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## A blast from the past

By Rick Klittich  
Staff Writer

Union County held its sixth annual "Four Centuries in a Weekend" Saturday and Sunday, celebrating the historical past of Springfield and its surrounding communities.

As part of the activities, the Springfield Historical Society had members of the Brigade of the American Revolution at the Historic Cannon Ball House to meet with visitors.

"The event always attracts a lot of people," said Margaret Bandrowski, president of the Springfield Historical Society. "Over a two-day span this year, I'd say we had about 300 people showing up everywhere."

In total, the weekend promotes 22 historical sites, including spots that helped to decide the Revolutionary War.

According to Bandrowski, the Cannon Ball House has had very little restoration done to it over the years.

"It was founded in 1717, and it's really been almost entirely untouched since then," she explained. "The people who built it had a lot of money, because it was definitely considered elegant back then. Now, we hardly have working indoor plumbing here."

People who come to the house each year get to learn about the history of the structure, which was spared during the British troops' burning of the village of Springfield during the war, mostly because it housed British soldiers

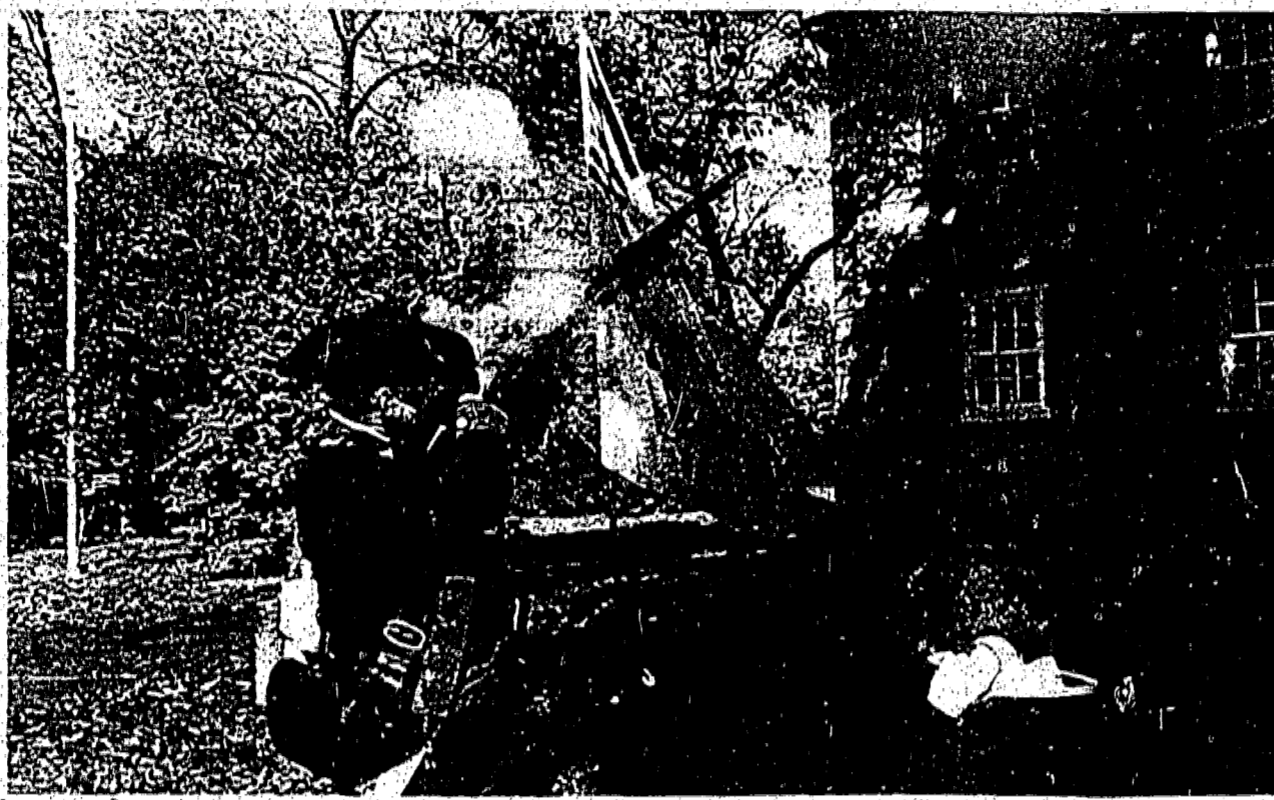


Photo by Barbara Kokkalis

Michael Hurwitz, a Springfield resident and member of the Third New Jersey Regiment of the Jersey Blues, shows Michael Turco of Kenilworth how an old-style gun was shot. Turco, a fourth-grader, was visiting the Cannon Ball House on Saturday as part of the Union County Four Centuries in A Weekend event. The historic house was open to the public for tours.

The house takes its name from the cannon ball which lodged in one of its walls during the battle and wasn't recovered until over a century later in 1923. The cannon ball and other relics from the battle are on display in the house.

The Brigade of the American Revolution is an international historical association whose members are dedicated to recreating the lives and times of the common soldiers who fought on both sides of the War for Independence.

Enrolled in more than 130 separate units where battles took place in America, each group recreates with total accuracy and authenticity the clothing, crafts, daily life and

fighting styles of a particular Revolutionary War group. The groups include American soldiers and militia, British troops, Hessians and Loyalists.

Three members of the group were actively participating in the festivities at the Cannon Ball House throughout the weekend, welcoming questions from visitors.

"The tour starts in the parlor," said Bandrowski, "and then there's seven out of eight rooms open to the public. The house also features antique furniture that's been donated by the public, along with weapons and tools from the time period. The re-enactors are able to tell all about the weapons and tools. It's always fascinating."

The weekend also serves as an educational experience for school children.

"One of the main functions of the event is educational," said Bandrowski. "The school kids get to learn that history didn't simply start when they were born. They become more aware that history really did happen," she said, noting that Kenilworth plans a trip each year for their fourth-graders to see everything.

"It's fun to see kids come one year, and then their siblings come a year later, expecting to see things that they were told about by their brother or sister," Bandrowski said. "Cool" is what I get to hear a lot."

## Candidates debate county government

By Rick Klittich  
Staff Writer

As the Township Committee and members of the Springfield community direct their animosity toward county government, wondering what it will take to have effective lines of communication and compromise, perhaps the main question that arises is, "How much power should the county have?"

"It would be a good idea to have town representatives at the freeholders meetings," said Victor Rajoppi, a Republican hoping to serve on what is currently an all-Democratic committee. "I think we should have equal power. I know they have the whole county to worry about," he continued, "but they also have to look at the effects in separate towns."

Some support was shown by candidates for state Sen. Tom Kean's legislation that proposes to study the effectiveness of county government.

"I'd support the plan to evaluate the use of county government," said Roy Hirschfeld, a Democrat running for re-election. "They certainly haven't provided good services to Springfield."

The plan would call for an analysis of county government, leading to a possible reduction of duties or transferring responsibilities to the towns.

"There's so much duplication in energy and resources," said Harold Poltrock, a second Republican candidate. "We need to take a look at who can do what best and analyze it."

"Something tells me that between the different layers, there lie certain services that the county provides that maybe Springfield wouldn't necessarily be able to handle," said Poltrock, who felt that eliminating county government may not be the answer.

"Depending on the county can take forever," said Hirschfeld. "We always have to go after what we want because the communication just isn't definitive. We go back and forth without much action."

The two main issues currently straining Springfield's relationship with Union County government are the remediation and renovation of Meisel Avenue Field, and the reactivation of the Rahway Valley rail line that runs through several other municipalities.



palities. "You'd think that because we're the same political party, we'd have effective communication," said Hirschfeld. "Things get done way too slow."

"We need to have better communication with them," said Rajoppi. "Nobody thinks that what's going on right now with Meisel Field and the train are good things."

Poltrock maintained support for the legislative plan to figure out what powers could be shifted between the municipalities and county.

"We need to study and see which services can be taken from the county," he said, noting that this could also save people tax dollars.

Democratic candidate Ken Faigenbaum sees county government as a bridge between the state and municipal levels.

"I'm just afraid that we'd have absolutely no voice on the state level," he said. "I recognize the need to make noise and expend a lot of energy just to get a bone from the county, but I'd rather have a fighting shot than totally getting lost," he said.

Regardless of the "can't live with them, can't live without them" answer to the county government problem, it seems likely that a solution to the broken communication link between the levels of powers will be necessary for Springfield and other municipalities to be satisfied with their town's progress.

"There's one movement that says to eliminate the county government and costs, and this, of course, welcomes tax relief to the community," Faigenbaum said. "The problem here, though, is that we're already a small fish in a big pond. If county government is eliminated, we become even smaller fish in an even bigger pond on the state level."

