries occur daily in both homes and worksites. How prepared are you?
The Summit Area Red Cross
announces its fall schedule of courses to help people be as prepared as possi-ble to deal with everyday

Included in the roster for the first

time at the Summit Area Chapter is Community First Aid & Safety taught in Spanish. CPR & First Aid Chairman Bruce Rex is excited the chapter is offering a course in Spanish.

"We have a terrific instructor for the course and we're glad to be able to expand our classes to meet the needs of Spanish speaking people in our community." unity.

- Community First Aid & Safety, conducted in Spanish: Nine-hour course including, First Aid, Adult CPR, and Infant & Child CPR: tonight from 6 to 10:30 p.m. Fee is \$60.
- \$60.
   Community First Aid & Safety:
  Nine-hour course including First Aid
  Adult CPR, and Infant & Child CPR:
  Oct. 1 and 3, 6 to 10:30 p.m., Dec. 4
  and 6, 6 to 10:30 p.m. Pee is \$60.

- and 6, 6 to 10:30 pm. Pee is \$60.

  Adult CPR with AED: Four-hour course including Adult CPR, assistance for choking victims, and AED training; Oct. 30, 6:30 to 10:30 pm. Pee is \$35.

  Infant & Child CPR: Six-hour course includes CPR & choking for babies. Saturday, 9 am. to 3:30 pm. and Nov. 19 and 20, 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Pee is \$35.

  Community CPR recertification:
- Community CPR recertification Four-hour course to recertify Adult and/or Infant & Child CPR; Monday, and/or Infant & Child CPR; Monday, 6:30 to 10 p.m., and Nov. 1, 6:30 to 10 p.m. Fee is \$25. Must have current
- CPR for the Professional Rescuer: Nine-hour course including one- and two-person CPR; Oct. 9 and 11. 6 to 10:30 p.m. Fee is \$60.

· Pet First Aid: Four-hour course to provide training for pet emergencies, topics covered include rescue breatopics covered include rescue treating, assistance for chocking, poisoning, and bleeding. Students will practice on dog and cat mannequins; Oct. 17, 6 to 10:30 p.m. and Dec. 11, 6 to 10:30 p.m. Pee is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple.

Call 908-273-2076 to register for a

### Fountain Baptist Church to host health speakers

The African American Planning Committee, The Sharing Network and countain Baptist Church and Boys Rights of Passage Ministry will sponsor secral guest speakers on Saturday from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Fountain Baptist hurch, 116 Glenside Ave.

To better educate, inform and create awareness among young people, the hurch hopes to teach them to honor their bodies through good health and raise wareness on how they can help others in need, Sharing the Gift of Life will be iscussed!

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Guest topics will include baby's health, by the Rev. Dr. Charles Carson; asthma, by Bill Daughtry, drugs and alcohol, the Rev. Anthony Porter; good health versus organ, Dr. Dorian Wilson, and liver and transplants, featuring a trans-

piant surgeon.
For information, call Thomas Cannon at The Sharing Network 973-379-4353; Thomas Cesharenjorg or Ken Joy at 908-490-2639 LifeSavingGrace@aol.com.

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Disease-Sevien Stanzione, MD., speaking on Breast Cancer; and Robert
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O Monday, September 17, 10 a.m. to Noon
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O Thursday, September 20, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.
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- pain management, relaxation, and healthcare utilization. The following six-session courses meet:

  Thursdays, September 20 and 27, and October 4, 11, 18 and 25 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
  HomeCare America, Madison Piaza Shopping Center, 300 Main Street, Madison Pridays, September 21 and 28, and October 5, 12, 19 and 26 10 a.m. to Noon HomeCare America, Madison Piaza Shopping Center, 300 Main Street, Madison Tuesdays, September 25, and October 1, 9, 16, 23 and 30 10 a.m. to Noon Overlook hospital, 99 Beauvoir Avenue, Summit

  Wednesdays, September 26, and October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 30 10 a.m. to Noon
  Visiting Nurse Service System, 354 Union Avenue, Elizabeth
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Presenter: Mary-Giselle Ulbrich, M.S., R.D., Lead Oncology Diedtian,
Morristown Memorial Hospital
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discussed. lednesday, September 26, 10 to 11:30 a.m. rerlook Hospital, Wallace Auditorium, 99 Beauvoir esenter: Saad Habba, M.D., gastroenterologist

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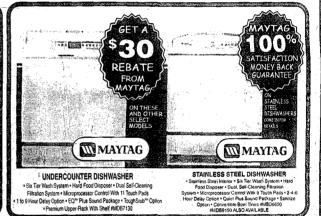
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discarded shoe boxes. What are "thep"? Pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters of course. Loose change. It adds up. And, there are lots of pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters out there. According to figures from the US Mint, production for January through June included more than 11.8 billion of these coins, nationwide. So, now that you have all of this loose change, what do you do with it? Most banks won't accept coins unless they have been counted and wrapped.

But Commerce Bank will accept that loose change — and you don't even have to have an account. When Commerce Bancorp introduced its Penny Arcade free coin counting machines in 1999, the bank had no way of knowing the level of popularity the service would achieve.

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of 2001, 430,522 people trought in more than 3-21 in management of Penny Arcades.

In just one month — August 2001 — Commerce Bank accepted \$82,956 in pennies, nickels, dinnes and quarters from 874 people at its three branches located throughout Union County in Summit, Springfield and Rahway.

Commerce considers the Penny Arcades another convenience for its customers and other community members. "The Penny Arcades expand out unique

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Penny Arcades.

