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Special day lifts spirits

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer

It was the music that really got the party going, and disc jockey Paul Anthony on the mike had all the children doing the Hokey-Pokey, the Chicken, and even the Limbo — wheelchairs, carriages, and all.

Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside and its Foundation, went all out to entertain its children Tuesday in a carnival sponsored by Kohl's department stores.

The colorful event was conducted on the hospital's back patio, and Kohl's had two large tents and more than 60 eager-to-please volunteers from 12 different New Jersey stores participating.

There were fun games like the ring toss, "fishing" with paper fishes in a make-believe pool, and poles. It was easy for children in wheelchairs to come alongside and "fish." Of course, each child won a prize; a plush toy of their choice — it could be an octopus or frog.

All the Kohl volunteers wore white T-shirts with green labels and not only manned the different booths, they played with the children as well. One of the volunteers, Michael MacNamara put it this way: "The whole point is for everyone to go away happy."

Patty Hrabal who works in the Kohl's West Paterson store said, as she wheeled a guest over to the ring toss, "This gives us the opportunity to make the kids happy, and we love it."

A famous patient at the hospital, Poppy Hagood, was brought to the



During the carnival at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside on Tuesday, 18-month-old Russell Cohen of Westfield does the limbo rock with his mom Cheryl and brother Andrew, 4.

Photos By Reena Rose Sibayan

carnival by his nurse, and they were headed for the face-painting line. Hagood had made television and newspapers when he had expressed a wish to see the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade — and they made it possible for him to do just that.

That was the longest line under the tent: children in wheelchairs and carriages were all patiently waiting to be face-painted.

Brian Freda, age 5, was there with his grandparents, and won an octopus in the fishing pool.

"He has been here just three weeks now and is doing very well; we are optimistic," said his grandmother. "This is a great idea."

Kohl's employees were bringing

the carnival simultaneously to another Children's Specialized Hospital in Toms River. Both events ran from 5 to 7 p.m., and it was a full evening, complete with dinner in the cafeteria being served throughout the carnival.

The national department store chain has as its motto, "Kohl's Cares for Kids," and it is an active supporter of Children's Specialized Hospital. The company has raised more than \$500,000 for the hospital, helping to build a wheelchair-accessible playground and a child-friendly lobby.

Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation is the non-profit organization supporting programs and services for the largest pediatric hospital chain in the nation.

The Mountainside hospital has a welcoming feel; Phil Salerno, executive director of the Foundation, stood in the lobby welcoming guests and greeting arriving families.

It was estimated by 6 p.m. that at least 150 children were there, enjoying the carnival. The weather cooperated, and it was a beautiful summer evening, not too hot.

Many patients had their siblings with them, as everyone was invited.

One mother, Cheryl Cohen, brought her son, Russell, 18 months, in his wheelchair, along with his brother Andrew, and another child.

"They are all out-patients now; this is a very special place," said Cheryl.



Shajuan Staten, 3, plays 'Quarterback Toss' during the carnival. Children at the hospital got the chance to enjoy a wide range of fun-filled activities.



Courtney Sanchelli, 8, shows off her cat-themed face paint during carnival.

Rec center on Affordable housing ex

By Rick Klittich
Staff Writer

When the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing decided more than a decade ago that the borough of Mountainside did not have affordable housing obligations, it seemed as though the municipality was in the clear for good.

After developing upon the preliminary stages of a proposed community center on the Barnes Tract, located between the 7-Eleven and Mountainside Community Pool on Mountain Avenue, COAH has returned and interrupted the attempt at fulfilling the municipality's recreational needs.

In a letter that was delivered last week to all Mountainside residents, Mayor Robert Vigilanti explained that COAH's now third round rules for municipal master plans will become law in 2005. In February of this year, the Borough Council and Planning Board determined that Mountainside's master plan would have to be revised in order to comply with the new rules.

After hiring Municipal Planner Robert Michaels to understand what changes are necessary, it was decided in a preliminary report that due to a change in the definition of "suitable property," Mountainside had an obligation to COAH's regulations.

Years ago, Mountainside was excluded from further development because of a lack of open space, along with the type of topography of any space available.

What is feared by Vigilanti and the Borough Council is that if the community center is still planned to be built on Barnes Tract, which is considered to be the only open available space for affordable housing, contractors can come into Mountainside and take advantage of COAH's regulations, partaking in what is termed as "builder's remedy."

