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TWO SECT

Kids say why they're thankful this season

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

The true meaning of Thanksgiving is not lost on fourth-grade students in James Caldwell School in Springfield, as they took the time to reflect on what they're thankful for this holiday season.

Chris Maslo said he was thankful for the house he lives in because many people "live in boxes on the street like I saw when I went to New York."

Other students were also thankful for their houses, such as Jake Kozlenko and Daniela Kucher, who are both thankful for the shelter they

Many students were thankful for their family, such as Jenna Pagnotta, whose father is a firefighter with the Springfield Fire Department and was involved with the rescue efforts on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I'm really thankful for the baby brother that I have," said Arina Balako, talking about her 2-month-old brother Alexander, who cries a lot and keeps her up at night. "There were times when I was younger that I used to wish I'd have a baby brother."

Gabrielle Pypiak is thankful for her 1-year-old sister Kayla, who she helps take care of. "I watch her in the tub when my mom's downstairs."

Sara Alonso is also thankful for her family. She has two older sisters.

Thomas Baker said he is thankful for the people who care for him. "Mom and Dad will give you hugs when you cry."

"I'm thankful for the people who care for me when I'm sick," said Karenn Gonzalez.

Jackie Loeshelle said she's thankful for her education and "kind of" thankful for her teachers.

Taylor McQueen said she is thankful for her talent in dancing.

Mark Vax also was thankful for his talent, only his talent is in his ability to do well when playing hockey. He was also thankful for having a television in his room.

Several of the students were thankful for their pets, such as Alex Melleno who has a bird, fish, two frogs and a snail. Collin Heleno is thankful for his three guinea pigs, five goldfish and a parakeet. He said his favorite pet is his guinea pig Doris.



Photo By Jeff Granit

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, Leah Hirst, a fourthgrader at James Caldwell School in Springfield, says she's thankful for just about everything.

Kirsten Vogt is also thankful for her pets. She has three fish, a cat and sea monkeys. "I call them shrimp," she said of her sea monkeys but her favorite pet is her cat.

Some students, like Tommy Gorgia, are thankful for the good food they'll be eating on Thanksgiving, things like turkey, cranberry sauce and stuffing.

Other students, like Sally Johnston, are also thankful for food, specifically pepperoni pizza from Pizza Hut. Jimmy Rhodes is also thankful for pepperoni pizza, only he prefers Tom's in Springfield.

Katie Ghilino said she's thankful for nice weather, "a little cool but sunny.'

Johan Chebanon said he has two reasons to be thankful for vacations. "One is because I get to do fun stuff and the second is because there's no

GL band plar return to Scotland

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

As Mountainside and Berkeley Heights students join in harmony to form the award-winning Governor Livingston High School Highlander Band, they travel together to competitions and performances in places as far away as Scotland. Every four years, the Highlander Band receives invitations to perform at Sterling Castle in Scotland.

They also perform in the Cavalcade Parade, which takes place in Edinburgh. Scotland. All of the bands from the countries that used to comprise the British Empire perform.

"They kick off the show the first night with a parade through town and they invite local high school bands and they invite bands from around the world. Frank Vecchione, president of the Governor Livingston Band Parent Organization, said. "They invite us to start the parade and we actually kick that off."

"We marched in front of — I don't know how many people — a lot of people," said Nick O Sullivan, a Berkeley Heights resident and senior at GL, who plays the melephone and French horn. "We did concerts and other exhibitions."

The band will be returning to Scotland in the summer of 2004. The Highlander Band consists of more than 60 members, from all four high school grades.

Students at GL take the Highlander Band course as a regular class. They meet during regular school hours, five days a week and also rehearse outside of the classroom; Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 6 p.m.: Saturday afternoons, and Sunday mornings.

Each year, the Highlander Band participates in the Tournament of Bands, one of the largest competitive band organizations in the country. It was founded in 1972 by the National Judges Association. TOB has grown to include more than 400 active schools.

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Man looks back on

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

Some days, the memories lay in the back of his mind, soft and somber. Other days the memories race forward, jagged and wicked. Still, Norman Salsitz said he has to remember.

"After I survived, I wanted people to know what happened," Salsitz, a Springfield resident, said. "People didn't want to listen. In the beginning nobody wanted to listen."

Salsitz has written, and is the subject of, several books, where he describes his experiences before, during and after the Holocaust.

"When I escaped from Poland I arted to talk and to write." Salsitz said. "I thought that people should know what happened."

Salsitz's first three books are "Against All Odds: A Tale of Two Survivors," the story of how Salsitz and his wife Amalie survived the Holocaust, met and fell in love; "A Jewish Boyhood in Poland: Remembering Kolbuszowa," which describes Salsitz's life in Poland before the war; and "Kolbuszowa: Memorial Book," Salsitz's first book, written in Yiddish about the town he grew up in.

Salsitz and his wife's experiences

in the Holocaust were also the subject of Amy Hill Hearth's book, "In a World Gone Mad: A Heroic Story of Love, Faith and Survival." The book details Salsitz's life when he joined the Polish army, posing as a-Polish Catholic, after he escaped from a German work camp.

"I changed my name," he said. "But being a Polish Catholic you have to have two very important things. The first thing is you have to look non-Jewish because the Polish people would recognize you. And you have to speak good Polish. If you didn't speak good Polish, if you made one mistake, they would find out."

Every Thursday evening for a year, Hearth came to the Salsitz's home and interviewed them.

"She is not Jewish," said Salsitz, speaking about Hearth. "She is the. daughter of German immigrants. I wanted to have the book written from the viewpoint of somebody who is not Jewish."

Salsitz newest book is titled "Three Homelands: Memories of a Jewish Life in Poland, Israel and America." It includes approximately 100 vignettes of Salsitz's life and experiences in Poland, Israel and America. The book

life as a survivor

includes 75 photos, some taken by Salsitz before the Holocaust. One of the vignettes is devoted to the telling of how Salsitz went about hiding his photos from the Nazis.

"I wanted each story to have a photo," said Salsitz. "Usually in a book, what they do is take the photos and put them all in the middle. I didn't want that because each story is different. They accommodated and each photo goes to a different story."

Any royalties Salsitz receives from his books he donates to the Holocaust Museum.

Currently, Salsitz is in the process of preparing three other books. "I hope I will finish them before I go away because time is running out," he

In one of the books, Salsitz will publish letters between him and his brother, written from 1933 to 1939. The book will be a history of his small town, Kolbuszowa.

"I had a brother in Palestine," Salsitz said. "He went to Palestine in 1933. We used to write to him once a week - everything that would happen in my small town. Then there were about 40 people from our town with him, they got to him on Saturday, and he read them the letter and then they knew everything that happened in our town."

Another book Salsitz is working on is translating Yiddish songs into

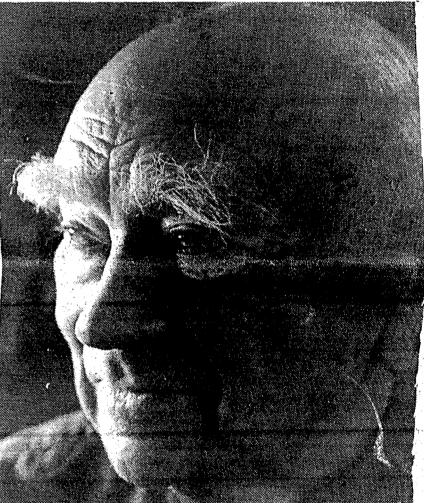
"I'm translating the songs because some are beautiful songs that tell you the feeling from the people in the old country," Salsitz said. The third book Salsitz said he

hopes to complete details the stories of Jews who were killed after the Holocaust, when they returned to their hometowns and still faced strong anti-Jewish sentiments. "This is a very hard book because I

am interviewing people about the killing of Jews not during the Holocaust but after the Holocaust," said Salsitz. "When the Jews came home to their towns after they survived, they were killed by Polish people." Salsitz was born and raised in

Poland. During the Holocaust, he was captured and sent to a work camp. He escaped. He escaped three work camps.

Salsitz has lived in Springfield since 1957.



Norman Salsitz of Springfield is a Holocaust survivor.

can spring to life All it takes is a funny face so her stories

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

"I want to see somebody who can look mean. I want to see somebody who can look grouchy, who can point their finger," said children's author Margie Palatini, as she was casting the part of Gritch the Witch from her book "Piggie Pie," during her presentation to Deerfield School secondgraders, as the kids raised their hands screaming, "Pick me!"

"One of the things I try to do is act out the characters because it really helps write them," Palatini said. "I think about what the character is and how they should stand and what they should wear and how they should

Palatini chose five second-graders

from the audience to act as the characters in her book as she read in front of Deerfield students, whose ages ranged from pre-K through second-grade, on Nov. 20.

"You're second-graders pretending to be pigs, pretending to be a duck, a cow, a chicken, and Old MacDonald." Palatini said, who has had more than 20 children's books published.



Photos By Jeff Granit

As she reads from one of her books during a visit to Deerfield School students in Mountainside, children's author Margie Palatini cah't help but act out some of the character's personalities and expressions.

She said that while her books don't offer a specific lesson to the reader. they are funny and rich with language.

"While they don't have a lesson, they have been used as lesson books in college," she said. " 'Piggie Pie' is part of a college curriculum now."

Palatini's book, "Bedhead" is based on her son's many bad hair days. It won the Keystone State Reading Award and was also named Newsweek magazine's best children's book of the year.

"I think kids like it because who hasn't had a bad hair day?" Palatini said. "My son, every day he had a bad hair day, so we lived with that. He has very unruly hair."

Palatini said that when she's writing she tries to focus on secondgraders as her target audience.

"I think that's the level for the humor," she said. "For me I think I write for the second- or third-grader I used to be. I try to channel that little person that was in me."

Palatini said she makes 15 to 20 visits to schools per year.

"It's always fun to come to a school because you see the kids and you see their reaction," she said.

Deerfield second-graders had an opportunity to ask Palatini questions.

Which one of your books is your favorite?

"I have a lot of favorites," she said. "You have your favorites because of different reasons. Because they remind you of someone sometimes. You write a book and it's based on a memory or it's based on a person."

Do you get tired of reading books?

"No I don't get tired of reading books," she said. "But writing is tiring. Writing is hard work. There's no doubt about it. But it's really fun too."

Does your hand ever get tired? "My hand doesn't necessarily get tired because I don't always write freehand," Palatini said. "Sometimes it's on the computer. But your brain can get tired. Because it's your brain. that's doing the writing, not really your hand."

Palatini has four new books that



Enjoying her reading Matthew Doyle erupts with laughter.



Nicandro Donadio dresses as a cow as part of a skit.

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The offices of this newspaper will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen Monday, Dec. 2.

We will return to our normal Thursday publication on Dec. 5. Deadlines for that edition will also return to normal. This

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of various community activities and government meetings. To give your com- make gifts for family, friends and teachers. The event is open to all children munity event the publicity it deserves, mail your schedule to Echo Leader, Attn: between the ages of 5 and 13. To put a child's name on Santa's helper list, call managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

• A used clothing drive takes place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to benefit Project Graduation for Governor Livingston High School's Class of 2003. Donations will be accepted in tied plastic bags during these hours at the Comp.m. munity Center, 29 Park Ave., Berkeley Heights. Items to be collected include all clothing, bedspreads, towels, shoes, belts, handbags, hats, gloves and scarves. No pillows or blankets will be accepted.

For information, call 908-464-3100, Ext. 388.

• The Mountainside TWIG of Children's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary nosts a fund-raiser with Zany Brainy, 295 Route 22 East, Springfield, from 10 i.m. to 9 p.m. Ten percent of the store's total sales for the day will be donated to the auxiliary. Shoppers must ask store personnel for a coupon prior to making a ourchase so sales can benefit the auxiliary.

For information, call 973-467-9444.

• The Springfield Board of Education meets in the Media Center of Jonathan Dayton High School on Mountain Avenue at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

• The Good Books Discussion Group of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., discusses "Nickel and Dimed" by Barbara Ehrenreich at

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• The power of the press is explored when the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., continues its lunchtime video series at noon with 'Absence of Malice," starring Paul Newman and Sally Field. Bring a bag lunch. For information, call 973-376-4930.

Upcoming

• The Springfield Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

• The Blood Center of New Jersey will sponsor a blood drive from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Westfield/Mountainside Chapter, American Red Cross, 321 Elm St. For more information, call the Blood Center of New Jersey

1-800-BLOOD-NJ, or 1-800-652-5663. Ext. 140. Dec. 5 • The Mountainside Foothill Club luncheon will be at B.G. Fields Restaurant.

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents Mall, will conduct Santa's workshop from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Children can hel

charge will help pay for craft supplies and refreshments. • Edward V. Walton School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield will host its

annual book fair, sponsored by the PTA, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. and 2:30 to 5

A selection of hardcover and softcover books will be available for purchase.

• In-person registration for the Springfield Recreation Baseball Program will

be available at Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, South Springfield Avenue, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the gymnasium.

For information, call the Recreation Department at 973-912-2226. • Edward V. Walton School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield will host its annual craft fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children and their families will be able to make a variety of crafts and family-friendly gifts. There is a small fee for

each craft chosen. For information, call 973-376-0974.

 Edward V. Walton School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield hosts it annual book fair, sponsored by the PTA, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A selection of hardcover and softcover books will be available for purchase.

• The annual holiday nature craft show will take place at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Handmade crafts and gift items will be available for sale.

Call 908-789-3670 for information. • The Springfield Historical Society will host a Christmas open house from to 5 p.m. at the Historic Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4784.

• Edward V. Walton School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield will host its annual book fair, sponsored by the PTA, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m.

A selection of hardcover and softcover books will be available for purchase • The Springfield Township Committee will conduct a workshop session at 7:30 p.m. in the Annex Building, 20 N. Trivett Ave.

• The Mountainside Board of Education will meet at 8 p.m. in the media center at Deerfield School, 302 Central Ave.

• The Springfield Township Committee will conduct a regular meeting at 8 Springfield Avenue, Westfield, at noon. Guests are welcome. For reservations, p.m. in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave. • The Mountainside Borough Council will meet for a work session at 8 p.m. • The Springfield Presbyterian Church, Parish House auditorium, 37 Church in Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East.

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In the early rounds of TOB, the Highlander Band competes against the northern half of New Jersey. The state has a total of 66 schools who participate in the

"Just standing there getting your score is a lot of fun, meeting new people, just the whole competition experience is great," said Paul Ebert, a Berkeley Heights resident and junior at GL, who is the marching band's drum major. Typically, the Highlander Band participates in seven or eight competitions

throughout the school year. Last year, the band came in fourth place at TOB.