Commerce's Penny Arcades are free, dulike many of the coin counting machines found in some grooery stores, which charge a usage fee of up to nearly 9 percent to count customers quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. Commerce is the only bank in New Jersey, eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, to provide access to free, self-service coin counting machines.

After the coins collected through the Penny Arcade machines ney are put into Commerce Bank's inventory and redistributed to nanches and business customers.

orances and usuares customers.

Commerce's Phapy Arcades have been called into service on a number of occasions in support of various charitable, community and civic organizations:

A number of schools who participated in the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's "Pennies for Patients" drive, for example, used the Penny Arcades in their local branches to provide an "official" count of the coins collected by students.

#### OBITUARIES

George B. Cameron

George B. Canneron of Sunnait died Aug. 31 in the Glenside Nursing Center, New Providence.

Born in New York City. Mr. Caracron lived in Short Hills for 25 years before moving to Summit 15 years ago. He was an attorney at the law firm of Sincerbeaux and Shrewsburgy, New York City. for 25 years before deciding as work only on a part-dune basic.

part-time basis.

Mr. Cameron was a graduate of St.
John's Law School in New York City. He served in the Coast Guard during World War II. Mr. Cameron was a life member of the Friendly Sons of St member of the Friendly Sons of St.
Patrick of new York City and was member of the Regiment of Squadron
A. of Calvary A. of New York.
Surviving are his wife, Helene; two
sons, Alexander P. and John Kelly,
and a grandchild.

#### Julius Jaskiewicz

Julius Jasklewicz, 80, of Toms Riv-er, formerly of Union and Summit, died Sept. 4 in the Arbor Care Center,

ated Sept. 4 in the Arbor Care Center,
Toms River.

Born in Newark, Mr. Jaskiewicz,
Mr. Jaskiewicz, Was an Air Porce
veteran of World War II and a memser ich with World War II and a mem-

ber of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10185, Toms River. Surviving are his wife, Helen, and a brother, Stanley.

#### Mildred E. Courter

Mildred E. Courter, 93, of Boonton

Mildred E. Courter, 93, of Boonton Township, formetly of Summit, died Sept. 4 in the Tally Ho Manor, Boon-ton Township.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Courter lived in Irvington and Summit before mov-ing to Boonton Township, She was a teacher at the Alexander Street Elementary School, Newark, for 11 years and retired in 1937. Mrs. Cour-ter volunteered at the Summit Public er volunteered at the Summit Public

Library.
Surviving are three sons, George,
Richard and Joseph; a sister, Edna
Spicer, a brother, John Kaelberer, five

#### Mary L. Spillane

Mary Lucretta "Lu Lu" Spillane of Summit died Sept. 3 in Brick Höspi-tal, Brick Township, from injuries sustained while swmming in the ocean at Mantioloking. \* Born in Passaic, Mrs. Spillane lived.

ocean at Matitoloking. b Bom in Passaic, Mrs. Spillane lived, in Short Hills before moving to Sum-mit a year ago. She had a successful career for 27 years with Burgdorff Realtors. Mrs. Spillane became mana-ger of the Westfield and Chabham offices, where under her leadership, became top producing offices in the company. She won multiple awards as a sales nerson.

sales person. In 1990, Mrs. Spillane was ed the prestigious Certifi Real Estate Brokerage manager. In addition, she was a licensed broker addition, she was a licensed broker with advanced designations as Graduite, Realtor Institute and Certified Residential Specialist, Mrs. Spillane was recognized in the 1996-1997 edition of Who's Who in Executive and Professionals for her outstanding achievements. She graduated from Cornell, New York Medical School survine program.

Comeil, New York Medical School, wishing are her husband, Noel A., three Son, Dr. Jeffrey J., Mark D. and Eugene G. Spillane; two daughters. Noel Marie Shepard and Collette. Spillane-Digs; a brother, William Durkin, and five grandchildren.

#### Katherine S. Liddy

Katherine S. Liddy of Summit died Sept. 5 in the Glenside Nursing Cen-New Providence.

ter, New Providence.

Born in Morristown, Mrs, Liddy lived in Summit for 44 years. She was an assistant to Dr. Charles Ryman, a dentist in Summit, for 10 years and retired in 1979. Earlier, Mrs, Liddy had been a visiting homemaker with SAGE in Summit.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Tho-mas J. Liddy and Martin J.; two daughters, Patricia Traynor and Mar-; 12 grandchildren and 19 great

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#### Interweave plans events

Interweave, a community learning tenter teaching skills for wholistic living, announces its September sche-dule of courses and events that strengthen wellness, deepen spiritual ity, and promote the common good. Interweave Director Robert Corin Intervave Director Robert Corin Morris' opolatar Wednesday forum. Sept. 26 from 9.30 to 11:30 a.m., is "To Be a Blessing: How to Make a Difference." The sky seek series as featuring Nancy Orlen Weber, will use Rachel Naomi Remen's bestsetler My Grandfuber's Blessings as a springboard for discussion of how to call out the best in ourselves and

springboard for discussion of how to call out the best in ourselves and others. Tuition is \$75, \$65 for mem-bers, or \$15 a session. Margaret Briggs, a writing profes-sor at Seton Hall University, will lead "Writing and Walking reflection, and group sharing on Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. of 1 p.m. Participants will meet at the Trailside left at Watchung Reserva-tion; the fee is \$45, \$35 for members. Other events this month include

Other events this month include The Way of Jesus: A Call to Basic Journey. Sept. 22, at St. George's Episcopal Church in Maplewood. For information about any of these events, or to register, call Interweave at 973-763-8312 or online at

#### www.interweave.org. Red Cross wants you

The Summit Area Chapter American Red Cross is seeking area residents to become volunteer instructors in their health and safety program. Each year, the Summit Area Red Cross teaches lifeaving skills to hundreds of area residents. But that is dreus of area resulents. But unappossible only through the help of people who care about the safety and lives of others, and are willing to devote a little bit of their time to help make the community a safer place.