Under law, builders can come into a municipality and seemingly look to build up to 100 units per acre, with an assumption that quality will outweigh quantity. What sometimes results, according to Vigilanti, are "slums in the sun," as only four or five units will be high quality. The possibility exists,

Vigilanti said, the center were to go, ct, builders could come in and build more than just one affordable housing project, changing the borough's atmosphere drastically.

"If it goes into effect and we do nothing," Vigilanti said of COAH's proposed third round rules, which won't officially become law until January, "there is the potential of builder's remedy leading to three or four sets" of housing units.

As for the community center itself, the options for building it elsewhere have yet to be explored. According to Vigilanti, options are few and far between for looking for more open space.

"Not that we presently own," said Vigilanti of whether or not there is land to build upon outside of Barnes Tract. "We'd have to do a condemnation."

While Vigilanti said that he and the council have been very much in favor of the community center, it has to take a second seat to the affordable housing regulations.

The new state mandates "have to take precedence over the community center," said Vigilanti.

Council President Werner Schon agreed.

"We are doing basically what's mandated," said Schon. "We have to review the different options and we do have to take care of our COAH obligations...that takes precedence."

A draft housing element of the master plan of Mountainside is expected to be presented by Robert Michaels to the Planning Board for consideration by the end of October.

Until then, a temporary halt has arrived after phase one of the community center project, which did not cost taxpayers any money and helped determine recreational needs around the borough. This also means that the non-binding referendum that would have given voters a chance to voice their community center opinions as a whole will not be on the ballot in the Nov. 2 election.

Managing Editor Brian Pedersen contributed to this report.

School board names new FMG principal

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor

Tim Kiely has been named the new principal of the Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School in Springfield, taking over for Barry Bachheimer, who resigned in June.

The Board of Education publicly announced the hiring of Kiely, who has already started work at the school, at its Monday meeting.

Kiely, who was hired at an annual salary of \$93,784, was formerly the assistant principal at IS34 school in Staten Island. He has also worked as an administrative assistant, dean, and social studies teacher at Petrides, a school in Staten Island where Michael Davino, Springfield superintendent of schools, also worked.

"He did work with me for a bit of time," said Davino. "He has tremendous insight into the infusion of technology into education. He truly loves kids, which I think, is a critical component."

Davino said Kiely will bring a level of commitment to the district and provide real stability to the administrative office at Gaudineer.

Kiely was one of two candidates for the principal position. Prior to becoming the final choice, Kiely was introduced to parents, community members, faculty, staff, and ultimately, to the school board, according to Davino.

The district conducted preliminary screenings of about 12 candidates, having started with a total pool of about 30, said Davino.

School board President Irwin Sablosky felt very positive about the new principal.

"He's got tremendous energy, he's got great ideas for the middle school, and he's spent a good deal of time in a middle school environment," said Sablosky.

"He's got a good feel for what the model middle school is," continued Sablosky. "He seems to know where the issues are and he seems to have good answers."

School construction work continues as opening day draws near

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor

As the first day of school draws near, most of the construction projects currently under way at each of the public schools in Springfield are in various stages of near or full completion. However, there are some that are expected to still be unfinished after the start of school.

At Monday's Board of Education meeting, Business Administrator Matthew Clarke gave the public the latest update on the work that's been done so far.

"We've got quite a bit of construction going on currently," said Clarke. "On any work that continues after Sept. 8, there will be nothing that hinders the instructional delivery."

At Jonathan Dayton High School, the new roof is 93 percent completed, and on course for the opening of school, said Clarke.

The science labs in the high school are also complete except for the casework, which will be finished in late October.

The air conditioning system for the auditorium is roughly 80 percent completed. The duct work and plumbing still has to be finished and should be 100 percent completed by October.

The front steps outside the high school had to be re-done. Clarke said the steps will be functional at the start of the school year but railings still have to be fitted to the actual steps.

At Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, the new windows and doors are expected to be installed by mid-October, with work being done at night.

Overall, Thelma L. Sandmeier School is roughly 40 percent finished.

"The only problem is we don't have the media center," said Clarke.

Ninety percent of the electrical work is done at the school, but the remaining 10 percent is for the media center, the largest chunk of the renovation project at Sandmeier.

The media center is 35 percent complete. Exterior walls are expected to be up by the

middle of next week. A steel fence enclosure is currently surrounding the room.

The school will continue to use the old media center until the project is complete. A new timeline of November was received by the board as an expected completion date.

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—Matthew Clarke

According to Clarke, the delays were weather related, and the rain prevented concrete from being poured and steel from being erected. The one week ordering time frame for concrete was another setback that delayed progress.