"When we got to that level of competition we were competing with bands from four states," said Vecchione. "They're like the best top 20 bands in four Aside from the music they perform, the Highlander Band also incorporates a

Color Guard into their performance, something Color Guard member Fiona Greeley, a Mountainside resident and senior at GL, explained as the visual interpretation of the performance, choreographed to the band's music. "We use the flags and we do twirling and dancing," she said.

Greeley said she thinks one of the reasons the Highlander Band is so successful is because of the dedication the students have and leadership that band director Danile Kopcha provides.

"We work really hard," said Color Guard member Jocelin Thau, a Mountainside resident and freshman at GL.

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Last weekend, the Highlander Band conducted its annual candy sale. Band members, dressed in their Royal Scots Guard Uniforms, stood outside local businesses in Berkeley Heights, Mountainside, New Providence and Long Hill

Township selling candy. The fund-raiser supports the Highlander Band's many activities.

"We support the kids in spirit and in finance as well," said Vecchione. "Our

The Highlander Band's attire has a long heritage, traced back to GL's namesake, William Livingston, the first governor of New Jersey. William was the son of Robert Livingston who was originally from Ancrum, Scotland and a member of the Stewart clan. It is this connection that led the school to adopt the Scottish Highlander motif and the Royal Stewart tartan and colors. The Highlander Band emulates the Royal Scots Guards and blends old world

traditions and sounds with modern music and marching. The band wears the authentic Royal Stewart Tartan Kilt. It contributes to the

unique appearance of the Highlanders. The kilt consists of seven to eight yards of tartan with three-inch pleats in the back. The Drum Major wears the formal dress Royal Stewart Whites and carries

the crested mace, a symbol of leadership. smoke in a Hilltop Court residence.

"Everybody who does it, love it," said Ebert. "If you didn't you'd quit and no one ever does,"

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field firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident on Route 24 West near the Route 78 split. At 6:40 p.m., they attended to a motor vehicle accident with injuries on Morris and Pro-

• On Nov. 17 at 11:23 a.m., the

• On Nov. 18 at 3:29 a.m., they investigated an activated fire alarm at a Morris Avenue business. At 10:58 a.m., they responded to an activated fire alarm at a Tree Top Drive

they answered a medical service call at a Church Mall business. At 5:29 p.m., they attended to an activated fire alarm at a Twin Oaks Oval residence. activated carbon monoxide detector at a Sherwood Road residence.

On Nov. 20 at 8:35 a.m., they

• A Scotch Plains resident reported Morris Avenue business. that both headlights on his vehicle, as Firefighters answered a medical well as the grill, the hood, and the fender were damaged while parked at

Echo Plaza, Route 22 West Friday at • On Sunday at 4:18 p.m., a Short a Mountain Avenue business. At 7:06

Hills Avenue resident reported that his bicycle was stolen from his Because You Can't

own apprehension.

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gunpoint

POLICE BLOTTER

On Saturday at 11:56 p.m., a West

Orange resident reported that three

males robbed him at gunpoint, taking

his watch along with other items.

while he was walking to his vehicle,

parked at the Loew's Theater parking

• L'Affaire, Route 22 East,

reported a suspicious act coming from

the rear dumpster, near the kitchen

door, when an employee said he heard

• On Saturday at 12:57 a.m., Moun-

tain Avenue residents reported that

their house was burglarized. A report

of the items taken has not yet been

• On Saturday at 9:54 a.m., Frank

Croce, 34, of Roselle Park, was

arrested for driving while suspended

• A Mountain Avenue resident

reported a suspicious act to their home

when they discovered that someone

had cut the telephone and cable wires

leading to their residence Saturday at

• On Nov. 18 at 8:17 p.m., Gregory

Barron, 45, of Newark: Erick Wilson,

32, of Newark, and William Mason.

Jr., 45, of Newark, were arrested for

receiving stolen property, of less than

\$200, outside Sports Authority, Route

A Morrison Road resident

eported that the passenger side win-

dow of his vehicle was damaged dur-

ing an attempted motor vehicle theft

on Mountain Avenue Nov. 20 at 6:45

On Nov. 21 at 10:25 p.m., Aaron

Wise, 27, of Plainfield, was arrested

on Route 22 West for hindering his

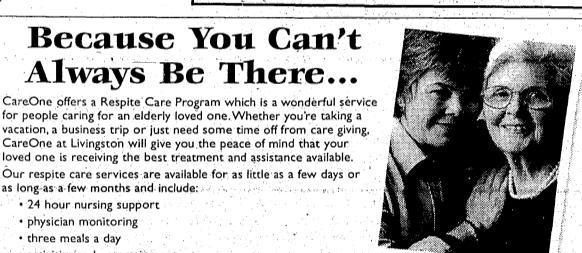
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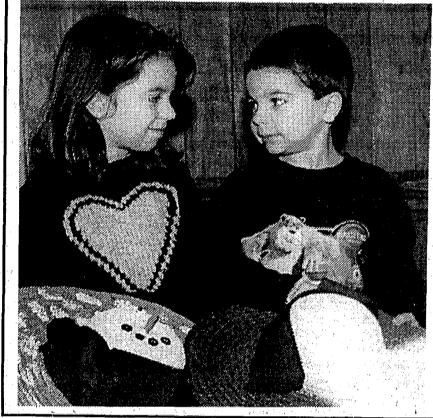
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CREATIVE CRAFTS - Getting an early start on the holidays, the students at Deerfield School in Mountainside enjoy a fun-filled creative craft fair at the school Nov. 16. Above, Nancy Caffrey and daughter Colleen. 11, dip some vegetables in paint for a festive design to stamp onto an apron. Below, siblings Michelle, 6, and Vincent Guerrizio, 5, make a snowman hat ornament to hang on a door or wall.



Mathematics

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courses to add or drop for next year Introduction to C++, and Advanced Placement Computer Science. Winland explained that the equipment used to teach Computer Science 2 is

outdated, and that the languages for

more advanced level, and allow the the Advanced Placement Exam in course to be repeated for credit. C++ and Advanced Placement Com-"It ranks in the same weight as an puter Science are changing honors class but not the admission Winland proposed adding an Introrequirements of an honors class, with duction to JAVA course and an AP the idea that it's open to all students to Computer Science JAVA course. take who want to do some challenging In the music department, Serson

Bachenheimer also proposed

changing the Institute for Political and

Legal Education course from a categ-

ory two to a category three weight, a

tasks and a mini-independent study

work with politics and law," said proposed combining individual Bachenheimer. courses with similar themes into big-The course has been running for three years. Bachenheimer explained, "We've streamlined the courses to and he said the general consensus of develop some courses that meet the the department as well as the students needs of all the students without eliwho have taken the course is that the level and challenge of the work given is of an advanced level for Dayton

minating any of the things they had the opportunity to work on before. Some of those combined courses Bachenheimer also explained that the include Foundations of Studio Art and students who would be repeating the Foundations of Crafts, Drawing and course for eredit would be asked to

Painting, Ceramics. engage in leadership roles, mentoring Serson also proposed adding an AP Art History course because students In mathematics, Daryl Winland, who are interested in taking the AP art supervisor of mathematics, proposed exam need a good backround in art that Dayton drop Computer Science

TWIG hosts fund-raiser with Zany Brainy

The Mountainside TWIG of the Children's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary will host a fund-raiser with the Zany Brainy Springfield store, 295 Route 22 East, Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Ten percent of the store's total sales for the day will be donated to the auxiliary. Shoppers must ask store personnel for a coupon prior to making a purchase so sales can be benefit the auxiliary. For information, call Zany Brainy at 973-467-9444.

Short Hills

By Joshua Zaitz

Staff Writer

During the next four weeks,

Springfield Schools department

supervisors will be presenting their

dropped and added in the Program of

Studies booklet, which will contain all

Every year, Dayton releases the

Dayton Principal Charles Serson

prepare the courses they will take in

In social studies, Barry Bachen-

heimer, social studies supervisor,

proposed dropping the school's Glob-

al Issues course and the Global Geo-

graphy course, saying that neither of

the courses has run since the district

re-organized. Bachenheimer

explained that in a curriculum and

department meeting last year, it was

decided that there was not much inter-

est in the running of these courses.

Much of the material that used to be in

the courses is overlapped in several of

their four years at Dayton.

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responded to Town Hall for an odor in the building. At 9:36 a.m., they conducted an elevator rescue at a Morris Avenue business. At 11:03 a.m., they answered a medical service call at a Riverside Drive residence. At 8:33 p.m., they investigated the odor of something burning in a Mountain Avenue apartment complex. At 9:55 p.m., they extinguished a car fire at a

service call at Jonathan Dayton High School on Nov. 21 at 8:02 a.m. • On Friday at 3:32 p.m., they investigated an activated fire alarm at

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Millions of Americans-work for poverty-level wages, and one day, Barbara Ehrenreich decided to join them. She was inspired in part by the rhetoric surrounding welfare reform. which promised that any job equals a better life. But how can anyone survive, let alone prosper, on \$6 to \$7 an hour? To find out, Ehrenreich moved from Florida to Maine to Minnesota. taking the cheapest lodgings available and accepting work as a waitress. hotel maid, house cleaner, nursing home aide, and Wal-Mart salesperthe "lowliest" occupations require efforts. And one job is not enough:

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a relentless investigative reporter. Together they learn that the story was purposely leaked to Carter as part of a plot by the chief investigator. Gallagher's life hangs in the balance as he and Carter try to uncover the truth. The film is 117 minutes.

The series will continues on Dec. 17 with "High Society," on Jan. 7 with "Angel and the Badman." on Jan. 21 with "All the King's Men," and on Feb. 4 with "Suddenly Last Summer." School" by Cheri Fuller, Bring a brown bag lunch to the program. Coffee and cookies will be

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New titles available now The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., has the

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Richard Rodriguez and

the Secretary of the Planning Board, 100 Mountain Avenue, Annex Building, Township of Springfield, NJ and is available for public inspection. Robert C. Kirkpatrick Planning Board Secretary U4155 ECL Nov. 27, 2002 (\$11.75) Township of Springfield, County of UNION, State of New Jersey

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRING-FIELD, CHAPTER XXIII, PERSONNEL POLICIES, TO DELETE PARAGRAPH 23-2.3, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMIT TEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRING FIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Biography "Defying Hitler: A Memoir" by Sebastain Haffner and "Kitchen Privileges: A Memoir" by Mary Higgins

Annual metro show features juried artwork

Through Dec. 5, the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free following new releases available this Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will host the 20th annual Metro Show. The show, which is a juried small-"Fateless" by Imre Kertesz, "The Fif- ized by City Without Walls, a nonpro-

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ther provisions and terms of the Code of ne Township of Springfield shall remain in Any ordinance or portion of any ordi-nance which is inconsistent with the modifiations of this ordinance is repealed to the tent of its inconsistency. SECTION IV - EFFECTIVE DATE This ordinance shall take effect immedi ately upon passage and publication accord

I, Kathleen D. Wisniewski, do hereby cer I, Kathleen D. Wishlewski, do nereby certry that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting
of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union
and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday
evening, November 26, 2002, and that said
Ordinance shall be submitted for consideration and final passage at a regular meeting. ation and final passage at a regular meeting of said Township Committee to be held on December 10, 2002, at which time and place any person or persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, Copy is posted on the bulletin board in the office of the Township Clerk.

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Show was originally named for the practice of transporting the artwork from place to place via mass transit. This year's show was chosen by three prominent jurors, including director of the Morris Museum Steven Klindt, who selected from nearly 500 entries, All artwork is less than 13 inches in any dimension. A wide range of styles, media and subject matter is expressed by the show. Artists come from New Jersey, New York, Con-

necticut and Pennsylvania. Each of these annual exhibitions travel for one full year after appearing first at City Without Walls' Newark gallery. November through December.

Hours of the exhibit are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Rriday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday, L to 3:30 p.m.

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action may be taken. Secretary (\$9.75) U4150 ECL Nov. 27, 2002

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Library is looking for used paperbacks

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., would like donations of used paperback novels. Also welcome would be magazines within a year's date and costume jewelry.

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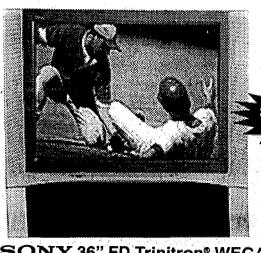
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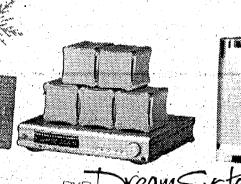
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Township of Springries County of UNION State of New Jersey

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, TO CLARIFY, CORRECT AND MAKE GENDER NEUTRAL BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE of the Township of Springfield County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows: SECTION I - AMENDMENTS

...) So as to render the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield

1-3 The sentence, "The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter", shall be changed to read: "Any non-gender neutral word will be considered to include all genders and neuter, unless othewise required by the context thereof." 2-4.2 The word "he" shall be replaced with the word "each"; the word "him" shall be replaced by the words "each of them"; and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "each of their". 2-15.2 The word "he", in two locations, shall be replaced with the words "The treasurer" 2-16.5 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person".

2-17.2 In paragraph (a) the word "hirm" shall be replaced by the words "the office": In paragraph (c) the word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the office" and the word two locations, shall be replaced by the word "the" and "such" respectively. 2-18.1 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "such

2-20.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "such office". 2-21.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "to such office".

2-22.2 In the preamble, the phrase "to him. He shall", shall be deleted; in paragraph (b) the words "by him", in two locations, shall be deleted; in paragraph (c) the words "to him" shall be deleted; in paragraph (d) the words "by him", in two locations and "he" shall be deleted; in paragraph (c) the words "in his judgment occasion may require" shall be replaced with the words "is necessary", the words "to him" shall be deleted. The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "and who", and the two sentences

2-23.2 In the preamble, the word "he" shall be replaced with the word "and" and the two

2-23.3 The first word "his" shall be deleted, and the second word "his" shall be replaced by the word "all". 2-40.3 In paragraph (a) the words "his position" shall be replaced with the words "the position held" and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief's". 2-40.4 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief's: in para graph (b) the first sentence shall be replaced with the sentence "The Chief's entire time shall be devoted to the duties of the office.", and the three words "he" and the word "himself shall each be replaced by the words "the Chief'.