American Red Cross volunteer instructors are members of a select

group of trained individuals who reflect the standards and ideals of the reflect the standards and ideals of the Red Cross. As volunteers, individuals gain the opportunity to use lifesaving skills and experience to give back to the community. Volunteers can make a real difference in the lives of others.

tion or to register for a class.

The Summit Area Red Cross serve

Berkeley Heights, Long Hill Town-ship, New Providence, Springfield and Summit. Call 908-273-2076 for

#### Cancer program offered

Pathways educational and com-plimentary mind/body fall programs begin in September. For information about programs and services, call 908-277-3663. Support groups and most programs are free. To register for support groups, call support group coordinator at 973-701-7607.

On Sept. 21, Mary Giselle-Ulrich On Sept. 21, Mary Giselle-Ulrich will present a program, Nutrition for cancer patients." Giselle-Ulrich is the lead encology dietician from Morristown Memorial Hospital. She will lead a lively discussion about maintaining nutrition before and after treatment for cancer in Overlook Hospital Conference Room 2.

Call Pathways at 908-277-3663 to register for the nutrition program.

### Support groups offered at Resource Center

groups for the fall. All of these groups are led by professional therapists, and run for six to weight weeks.

renting Through Divorce" pro vides support and suggestions for mothers of children from preschool mothers of children from preschool age through the teen years. Group members will explore their personal strengths, with an emphasis on enriching relationships with their children. The groups are schednled for six Wednesdays beginning Oct. 10 from 630 to 8 pm. The fee is \$115, \$90 for center members.

conter members. "Changing Roles: A Group for New Mothers" addresses the many issues that confort first-time mothers. Group members will receive support and encouragement with the goal of raising happy and healthy children. The group is scheduled for eight Fri days, beginning Sept. 21 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The fee is \$135, \$105 for center members

center members.

"Women and Money Issues" looks at the relationships that women have with money. The program will explore the personal, relationship, family, and business matters that are impacted by how women view money. The program runs for six Saturdays, beginning Sept. 22 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The fee is \$100, \$80 for center members.



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#### OBITUARIES

#### Arthur K. Buehrer

Arthur K. Buehrer, 86, of Spring-sld, town clerk and registrar, died pt. 4 in the Manor Care Health Ser-

cep. 4 in the Manor Care Health Services, Mountainside.

Born in Irvington, Mr. Buehrer
lived in Newark before moving to
Springfield in 1951. He was the town
lerk and registrar of vital statistics in Springfield Township for 12 years and retired in 1985. Previously, Mr. Buehrer worked for P. Ballantine &

Buehrer worked for P. Ballantine & Son Brewers, Newark, for 31 years. He attended New York Inviresity and Rutgers University and Rutgers University and Rutgers University and Rutgers University and read was a member of the Phi Alpha Sigma fratemulty, Mr. Buehrer was an Army veteran of World War II and look part in the freeling of the Czechosłovakima during the war. He received two Bronze stars, the Combot Infantry Badge, with Ribbons and the New Bronze stars, the Combot Infantry Badge with Ribbons and the New Bronze stars, the Combot Infantry Badge with Ribbons and the New Bronze stars, the Combot Infantry Badge with Ribbons and the Men Parket Men Her Was a life member of the 16th Afforded Division Association and service officer of American Legion Post 228. He also served a past president of the Llons Club and was a president of the Llons Club and was a

ion Post 228. He also served as past president of the Lions Club and was a 60-year member of the Wilkins-Eureka Continental Lodge 39 F&AM. Mr. Bucher was a past president of Group 4 of the Springfield Senior Citizens. He was the Springfield representative to the Senior Citizens Council of Union County and the Union County Advisory Board of Senior Citizens. Mr. Buchere also was remother of the Model Committee. Senior Citizens. Mr. Buehrer also was a member of the Mayor's Committee on Aging. He was a member of the Union County Municipal Cierks Association and a charter member of the Patton Museum.

Surviving are his wife of 59 years, Lillian; two sons, Arthur D. and Donald C.; a sister, Ruth Palmer; four greaths and four greaths.

grandchildren and four great-

#### Max Trugman

Max Trugman, 84, of West Orange, ormerly of Springfield, died Aug. 31 St. Barnabas Medical Center,

in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Newark, Mr. Trugman lived in Maplewood and Springfield before moving to West Orange two years ago. He was a cashier at the Bunny Hop Restaurant, West Orange, for many years and retired in 1991.

Earlier, Mr. Trugman owned Al's Supermarket, Kearny, for more than 35 years. He played on the first Westlandish Wilds School feedball tearn

Dyears. Jie played on the first we qualic High School football team, Newark, and was a member of the Drity Dozen Club of Newark.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Ann. a daughter. Robin Bartel; a son, Richard: a sister, Sara Soffman; six grandchildnen and a great-grandchild.

#### Mae Boiczuk

Mae Bojczuk, 89, of Springfield died Aug. 31 in Somerset Medical Center. Born in New York City, Mrs. Bojc-

zuk moved to Springfield more than 56 years ago. She owned and operated M&N Bojczuk Stone Co. Inc. of M&N Bojezuk Stone Co. Inc. of Springfield for more than 50 years. Mrs. Bojezuk temed to cut stone under the tutelage of her late first hus-band, Marshall Meudsley. The com-pany was renamed after she remar-ried. She also taught men from all over the state how to home the craft of stone-cutting.

brother, John Slugocke, a sister, Jose-phine Small, and a grandchild.