The steel and concrete is now in place, as is

the plumbing and electrical wires, even though they are dead lines at this point, he said.

The parking lots at the school will also be paved and finished this week.

The school's teachers' room also received some upgrades, including an extension of the roof and walls. Clarke said the contractor believes the room will be ready for the opening of school.

"Seeing what they did today alleviated some of our fears," said Clarke, referring to a visit to Sandmeier with the superintendent of schools on Monday.

The wall in the principal's office also had to be taken down, with the room completely reconfigured. It is now 80 percent done and expected to be fully functional by the start of school.

Over at James Caldwell School, the media center is 75 percent complete and should be ready by the start of school.

"We are pleased with the progress," said Clarke. "We received new timelines from the contractor."

Renovations to the classrooms are also expected to be finished by the start of school.

The administrative office is 80 percent complete. Ceilings have been dropped and are in place.

The room just needs paint and a new floor, said Clarke.

For Edward V. Walton School, bids came in on Tuesday and are still being evaluated by the board attorney.

A stream encroachment permit for construction in the area of the land and stream located between Walton and Sandmeier schools was denied by the state Department of Environmental Protection in January, leaving the school board to look into an appeal, delaying the bid process.

The DEP permits were received earlier in the spring and the agency has called for a readjustment of specifications to the plans.

The Walton construction is expected to be complete by late spring or early summer.

The referendum for school construction was approved by voters in January 2003.

Doctors discuss obesity

On Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Overlook Hospital specialty physicians will host "Conquering Obesity - Working Together," an Overlook Hospital panel lecture and discussion for those interested in the treatment of obesity.

The floor will open for questions and discussion, following the lecture. Presenters include Dr. Kenneth Storch, an internal medicine physician and director of Medical Nutrition at Overlook and Morristown Memorial Hospitals, specializing in the prevention and treatment of obesity. Dr. Storch graduated from SUNY Medical School in Brooklyn, N.Y., and is board-certified in internal medicine and nutrition. He has been practicing for 16 years.

Obesity is associated with an increased risk of premature death, Type 2 diabetes, heart disease, stroke, hypertension, high cholesterol, gall bladder disease, osteoarthritis, sleep apnea, asthma, cancer, complications of pregnancy and psychological difficulties due to social stigmatization. Dr. Storch will discuss the topic of obesity, cultural influences and what we can do to prevent and treat obesity.

Dr. Federico Cerrone, a pulmonologist and director of the Center for Sleep Medicine at Overlook Hospital, has been practicing pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine for 12 years. He graduated from Georgetown University Medical School in Washington, D.C., and is a fellow of the American Academy of Sleep Medicine as well as the American College of Chest Physicians. Most adults require an average of seven to nine hours of sleep each night. Yet many people do not know the physical consequences of sleep loss: obesity, high blood pressure and cardiovascular disease. Most sleep disorders are easily treatable - through lifestyle changes, use of equipment during sleep, drug therapy or even surgery. Dr. Cerrone will discuss how obesity and sleep disorders are related and what types of prevention and treatment options are available.

Dr. Muhammad Feteiha, bariatric surgeon at Overlook Hospital, specializes in laparoscopic roux-en-Y gastric bypass, which is performed using minimally invasive techniques. He has been performing LRYGB at Overlook since September 2003 and has performed more than 100 bariatric operations. Dr. Feteiha earned his medical degree from Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston and completed his fellowship training in minimal access surgery at New York Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia University in New York City.

Morbid obesity surgery requires the patient to make a firm commit-



Dr. Federico Cerrone



Dr. Muhammad Feteiha

ment to lifestyle changes. LRYGB, for instance, requires medical follow-up and daily vitamin supplements for the rest of the patient's life. In addition to losing weight, most patients will experience a resolution of their diabetes, hypertension, gastric reflux, sleep apnea and musculoskeletal pains. Dr. Feteiha will discuss who is a candidate for LRYGB surgery and what it involves.

This free program is sponsored by the Community Health Department at Overlook Hospital. The program will be conducted in the Overlook Hospital Wallace Auditorium at 99 Beauvoir Ave. in Summit. Park in the West Garage across from main entrance to the hospital. Registration is required. Call 1-800-247-9580.

Nationally recognized for its Emergency Department, Overlook Hospital is one of five New Jersey hospitals approved to provide emergency angioplasty in a community hospital setting. The Frank and Mimi Walsh Maternity Center boasts 24 private mother/baby rooms and a new state-of-the-art Neonatal Intensive Care Unit with the largest pediatric surgery group in New Jersey.