2-40.6 In paragraph (b) the two words "his" shall each be replaced with the words "the 2-41.1 The first word "men" shall be replaced by the words "additional firefighters", and 2-41.2 In the preamble the word "he" shall be deleted, and the words "his duties as Chlef" shall be replaced with the words "the duties of Chief"; in paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Chief"; in paragraph (d) the word "his" in two places shall each be replaced with the word "the" and the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the chief"; and in paragraph (c) the word "himself" and the word "he" shall each be replaced by the words "the Chief".

In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the department's e words "his or her duties" shall be replaced by the words "the duties of the office"; in aph (e) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the". 2-79.2 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "The Judge", the first word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a", and the second word "his" shall be replaced by the word "the". 2-79.3 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a"; in paragraph (b)

he first word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the Judge", and the words "to him" shall 2-79.4 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a" and the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "The Deputy Court Administrator".

2-85.5 In paragraph (b) the words "he is" shall be deleted

3-13.3 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such officer

3-13.4 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief" 4-1.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the Clerk". 4-1.3 In the first sentence the phrase "a Police Officer designated by him" shall b

replaced by the words "a designee", and the words "he considers" shall be replaced by the words "is considered"; in the second sentence the phrase "He shall communicate his find ings" shall be replaced by the phrase "The findings shall be replaced by the phrase "The findings shall be communicated"; and in the third sentence the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the investigator". 4-1.6 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the licensee"

4-1.9 In paragraph (a)(5) the words "himself or his" shall be replaced by the phrase ", 4-1.10 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "licensee's

4-1.11 The words "in his own behalf" shall be deleted and the second word "his" shall be 4-1.12 The word "him" shall be replaced by the word "licensee"

4-2.4 In paragraph (c) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a" 4-3.4 The word "his" shall be deleted.

4-9.2 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person"

4-12.3 In paragraph (a)(7) the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "applicant". 4-12.7 The words "any person designated by him may in his discretion" shall be replaced by the phrase "a designee, may"; the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such pernee", and the words "he may require" shall be replaced by the words "that may be required 4-22.2 In paragraph (g) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a

4-27.11 In paragraph (a) in two places the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a" 5-2.4 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Township Clerk" The word "him" in two places and the word "he", shall be replaced with the words 5-6.2 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the officer or agent"

5-8 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the person bitten" 6-6. In paragraph (d) in three places the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "applicant's",

6-9.1 The word "him" shall be replaced with the words "such minor". 6-9.2 The word "him" shall be replaced with the words "such minor". 6-9.3 The word "his" shall be replaced with the words "such person's" 6-9.6 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "such person"

8-2.3 In paragraph (a) the word "her" shall be replaced with the words "the Clerk's", and the words "his or their" shall be replaced with the words "each person's"; in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the". 8-3.4 In paragraph (a) the word "her" shall be replaced with the words "the Clerk's"; and in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the".

12-1.5 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "Construction Official". 12-1.6 In paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "such person"; in paragraph (b) the phrase "Each subcode official shall, pursuant to any subcode which he administers," shall be replaced with the phrase "As to their respective subcodes, each subcode official shall".

12-1.10 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "such person's" and the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "the owner's". 12-1.15 The word "his" shall be deleted.

12-2.4 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer" 12-2.5 The word "his" shall be replaced in two places with the word "a".

12-2.6 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer". 12-2.7 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer"

12-2.10 In paragraph (d) the words "he deems" shall be replaced with the word "deemed in paragraph (e) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the", and the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer". 14-2 In the definition of Landlord, the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "an 14-3.3 In paragraph (c) the words "by him" shall be deleted

14-5.4 In the preamble the words "he deems" shall be replaced with the word "deemed" .14-6.2 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be deleted, the first word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the landlord", and the second word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the building"; in paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the landlord".

14-7.1 The word "he" shall be deleted. 15-4.4 The words "him or them" shall be replaced by the words "any owner".

15-7.2 The word "he" in two places shall each be replaced by the words "the officer", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the officer's". 15-7.2 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the officer"

17-14 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "any".

20-9.9 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".

23-1.6 In the preamble the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the applicant"; paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the person"; in paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the person"; in paragraph (f) the word "he shall be replaced by the word "the"; and in paragraph (g) the word "he" shall be replaced by

23-1.6 The word "he" in two places shall be replaced by the words "such person", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the word the".

23-1.4 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the applicant".

20-4.2 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be deleted.

17-15 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a", and the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person".

19-1.2 In paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person"

19-1.7 In the preamble the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the permittee"

19-2.3 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "such"; in paragraph (c) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the person's".

Paragraph (b) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk" 17-5 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a"., 5-7 The Introductory paragraph prior to section 5-7.1 shall be deleted in full. 17-6.9 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "an". 6-1 After the phrase "N.J.S.A." Insert the phrase "33:1-1". 17-9 in paragraph (g) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".

8-2.5 The words "Chief Financial Officer" shall be replaced by the words "Township 17-10.3 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a". 17-11.1 The word "he" in two places shall each be replaced by the words "the Chief" D. So as to substantively correct certain sections of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted: 17-11.4 In paragraph (a) the words "his agents" shall be replaced by the words "any agent", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "any"; in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a"; in paragraph (c) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief".

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2-4.5 In the second sentence, replace the words "one (1) hour", with the following words "fifteen (15) minutes". 2-4.7 In the second sentence, replace the words "eight (8) days", with the following words: "12:00 noon on the Friday". 2-23.2 Paragraph (g) shall be deleted.

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23-1.10 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "such employee", the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the employee's", and the word "he" shall be replaced by the

23-1.11 In paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the employee"

28-5.3 In paragraph (b)(2) the phrase "The officer, in his discretion, may" shall be replaced by the phrase "it shall be within the discretion of the officer to".

32-6.3 'In the preamble the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Official's". (B.) So as to correct formatting and typographical errors in the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted:

2-5 The section shall be renamed "APPOINTMENTS TO WORKING COMMITTEES", and the subsection designation "2-5.1 Appointments to Working Committees" shall be deleted.

2-6 The section shall be named, only "CONFLICTS OF INTEREST"; the current paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) under new section "2-6.1 Disclosure Required"; the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section "2-6.2 Recusal"

2-12.5 The two current paragraph (f)'s will be combined into a single paragraph.

2-41.1 The word "to" in the last sentence shall be replaced with the word "at".

(2), (3) and (4) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d

2-31.2 The phrase "a. Establishment of Position." shall be deleted.

2-31.1 The phrase "a. Establishment of Position." shall be deleted, and paragraphs (1),

2-66.2 The designation "a." shall be deleted and the text shall begin on the title line.

4-22.4 The designation "a." shall be deleted and the text shall begin on the title line.

5-8 The letter designations for each paragraph will be deleted, the first letter of the first word of each paragraph will be in lower case, and the first two paragraphs will end with semi-colons instead of periods.

Page 508 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 5-6 to 5-7.

Page 512 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 5-9 to

rent paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) under new section "5-23.1 Seizure and Notice.", and the current paragraph (d) shall be redesig-nated in full as new section "5-23.2 Disposition of Unclaimed Cats."

6-6 The current paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) under new section "6-6-1 Employment Permit Required.", the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-6.2 Procedure.", and the current paragraph (d) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-8.3 Issuance."

8-6 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "8-6.1 Action

After Hearing.", and paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) thereof shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d); the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "8-6.2 Action Pending Hearing" and the words "in paragraph (a) above shall be replaced by the word "herein".

Page 1218.1 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 12-1 to 12-2.

13-8 Section 13-8 shall be deleted; the current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new Section "13-6.3 Board of Health Regulations."; and the current paragraphs (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) in new section "13-6.4 Enforcement."

Page 1703
The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 17-6 to 17-4,

Page 1704
The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 17-6 to 17-5.

17-5 The designation of each paragraph with a letter will be deleted, and the two para-

Registration." and subparagraphs (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) shall be redesignated respectively as subparagraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e); and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "17-14.2 Inspection."

19-2.5 The letter designation for current paragraph (a) shall be deleted and the period at the end of the last sentence shall be replaced by a colon; current paragraphs (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as subparagraphs (a) and (b); the phrase "BH:V" shall be replaced by the phrase "BH:VVIII"

20-9.6 In paragraph (b), the phrase "The review process shall be as follows;" shall be replaced with the phrase "For purposes of review"; current paragraph (1) shall have such number designation deleted and shall be placed after the new phrase as part of the same sentence; and subparagraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be redesignated respectively as (1),

23-1.13 The section shall be moved renumbered and renamed as follows: "2-69

REMOVAL FOR ABSENTEEISM"; the current paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (i) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d), respectively, under new section "2-69.1 Removal."; the current paragraph (d) shall be redesignated in full as new section "2-69.2

teporting."; and the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section 2-69.3 Hearing."

27-2.3 In subparagraph (b)(4) the word "City" shall be replaced by the word "Township"

28-4 This section shall be moved, renumbered and renamed as follows: "28-5.4 Exceptions."; the phrase "Excepted from subsection 28-5.1 shall be: shall be replaced by the phrase: "This section shall not apply to:", and the current paragraph (a) shall continue

28-11. The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-11.1 Penalty."; the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-11.2 Separate Violation."; and the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new

Page 2909
The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 29-2 to 29-3.

32-1 There is established a new section as follows: "32-1 PREAMBLE."; and the current sections 32-1, 32-2, 32-3 and 32-4 shall be redesignated as subsections 32-1.1, 32-1.2, 32-1.3, and 32-1.4 respectively, with each of their titles unchanged.

32-5 The current paragraph (a) shall have no letter designation and shall be placed in parenthesis as a preamble; the current paragraph (b) shall have no letter designation and shall be placed immediately thereafter; within the definition of Flood the numbers (1) and

(2) shall be changed to the letters (a) and (b), and within the definition Substantial improvements the numbers (1) and (2) shall be changed to the letters (a) and (b).

1-3 In between the definition of "Chapter" and "Section", insert the following "Anicle shall mean a grouping of related sections within a chapter, designated by a title and a roman numeral."

2-22.2 Paragraph (f), add to the end of the last sentence the words "pursuant to State law."

2-46.5 Paragraph (c), delete the phrase "and Union County Regional Board of

2-66.4 Paragraph (c) shall be deleted and paragraph (d) shall be redesignated as para-

4-1.2 Paragraph (a)(1), after the word "address" in two places, insert the words "and

4-1.4 ... Paragraph (a), replace the words "and address" with the phrase ", address and

4-3.2 Paragraph (a) delete the phrase "of twenty (\$20.00) dollars for each pump proposed to be installed and maintained."

4-3.6 Delete the words "provided for in subsection 4-3.5" and the entire last sentence.

4-12.1 Delete the phrase "License Officer shall mean the Clerk of the Township."

4-12.2 Paragraph (a) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township

4-12.3 Paragraph (a) replace the words "License Officer with the words "Township Clerk"; paragraph (c) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk", and replace the word "and" with the word "or".

4-12.4 Paragraph (a) in two places replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk"

in two places replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".

4-12.5 Replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".

Paragraph (a) replace the phrase "N.J.S.A. 39" with the phrase "N.J.S.A. Title 39".

4-3.3 Replace the words "Police and Fire" with the words "Public Safety".

insert the following words "or in the form of a verbal motion"

(C) So as to clarify certain sections of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township

In the definition of the word "Resolution", in the second sentence, after the word

The title "Purpose" shall be changed to "PREAMBLE"; the current paragraph (a)

25-19 The first letter of the first word shall be capitalized not lower case

immediately thereafter, with the designation (a) deleted

section "28-11.3 Denial or revocation of site plan."

of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted

12-3 The words "12-3.1 Adoption of Code," shall be deleted

graphs shall be combined into one, indented at the beginning

The section shall be renamed as "IMPOUNDING AND DESTRUCTION"; the cur-

The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-5.1 Notice.", and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-5.1 Police Supervision."

The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "5-3.1 Local

current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "5-3.2

27-6.8 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "all".

28-9 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the officer's".

32-6.2 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Official's".

The words "1-7.1 Seal Established; Description." shall be delete

2-24.2 Delete the following words: "for a term which shall not exceed one (1) year, but which shall expire at the end of each calendar year." 2-29.2 Delete the following words: "for a term which shall not exceed one (1) year but will

2-40.9 Delete subparagraph (a.) in its entirety. 2-41.1 In the third sentence, replace the words "behavior, efficiency and residence in the Township" with the following words: "behavior and efficiency."

12-1.12 Delete this section in its entirety.

Chapter IX
Delete this Chapter in its entirety

SECTION II - RATIFICATION Except as expressly modified herein ownship of Springfield shall remain ions and terms of the Code of the SECTION III - SEVERABILITY

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in case any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order or judgment shall not effect or invalidate the remainder of any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance, and to this end, the provisions of each section, paragraph, subdivision of this ordinance, and to this end, the provisions of each section, paragraph, subdivision of the provision of the section of SECTION IV - REPEAL

y ordinance or portion of any ordinance which is inconsistent with the modifications of ordinance is repealed to the extent of its inconsistency. SECTION V - EFFECTIVE DATE nce shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to

1, Kathleen D. Wisniewski, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, November 26, 2002, and that said Ordinance shall be submitted for consideration and final passage at a regular meeting of said Township Committee to be held on December 10, 2002, at which time and place any person or persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance. Copy is posted on the bulletin board in the office of the Township Clerk

KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSK U4138 ECL November 27, 2002

> NOTICE OF \$7.024,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND SALE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY BONDS

BANK-QUALIFIED CALLABLE SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, New Jersey, in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, on December 10, 2002, until 11:00 a.m. at which time the proposals will be received and publicly opened and announced for the purchase of the following Bonds of the Township dated December 1, 2002 and due on December 1 as follows: Principal Amount Principal Amount

The bonds maturing prior to December 1, 2013 are not subject to redemption prior to stated maturities. The bonds maturing on or after December 1, 2013 are rede en stated matumes. The bonds maturing on or after December 1, 2013 are redeemable the option of the Township in whole or in part at par on any date on or after December 1. otice as required herein, plus in each case accrued interest to the date fixed for Notice of Redemption shall be given by mailing by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of such Bonds not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Such mailing shall be to the Owners of such Bonds at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept for that purpose by the Township or a duly appointed Bond Registrar. Any failure of the depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any Notice of Redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Township determines to redeem a portion of the Bonds prior to maturity, the Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Township, the Bonds to be redeemed having the same maturity shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with its regulations.

