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Serving Springfield and Mountainside

Former borough resident named to Homeland Security

By Brian Pedersen and Rick Klittich

A former Mountainside resident has been annointed by President George W. Bush as the new secretary of Homeland Security.

Michael Chertoff, 51, once lived across the street from Mountainside resident Gary Whyte on Old Tote Road. Whyte remembered Chertoff fondly and had even invited him to he a master of ceremonies at a law enforcement and industry party in the early 1990s when Chertoff was the U.S. attorney in New Jersey.

"I am really happy that Mike Chertoff got it," said Whyte, who hid heard the news when it was announced Tijesday morning. Whyte

works as the director of North America Maritime Security for Ecuadorian Line Inc. in Staten Island and often attends meetings of the Department of Homeland Security.

Whyte remembered Chertoff as someone who was friendly and always approachable. Mountainside Mayor Robert Viglianti also"

remembered Chertoff. "He's one of the most outstanding legal

minds that I have ever met," said Viglianti about Chertoff. "He's very respected as being a forceful, methodical attorney."

"He had no direct association with the Borough Council," Viglianti said, "but I followed his career. He's very highly regarded as a top notch attorney."

Viglianti said that Chertoff lived just a couple doors down from Police Chief James Debbie, up until about two-and-a-half years ago. At that point, Viglianti said, Chertoff moved Rabbi Samuel Rosenberg of Elizabeth to Westfield.

the Homeland Security position.

"He's quite an individual," he said. Chertoff was born in Blizabeth in 1953, the only child of Olivia and Rabbi Gershon Chertoff.

Chertoff was also a member of Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield, up until about two years ago. Audrey Napohen, executive director of the temple, said that Chertoff had his children bar- and bat-mitzvahed there. "We're very excited about it," said Napchen, on the morning of the announcement. She did not know anything further about him.

knew the family and said the senior Chertoff Viglianti said he would be the right guy for was a man of high intellect whose parents were also people of high intellect: "The rabbi," he said, "expected no less of his son, Michael."

> Michael Chertoff's grandfather and uncle were also rabbis. Rosenberg said Gershon Chertoff's dream was for his son to become a

> "Unfortunately, he did not live long enough to see it," said Rosenberg, who added that the senior Chertoff passed away five years

ago. A graduate of Harva Harvard Law School, Mich.

as a law clerk to Supre William J. Brennan before becoming an assistant U.S. attorney in Manhattan and then U.S. attorney in New Jersey in 1990. He also was a partner with Latham and Watkins in Newark.

Chertoff played a key prosecutorial role during the Whitewater investigation. In recent years, he was appointed by Bush as federal judge on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and was the director of the Justice Department's criminal division from 2001 to 2003.

Staff Writers Antione L. Herring and David Dankwa contributed to this report.

Walton contracts awarded

By Rick Khitich

After awarding a bid to TriCon Construction in November 2003 for work to start on the Edward V. Walton School, the Springfield Board of Education never expected that it wouldn't be until January 2005 that plans for the project would be finalized.

At this week's Board of Education meeting, two contracts were awarded that mark the very beginning of a project that is a long time in the making. While G. Pacillo Contracting was awarded a bid of \$3,658,000 and William Scotsman was swarded a bid of \$5,918,785, the bidding process

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According to both combined considerations in the both will include amounts in combined and purpose room that is pu ities, by 30 feet.

Inside the crowded media center at Josephen Dayton High School where the Monday school board meeting took place, many questions th from persons whose chilldrea will be affected by the construc-tion, including inquiries regarding a timeline.

According to Board Administrator Matthew Clarke, the completion date given to the contractors is Aug. 15 of Water School are at the second second The suchorium was supposed to be a separate building Within? milition, the project has now been cut.

this year. If the deadline is not met. the recourse is \$400 each day it takes to complete the project after that deadline. Weather, along with other materials not within their control, does not count as working days toward the deadline.

The result of the project is a shifting in grade levels throughout the entire district. Walton will be home to first- and second-graders, as well

as their prekindergarten and kindergarten programs, while James Caldwell and Thelms L. Sandmele schools will become third-, fourthand fifth-grade buildings. Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, which currently holds grades five the eight, will become a sixth- through eighth-grade facility.

"We still have all the things nocessary for a fine building," said

Board President Irwin Sablosky. adding that most of the pieces of the project that were left off the list were seathstic. The multi-purpose room; be said was the most major pro-that with here to be stoned about

Superintendent Michael Davino said that more updates will be give; to the public with cars and every board mostling fidth it has it prob-

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The Walton project is part of the districtwide school renovation and construction referendum which was approved by voters in January 2003.



By Rick Klittich Staff Writer

As something that has been part of recent township elections, the Springfield Township Committee has vowed to form some plan that could reshape the downtown area.

What that plan is however, is as unclear as to when it could begin. "We have to put a redevelopment plan together," said Mayor Sy Mullman. "It's going to take six months to

a year has to get going in the direction
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Apprecentative of a man who has
purchased much of the downtown

properly met with the committee Monday night, therigh not much progress seeined to be made. Accord-ing to stilling, it is inclear what the state to do with his sequired

"The Township Committee is tryng to move forward or the improveof of the downtown area," she said. Wate trying to find out the most

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Goldstein, who snet with a con-

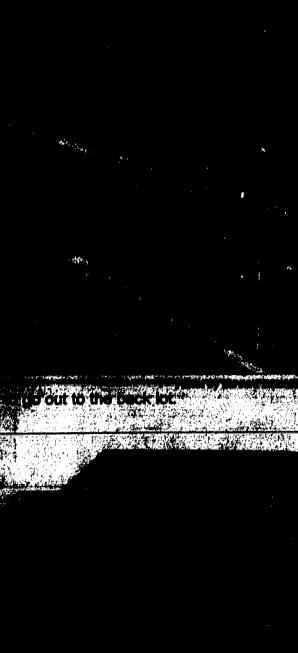
tor that is helping Livingston created downtown area, said their scale is different from Springfield's. While Goldstein was shown a very pot drawing of plans, nothing was don professionally enough to further consult with them regarding the township.

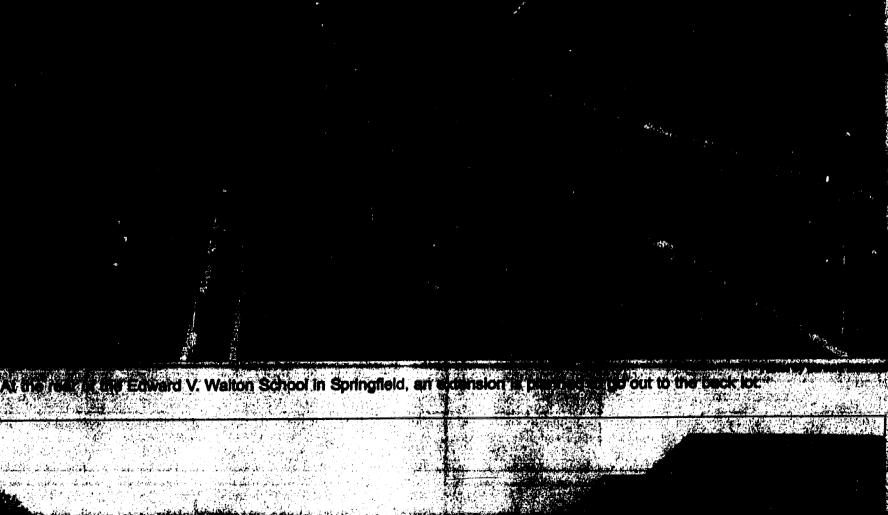
Township Attorney Bruce Bernen said that, after the Monday night mosting with the buyer's representative, it appears no game plan is in place just yet Much of the redevelopmen process, especially in its preliminary stages, will depend on the legalities of the development. Mullman said the committee

looked to find out what the buyer wanted to do and what he wanted from the township. However, there is still much to be answered.

While he hopes to eventually put together a committee dedicated to the downtown's redevelopment, the next step, according to Mullman, is to defer the project to the Planning Board.

No drawings of possible plans have been presented to the Township Com-





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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform res idents of various community activities and government meetings. To mail a schedule, send it to Echo Leader, Attn: managing editor, P.O. Box 3109,

· The Mountainside Recreation Department's Greeting Card Stamp Camp allows participants to make cards for birthdays, Christmas, Valentines Day or any occasion. The class will meet from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east in Mountainside. Classes are for adults and the registration fee is \$14

per person, per class. For information, call 908-232-0015.

Monday • The Springfield Clergy Association invites the public to join their gathering of students, scouts, musicians and vocalists from various houses of worship and the Springfield Community Children's Chorus to share Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision from 7 to 8 p.m. during the federal holiday marking his birthday. The program takes place at Springfield Emanuel Unit ed Methodist Church, 40 Church Mall in Springfield.

The Rev. Kathleen Stone, chaplain for the Church Center of the United Nations and Consultant for the World Council of Churches will also address the intergenerational gathering. Mayor Sy Mullman will also be present to greet the community on behalf of the Township Committee. Artwork from kindergarten students at Walton School, mobiles and short stories from students at Sandmeier School are among the contributions which will be showcased during the service.

The service also presents an opportunity to announce a scholarship which will be awarded next year to students who have modeled Dr. King's principles within the community. Call 973-376-1695 for information

Tuesday

• The Mountainside Borough Council will meet in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east at 8 p.m. Upcoming

· Once a month, the Great Books Discussion Group meets to examine the great books of Western civilization. The group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. at 10

For information, call 973-376-4930.

Jan. 21 · Rick Recht, the top-touring musician in Jewish music, will bring his "Shabbat Alive!" service to Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Ave., Springfield, at 8 p.m. This program is sponsored by the Rita and Ed

Rick Recht's "Shabbat Alive!" family service will be an interactive, spiritual, musical sabbath service involving the participation of the Temple Youth Groups and Junior Choir.

The community is invited to the "Shabbat Alive!" service.

For information, call the temple office at 973-379-5387 or send a message by e-mail to office@shaarey.org. Information is also available on the temple Web site, www.shaarey.org.

• The Booster at Governor Livingston High School, 175 Watchung Blvd. Berkeley Heights, invites the public to Super Saturday. The day kicks off with a Family Pancake Breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. The Highlander Market, featuring many items for sale, runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition, food, fun. games and activities are scheduled between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

A variety of athletic match-ups will be scheduled throughout the day. To be part of the Highlander Market, call Adrienne Trivella at 908-464-4520. Jan. 23

· A reception to meet Jim Fuess, artist of "The Beach Show," exhibit will be conducted from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Donald B. Falmer Ministern of the Springfield Free Public Library, 56 Mountain Ave. The exhibit paintings will be displayed through Feb. 24.

Jan. 24 • The Springfield Board of Education will meet in the instructional media

Jan. 25 • The Mountainside Board of Education will meet at Beechwood School, 1487 Woodacres Drive at 8 p.m.

· Participants in the "Owl Prowl" at Trailside Nature & Science Center. 45% New Providence Road in Mountainside can learn about the different species of owls that reside in the Watchung Reservation from 7 to 8 p.m. Following a brief slide presentation, participants will hike to known owl prowling grounds. This program is for children, ages 6 and older, with an

adult and requires pre-registration. The fee is \$5 per person for Union County residents and \$6 per person for non-county residents. Call 908-789-3670 for information.

 Marc Jaffe will be sharing personal anecdotes from his summer experience in Athens, where he served as the team chiropractor for the 540-member USA Olympic Team at the 2004 Summer Olympics.

The presentation takes place at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, at 8 p.m.

A Summit chiropractor, Jaffe specializes in sports medicine and was one of only eight chiropractors ever selected to represent the United States at an Olympic event in an official capacity. Jaffe will tell his perspective of the lewish athletes with whom he interacted.

For information, call the temple office at 973-376-0539 ext. 11.

· Adults and children of all ages are invited to discover the natural world by using the senses of sight, sound, touch and small in Outdoor Adventures, a program offered at Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside from 10 to 11 a.m. Learn how animals depend on their senses to survive by playing interactive games such as "Raccoon Paws," "Camouflage" and "Bat and Moth." Call 908-789-3670 for information.

• The Springfield Board of Education will meet in the instructional media center of Jonathan Dayton High School, 139 Mountain Ave., at 7:30 p.m.

• The Mountainside Board of Education will meet in the media center of Beechwood School, 1487 Woodacres Drive, at 8 p.m.

Feb. 22

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

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Man arrested for drug possession

· Newark resident Varnell Gaither, 40, was arrested on Route 22 east on Jan. 5 at 5:30 p.m. for possession of drug paraphernalia and two outstanding warrants.

Gaither was in possession of white, powdery substance in a glass vial, along with drug paraphernalia. · Ligia Larranhondo, 25, of Linden, was arrested by Cranford police on a warrant out of Moun-

tainside at 2:17 p.m. Jan. 4. David Campbell, 48, of Irvington, was arrested on Route 22 east after being stopped for speeding on west after being pulled over for Jan. 5 at 12:30 a.m.

Campbell was found by police to be driving while intoxicated. • At 8:55 a.m. Jan. 7, Manuel Merchan-Silvo, 40, of Newark, was arrested on an outstanding warrant

out of Mountainside.

POLICE BLOTTER

Jan. 9 at 1:37 p.m. for driving while under the influence, making an unsafe lane change, being an unlicensed driver, an uninsured motorist and consumption of an the Route 22 east Guitar Center.

alcoholic beverage in the vehicle. • Omar Miles, 29, of Irvington, was arrested on Route 22 east Jan. 9 at 10:58 p.m. for possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana. Park Drive parking lot on Saturday Vladimir Yunga, 23, of North

hitting a patrol car. Yunga was found to be driving while intoxicated.

Springfield

FIRE BLOTTER

field Police Sunday at 5:52 p.m. in the Route 22 7-Eleven parking lot for receiving stolen property, shoplifting more than \$500 and conspiracy to commit shoplifting. The location of the offenses was

Underwood was also charged

with possession of drug parapher-• A 2002 Cadillac Escalade was reported stolen from the Briant

Carolina, was arrested on Route 22 at 4:26 p.m. · Newark resident Brian Burton veering between lanes and almost 43, was arrested Friday at 1:03 p.m at the Westfield Police Departme for a warrant out of Mountains

. Darryl Barr, 35, of News was arrested Friday at 11:40 a.m. Brian Thomas, 36, Timothy the Newark Police Department • Jean Jacques, 29, of Asbury Mungo, 40, Herbert Hall, 52, and an outstanding warrant out Park, was arrested on Route 22 east Larry Underwood, 49, all from Mountainside.

Vehicle strikes pedestrian, brings FD

Springfield #

At 4:55 p.m. Jan. 3, Springfield firefighters responded to Morris Avenue and Short Hills Avenue for a pedestrian struck by a vehicle.

No serious injuries were reported. · Firefighters responded to South Springfield Avenue and Schaffernof Avenue for a motor vehicle accident with injuries Friday at 2:55 p.m.

• On Friday at 7:59 a.m., firefighters responded to a Morris Avenue business lot for a motor vehicle accident with injuries. On Jan. 6 at 3:27 p.m., firefight-

ers responded to Edward V. Walton School for a medical service call. Firefighters responded to a Maple Avenue residence for a furnace problem at 11:33 p.m. Jan. 5.