The Neuroscience Institute offers brain tumor and epilepsy programs, as well as neurointerventions radiology and the northeast's only CyberKnife technology for the treatment of inoperable brain, spine and other tumors. Overlook is a two-time winner of the Silver Governor's Award for Performance Excellence.

Local chapter offers Red Cross courses

Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross continues to offer its health and safety course schedule for the summer. Unless otherwise noted, all programs take place in the chapter house at 321 Elm St., Westfield. For information, call 908-232-7090.

Infant/Child CPR

This course teaches how to recog-

nize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in infants and children. The fee is \$45. The course is offered Saturday, Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CPR for the Professional Rescuer

This course is designed for personnel with the duty to respond to emergencies. It covers caring for and recognizing breathing and cardiac emergencies, adult CPR, infant CPR, child CPR, two rescuer CPR, AED and use of a resuscitation mask and bag valve

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mask. Pocket mask and book included. The fee is \$70.

The date will be Sunday, Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Community CPR

This course teaches how to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in infants, children and adults. Adult CPR only is \$45 and offered from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The fee for Community CPR is \$50. The course will be offered Sept. 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Self-help group meets

You are not alone. A bipolar and depression self-help group meets the first and third Thursday of every month in Conference Room 1 of Overlook Hospital, 99 Beauvoir Ave. from 7 to 9 p.m.

The group also meets in the same room on the fourth Saturday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m.

For information, call 908-233-7074.

SENIOR NEWS

Antique collector speaks to Old Guard

Edward Micono will speak about collecting 18th and 19th century pewter at the Tuesday meeting of the Summit Area Old Guard.

The 10 a.m. meeting at the New Providence Municipal Center will feature how Micono, an Old Guard member, became involved in collecting. Earlier on when he started collecting antiques, he became fascinated about the uniqueness of pewter.

Today, he is a recognized expert in the field and is listed in Who's Who in the East and the Dictionary of International Biography.

Micono is a Summit native and a retired dentist.

All retired men are invited to attend the meetings of the Summit Area Old Guard on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at the New Providence Municipal Building, 360 Elkwood Ave.

Meetings feature timely, thought-provoking talks.

Coffee hour starts at 9:15 a.m., followed by a brief business meeting. Old Guard members participate in sports, bridge and trips to various cultural events in the area.

Recently, the Old Guard visited the Yale art museums and next year, a trip to the Ottawa Tulip Festival is planned.

For information, call Earl Gilkey at 908-464-2480 or log on to the Web site www.summitoldguard.home-stead.com.

Workshop participants plan senior art exhibit

The art and relaxation workshop, led by Evelyn Hassell, a resident of Summit Senior Housing, is planning an exhibit and reception celebrating senior art at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Summit Senior Housing, 12 Chestnut Ave. in the Community Room at the Broad Street entrance.

This exhibit will feature pieces created by the workshop's artists, culled from the following series, "Contrasting Patterns of Color," "Masters of Color" and "Global Art." Refreshments will be served. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

For information, call Esther Gordon at 908-273-0130.

Senior Club meets

The Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside meets the second and fourth Friday of the month at the Community Presbyterian Church, at Deer Path and Meeting House Lane, at noon.

After a joyful and happy summer, a Welcome Back Social and Luncheon will be conducted Sept. 10. On Sept. 24, Pharmacist Brian Pucci will give members the latest information on the Medicare Discount Pharmacy Card.

On Oct. 8, Mayor Robert Vigilanti will speak on the future plans of Mountainside, followed up on Oct. 22 by Police Chief Jim Debbie.

Looking ahead to Nov. 5, the club will have Dan Kalem update members

on Social Security and Medicare. On Nov. 19, the singing group, The Golden Lights, will entertain members at the start for the holiday season.

For information on any of the programs, call 908-233-6280.

AARP speaker delves into wills, lawsuits

The Summit Area chapter of AARP will conduct its regular monthly meeting at 10 a.m. on Sept. 27 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Ave., Summit. Coffee and a social will begin at 9:45 a.m.

The guest speaker will be Joseph Zingone, a certified senior advisor on wills, probates and lawsuits.

He will discuss the most important documents and what each document does.

For information on future meetings, call 908-273-2239.