## Violence report shows positive results

By Joan M. Devlin  
Staff Writer

Violence, in any and all forms, must be reported to the New Jersey State Board of Education, and a mandated report must be filled out by the superintendent or chief school administrator.

Gerard Schaller, Mountainside's chief school administrator, was no exception, and he read the report to be submitted at the last Board of Education meeting on Oct. 14.

There were 13 incidents of violence, which means pushing, shoving, and/or fighting, two incidents of vandalism, which means defacing school property in any way. There were no incidents of weapons, or substance abuse.

Incidents involving a cost to the district, came in zero also, therefore with no complaints filed. There were no expulsions or removals, either.

As for in-school suspensions, there were 11 incidents. "This means they

were made to come to the office to finish their school day, being watched and uncomfortable," Schaller said.

There were just three out-of-school suspensions. "This is when it was more than the first offense, and we thought it was better to send the child home."

All suspensions were with regular education students, with zero for students with disabilities or from other districts.

The results, Schaller believed, was attributable to the current character program under way in all the classrooms. "We are now doing this, teaching how one should conduct his or herself and how to have respect for teachers and everyone they come in contact with," said Schaller.

He said the violence report was a reduction from last year and he was very proud of the fine showing of the students.

The new interim principal of Deerfield School, Walter Rusak, said, "Of

course, this program is mandatory all over the state, and I am no stranger to it. I can tell you that one thing we do is praise the children for doing what is right, instead of jumping on them when they do wrong. It is called 'positive reinforcement'."

Rusak said the PIA in Mountainside was very much a part of this, promising reinforcement at home. "They have bought beautiful banners which we have hanging all over the school - in the halls, lunchroom, gym, and so on, which say things like, 'respect,' 'responsibility' and 'accountability,'" he said.

Barbara Komoroski is the guidance counselor at Deerfield School and she knew all about the character program. "Basically, we never have had really bad kids; we are lucky. We have something now called 'peer mediation,' where certain chosen and/or volunteer eighth-graders serve as peers to solve problems for the children."

She explained the peer leaders are given one day of training at Borough Hall, where they practice mediating. Then they are used, for example, in a situation where two children are not getting along. They sit with them and try to solve the problem.

"It is an ongoing program; we haven't started it yet this year, but it's great and seems to work," said Komoroski.

She said that within the classrooms, different character traits are stressed each month. "September was 'accountability,' while October was 'self-discipline,' and November will be 'empathy,'" she said. Teachers talk about the meaning of the word, and they do activities relating to it.

Curriculum Coordinator Angela Cosimano noted, "We also reinforce the character program through the literature we are teaching. Very often, the teacher will pick stories with those character traits in the story."

## Legislation poses problems for district

By Rick Klittich  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Board of Education presented an annual report of the school district's standardized test scores at its meeting Monday night, addressing the federal "No Child Left Behind" legislation's future effects and concerns.

Every principal at each of Springfield's schools first presented their statistics to the board, noting the demographics of students who took the test, percentages of total students who reached a certain level or were found below a standardized number, and compared their findings to past years, as well.

When they concluded, Judy Zimmerman, assistant superintendent of schools, explained what this all means for Springfield as far as the No Child Left Behind program is concerned. This federal program that requires schools to meet set standards in 40 categories.

While Springfield has not been put on the list of schools that "need improvement," Zimmerman still sees problems with the new set standards overall.

"The biggest problem with the program is the

lack of resources and accountability involved with it," she noted.

"In order to have resources, you need a lot of time and money, along with teachers. Some money is coming from the act, but not nearly enough. As far as accountability goes," she continued, "I don't find it wise for states to publish lists of schools who need improvement. Maybe just a few students didn't meet the standard, and it can make the school look bad. How it's being handled isn't the most productive way to do things."

The federal government passed the education law in 2001, requiring districts to administer the test to every student, regardless of their ability.

One of the major problems brought up regarding the program has to do with the requirements that must be met by 2014, when schools are expected to reach 100 percent at the proficient or advanced proficient level.

Some of the defects that Zimmerman mentioned within the program include how easily numbers can be skewed.

"Because we have small numbers," she

explained, "one or two students can skew our percentages. It may not be many kids who are not reaching the standards, but the percentage will be high based on the small number of total students in some categories."

"While we expected our elementary scores to be strong," she said, "I was surprised that the math scores weren't as strong in the district report of fourth-graders. It dropped from last year, but I'm still pleased to see the percentage increase in language arts and literacy at higher levels."

The law separates students into ethnic and disability categories, along with having an "economically disadvantaged" category.

One main impact of the law could come in the form of state-mandated spending in a district to address a specific school's failures. If a school fails any category for three consecutive years, parents will be given the choice to pull their kids out and send them to another school within the district, to be paid for by Springfield taxpayers.

Staff Writer Steven Reilly contributed to this report.

## High scores revealed in language arts

By Joan M. Devlin  
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Board of Education meeting Oct. 14 updated the public on the district's test scores, as presented by Angela Cosimano, curriculum director.

"I think we were light years ahead of other districts; we had an overwhelmingly positive response to the reports," she said.

Referring to the teachers' workshop meeting this year, Cosimano said she was very happy when one teacher came up and told her it was the best she had had in 10 years.

"Math and writing were integrated this year," added Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller displaying an illustrated workbook that would be coming home to parents.

Cosimano showed the Terra Nova district test scores, adding that the tests are given for a lot of reasons.

"One is formative, to find out how they are doing, to formulate their lessons," said Cosimano. "The other is summary; as we try to see what we can do to make things better for them."

Results were taken in grades two, three, five, six and seven, she said. Most finished in proficient and some in advanced proficient. A weakness was noted in problem-solving, measurement and computation.

"Scores were very good for the most part, remember, not every child

tests well. Last year's scores showed a problem in learning measurements. We are working on this; all teachers are now addressing this."

Cosimano put up the comparison with last year, and even the year before. "The greatest cause for optimism were the language arts scores, they were all very strong in the 80s and 90s this year."

Peter Goggi, president of the Board of Education, asked her how the district helps those children who are not doing well.

"We have put basic skills teachers going right into the classrooms, working in select, small groups," Cosimano said. "This was so the children who did not do well were not isolated, but working right in the classroom."

"This is great, this is especially helpful for the special ed students," said Schaller, adding, "Everything is reading."

As for eighth-graders, test results were as follows: in language arts, 91 percent were proficient; math, 80 percent, and science was up to 93 percent proficient. "This compares very favorably to what we said in the past. Yes, we have been doing much better," said Cosimano.

She said change was under way for teaching sciences, such as "re-doing textbooks, this is a national push."

"Our responsibility is to make real a strong background for the children

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Library initiative begins

The State Library of New Jersey has begun a campaign to draw attention to how libraries have changed and grown to fit new needs and provide services as technology and the world changes...

Dayton grad turned author returns to area

By Brian Pedersen Managing Editor. What do you get when you mix a delusional experience in a bathhouse, a plea from a grandmother to write a book she'll understand, and a trip to a far-away country to study a community of women whose true profession is largely unknown by the West?...



Author Diane Frank, a graduate of Jonathan Dayton High School, returns to the area for a reading and signing of her novel, 'Blueberries in the Dream House' on Wednesday at Barnes & Noble in Springfield.

Firefighters pump water out of cellar

At 7:58 p.m. Sunday, Mountaineers firefighters used a small pump to siphon water from a flooded basement at a central Avenue residence... At 11:44 p.m. Oct. 13, firefighters responded to an activated fire alarm at a commercial structure on New Providence Road...

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Borough residents report home burglary

At 6:22 p.m. Friday, Joane Cawford, 23, of Newark, was arrested on Route 22 East for an outstanding warrant issued by the Newark Municipal Court... At 9:11 p.m. Monday, a vehicle parked in the Newark Theatre parking lot, Route 22 East, at 1:54 a.m. Sunday...

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# COMMUNITY FORUM

## EDITORIALS

### Parents play a part

Parents of Mountainside's Deerfield School students got some good news at a recent Board of Education meeting regarding the results of the district's Terra Nova test scores, as presented by Angela Cosimano, curriculum director.

Tests were taken in grades two, three, five, six and seven, and most students finished in the proficient category, while some finished in advanced proficient. A weakness was noted in problem-solving, measurement and computation.

Not every child tests well, which makes the overall high scores all the more remarkable.

Cosimano made the comparison to last year's results, as well as the year before. "The greatest cause for optimism were the language arts scores; they were all very strong in the '80s and '90s this year," she said.