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I Notice of Redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portior
thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption a Bedemotion Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemotion and the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption and no further interest shall accrue beyond the redemption date.

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multiple thereof. In the event (a) The Depository Trust Company determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or (b) the Township determines that continuation of the book-entry system of evidence and transfer of ownership of the Bonds would adversely affect the interests of the beneficial owners of the Bonds, the Township will discontinue the book-entry system with The Depository Trust Company. If the Township fails to identify another qualified securities depository to replace The Depository Trust Company, the Township will deliver replacement bonds in the form of fully registered certificates. The Bonds are general obligations of the Township and are secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the Township for the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The Bonds are payable, if not paid from other sources, from ad valorem taxes to be levied upon all the real property taxable within the Township without limitation as to rate

or amount.

The Bonds will be dated December 1, 2002 and will bear interest at the rate or rates per annum specified by the successful bidder therefor in accordance herewith, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year until maturity, commencing annually on the first days of June and December in each year until maturity, commencing on June 1, 2003, by payment of money to The Depository Trust Company or its authorized nominee. Principal of the Bonds will be payable, at maturity, by payment of immediately available funds by the Township to The Depository Trust Company or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. The Depository Trust Company will credit payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds to the participants of The Depository Trust Company as listed on the records of the Depository Trust Company as of each next preceding May 15 and November 15 (the "Record Dates"). Transfers of ownership of the Bonds will be effected on the records of The Depository Trust Company and its participants pursuant to rules and procedures established by The Depository Trust Company and its participants. Transfer of principal and interest to participants of The Depository Trust Company will be the responsibility of The Depository Trust Company participants and other nominees of the beneficial owners. The Township will not be responsible or liable for such transfers of payments or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by The Depository Trust Company, Its participants or persons acting through such participants. Each proposal submitted must name the rate or rates of interest per annum to be borne by the Bonds, and the rate or rates named must be multiples of one-eighth (1/8) or one-Each proposal submitted must name the rate or rates of interest per annum to be borne by the Bonds, and the rate or rates named must be multiples of one-eighth (1/8) or one-twentieth (1/20) of one percentum (1%). Not more than one rate may be named for Bonds of the same maturity. There is no limitation on the number of rates that may be named. If more than one rate of interest is named, no interest rate named for any maturity may be less than the interest rate named for any prior maturity. Each proposal submitted must state the principal amount of Bonds the bidder will accept which shall be all of the Bonds or any lesser amount that is a multiple of \$1,000 and the purchase price specified in the proposal must not be less than \$7,024,000. The Bonds shall be awarded to the bidder on whose bid the total loan may be made at the lowest net interest cost. Such net interest cost shall be computed, as to each bid, by adding the total principal amount of Bonds bid for (which shall be all of the Bonds offered) the total interest cost to maturity in accordance with such bid and by deducting therefrom the amount of premium, if any, bid. No proposal shall be conand by deducting therefrom the amount of premium, if any, bid. No proposal shall be considered which offers to pay an amount less than the principal amount of Bonds offered for sale or under which the total loan is made at an interest cost higher than the lowest net interest cost to the Township under any legally acceptable proposal. If two or more bidders offer the same lowest net interest cost, the Bonds will be sold to one of such bidders by the undersigned by lot from among all such bidders.

The successful bidder must also pay an amount equal to the interest on the Bonds accrued from the date of the Bonds to the date of payment of the purchase price. No interest will be paid upon the deposit made by the successful bidder.

Each proposal must be on the Official Proposal for Bonds and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and should be marked on the outside "Proposal for Bonds." If malled, proposals should be addressed to or in care of the undersigned at the Township of Springfield, Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081-1702.

Each bidder is required to deposit a certified, treasurer's or cashier's check payable to the order of the TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD for \$140,480 drawn upon a bank or trust company, and such check must be enclosed with the proposal. When the successful bidder and by deducting therefrom the amount of premium, if any, bid. No proposal shall be co

company, and such check must be enclosed with the proposal. When the successful bidde has been ascertained, all such deposits will be promptly returned to the persons making them, except the check of the successful bidder, which will be applied in part payment for the Bonds or to secure the Township from any loss resulting from the fallure of the bidder to ds is expected to be made by the Township within two hours after opening of the bids ut such successful bidder may not withdraw its proposal until after 3:00 p.m. of the day out bid-uch bid-opening and then only if such award has not been made prior to the withdrawa such bid-opening and then only if such award has not been made prior to the windrawar. The right is reserved to reject all bids, and any bid not complying with the terms of this notice will be rejected.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of the numbers and obtaining such CUSIP identification numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purthaser of the Bonds.

The Bonds will be delivered on or about December 23, 2002 at the Township's offices or

The Bonds will be delivered on or about December 23, 2002 at the Township's offices or at such other place as may be agreed upon with the successful bidder. PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS AT THE TIME OF ORIGINAL ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY SHALL BE BY WIRE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

The Township has authorized the distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement, copies of which may be obtained from the undersigned Chief Financial Officer, Township of Springfield, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081-1702, Telephone No. 973-912-2279. The Preliminary Official Statement is deemed final as of its date, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"), but is subject to (a) completion with certain pricing and other information to be made available by the successful bidder for the Bonds and (b) amendment. The Preliminary Official Statement, as so revised, will constitute the "final Official Statement". By the submission of a bid for the Bonds, the successful bidder contracts for the receipt of a reasonable number of copies of the final Official Statement within seven business days of the award of the Bonds. In order to complete the final Official Statement, the successful bidder must furnish on behalf of the underwriters of the Bonds the following information to Bond Counsel and the Township by facsimile transmission or overnight delivery received by Bond Counsel and the Township by thin 24 hours after the award of the bonds: (a) initial offering prices or yields (expressed as percentages), (b) selling compensation (aggregate total anticipated comexpressed as percentages), (b) selling compensation (aggregate total antic pensation to the underwriters expresssed in dollars), (c) the identity of the ur the successful bidder is part of a group or syndicate and (d) any other material informati-necessary for the final Official Statement, but not known to the Township (such as the bi der's purchase of credit enhancement). It shall also be the obligation of the successful bid-ter to turnish to The Depository Trust Company an underwriter's questionnaire and the denominations of the Bonds not less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the delivery of the

Concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds, the officials of the Township who will have executed the final Official Statement will deliver to the purchaser of the Bonds a certificate stating that, to the best of their knowledge, the Preliminary Official Statement did not as of its date and as of the sale date, and the final Official Statement did not as of its date and does not as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be included therein for the purpose for which the Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement is to be used or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, provided such certificate shall not include consideration of information supplied by, or which should have been supplied by, the successful bidder for the Bonds. Bonds.

The Township has agreed in the resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township on November 12, 2002 to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12, (i) by not later than seven months from the end of each calendar year, commencing with the year ending December 31, 2002, certain annual financial information consisting of financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements for the preceding calendar year (or unaudited financial statements for the preceding calendar year (or unaudited financial statements for the preceding calendar year (or unaudited financial statements if audited financial statements are not then available), generally consistent with the annual financial information contained in the Official Statement, (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the Bonds and (iii) timely notice of the failure of the Township to provide the required annual information by the date specified in (i) above. The underwriter's obligation to purchase the Bonds shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the bonds, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the underwriter, evidence that the Township has made the continuing disclosure undertaking set forth above in a written agreement or contract for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds.

The successful bidder may at its option refuse to accept the Bonds if prior to their delivery any change in the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") shall provide that the interest thereon is taxable or shall be taxable at a future date for Federal income tax any change in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") shall provide that the Interest thereon is taxable or shall be taxable at a future date for Federal Income tax purposes. In such case, the deposit made by the bidder shall be returned and if will be relieved of its contractual obligations arising from the acceptance of its proposal.

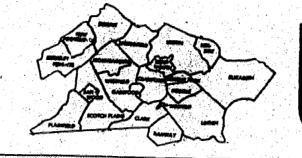
The obligation hereunder to deliver and to accept the Bonds shall be conditioned on the availability and the delivery at the time of delivery of the Bonds of the approving opinion of the law firm of Cooper, Rose & English, LLP, Summit, New Jersey, which will be furnished without cost to the successful bidder, such opinion to be substantially in the form set forth in the Official Statement distributed in preliminary form in connection with the sale of the Bonds and certificates in form satisfactory to that law firm evidencing the proper execution and delivery of the Bonds, the receipt of payment therefor, the compliance with the requirements of the Code necessary to preserve tax exemption and the absence of litigation pending or (to the knowledge of the signer or signers thereof) threatened affecting the validity of the Bonds. A copy of the approving opinion will be attached to Bonds.

The Township has designated the Bonds "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purposes of Section 285(b)(3) of the Code and will represent that it reasonably expects that neither it nor its subordinate entitles will issue more than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in the current calendar year.

If the Bonds qualify for the issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of a bidder, the purchaser of the Bonds may, at its sole option and expense, purchase such insurance, unless otherwise paid, shall be paid by such bidder. Any fallure of the Bonds to be so insured or of any such policy of insurance to be issued shall not it any way relieve the purchaser of its contractual obligations arising from the initial offering prices to the pu

By order of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, in the County of

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WORRALL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

A Union County

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2002 - SECTION B

Position

Freeholders

Freeholder vice chairman

Director, human services

Director: operational services

Director, parks and recreation

Freeholder chairman

Director, public safety

Administrator, Runnells

Deputy county manager

Director, operations & facilities

Director, administrative services

Director, economic development

Department of Operational Services until 2000.

Director finance

County manager

County counsel

Freeholder clerk

it out to voters" he said

counties in the state, such as Bergen.

Essex and Hudson. "It's pretty much

The Union County Division of

Police, under the auspices of the

Department of Public Safety, replaces

about three to five of its 20 squad cars

each year. Each Ford Crown Victoria

costs about \$25,000, Vaniska said, but

once radios, computers, video camer-

as and emergency lights are added.

the cost can reach \$35,000 per car.

ments on police cars. Vaniska said. "I

believe as a matter of public safety.

the only message on a police vehicle

But not everyone is so adamantly

"I could argue it both ways." Union

should be 'Emergency - 9-1-1.' "

County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich said.

"depending on just what the ad is

have to see exactly what the ads look

like before making any decision, if the

advertisement was accompanied by a

public safety message of some kind

— for traffic safety or child safety —

he could see how it might work.

To "open the door" to any adver-

tisements, however, is dangerous. "I

Though the sheriff said he would

against the idea.

going to be."

Union County Chief of Police Daniel don't want to demean the police," or

Vaniska said. "The public safety any other emergency service vehicle,

image would be compromised as roll- and "their philosophy," said Froeh-

ing billboard.. What's next? Ambu- lich, who has been sheriff since 1978.

"I'm against the idea," of advertise-

where they're supposed to be."

lances, firetrucks?"

• Arts

2001 salary

\$25,875

\$26,875

S27.875

\$101,025

\$100,827

\$105,467

\$96,835

S96,366

\$107,465

\$139,123

\$123,240

\$113,915

*S96,584

S87:653

n/a

n/a

News

Entertainment

 Classified Real Estate

Automotive

2002 salary

\$27,000

S28.000

\$29,000

\$105,066

\$104,860

S108.631

\$99.740

S98,775

S109 614

*S129,000

*\$123.240

*S113,500

*S109,082

S96.500

*S72.000

n/a

http://www.localsource.com

Increase

\$1,125/4.3%

\$1,125/4.2%

\$1,125/4.0%

\$4.041/4.0%

\$4.033/4.0%

\$3,164/3.0%

S2.905/3.0%

\$2,409/2.5%

S2.149/2.0%

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In his new book, "Persona Reflections of an Historian, released just before his death author Stephen Ambrose said tha his job in exploring about people and what they did was "the most fascinating of all subjects." He also reminds that everyone's place in history is subject to review as times change. Ambrose's view consid ered, let's do some more "Whateve happened..." to for the holiday weekend.

It was surprising to realize tha Louis Bassano from Union spent 2 years in the state Senate and another eight in the Assembly After a brief stint at the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority he left with the incoming admi nistration of James McGreevey.

Left Oui By Frank Capece

Bassano has been assisting h wife, Joan, who took over the run ning of his fuel oil business in the 1980s when politics moved from an avocation to a vocation. He also serves on a number of charitable boards.

As a legislator, Bassano saw 199 of his bills enacted into law. "One time when I told my wife about some bills of mine enacted, she reminded me that a lot of people in New Jersey would be happy if a los less bills became laws."

A large part of his legislative success dealt with his efforts a assisting the handicapped and underprivileged. It is probably reflection of his current service on the Overlook Hospital Board of Directors and their efforts at establishing a new emergency room. He serves also on the board of Bridgeway House, which assists the mentally ill in four counties including Union, and is considering lobbying for the New Jersey Mental Health Association.

He laughs, and agrees, when I suggest that he is undoubtedly best known for his crusade for school bus safety. "I started my efforts for school bus safety when my son was in grade school. By the time the law was enacted, he had enrolled at NJIT."

Battles weren't alien to Bassano His three knockdown drag out elective contests with rival Anthony Russo between 1977 and 1985 really went the distance. Like old heavyweights, Bassano said he frequently speaks to his old political rival. He praises Russo's contributions.

Still his Republican partisanship is reflected in his criticism of Gov. James McGreevey pointing to the State Police problems and controversy over the Assemby speakership position. In his own party, he points to two of his own excolleagues. William Gormley and Joseph Kyrillos, both state senators, as likely rivals to oppose McGreevey.

On the local scene, he devilishly speaks about new non-partisan elections in his local town to ensure representation from the minority portions of Vauxhall.

I ran into Paul Werkmeister last week. The blue eyes, the deep voice, the broad smile were all the same. He had a successful career in real estate at Exxon, 16 years as a city councilman and four years as mayor. He ran into the buzzsaw of the political comeback of John Gregorio and a controversial citywide revaluation which handed him his first election defeat.

Since the end of elective office. Werkmeister has spearheaded the Linden coalition as a counterweight to Gregorio. But as often is the case, it is the non-political activity of the political people which is the most interesting.

Werkmeister easily reels off the two dates, Dec. 14, 1944 and April 23, 1945. It was the time he served as prisoner of war, after fighting at the Battle of the Bulge. Every Tuesday he still visits with fellow POWs in Lyons.

The political battles still get the rise. "There is no Republican party in Linden, so somebody has to pre sent a different view." It also helps in setting one's place in history.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

proposed

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor

Freeholders, constitutional officers and most department heads will receive pay raises under a salary ordinance introduced Nov. 14 by the Board of Chosen Freeholders, A public hearing and final vote on the ordinance will take place during the board's regular meeting Dec. 5, starting at 7 p.m. in the Administration Building in Elizabeth.