PREP provides support for caregivers

SAGE, a major community resource for elders, offers a monthly support group for caregivers the third Wednesday of each month at SAGE's Spend-A-Day Adult Day Health Center, 550 Springfield Ave. in Berkeley Heights.

PREP - People Responsible for Elderly Persons - provides caregivers with emotional support, community resources, effective problem-solving and coping strategies and the

chance to share common concerns with others who are caring for their aging loved ones. PREP's next meeting will be Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

For information, call Ellen McNally, SAGE InfoCare director, at 908-273-4598.

SAGE serves as a major community resource in the establishment and delivery of innovative services for older adults and their caregivers, providing them with dignity and choice. These services allow the elderly to remain independent and living in their own homes.

Present SAGE programs include HomeCare, Meals-on-Wheels, SHIP - State Health Insurance Assistance Program - of Union County, Checks and Balances, a shopping service, InfoCare and Spend-A-Day Adult Day Health Center, currently located in Berkeley Heights. SAGE serves 5,000 older people and their families annually in Essex, Morris, Somerset and Union counties.

For information, call 908-273-5550 or log on to the Web site, www.sagenj.org.

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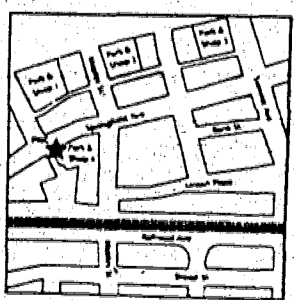
Letter to the Editor - Monday, 9 a.m.

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For more information about the Frank and Mimi Walsh Maternity Center at Overlook Hospital or a referral to one of our physicians, please call 1-800-AHS-9580 or visit www.AtlanticHealth.org.



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STUDENT UPDATE

Basel attends FDU
Mountaineer resident Nicole Anne Basel will attend Fairleigh Dickinson University's College at Florham this September.

Modi selected as scholarship finalist
Shajila Modi, daughter of Alkaandamul Modi and a student at St. James

their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer services, school involvement, leadership abilities or creative talents.
State finalists will be evaluated on academic achievement, volunteer service to community, school honors and activities, development of personal skills and abilities, general knowledgeability, communicative ability and on-stage acknowledgement of accomplishments.



Shajila Modi

Eatery polls patrons

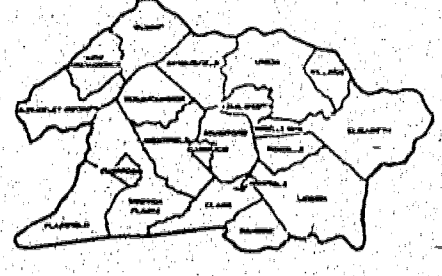
Each patron going to the Spanish Tavern on Route 22 east in Mountaineer will be asked his/her opinion on the outcome of the November presidential election and will be given a chance to receive one of the 50 lobster dinner certificates drawn among respondents every week.

The weekly results of the poll will be publicly displayed outside the restaurant.
To participate in the poll and in the lobster promotion, people can visit the restaurant.

The winners of the 50 weekly-lobster certificates will be chosen in a random drawing by the Spanish Tavern from all eligible entries received that week.

Each winner will receive a certificate for a lobster dinner, to be redeemed prior to the assigned expiration date.

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Succession mess

A long time ago, I spent a day with Richard Hughes, by then the former two-time governor and chief justice of the State Supreme Court. I arrived early, tie very tight, ready to brief him for a seminar he was chairing on the need to improve voter participation in the state. Back then ex-governors were respected even after they left office.

Left Out

I thought about that perspective the past few weeks. The hue and cry for a special election and the need for a new position of lieutenant governor is getting frantic in the press. The New York Times on Sunday ran an editorial entitled, "New Jersey's Succession Mess".

At one point our state watchers from West 43rd Street in New York said we face, "a clear threat to the whole idea of checks and balances."

All because Richard Codey, the long-time state senator from West Orange was going to fulfill his constitutional mandate of assuming Office of Governor. I recalled when Donald DiFrancesco became the Senate President-Acting Governor. My taxes were still high in Cranford, the Turnpike still backed up at Exit 9, and the shore stayed wonderful. We all got through fine.

The frenzy has taken two paths. First there is the demand for Gov. James McGreevey's resignation immediately. I mean, can that be wrong? This call to hear the voice of the people is a little shallow. The nominees for a special election both Republicans and Democrats would be selected by the small groups of party state committee people. Don't get me wrong, some of my best friends are members of the state committee. They are hardly a fair sampling of the views of the state party let alone the chunk of Independents. Still, special elections and voice of the people sounds so fair.