On Jan. 5 at 3:07 p.m., firefighters responded to a Colonial Terrace residence for a welfare check of the • On van. 4 at 4:06 p.m., firefight-

ers responded a ladder truck to a structure fire in Mountainside on a request from County Mutual Aid. • At 10:18 a.m. Jan. 4, firefighters

responded to a Garden Oval resi-

the scene, fire officers determined • Firefighters responded to Morris Avenue and Meisel Avenue for a utility pole fire. • At 11:09 a.m. Jan. 3, firefighters responded to a Brown Avenue busi-

ness for a medical service call. • Firefighters responded to Cottler Avenue for a motor vehicle accident with a spill Jan. 2 at 2:26 p.m. Mountainside

At 7:04 p.m. Jan. 3, firefighters responded to a report of a transformer fire and downed high tension wires located on Route 22 east, in the vicinity of the Garden State Parkway. age. At the scene, fire officers found that an electrical transformer on a

utility pole had shorted and the downed, sparking, high tension wires created daylight in the early evening. ers helped move the elderly residents, Route 22 eastbound traffic was because elevators were not in use due stopped and re-routed through New to a local electrical power failure. Providence Road and Mountain Avenue until necessary repairs were

that malfunctioning electrical circuits in the fire alarm panel activated the fire alarm. The building manager was advised to contact the fire alarm company to make any necessary repairs to the fire alarm panel.

located on Route 22 westbound. On

· At 3:54 p.m. Jan. 4, firefighters responded to a report of a fire at a manufacturing facility located on Glen Road. The minor fire, contained in a stell heat treating unit and filter box, was quickly extinguished. The manufacturing building sustained some minor water and smoke dam-

· At 10:10 p.m. Jan. 3, firefighters responded to an elder care facility located on Poute 22 westbound to assist relocating residents. Firefight-• On Jan. 3 at 7:09 p.m., firefight-

ers responded to an activated Central made by the utility company emer- Station alarm at the Children's Specialized Hospital located on New • On Jan. 5 at 3:49 a.m., firefight- Providence Road. A local electrical ers responded to an activated fire power surge activated the fire alarm.

dence for a medical service call. Katzourin selected for Student Leadership Conference

Morey Katzourin of Springfield, class of 2011, has been selected to perticipate in the Junior National Student States Secretary of State Madeleine Loyola University Chicago School of Leadership Conference, an extraordi- Albright, former Attorney General Law. "They leave with a true feeling of Katzourin of Springfield. While attending the JNSLC, Kat-

zourin will have the opportunity to study, experience and develop the House officials, add a sense of reality skills and traits that define and identify a leader. This year, approximately 1,500 gifted middle school students from across the United States and from 45 countries around the world will find themselves immersed in a learning environment unlike any they have ever experienced. These young leaders return to their schools with increased potential and newly developed abilities

difference in their communities. During the conference, students attend special workshops and classes ership. Special guest speakers that in previous years have included United States Surgeon General Richard H.

that enable them to make a positive

Bank James Wolfensohn and Supreme Court Justices Anthony Kennedy, Sandra Day O'Connor and David Souter, as well as world-renowned surgeons, international medical researchers, ambassadors, Pentagon and White

and bring current national and international issues to life. Through participation in this program, students develop their abilities to think on their feet, to engage in critical analysis and to communicate effectively — skills that will serve them well as leaders in high school, college and throughout their lives. The INSLC mission is to identify and recognize outstanding young leaders from around the world and to provide them with a unique learning environment that encourages not only academic

where they study distinctions of lead- achievements, but also diversity, cooperation and social responsibility. "Students develop a sense of inde-pendence and responsibility," said Paul

Carmona, United States Secretary of M. Lisnek, the INSLC director of sca-Education Rod Paige, former United demics and former assistant dean of their ability to handle the challenges

The INSLC offers leadership conferences on Government in Action Diplomacy & the World, Life Sciences and Discovering Leadership.

Pat Cooper concert offered by Knights

Springfield Knights of Columbus will present "Pat Cooper in Concert." Feb. 26, at a cost of \$72.50 per person. The cost includes meal, show, bur transportation and all taxes and gratuities. Seats are limited on a first come.

For reservations, call Tony

Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social - Friday. noon. Entertainment - Friday, noon. Sports - Monday, noon. Letter to the

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Cops get commended for accomplishments

By Rick Klittich

With the highest attendance at a Mountainside Borough Council meeting coming at the turn of the year for the reorganization meeting, Mayor Robert Viglianti said he prefers to present Police Department commendations during a time when much of the community can recognize officers' efforts firsthand. "I think it's important for anybody who has done a good job to be recog-

nized," Viglianti said, "and even more so with emergency services. So often, we take them for granted." This year, five commendations were given, beginning with Patrolman Jeffrey

Stinner, who noticed a vehicle being operated in a careless manner while on patrol along Route 22 west on the night of Sept. 4. After stopping the vehicle, Stinner realized the driver was intoxicated. Upon

exiting the vehicle, the officer said the driver refused to remove his right hand from his pocket. After removing his hand for him, Stinner discovered 41 bags of rock cocaine,

leading to the man's arrest. At headquarters, it was determined that both the driver and passenger were wanted for other criminal activities in different jurisdictions, as well.

"For Petrolinan Jeffrey Stinner's attentiveness and perseverance, we award him the Department Commendation," Viglianti said.

In February of 2004, the owner of a large business in the borough spoke with Detective Corporal Kenneth Capobianco and Detective Michael Jackson regarding suspicions that his comptroller may have made incorrect transactions. After a lengthy investigation of business records, it was determined that the suspect had, in fact, embezzled more than \$750,000 from the company. After serving a search warrant on the suspect's home, the detectives recovered more than \$60,000 in cash, a new Mercedes Benz and many records showing where much of the money had gone.

The investigative techniques of both detectives, Viglianti said, "reflects the professionalism of the Mountainside Police Department."

A third commendation was awarded to the same detectives for identifying a burglary suspect and obtaining a search warrant for his home within 24 hours of the robbery. Thousands of dollars of stolen property were recovered, as well as more than one pound of marijuana. The arrested suspects eventually gave a complete confession that led to the solving of many other burglaries in the surrounding towns.

In early April, Patrolman Michael Pasquale noticed a vehicle parked in a suspicious manner in the parking lot of Loews Theater on Route 22. After a computer check, it was determined that the car was stolen earlier in the day. Sergeant Allan Attanasio and Corporal Kevin Betyeman, who were given certificates of recognition, came to supply backup, and after three hours, three males entered the vehicle. All units converged on the vehicle and the suspects were arrested.

The final commendation awarded by Viglianti was in regards to Cole Barrier, a Governor Livingston High School student who broke through two large glass pane windows of a residence. Patrolman John Philippakos received backup from Sergeant Andrew Sullivan, Corporal Richard Latargia and Patrolman Michael Perrota, who received certificates of recognition, and the officers entered through a window to locate what they saw, at the time, as a burglary sus-

"Seeing the young man," Viglianti said of Barrier, who was found lying in a pool of his own blood, "their course of action turned from arrest of a burglary

suspect to the rescue of a disturbed young man." While the incident ended tragically, the officers on duty responded and took not only appropriate action, but were courageous in pursuing the events through-

out the Mountainside home, Viglianti said. "It's an honor for me to acknowledge them for their outstanding efforts throughout the year," Police Chief James Debbie said. "They're doing a fantas-

Tours of fitness room offered

The Semor Pitness Room provides Vica Tours have been which the Jah seniors with an opportunity to 25 at 2:30 p.m. These tours include a improve and maintain a healthy demonstration of the proper use of the lifestyle through the use of state-of-equipment. Call the Recreation Office

the-art fitness equipment.

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ough Hall has treadmills, an elliptical a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Memberships for machine, a stationary bike, a multistation gym, a boxing heavy beg and

Free Senior Pitness Room Orienta-

able at the Recreation Office. Policy on wedding notices

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announce-ments to the lifestyle editor. Announcements should be typed and double-

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er and town where located, job title, and the date of merriage.

Information requested for weddings are parents names, date of wedding, where the wedding took place, who officiated, who attended the bride and groom, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title, and where the couple honey-mound and will reside. For information, call 908-586-7700.

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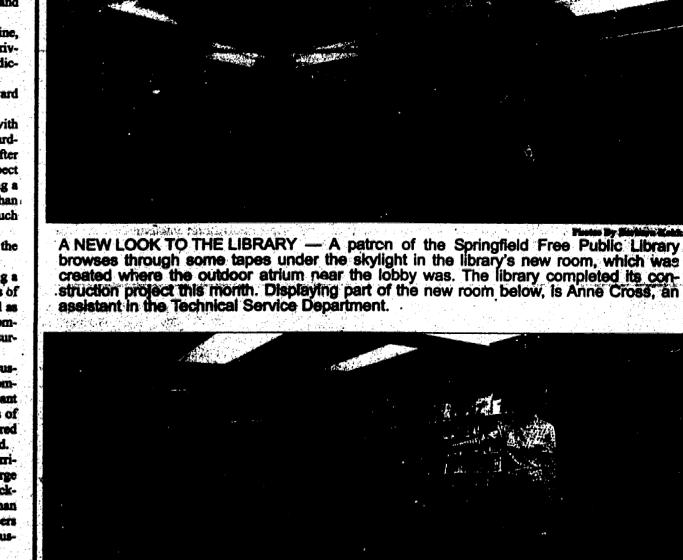
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NEWS CLIPS

Senior Club meets The Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside meets the second and fourth

Friday of the month at Community Presbyterian Church, Deer Path and Meeting House Lane, at noon.

The first meeting to be conducted in the new year, 2005, will be Friday and will be a social. The Jan. 28 meeting will be then

popular Bingo games.

Club

For information on joining the club, call 908-233-6280. Springfield Seniors

seeks new members If any senior citizen is looking for something to do in their spare time, the Springfield Senior Citizens Club is

looking for some new members. They are located at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield. There are four senior groups, who meet twice a month. The groups have speakers, parties, play Bingo, etc. If interested, call Theresa at 973-912-2227 or just stop in and visit on either a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thurs-

The price to join their groups is \$6 per year to cover cost of coffee and Everyone brings a sandwich and

they enjoy lunch together. There are many activities throughout the year. Members go on day trips, have parties on special holidays, card

playing, a choir to join, etc. Anyone interested is invited to come as a guest and see their groups in

Program uncovers Watchung owl species

Participants in "Owl Prowl," a program offered by Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside can learn about the different species of owls that reside in the Watchung Reservation on Jan. 26 from 7 to 8 p.m.

Following a brief slide presentation, participants will hike to known owl prowling grounds.

This program is for children, ages 6 and older, with an adult and requires pre-registration. The fee is \$5 per person for Union County residents and \$6 per person for non-county residents. Prailside is a facility of the Union

Call 908-789-3670 for information

Scrapbooking classes preserve memories

The room is located at Borough Sign up for a scrapbooking class Hall, 1385 Route 22 cest in Mountainand learn how to create a book that will preserve memories for generations to

people ages 44 and older are \$50 per The one-night class will meet in the Borough Hall Community Room, 1385 Route 22 east in Mountainside from

7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$12 per peron. Classes will meet on Feb. 11. Carolyn Williams will lead the class. Enrollment is limited, so don't delay. Call 908-232-0015, for information or

a registration form.

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make our community into a place seniors can call

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EDITORIALS

Refreshing candor

While taxpayers throughout the state have been feeling the economic pinch of living in New Jersey, there are few towns that have politicians who can give a straightforward reason for the tax increases.

Mountainside appears to be unique in that its mayor for 17 years, Robert Viglianti, has increasingly been offering the public detailed and refreshingly plain-spoken explanations for the large tax increases that the town has been experiencing. Granted, the source of the blame is usually the state, county or federal government, but it is worth noting that not many local politicians will come right out and say their taxes keep rising.

Viglianti lays out the hard numbers, which for most taxpayers, would be difficult to accept, since the figures are fairly high for the state-mandated library funding increase, storm sewer mapping plan and the new recycling contract. But the strength in not sugarccating the news and beating around the bush is that taxpayers have a concrete, realistic picture of what the increase is and why it's happening. This is often much more than we get from politicians who skate around the issue. Since local politicians are often the only people the public can get an answer from when it comes to tax increases, it makes sense for that answer to be as clear as possible.

Let's hear it for refreshing candor.

A standout feat

During the recent Joseph Pepe Memorial Tournament in Springfield, there was one player whose achievements helped make the victory of the Bulldogs girls basketball team that much sweeter.

Cristin Zavocki, a senior point guard for the team, surpassed the 1,000 point milestone in the season-opener against the Union Catholic High School team. Zavocki netted a team-high 20 points and scored her 1,000th point on a layup in the first quarter. Overall, the Bulldogs team performed spectacularly, capturing the tournament and ending on top by beating Westfield High School, St. Mary's of Elizabeth and St. Patrick's.

It's a grand beginning for a young rising star.

The dream survives

Although it's been nearly 37 years since Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., the impact of his words and the message they carried are still felt. King epitomized the racial and social struggle being fought more than any other man in the 20th century, a battle not of blood but ideas. His quest for racial parity in the 1960s has become the stepping stone for equality sought for all races, sects or

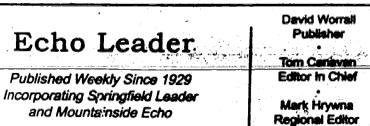
Born in Atlanta on Jan. 15, 1929, King was the eldest son of a Baptist minister. After earning degrees at Morehouse College, Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania and Boston University, he began to more fully use his publicspeaking abilities to advance the growing civil rights move-

Perhaps King's most eloquent speech was at the March to Washington in 1963, the same year he was named Time magazine's Man of the Year. He told the audience of thousands. "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." This became his legacy and a call for freedom often repeated

Much has happened in the four decades since that march, and not all of it good. While blacks and other minorities have seen their rights and place in our society improve, there is still a wall that separates races and creeds, just as there is a wall that separates the haves from the have-nots. Although the spirit of national unity burned strongly after Sept. 11, 2001, it faded far too quickly.

However, King's message was not simply of the survival of blacks, but of all races and cultures through love. "This hope is our hope," he said in 1963, "This is the faith that I go back to the south with. And with this faith, we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day."

His was a call for all people, black and white, Jews and Gentiles. Protestants and Catholics. to put their differences aside and celebrate what they held in common with one another: love of their brother, their family and an honest desire that everyone would know true freedom.



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SEWING WITH SIM-PLICITY — Members of Girl Scout Troop 599 of Mountainside show off the Simplicity pattern that Fabricland gifted each girl last week after their 'Sew Simple' tour. top left are: Colleen Tedesco, Kim Samantha Jennifer Romano and Jennifer Quaglia. From bottom are: Samantha Frungillo, Alexa Rocha. Mackenzie Liss, Katarina Stankov and Briana Spadaccini.