Constitutional officers will get a 3 percent raise, the same as last year. County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, County Surrogate James LaCorte and County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich each will earn \$114,996 this year, up \$3,349 from \$111,647 last year. The three constitutional officers are considered fulltime positions. The salary increases for freeholders were recommended by the board's Fiscal Affairs Committee.

The last time freeholders approved increases to their annual salary was 1999, when their pay went from \$25,000 to \$25,875, the last of three consecutive years of wage hikes. Freeholders, who serve three-year terms, are considered part-time positions.

"Some day they're going to have to be responsible for their actions," Union County Republican Chairman Ron Frigerio said of the all-Democratic nine-member board. "It's always done after the election." "Unfortunately, we can only point

Regional Editor

Continental Airlines Arena. PNC

Bank Arts Center, Minute Maid Field,

formerly known as Enron Field. The

list of sports complexes and other are-

has that bear the name of advertisers

goes on and on. Corporations pay big

bucks to have their names embla-

zened on these stadiums. Now it

seems the idea has started to move

A company has started to offer

municipalities police cars for \$1 in

exchange for allowing advertisements

tions, a marketing company based in

Charlotte, N.C., also pays for the

maintenance of the police vehicles for

three years in exchange for allowing

David Spaulding, the mayor of

North Brunswick, in Middlesex

County, is among the first elected

officials in New Jersey to float the

idea of advertisements on police vehi-

cles as a means of reducing costs for

Advertisements would "distract

from the image police officers have,"

the advertisements.

municipalities.

on the vehicles. Government Acquisi-

into the arena of law enforcement.

Ads on cop cars?

Idea is up for a debate

election season, Mirabella, who is up Guzzo and Director of Operational for re-election, said the Democrats on "I don't have any way to judge the freeholder board have been "very whether they do more work than three years ago. I don't know how you jusprudent with all our decisions when expending tax dollars.

Lapolla. It was understood that the

salaries at the time of their appoint-

1997 salary

\$23,500

\$24,500

\$25,500

\$83,569

\$101,810

\$89,335

\$85,000

\$93,885

\$119,500

\$109,233

\$96,250

\$84,378

\$57,782

n/a

n/a

n/a

1998 salary

\$25,000

\$26,000

\$27,000

S90.254

\$105,374

\$92,461

\$87,975

\$98,109

\$123,682

\$113,056

\$99,840

\$87,331

\$69,782

n/a

n/a

*Due to their appointments earlier this year as part of a reorganization, the county manager, deputy county manager, director of economic

development, county counsel, director of operations & facilities and freeholder clerk will not receive increases. A reorganization of the depart-

ments earlier this year led to a director of operations & facilities position, which previously was a division within the Department of Operational

Services. In such cases, the previous years' salaries represent the prior employee's salary. The director of the Department of Operational

Services was promoted in 1999 from director of the Division of Public Works. The Department of Parks and Recreation was a division within the

n/a

1999 salary

\$25,875

\$26,875

\$27,875

\$93,413

*\$95,039

\$95,697

\$83,065

\$91,055

\$101,543

\$127,392

S116.448

\$103,334

S91,261

\$72,573

n/a

n/a

2000 salary

S25.875

S26.875

S27,875

\$98,083

S97 890

*\$94,015

\$93,559

S104.335

\$132,498

\$119,650

\$107,467

\$93,771

\$77,653

n/a

n/a

S102.395

While six directors of the county's Freeholder Alexander Mirabella. various departments will receive anymember of the Fiscal Affairs Committee, said the pay hikes for freeholwhere from 2 to 4 percent raises. ders, when amortized, work out to a seven will not see increases: County little more than 1 percent a year since Manager George Devanney, Deputy the last raise. "We felt it was time to County Manager Elizabeth Genievich, Freeholder Clerk Annette Quijagive ourselves a little increase." Director of Public Information no, Director of Economic Develop-Sebastian D'Elia said the increase ment James Daley, County Counsel Jeremiah O'Dwyer and Director of would put Union County's freeholder salaries among comparably sized Operations & Facilities Richmond

ments would be their salaries for Though he expects the salaries may 2002. Devanney said. be an issue Republicans bring up next Director of Human Services Frank

Services Frank Dann will receive 4 percent salary increases, the highest among department heads. Director of Finance Lawrence Caroselli and Director of Parks and Recreation Charles Sigmund will receive 3 percent increases. Director of Public Safety Harold Gibson, 2.5 percent, and Runnells Hospital Administrator

Devanney said he uses a complicated system based on last year's performance to determine his recommendations for directors' pay raises.

Joseph Sharp, 2 percent.

The seven positions filled during 2002 came as a result of turnover and reorganization of the county's management. Devanney was elevated from deputy county manager in the spring to replace outgoing Michael Department of Operational Services.

Lapolla at a salary of \$129,000, about \$10,000 less than his predecessor. O'Dwyer replaced Carol Cohen at the same salary after Cohen was appointed an administrative law udge. Genievich, the former freehol der clerk, was appointed deputy county manager/director of administrative services to replace Devanney at a comparable annual salary, \$113,000 Quijano then replaced Genievich at a rate of \$72,000 annually, about \$16,000 less than her predecessor. Daley filled the role of director economic development, which was part of Devanney's deputy county manager post, at \$96,000 a year. Lapolla was director of the Division of Operations and Facilities at \$109,082 a year before it was split out from the



Photo By Jeff Grant

Can you picture an advertisement on this vehicle? Cpl. Gilberto Zavas stands near a county police patrol car. A North Carolina marketing company offers police cars to municipalities for \$1 in exchange for allowing ads on the vehicles.

Several years ago Froehlich was said there was nothing in the budget faced with a similar offer. The dog because it was only an experiment. food supplier for the sheriff's K-9 Unit wanted to place its name on the unit's vehicle — for a price. "It was a nice piece of change.

through the budget."

When he started the K-9 Unit almost two decades ago, Froehlich

before mastering the ice.

But he was able to receive donated vans from a local car dealer and pharmaceutical firm that included a message indicated who had donated them. "We had nothing and we jumped on was tempted because today it's not easy to get everything you need it. We certainly appreciated it," Froehlich said. "We never would've

gotten the K-9 Unit started." a manner in which people should look Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, at it," he said.

zabeth Police Department for many years, was not too keen on the idea "I can understand increasing revenue in a unique way," Mirabella said, though he would prefer finding other innovative methods for governments to find revenue. "I don't think it dignifies the car in

whose father was chief of the Eli-

Fund-raiser for

annual awards night

The 2003 Enterttainment Books with hundreds of discount coupons for restaurants, travel and sports events in the Union County area, are being sold by Union County Vocational-Technical School students to raise funds for their annual awards

The discount coupon books are available for all areas of New Jersey and can be ordered for all areas of the country. Each book provides discounts of as much as 50 percent on fine and casual dining, movie admissions, concerts, sports events, family activities, airfares, hotels, rental cars. merchandise and local services.

Money raised through the sale of the books will be used to help fund the awards given to graduating seniors at the annual awards night in June

To purchase a book or to obtain more information on the 2003 Entertaiment Book, call Heinz Ricken, the awards committee chiarman at 908-889-8288, Ext. 311, or purchase one at the Main Office of the Vocational-Technical High School West Hall, 1776 Raritan Road

ICE TIME A NICE TIME - Nancy Bischoff and daughter Daisy. 7. above, skate through the fog with hands raised high during a visit last week to Warnanco Ice Skating Center in Roselle. Eight-year-olds Deborah Venuti and Sarah Toth, left, stay close to the boards

later in April. for the uncoming

WYACT/NJPAC Summer Musical

Production. Students who attend the

Talent Search may be called back in

WYACT, a well-known nonprofit

theater group, provides a high-quality

education to aspiring young thespians

in musical theater, both in the per-

This program is made possible in

• The Star-Ledger Scholarships

part by support from the Turrell Fund.

for the Performing Arts are tuition

scholarships offered to college-bound

Newark high school seniors awarded

on the basis of artistic talent, academ-

ic potential and financial need. The

three scholarships provide financial

assistance for a degree program at an

accredited undergraduate institution.

Three scholarships will be

awarded. One student will be desig-

nated a Scholar Intern who will

receive a \$10,000 scholarship per year

for four years and an NJPAC inter-

ship. Two additional students, desig-

nated as Scholars; will each receive a

\$10,000 scholarship per year for four

the final round of auditions.

forming and technical areas.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Get

your head out of the clouds, and

become more aware of what's going

on. What you see may not be what

TAURUS (April 20-May 20); Review

a financial proposal with the help of

an experienced accountant. A closer

look reveals many previously hidden

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): A partner

tions and make it all true.

you'll get. Avoid self-delusion.

Dec. 2-8

weaknesses.

LOTS O' THE IRISH

DOWN

1 Rooster features 2 Busiest US airport 3 Summer TV fare 4 Immediately .5 Transgression 6 That woman 7 "Wild One" singer 8 Jazz singer Anita

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tation helps you to understand what

drives you. Take control of the wheels

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Be aware of what adjustments should.

of your mind and go!

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hestitation or fear or doubt. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Use

What's Going On?

SATURDAY December, 7th 2002 EVENT: CRAFT FAIR PLACE: Mother Seton Regional High IME:9am-4pm PRICE:Admission is Free!! "Peppermi Boutique" -150 Crafters! Food available For information 908-789-3029. ORGANIZATION: Mother Setor Regional High School Parents' Guild

FLEA MARKET SATURDAY December 7th, 2002

EVENT: Big Indoor Flea-Market PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, Raritan Road, Roselle TIME: 9am-4pm PRICE: Free Admission. Call for nation 908-245-2350 ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High

SATURDAY December 7th, 2002 **EVENT:** Flea Market PLACE: Redeemer Lutheran Church. 134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington. TIME:9am-12:30pm PRICE: Free Admission, New and Used ORGANIZATION: Redeemer Lutheran

Church SUNDAY December 8th, 2002 **EVENT:** Flea Market & Collectible Show Indoors & Outdoors
PLACE: Bloomfield High School 160 Broad Street (corner of Belleville

TIME:9am-5pm PRICE: Over 100 vendors selling jewelry, toys, sweats, kids clothing, perfume, giftware, sports items and more! For nformation call 201-997-9535 ORGANIZATION: Bloomfield High School Key Club

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December7th, 2002 **EVENT:** Annual Holiday Craft Fair PLACE:St. John Vianney Church, 420 Inman Avenue, Colonia, NJ 07607 TIME: 9 AM to 4 PM PRICE: Free Parking/Free Admission Handicapped Accessible. Over 150 Crafters - Breakfast - Lunch available. ORGANIZATION: St. John Vianney

SATURDAY

Craft Fair Committee. SATURDAY, SUNDAY December 7th, 2002 EVENT: 10th Annual Holiday Art and PLACE: 106 South Fullerton Ave. Mont-

clair (3 blocks off Bloomfield Ave.)

TIME: Saturday10am-6pm; Sunday TIME: 12noon-4pm PRICE: Free Admission. Benefits HOMECorp of Montclair. Featured will be handmade gifts, ornaments, jewelry, furniture, pillows, scarves, florals, pottery painting, prints, sculpture, quilts, wood mation call (973)783-5902 ORGANIZATION:HOMECorp. of Mont-

AUCTION

SATURDAY December 7th, 2002 EVENT: Annual Holiday Auction PLACE: Philoptochos Adelphotis "St. Irene" of Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 721 Rahway Avenue, Union TIME: 1pm to 5pm PRICE: Lots of prizes: Crystal, small appliances, food baskets, gift certifimany more. Call 908-964-7957 for more information and directions

ORGANIZATION: Philoptochos "St

OTHER

SATURDAY SUNDAY November 30th, 2002 December 1st, 2002 **EVENT:** Giant Holiday Gift Show 00 Passaic Avenue, Belleville TIME:Saturday 9am-5pm Outdoors & 6nm- Midnight Indoors: Sunday 9am 5pm Indoors & Outdoors PRICE: Over 100 dealers with a large selection of stocking stuffers & gift tems. Have your picture taken with Santa Saturday 7pm-9pm, bring you camera. For information call 201-997-ORGANIZATION: Graduation Celebra-

SATURDAY November 30th, 2002 **EVENT: Arts, Craft and Gift Festival** PLACE: American Legion Hall, Maple TIME:10am-4nm PRICE: Free to all (Everyone Welcome), Door Prizes, Clown, Food, Fu For more information call 732-669-9476 ORGANIZATION: Rahway Community

SUNDAY December 8th, 2002 **EVENT:** Jewish Street Fair and Block PLACE: The "Y" 501 Green Lane,

PRICE: No admission Fee. \$5 for Carnival. Vendors and Food available. 908 ORGANIZATION: YM-YWHA of Union

SATURDAY December 7th, 2002 **EVENT:** Holiday Jewelry & Giftware

PLACE: New Eyes for the Needy, 549 Millburn Avenue, Short Hills TIME:10am-3pm
PRICE: Free Admission - Antique & cos tume lewelry, watches, silver, flatware crystal and porcelain at reasonable prices. For information call 973-376

FRIDAY

December 6th, 2002

ORGANIZATION: New Eyes for the Need

FVFNT: Open House followed by a clin cal presentation "You've got to attach before you can separate" PLACE: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey (PCNJ) 769 North field Avenue, Suite LL2, West Orange TIME: Open House 7pm-8pm. Presenta

tion 8pm-9:30pm \ PRICE: Free informational Open House e courses for mental health professionals, teachers, parents. Speaker Alice Weintraub, Psychoanalyst, Faculty Member, PCNY. CE credit available fo mental health professional and teachers Call 973-736-7600 for reservations o ORGANIZATION: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey

REUNIONS

Troutman-Lewter 973-623-3314 and at Repetti's in Kenilworth, For infor-Sandra Holmes at 732-381-2541. Rahway High School Class of 1977 is searching for classmates in Union High School Class of 1977, preparation for the 25th reunion.

Union High School Class of 1983, Union High School Class of 1993,

be made and what seeds need to be planted in order to reap a successful 1992, 10th reunion, May 4.

· Elizabeth High School Class of

• The following reunions have been registered with Reunions Unlimited. For information, call Reunions rock. Take care of legal, pressing or Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.

Westfield High School Class of

732-821-5774.