The second rung of the frenzy is the immediate need for a lieutenant governor. Assemblyman Bill Baroni, an up and coming Republican from Mercer County, wrote on Sunday "We need to fix our government."

It amazes me that often when the state's press advocate reform they end up enhancing the power of the bosses. Please review campaign finance reform, and party building as past examples.

An elected lieutenant governor would bring ticket balancing to a new art. If the Republicans nominate Douglas Forrester, would he have had to pick someone to balance his Mercer County address. If the Democrats nominate U.S. Senator Jon Corzine or "SPAG" Richard Codey, will they have to look to Burlington or Camden for balance. Now I'm sure every candidate will say his running mate was selected solely for his skills and not his zip code.

Currently the Senate president gets to that post convincing 20 of the remaining 39 to vote for him, even though they undoubtedly feel they are more or at least as deserving. To sit up on the platform you need to have good political skills, leadership and maturity. Not the worst things for an acting governor to possess.

Before we go off on another crusade seeking good government, let's take a few seconds to consider the consequences. Despite the dumbest of headlines, a good deal has been done to improve the state and more remains to be accomplished. The presence of a lieutenant governor doesn't seem so pressing.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capace is an attorney.

3 districts still without accords

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor
Five school districts in Union County are among nearly 200 in the state whose labor agreement expired at the end of the last school year, which ended June 30.

Districts in Clark, Linden and Mountaineer still are without a new labor contract. Until a new accord is reached, staff work under the terms of the last contract. While negotiations continue in Linden and Mountaineer, an impasse has been declared in Clark.

In both New Providence and Elizabeth, the school board and teachers reached settlement on a one-year agreement that included an average wage increase of 4.25 percent.

The average percentage salary increase statewide this year is approximately 4.68 percent, according to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Of the 196 school districts in New Jersey whose contracts expired in June, 90 have reached an agreement or a tentative settlement while 88 are still negotiating, according to the NJSBA. Eighteen districts have not reported their contract status to the NJSBA.

Frank Belluscio, a spokesman for the New Jersey School Boards Association, said there are three main factors

Table with columns: District, 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, Avg. Rows include Berkeley Heights, Clark, Cranford, Elizabeth, Garwood, Hillside, Kenilworth, Linden, Mountaineer, New Providence, Plainfield, Rahway, Roselle, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains-Fanwood, Springfield, Summit, Union, Union County Vo-Tech, Union County ESC, Westfield, Winfield.

The column labeled 'Avg' is the average annual percentage salary increase for that district's most recent three-year teachers' contract. Those districts marked with asterisks had contracts expire June 30. New Providence and Elizabeth both reached a settlement on a one-year contract for 2004-05.

continue to find the need for more instructional time, Belluscio said. Many contract settlements include adjustments to the amount of instructional time.

S-1701, which has been opposed by several local school boards as well as the New Jersey School Boards Association, calls for the reduction of surplus in budgets that already

received voter approval in the spring, as well as reducing the state cap on school budget increases to 2.5 percent.

While only four districts had contracts expire this past June, this time next year will be a different story.

The end of the 2004-05 school year will mark the end of contracts for most school districts in Union County, including, Garwood, Hillside, New

Providence, Plainfield, Rahway, Roselle, Scotch Plains-Fanwood, Springfield, Summit, Union, Union County Vocational-Technical School, Union County Educational Services Commission, Westfield and Winfield.

Staff writers: Dan Burns, David Dankwa, David Jablonski, David Learn and Brian Pedersen contributed to this report.

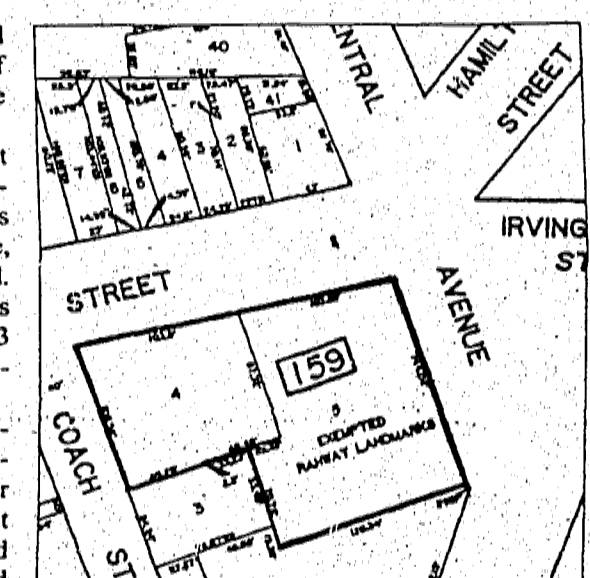
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Committee to mark centennial. Union County is preserving history with a committee that celebrates the life of the county's courthouse. The Courthouse Centennial Celebration Committee is made up of Freeholder Chairman Angel Estrada, County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, Freeholder Chester Holmes County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich, Chief Warrant Officer Lester Sargent, the U.S. Parks Commission and the New Jersey Bar Association.