State mandates keep adding to taxpayers' burden

ated version of a speech delivered at the annual reorganization meeting for the Mountainside Borough

If we were not confronted with mandates, new laws and rulings from the county, state and federal governments, it would have been a great year last year when Mountainside had to for Mountainside. So often you hear again go out for bids to comply with higher elected officials speak about our recycling mandate we were faced containing property taxes. In the vast majority of cases, a large portion of local tax increases result from mandates from these other jurisdictions

One example this year is the new state law regarding storm sewers. Within the next five years, Mountainside and all communities in the state of New Jersey, plus the counties, will have to do a complete mapping of its entire storm sewer system to replace all the existing street grates, and eventually do filtering of each of these receptacles. And put into place a maintenance program for cleaning them and the streets. Our anticipated cost for implementing this program over the next five years will exceed \$1/2 maintenance; to start the cost will be about \$200 per year per home. Then the cost will be approximately \$80 per

Also, due to a formula, created by the state of New Jersey in 1935, regarding the amount of money a: community contributes to support its ies. library, Mountainside's state-mandated obligations last year and this year have now equated to a \$106,000 year- must put a stop to this. They must real-Mountainside must comply with. It responsible for all of these commiswill result in another tax increase of 2.5 points per year or \$48 per year, per

Our present recycling system which was originally mandated by the state through the county was a hastily arrived-at plan put together at the eleventh hour by the county. A vast majority of the program has failed and

The Borough By Robert Viglianti

with only one bidder. The rest had gone out of business. The result was either accept this bid or not comply with both the state and county. That bid had an increase of \$75,000 for the year, which equates to almost 2 tax points for the taxpayer or another tax

increase of \$40 per home. Through a law suit instituted by The American Littoral Society, the NJDEP and represented by The Law Clinic at Rutgers University, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority is now faced with having to do renovations to its facility to the tune of approximately \$200 million. While we are seeking aid from the state and federal government. The bottom line is, if no aid is given, the cost to the Mountainside residents, in the next two to three years, will be an approximately \$400 to \$600 tax increase per year, per

As you can see these are but a few examples where property taxes are increasing significantly, and yet none of it is due to the local governing bod-

Our state and federal elected officials must finally realize that they "It was not us, it was this commission the four districts of Berkeley Heights, helping thy neighbor, whil sions and agencies and it is too simple and too easy for them to say we didn't do it. They must stand up and put an end to this passing of the buck.

2004 saw further successes for Mountainside in its attempts to ensure that it receives its full share of the financial benefits resulting from the dissolution of the former Union Coun-

approximately \$8.5 million as its full Mountainside was forced to litigate this issue, and eventually was success- share of the liquid assets of the former ful when, in 2001, the New Jersey

limit what would be included as liquid

assets to be redistributed to Mountain-

side and Garwood. That dispute

resulted in two years of further pro-

ceedings before the commissioner of

education and the state Board of Edu-

cation. In February 2004, the commis-

sioner adopted the favorable recom-

mendation of the administrative law

judge, and in August 2004, the State

Under the State Board's decision,

all funds remaining in the hands of the

pending lawsuit against the district,

are to be paid to Mountainside and

In April 2004, Mountainside

received a payment of \$438,680.36

from the fiscal agent. It is anticipated

that the fiscal agent will eventually

pay another \$1.5 million to Mountain-

Clark, Springfield and Kenilworth.

ment was received in April 2004 and

received more than \$1.5 million

toward its share of liquid assets of the

former district. Once the decision of

the State Board is fully implemented,

the second in October.

payments will total

Mountainside did explore whether Supreme Court ruled that all liquid the parties might be able to avoid the assets should go to Mountainside and to Garwood, split on a 76 percent/24 continuing costs of litigating the matter, now before the Appellate Division percent basis. That ruling required that of the Superior Court. Specifically, we four of the districts repay to Mounmade preliminary inquiries as to they had previously received. It also whether the four districts would agree required that the fiscal agent for the not to pursue an appeal of the State former district pay over to Mountain-Board's decision in exchange for an agreement to allow the four districts a side and Garwood monies that he was onger time period over which to repay the amounts owed to Mountain-Following the Supreme Court's side and Garwood. decision, the four districts sought to

> From the response received to those inquiries, we have concluded that no such resolution is likely.

While the beginning of this report may have seemed gloomy, I must admit it is extremely frustrating for me to see what outside forces do to communities such as Mountainside. While I'm sure that each of these agencies and commissions feel that they are Board affirmed the commissioner's doing what is best for our society. I often wonder if they really know where the money is coming from and what type of burden they do place on fiscal agent, after resolution of one the taxpayer.

It is also upsetting that these are faceless people, who we never elected and for the most part we don't even know who they are, have such extreme powers to put together rules and regulations that eventually cost you and ! hundreds and hundreds of dollars and never have to face nor answer the pub-

In addition, Mountainside is to While no one is against saving our ly increase for the funding of the ize that they can no longer keep saying, receive 10 semiannual payments from environment, while no one is against \$574,925.11 every six months over the for all come to the conclusion that next five years. The first such pay- government cannot be all things to all-

> It just cannot work.... The average Thus, in 2004 Mountainside taxpayer cannot afford it.

> > Robert Viglianti is the mayor of

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep letters more local, less political

Why is Hazel Hardgrove not a columnist? When looking at definitions of a "letter to the editor," it is noted that letters are written in a way of talking to the newspaper or other printed communication In talking to the newspaper, the subject matter is generally connected to what the newspaper is writing about. In this case, the local news of Springfield and Mountainside.

Ms. Hardgrove continues to use this paper as her own personal column for her geo-political views and I am astonished that this paper provides that forum week after week with unprecedented frequency when it is clear that it is selfserving and provides nothing unique. These letters are the reconfigured writings of Maureen Dowd, Jeffrey Saches and Phil Krugman. Does Ms. Hardgrove think the citizens of Springfield are so dumb that we don't source these opinions through the typical national outlets such as the New York Times and TV networks? Is it even remotely insightful that the commentary of national editorial be regurgitated in our local "letters to the editor?"

Ms. Hardgrove's recent letter of Jan. 6 regarding the tsunami disaster is the latest example. She pontificates Bush's initial pledge was wrong and we should not be fighting the terrorists in Iraq or facilitating a task to create a terrible thing called democracy by eliminating any evil people who want to kill us and our children. "The tsunami and Iraq," well it didn't take long.

Yes, we all know she hates the Bush administration and the fact that she lost the election. I am sure that "election fraud and tsunamis" will be the next letter, She is quick to cite dollar figures spent and the initial tsunami analysis. She should know that our citizens are confident, and know that we will be carrying 40 percent of the load for humanitarian efforts in the initial going, with \$350 million from the government and a projected match from the private sector that is already at \$350 million. The military she mentions will be that incredible carrier group, that shining light and technological difference to humanitarian success in Southeast Asia that actually makes the money actionable, the one that no other country could ever muster. The carrier group will probably be an additional \$100 million by year's end. Over the next 10 years, at least 60 percent will come from us, that we know.

By the way, our military can chew gum and well at the same time. Her Jan. column closes with the notion that the tsunami violinia deserve more than the quagmired warning efforts now going on in Iraq harmpered by insurgents and

constant shootings. I guess she does not realize that 100,000 persons a year die n Indonesia alone, the result of insurgents. The immediate financial analysis that she demands from the Bush administration is ironic, coming from someone whose record shows she would rather our local school budget take a decade to be looked over and voted on. She has plenty of fervor to promote the spending of the federal government's money, but is more than vociferous to scrutinize at great length every nickel spent on the local schools and sidewalks. I this really

Regardless of our differing political points of view, the "letter to the editor" space should not be a vehicle for one to continue their journalism career on a defacto basis during retirement. I do not want to silence Ms. Hardgrove, I would actually buy this paper to read her column. Please hire Ms. Hardgrove and give her a column to pursue these efforts so the citizens can delineate between the demagoguery and people participating in the town square on an "equal basis." Leave the "letter to the editor" space for commentary on the happenings of our community. Don't let the Echo Leader become the "Echo Chamber."

Springfield

Thanks to you, we exceeded our goal On behalf of the Mountainside Twig of the Children's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary, I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our December

Because of the generosity of the wonderful women in attendance and the donations by Douglas Cosmetics, Trader Joe's, and Williams Sonoma of West-

field, we exceeded our goal. We will be donating 100 percent of the money raised to purchase two voice synthesized computer devices to be used by the Educational Technology Department of Children's Specialized Hospital. The services of this department enable children, with a wider range of physical and communication impairments, to achieve socially and educationally, to the highest of their potential.

It was a pleasure working with the Mountainside Twigs and enjoying a

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Summit Sale Days begin Summit Sale Days return to down-

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town Summit today, Friday and Saturday with an abundance of quality items, all at reduced prices.

Sale Days shoppers will find bargains in more than 50 stores and businesses, including clothing, sportswear, footwear, gifts and accessories, jewelry, house wares, sporting goods, items for seasonal entertaining and much more. Summit Sales Days is the traditional "end of the season" sale. Many stores are open late tonight

for shopping convenience. Many of those stores that are open on Sundays and on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday will also celebrate

Sale Days on Monday and Tuesday. Shoppers are encouraged to plan on spending the day and having lunch or dinner in one of Summit's many

The five downtown Park & Shop lots offer free parking for shoppers and, after 5 p.m., perking is free at all the street meters as well. Parking is free after 3 p.m. in the Tier Garage and the Broad Street Garage every week-

well as on the Martin Luther King Jr. ty.

Luther King Jr. Day of Service will be

ing throughout the city. All are invited

to volunteer for an hour, serve for a

All events are open to the public.

eral drop-off sites will be in place to

provide the needy with necessities. If

possible, please drop-off items accord-

· Drop off blankets, sheets, towels,

ing to type and activity as follows:

travel-size toiletries - including

small bottles of hand sanitizers - dia-

Global Literacy Project, which fosters

throughout the world.

• Help neighbors in need. Drop off

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able food items to Mount Olive Tem-

the movies at Calvary Episcopal

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community-based literacy initiatives

Troops, 396 Brood St

As part of the Day of Service, sev-

day and change for a lifetime.

of service they have contributed to the community. From left are student Victor Haas, advisors AnnMarie Christou and Kimberly Stephens, student Rachel Constant, advisor Steffany Baptiste and student Emily Blagdon. Students honored for service

Participants in the eighth-grade community service pro- the middle school has committed to the pledge.

Participants in the eighth-grade community service program at Lawton C. Johnson Summit

Middle School were treated by their advisors to a pancake breakfast in honor of the hours

the Tier Garage at the upper levels and gram at Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School were at the Broad Street Garage. Parking is treated by their advisors to a pancake breakfast in honor of principal, and teacher Deirdre Kennedy. The program is also free everywhere on Sundays as the hours of service they have contributed to the communi-

Through the Community Service program, eighth-

The program is organized by Emile George, assistan conducted through the homerooms as part of the eighthgrade advisory program. Student Council advisory and industrial arts teacher

graders pledge to donate to the community 20 hours of their Mike Ryder also assists in promoting the program and time during the school year. Almost every eighth grader at encouraging student volunteers.

City prepares for Martin Luther King events

offered Tuesday with events happen. DVD, the makings of a refreshing beverage and a snack to bring a couple Ave. Volunteer to lay down chip trails lowed by music and song orchestrated of hours of simple delights, rest and in the arboretum's woodlands in by Bill Robinson relaxation to the U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. Donations will be nd Field Guide. packed and shipped directly to troops overseas through the Summit-based organization, Summit Supports Our

> Jensey Center for Visual Arts joins The Seniors' Art and Relaxation Workshop

instruction and exhibition Themes Member condition DVDs to the Smoonit Pies sented in his life's year.

· Give a book and encourage literaand families in need through programs cy abroad. Drop off hew or good con-such as SAGE's Meals-On-Wheels, dition classic books suitable for all Spend-A-Day, BRIDGES and other outreach programs. Space is limited so ages to the Summit YMCA, 67 Maple St. English language and Spanish language books are appreciated. All · Participate in a "Heroes and donations of books will support the

Heroines Family Read-a-Thon" spongored by the Summit Public Library ter Book Club from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Summit children in prekindergarren through fifth grade can pick up

"Heroes and Heroines" book lists and ple, 217 Morris Ave., for lovel families . reading time loss at the Summit Pub-

a.m. to soon through Tuesday. Volun- library by 5 p.m. Sunday. Mayor Jorteens are needed Tuesday at each loca- dan Glatt will present a special book tion. To perticipate in any of the folprize and framed certificate to the lowing activities, register early at mikchild in each grade who spent the most spanning and com or call Shaping small Together at 908-277-4400. time reading during the read-a-thon. The awards ceremony will be conducted at City Hall's Council Cham-Support a "BRIDGES Rise" from 9 a.m. to noon at Christ Church, 561 Springfield Avg. Volimiser to sort bers on MLK Jr. Day of Service, Tues-

sees, prepare targets beg meals to be for many years and now director of the transported on a BRIDGES Run to Saddle Brook Public Library, will homelast friend in New act and ire share some of her experiences grow-

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The activity is weather-dependent. Call the arboretum at 908-273-8787 during the morning of Jan. 17 to confirm conditions. Volunteers must be able to handle adult-size wheelbar-• From 11 a.m. to noon, set the

Senior Housing Complex opposite the Volunteer to be a teacher's helper in Ballation of all ages are toddlers, preschoolers and prekinder.

Children and adults of all ages are toddlers, preschoolers and prekinder.

A "Program of Remembrance"

invited to perform a "skit" or ageappropriate recital for the children that my inspire a love for creative expres-

versations: Discussions of Diversity" at Temple Sinal of Summit, 208 Summit Ave. Sample a session of the Summit Study Circles initiative facilitated by the Rev. Robert Morris of Interweave and Janet Maulbeck of The

pate in the guided group discussions about the issues and opportunities facing the community in the areas of diversity and social justice.

place from noon to 1 p.m. at Temple leaders for a free hot luncheon cooked and served by volunteers. • From 1 to 2:15 p.m., a "Celebra-

tion of Community Service" takes place at Temple Sinai of Summit, 208 Join them for a festival of music

and song featuring: Mayor Jordan Glaft and Councilmen Andy Lark pro-Alma Henderson, a part-time children's librarian at the Summit library
se for many years and now director of the
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ness? The Challenge Ahead," fol-A presentation of the "Hero'

essays written by Summit Middle School sixth-graders will also be featured in the program. The presentation is sponsored the Character Counts! program of the Summit Municipal Alliance To Pre-

vent Substance Abuse • From 1 to 6:30 p.m., the public for an interpenerational art project at stage for a day in the life of a child at can participate in the community 12 Chestinit Ave. in the Summit The Learning Circle, 95 Morris Ave. blood drive at the Grand Summit Hotel, 570 Springfield Ave. Sponsored

> A "Program of Remembrance Members of dramatic and musical will take place from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Chestnut Ave., sponsored Burgdorff Realtors ERA.