· Abraham Clark High School, Roselle, Class of 1950 is searching for 732-549-6600 or 732-946-7075. classmates in preparation for its 52nd reunion. For information, call Jerry

Bieler 954-360-0666 or send e-mail to

1982 is organizing a class reunion. For information, or to volunteer for the planning committee, call Kim

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Charlene Rankins-Jackson at 908-490-1543 or Bob Brandner at • St. Mary High School, Jersey City, Classes of 1960, '61, '62 and '63

are planning a reunion. For information, call Ken Giordano at

School, Kenilworth, Class of 1982 will conduct its 20th reunion Saturday

33024; by phone at 954-967-0199 or

mation, call Janet Greve at

Hillside High School Alumni

Association of Florida will conduct its

Fla. For information, contact Marvin

Kaleky, Class of '55, via e-mail at

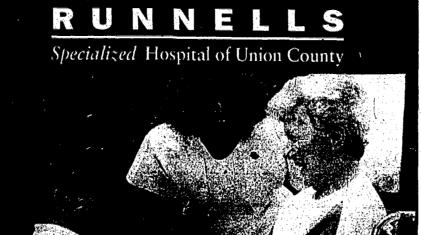
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sion, guitar, piano or string instru-

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The NJPAC/Jeffrey Carollo

Jazz for Teens will offer instruction

formed on stage at NJPAC.

Bank and the Surdna Foundation.

The third annual New Jersrey Per- Thomas, vice president for Arts Eduforming Arts Center "Young Artist cation. "On audition weekend, Talent Search" got under way NJPAC will identify some of the fin-

Initiated two years ago, the

weekend event, conducted by instrumental music, theater and NJPAC's Arts Education Department, dance." provides artistically talented young people opportunities to audition for more than 190 openings in any of its middle schools, junior high schools six arts training programs. Auditions and high schools. Applicants may will be conducted April 5 and 6 at the register without charge through Jan. Lucent Technologies Center for Arts 1. A \$10 application fee must accom-Education on the NJPAC site. Last year, more than 500 young artists Feb. 1. Final appplications must be from every corner of the state auditioned over the two-day weekend. Through the "Young Artist Talent

and applications may be obtained by Search," students will audition for Search hot line at 973-353-8009. participation in The Star-Ledger Scholar for the Performing Arts, Jazz for Teens, Jeffrey Carollo Music part by the NJPAC Women's Blood Scholarship, Summer Youth Perform- Association and the Independence ing Arts and the Westfield Young Community Foundation. Artists' Cooperative Theater-NJPAC Summer Musical Production.

"The Young Artist Talent Search provides the opportunity for the Jersey high school students, ages 15 state's young artists to participate in to 18, as well as advance 13- and some of the best artistic training prog- 14-year-olds. Jazz for Teens was rams in New Jersey," said Philip S. created six years ago in collaboration

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and inspiring communication for family memdecided to use it to buy gifts for an "Angel." Her bers. The attributes of reading together are mom figured out that she was referring to the many, but most precious of all is that parents children represented on the paper angels hangfind that their children become more trusting ing from the Salvation Army Angel Tree that they couldn't imagine living without.

newest release this holiday season. "Chicken Soup for the Soul Christmas Treasury for Kids.' Together, they have created a campaign, "Inspire an Angel," designed to bring awareness of the Army's Angel Tree Program to kids the next generation of Salvation Army

this holiday season.

authors Patty Hansen and Irene Dunlap, is more than a book. It offers 25 stories for families to read together, one story for each day approaching Christmas — from Dec. 1 to Dec. 25. Each and open, and children find new ways to view their parents.

There are stories about kids and families who take advantage of this special holiday season to start or continue family traditions. "Our hope is that these stories will prompt other families to start similar traditions that create special meaning to the season. This experience is one that will be remembered and possibly carried on

Some stories in "Christmas Treasury" tell of the most rewarding traditions for this season. They are about families who created projects that involve giving and volunteering. Co-author Irene Dunlap fondly explains that, "Each story that focuses on a family experience reveals that the activities of volunteering together brought them closer and created a sense of love and

The lead story in "Christmas Treasury"

New edition of 'Chicken Soup' recalls kids' Christmases

Foundation.

production.

following December and for 12 more since, the two have volunteered to buy gifts and volunteer

Summer Youth Performance

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five-week program that provides bud-

ding young singers, actors and mod-

ern dancers, ages 13 to 18 - and

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story has a beautiful lesson and can lead to open winning a gift certificate to Toys.'R' Us, the girl

Choral Art Society welcomes singers Singers of all voice parts are invited to join the Choral Art Society of New Jersey Inc. in cele-

Based in Westfield and under the direction of James S. Little, the Choral Art Society, a nonprothrough out their lives," says co-author Patty fit community chorus, is dedicated to the study and performance of great choral works.

brating its 40th anniversary year.

Rehearsals are held weekly on Tuesdays from 8 to 10 p.m. from September to May and take place in the choir room of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, located at the corner of Mountain Avenue and East Broad Street.m. Singers interested in joining are invited to attend a ehearsal and meet with James S. Little, the society's musical director.

p.m., with the annual Messiah Sing at the First Baptist Church, Elm Street in Westfield.

On Ján. 18, the society, along with orchestra and guest soloists, will perform J.S. Bach's "St. John Passion" at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. On May 10, the society's 40th anniversary concert will be a performance of Handel's "Judas Maccabeus," also at The Pre-

sybterian Church in Westfield.

The Choral Art Society, whose members come rom Union, Somerset, Bergen, Hudson and Middlesex counties, originated in September 1962, as The Suburban Symphony Chorus under the directon of the Peter Sozio. In September 1963. Evelyn Bleeke became the director and in 1964 the chorus formed as an independent organization under its present name. Bleeke served the organization as director for 32 seasons, followed The 2002-03 season will start Dec. 13 at 8 by Thomas Booth and Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth, for two seasons each. James S. Little is

starting his fourth season as musical director

for the program, making it a family tradition that

VOCALIST MICHAEL FEINSTEIN will appear concert at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark Saturday. For information, see the 'Concerts' listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B9

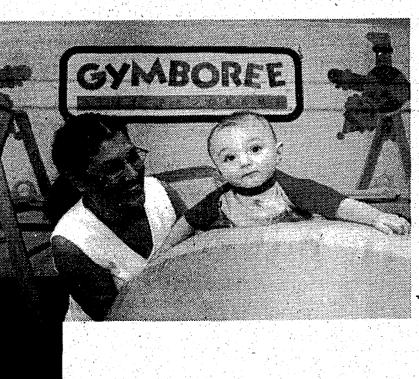
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or mate has nothing but kind words. and talk to a friend and let him know and positive things to say about you, exactly what's in your heart and ontionship will be different. CANCER (June 22-July 22): Analyze: SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Work. and organize are your key words for to improve your level of selfconfidence. You deserve the best and should never settle for second best. Stand up and claim what's yours.

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Music Scholarship at the Newark The Salvation Army has teamed up with "Chicken Soup for the Soul" books, published by Health Communications Inc., and Verizon

est of these young performers in the

According to Thomas, applications

have been mailed to all New Jersey

pany forms postmarked on or before

postmarked by March 1, and must

include a \$15 fee. Further information

This program was made possible in

Criteria for the programs are as

• Jazz for Teens is open to New

calling the Young Artist Talent

artistic disciplines of vocal music,

The Salvation Army will benefit from their

"Chicken Soup for the Soul Christmas Treasury for Kids" is currently in stores. A portion of the proceeds from sales of this inspirational book for kids and families will be donated to the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program in the form of special edition paperback books. To help bring awareness to the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program and to encourage kids to read with their families, the "Inspire an Angel" campaign will distribute the book to an Angel Tree Kid

"A Christmas Treasury for Kids," by co-

respect for all of humanity.

describes how a 5-year-old girl inspired her mother to become more compassionate. After

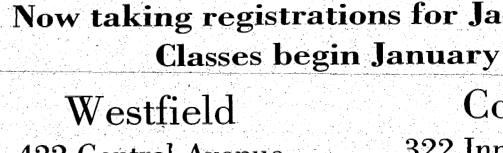
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Diets need not be broken with healthy, festive Hanukkah treats

Commitment to a healthy lifestyle lasts longer than the eight days of Hanukkah, and the celebration of this holiday marks a perfect time to start a new eating and exercise plan — a gift — for the whole family!

Weight Watchers, the leading name in weight loss, offers a few "lite" takes on the traditional holiday fare. "Holiday celebrations are an important part of family tradition and the food we prepare and eat is a big part of that," according to Maria Walls, senior nutritionist for Weight Watchers International "Creating lighter versions of family recipes by replacing high-calorie, ingredients with healthier substitutes is a simple and easy way to modernize and cut unwanted fat and calories from a

Hanukkalı is a wonderfül höfiday of renewed dedication, faith; hope and spiritual light. It's a holiday that says: Never lose hope " Known as "The Testival of Lights," the holiday celebrates the miracle that a day's worth of oil lasted for eight days, allowing the Jews-to-clean and rededicate the

In the spirit of the holiday, Weight Watchers has a new take on some old favorites, which are lower in fat but just as deligious'

Research shows that people who go to Weight Watchers meetings are much more likely to lose weight than people who try to lose weight on their own, Indact, each week more than one million members attend approximate-45/39,000 Weight Watchers meetings in 30 countries around the world. To fearn more about Weight Watchers white www WeightWatchers.com. To find the nearest Weight Watchers meeting location, call 800-651-6000. or click on the "Find a Meeting" link at the top of the homepage

Zucchini and Potato Latkes Makes 16 servings I Point per serving

teaspoons office oil or vegetable

3 (8-ounce) russet potatoes, peeled 1 medium (6-ounce) zuechini. peeled

I small onion, grated d large egg. A tablespoon all-purpose flour -teaspoon kosher salt

teaspoon freshly ground pepper Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F Brush two large nonstick baking sheets each with \hat{T}^{t_0} teaspoons of the oil. Cook the potatoes in a saucepanwith boiling water to cover. 6 minutes: drain: Cover with cold water

Model RR Club offers new rate

The Model Railroad Club Inc., an activity of the Union County Park System, announced that it is now offering a new discounted ticket. The tickets will be available at the club ticker office. located at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, off U.S. Route 22 east, behind The Home Depot. The elubas open to the public every Saturday from 1 to 4 pm.

The new ticket is called the Discount Return-Trip Ticket, Individuals purchasing a Discount Return-Trip Ticket will receive two admissions to the club: one at the regular full fare and a second at half-price. Discount Return-Trip Ticket prices are \$4.50 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and younger. Free parking is available on site and the club is wheelchairaccessible.

Model Railroad Club Inc., contact the club at 908-964-9724 Saturdays between 1 and 5 p.m., or 908-964-8808 for a recorded message; or by visiting the club's web site. at www.tmrci.com,



Meanmwhile, grate the zuechini on i double layer of paper towels: let 2g fat, 0g saturated fat, 13 mg cholesstand 3 minutes. Combine the zucchini with the onion, egg. flour, salt and pepper in a large bowl. Drain the potatoes, pat dry, then coarsley grate. Stir into the zucchini mixture.

Heat the baking sheets in the oven until hot, about 4 minutes. Drop scant cup measures of the potato mixture onto the baking sheets, forming a total of 16 3-inch paneakes; lightly flatten

Bake until browned on the bottom. 8 to 9 minutes. Brush the tops of the pancakes with the remaining 2 teaspoons oil, then turn and bake until cooked through, 5 to 7 minutes,

Coucous and White Beans with Apricots and Almonds Makes 12 servings 2 Points per serving

terol, 79 mg sodium, 9g carbohy-

drates, 1g fiber, 1g protein, 8 mg

cup Israeli couscous 2 cups water

1 (15-ounce) can cannellini beans, rinsed and drained 1 red or yellow bell paper, seeded and finely chopped

Coucous and White Beans with Apricots and Almonds. as well as Zucchini and Potoato Latkes, offer a 'lite' alternative to a Hanukkah menu.



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1 small red onion, finely chopped ½ cup minced flat-leaf parsley 6 dried apricot halves, chopped 1 tablespoons fresh lemon juice 2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil ½ teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper 1/4 cup sliced almonds, toasted Bring the couscous and water to a

boil in a medium saucepan. Reduce the heat and simmer, until tender, about 8 minutes; drain. Place in a large bowl. Add the cannellini beans, bell pep-

still warm or at room temperature,

Per serving (scant 1/2 . cup): 122 calories, 2g fat, 0g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 151 mg sodium, 20g carbohydrates, 3 fiber, 5g protein, 27 mg per, onion, parsley, apricots, lemon Recipes are from "Weight Watchjuice, oil, salt and ground pepper to ers Entertains With the Chefs from the the couscous; mix well. Serve while

GET TO KNOW OUR STAFF

Carol Anne Patterson, PT, OCS, graduated from the physical therapy program at The University of Scranton in 1993. She has dedicated her career to the treatment of orthopedic injuries. Through advanced training, focused education and extensive experience, Carol Anne has proven herself as a skilled and knowledgeable clinician. She has a special interest in injured workers with cumulative trauma and repetitive strain injuries.



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In 1999, Carol Anne achieved National Board Certification as a Clinical Specialist in Orthopedic Physical Therapy by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties. She is one of 38 physical therapists in the state of New Jersey to attain this recognition. To obtain board certification, candidates must submit evidence of required clinical practice and successfully demonstrate a specialized knowledge and advanced orthopedic proficiency.

Carol Anne's high ethical standards and exceptional treatment skills are a perfect fit to ADVANCED Physical Therapy Associates' philosophy of excellence. She is both a resource and role model for our entire staff.

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Westfield Dec. 7 from noon to 2 p.m. to

908-233-3535 or visit

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR JOHN GUR-

NEY will appear at the Town Book

Store of Westfield Dec. 14 from 11

a.m. to 1 p.m. to sign copies of his new

book, "Dinosaur Train." The Town

St., Westfield. For information, call

908-233-3535 or visit

AUTHOR DAVID SIROTY will appear

at the Town Book Store of Westfield

Dec. 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. to sign copies

of his new book, "Hit Men and the Kid

Who Batted Ninth." The Town Book

Store is located at 255 E. Broad St.