#### Marilyn S. Kelman

Marilyn S. Kelman, 95, of Spring-field died Sept. 2 in Overlook Hospi-

field died Sept. 2 in Overlock Hospi-cial, Summit.

Born in Austria-Hungary, Mrs. Kelman lived in Manhattan belock moving to Springfield eight years ago. She was a life member of Hadassah in Manhattan, where sie was the Bye Bank chairman. Mrs. Kelman laso was a member of the Sisterhood of Temple Sinat in Manhattan, Washington beights Chaptrer and was bonored as its Wolman of the Year in 1967.

Striviting are a denubrer. Salte.

Surviving are a daughter, Sally Kaufman; a brother, Irving Spatz; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

#### Margaret Rowland

Margaret Rowland,
Margaret M. Rowland, 87, of Williamstown, formerly of Springfield,
died Sept. 1 in the Meadowriew
Nursing Center, Williamstown.
Born in Long Branch, Mrs. Rowland lived in Springfield before moving to Williamstown several years
ago. She was a secretary for the U.S.
Savings Bank, Newark, for many
years before religion. years before retiring.

#### Gustave H. Meissner

Gustave H. Meissner, 83, of James-burg, formerly of Mountainside, died Aug. 31 at home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Meissner lived in Union and Mountainside before moving to Jamesburg 28 years ago. He was an executive secretary with the Civil Service Department for the United States Civil Service, Newark, for 29 years and retired in 1975. Mr. Meissner served in the Army Air Corps as a pilot during World War II and was a Prisoner of War in Germany for 10 months. He was a member of the Men's 18-Hole Golf Club of Rossmoor.

Surviving are a son, Gregory I.; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

#### Paul Grindlinger

Paul Grindlinger, 78, of Springfield died Sept. 4 in Memorial Sloan-kettering Cancer Center, New York

Ged Sept. 4 in meliterate Jack Kettering Cancer Center, New York City.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Grindlinger lived in Rutherford, Bayonne and Millbam before moving to Spring-field seven years ago. He was a sales representalive and later supervisor with Snapple of northern New Jersey for nine years before retiring. Earlier, Mr. Grindlinger had been a production manager with Major Products, Little Ferry. Before that, he had been a partner with Allied Paper Products. Bayonne. Mr. Grindlinger was 1948 graduate of Long Island University where he received a degree in accounting and business accounting and business

administration.
He served in the Air Force during World War II. Mr. Grindlinger was past president of the Millburn-Short Hills B'inai B'rith and the Bayonne

Mr. Grindlinger also was a member of the Musonic Lodge F&AM in Bayonne and a Boy Scout leader in Milburn. He was an Eagle Scout and a member of the Order of the Arrow. Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Betty; a son, Robert J., and a daughter, Gall S. Hughes.

#### LIFESTYLE



JosephyRoessner and Carroll Falconer

### Falconer, Roessner marry

Carroll Falconer, haughter of Ron and Marlene Falconer of Sarasota, Fla., ras married to Joseph Roessner, son of Dorothy Roessner of Springfield on

Máy 19.

The matrons of honor were Susie Drauer and Marion Salstrand. Her bridesmidds were Carol Roessner, Christine Falconer, Gina Hupp, Anna Roman, Kim Welch and Terry Elterman. The flowergifts were Ellie and Whitteey Falconer. The best men were Ron Falconer and Scot Schneiderman. His ulsters were David Johnson, David Kadish, Tom Ard, Todd Galayder, Mike Herrmann, Eric Perlum and Mark Sherman. The ringbearer was Hayden Welch.

The bride is a graduate of Florida State University, Tallahassoe, Fla., and University of South Florida. Tampa, Fla., and is employed by the Sarassta Courty School Board as a first grade teacher. The groom is a graduate of Florida State University, Tallahassoe, Fla., and is employed by HCR — Manovecare in Sarasota as regional marksting director.

Following the ceremony at Faith Lutheran Church, where Pastir Steven Winemittler Officiated, the couple celebrated with a reception at The Oaks

Winemiller officiated, the couple celebrated with a reception at The Oaks Country Club in Sarasota, Fla. They spent their honeymoon cruising the Mediterranean for two weeks. The couple will reside in Sarasota

#### Temple will mark 50th anniversary

Temple Both Ahm of Springfield

Temple Beth Ahm of Springfield will be hosting g gala dinner dance on Oct. 21. The temple will be celebrating its 50th anniversary and honoring past president Mark Samuel Ross. Ross has been involved in the Jewish community for almost 30 years since he was a teen-ager in the early 1970s. His formal education includes a bachelor of art degree from Rulgers University, a Juris Doctorate from Benjamin N. Cardoza School of Liavand a Diploma from the American Academy McAllister institute Of Funcal Services. Ross was named Man Of The Year Swas manned Man Of The Year Swas was named Man of The Year Who In American Law". He is the senior director and co-owner of Menorah Chaples Funcal Homes in Union and Teaneck. He is the author of the week-news of heaven the work of week-news of heaven from the Minion and Teaneck. He is the author of the week-news members of human from the Minion and Teaneck. He is the author of the week-newsment of human from the Minion and Teaneck. He is the author of the week-newsment of human from the Minion and Teaneck. He is the author of the week-newsment column "Thooketh My

Teaneck. He is the author of the week-ly newspaper column "Through My Father's Eyes."