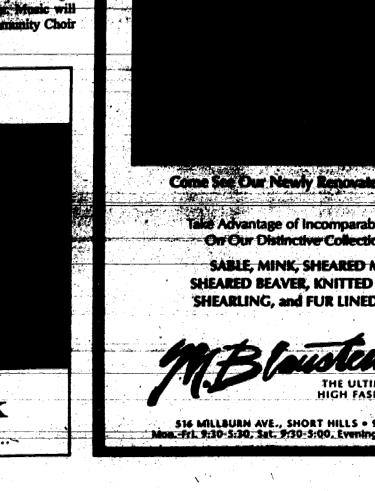
Join Summit residents, young and Id. in celebrating Dr. King & inc and • From 11 a.m. to noon, participate accomplishments with keynote speak-"Strengthening Community Con- er the Rev. Gregory Davis of Fountain Baptist Church,
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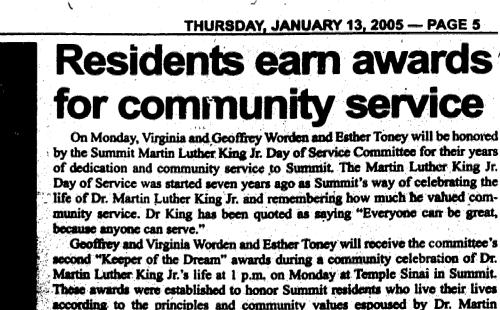
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can will be supplied by the Will Jacobiae unitie of the second Sunnan Commission Versin Luther King J. S. Fountain Baptis Courts 116 Gloraide

The event is jointly appeared by Fountain Bapaise Church the Tri-City Chapter of the New ACP and The Connection for Women and Families.





Luther King Jr. Virginia and Geoffrey have lived in Summit for more than 27 years and, over that time, they have served the community as committed volunteers in many capacities. Geoff and Virginia, better known as Ginger, are known for their ability to bring diverse groups of people together and are dedicated to reaching out to others to forge a "community" across boundaries of all kinds-including racial,

religious, economic and ethnic boundaries. The Wordens are perhaps best known for founding BRIDGES in 1988 BRIDGES is a community outreach program which provides food, clothing, blankets, personal care items and a sense of caring to more than 200 homeless people living on the streets of lower Manhattan and in shelters in Newark. Ginger served as president of BRIDGES for eight years until 1995. In addition to his work with BRIDGES, Geoff served for five years on the Board of Directors of the Washington, D.C.-based National Alliance to End Homelessness.

Geoff and Ginger have also been very actively serving the education community. Ginger has served on the Board of Trustees and as president of the Board for Kent Place School, as well as on the Board of Trustees and as president of the Board for Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

Ginger has served on the boards of trustees for the North Carolina Outward Bound School and the Expeditionary Learning Outward Bound, for which she currently serves as vice-chairwoman. Geoff-currently serves on the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee of Outward Bound USA. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the New York City Outward Bound and served as its chairman from 1996 to 2000.

New York City Outward Bound brings both traditional and innovative educational programming to New York City public school students, teachers and

Ginger and Geoff both believe in the value of diversity in bringing out the best in a community. They have demonstrated this belief by being a part of Summit's Valuing Diversity: Continuing Dialogue Committee. Geoff also served as its chairman for almost a decade until 2001 when it became the Mayor's Forum on Diversity. Ginger and Geoff have also demonstrated their commitment to their religious

community. They both studied theology at Union Theological Seminary and were ordained as interfaith ministers in 2003 at All Faith's Seminary International. Ginger and Geoff are members of Christ Church in Summit. Ginger grew up in Columbia, S.C. She earned a bacholor of arts from Randolph-Macon Woman's College, a master of arts in economics at Vanderbilt Uni-

versity and a juris doctorate at New York University. Gooff grew up and graduated from the Episcopal Academy in Merion, Pa. He studied electrical engineering at Cornell University, earned a bachelor of science in commerce and engineering from Drexel University and a master's degree in

business administration from the Harvard Business School. In 2002, Drexel University awarded him the Service to Community Award. Geoff is currently the president of South Street Capital Inc. Prior to South Street Capital, Geoff was a managing director and a member of the Board of Directors of Kidder, Peabody & Co.

In everything they have done, Ginger and Gooff have consistently served the community, with the understanding that Summit benefits from embracing its rich to community service, and life in the community, that has earned Ginger and Geoff Keeper of the Dream swards.

A Summit native, Eather Toney has worked in many capacities to support Summit. She is best known for her dedication to making the lives of children better. She has shown her commitment to serving the community through every facet of her life, professionally as well as personally.

Toney is best known and appreciated for her dedication to the education comnity, especially her support of early childhood education. Toney currently erves as the Home School advocate for the Summit Board of Education, Prior to becoming the Home School advocate, she served as assistant director for Summit Child Care Center's Wilson Center as well as the director of the Westfield Day Care Center, Summit Child Care Center's Hillview Center and Madion Day Care Center. Toney has also surved as either a teacher or tracher's assistant at the Madison Day Care Center, Unitarian Cooperative Nursery School Christ Church Nursery School and Summit YMCA.

Toney's commitment to helping children is also evidenced by her voluntee service as a member of the Boards of Directors for Summit Youth Services and The Learning Center, a member of Summit S4A Group, the New Jersey Statewide Coalition for Child Care and the Outreach Committee of the Summit YMCA. Toney has been actively involved Summit's religious community as a member of Fountain Baptist Church. She has served as the director of the Fountain Baptist Church Vacation Bible School planning committee for nine years.



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Registration for all Spring 1 programs classes conducted at the Springfield YMCA, located at 100

S. Springfield Ave., will take place this month.
Family members may register beginning Monday

at 6:30 a.m. General registration will begin Tuesday

at 6:30 a.m. Online registration is available to members with registered passwords. The Spring I session

A number of new preschool classes have been added and include: "Fairy Tale Princesses," a pro-

girls ages 4 to 6, will be conducted on Tuesdays.

from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. and runs for only five

runs Jan. 31 to April 10.

SENIOR NEWS

Speaker discusses spiritual journey

The Rev. Heidi B. Neumark will speak at the Tuesday meeting of the Summit Area Old Guard at the New Providence Municipal Center, 360 Elkwood Ave. at 10 a.m.

The Rev. Neumark will discuss her 20 years as told in her award-winning book, "A Spiritual Journey in the South Bronx." She will tell about her life, her church involvement and neighborhood changes during this important phase of her life. While in the Bronx, she helped organize community leader training, built hundreds of low-cost homes and establish a top ranking high school. She also establence education at her church.

She is now the pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Manhattan where she lives with her husband and two they are available to those of modest children. The Summit native is a graduate of Brown University and the Lutheran Theological Seminary in bonded volunteers who work for

meetings of the Summit Old Guard with creditors, question vendors when Tuesday mornings. A coffee hour necessary and assist with filing insurstarts 9:15 a.m. followed by a 10 a.m. ance claims. business meeting.

Old Guard members participate in sports, bridge, hikes and trips, plays, its Bill Paying services. concerts and other events. The Sumwww.summitoldguard.homestead.co

Program provides 'Arthritis Answers'

Do you or someone you know suffer from arthritis? Do you have queslearn how to live more comfortably? If so, plan to join SAGE Elder-

program "Arthritis Answers" on Jan. vices, Division of Aging and Commu-20 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 nity Services. Springfield Ave. in Summit. The program will begin at 10 a.m. and wift iors by sorting through medical feature Dr. Calin Moucha, an orthope- claims, evaluating their health insurdie surgeon at Overlook Hospital. ance plans, and providing information Attendees will receive a free Reader's and referrals based on their individual Digest Book — "An Action Guide to needs. The Division of Aging's grant Managing Arthritis." The program is will help SAGE increase its outreach free and open to the public and light to include Polish and Hispanic popularefreshments will be served at 9:30 tions. SAGE plans to provide SHIP a.m. To MSMP, call Suzanne Lyon at brochures written in Polish and Span-908-273-5550 ext. 22.

SAGE Eldercare serves as a major - assist new clients. community resource in the establish- SAGE will also identify Spanish ment and delivery of innovative serv- and Polish-speaking institution ices for older adults and their care- organizations and media to reach givers; providing them with dignity those in need of services. If you would and choice. These services allow the like more information about SHIP, call elderly to remain independent and liv- 908-273-6999. ing in their own homes.

SAGE, Municipal Alliance host author

Sage Eldercare and the Summi Municipal Alliance will host author Feather Schwartz Foster to discuss her book, "Ladies - A Conjecture of Personalities" on Jan. 21 at the Summit Recreation Center, 100 Morris Ave. in

Foster will present a story of the lives of some of America's "First Ladies" - from Martha Washington to Mamie Eisenhower. A program for Attention churches history buffs; it also gives attendees and social clubs the opportunity to learn and connect with others in the community. The program will begin at 11 a.m. and is free and open to the public.

Caregiver group meets Wednesday

SAGE Eldercare, a major community resource for eldercare, 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.
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WRC offers programs for personal growth

Elderly Persons - provides caregivers with emotional support, community resources, effective problemsolving 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.

Bill paying service offered by SAGE

Do you struggle to balance your checkbook? Do you have a problem organizing your monthly bills? If so, SAGE's bill paying service can help. lished after-school and job training Daily money managers are available programs plus HIV and domestic vio- across the country for retired seniors and busy professionals. The services offered used to be

reserved for the very wealthy, but now means through SAGE Eldercare. SAGE's Bill Paying service has clients in the privacy of their own Retired men are invited to attend home. They help pay hills, negotiate

> After an initial consultation fee of \$20, SAGE charges \$15 per hour for

Whether your bills are out of conmit Old Guard was founded on Dec. 2, trol, your eyesight makes it difficult to 1930 and is currently celebrating its write checks, or you just need some 75th year. For information, call Earl help arranging your paperwork, call Gilkey at 908-464-2480 or log on to SAGE's Bill Paying service at 908-273-5550, ext. 22.

SAGE receives grant to support SHIP

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services' Division on Aging will be awarding SAGE Eldercare a grant to support it's State

tions about the disease and want to Health Insurance Assistance Program SHIP is a statewide program administered by the New Jersey care's Women's Issues Group for the Department of Health and Senior Ser-

Trained SHIP volunteers assist senish, as well as SHIP translators to

AARP meets monthly

The next regular monthly meeting of the Summit area AARP will be at 10 a.m. on Jan. 24 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Ave. Coffee and social begin at 9:45 a.m. A speaker from AAA will discuss ways

to drive safely in the winter months. On Feb. 26, a trip will be offered to the Hunterdon Hills Play House for a Pat Cooper show and lunch. For reservations, call 908-273-1962.

This newspaper encourages conorganizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities. Releases should be typed, double-

spaced, and include a phone number where a representative may be reached

Send information to: Managing Editor, P. O. Box 3109, Union, 07083. the regiment is to accurately present ting zoo will be available from 10 a.m.

the same from the beginning: to pro- days beginning Jan. 25 — excluding Women's Resource Center, will lead can meet the goals they have set for programs will be conducted at the members and \$90 for non-members. world one woman at a time. The needs of women and girls are Summit.

met through the wide variety of prothan 4,700 women and girls.

Resource Center, a non-profit, non- will offer a program on Parenting for tor who offers parent skills coaching week course has yet to be determined. sectarian organization, has remained Emotional Intelligence for five Tues- and other parenting programs at the Please call the center for details. Avenue and New England Avenue in will offer two programs this winter on Feb. 22.

Daniel Goleman, author of the coaching, breast and gynecological intelligence, as they relate to parenting \$135 for non-members. programs and more. The weekly Path- and ways to build emotional compe- addresses working through the crisis ways Cancer Support Services Groups tencies in children. The discussion of separation and divorce and the provided at a fraction of their actual helping children know and manage With others going through the same

the Women's . The Women's Resource Center Leigh Rosoff, MA, a parent educa-

dealing with divorce. grams and services, including low- best-selling book, "Emotional Intelli- and Relationships in Transition Part II and feel the need to continue on the cost legal consultations, financial gence," maintains that emotional will both be conducted at the Center in path of change and growth. Participlanning, support groups, personal skills are at least as important as an IQ Christ Church at the corner of Springgrowth workshops, programs in determining individual achievement field Avenue and New England of other women also looking for addidesigned for older women, literary in life. This five-week session will Avenue in Summit. The fee for both, tional guidance in dealing with an exdiscussions, parent coaching, career explore the concepts of emotional programs is \$105 for members and spouse, forming new relationships, cancer support groups, Girl Project children from birth to 10 years of age, Relationships in Transition Part I woman and more.

Relationships in Transition Part II vide tools to women and girls so they

Feb. 22 — from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The the group. The fee is \$75 for center

Starting Over After Divorce will run for seven Tuesdays beginning on Jan. themselves in life, and change the Center in Christ Church at Springfield

• The Women's Resource Center 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. with no class The workshop is for those who

Relationships in Transition Part I have taken Relationships in Transition handling family events as a single

Ellen Sande-Kerback, MA, LCSW. a family therapist and experience are free and educational seminars are will include specific suggestions for resulting drain of emotional energy. group leader with a private practice in Chatham, will lead the workshop.

cost. Last year, the center served more their feelings, getting along with others, developing positive attitudes finishing up the business of the past for information, including the benefits For information about these pro- about themselves, handling conflict and look toward the future with more of membership, call the center at 908-

Informal club offers educational health seminars

al seminars on current health and wellness topics, a True Health Chiropractic at 973-376-8383 or visit aroma therapy to set the mood. This will be an interstrong support group/network of patients who share them at 442 Morris Ave. in Springfield. common goals, interactive workshops and the On Tuesday, a patient appreciation dinner was fortable clothing is recommended. The March into

attend functions free of charge. Non-members are Instead of a five-pound heart-shaped box of classes such as pilates, spinning and dence.

Children's

chorus

upcoming events.

performs

The Springfield Community Chil-

On Monday, they will be perform-

dren's Chorus will be appearing at two

ing at the Martin Luther King Jr. serv-

ice at the Springfield Emanuel United

Methodist Church, 40 Church Mall,

Springfield, at 7 p.m. In addition, the

chorus will be performing at their own

winter concert at 3 p.m. Jan. 23 at the

First Presbyterian Church, at the cor-

ner of Morris Avenue and Church Mall

in Springfield. Everyone is invited to

Adler. Membership for the SCCC is

through open auditions to boys and

The Springfield Communi dren's Chorus is directed by Leas

girls in grades three to six.

will offer an informal "True Health Chiropractic functions for a fee. To learn more about the True the benefits and techniques of a romantic massage Health Chiropractic Club, educational by a certified massage therapist. The therapist will This informal club will offer frequent education- workshops/seminars or for patient inquiries, call discuss technique, music selection, candles and

opportunity to embrace an alternative healthy conducted, allowing members and guests the chance Shape" promotion will kick off in March. to discuss their goals for a healthy lifestyle in 2005.