Westfield. For information, call

908-233-3535 or visit

GROUP, a monthly reading group fea-

THE 'LORD OF THE RINGS' READ-

ING GROUP meets the first Wednes-

day of the month at Barnes and Noble

in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located

at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For infor-

EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITER'S

CIRCLE, led by Cheryl Racanelli,

meets at Barnes and Noble in Clark the

second and fourth Monday of each

month. Barnes and Noble is located at

1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For informa-

CLASSICS BOOK CLUB meets the

second Tuesday of the month at 7:30

p.m. at Barnes and Noble of Spring-

field. Barnes and Noble is located at

240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For

Springfield. For information, call

SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD Reading

Group meets the third Friday of each

month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and

Noble in Clark to read a Shakespeare

play out loud. Barnes and Noble is

located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark.

COLLECTIBLES

THE WESTFIELD STAMP CLUB

meets the fourth Thursday of each

month at 8 p.m. in the Westfield Munic-

ipal Building, East Broad Street. For

e-mail to 8605@comcast.net.

nformation, call 908-233-3045 or send

For information, call 732-574-1818.

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973-376-8544.

TIVE on Life in Union County, a traveling exhibit sponsored by Community Access Unlimited, features the work of NEW JERSEY AUTHOR, MICHAEL 10 adults with developmental disabilities. The exhibit will tour the county. IMMERSO will appear at the Town For information, call 908-354-3040. Book Store of Westfield Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to sign copies of his new book, "Coney Island: The Peo-ARTIST RON HEDRICK will have his

ment Editor Bill VanSant, Worrall

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ple's Playground." The Town Book work on exhibit at Evalyn Dunn's Gal-Store is located at 255 E. Broad St. lery, 549 South Ave., Westfield. Westfield. For "information, call Gallery hours are Tuesdays through 908-233-3535 or visit Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and www.townbookstore.com. by appointment. For information, call AUTHOR STEPHEN DEFELICE WILL 908-232-0412

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPI-TAL in Mountainside will exhibit works by members of the Raritan Valley Arts Association throughout the month of November CHS is located at 150 New Provi

dence Road, Mountainside, For information, call 908-789-2075 DIVERSITY ART GALLERY in Clark will sponsor an exhibit through Saturday commemorating veterans and

their artwork Gallery hours are Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m. and by appointment. The Diversity Art Gallery is located in the chapel building of the Union County Baptist Church, 4 Valley Road, Clark, just off the Clark Circle. For information, call 732-574-1479 or visit

www.diversityart.com. MARVELS OF THE COLORADO PLATEAU, works by photographer Joel Simpson, will be on exhibit through Dec. 4 at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in Union.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Les Malamut Gallery is located in Union Public Library, 1980 Morris Ave. in Friberger Park, Union. For information, call 908-851-5450

ANNUAL MINIATURE ART SHOW AND SALE will be sponsored by the duCret School of Art in Plainfield Dec 8 through 13, featuring works of art no larger than 12 inches square. An opening reception takes place Dec. 8 from 2

The duCret School of Arts is located at 1030 Central Ave., Plainfield. For information, including show hours, call 908-757-7171. MEMORY/MYTHOLOGY, encaustic

painting and mixed-media artwork by Karen Nielsen-Fried and Lori Field, will be on exhibit through Dec. 13 at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway. Gallery hours are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., and by appointment. For information, call 732-381-7541 or visit

www.rahwayartsguild.org. BEARING WITNESS, the works of photographer Helen M. Stummer, will be on exhibit in the Tomasulo Gallery in the Kenneth MacKay Library at Union County College in Cranford

through Dec. 19. Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursays, and Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m., and Tuesdays to Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. UCC is located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. For information, call 908-709-7155.

DOLIN GALLERY in Rahway will exhibit the works of Christine Dolinich-Matuska, SM Ann Therese Kelly, Victor Macarol and Lester Murphy through Dec. 29

Gallery hours Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m. and by appointment. Dolin Gallery is located at 1348 Pierce St., Rahway. For information, call 732-815-1475.

NEW ART GROUP MEMBERS Nancy

J. Ori and Jim Fuess will have their works on exhibit through Jan. 1 at the Bouras Galleries in Summit. Gallery hours are by appointment only. Bouras Galleries is located in Bouras Properties, 25 Deforest Ave., Summit. For information, call

908-277-6054. tion, call 732-574-1818. NJCVA FACULTY EXHIBITION WILL be on display through Jan. 8 in the Pal-JEWISH BOOK LOVERS meets the third Monday of each month at Barnes mer Gallery of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit

Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. Tours are 973-376-8544. available upon request. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121 or visit

MIXING MEMORY AND DESIRE, the works of Carole Alter, will be on exhibit Dec. 6 through Jan. 9 in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library in Springfield. An opening reception will take place Dec. 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. Gallery hours are Mondays, Wed-

nesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sundays, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

WORLDS, the works of Jane Thompon George, will be on exhibit Dec. 7 COFFEE WITH A CONSCIENCE through Jan. 16 at the Les Malamut Art Concert Series of Westfield and Gallery in Union Public Library. An Springfield will present performers each month through June at two locations in Union County. Dec. 14: David Roth, Westfield

Jan. 18: Commonbond, Springfield Feb. 15: Eric Schwartz, Westfield March 15: Dan Crisci presents ..., Sprinafield April 19: Amy Carol Webb, Westfield

May 17: Kevin Briody, Springfield

June 21: GrooveLily, Westfield All concerts begin at 8 p.m. Westfield concerts are at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 E. Broad St.; Springfield concerts are at Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, 40 Church Mall. Suggested donation is \$12 with proceeds benefiting various local charities. For informaion, call 908-232-8723 or visit www.coffeewithconscience.com.

ARLO GUTHRIE will appear in a Thanksgiving concert Friday at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. appear at the Town Book Store of Tickets are \$13 to \$49. NJPAC is located at 1 Center St.,

sign copies of his new book, "Old Ita-Newark. For information, call lian Neighborhood Values." The Town 888-466-5722 or visit www.njpac.org. Book Store is located at 255 E. Broad CATCH 22 will appear in concert with St., Westfield. For information, call 908-233-3535 or visit Stretch Arm Strong, Senses Fail and Squad Five-O, along with a local showcases on the side stage, Saturday at AUTHOR ROBERTA ISLEIB will The Rexplex, Elizabeth Center. appear at the Town Book Store of Rexplex is located off Exit 13A on the Westfield Dec. 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. to New Jersey Tumpike, next to IKEA. sign copies of her new book, "Six For more information, call 877-RE-Strokes Under," The Town Book Store XPLEX is located at 255 E. Broad St., Westwww.rexplexconcerts.com. Tickets field. For information, call

also are available at Ticketmaster locations. MICHAEL FEINSTEIN will appear in concert Saturday at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$16

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Book Store is located at 255 E. Broad Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit www.njpac.org. MID-DAY MUSICALES will present its "Musical Gift to the Community" in the coming weeks

> Dec. 4: Harpists Toni Stem and Karen Stem and organist Barbara Dec. 11: The Tenor Tones, with tenors William Dembaugh, Charles Broadhurst and Jeffrey Broadhurst, and planist Janice Broadhurst

Dec. 18: John Burkhalter on recor-STAFF RECOMMENDATION BOOK der with harpsichordist Eugene Roan All concerts are at 12:05 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 125 turing staff members' favorite books, Elmer St., Westfield. will meet the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and GAELIC STORM will appear in concert Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. at the Union

Dec. 12: "Lovely Bones" by Alice County Arts Center in Rahway, Tickets are \$25, \$30 and \$40. UCAC is located Barnes and Noble is located at 240 at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. For infor-Route 22 West, Springfield, For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit www.ucac.org BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT

THE STARLITE CHORALE will WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of appear in concert Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. and the month at Barnes and Noble in Dec. 8 at 4:30 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Springfield Barnes and Noble is Church, 559 Raritan Road, Clark. Ticklocated at 240 Route 22 West, Springets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for senior field. For information, call citizens and free to children. For information, call 973-667-9575.

SUMMIT CHORALE will present its holiday concert, "Buon Natale: The Holidays in Italy," at three locations in early December. Dec. 6, 8 p.m.: The Presbyterian

Church of Madison, 16 Green Ave., Madison. Dec. 7, 8 p.m.: Our Lady of Sorrows R.C. Church, 217 Prospect St., South

Dec. 8, 4 p.m.: Our Lady of Peace R.C. Church, 111 South St., New Providence Advance-sale tickets for all concerts

are \$18 for adults, \$15 for students and senior citizens; at the door, tickets are \$20 and \$17, respectively. For information, call 973-762-8486 or visit www.summitchorale.org. SOPRANO SNEZANA BULJ, flautist

AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERESTS Janet Axelrod and planist Mitchell Vinmeets the second Thursday of the es will appear in concert of chamber. month at 8 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in music Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Unita-Springfield. Barnes and Noble is rian Church in Summit, 4 Waldron Ave. located at 240 Route 22 West, Spring-Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for stufield. For information, call dents and senior citizens. For information, call 908-273-3245. MYSTERY READING GROUP meets THE JOHN PIZZARELLI TRIO, featurthe second Thursday of each month at

ing Ray Kennedy and Martin Pizzarelli, 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in will perform a special benefit concert ·Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at for Partnerships for People Dec. 7 at 8 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For informap.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway, All proceeds from the event will go toward creating new, accessible housing for individuals and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and with developmental disabilities. Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Tickets are \$35, \$55 and \$65. Tick-

> reception with the artists. For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit www.ucac.org. THE WESTFIELD GLEE CLUB will present its 78th annual Winter Concerts Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Roselle, 111 W. Fifth Ave., Roselle, and Dec. 8 at 4

> p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church,

414 E. Broad St., Westfield. Tickets

ets for \$75 include a post-concert

are \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and senior citizens. For information, call 908-232-0673. NEW JERSEY INTERGENRATION-AL ORCHESTRA will appear in concert Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. at Cranford High School, 201 West End Place, Cranford. Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$4 for students and senior citizens. For information, call

908-709-0084 or send e-mail to

NJIOrch1@aol.com. THE MADRIGAL SINGERS of Mountainside will appear in concert Dec. 8 at 4 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Admission is by donation. For information, cal

908-233-1570

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tion, call 908-654-3260.

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www.ucac.org.

cafe section.

call 908-789-3670.

Scotch Plains:

THE NEW JERSEY POPS will appear

Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$17,

S22 and \$27, UCAC is located at 1601

Irving St., Rahway. For information,

call 732-499-8226 or visit

MORNING STAR COMMUNITY

TABERNACLE CHOIR will appear in .

concert Dec. 15 at 5 p.m. at the Union

County Arts Center in Rahway, Tickets

are \$12. UCAC is located at 1601 Irv-

ing St., Rahway, For information, call

732-499-8226 or visit www.ucac.org.

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22

West, Springfield, will present musical

For information, call 973-376-8544.

TRAILSIDE NATURE AND SCIENCE

CENTER will sponsor its annual Holi-

day Nature Craft Show Dec. 8 from 11

a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Trail-

side is located at 452 New Providence

Road, Mountainside. For information,

THE HARVEST QUILTERS of Central

New Jersey meet the first Monday of

each month at 7 p.m. at Cozy Corner

Creations Quilt Shop, Park Avenue in

For information, call 908-755-7653.

THE CAROLYN DORFMAN DANCE

COMPANY will appear in "Mayne"

Mentshn" ("My People") Dec. 8 at 2

p.m. in the Victoria Theater at the New

Jersey Performing Arts Center in New

ark. Tickets are \$19 for adults, \$10 for

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St.,

Newark, For information, call

888-466-5722 or visit www.njpac.org.

SUMMIT FOLK DANCERS will spon-

sor evenings of international dance

throughout the year at The Connection

for Women and Families, 79 Maple St.,

Summit. Sessions are älternate Fri-

days from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Upcoming

dates are scheduled for Dec. 6 and 20,

after which there will be a Holiday Par-

ty. Admission is \$2, or \$12 for half the

Y-SQUARES, a local square dance

club, meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at .

Frank K. Hehnly School, Rantan Road,

Clark. Fee for each lesson is \$4.

Registration is Tuesday and Oct. 1. For

information, call 908-298-1851,

DISCUSSION

SCHOLAR AND WRITER HUBERT

G. LOCKE will present a lecture titled

"The Holocaust and the Churches: A

Second Look" Monday at 7:50 p.m. in

Wilkins Theater at Kean University,

1000 Morris Ave., Union. Admission is

UNION COUNTY MASTER GARDEN-

ERS will present the discussion, "Help!

My Dog Ate My Garden! — Living With

Domestic Animals and Flowers in the

Same Backyard," Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in

the county Administration Building,

300 North Ave. East, Westfield. For

Ave. East, Westfield. For information,

nformation, call 908-654-9854.

732-381-2535 or 908-241-9492.

season; workshops are \$5.

PEABO BRYSON will host "The Colors of Christmas" starring Oleta Adams, Jon Secada and Jody Watley Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, Tickets are \$16 to NJPAC is located at 1 Center St.,

Newark. For information, call. information, call 973-376-8544 888-466-5722 or visit www.njpac.org. LOU RAWLS will appear in a holiday **FESTIVALS** concert Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. at Paper Mill: JEWISH STREET FAIR AND BLOCK The State Theater of New Jersey. Tick-PARTY will be sponsored by B'nai ets are \$40 to \$70. Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For B'rith and the YM-YWHA of Union County Dec. 8 from noon to 4 p.m. at information, call 973-376-4343 or visit the "Y," 501 Green Lane, Union. For www.papermill.org. information, call 908-289-8112 THE MUSICAL CLUB OF WEST-

FIELD will present its Holiday Concer Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield. **FALL INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTI-**VAL will be sponsored by Union Public LORRIE MORGAN will appear in con-Library in the coming months cert singing "Songs of the Season" Dec. 17: "No Man's Land," Bosnian, Dec. 11 at 8 p.m. at Paper Mill: The French and English State Theater of New Jersey, Tickets Films are shown at 2 and 7 p.m. on are \$45 to \$75. Paper Mill is located on each date, and have English subtitles. Brookside Drive in Millburn. For infor-Admission is free. Union Public Library mation, call 973-376-4343 or visit

is located at 1980 Morris Ave. in Friberger Park, Union. For information, call THE CHORAL ART SOCIETY OF **NEW JERSEY** will present its annual FILMMAKERS SYMPOSIUM WILL "Community 'Messiah! Sing" Dec. 13 at sponsor the second six-week session 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 170 Mondays at Loews Mountainside Flm St. Westfield. Tickets are S10: through Dec. 9. Featured each week scores may be borrowed. For informawill be a different film, yet to be released, and a guest speaker. Sub-

call 908-486-3643 or send e-mail to

JOURNAL WRITING GROUP, led by

professional life coach Jami Novak.

neets the fourth Thursday of each

month at Barnes and Noble in Clark.