Since 1986, Ross has been a vital part of Temple Beth Ahm. In addition to being past president of the congregation, he was the principal author of The Constitution of Temple Beth Ahm, Chairman of the 1999-2000 Rabbi's Search Committee, and the Chairman of the 2000 B'nai Mitzwah Mitrigues Learn Tini Mark serves as Mission to Israel Trip. Mark serves as chairman of Religious Affairs and



Mark Samuel Boss

onstitution and Legal Committees of

Ross, his wife Robin and his child-Ross, his wife Robin and his child-ren Adam and Danielle, have been and wife continue to be a valuable asset to Temple Beth Ahm and the entire community. To attend this milestone event, or for more information call the temple office at 973-376-0539, Ext. 11.

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noon.

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### Schnur engaged to Kevoe

Dr. Stuart Schnur of Mt. Laurel and Susan Ortner of Springfield announce the engagement of their daughter Lisabeth Schnur to David Kevoe, son of Melvin and Sherry Kevoe of Westfield.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y., and is employed by Coach Inc.

in Beverly Hills, Calif., as a sales

associate.

The future groom is a graduate of Westchester State University in Pensylvania and is employed by MRI Sales Consultants of Culver City, Calif., as a financial specialist.

The couple has not set yet a wedding date.



#### Attention churches and social clubs

This newspaper encourages congregations, temples, social and civic organizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities.

Releases should be typed, double-spaced, and include a phone number where representative may be reached during the day.

Send information to: Managing Editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

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Sept. 7: 7:48 a.m., all units responded to a Morris Turnpike business for a water flow alarm; \$3:46 a.m., Mountain Avenue and Nelson Place for an odor of natural gas; 9:33 a.m. Meckes Street residence for an activated fire alarm; 12:34 p.m., Route 22 East for a motor vehicle accident with injuries; 1:19 p.m., Forest Drive

#### FIRE BLOTTER

apartment complex for a medical service call: 1:37 p.m., Northview Terrace residence for a medical service call: 2:20 p.m., Hawthorne and Tooker avenues for a vehicle leaking gas: 4:08 p.m., Baltusrol Golf Club to assist the Police Department; 11:39 p.m., South Maple Avenue residence for an activated fire alarm.

• Sept. 6: 9:34 a.m., Dayton Court residence for a medical service call:

residence for a medical service call; 9:43 a.m., Millburn Avenue residence 9.43 a.m., Milbum Avenue residence for a medical service call; 10.04 a.m., South Springfield Avenue apartment complex for a smoke detector problem; 2:13 p.m./Motris and Millburn avenues for a motor vehicle accident with a spill; 3:23 p.m. Motris Avenue near Balusrol Avenue for a motor vehicle accident with a spill; 5:05 p.m., Motris Tumpike business for a medical service call; 5:05 p.m., Route 22 East business for a metwice for a gas grill leaking gas. « Sept. 5: 8 a.m., pumper to Union Fire Headquarters on a request from Union County Mutual Aid, 10 am., Pitt Road residence for a medical service call; 10:24 a.m. Morris Tumpike business for a medical service call; 10:24 a.m. Morris Stupike susiness for a medical service call; 10:25 a.m., Route 22 East business for a medical service call; 6:32 p.m., Eton Place residence for an electrical problem.

« Sept. 3: 10:17 a.m., Route 22 East business for a medical service call; 8:32 p.m., Eton Place residence for an electrical problem. for a medical service call: 10:04 a.m.

 Sept. 3: 10:17 a.m., Route 22 • sept. 3 10/17 a.m., Rome 22 West business for a medical service call: 12/06 p.m., Battlehill Avenue residence for a medical service call; 7:38 p.m., Battlehill Avenue resdi-ence for a medical service call.

Sept. 2: 9.31 a.m. Janet Lane residence for an activated fire alarm: 3;42 p.m. Mountain Avenue synagogue for an activated fire alarm.

#### Speakers available

Contact We Care, the 24-hour telephone hotline and crisis intervention service serving Union, Middlesex, Sonneset and Essex counties, has speakers available for local religious, professional and community group meetings. Volunteers and professional staff from the 25-year-old non-profit organization will come and speak about Contact and the unique work they do — listening, Speakers are inspiring, dynamic and thought-provoking. The Agricies is free of change.

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lonely, depressed, or in crisis. They are dealing with tranmas such as family relationship, unemployment, men-tal illness, suicide, alcoholism, drug abuse or a loved one's death. They need to know someone cares.

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George Fetzer of Valley View Farms prepares his booth for another week at the Springfield Farmers' Market. The market runs Tuesdays from 1 to 7 p.m. through October at Ruby Field.

### **Testimony continues**

(Continued from Page 1) ork of the ordinance. I don't think there's an issue." Michaels said the board still has to

hear testimony from the applicants even though they have met the height

restrictions.

"My concern with all of these things is that diey are totally arbitrary," said Chapman. "If it is such a concern that 30 percent of the rifof is 44 feet above the average grade around the entire front of the building. I can amend it. I don't think we have a readler."

ran annual n. roon tunas we nareal problem."

Chipman said he was comfortant making, any changes and felt they have made considerable effort on make the front of the building two stories and easily accessible.

Questions of what constituted the front of the building came about due to confusion, over grade calculations and also because one side of the building would face Main Street.

"If you come in the driveway and you face the main entrance, we would

e the main entrance, we would you face the main entrance, we would call that the front of the building," said Chapman, "We have made cer-tain that in fact the engineer grading plans and our elevation plans are in fact, all consistent."