True Health Chiropractic, based in Springfield, always welcome and encouraged to attend club chocolate, members/couples will be introduced to active "hands-on" chair massage workshop. Com-

Members will receive a free one-week pass to a Current True Health Chiropractic patients are In February, the club will offer "Be My Valen- local health club featuring cardiovascular conditionautomatically members of the club and are invited to tine" - a romantic massage interactive workshop. ing, muscular conditioning, yoga and apecialty



Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the The Springfield Community Children's Chorus will perform at two upcoming events in Springfield. Practicing their voices are, from left, Erica Skorstad, Vesna Stolcovici, Kristin First Presbyterian Church Parish House, 37 Church Mall. Anyone inter-Kelley, Stephanie Pastena, Maia Stoicovici, Alexandra Golden and Artistic Director Legile ested in auditioning may call 973-379-

Township prepares for historic re-enactment

Blues." and the township's traditional

field Chamber of Commerce co-chair- will open at 10 a.m. June 25. Visitors This newspaper encourages congregations, temples, social and civic Anniversary of the Battle of Spring- live experiences of America's past and man and chairman of the 225th field Committee, the township is fortunate in having secured The 3rd New The reenactment gives one the oppor-Jersey Regiment. Regiment Recruit tunity to comprehend America's social Commander Mark Hurwitz, a Spring- and cultural history. The battle reenfield resident, is working closely with actment will take place from 3 to 4

According to Scott Seidel, Spring-

commemorate the 225th anniversary ing the Revolutionary War while high-sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The two-day long event combines witz added that this battle marks a sig- and begin at 7 p.m. The same \$3 open at 10 a.m. both the battle reenactment by the nificant turn in the war by driving the well-respected 3rd New Jersey Regi- British from New Jersey. The regiment, also known as the "Jersey ment is one of the most respected liv-

ing history organizations. The reenactment will take place on the high school grounds and the camp engage in activities long abandoned. the committee to support the project. p.m. and the site will close for the day Hurwitz stated that the purpose of at 4:30 p.m. Rideo, games and a pet-

the plight of the common soldier dur- to 2 p.m. and refreshments will be on charge covers children's admission to of the Battle of Springfield on June 25 and June 26.

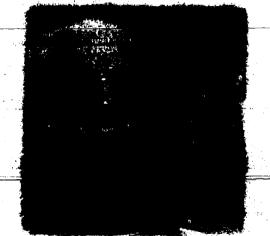
lighting the importance of the the role played by the soldiers' families. Huractivities, which include fireworks

There is a \$3 charge for evening activities, which include fireworks

11:30 a.m. The reenactment site will



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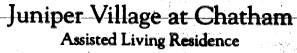
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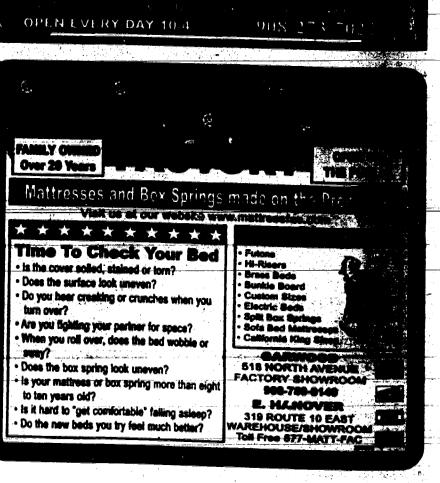
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be open for skating this winter if ... There are times that the rink mus

weather. The rink is on courts 3-4 and Recreation Office ICE Cold Line at is lighted for night skating. A supervi- 908-232-0015 for daily information

Learn to make your own greeting The rink will be open Mondays cards at the Mountainside Recreation

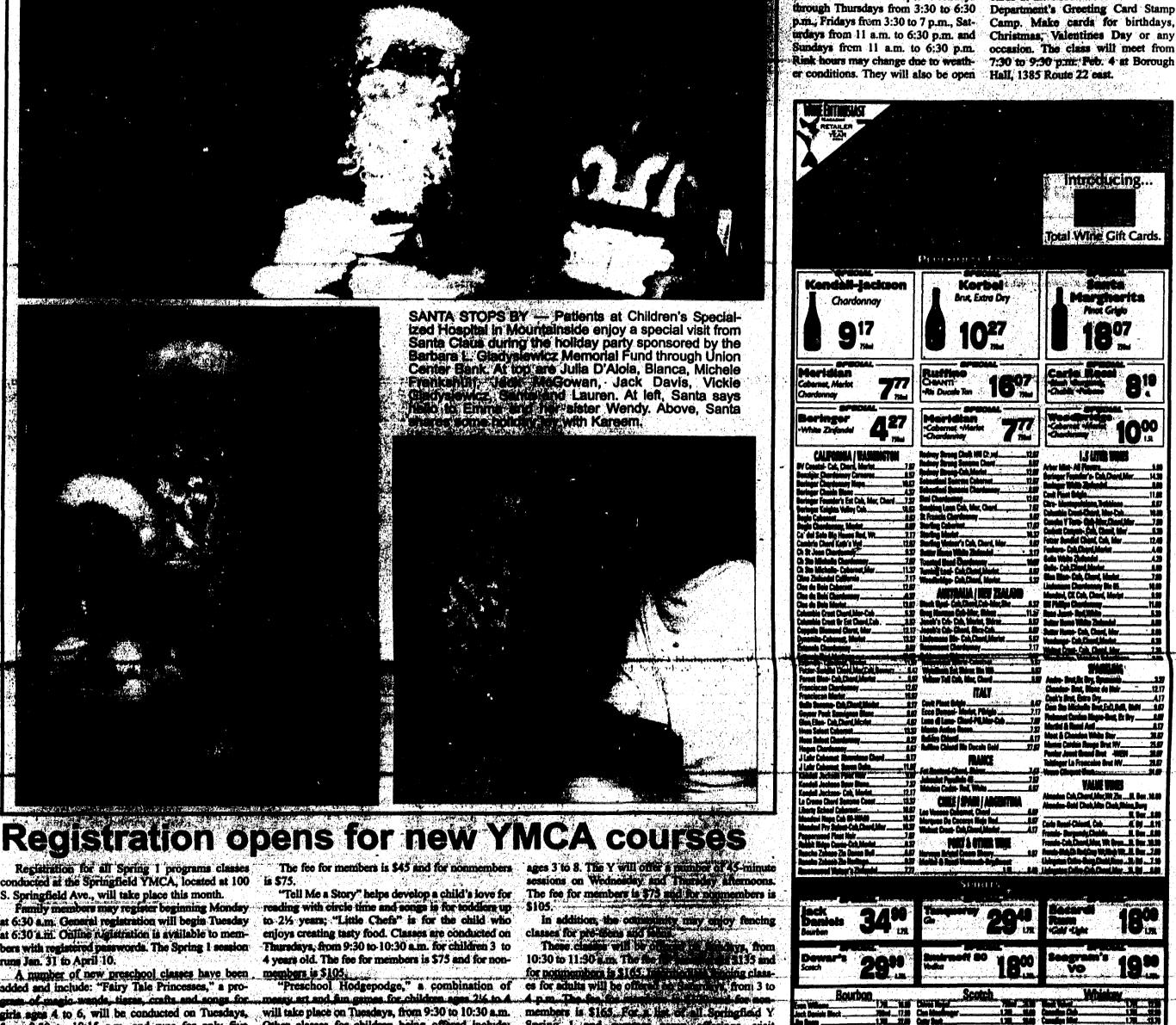
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will take place on Tuesdays, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. members is \$165. For a list of all Springfield Y Other classes for children being offered include: Spring 1 and summer cause) offerings, visit Ballet and Tap Ballet and Creative Movement for www.summingrasymos.org or call 973-467-0838. Why do smart kids I I your child has struggled with Mark of Continues Buildington Loarning Center can " Week beste Stille: ols. Our certified teachers can

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Surviving are two daughters,

Colleen Manhardt and Jeanne L. Dal-

rymple; a son, James P.; a sister, Anna

Mae Marinov: 10 grandchildren and

Joseph J. Stocki, 86, of Springfield

Born in Newark, Mr. Stocki moved

died Jan. 5 in Overlook Hospital,

to Springfield 30 years ago. He was

the director of advertising for the

Money Store in Springfield from 1974

to 1994, when he retired. Mr. Stocki

served in the Army during World War

II. He was a member of the Westfield

Surviving are his wife. Deloise; a

son, Raymond J.; a daughter, Maryann

Helen Kosowicz and Amy Kotz: three

Alisanne J. Fleitman, 57, of Elizabeth, formerly of Roselle Park and

Mountainside, died Jan. 8 in Newark

Born in Rahway, Mrs. Fleitman

lived in Roselle Park and Mountain-

side before moving to Elizabeth 20

years ago. She was a 1995 graduate of

the Thomas Edison Academy in Tren-

ton, a college for home schoolers.

Mrs. Fleitman was a Girl Scout leader

with Troop 998 in Roselle Park and a

volunteer for the Young Republicans,

working on the Bob Franks and Tom

mistress for Tri-State Tour, a billiard

league, and for the Thomas Edison

and a daughter, Kathleen E.

George Marks III

Surviving are her husband, Todd.

Kean campaigns. She also was a Web-

Alisanne Fleitman

Beth Israel Medical Center.

. Warren; three sisters. Rose Druze.

six great-grandchildren.

Joseph Stocki

Barber Shop Choir.



BRIDGES delivered more than 700 holiday gifts to the homeless in lower Manhattan. Newark and Irvington throughout December. 'It was pure joy to see our homeless friends receive gifts so carefully chosen and wrapped,' said Run Coordinator Darryl Carley.

was a chief engineer with Exxon, Linden, for 29 years. He served in the **BRIDGES** delivers gifts to needy

BRIDGES delivered more than 700 holiday gifts to the Darryl Carley. BRIDGES is still in need of men's winter homeless in lower Manhattan, Newark and Irvington coats and will continue to distribute warm clothing where he would bring his dog for the throughout December. Many of the gifts requested by throughout the winter. homeless friends were coats and boots of a specific size. Other gifts included toys for children living in temporary shelters and warm weather essentials.

With the generosity of Girl Scout troops, houses of worship and many individuals. BRIDGES, and a host of volunteers, delivered the gifts throughout December.

"It was pure joy to see our homeless friends receive gifts so carefully chosen and wrapped," said Run Coordinator every week.

be brought to BRIDGES, located in Christ Church at 561

Springfield Ave. in Summit on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For other drop off arrangements, call 908-273-0176. BRIDGES, a Summit based nonprofit organization, reaches out to the homeless populations in lower Manhattan, Newark and Irvington

Donations of men's clothing, blankets and toiletries may

YMCA participates in tsunami relief

Following the recent tsunamis, the YMCAs in the impacted nations to

The YMCA has a strong presence in Sri Lanka, Indonesia, India, Thailand and Malaysia, the countries most ing an appeal to provide vital emeraffected by the earthquake and tsuna- gency assistance to the YM CAs in the mi destruction. The YMCA of Sri Lanka was hit hardest.

YMCAs are working closely with able a dollar commitment to support all grants and contributions made.

Rotary Club sponsors

In an effort to meet the demands of

the community's critical need for

slood, The Rotary Club of Summit i

sponsoring a blood drive on Monday.

The drive is open to the entire com-

munity and will be conducted at the

A continuous and steady supply of

volunteer blood donors is essential to

replenish the community supply on a

hero. Blood donors must be between

the ages of 17 and 75, weighing more

than 110 pounds and be in good gen-

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10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care -

5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for

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and rehabilitation plans.

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death toll in Asia has already exceed- develop and coordinate emergency interested in providing assistance are dren. ed 150,000. The 9.0-earthquake was assistance. The Y has already sent let- encouraged to send commitments, pledges and checks made out to The National YMCA Fund Inc., designated "Tsunamis Relief."

Those who are interested can bring their donation to the Summit YMCA Service Desk at 67 Maple St., or mail to: YMCA of the USA/International Group, Attention: Tikalsky/Boon Chin Tan, 101 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606.

Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. The YMCA YMCAs and World Alliance of USA World Service is making avail- will acknowledge, track and report on

> Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8352. The blood donation process takes er. The goal of the Spanish speaking less than an hour and includes a free support group is to provide members daughters, Kathryn Addonizio and mini medical exam - temperature, an opportunity to share their experi-Christine Truszkowski; two brothers, Richard and Peter; a sister, Rose

Toms River.

Jamie M. Milano

ter. Toms River.

Jamie M. Milano, 27, of Ortley

Born in New Brunswick, Miss

Surviving are her mother. Pamela

Milano: her father. Anthony Milano: a

sister, Naomi: a brother, Matthew: her

grandparents, Antoinette Milano Mur-

Michael J. Pagliango, 84, of

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Pagliango

lived in Waretown for 20 years before

moving to Springfield five years ago.

He was a port engineer with Marine

Transport Lines, Port Elizabeth, for

three years. Before that, Mr. Pagliango

Merchant Marine during World War

I. Mr. Pagliango was a volunteer at

Sunrise Assisted Living, Westfield,

Surviving is a sister, Kathy Page.

Salvator N. "Bubby" Severini, 74,

Mr. Severini had owned Mountain-

Gus Santangelo, 85, of Toms River.

Born in Newark, Mr. Santangelo

ived in Springfield for seven years

Salvatore Severini

set Medical Center, Somerville.

Gus Santangelo

Springfield died Dec. 20 in Overlook

Milano lived in Springfield before

moving to Ortley Beach. She worked

at Shop-Rite. Union, for 10 years.

companion, Peter Strumolo.

Michael Pagliango

Hospital, Summit.

Beach, formerly of Springfield, died

Dec. 25 in Community Medical Cen-

To register, call 908-522-5700:

Spanish support group

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offered at Overlook Overlook Hospital offers a new support group for depression facilitated in Spanish by Odalys Cardona, Overlook family practice social work-

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ages. Weekday services Mon.-Fri. 7:00 AM Sun.- Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday

8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; school, classes are available for children ages 2

Sundays, 8:30 AM. Festival & Holiday mornings 1/2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an

9:00 AM. Family and children services are active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Renaissance

conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third- Group and Youth Group. A wide range of

seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesday. programs include Adult Education, Social

7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. as well as Junior 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all

native language.

pital, Conference Room 4, 99 Beauvoir Ave.. Summit.

Self-help group meets 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

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iron count, pulse rate and blood pres- ences, concerns, and hopes in their lives, and four grandchildren. The program takes place from 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays at Overlook Hos-

Margaret Krikorian Margaret Krikorian, 65, of Springfield died Jan. 1 in Overlook Hospital,

Born in Dover, Mrs. Krikorian lived in Rocksway Township, Australia. New Providence and Harding Township before moving to Springfield last year. She was an office nurse an, in Dover, and for Dr. Bauer for many years. Previously, Mrs. Krikorian was a registered nurse at Dover

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George Peabody Parks III, 82, of Summit, retired professor and librarian, died Nov. 29 in Berkeley Heights.

Born in Mobile, Ala., Mr. Marks lived in New Orleans, La., and Colonia before moving to Summit in 2000. He worked as librarian and professor Solvette served in the Army during of history at Union County College, Cranford for 43 years and retired in... 1997. Mr. Marks graduated from Tulane University in New Orleans in 1943. He received master's degrees in library science and history, both from

sergeant in the Army Air Corps during World War II and served as a guimery instructor achieving the rank of staff land and duty as a tail gunner on 13 missions over Europe. Following the war, he enrolled in Columbia University and received a master's degree in library science. He became an author of a book, "The Black Press Views American Imperialism," published in

Surviving are a son, Zach; a sister, Gloria Minor, and two grandchildren.

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must -be in writing.

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OBITUARIES

General Hospital. She was a 1960 side before moving to Scotch Plains in 1999. She was a telephone operator graduate of the Mountainside School for both New Jersey Bell Telephone of Nursing, Mountainside.