For those students who need extra help, basic skills teachers are going into the classrooms and working in select, small groups with children who have trouble. This is a positive effort that will hopefully help teachers reach all students, particularly special education.

The GEPA scores, for eighth-graders, also showed excellent results. In language arts, 91 percent of the students were proficient, in math, 80 percent, and science results reached 93 percent proficient.

This shows the district consistently improving with a significant change being planned for the way science is taught.

Textbooks will be re-examined and the district will be making efforts to provide a strong background for children in the sciences, so they will be well prepared when they reach high school.

This is another strong initiative the district will be undertaking in its efforts to reach all students.

Cosimano also suggested developing a strong home-school connection, to help children learn skills in problem solving for mathematics. She suggested parents show their children how to balance a checkbook, or if they go shopping, to take them along and have them help determine the bill, bringing math and science into real living.

This is probably the most important lesson of all, since learning starts at home. It makes sense that children have a strong foundation upon which they can build their skills in education. Parents play an essential role in this process, and the test scores help reflect that.

### One step further

Springfield residents made their voices heard at the last Township Committee meeting on Oct. 14 regarding Meisel Avenue Park. Now they need to take it one step further to the people who will have the final say about what will go there.

With environmental remediation of the field still under way, and not expected to be finished until the fall of 2004, there's plenty of time for residents to go to the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and voice concerns about the park. Since it is county-owned, county government is the entity that controls the future of the park, not the Township Committee.

Springfield Township Committeewoman Clara Hareluk was right to say that now is the perfect time to approach the freeholders since it's election time, and the freeholders are looking for votes. It's not surprising that they would be more receptive to hearing the concerns of their constituents, now more than any other time.

People should attend their meetings, call or write to the freeholders about Meisel Avenue Park, give them ideas on what they think should be placed there. Even though the county owns the park, Springfield residents are the ones who will be using it.

Large crowds of citizens attended the Springfield meeting, requesting that a football field be placed at Meisel Avenue Park when the remediation is complete and renovations take place. That's exactly the type of activism the freeholders need to see. Residents can regain a sense of control of a piece of property that has been a black cloud over the township for many years.

Residents need to take their thoughts, ideas and issues to the people in charge. The freeholders normally conduct their public meetings on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the County Administration Building in Elizabeth.

For information about the freeholders, call 908-527-4100. Charles Sigmund, director of the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation can be reached at 908-527-4909.

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— Oren J. Teicher  
publishing executive, 1996

### Roy Hirschfeld Democrat

As a member of the Township Committee, I wanted to express a few of my thoughts and feelings on some important issues which affect all of us in our town.

Taxes affect all of us and the school board, the town and the county have to do up this year. The funds pay for our police, fire, public works and the general running of the township and schools. Tax aid from the state was not increased and revenues have not grown in terms of interest on investments as bank investment rates are low. However, since bond rates are also low we were able to build the new firehouse which is bonded over 20 years and costs the taxpayer around \$19 a year.

I believe the new firehouse is an important investment for our families and the future of Springfield. In a past year, this new firehouse was not only home to the most advanced life-saving and fire suppression equipment, but it also will house the Emergency Management and Auxiliary Police, which protects our

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streets and works to prevent terrorism and is well equipped to handle town emergencies.

Don't also forget there was no local tax increase for three of the past four years, at a time when most other towns were raising taxes. This year, the local township position of the tax increase will cost the average homeowner around \$15 a month, which helps pay for cost increases and enhanced services for us.

I have always been against any reopening of the railroad. It is on public record for over two years letting the county and state know our dire objections. Springfield has joined the lawsuit with other Union County towns to fight this railroad. We are taking a lead role in trying to stop it now. We need your support as the county and the state need to hear from Springfield residents.

The Township Committee have been meeting with Union County officials for the past two years to get some action on the renovations for Meisel Field. We need to get the school sports programs back on Meisel.

The County Freeholders, due to

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our leadership and pressure have started to perform the environmental cleanup required by state DEP. We will then begin planning how to turn this area back into a track and football stadium and park.

I had spearheaded the drive to evaluate and replace old playground equipment. We have obtained a Field of Dreams grant for ball field renovations. The Recreation Department has great programs for all ages and genders. Our town pool is improved and a great fun place to be this summer. I am also working with the town and the Recreation Department to find creative ways to enhance the pool programs and facilities for next year.

The price and the Farmer's Market, both programs I started are noted by Realtors as a top selling point along with the schools as a reason for people to move here and a reasonable property value are so great.

My goals remain as always to be Springfield first and to serve our community. I provide the best for our children and schools and come up with innovative and creative ways to continue to maintain a township which has high property values great

pledged to support our fight by getting the answers that we need and deserve from the townovers. Office where it seems that even elected officials can't get answers without granting petitions for Freedom of Information.

The fact is, it will conservatively cost \$50 to \$60 million to complete the planned rail line. \$7.2 million has already been appropriated. The way to stop the train appears to be vigilance in halting any further appropriations. The train may have been a surprise to our current administration but we can no longer suffer from surprise. Clearly, the current county government does not watch out for Springfield. We must watch out for ourselves.

I have repeatedly stated that, "It's Time for a Change." You've heard it before, but how do you know when it's truly time for a change? You know when the county government is not responsive to the local government and they are from the same side of the aisle! When we have to wait two years to get our field cleaned up while we drive past signs that state the obvious, "Park Closed." You know, it's time when the county has made a deal

to bring a train that nobody wants and that benefits nobody on our officials by their own admission didn't know about it.

You know it's time for a change when the morale is dangerously low in the police and fire departments because they haven't had a contract in three years and they don't seem any closer to resolving matters! It's time when the county has made a deal

close the gap in communication between Union County and the people of Springfield. In order for us to communicate on a county level, we must first communicate as a township. If our current all-Democratic committee can allow our police and firemen to work almost three years without a contract, how can we expect them to stay on top of what is going on in the county? The police, firemen, and EMS are the protectors of our community.

I ask, as a community, are we doing what we can to protect them? The next time you meet one of our local heroes, ask them that question. You will be shocked what you hear.

I believe it is about time that Springfield should once again have the benefits of the two-party system. I know what Springfield was, what it is, and what it could be! As a long-time resident and involved parent, I have been watching what has been going on in Springfield, or rather what has not been going on. Given the opportunity, I can stop watching and start helping to get things moving and get things done. Given the opportunity, I can make a difference.

I promise to open the lines of communication and follow up on issues that affect the day to day lives of our community. Please give me that opportunity when you vote Nov. 4. It's time for a change. Let me be that change. Help me help you. Vote Pollock Rajoppi on Election Day.



**Editor's note: Running mate Ken Langenbaum, a Democrat, did not submit a candidates' corner by press time.**



**Editor's note: Harold Poltrok did not submit a candidates' corner by press time.**



**Editor's note: Victor Rajoppi did not submit a candidates' corner by press time.**

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Ballot for Suliga should stay empty

The Oct. 3 ruling by Union County Superior Court Assignment Judge Edward Heglin Jr. is very questionable.

State Sen. Joseph Suliga, who represents 11 communities in the 22nd Legislative District, resigned as a candidate for the Nov. 4 General Election because of an ongoing alcohol problem and some other difficulties. The deadline for such candidacies withdrawals, in order that a replacement candidate can be put in the ballot, is Sept. 17.

Judge Heglin ruled that a replacement candidate could be proposed to fill the vacancy. Perhaps Judge Heglin should come out of his judicial cocoon and realize that there are deadlines which we, as American voters, have to observe. To be able to be a new voter or to vote in a new district, a citizen has to register by a certain date. My income tax report with my check is due on April 15, my driver's license or other licenses have to be renewed on certain written dates, my college registration and my class schedules have deadlines, my insurance policies show renewal dates, my credit card purchase bill must be paid on time and the same is true with my mortgage, gas, electric, and water bills which must be paid as specified. The list goes on and on.

This candidate withdrew his name from the ballot, and Title 19, which are the New Jersey state statutes, gives a specific date for such a date for such a withdrawal. He was late by nine days, and the space should remain empty on the ballot.

In our everyday lives, we voters have to observe and abide by deadlines. How can a court ruling overturn the New Jersey statutes without action by the Legislature?

Hazel Hardgrove  
Springfield

### Health fair features many free screenings, services

The Westfield Regional Health Department's health fair takes place at The Roselle Park High School at 185 W. Webster Ave., Roselle Park, from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday.

The Westfield Regional Health Department serves Eastwood, Garwood, Mountaintop, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield.