He said they now reflect a grading round the perimeter of the building at

Also at issue was the board's need for more handleap parking to be placed beneath the building, as stressed by Planning Board Chairman Richard Colandrea.

Carrently, the plan called for four handicapped spaces on site, with six oversized parking spaces underneath the building, in addition to the regular

Chuck F. Lee, engineer for the pro-ject, pointed out that when the three additional pages of site plans were added, some of the information was found to be inaccurate in the transfer.

Aside from documenting the detail-s, Sherman said there was little sub-stance in the issues being discussed.

Countering his point, Colandrea said there were enough issues to make major changes to the plan.

"We would prefer to see the revi-sions made and re-submitted," said Colandrea.

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#### **NEWS CLIPS**

### Emergency tips from First Aid Squad

Prepare now for emergencies. The Spring-field Volunteer First Aid Squad reminds residents that they are an important link in providing emergen-cy medical services to the township. Just the iew simple following steps can make all the difference in the worth!

can make all the difference in the world:

• Remember to past emergency numbers on each phone

• Learn first add and CPR.

• Support your emergency First Aid Squad.

The squad would like to remind the public that it is a volunteer organization dedicated to providing emergency first aid services to the people living in town, their families and those working in or-passing through the township.

• The squad responds to more that they have been a charge for its responses. The costs of operating this service for the community are significant and each and every household and business must lend its financial support to ensure that the squad or a voluntial and nortant its entite. cial support to ensure that the squad can maintain and upgrade its equip-ment to the highest standards, accord-

ing to the squad.

Netschert has asked the public to look for the mailing and respond with fully tax-deductible donations.

#### Mountainside Red Cross in search of volunteers

Do you like helping others in their time of need? Do you want to get involved in your community? Do you want to do something meaningful with your time? How about becoming a Red Cross Volunteer? The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross is currently looking for people to become volunlooking for people to become volun-teers with the Armed Forces

Emergency Services. This provides emergency-related services to members of the U.S. Armed Forces and heir Tamilies in times of personal emergencies and crisis.

This service area is a must for all Red Cross chapters. It provides emergency reporting services to strengthen the morate of the members of the armed forces and their families, to provide accurate reports for service members about home situations and it members about home situations and it provides military authorities with ver-ified information so they can make decisions that affect service members and the command.

and the command.

Volunteers are needed to help field incoming ealts during the evening and early morning hours, thus allowing the Red Cross to provide armed services with nonstop communication.

Volunteers provide this service directly from their home. No previous experience is needed and the Red Cross will provide the training and support.

support.

If you are looking to get hyvolved or would like more information, call the chapter at 908-232-7090 or stop by at 321 Elm St. in Westfield. Become part of the American Red Cross, an international organization that is "always there."

### Rules set for pick up of grass clippings

The Springfield Department of Public Works has begun its residential curbside collection of grass and non-woody garden debris. This material is ultimately composted, and residents are requested to comply with the fol-lowing requirements in order to facilitate that service:

. Only grass and green plant mater ial can be collected. Branches and and the concepts. Standers and woody material should be set out for collection by the township's garbage contractor on bulky waste pickup day. Material set out in plastic bags will

not be collected. Grass must be set out not be collected. Grass must be set out in biodegradable paper bags or loose in a clearly-marked receptable. Spe-cial bags may be purchased at local hardware stores. Bags and containers should not exceed 40 pounds each.

- Materials such as dirt, rocks, stones and sod are unacceptable for
- All material must be placed properly in containers; raking into the street is prohibited

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#### Election date brochures

The Office of the County Clerk has issued a 2001 election dates brochure as a public information service to resi-dents in Union County. The brochure is available free at area public dibras; ries, Kean University Library. Union County College Library, municipal clerk offices, local board of education offices and at the Offices of County Clerk located in Elizabeth and Westfield.

This year an absence ballot appli-cation has been added to the brochure to ease the process for those voters who will be unable to go to their polling place due to school, work or health commitments.

The tear-off application for an absence ballot must be sent to the County Clerk postmarked no later than seven days prior to a school board, primary or general election.

In addition to dates, filing dead-lines, and the absentee application, other important resources are included in the brochure including the New Jersey Election Law Enforce-

ment Commission, the Union County Board of Elections and New Jersey Division of Elections, Residents also may obtain a copy of the brochure by calling the County

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### THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

Sports Editor
Five county teams opened their
2001 campaigns with victories last
weekend, while two others just
missed. Winners included Rainway,
Plainfield, Westfield, Scotch Plains

Plaintield, Westfield, Sootch Plains and Elizabeth. Union and Cranford were defeated by a touchdown. However, the best news of the week might have officially occurred yesterday as Dayton was hopeful it could join Brearley as a

Co-operative program.

Kenilworth schools superintendent Lloyd Deschuk, Springfield superintendent Walter Mahler and superintendent Watter Mahler and the atthletic directors at both schools — Joe Lafferty at Brearley and Dan Gallagher at Dayton — met last week to make the details of the agreement official.

The Dayton school board

Daniguer at Dayton — met tast week to make the details of the agreement official. The Dayton school board decided on Aug. 28 to cancel its varsity (notball season due to a shortage of players. Dayton senlors, who don't want to miss out on playing football in their final year for high school, were hoping the two schools would agree to jernit them to join the Brearley football program under a NJSIAA-endorsed cooperative arrangement. The agreement was not to be official until twas approved by the NJSIAA yesterday. That means that Dayton students such as Sean Frank, Jake Morano, Joe Kalboonei, Martin Moyer and Scort Holtander will be able to play this year.