Surviving are a son, Eric Benson; Co. and Bell of Pennsylvania for many two daughters, Kristen Benson and years before retiring. Mrs. Higgins Karin Mathewson; a brother, Edward also worked as a lunchroom aide for "Nick" Neighbour, and two grandchil- 10 years at Washington School in

Mary Ann Meyer Mary Ann Meyer of Leonia, for-

merly of Springfield, died Dec. 27 at ray and Rosalyn Gottleib, and her

Born in Orange, Mrs. Meyer lived in Springfield before moving to Leonia. She was a travel consultant at E. Clarke Travel, Fort Lee. Previously, Mrs. Meyer owned Falcon Travel, Palisades Park, and was a teacher and supervisor at the Union County Regional High School District 1.

She was a graduate of the College of St. Elizabeth in Convent Station and received a master's degree in home economics from Rutgers University in 1953. Mrs. Meyer was a member of the New Jersey and National Education associations, the New Jersey Home Economics Association, the American Society of Travel Agents and the Players' Guild in Leo-grandchildren and four great-grandnia. She also belonged to the Theater Ministry and the Ladies Altar Society. both at St. John's Church, Leonia.

Surviving are her husband, Robert J., and a sister, Barbara Ulbrich Saf-

of South Plainfield, owner of a Moun-Rose Becker tainside firm, died Dec. 28 in Somer-

Rose Becker, 82, of Mountainside formerly of Cranford and Springfield, died Jan. 4 in Overlook Hospital, side Disposal for more than 30 years. Surviving are his wife of 49 years.

Lois: two sons, Sal and Steven; a Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Becker lived in Cranford, Springfield and Delray Beach, Fla., before moving to daughter, Luanne, and five grandchilmember of the Union County chapter of the Hadassah and the Flo Okin Cancer Research, Newark.

formerly of Springfield, died Dec. 31 Surviving are a son, Ben, and three in the Community Medical Center, grandchildren.

> Seymour Schwartz Seymour Schwartz, 80, of Newton,

before moving to Toms River in 1984. formerly of Springfield, died Jan. 4 in He worked for Tessler and Weiss inc., the Barn Hill Care Center, Newton. Inion, for seven years before retiring Born in Newark, Mr. Schwartz in 1981. Earlier, Mr. Santangelo worked for Wagner Electric/Tong-Sol, lived in Irvington, Carteret and Springfield before moving to Newton Newark, for 23 years. He was an last year. He was an assembler with Army veteran during World War II. Pen Walt Inc., Belleville, until his Mr. Santangelo was a member of the retirement many years ago. Mr. Harld Was discount of the same of the same

Surviving is his brother, Daniel J.

Ronald Johnson Sr. lifelong resident of Springfield, died

Jan. 5 at home. Mr. Johnson served as chief of the Springfield Fire Department from 1983 to 1988, when he retired after 39 years with the department. During the Korean War, Mr. Johnson was a photographer with the Army's 82nd Airborne. He was a member of the New Jersey State Fire Chiefs Association, for her late husband, Dr. Paul Krikori- the South Jersey Kite Club, the Hunterdon County HOG Chapter and the Model Railroaders Association.

Surviving are two daughters, Lenora Van Pelt and Margaret Anne Schneider; two sons, Ronald T. Jr. and Oblituary policy David W., and 11 grandchildren.

Regins L. Higgins, 87, of Scotch

Plains, formerly of Elizabeth and inside, died Jan. 6 at home. Born in Scranton, Pa., Mrs. Higzins lived in Elizabeth and MountainECHO LEADER

Musician plays at Sha'arey Shalom

Rick Recht, the top-touring musi- adults," said Recht. "This is what ly music in Hebrew and English, ian in Jewish music, will bring his Judaism is all about. I love the music, based on Jewish text and themes of Shabbat Alive!" service to Temple the interaction and the talented con-Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Spring- gregants that participate during the field Ave., Springfield, at 8 p.m. Jan. service." 1. This program is sponsored by the "Right away, everyone feels

Rita and Ed Fink Family Foundation. Rick Recht's "Shabbat Alive!" family service will be an interactive, added. spiritual, musical sabbath service involving the participation of the Tem- touring group in Jewish music today, developing Jewish pride and identity nle Youth Groups and Junior Choir.

performing more than 125 concerts among the masses. "It's amazing to join a community each year from coast to coast. Recht's in a beautiful Shabbat setting which is musical contributions mark the birth "Shabbat Alivel" service. For infor-

Recht is known for his interactive

performances that have earned him a strong, loval national fan base of all aligned and connected to each other ages. Recht has become an icon for and their Jewish heritage," Recht Jewish youth in the United States, elevating the medium of Jewish music as The Rick Recht Band is the top- a powerful and effective tool for

The community is invited to the o inspiring to Jewish youth and of a unique blend of pop, radio-friend-mation, call 973-379-5387.

Temple Beth Ahm offers winter events

Drive in Springfield, will offer new programs this winter. For information grassroots lobbying, political outreach

generously underwritten by Felsen Service. Insurance Services Inc., whom the temple would like to publicly thank for their support.

On Friday at the 8 p.m. Shabbat Service, the first guest speaker will be last summer. Michael Sachs of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee. Sachs is the Northeast regional director for AIPAC and manages AIPAC's largest staff

Seton Hall

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and Steve Fischer

and Mark Czarny

Prep honors

Several residents of Mountainside

and Springfield were among the stu-

dents at Seton Hall Preparatory School

in West Orange named to the first

Mountainside

· First honors: Andrew DeRose

James Hughes and

· Second honors: Anthony DeRose,

First honors: Anthony Moriello

· Second honors: Jean-Paul Dela

Commendation: Louis Puopolo

First honors comprises students

shose grade point average is above

4.0; second honors, between 3.5 and

4.0; commended, between 3.0 and

3.49. Anno moint in whitin 1

Mountainside Youth Baseball will

host registration for the 2005 season

from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at Deer-

The program is for boys and girls

6-14 years of also as of Aug. 1, 2005

Introduction at Beschell is for children

who are 6 years old by Aug. 1; T-ball

players are eligible if they are age 7 by Aug. 1. American League is for 8- to

9-year-olds, Major League for 10- to

12-year-olds, and Pony League is for

13- to 14-year-olds. Anyone signing

space exists on a team.

up after Jan. 15 will be placed on a

waiting list and allowed to play only if

Mountainside Youth Baseball is a

private non-profit corporation that

sponsors these programs. For information, call Bill Giannone at 908-789-

The Chiefs Lacrosse Club sponsors

team play for Boys in grades three to eight. The statem runs from mid-

March through the end of May, Regis-

New players can check the Web site

www.chiefblacrosse.org for sign-up

The New Providence-Lacrosse

Club sponsors girls therease for grades Registration Degins five to eight. Registration is oursely for girls softing

olds, grades one to two and grades Church Mall, in Springfield from

three to four. Registration has begun Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to

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east part of the country. Sachs will dis- classes at Temple Beth Ahm. Israeli cusses the mission of this organiza- folk dance classes will be offered at Friday Night, speaker series, starting on Friday, These programs have been continues at the 8 a.m. Jan. 28 Shabbat night, for eight weeks, from 7:30 to 9 The guest speaker is Dr. Marc The classes will be taught by a cer-

Jaffe, who will be speaking on his tified dance instructor, Rabbi Lisa Verexperience as an official chiropractor non. The cost for the eight weeks is to the US Olympic Team in Athens \$80, with a check made out to Temple

Bregman, a finalist.

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Robert Burkhardt, principal of Deerfield School, pres-

Participants are invited to sign up

Beth Ahm. The class will be limited to A Summit chiropractor, Jaffe spe- 25 people, so if interested, respond cializes in sports medicine and was promotly by calling Genya Mallach at one of only eight chiropractors ever 908-918-9676 or sending a message selected to represent the United States by e-mail to Genya2@sol.com.

The Hollday Choir at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield, directed by Tanya Bohme, accompanies the school's Medical Careers Club to Overlook Hospital and serenades patients throughout the hospital, stopping in lobbles and hospital units including the ICU, so the patients and staff could onjoy the holiday songs.

Students join forces for holiday project

The Medical Careers Club at Jonathan Dayton High hospital, stopping in lobbies and hospital units including School in Springfield joined forces with the JDHS Holiday the ICU, so the patients and staff could enjoy the holiday Choir for a service project at Overlook Hospital during the songs, Medical Careers Club President Maria Inneo headed

Members of the Medical Careers Club baked cookies for the medical staff at the hospital, collected magazines and Myelin Project this spring, and will also host an evening refreshed the racks in the waiting rooms, and purchased and

wrapped gifts for pediatric units.

The Holiday Choir, directed by Tanya Bohme, accomparticipating should email the club advisor, Irene Ornovitz, panied the club to Overlook and serenaded throughout the at iornovitz@springfieldschools.com.

Church honors MLK with special service

Thirty-eight years ag :, an overflow crowd listened to principals actively emphasize Dr. King's principles of non-Dr. Martin Luther King J., speak in Springfield's Jonathan violent solutions to conflict throughout the school year, not

Dayton High School. While Dr. King will not physically be just around his holiday," said Wing. "Recent media coverin Springfield on Monday, the public will hear his voice age of bullying in the classroom and on the playground and vision for a world characterized by peace, justice and The Springfield Clergy Association invites the public to join their gathering of students, scouts, musicians and

vocalists from various houses of worship and the Springfield Community Children's Chorus to uplift his vision from 7 to 8 p.m. during the federal holiday marking his birthday. The program takes place at Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, 40 Church Mall in Springfield. The Rev. Kathleen Stone, chaplain for the Church Center of the United Nations and Consultant for the World

Council of Churches will also address the intergenerational gathering. Mayor Sy Mullman will also be present to ents awards to National Geographic Geography Bee finalists Adam Jielaty, a runner up/semifinalist, and Alex

"For example, many of our Springfield teachers and

make this even more relevant for our youth. So relevant, that the Counseling Center for Human Development located in the Emanuel church is hosting a workshop on bullying in early February." Artwork from kindergarten students at Walton School mobiles and short stories from students at Sandmeier School are among the contributions which will be show-

the committees that met after school in December to organ-

ize the project. The club will be fund-raising for The

Any community members who would be interesting in

Medical Careers panel discussion in April.

cased during the service. The service also presents an opportunity to announce a scholarship which will be awarded next year to students who have modeled Dr. King's principles within the com-

Individuals attending the hour-long service are asked to greet the community on behalf of the Township Committee. bring non-perishable food for a local food pantry or a mon-"We look forward to a community service that not only etary donation for the Asia Tsunami relief work. Springspeaks about Dr. King, but affirms citizens of all ages who field Emanuel is located at the far back end of Church Mall are living out his principles," said the Rev. Elaine Wing. off the intersection of Morris and Mountain Avenues in paster of Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church. In Springfield. "For example, many of our Springfield teachers and Call 973-376-1695 for information."

New titles arrive at Springfield Library

following new releases available this

Bowling leagues begin for Springfield youths

The Springfield unior Baseball League is accepting registration for spring baseball through Saturday for children in grades kindergarten through minth grade — born before The Springfield Recreation Departdren and teens. This is a weekly program offered to children ages 4 to 14. The program is

the Springfield YMCA, the Sarah Baiconducted on Tuesday afternoons at ley Civic Center and online at

The Springfield Recreation Department will offer a Mountain Creek Ski for boys and girls in grades prekinder-Trin on Monday. The bus departs at 9 garten to one at 3:30 p.m. a.m. and returns at 6 p.m. from the • The Little Leaguers is available Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. for boys and girls in grades two to four

The fee is \$55 and includes a lift, Teen Bowling Club is available. Register at the Sarah Bailey Civic for boys and girls in grades seven to

Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield eight at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to The weekly cost is \$7 per child. 4' p.m. For information, call 973-912payable at the Bowling Center, and includes: two games of bowling and use of rental shoes and lightweight

under way and interested players 1. The Springfield Recreation Depart-should go to their Web site should wilk be officing a girls softiall www.nplest.com for information program for grades two to nine in the Berkeley Neights Recreation to spring, with regardation starting now offering lacrosse clinics for 4-year- at Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30

and information is equilable from the 4 p.m. Forms can be mailed For information and a registration The Springfield Free Public Dolores Johnson; "Tropic of Murder" form, cail 973-912-2227. Library, 66 Mountain Ave. has the by Lev Raphael. All registration fees are

"Black Wind" by Clive Cussler:

Nicholson Baker; "The Christmas Thief" by Mary Historie Clark; "A Christmas Visitor" by Ariae Perry. "Early Leaving" by Judy Goldman;

Plaza Lanes in Madison. This program "Fabulous Small Jews by Joseph will end March 15.

All children must be accompanied by an adult and have their own transportation to and from bowling alley.

• The Bumper Division is available "Life Expectancy by Date Koontz: "Life Expectancy by Date Expectancy by Da List! by Julie Garwood; Murder Suicider by Kelth Ablow, "A Redbird Christmas" by Kainie Plegg; "The

at 3:30 p.m. • Pre-teen Bowlers is available for Retrost" by Patrick Rambaud; "A boys and girls in grades five to six at Time of Angels by Larry Beinhart. Mysteries

"The Blue Rose" by Anthony Eglin; "A Categod Murder" by Isis Crawford; "Died Blonds" by Nancy Collen: "High Country Fall" by Margaret Maron; "Live at 10:00, Dead at 10:15" by Bisa Klensch; "Murder at the B-School" by Jeffrey Cruikshank;

balls.

The one-time fee to township of "Night Game" by Kirk Russell;

Springfield of \$15 includes a T-shirt "Nobody Runs Forever" by Richard sand trophy: Register at Sarah Bailey Stark: "Setsn's Pony" by Robin Hath-Civic Center, 37 Church Mall in Byans: "Sugar Cookie Murders" by Springfield.