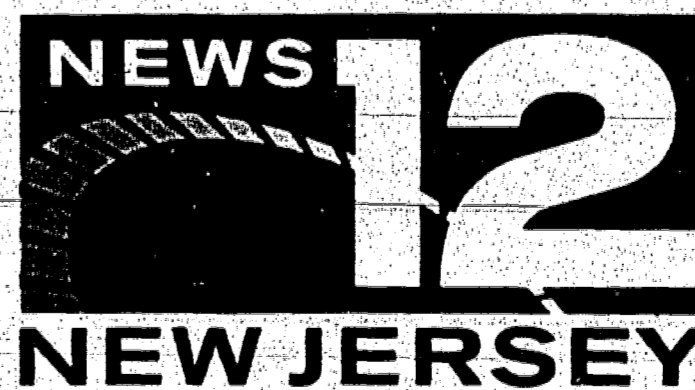
The following free services will be offered: Influenza vaccination (open to residents of above towns), cholesterol screenings, diabetes blood sugar screenings, pulmonary function testing, body fat analysis, chiropractic screenings, blood lead testing and blood pressure screening.

### No washout for these volunteers



The Jonathan Dayton High School Project Graduation 2004, held a car wash Oct. 11. The event was a success thanks to those who helped to promote the event, contributed supplies and helped wash cars, and the weather was perfect! All the proceeds of the car wash will go toward the high school's annual Project Graduation fund-raiser.

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## WHAT? WHY?

HERE'S A CHANCE for all readers to share their answer to questions presented in this column. We will publish responses a week later. Send comments or suggest another question to WHAT and WHY, P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J. 07083 or e-mail to editorial@thecalsource.com. Please include your town name.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**Failure to respond can be dangerous**

In July, we wrote to Mr. Ferguson twice. The first letter asked, "Why is our son in Iraq?" The ostensible causes for the war—a nuclear weapons program, large stockpiles of biological and chemical weapons, the ties to Al Qaeda—had not been substantiated.

So here is what we have concluded: Mr. Ferguson believes he can exercise the power of his office to help put our young people at risk, actively support a policy that has killed 330 Americans and wounded over 1,000 of them, and then both ignore and make false statements to military families when they express their concerns.

Fortunately, our son recently returned unharmed. We know the anxiety that military families live with. We can too easily imagine the anguish of those whose loved ones are killed or wounded.

Maurice and Fran Middleberg  
Springfield

AT THE LIBRARY

Library accepts donations of children's books

The Friends of the Mountainside Public Library are sponsoring a children's book sale at the library from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Donations for the sale may be dropped off at the library until Friday during regular library hours. Accepted donations include children's books, young adult books, videos, compact discs, audio tapes, games and small toys in good condition for resale. Magazines, textbooks, and encyclopedias will not be accepted.

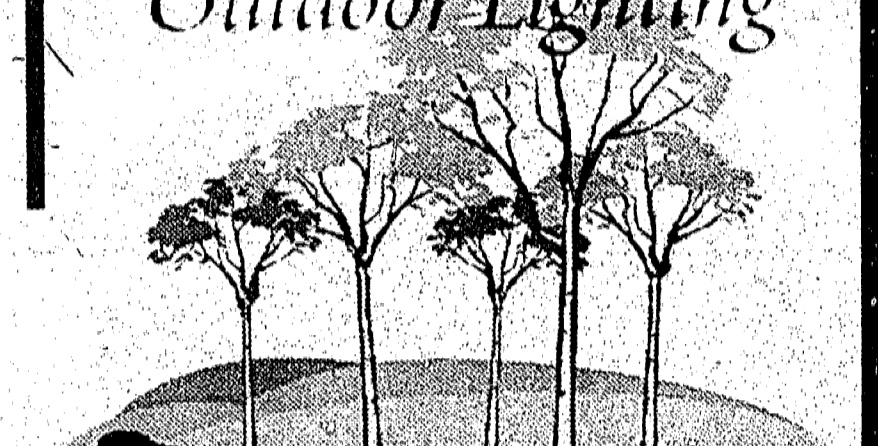
All proceeds from the sale will go to the Mountainside Friends, a support group which provides programs, materials and furnishings for the library.

The Mountainside Public Library is located at Constitution Plaza just off Route 10 in New Providence. For more information call 908-233-2200 or visit the library's website at www.mtside.org.

Box Office Hit centers on surrealist painter

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### End-of-life issues examined

On Wednesday and Nov. 4, Overlook Hospital will offer a program on the essentials of palliative care for clergy, pastoral care providers and other health ministry providers.

This two-part seminar on end-of-life issues is being offered to help participants gain greater confidence in working with the seriously ill and dying and to expand understanding of the medical features faced by patients, patients and families during the course of a terminal illness.

The two-part program will be from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Conference Room 3 and from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 4, Conference Room 4 at Overlook Hospital, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit. Registration is free, but is limited to 30 registrants. Call 908-522-8329 to register.

### HEALTH

#### Course shows patients how to face challenges

The Oncology Department at Overlook Hospital will offer a program series called "Facing the Challenge."

Lee Anne Catley and Emilee Rowan will facilitate the series.

The series is designed to meet the psychosocial needs of the cancer patient or caregiver.

For information or to register for this free course, call Catley at 908-522-8349.

The course will be from 11 to 12:30 p.m. Nov. 14, Dec. 5 and 19 at Overlook Hospital, Conference Room 1, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit.

**Program shows how 'I Cancer-Vive'**

With "I Cancer-Vive," cancer patients learn how to use guided imagery, yoga and relaxation to deal

with the changing circumstances in life during this eight-week program.

The program takes place in Overlook Hospital, Conference Room 1, 99 Beauvoir Ave.

For information or to register for this free course, call Lee Anne Catley at 908-522-8349.

The program will be offered from 9 to 9:30 p.m. Monday as well as Nov. 17 and Nov. 10.

**Brain tumor support group forms at Overlook**

Coping With Change, a brain tumor support group is a biweekly support group for patients and loved ones coping with the issues related to living with a brain tumor.

A light lunch will be provided. Patients and family members will be free to leave for appointments and return as needed. The group meets every other Thursday.

For information or to register for this free support group, call Emilee Rowan at 908-522-8349.

The group meets from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today, Nov. 6 and Nov. 20, Dec. 4 and Dec. 18 in the Conference Room at the Brain Tumor Center of Overlook Hospital, located at the Overlook Hospital Oncology Center, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit.

**Oncology Services offer educational series**

Oncology Services at Overlook Hospital offer a program series called "The Journey Ahead." Lee Anne Catley and Emilee Rowan will facilitate the series.

For information or to register for this free course, call Catley at 908-522-8349.

The schedule is from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 4, 18 at Overlook Hospital, Conference Room 2, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit.

### Clean up Briant Park

The East Summit Association will host a community clean-up effort for Briant Park starting at 8 a.m. Saturday. Anyone older than 14 years can sign in.

The group meets from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today, Nov. 6 and Nov. 20, Dec. 4 and Dec. 18 in the Conference Room at the Brain Tumor Center of Overlook Hospital, located at the Overlook Hospital Oncology Center, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit.

Participants should bring their own rake, shovel and gloves, as well as water and a snack. Please make sure to place your name on all items.

Once a beautiful gem of a park, in recent years Briant Park has fallen into neglect and disrepair. The historic park, located at the foot of Morris Avenue in East Summit and Springfield, was built in the 1930s by the Olmsted Brothers Landscape Architect firm of Brookline, Mass. The same designers of Central Park in New York.

It contains approximately 71 acres of English Romantic landscape with gently rolling hills, meadows, open spaces, views and woodlands. It also includes a stone fire tower and a 200-year-old pond.

The cleanup is part of the Equestrian County's Adopt-A-Park program. It is the first stage in the long-term Briant Park Olmsted Preservation Project, conducted by the East Summit Association with the Union County Parks and Recreation Department. The project seeks to restore the park to the original historical and natural beauty intended by the Olmsted brothers.

### STUDENT UPDATE

**Mirjahangiry named an academic peer facilitator**

Dara Mirjahangiry, of Springfield, was among the students named academic peer facilitators for the Martin J. Whitman School of Management for the 2003-04 academic year.

In cooperation with faculty and staff in the Martin J. Whitman School of Management, student peer facilitators help first-year students with the academic, social, cultural and emotional transition from high school to the college level.

With the support of the peer facilitator, first-year students learn the academic policies of the school and university, acquaint themselves with school and university support systems and services, and explore academic program options.

Peer facilitators, who must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale — to be considered for the position, maintain their relationship with their advisees throughout the academic year.

Mirjahangiry is a junior majoring in general studies in management.

### Weiss graduates Magna Cum Laude

Steven N. Weiss of Springfield graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering. He was also named outstanding senior in the Chemical Engineering Department.