The Courthouse Centennial Celebration Committee will plan to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Union County Courthouse.

GOP chairman: Return Kushner contributions

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor
Setting a deadline of Sept. 6, the new leader of Union County Republicans is calling on the Union County Democratic Committee to return almost \$200,000 in campaign contributions from Charles Kushner and Ronald Manzo and their companies.

Union County Republican Chairman Philip Morin, in a letter Monday to Union County Democratic Chairwoman Charlotte DeFilippo, said Democrats at all levels, including U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine and the Democratic national and state committees, have returned contributions from Kushner and Union County Democrats should do the same.

DeFilippo was "underwhelmed" by Morin's "apophoric attempt at a little publicity," adding that she was disappointed that he faxed a letter to the media before calling her.

Similar calls have been made in recent weeks by Republican committees in Sussex and Bergen counties to return contributions from Manzo or RAM.

A spokesman confirmed Tuesday that RAM Insurance Agency has not done business with Union County now or in the past. Two Democrats, who declined to be identified, each had differing views on the Kushner's contributions. One said the party should return the donations while the other said the Union County GOP has benefited from the Republican National Committee getting money from "bad organizations" like the National Rifle Association and tobacco companies.

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Floyd Hall Arena offers summer hockey and skating programs

Located on the campus of Montclair State University in Upper Montclair, Floyd Hall Arena is a state-of-the-art facility that is dedicated to providing quality family entertainment in a completely safe and friendly environment. The arena once again invites children of all ages to make the most of their vacations in the Floyd Hall Arena Summer Hockey School. Featuring a qualified staff of college coaches, these fun, educational and fully interactive programs offer a variety of courses designed to add a little punch to a child's game. Classes include Powerskating, Puck Control, Stick-handling, Strategies and Positioning, Goaltie Training, and Off-Ice Training. Floyd Hall Arena also offers a unique program for competitive young figure skaters. These "on-ice" classes are designed to enhance techniques and execution through a curriculum that includes jump class, spin class, and a freestyle program. Young skaters who want to improve their physical abilities and endurance are encouraged to take part in the "Off-Ice Program," featuring activities such as ballet, modern dance, hip-hop, off-ice jumping and more.

In addition to the summer programs, Floyd Hall Arena is also home to a wide variety of programs for skaters of all ages and skill levels, including public skating sessions, hockey clinics, Learn to Skate classes, youth intramural leagues, corporate affairs, adult skating and hockey classes, three fun-filled birthday party packages for kids, and more. The arena's highly trained, certified instructors are always on hand to take care of the needs of visitors, both on and off the ice. Floyd Hall Arena is located at 1 Hall Drive, Little Falls.

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Homeowners Three is the most comprehensive and popular plan because it covers all the risks associated with owning a home except those specifically excluded by the policy.

Be aware that even broad coverage HO-3 policies have a number of important exclusions. Understanding these exclusions can help you to determine what supplemental coverage or endorsements may be needed.

Earthquake damage covers your prized collection of Italian pottery. Earthquake coverage is sold as additional coverage to the policy.

An earthquake damages your prized collection of Italian pottery. Earthquake coverage is sold as additional coverage to the policy. The California Earthquake Authority issues policies for California residents, who buy most of the earthquake insurance in the United States.

Termites destroy your home's foundation. Homeowners insurance policies do not cover damage caused by termites, mice, rats, or other rodents because the damage occurs over time and isn't the result of a "sudden accidental" event.

Your business computer is destroyed by a fire. If you're involved in a homebased business, your policy does not cover damage to your business equipment.

Your tenant's TV and stereo equipment is stolen. Your policy does not cover you for damages or injuries suffered by tenants who rent any part of your home.

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Many lenders are requiring mortgage insurance for the homes they are now selling

Experience shows that the less a homeowner has invested in a home, the greater the probability of default. For this reason, lenders require private mortgage insurance, PMI, on conventional mortgage loans with less than 20-percent down.