Bames and Noble is located at 1180

Raritan Road. For information, call

WRITER'S WORKSHOP will meet

Monday at Barnes and Noble in

Springfield, 240 Route 22 West. The

group meets every other Monday. For

science4seniors@aol.com.

732-574-1818.

in a "Holiday Celebration" concert Dec. \$20 registration fee. For information, 13 at 8 p.m. at Paper Mill: The State call 800-531-9416. Theater of New Jersey, Tickets are ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY will-\$32 to \$48. Paper Mill is located on sponsor a series of free film classics at Brookside Drive in Millburn, For inforthe Main Branch. All films begin at 10 mation, call 973-376-4343 or visit

scription is \$131 for six weeks, plus a

The Main Branch of the Elizabeth ORCHESTRA OF ST. PETER BY Public Library is located at 11 S. Broad THE SEA will appear in concert Dec. St. For information, call 908-354-6060. 14 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC.

meets at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, behind Home Depot on Route 22 east. The club is open to the public Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For information, call 908-964-9724 or 908-964-8808, send e-mail to TMRCinc@aol.com or visit_www.tmrci.com

HOLIDAY **EVENTS**

concerts are from 8 to 10 p.m. in the will sponsor several holiday events in the coming weeks.

"From St. Nicholas to Santa Claus" Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 6 to 21, tours begin every 15 minutes from 5 to 8 p.m.; S12 for adults, S10 for senior citizens, \$6 for children 6 to 17, free for children younger than 6; reservations are required

"Gingerbread House Workshop" – Saturdays, Dec. 7 to 21, 10 a.m. to noon or 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.; \$15 per child; for ages 6 to 10, reservations are

Liberty Hall Museum is located at 1003 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call 908-527-0400, send e-mail to liberty-hall@juno.com or visit www.libertyhallnj.org.

WESTFIELD WINTER STROLL WILL take place Sunday from 5 to 9 p.m., coinciding with Westfield's Tree and Menorah Lighting Ceremony, For information, call 908-232-2693.

<u>KIDS</u>

PAPER MILL: The State Theater of New Jersey will present its fall series of children's theater through Dec. 15. Friday, Saturday and Sunday: "A Christmas Carol"

Dec. 7 and 8: "Babes in Toyland" Dec. 14 and 15; "Little Bear and the Enchanted Wood" All shows are at 10 a.m. with the following exceptions: "A Christmas Carol," Nov. 29, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.; and 'Little Bear," 2 and 5 p.m. both dates. Tickets are S8 and S9; for "Little Bear," tickets are \$15, \$25 and \$30. Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call

www.papermill.org. CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB will present "A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail" Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m.; Dec. 7 at 1:30, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., and Dec. 8 at 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8. CDC is located at 78 Winans Ave. in Cranford, off Centennial Avenue just minutes from Garden State Parkway Exit 136. For information, call

973-376-4343 or visit

THE SNOW QUEEN' will be presented by the Hudson Vagabond Puppets Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. in the Victoria heater at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$19 for adults, \$10 for children. NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield will sponsor Tales for Tots Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays SENIORS DISCUSSING SCIENCE and Thursdays at 11 a.m., and Kids will meet monthly at the Rutgers Writing Workshop, Saturdays at 10 Cooperative Extension, 300 North

UNION RECREATION DEPART MENT will sponsor weekly ceramics classes for children between the ages of 7 and 12 at the Recreation Building. 1120 Commerce Ave., from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

For information, call 908-964-4828. POETRY

POETRY OUT LOUD! will take place at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, For information, call 973-376-8544 **OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT takes**

place the second Sunday of every month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, at 7 p.m. For information, call 732-574-1818

KADIO

TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION will meet at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. The group meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays of every month

For information, call 908-241-5758

SINGLES

DINNERMATES and Entrepreneurs Group invites business and profes sional singles to dinner at a loca restaurant; wine and mingling is at 8 pm, dinner is at 9 pm. Two age groups are available. For information dates and locations, call 732-822-9796 or visit

ww.dinnermates.com.

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at the First Baptist Church. 170 Elm St., Westfield. Donation is \$2. For information, call 908-889-5265 908-889-4751.

THEATER PAPER MILL: The State Theater of

New Jersey will present "Annie" by Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse and Martin Chamin through Dec. 8. Shows are Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 7:30 p.m.; mati nees are Thursdays and Sundays at 2 pm and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Tick ets are \$30 to \$62; Student Rush tick ets are available the day of perfor mance for S15 with current ID.

Special performances are audio described performances Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 p.m., each with a sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain; and signinterpreted/open-captioned performances Sunday at 7:30 p.m. and Dec

6 at 8 p.m. Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call 973-376-4343 or visit www.papermill.org; for information on groups of 20 or more, call 973-379-3636, Ext. 2438.

performances throughout the year, All LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM in Union NEW JERSEY PERFORMING ARTS "Home" by Samm-Art Williams Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Victoria Theater, Tickets are \$36. NJPAC is located at 1 Center St.

Newark: For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit www.njpac.org. THE THEATER PROJECT at Union County College will present the radio play version of "It's a Wonderful Life" Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. at UCC's Cranford campus, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. Suggested donation is \$5. For

information, call 908-659-5189. UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER I Rahway will present "Get Back! - The Cast of Beatlemania" Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18, \$25 and \$28, UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit

www.ucac.org. THE ELIZABETH PLAYHOUSE will present "Hello Out There," by William Saroyan and "Trifles" by Susan Glaspell through Dec. 22. Show are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. General admission is \$8; \$6 for students and senior citizens. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey St. in Elizabeth. For informa-

tion, call 908-355-0077. **NEW JERSEY SHAKESPEARE FES-**TIVAL will present "A Midwinter Night's Dream," an adaptation on the classic Bard play, Tuesday through Dec. 29 at the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theater on the campus of Drew Uni versity, 36 Madison Ave., Madison Shows are Tuesdays to Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 p.m., plus matinees. Tickets are \$22 to \$50. For information, call 973-408-5600 or visit

www.njshakespeare.org. **V**ARIETY

SECOND SATURDAYS COFFEE-HOUSE will take place the second Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Summit Unita rian Church, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit Featured will be an "open mike" forum of music, poetry, comedy and performance art. Refreshments are served Donations are suggested to cover expenses. Talent is sought for future

For information, call 908-273-3245 THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will present Open Mike Night every Tuesday, at 9 p.m. and karaoke every Thurs-

The Back Porch is located at 1505 Main St. in Rahway. For information, call 732-381-6455.

THE WAITING ROOM, 1431 Irving St., Rahway, at the comer of Lewis Street, presents Open Mike Night every Wed-

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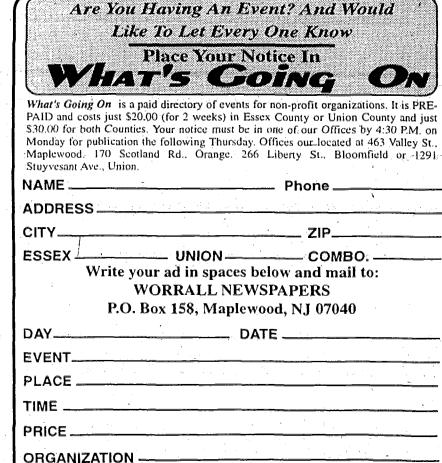
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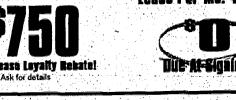
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Saturn thinks 'outside the box' in designing its new VUE

By Mark Maynard Copley News Service

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There are a few dozen sport utility vehicles on sale today, so the new one to come along scrambles for an edge to get some attention.

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pause for a closer look. Saturn thought outside the boxy

Body style: 5-door, 5-passenger compact sport-

utility vehicle; welded steel space frame with bolt-on

front and rear subframes; steel roof, hood, liftgate;

Drive system: On demand-all-wheel drive

3.0-liter V-6; aluminum head, cast-iron block

4,000 rpm Transmission: 5-speed automatic

Acceleration: 0-60 mph, 8.4 seconds

polymer door and fender panel; thermoplastic bumper

Engine: Transverse dual overhead-cam, 24-valve,

Horsepower: 181 at 6,000 rpm Torque: 195 at

EPA estimated fuel economy; 19 mpg city, 25 high-

Fuel tank: 15.5 gallons; regular unleaded

Standard equipment: Air conditioning with pollen

filter, height-adjustable driver's seat, fold-flat front

passenger seat, reclining rear seat and 70/30-split

folding rear seat, 6-speaker AM-FM-CD system,

wiper, cruise control, map lights, center console with

power locks-mirrors-windows, rear window washer-

cup holders and storage, auto-dimming rearview mir-

ror, 12-volt power outlets, cargo area storage bins and

tide-downs, two lights in the liftgate and fog lights.

Safety equipment: Front air bags, 3-point belts at all

Front head/shoulder room: 40.4/41.2/41.3 inches

Rear head/leg shoulder room: 39.9/36.4/55.3 inches

Curb weight: 3,491 pounds (base model 3,179

Cargo capacity: 30.3 cubic-feet, behind second seat

positions, 5 mph front bumpers, LATCH child-seat

anchors and 2-way adjustable front headrests

The TV spots present the VUE as smaller than live, with fast-moving footage showing the VUE outrunning and eluding the big cats of the jungle. It's good PR to diminish the impact of the battered SUV image and present a vehilce that appears light and nimble,

whether it is not. The compact, five-passenger VUE is a move-up vehicle for Saturn car owners, and the future-tech styling is contemporary enough to divert young

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Dimensions

Wheelbase: 106.6 inches

Length: 181.3 inches

Width: 71.5 inches

Height: 66.5 inches

Features

price of \$16,900, even skeptics will home sales policy and 30-day moneyback guarantee are deal-closers for The base front-drive model comes anyone on a budget.

with a 134-horsepower, four-cylinder VUE's Tupperware durability is engine, five-speed manual gearbox appropriate on an inexpensive model, and other basics such as air condition- but stepping up to the V-6 leaves a ing, four-speaker AM-FM radio, perception of cheapness in materials height-adjustable driver's seat and and quality of contstruction when dual visor vanity mirrors. The cargo area is 4 feet wide. The such as the Hyundai Santa Fe or Sub-

Ground clearance: 8 inches

38-foot turning circle

rear drums with ABS

space-saver spare

charge; price as tested, \$23,375

dash audio with cassette and CD, \$220

grocery bags, beach toys and more

deserves 4-wheel disc brakes

Where assembled: Spring Hill, Tenn.

Pricing

Santa Fe

Performance

seconds

Suspension: 4-wheel independent with front struts.

coil springs and stabilizer bar; rear trailing arm with

three lateral locating links, stabilizer bar and coil

Steering: Electric-power-assisted rack-and-pinion:

Brakes: Power assisted front discs, 11.7-inches, and

Tires and wheels: P235/65SR-16 Bridgestone Dueler all season touring blackwall radial (standard

with 4-cylinder AWD and V6); P215/70SR-16

Bridgestone Dueler all-season touring blackwell

radial (standard with 4-cylinder engine with FWD);

MSRP: \$23,085, including \$510 destination

Options on test car: Floor mats, \$70; upgraded in-

Competition: Subaru Forrester, Toyota RAV4,

Honda CR-V, Mazda Tribute, Ford Escape, Hyundai

Pluses: Thinking outside the boxy SUV for innova-

tive features; 70/30-split rear bench and fold-flat front

passenger seat creates an 8-foot alley for hauling. Car-

go area organizer easily unfolds the floor to contain

Minuses: Cheap plastic interior trim; road noise on

0-60 accelaration: 4-cylinder manual FWD: 11.0

the interstate; unsetting oversteer; V-6 model

rear seat is divided 70/30, and its aru Forester. matches up with the front passenger seat that folds forward to create an weigh the quality. plastic body panels and VUE has a engineering.

coarseness, tempered by price.

2002 Saturn VUE AWD V-6

brakes)

Chassis

mileage of 23/28, more manageable Sold in three models with a starting insurance rates and Saturn's down-

compared with some of the imports.

It could be argued that content outalley of capacity, from surfboards to Scan the features list and it is evilong boards from the lumber yard. dent that this VUE is a foundation of Wrap it all in Saturn's trademark some leading Genral Motors' handy simplicity. But it borders on The top-line V-6 model, today's

test car, is a sophisticated offering

Acceleration can feel sharp, but painful for the engine.

mitted to the cabin.

Step hard on the throttle for a give kids a better view, a design that double-downshift of passing power has been a GM strong point in its and the V-6 gulps hard to process the minivans.

Trailblazer and GMC Envoy.

noise and road-surface texture trans-

For a small sport utility, the suspen-

The five-speed automatic is a high-

buyers headed for the import. The base four-cylinder's fuel with a 181-horsepower V-6, five- demands of shifting and acceleration, speed automatic transmission, all- then it lets out a wail that sounds painwheel drive, electric power steering, ful. Nothing like an anguished sounding engine to take the fun out of 16-inch tires on alloy wheels and the option of a continuously variable enthusiastic driving. The electric steering is light but automatic transmission and air bag

> prone to oversteer in evasive maneuvers. The easy touch, however, is a big Put all of these desirable features on a vehicle that was budgeted for help when maneuvering tight parking young and first-time buyers, and the lots. \$23,375 test VUE looked cheaply Unpainted gray plastic bumpers, made on the inside and felt like it on

> plastic body panels and meaty 16-inch the highway, with above-average road tires stand up to the scrapes and grocery carts of city life. The interior is smartly packaged

> with lots of head and elbowroom, cup sion was suprisingly trucky, with holders and enough storage areas. noticeable body lean pulling into Despite the compact quarters, Saturn driveways and rounding corners. And added folding front-seat armrests, a this is from the same brain trust that trick Subaru should try. But carperted designed the flat-handling Chevy floor mats are a \$70 extra.

think there would be a code of consis-The wide base of the outside mirtency for features that work and those rors can create a blind spot big enough that don't. New SUVs shouldn't be an light in this price range. The gearbox to hied a motorcycle. Youngsters experimentation, but Saturn appears gives smooth transitions, but the might have to tug at the outside door to be cassting about for the right mix uptake of the electric throttle can be handles that pull upward, which is of of features. abrupt, resulting in lungy starts. little concern to taller adults. The back seat has spacious head

Are Saturn people really that different from other GM customers? and legroom, but no theater seating to VUE is a good first effort, but it will take a few years to dial in refinement.



Saturn thought outside the boxy sports utility vehicle and provides some innovations in its



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