Steven will be working for Northrop Grumman, located in Baltimore, as a microelectronics manufacturing process engineer.

### It's the Birthday Book Club



Happy Birthday! The Mountside PTA's Birthday Book Club donated more than 85 new books to the Deerfield and Branchwood school libraries. Students from grades K-8 celebrated with cake and drinks along with Birthday Book Club Chairwoman Marianne Jennings, left, and Deerfield School librarian Sheila Slagly.

### EDUCATION

**Course teaches teens baby-sitting skills**

The local Westfield Mountside Chapter of the American Red Cross will be hosting a "Baby-sitter's Training" course. Teens between the ages of 11 and 15 can learn what it takes to be a responsible baby-sitter.

There will be individual classes offered this fall. These dates are: from 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Nov. 1 and a two-day training course from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 6 and Nov. 7, both days.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. There is a fee for the course and each participant receives a small first aid kit and handbook. Interested individuals can call the Chapter at 908-232-7090 or e-mail at johnsond@crossnet.org.

### Red Cross courses build lifesaving skills

The local Westfield Mountside Chapter of the American Red Cross is hosting classes in lifesaving skills for children from ages 11 to 8.

There is a fee for these courses and pre-registration is required. All classes are at the Westfield Mountside Chapter, 321 Elm St. in Westfield.

### RECREATION

The Mountside Recreation Department offers a variety of fall programs and activities this year. Here is a brief sampling.

The Recreation office is open from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. For information on any programs, call 908-232-0015.

**Computer classes for seniors offered**

Upcoming computer classes for seniors at the Learning Center in the Borough Hall Community Room are scheduled for October and November.

The Advance Beginner class will meet from 1 to 2:30 p.m. today. The fee is \$15.

Advanced Email is scheduled for today, Beginner Internet on Nov. 6 and Advanced Beginner Internet on Nov. 12. The registration fee for each class is \$15.

For detailed information, call the Recreation Office at 908-232-0015.

**Youth basketball sign-ups begin Nov. 3**

The fifth-through seventh-grade youth basketball program leagues will begin practice in December. Instructional clinics will begin in January.

The National Basketball League is for boys in grades 5, 7, and the American Basketball League consists of girls' teams in grades 5-7. League games are slated to start after the holiday vacation.

Separate clinics will be scheduled on Saturdays for kindergarten, first grade, second grade, third through fourth-grade girls, and third through fourth-grade boys.

Registration will begin Nov. 3 at the recreation office. All basketball registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a \$15 late fee after Nov. 14.

### Radio city trip planned

The Recreation Department is again sponsoring a trip to Radio City for the Christmas Show on Dec. 9.

The bus will leave from the Deerfield School parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and will return after the 8 p.m. show.

### CLUBS IN THE NEWS

**Foothill Club meets for holiday decor demo**

The Foothill Club luncheon will be held at noon Nov. 6 at B.G. Fields Restaurant in Westfield.

Clara Kitchen of Garwood will be presenting "Decorations for the Holidays." New members and guests are always welcome. Members are encouraged to bring food items for the annual Thanksgiving food baskets. The baskets will be distributed to families in need in the local community.

The Foothill Club is a service organization committed to serving Mountside.

For a reservation, call Genevieve at 908-232-3626.

**Fall = fun for newcomers to Mountside**

The Mountside Newcomers Club announces the following activities:

- Ladies Night Out! Plan on those dancing shoes and meet at the Colorado Cafe at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday. There will be a \$7 cover charge. For directions or to RSVP, call Diane Lock, see membership directory.
- Attention all ghosts and goblins: frogs or princesses! The annual Mommy & Me Halloween party is from 10 to 11 p.m. Saturdays at the Mountside Borough Hall Community Room. Show off costumes, enjoy pizza, art and crafts games, and spooky surprises. The cost is \$6 per children, children younger than 1 year are free. RSVP and send check cash to Sheila H. Brown by Saturday, see membership directory.
- Membership is open to new and established residents of Mountside.
- For membership information, call Susan Buchner at 908-232-9291.

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Rosarians collect candy for needy families
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bat with a special Sabbath evening of music with Yale University's Jewish cappella group Magavet on Nov. 14. Magavet will perform prior to the service during dinner at 6:30 p.m.; will participate in the Sabbath service at 8 p.m. and will perform in concert following services.

Harris Paul Goldberg
Harris Paul Goldberg, Ph.D., 69, of Berkeley Heights, formerly of Summit, died Oct. 8 in the Compassionate Care Hospice, Dover.

OBITUARIES

Joan Harrington
Joan L. Harrington, 73, of Madison, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 14 at home.

Mary E. Diou
Mary E. Diou, 89, of Irvine, Calif., formerly of Mountaineer, died July 16 in California.

Catherine Bell
Catherine Bell, 80, of Springfield, died Oct. 15 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Rita M. Loeffler
Rita M. Loeffler, 84, of Springfield, formerly of Union, died Oct. 20 at home.

Charles Byrnes
Charles Joseph Byrnes, 85, of Springfield, died Oct. 19 at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Catherine Marie Klug
Sister Catherine Marie Klug, O.P., 86, of Summit, died Oct. 21 in St. Catherine's Hospital and Health Care Center, Caldwell.

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With three weekends to go before the state playoffs, we are down to two teams in the county that have not suffered a loss. Union (6-0) is back in a big way after last 6-0 in 1999, the last year it won a playoff game.

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Oak Knoll vs. Kent Place in Saturday's UCT title tilt

Royals are gunning for fifth straight crown
CLARK - The Oak Knoll High School field hockey team will seek its fifth Union County Tournament title in as many years this Saturday night at 7 at Kent University in Union when it meets top-seeded Kent Place.

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Hilltopper victory was not that easy

Summit got untracked in 2nd half to improve mark to 5-0-1
Even though the Summit High School football team improved its record to 5-0-1 with a 26-7 victory over Weequahic last Saturday afternoon at Utermann Field in Newark, it wasn't as easy as the score indicated.

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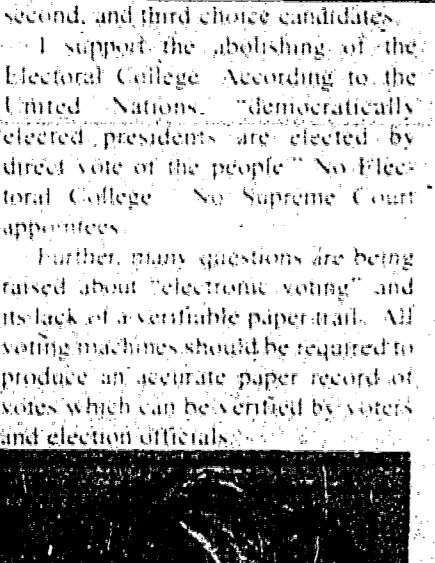


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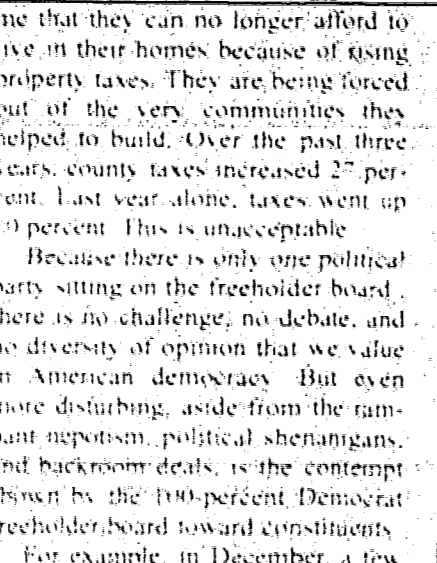
Bob Reilly, Republican

My background in government started some 32 years ago. Since 1985 I had served as Union County's printing operations manager...



Deborah Scanlon, Democrat

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Chester Holmes, Democrat

I am a proud father, grandfather and Union County resident of more than 50 years. I have spent decades serving my community as a police officer...

second, and third choice candidates. I support the abolishing of the Electoral College. According to the United Nations...

During my time at the county, spending the taxpayers money has always been a concern. I feel that elected freelholder in Union County...

Ladies and gentlemen, it's time for a change. I'm proud to stand for re-election and I am proud of the improvements we have made to county government...

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Recall elections debated

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COUNTY NEWS

Adopt-A-Trail meeting Saturday at Trailside. The meeting will be held at Trailside from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 25.

UCLSA gathers Tuesday. The UCLSA will meet Tuesday at Domani's Restaurant, 240 W. Westfield Ave. at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk's office open Saturday before election. The Clerk's Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 25.

UCC Foundation gala sets sail on Saturday. The UCC Foundation will host its 11th annual gala on Saturday, October 25, at the college's Cranford campus.