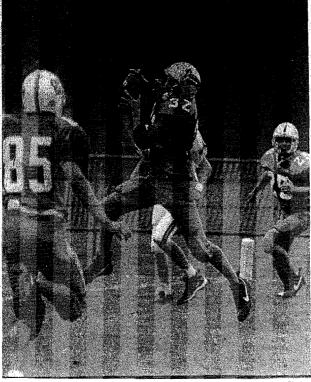
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Dayton football players, such at Joe Kahoonei (No. 32), should be allowed to join Brearley's team this week as long as approval is made by the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association. Brearley opens fromorrow night at Bound Brook. It allowed to play, the earliest the players could begin practicing with Brearley would be today. Most likely, Dayton players would be better prepared to play in a game with Brearley when the Bears visit Roselle Park on Friday night, Sept. 14. Dayton's varsity football program was officially cancelled late last month because of a shortage of players. Brearley's three football teams will benefit from an additional 12-14 players from Dayton.

## Dayton football players have a team to play for

### Brearley co-op agreement looked good

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer

Dayton High School football players will probably get the chance to play on the varisty level after all. That's because Monday night at a special meeting of the Springfield Board of Education, a unanimous decision to That's because Monday night at a special meeting of the Springfield Board of Education, a unanimous decision to ratify an agreement for the Dayton players to join the Brearley football team on a co-op level was passed. The second hurdle was also cleared Monday as the Mountain Valley Conference accepted the proposal. The last step that remained was to have an approval from the NISIAA, which met last night. "I'm very positive about the approval," Kenilworth schools superintendent Lloyd Leschuk said. "The situation should help out both schools?" If the NISIAA does approve the agreement, it will mark the third time that such an arrangement would be done for football in New Jersey.

The differ two, between Keyport and Henry Hudson and Palisades Park and Leonia, were put im place last fall when the NISIAA first began permitting football co-ops. "The agreement wasn't available for football when the school re-opened," Leschuk said.

The schools already have co-op agreements in wrestling, ice hockey, swimming, symnastics and bowling, "The co-op gives more kids the opportunity fo play," Leschuk said.

Leschuk said.

The 12-14 players expected to play for Brearley will be

mostly underclassmen.
"It will definitely help fill out Brearley's football team,"

The Bears will also benefit from the addition of a few

One of those seniors will be Scott Hollander, who play-l offensive guard and defensive tackle last season for the

ed offensive guard and defensive tackle last season for the Buildags.
"I'm pleased that I might get the opportunity to play variety football," Hollander said, "I will be ready for whatever position the coach feels that I'm best suited for."
That coach is Blearley head man Dave Curtin, who leads his team into its season-opperer on the road against MVC-Valley Division rival Bound Brook (omerow night).

If the agreement does pass, the players will not be able until today

to practice until today.

"If we do get to play, it will be almost impossible for the guys coming over to compete in tomorrow's game," Hollander said.

lander said.

Learning the offensive and defensive schemes, along with getting practice reps, will get them ready for Breaty's second game, that being a contest at Roselle Park or Friday night, Sept. 21.

The situation bodes well for the Dayton players. Of Aug. 28 the school board decided to cancel its varsity season due to a shortage of players.

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"I'm happy that the school board took action on this issue," Hollander sald. "But it wasn't the situation that I dreamed about three years ago,"
The idea was speanheaded by Leschuk, who recome mended the agreement for approval.

"I'm excited about the possibility of the co-op programbetweet use." Leschuk said. "It's good for both sides."
With the addition of the players, the numbers would not affect Brearley's NISIAA Group 1 designation. That's hecause the school is still about 100 students below the maximum for a Group 1 school.

### Springfield softball team is victorious

Springfield Adult Class A Modified Softball League 7 champion 866Estimate played the Chatham Township Adult Modified League champion and came out on top.

866Estimate won a nine-linning game by a score of 14-4.

Pete Lima tossed a complete game, while Justin Patino, Nat Goodwin and Alex Calatragio basted home runs. Anthony Palermo banged out three hist. This is the second year that Chatham has challenged the Springfield league, but the first year that the league champions played head to head.

Last year, two All-Star games were played, both won by Springfield.

#### Senior league champs crowned

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Another season of Union County Senior Softhall League play began to wind down late last month as three champions were crowned.

Antones Pub & Grill defeated Nilsen Detective Agency 20-19 and 10-9 to capture the 50s Division 1 championship.

Marion Jacobson Roofing swept Union Center National Bank, winning 25-5 and 22-13 to win the 50s Division 2 clitle.

"Creative Industries downed Mangel Realfors 21-5 in the final game of their series to claim the 60s Division championship.

Last week on Tuesday and Thursday, Antones was to neet Marron in the final throe-gaine, set of the season at Trendy-Field in Linden.

In its 20-19 win over Nilsen, Antones pounded out 30 hits and scored four times in the seventh inning to avoid climination. Steve Faulus had five hits and Joe Viso four for Antones.

Nilsen put the tying run on second base with no outs in the bottom of the seventh, but a fine catch by leftfielder Bob D'Meo held the runner at second for the first out. A sacrifice fly to right moved the runner to thick, but he was stranded whigh the last batter to it a long fly hall to leffecture to end the game.

Antones trailed Nilsen 8-1 after two impings, but then held Nilsen to just our run over the last five to come back and post a 20-19 victory. Bob D'Meo helasted a solo homer unit in the third imming, while Bob Lieberman betted a ross-mu triple in the fifth to make it 8-4.