Even though it appears that private mortgage insurance favors the lender, PMI can benefit the borrower as well. In fact, thanks to PMI, lenders are willing to offer loans and make home owners available to those who can't afford the customary 20-percent down payment.

PMI also benefits those who may want to purchase a larger or more expensive home. For example, a \$20,000 down payment could represent a 20-percent payment on a \$100,000 house or, with PMI, a 10-percent down payment on a \$200,000 house.

PMI premium payments vary based on the size of the down payment, the type of mortgage, and the amount of insurance coverage. The charges typically amount to 0.5 percent to 1 percent of the loan annually.

Shopping around for a lower rate isn't an option since the lender chooses the policy. The premium is usually incorporated into the monthly mortgage payment.

Under the federal Homeowners' Protection Act of 1998, on loans made on or after July 29, 1999, lenders must provide borrowers with certain disclosures concerning PMI. The Act includes provisions for the automatic termination of PMI and the borrower's right to request PMI cancellation.

Borrowers also have the right to request cancellation of PMI when the mortgage is paid down to the point that it reaches 80 percent of the home's value at the time the loan was closed.

Since home appreciations added directly to your equity, even though the amount you owe hasn't changed, you may be eligible to have your private mortgage insurance cancelled if you can demonstrate that the value of your home has increased. To qualify, most lenders require that you have the home appraised at your expense by a lender-approved appraiser. Be aware that, regardless of the increase in value, some lenders require you to have owned your home for a year or two before they will consider dropping PMI.

Refinancing is another way to eliminate PMI payments. With interest rates at a 40-year low, it is possible that you can refinance to a lower rate mortgage. If your home has appreciated sufficiently in value, you may drop below the required threshold for private mortgage insurance.

Mortgage life insurance is a type of life insurance policy that pays off your mortgage balance should you die or become permanently disabled. If you're interested in this type of protection, CPAs suggest that you consider a standard term-life insurance policy instead of mortgage life insurance.

For one thing, a standard life insurance policy gives your survivors more flexibility in determining how to use the policy proceeds, whereas mortgage life insurance can only be used to pay off the policyholder's mortgage.

If you have additional questions about PMI, a CPA can help you navigate through the details. If you don't have a CPA, you can easily locate one online using the NJSCPA Find-A-CPA service.

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Both models use the powerful 4.2-liter V8 engine producing 334 horsepower and 317 foot-pounds of torque. A six-speed Tiptronic automatic transmission and quattro all-wheel drive channel the power to the ground and help enhance the car's sporty dynamics.

Regardless of wheelbase, all A8s come equipped with a variety of standard equipment and the most up-to-date technology. The legendary Audi space frame adds strength and at the same time, reduces weight. An adaptive air suspension allows for changes in ride height and driving dynamics. Drivers can choose from four different suspension settings, ranging from sporty to standard, to best match their driving style and road conditions.

A large number of vehicle functions may be controlled by Audi's multi media interface, an intuitive onboard electronics management system, ranging from radio setting to background lighting. Two separate displays—a retractable 7-inch color screen in the top of the dashboard and a 3-inch driver information display in the instrument cluster—display the operator's choices and other vehicle information.

Other standard equipment includes a self-leveling bi-xenon headlights, a 12-speaker Bose premium surround system with 12-inch subwoofers, automatic dual zone climate control, power glass sunroof, a navigation system, and 10 airbags that include rear, side and front-knee airbags.

Options packages for both the A8 and the A8 L include a cold-weather package with heated front and rear seats, a heated steering wheel and a ski sack, at \$1,100; and a convenience package with advanced key, electric rear sunshade, manual side sunshades, and power trunk open/close, at \$2,000. On A8 L, side sunshades are stan-

Standard and rear vanity mirrors are part of the convenience package.

New stand alone options for 2005 include: adaptive cruise control, \$2,100; choice of XM or Sirius satellite radio, \$550 plus installation; and a retractable 7-inch wood steering wheel, \$480.

Additional individual options include solar sunroof panel, \$650; front and rear ParkTronic, \$700; a choice of 18-inch, five-spoke cast alloy wheels with all-season tires, \$1,150; 18-inch, nine-spoke cast alloy wheels with all season tires, new for 2005 MY, \$1,700; or 19-inch, 12-spoke cast alloy wheels with performance tires, \$1,900; power door close assist, \$450; and front-seat massage and ventilation, \$1,500.

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