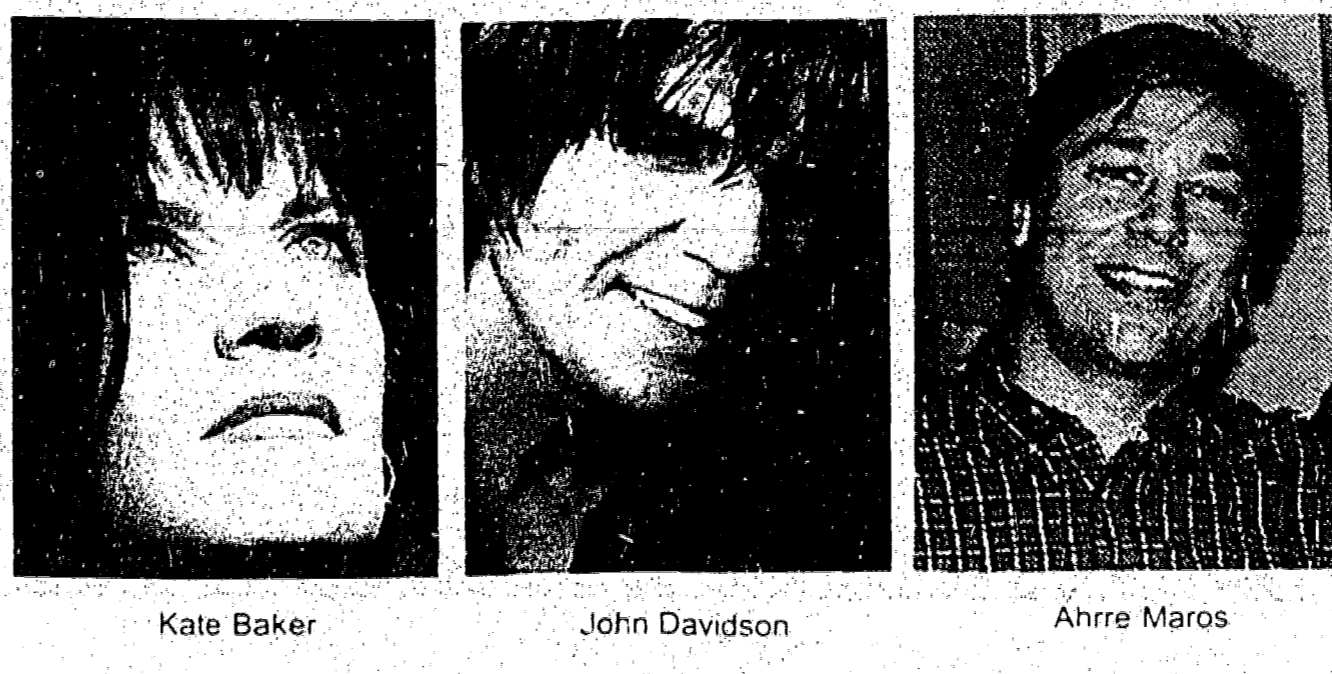
Alexander Mirabella Democrat. I am a proud father, grandfather and Union County resident of more than 50 years. I have spent decades serving my community as a police officer...

Annual Irish dance Nov. 1. The Union County Irish American Association will sponsor its 22nd annual dance at the Union Elks on Chestnut Street in 5 Points, Union, on Nov. 1 from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Editorial deadlines. Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social - Thursday noon; Entertainment - Friday noon; Sports - Monday noon; Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m. General - Monday 5 p.m.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Artists Making a Difference



Philanthropy meets artistry

Philanthropy meets artistry. This article discusses how art is used as a means of social commentary and how artists contribute to their communities through their work.

Month, we honor individuals in Union and Essex counties who, through their work in the arts, are making a difference in the lives of their respective communities.

Liberty Hall goes pumpkin picking this weekend

Liberty Hall goes pumpkin picking this weekend. The event will be held at Liberty Hall from Saturday to Sunday, October 25-26, and features pumpkin patches, games, and live music.

Classic comedy is 'really a treat'

Classic comedy is 'really a treat'. The Cranford Dramatic Club is to be congratulated for attempting to stage a huge and complicated production for its fall production...

On the Boards. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to Adolph Hitler. The comedy has many serious undertones but apparently the eccentric people in the play seem oblivious to the times.

On the Boards (continued). The other members of this group working last weekend, it's a real treat to be part of a Saturday afternoon performance...

Kean brings classic into 21st century

Kean brings classic into 21st century. Kean University's Department of Theater is presenting William Shakespeare's tale of star-crossed lovers, Romeo and Juliet, in a mixed-media production...

ANTIQUE CORNER. A large advertisement for an antique store featuring various items and contact information.

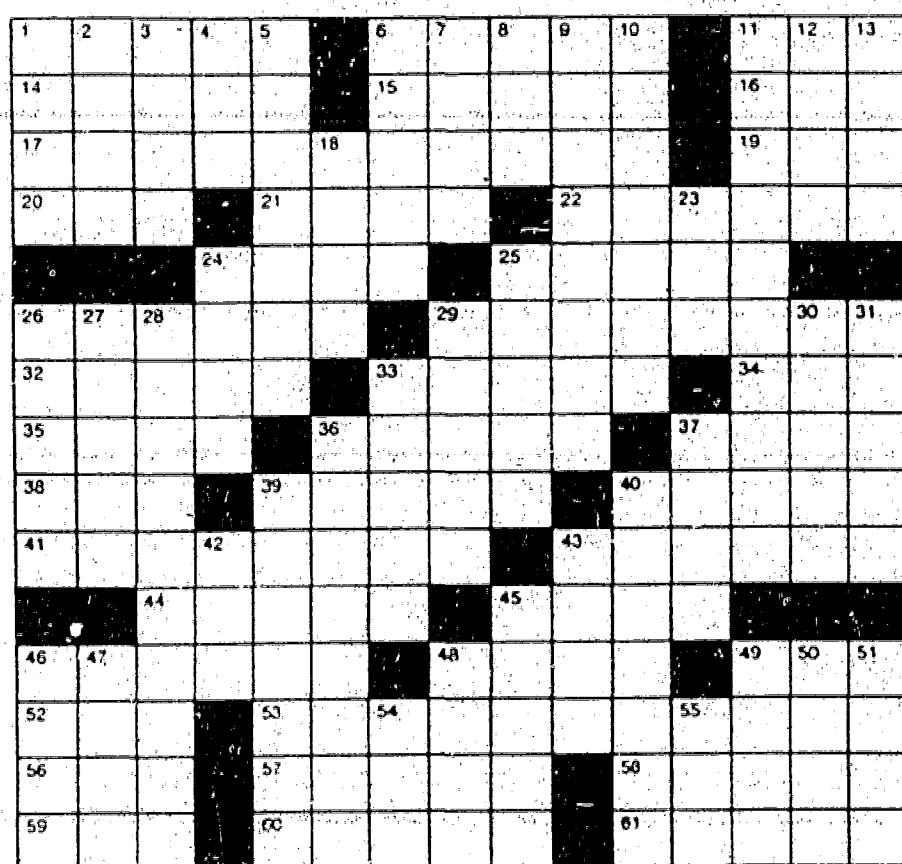
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COPILEY NEWS SERVICE

By Charles Preston

REUNIONS

Linden High School Class of 1951 will conduct its 50-year reunion Nov. 1 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Galloping Hill Inn, Union. For information, call Claire Fruchter Rinsby at 973-992-0614 or send e-mail to her at grandmurd@caol.com or call Shona Stolar Young at 908-272-4777.
Governor Livingston Regional High School Class of 1978 will conduct a two-day 25-year reunion Nov. 27 and 28, with various events planned. For information, call Craig Bruening at 315-446-9120, write to him at 2736 E. Lake Road, Skaneateles, NY 13152, or visit www.techmar.com/G1/1978.
Roselle Park High School Class of 1978 will conduct its 25-year reunion Nov. 28 at the Galloping Hill Caterers in Union. For information, call Jim Scall at 908-626-1317 or send inquiries to Scall@caol.com or email at jfscall@caol.com.
David Bready Regional High School, Kenilworth, Class of 1983 will conduct its 20-year reunion Nov. 29 at Cafe Repetti in Kenilworth. For information, send e-mail to 908-342-3542.
Union High School Class of 1954 will conduct its 50-year reunion June 4 to 6, 2004. For information, write to Class of '54 Reunion Committee, 250 Globe Ave., Union, NJ 07083.
Linden High School Class of 1959 will conduct its 45-year reunion June 19, 2004 at the Sheraton Woodbridge. For information, call Jan Murawski at 732-381-1763.