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Perricone: "The Pied Piper of South Shore" by Caryn Amster; "Public Speaking for Dummies" by Malcolm "Arthritis: Fight It with the Blood-Type Diet" by Peter D'Adamo: Kushner: "Same-sex Marriage in the "Atkins for Life Low-Carb Cook- United States" by Sean Cahill; "Sur-"Broken for You" by Stephanie Kal- book" by Veronica Atkins; "Ameri- viving Domestic Violence" by Elaine los; "The Burning of Rachel Hayes" can Judaism" by Jonathan Sarna; Weiss; "Welcome to the Club" by ment offers bowling leagues for chil- by Doug Allyn; "Checkroint" by "Carolyn 101" by Carolyn Kepcher; Moshe Sonnheim; "A Writer's Guide "Charles Schwab's New Guide to to Fiction" by Elizabeth Lyon. Financial Independence" by Charles Schwab; "Charting a Course to Wellness" by Graham Kerr; "The Com- chout; "Get Me Out of Here" by plete Adoption & Fertility Guide" by Rachel Reiland; "Father Joe" by Brette Sember; "The Complete Tony Hendra: "The Story of a Life"

"All in the Dances" by Terry Tea-Idiot's Guide to Numerology" by Kay by Aron Appelfeld: "Roman Candle" Lagerquist; "The 8th Habit" by by Bobby Darin: "A Tale of Love and Stephen Covey; "Family & Friends Darkness" by Amos Oz. Audiobooks/Andio Cd's Guide to Domestic Violence" by Elaine Weiss: "The Girl Who Married

"The Perricone Promise" by Nicholas

"Hour Game" by David Balducci; a Lion and Other Tales from Africa" "The Breathtaker" by Alica Blanby Alexander McCall; "Healthcare chard; "Hello, Darkness" by Sandra for Children on the Autism Spec- Brown; "Trace" by Patricia Corntrum" by Fred Volkmar; "He's Just well; "Night Fall" by Nelson Not That Into You" by Greg DeMille; "Blind Alley" by Iris Johan-Behrendt; "High Noon in the Cold son; "Twisted" by Jonathan Keller-War" by Max Frankel; "Islam & man: "The Full Cupboard of Life" by World Peace" by MR Bawa Alexander McCall Smith; "Little Muhaiyaddeen; "Knit Scarves!" by Scarlet" by Walter Mosley; "London Candi Jensen; "Marvel 1602" by Neil Bridges" by James Patterson; "Mon-Gaiman; "Matzo Balls for Breakfast" day Morning" by Kathy Reichs; "Are

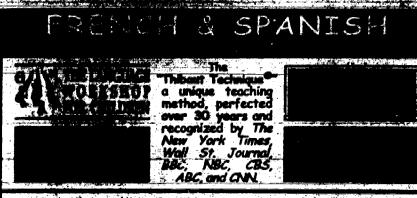
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Westfield captured the girls'

event and Elizabeth the boys' com-petition of last week's meets at the

All squads from Union County

were represented in one way or another, with several schools post-

Here's a look at the boys' com

petition, which took place Jan. 5: Elizabeth won with 42 points, while Scotch Plains was second

with 34 and Union third with 32.

The Minutemen captured their

fourth title in the past six events and

noved to the Dunn Center in 1979.

Westfield fillities fourth with

31.75 points and defending champion Plainfield was fifth with 21.75,

Plainfield won the 880-yard

elay in 1:44.2, while Roselle and

Summit were second in 1:45.5

Elizabeth fourth in 1:46.3, Rahway

fifth in 1:47.4 and Union sixth i

Gov. Livingston captured the one-mile relay in 3:51.0 behind the

stellar efforts of Anthony Abitante, Dan Fernandez, Sean Carmody and

Joe Murphy. Elizabeth was third in 3:53.1 and Roselle fourth in 3:54.0.

relay in 9:10.9, with Elizabeth sec-

9:40.11, Rahway fourth in 10:08.2

Westfield also won the sprint medley relay in 4:01.1. Rahway

was second in 4:01.9. Elizabet

third in 4:03.4, Union fourth

Westfield was first in the di

tance medicy relay in 11:25.8.

Cranford was second in 12:04.5

Elizabeth third in 12:04,9, Unio

fifth in 12:19.1 and Rahway sixth in 12:26.2:191112

Although Elizabeth did not win

an event, they did score in seven of

sparked by performances from jun-

Vincent Spencer in the 880-yard

elay, who finished fourth, and

Armando Cruz, who came up with

Union captured the shuttle hur-

4:04.7 and GL fifth in 4:05.2.

ond in 9:32.6, Union third

and GL fifth in 10:12.8.

Westfield won the two-mile

lizabeth Dunn Sport Center.

ng at least one victory.

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GL club sponsors Super Saturday

School Highlander Booster Club will Building on the enormous success of

fans of all ages," said Event Chair- side vendors and will be open from 10 woman, Amy Wagner. "We expect an a.m. to 4 p.m. even greater turnout this year. Envisioned by GL Athletic Direc-

tor, Bill Howard, Super Saturday is a and girls PAL basketball at 8 a.m. family day filled with food, fun, Boys and Girls Columbia Middle games, athletic match-ups, and com- - School vs. Deerfield School basketmunity spirit. The event kicks off with ball is at 10:30 a.m. GL freshman boys \$3 for seniors, \$2 for children age 10 the Highlander Cafe Family Pancake compete at noon against Millburn, and younger. Breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. The Cafe while the girls take on New Provicontinues with a Continental Break- dence. fast from 10 to 11 a.m. and lunch from

again feature merchandise from GL

GL gymnasiums beginning with boys

Girls Varsity Basketball takes on and girls athletic programs at Gover-Jonathan Dayton High School at 1:30 nor Livingston. GL is located at 175 The Highlander Arcade, generous- p.m. while the JV boys take on Mill- Watchung Boulevard in Berkelev ly sponsored by Palladin Amuse- burn. Boys Varsity Basketball tips off Heights. ments, features ca nival games and against Millburn at 3 p.m. while the prizes. Tickets are 10 for \$5. The Girls JV takes on Dayton. Wrestling at 908-464-5593.

The Governor Livingston High arcade is open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. vs. Iselin is at 5 p.m.

sponsor its second annual Super Satur- last year, the Highlander Market will Pancake Breakfast, including free admission to Super Saturday, are \$4 "Last year's event brought in 1,000 clubs, organizations, teams, and out- for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for children age 10 and younger, and may be sent to: Pancake Breakfast 1 High-Athletic match-ups abound in both point Drive, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

At the door, Super Saturday admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children age 10 and younger; Pancake Breakfast admission is \$4 for adults.

All proceeds from the days' activities will support the more than 20 boys

For information, call Amy Wagner

EDUCATION

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continues in district The Mountainside school district has announced continuation of the

The P.E.A.K. — Preschool Education for All Kids — program will be who will be age 4 on or before Oct. 1, 2005 - date of birth Oct. 1, 2001. The program will run five days per week, 2

/2 hours per day. The P.E.A.K. program will be made available to both typically and children with special education

The district would like to open the class with no more than 12 students, Some signs which may indicate a 1/3-1/2 of the students may have special needs.

The Mountainside school district has identified some preschoolers who are presently receiving education services through the MOPPET program as potentially appropriate for the new class. They are looking for families who may be interested in voluntarily handicaps; consistent trouble seeing or placing their typically developing children in the district's innovative program. If the number of applicants tantrums or excessive anxiety or shy- exceeds the slots available, non-disabled students will be selected by a conducts open house

There is no cost for the program.

porting their child to school. Public informational meetings are more information about Mountainside at 7 p.m., and Jan. 25 at 9 a.m., to give school district's evaluation procedures an overview of the program and Catholic's Schools Week, followed by and special education programs, call answer any questions parents might the open house from 1 to 3 p.m. The Hector completed a variety of training

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St. James School

School, located at 41 South Springfield Ave. in Springfield. Church, to celebrate the beginning of

conducted at Beechwood School in the library/media center.

On Jan. 26. Melinda Jennis, presi-

Jennis' presentation will feature a model of success that has been instrumental in creating a collaborative partnership among the school district and community. The discussion will focus on designing practical ways to partner and collaborate to produce positive changes for all children. Jennis has several school districts.

Her work has been commended by the New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. The meeting will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. in the Media Center at the

An open house will be conducted on Jan. 30 at St. James The Apostle

The lottery will be conducted on to answer any questions. For informa-Feb. 17 at 9 a.m. All meetings will be tion, call 973-376-5194.

special ed partnerships

Registration for children eligible for the 2005-06 prekindergarten program in the Springfield public schools, as well as for those children eligible for kindergarten in September, who are not currently enrolled in the Walton School Early Childhood Center

iterested parents are invited to attend.

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The program is sponsored by the Springfield Elks 2004 as part of their Youth Activities Program which recognizes exceptional students, who are selected by the teaching staff based on their character, leadership, service, citizenship and scholastic ability. Walton School Pre-K registration continues

Meet some exceptional students

Edward V. Walton School, Early Childhood Center, 601 Mountain Ave., Springfield. prekindergarten program will be con-Parents are requested to call the

Florence M. Gaudineer School's 'Student of the Quarter' recipients for the first quarter

of the 2004/2005 school year are, from left, fifth-grader Alexa McCaffrey, sixth-grader

Brenda Warman, seventh-grader Angela Reino and eighth-grader Michael Stigliano.

school at 973-376-1304, if necessary, Friday, last names beginning to schedule an alternate registration a child must be a resident of Springwith: L-O; 10 to 11 a.m. or 1:45 to field, and be 4 years old on or before

with R-Z; 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 1:45 to must reach their fifth birthday on or before Dec. 1, 2005. Parents are requested to bring the

following materials to the registration: · Child's birth certificate Current immunization record

· Two proofs of residency · New Jersey driver's license Utility bill, lease or contract

A child's registration will be officially processed is both age appropriate vaccines and two proofs of residency are submitted at the time of reg-

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means to be a sailor Hector is a 2002 graduate of

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field and GL tied for fifth at 10-10. Scotch Plains also won the team second at 123-10 behind Kahim Sturgis, Jose Rios and Rodne Here's a look at the girls' con

stition, which took place Jan. 3: Kahway won the 880-yard relay in 2:00.7 behind stellar efforts from India Walker, Taylor Wilson Andrea butler and LaShond Carter, Linden was third in 2:03.0 and GL fifth in 2:03.3. Summit captured the dist

medley relay in 13:51.3 behind solid efforts from Sophie Man naerts, Jodi Callendar, Heather Sendellari and Samenthe Loc. The Hilltoppers also won

Westfield scored 44 points while Summit was second with 36 The next big competition is two weeks. The girls' Union County meht at Elizabeth is the afternoon of Jan. 24 and the boys' the after noon of Jan. 26 at Dunn.

Dayares and hoope top Manyine for 3rd The Dayton High School boys

asketball team best Manville 65-57 enking nine and David Stelaman

Suarez sparks Oratory Prep: steven Suarez of Springfield scored 31 points to lead Oratory Prep past

The Summit High School boys' basketball team, sparked by the play of senior point guard John Alpizar (No. 12), entered Tuesday's scheduled Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division home game against a 5-2 Chatham team with a 5-3 record after winning two conference games last week. The Hilltoppers defeated Dover 59-20 at home Jan. 4 and Parsippany Hills 54-49 in Parsippany Friday. Summit is scheduled to play at Mendham in conference competition tomorrow night at 7. The Minutemen began the week at 7-1.

Jake Grabowski netted three goals and Marshall Harden

one. Goaltender Myles Weeks did well to stop 23 shots for

Verona three days earlier at Warinanco Ice Rink in Roselle

Summit was scheduled to face Westfield Tuesday ni

in Blue Division play yesterday afternoon at USA in

ALL 3 PLAYING TOMORROY

Falls at 7 p.m. The Hilltoppers will their skate apains

Chatham Saturday at 5:30 p.m. at Twin Oaks in Morris

Heather Weston was fourth and Carbon run in 14:16:61 and Cathy December 15 and 16:16:17 Chrissy McCurdy of GL was passed in the 55 meter

Ashley Little of Deyton did the state stath in the ot put at 28-6.

Matlock-Styler was third in the \$5 meter desh in 6.97

and Toney fifth in 7.02. Prette wat also third in the 300-

Floyd dished out 12 assists, while Greten contributed off

Summit's boys' team finished fifth is the Hills

points. Morris Hills won with 120

sippeny Hills at the line.

noints. Mendham won with 83.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Sopi

Dayton, GL and Summit are all scheduled to play non

Summit will face Clifton at Floyd Hall Arens in Little

Davton was scheduled to skate against Watchun

Hilltoppers, who were 2-5 as of Tuesday.

in White Division play at Warinanco.

Colin Campbell and Rob Hillenbrand scored for the

SPORTS

Alpizar sparks Hilltoppers

Dayton ice hockey leads **Central Conf. Blue Division**

Bulldogs, Summit, GL seek wins tomorrow

school ice hockey teams - all members of the Central Con- sion play at Bridgewater Sports Arena in Bridgewater. ference - seek continued improvement as their January Dayton sported a 6-2 record as of Tuesday and were in

Division. West Orange is the defending playoff champion. Verona three days earlier at Warmanco Ice Rink in Rose! with Davion baying won the Kelly Cup two years ago. Dayson had a five-game winning streak snapped Sunday when it was defeated by Glen Rock 11-3 in a non-league game at los House in Hackensack

Dayton won two games last week, the first a 4-2 nonleasure decision over Manasquan at Warinanco. The second victory was a 10-3 Blue Division triumph over Passaic Val- Union. ley at Union Sports Arena in Union.

Rob Carroll had an outstanding game for the Bulldogs

against PV as he scored four goals and assisted on two oth-Jim Guarino netted three goals and Rick Kovolonsky

Dayton and GL are both scheduled to skeet tomorro
9:15 p.m. at USA in Unica, with Dayton hearing Pagnock and GL facing Red Bank Responsi GL was defeated by Watchung Hills 8-1 in Blue Division play last Friday at USA in Union.

competition at Drew University in Madison one day after Summit addition were on top of their game at the fron Hills hurdles in 8.92 and CEV/2 and the state of the conference Hills Division meet, also at Drew.

McCurdy was also assemd by the state of the conference o

In the boys' MVC meet, GL and Johnson were tied for

fourth with 34 points, while Dayton was eighth with 9.5. Roselle Catholic won with 71. Sean Carmody of GL was second in the 400-meter run n 53.89 and Joe Murphy of GL fourth in 54.66. Murphy was also third in the 55-meter hurdles in 8.34 and GL's Andrew Trivella fourth in 8.61.

Brian Tavis of Dayton and Rich Sopko of Johnson were tied for third in the high jump at 5-6, while Murphy was

Ann Marie Bacino was fifth for Cf. in the 53-mater deals 7.95 Christie Sidie of GL was fifth in the 800-mater run

Sidie was also fifth in the 1,600-meter run in 5:56.91 and teammate Dana Ragonese sixth in 6:18.44.

8th grade Minutemen open with 2 wins Springfield defeated Madison 69-41 on Jan.

poped Florham Park 68-42 three days later. In the triumph against Madison, Terae Hardgrove was solid with 20 points and seven rebounds, while teammate Will Redger poured in 18 points and grabbed six boards. Jon Friedman and Billy Kirk scored eight points, Zach Floyd five, Justin Model and C.J. Scott four and Mike Dia-

cludes Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at Deerfield School. 2005. Eligible T-Ball players are age 7 by Aug. 2, 2005.

Summit Seals star in Holiday Classic Many to compete in Fla. in April

competitive Holiday Classic 18 swim meet held at Rutgers Dec. 10-12. The Seals were one of 49 teams to compete from New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Points were awarded for finishes up to 16th

place in a total of 1,32 events over the three-day meet. Swimmers ages 13 and older competed in preliminaries in the morning, with the top 16 finishers returning in the evening to swim in finals. The Summit Seals team met with success as many swimmers posted person

al-best times. Laura Alito, Emma Chapman, John Closs, Matt Petersen, Brian Wilson and Jaci Zocca qualified to compete individually in the 2005 YMCA National Swimming Championships, which will be held in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

SENIOR EVENTS Brian Wilson, 16, excelled at the Holiday Classic, bringing home several medals and breaking two long-standing Summit Seals team records. Wilson earned a gold medal in the boys' senior 100-yard backstroke in a time of 51.99. Wilson smashed the old team record of 53.01, set by Billy Specht in 1976.