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to within one, Nilsen scored its final run in the seventh to take a 9-7 lead.

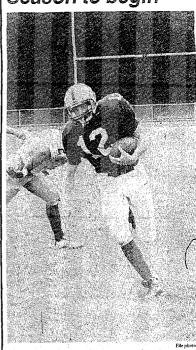
In the bottom of the seventh, John Lyp belted so RBI-double and then Don Montefusco delivered the game-winning hit that brought in the tying and win-

Marion outscored Union Center National Bank-by a combined two-game score of 47-18.

Source of 47-10. George Merto banged out four hits, while Bill Ritchie, Doin Deo, Chorles Brown and Ed Ganezewski connected on three each to spark Creative past Mangel, Bob Canales, Norm Stumpf, Ed Malko, Sy Feingold and Joe Maurinae that him to fifte.

Tony Ciavata blasted two home runs among his three hits Rich Conzo belted a three-run triple for Mangel's.

### Season to begin



One of Summit High School's top seniors is split end Matt Williams. The Hillitoppers open their football season at Dover tomorrow night at 7 in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division play.

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### New support group targets new moms

designed especially for new mothers, "Changing Roles: A Group for New Mothers" is a small group for mothers and infants up to 5 months of age. The group will provide new mothers with support and encouragement in order to help each woman achieve the goal of raising a healthy and happy child.

weekly topics will include sleepless nights, relationship issues, career versus mommy track, and the vicissitudes of emotions. Led by Lisa Plemont and Patricia Schulman of the Modiers and Infants Program at the New Jersey Consultation Center, the group is sure to help its members adapt to their new roles. The group will run for eight Fridays, beginning Sept. 21, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$105 for member of the Women's Resource Center, and \$135 for non-mathers.

teritoers. To register, or get more information about this program and other parenting rograms, call the Women's Resource Center at 908-273-7253. Scholarships available for all programs.



Julie O'Rourke, Women's Resource Center Community advisor, with her Infant son, Wesley O'Rourke Hudkins.

# City gears up for parade

Everyone who lives, works or is actively, involved in Summit is encouraged to match in the parade that will open the Summit Cultural Festival on Oti: 14. "The festival parade gives everyone the opportunity to show their support for the festival its also a great time to show off their culture and heritage," Festival Parade Co-Chairwoman Alicia Domital-Gorman said. "We hope the entire town turns out for this year's parade." Everyone brings great gifts to the

Everyone brings great gifts to the community. The parade gives every-one the opportunity to share their cul-tures with the community, "said Bette Mell, Festival parade co-chairwoman. "The parade is a great opportunity to show how many different cultures and ethnic groups we have in Summit. If you have a costume from the land or culture you are honoring, this is the perfect time to share it with the community by wearing it and marching in the Parade." Mell said.

The festival parade will begin at 11:15 a.m. and proceed down Maple Street from DeForest Avenue to the Street from De Village Green.

To join the parade, call either of the parade co-chairs, Domizi-Gorman or Mell, at 908-277-4400, or e-mail to summittest@aol.com.

### Changes abound at Women's Resource Center

Changes and

The past year at the Women's Resource Center serves as a metaphor for the lives of the women and girls that the center serves we're growing, stretching, evolving, and becoming The organization has changed its name, formerly the Resource Center to Women, its leudership, due to a long-diserved retirement by Executive Directory Susan Chase, and its logo, which more clearly reflects the center's mission. One thing about the Women's Resource Center hasn't changed — its mission to serve women and girls of six mission to serve women and services. Since 1983, the WRC has been dedicated to providing quality, cutting edge programming to women and girls of all ages and at all stages of their lives Join the WRC in celebrating the changes that have taken place. After 15 years of dedication and service, the center bid a fond furewell to Chase this past spring. Her retirement led to the seamless transition of the new executive director — Carolyn Booth Guifertze, cutter volunteer since 1983 and assistant director at the center's since 1993.

Satah Stanley of Chatham worked.

Sarah Stanley of Chatham worked tirelessly for a year with the WRC board of trustees and staff to develop a dynamic new logo which reflects the motion, energy, support and strength that embodies the center mission, IKEA in Elizabeth donated cabinetry and organizational equipment to better manage the 10-by-10 foot administrative office located inside of Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit. Lastly, the new executive director and Stanley redesigned the WRC newsletter which lists programs and services on a tricyearly basis.

ter which lists programs and services on a triy-early basis.

For all that has changed for girls and women — improved education and employment opportunities, if not equal pay — many obstacles to personal and professional infillment remain. Each year more than 3,000 women and girls more the center for inspiration, guidance and support. Some of the center's empowering programs include skills development for personal and professional growth: seminars on everything from child-care to healthcate, eldercare'ro political empowerment; individual coaching for career development, fife goals planning, and parenting skills, parenting workshops on being an effective parent, raising strong daughters, or managing as a single mother: women's perspectives on the arts, spirutality, and the challenges facing our cuture and society, legal consultations with volunter attorneys are our culture and society; legal consul-tations with volunteer attorneys providing basic legal information Girl Project for girls ages 6 to 17 and for adults concerned with creating a more "girl-noutishing" culture and

encouraging girls to develop their full-potention; short-term support groups teaching: participants to recognize their strengths, expand their range of options and build support systems for themselves; financial workshops on basic money management skills; and Pathways. a nonprofit organization that offers breast cancer and ovarian cancer support services and educa-

The Women's Resource Center is a

The Women's Resource Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with no political or religious affiliations. To learn more about the center and to receive a current program listing, call 908-273-7253 or visit

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