UCC seeks plays

There are still a few openings for the monthly playwrights' workshop at The Theater Project, Union County College's professional theater company.
The workshop meets once a month, in addition to a monthly script-in-hand public performance/discussion of one of the plays in development.
Playwrights interested in developing their work through readings and critiques by actors, directors and other writers should submit scripts, self-addressed stamped envelopes with a cover letter, including a brief summary of writing background to: Mark Spina, The Theater Project, Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford, 07016.

What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET: SUNDAY November 2nd, 2003. SATURDAY & SUNDAY November 1st, 2nd, 2003. BAZAAR: SATURDAY November 15th, 2003. HOROSCOPE: Oct. 27-Nov. 2.

HOROSCOPE

Oct. 27-Nov. 2: ARIES (March 21-April 19) Unpaid debts will cast a shadow over your financial plans. Stick to your budget and resist the temptation to dig the hole any deeper.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Talking with a loved one sheds light on a problem that stands between you. Speak up and don't let emotions cloud your judgment.
GEMINI (May 21-June 21) Coworkers play an important role this week. Join forces in a positive and productive atmosphere and share a demanding workload.
CANCER (June 22-July 22) Social sparring is fun, yet costly. Keep an eye on spending and avoid unnecessary charges. Get involved in an educational or creative pursuit.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid wearing your heart out on your sleeve or broadcasting your feelings. Make a conscious effort to stay emotionally centered and happy.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The emphasis is on communication. Spread the word around about what's going on in your world. Look for a positive response to a difficult question.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Get your financial affairs under Do your best to maintain your cool and avoid overreacting when money owed to you is lost or delayed in its return.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) Adjustments in your presentation will reap the desired results. Venture out and make some changes in your appearance, as well as your attitude.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) This period marks a major turning point in consciousness. Be willing to let go of the past and embrace the wonder and mystery of the future.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Personal or social goals are realized with ease. Follow the path of least resistance, live in the moment and enjoy your success.

Artists Making a Difference

'Star quality' lends itself to assisting neighbors in need

By Bill VanSant Associate Editor
Name: John Davidson
Title: Entertainer, entrepreneur
Age: 61
Resides: South Orange
Some of you may know him from his hosting duties on television game shows, others may have caught his concert act in a casino showman, some may have seen him onstage as near as Broadway and the Paper Mill, and others still might know his work from as far away as a cruise ship.
But for many area residents, John Davidson is a local guy who makes some great things happen.



John Davidson

"At this point in my career, I've had enough success, I'm able to pick and choose the things that I want to do," Davidson said. "For example, I sing on cruise ships all over the world because I love travel and I love doing my live shows. I'd love to sing all over the country in small theaters. My career has quieted down now, I'm not on television every week, but I can do small concerts, that I love to do."

Boundaries are crossed through the use of jazz

By Bill VanSant Associate Editor
Name: Kate Baker
Title: Executive Director, The Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center, West Orange
Age: Undisclosed
Resides: West Orange
As a professional jazz singer and musician, Kate Baker draws heavily on her experience to serve as the executive director of the Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center in West Orange, which just completed its first season of programming.

"Everybody just comes to learn, and ends become self-confident," she observed. "And that's what we want to teach our next generation of kids, to be self-confident, no matter what they do, to grow not only as musicians, but as people."
The students weren't just treated to Baker's tutelage — but to that of several local jazz luminaries. She credits the musicians' experience with bringing an added dimension to the kids' growth. Having been in the trenches, these artists bring not only their skills as artists, but a deeper understanding of the art.

Exhibit at NJCVA makes its 'Escape From New York'

The exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Cranford showcases the work of 12 up-and-coming artists from the outer boroughs of New York City and was conceived by curator Jason Marston. The exhibit, titled "New York, New York: From the Outer Boroughs," on view through Nov. 2, explores the artists' psychological connection with the increasing disconnection of urban life since pushed to the outer boroughs. The featured artists draw inspiration from a city they are no longer within their escape is not from social or cultural problems but from the area that these problems exist in.



Kate Baker

"I saw kids who were who were out there, kids who were excited to jazz couldn't wait to go to the show and listen to jazz. It was unbelievable," she said. "And there was a message. Just the music."
In an effort to make the workshop accessible to as many qualified students as possible, Baker wanted to remove any financial limitations. Forward, that end, she gave responsibility to corporations and local businesses to offset the tuition for "Exhibit at NJCVA makes its 'Escape From New York'."

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# Healthy Living

## Bloomfield Institute provides answers to sensory integration questions

What is sensory integration? The Bloomfield Institute of Physical Occupational Therapy offers the following answers:

**What is sensory integration?** The organization of sensory input so that the individual can be perceptually aware of the body and its adaptive response to a learning process of the development of some neural function. Through sensory integration, the main parts of the nervous system work together so that a person can interact with the environment effectively and experience appropriate satisfaction.

Children learn about their bodies and the world around them through their sensory systems. The senses are: sight, touch, taste, hearing, smell, touch and taste. These sensory systems assist that

are always working in our bodies. These include proprioception and kinesthesia, often it is their efficiency, which affects our students the most. These systems help the individual be aware of the position of his or her body parts when still and during movement, even when he or she is not looking at their bodies.

**How can I better understand sensory integration?** Think of yourself riding a bike. You know where your feet and in relation to the bike, even though you aren't looking at them. You also know how much pressure to apply to the pedals so that the bike will slow down as well as how to balance the bike without consciously thinking about it. This is the same as the proprioception and kinesthesia, which does not

usually rely on conscious awareness. Often our students don't have well defined body awareness and do things like crashing into furniture to stop a movement, falling out of chairs, pushing too hard on a toy and therefore breaking it, getting too close to another student, seeking excessive wrestling etc.

**What are some signs of sensory processing difficulties?**

- activity level too high
- hand flapping, hand sucking, head-banging etc.
- throwing self to floor
- twirling

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Pages of Italy #10 Dante is among the works by photographer Ron Brown on exhibit in "Italian Sculptural Images: Rome, Florence, Venice" at the Donald B Palmer Museum in Springfield. For information, see the "Art Shows" listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B8.

**Deadline approaches in photo contest**

Photos sought for contest by the International Library of Photography. Entries must be postmarked by Oct. 31. Amateur photographers may also submit their photos directly online at [www.picture.com](http://www.picture.com).

Christina Baylon said, "When people learn about our free photography contest, they suddenly realize that their own favorite photos can win cash prizes, as well as gain national exposure."

To enter, send one photograph in only one of the following categories: People, Travel, Pets, Children, Sports, Nature, Action, Humor, Portraiture or Other. The photo must be an unmounted color or black-and-white print, 8 1/2 by 11 inches or smaller. All entries must include the photographer's name and address on the back of the print, as well as the category and the title of the photo.

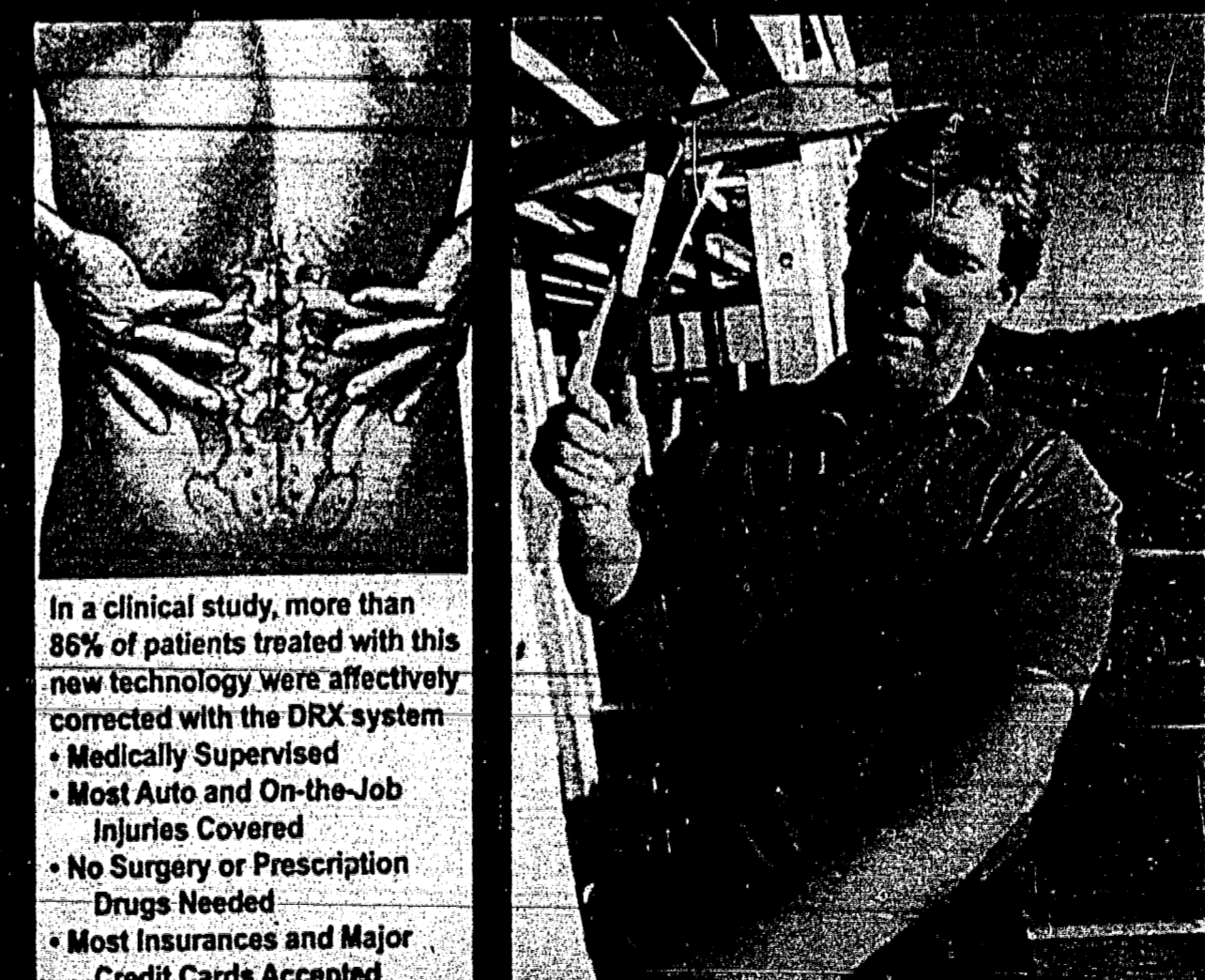
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**Foosaner Gallery welcomes juried show**

The Renee Foosaner Art Gallery at Paper Mill, The State Theater of New Jersey will play host to the Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center from Wednesday through Dec. 14. This annual juried exhibition features work from Millburn-Short Hills residents who have achieved local and national recognition. An opening gallery reception will be held Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m.

The Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center was founded in 1941 by Ruth Mathes and a small group of friends who shared an interest in the love of art. Its purpose was to encourage and appreciation of the arts, and to commend the talent and work of its members and others in the arts community.

The group gradually evolved into a regional art center with several hundred members from throughout northern and central New Jersey. Members include artists working in various media and disciplines as well as art lovers who support the arts, but who are not artists themselves.

The Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center sponsors a variety of activities including music and art workshops, art exhibitions, decorative arts classes, educational programs and the judging and critiquing of members' works. The center also hosts performances by such groups as honors string ensembles and the annual winner of the New Jersey Youth Symphony Piano Competition. All programs are open to the public.

"It's always a pleasure to welcome back the Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center here at the Renee Foosaner Gallery at Paper Mill," says Gallery Director Merrylin Crane. "This annual juried and juried exhibition of original works created in a variety of media, ranging in style from classic traditional to contemporary is representative of the quality and diversity, both in style and medium, for which the Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center has long been known. Many of the featured artists have exhibited throughout the country as well as at the Paper Mill. James Tsougois, a highly respected international and New Jersey artist with membership in the American Water Color Society and New Jersey Water Color Society, juried this exhibition for entry and awards." All art is available for purchase, and sales are conducted through the gallery.

The Renee Foosaner Art Gallery at Paper Mill is open one hour before performances through the intermission and on Fridays from noon to 3 p.m. Paper Mill performances are Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m., with matinees on Thursday and Friday at 2:30 p.m.

Admission is free for the gallery. Visitors do not need a ticket to a Paper Mill performance to gain entry to the gallery. Paper Mill Playhouse is completely accessible to individuals with disabilities.

For more information, call 973-359-3636, ext. 2272. Visit Paper Mill on the Web at [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org).

**NEWS CLIPS**

**Chorale plans its season**

The Summit Chorale has announced its 2003-04 season.

- "Alleluia, Rejoice, and Sing: A Holiday Retrospective" - Musical director Garth Nair will present holiday favorites recalling his 33 years conducting the Summit Chorale at 8 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the Presbyterian Church of Madison at 19 Green Ave., Madison, and at 4 p.m. on Dec. 7 at Our Lady of Peace Church, 111 South St., New Providence.
- Community "Messiah" Sing at 8 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit.

The public is invited to sing at this free annual event.

- Madrigals, art songs and the Duralle Requiem will be presented in concert at 8 p.m. on March 6, 2004, at Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit.
- "Hallelujah" - Nair's gala farewell concert at 8 p.m. on May 1, 2004, at location to be determined. The chorale will be accompanied by a full symphony orchestra.

Additional information and tickets can be obtained from the Web site at [www.summitchorale.org](http://www.summitchorale.org) or from 973-762-8486.

Under the leadership of music director and conductor Garth Nair, Summit Chorale is one of the state's most respected choral organizations, now in its 95th year. It is composed of non-professional singers, chosen by audition. The chorale maintains a reputation for adventurous programming of lesser-known masterpieces in addition to popular works. It is a chorus in Residence at Drew University.

**Film internships offered**

The Educational Advisory Board of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission is offering internship opportunities in film, television and communications degree programs.

These internships are now available for the fall 2003 semester and are open to students presently enrolled in New Jersey colleges and universities. Interns are unpaid, and college credits must be arranged through a student's faculty advisor.

During the semester internship in the office of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission, students become involved with the pre-production and production coordination of motion pictures, television programs and commercials. They assist in the securing of film locations and the preparation of research material for presentation to production companies. Students are also afforded the opportunity to visit the sets of feature films and television shows being made in the state.

Interested students may request further information by calling the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission at 973-468-6270.

**Theater explores history**

The Union County Arts Center, located in the downtown section of Rahway, announced its plans to reach out into the local community for archival material related to the theater's rich history.

In preparation for its 25th anniversary season, the Union County Arts Center, formerly the Rahway Theater, will seek submission of archival material from local students. Selected material will be on display for the 2003-04 season in the theater's inner lobby starting this fall.

For more information, call 732-399-0441, ext. 602. E-mail us items to the Arts Center, use the theater's address: 1604 Irving St., Rahway, 07065.

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# ERA provides training for meeting the needs of senior citizens

The ERA Brokers of New Jersey have announced that ERA has become the first and only global real estate franchise to provide its real estate professionals the Senior Real Estate Specialist designation through its virtual classroom.

Offered through the Senior Advantage Real Estate Council, this course is designed to educate sales professionals about the special needs and concerns of mature Americans when they are buying or selling their home.

Thomas Parsi, vice president and broker at ERA MI Realty, is a strong supporter of the SRES designation for his associates.

"Over the next two decades," he said, "the mature market is expected to increase by nearly 84 percent and with one-third of our business coming from the senior market, it is important that we understand their unique needs."

The senior market today has changed greatly since its inception, said Parsi. "In our area, the majority of the marketplace consists of \$200,000-plus businesses, retirement homes," he said.

The SRES designation differentiates our agents from the competition. With only 10,000 SRES designations, they belong to an elite group of specialists within the mature community," stated Helen Matzart, president and broker at ERA MI Realty.

ERA is making it very convenient for its sales professionals to better learn the senior market by offering SRES designation through its e-learning format training center, which includes more than 100 other training courses online," she added.

The two-day program features seven 90-minute sessions that educate designers about the issues such as related tax and estate implications in the home buying and selling process. In addition, the course focuses on financing options for the mature clients, counseling tools and specialized marketing programs.

Students also learn about the emotions that mature clients face, such as those which arise from allowing strangers to come into their homes and the selling of a property that has been in the family for many years.

The course also teaches agents the importance of earning respect and trust from clients.

In addition to the SRES designation, council members receive continuing education opportunities, ongoing updates on senior real estate issues, a quarterly newsletter and senior Internet referral clients.

The SRES designation is one way that ERA is continuing to strengthen and diversify its training curriculum. For information on ERA's training programs, contact your local ERA office, which can be found by visiting the ERA Brokers of New Jersey Web site at [www.ERA.com](http://www.ERA.com).

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These tips will help speed up your approval process. Save three to six months or potential monthly housing expenses.

Look for and correct inaccuracies on your credit report before applying for a mortgage.

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**\$9731**

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**\$9931**

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**\$10,731**

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**\$11,931**

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**\$14,931**

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**\$27,131**

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