The Seals' team 100-vard freestyle record of 46.39 set in 1989 also fell to

Wilson. Wilson set a new 100-yard freestyle mark of 45.84 and captured a silver medal. In the finals of the 100-yard butterfly, Wilson dunked the competition with a time of 49.90, earning a second gold medal. In the men's senior 50-yard freestyle, Wilson touched the wall in 21.42 to take a bronze medal. In prelimination of the 200 introduct medicy and 200 but-

terfly, Wilson placed first with times of 1:54.08 and 1:53.83. John Closs placed 13th in the finals of the men's senior 100 breaststroke, with a time of 1:02.35. In the men's 200-yard breaststroke, Matt Petersen placed 14th in 2:15.87, followed by Closs and Justin Zelenka in 18th and 19th place with times of 2;17.48 and 2:17.90. Brian Kennedy clocked times of 23.11 and 50.55 in the 50 and 100 freestyle events.

For the girls', Jaci Zocca sprinted to a seventh-place finish in the finals of the senior 50 freestyle in a time of 24.89. Zocca also placed 12th in the 100 backstroke, posting a time of 1:00.75. Laura Alito placed fourth in the finals of the 100 butterfly, touching the wall in 58.45. Alito also sprinted to a 25.39 in the 50

Emma Chapman recorded a best time in the 100 butterfly of 1:00.65. Carolyn Maul had her best showing in the 100 breaststroke in a time of 1:11.83. Mary Jane Pijanowski clocked a 2:36.02 in the 200 breaststroke. In the 100 freestyle Ange Pflug touched the wall in 57.14. Margaret Tato achieved a best time of 2:17.83 in the 200 IM. Competing in the 100 backstroke, Anneliese Lohmann recorded a time of 1:06.20.

The senior girls' team of Laura Alito, Emms Chapman, Margaret Tato and Jaci Zocca clocked times of 1:41.70 in the 200 freestyle relay and 4:09.26 in the 400 medley relay, qualifying to compete in both events in the 2005 YMCA

Chris Dart was the hardest-working Seal, competing in 18 events and scoring points in seven individual races and two relays. Dart placed fourth in the finals of the boys" 12-14 100-yard backstroke, clocking a time of 57.45. In the 200 backstroke finals. Dart finished sixth in 2:04.73.

Dart, 13, showed his versatility, placing seventh in the 200 IM finals in a tim of 2:07.80. In the grueling 400 IM, Dart placed 10th in 4:33.91. Dennis Burke scored points in the 100 backstroke, finishing in 11th place in the 100 and 200 breaststroke, Kevin Wilson clocked best times of 1:12.45 and

The 13-14 relay team of Burke, Dart, Louis and Wilson placed fourth in the 200 medley in 1:51.38 and ninth in the 400 medley in 4:06.89.

wall in 1:03.64. Tato also placed well in the 100 breaststroke, clocking a 1:13.18 Amanda Grywalski had her best showing in the 200 breaststroke, posting a tim Michael Strand, 11, brought home a bronze medal for his efforts in the boys

ime, racing to the wall in 2:21.65. Strand added two more top-16 finishes, plac ng fifth in the 100 backstroke and ninth in the 50 butterfly with times of 1:05.7 Christy Thew and Anne Trojanowski.

11-12 200 IM. Strand dropped more than 12 seconds from his previous best

10-AND-UNDER EVENTS Kelly Carroll, 9, was outstanding, scoring points in five events. She was fifth in the girls' 200 freestyle, sixth in the 100 and sixth in the 50 in times of 2:25.49,

Also excelling were Nancy Yang, Danny O'Hara and Ben Lin.

CYO-hoop-teams are impressive

Have one of best weekends ever

The 4x400-meter relay team of Justin Matlock-Styler, Daryl Toney, Dan Flakerty and Peopo Freire finished first in 3:44. Preire took the team from fourth to first to edge Par-CYO basketball is alive and well in Springfield! St. James, which fields eight competitive teams from grades 3 through enjoyed one of its most successful weekends ever with the eight squade posting a combined record of 9-1, with a 7-0 mark at home last Saturday and Sunday The weekend began with the girls' 3rd and 4th grade team beating St. Ther sa's of Kenilworth 12-7.

> Heather Fritzen with three and Deidre McElroy with a clutch free throw. Sabri na Bibbo, Brianne Mooney, Mclanie Rossamando and Dana Gearity excelled or

> The St. James gold 4th grade teach defeated St. Theresa 46-14 in convincia fashion. Chris Masucci poured in 10 points and Zack Wright, Joe Peterson's

5:26.3, while Patrice Chatman was third in the shot put at 35-6. Smith was third in the high jump at 5-0 and Scudel-The St. James 5th grade gold team won three times, beating two St. Theres of Summit teams and Holy Trinity of Westfield behind stifling defense from Tyler Bujnowski, Matt Lyna, Michael McGee, Brendan O'Reilly, Joe Policastro, Dylan Curry, Anthony Prus, Mike Fischetti, Andrew Homlish, Nick Pear Andrew Foster and Pat Coyle.

The 6th grade hoys defeated IHM of Scotch Plains thanks to total team play and the 5th and fellerable transpoled over St. Theresa's of Kenilworth.

Plastic that the state of the fellerable player team defeated percental states. St. Thomas of the fellerable states of the Kirk followed with 11 points, while Hardgrove had 10 and eight rebounds. Bujnowski had nine points, Scott eight and Diament, Model, Friedman and Channapragada two.

Springfield 7th grade Minutemen win twice
This Springfield 7th saids Minutemen basketball team did well to roll to vistorior over Mathem 25 to and Plotham Park 60-52 hast week.

Josh Kest peced the team in scoring against Madison with an 18-point,

rebound performance. Alex Popolani added 16 points, while Elliot Karp and Against Florham Park, both Kest and Prus were solid again, with Kest net-

ting 18 points and grabbing 15 boards and Prus pouring in 14. Anthony Aven and Justin Grant hit key baskets to help seal the victory. Sammy Dushkin and The program is for boys and girls ages 6-14 as of Aug. More information may be obtained by calling Bill Gian-Ross Goldfarb played strong defense.

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clutch legs on the third-place sprint the last two running events of the meet, to help-Elizabeth clinch. dles in 31.0 behind standout per formances from Chris Haley, Brett Axelrod, Dan Gibson and Matt Walker. GL was third in 32.9, Roselle fourth in 34.6 and Rahway sixth in 35.7. Scotch Plains captured the team high jump at 11-8, while Union was second with the same 11-8, Cranford third also at 11-8, Elizabeti fourth at 11-4 and Johnson, West-Brick Pever Welke & Patio 973-218-1991 SPACE AVAILABLE Ext. 316 TREE SERVICES team high jump at 9-10 behi SERVICE. INC. A FAMILY BUSINESS PRUNING & REMOVALS STUREP COMMUNIC

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The Union County Chapter of Mothers & More will host Jennifer Mooney, an accountant and mother of two, who will discuss how to identify and make the most of your available tax deductions on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield YMCA, 220 Clark St., Westfield.

Mothers & More, is a national, non-profit organization that champions the value and necessity of all mothers' work to our society, paid and unpaid, within and outside of the home. The local chapter offers support to both working and stay-at-home moms through mom and tot outings, moms' nights out, playgroups, craft

groups, and more. The Union County Chapter holds meetings on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield YMCA.

For more information, call K.C. at 908-789-8626 or Kim at 908-889-2286 or log on to the Union County Chapter's Web site at www.geocities.com/mothersandmore10

Registration for riding lessons to begin

Spring will be here before you know it, and Union County's Watchung Stable is busy preparing for the start of riding lessons.

All applicants must be 9 years of age or older. Class and troop assignments are based upon riding ability as determined by the stable management. Applicants with previous experience may be asked to demonstrate their riding ability in order to be placed in the appropriate class.

Classes are held Tuesdays through Saturdays, Spring troop will last for 10 weeks beginning March 22, and will culminate with the spring troop horse

The Watchung Stable also features adult lessons, for people 18 years of age and older, beginning the week of -March 20. Classes for adults are available on Sundays at 12:45 p.m., Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at

The cost to participate begins at \$200 for 10 classes, and varies with Union County residency status and troop assignment. Uniforms and helmets are required and must be provided at the rider's expense.

For more information, and to obtain registratic a materials, call 908- Courthouse.

Blood drives planned The Blood Center of New Jersey will sponsor the following blood

 Friday, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., St. John the Apostle, 1805 Penbrook Terrace, Linden; 10 a.m. to 3 p.in., VFW Post 335, 479 South Ave., Cranford.

• Jan. 21, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union. • Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Moose Lodge, 43/115 Luttgen Place, Linden; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Masonic Lafayette Lodge, 1550 Irving St., Rahway.

For more information, or to sign up to donate, call 1-800-BLOOD-NJ.

Legal professionals' dinner meeting Jan. 25 UCLSA, the association for legal

monthly dinner meeting Jan. 25 at the Wei's Buffet, 711 E. First Ave., Union County Courthouse Centennial

Members and guests are encouraged to begin gathering at 6 p.m., with dinner being served at 6:30 p.m., and the guest speaker immediately following the dinner will be Union County

COUNTY NEWS

Assistant Prosecutor Robert O'Leary For reservations or more information, call Judy Reed at 908 355-4892 or send an e-mail to i.reed (a) att.net. All legal professionals who either live or work in Union County are

not an organized union. UCLSA provides legal education and networking opportunities and presents an annual scholarship to a qualified individual living in Union County who is pursuing a law related career at its annual installation of officers banquet in May of each year.

This year, the scholarship award will be in the amount of \$1,000. The recipient of this local scholarship award may also be eligible to participate in the state association's scholarship contest for an additional scholarship award.

For more information regarding UCLSA, call UCLSA's membership chairman, Susie Mack, at 973-849-2543 or send an e-mail to legalangel@hotmail.com.

St. Patrick's Day parade fund-raiser Jan. 30

The Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee will sponsor ts annual celebrity bartender's party fund-raiser at the Kenilworth Veterans Center, 33 S. 21st St., Jan. 30 from 2

is Avenue in Union.

celebrity bartender's fund-raiser, call Parade General Chairman Frank Glackin at 908-472-2909, Kathy Noonan Rotando at 908-352-1477, Jim Dougherty at 908-338-4659, or Kevin Dowling at 732-594-1763.

Relatives of immigrants sought for centennial

Union County is seeking relatives 4 at Watchung Stable, 1160 Summit of immigrants who became natural-Lane, Mountainside. Office hours are ized U.S. citizens in Aug. 1, 1903 as al celebrations of the Union County

Courthouse will be honored in memo-

Their descendants will be invited to participate in a re-creation of the 1903 ceremony as part of the events celebrating the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Courthouse. Related events and exhibits will showcase

the courthouse as the center of law in "This event will honor the relatives of those originally naturalized citizens in 1903 with a re-creation of the event. We are also planning a naturalization ceremony for new U.S. citizens in cooperation with the federal Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services." said Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, chairwoman of the

· Bernard Block, Russia

Simon Breen, Russia Leo Chirles, Italy William Samuel Cook, Great Harry Gardner, Russia · Josef Holub, Austria · Carl Ihme, Germany

· James Kenney, Ireland

· Abraham Kuntzman, Russia

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tive of one of those people listed are

urged to call the Union County Clerk's

warning about probates

Union County Surrogate James

LaCorte is cautioning senior citizens

to beware of solicitors offering unnec-

essary living trust and estate plans at

they do not pay exorbitant and exces-

sive fees for estate documents they do

An unsolicited sales pitch to

county woman, recently brought to the

surrogate's attention, highlighted the

misrepresentation sometimes used to

sell unnecessary estate plans at high

Using a complicated probate mat-

ter as an example, a salesman contact-

ed the senior citizen and suggested she

set up a living trust to avoid "costly

probate" he said could cost as much as

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as the normal price of admitting a will

While it is true that a complicated

and complex probate situation con-

is the exception rather than the rule.

complicated," LaCorte said.

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He suggested people exercise cau-

company for about \$2,000.

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greatly inflated prices.

not need," LaCorte said.

invited to attend UCLSA meetings. Members include legal assistants legal secretaries, paralegals, judicial secretaries as well as local, county and state government employees. In addition, student memberships are available to those individuals attending school on a full time basis. UCLSA is

which includes coffee, tea, cake and hot dogs. There will be continuous live Irish-American entertainment featuring Sullivan's Jack and numerous

The Union County St. Patrick's into probate. The salesman then sug-Day Parade will be March 12 on Mor- gested that the cost can be avoided by For information regarding the

Russia. Great Britain, Austria, Germany. Romania and Denmark who settled in Union County and became U.S. citizens in the naturalization ceremony at the then-under construction

Union County Surrogate's office at www.ucnj.org/surrogate/index.html

ENTRY DOOR SALE

Soeakers available The Union County Board of Cho-

sen Freeholders announces the formation of a countywide speakers' bureau through the Office of Citizen Services. Drawing on the expertise of employees in the areas of Consumer Affairs, Veterans' Affairs and Volunteer Services, the freeholders established a process to provide speakers to senior schools, and other organizations.

"In our world today, the impor tance of educational and outreach services cannot be overlooked," said Freeholder Chairman Rick Proctor. "As part of our ongoing efforts to bring services directly to the residents of Union County, we are pleased to offer this speaker service to the com-

Clinics under way at The Citizen Services Speakers' Watchung Stables Bureau employs experts interested in speaking to schools and community

including: An overview of the Bureau of Vet-· Cutting through the Red Tape the Veterans Administration:

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your school or community. Speakers are available for morning afternoon, and evening engagements Programs are flexible and can accommodate different formats. If groups have an interest in a variety of the topics listed, the Citizen Services Speak ers' Bureau will be able to provide more than one expert speaker if a

request is placed with advanced When calling for a speaker, have the following required information

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Veterans can get IDs setting up a living trust through his

As Veterans Day approaches Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi would like to remind veterans that they can receive their free military discerning an estate worth \$250,000 charge identification cards at the could produce \$25,000 in legal fees. it County Clerk's Office.

The wallet-size card is honored as proof of service in the U.S. Armed 99 percent are neither contested nor Forces. It can assist in receiving educational, death benefits, licenses and the property tax rebate..... ion when offered an unsolicited deal 'The ID cards'are available to veter-

ans whose Certificate of Honorable senting the need of a living trust," Discharge and DD 214 Forms are recorded at the Union County Clerk's LaCorte said. "Most people do not iustify the need for such a document." The surrogate recommends shopheir or personal representative. ping for a lawyer to have a last will and testament properly drawn up to

If a veteran's discharge papers have never been recorded, the original document may be presented at the Union County Clerk's Office. Documents will be recorded in the Union County Veterans' Index and the original will be returned to the veteran. Photocopies of Honorable Discharge or DD 214 documents cannot be accepted for recording. Those who have already recorded their documents in the clerk's office can call the office and

band, brother, sister, child, heir or per-

in a secure area and they are not accessible to the public, she added.

groups on a wide range of topics "Beyond Just Riding" is the title of a new series of winter clinics being

offered at the Watchung Stable. Sponadvanced. sored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation, the winter clinics will be

Saturdays and Sundays through Feb. start of this new program which is designed to highlight different eques-

through intermediate. Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, liai-· Feb. 12, 9 to 11 a.m., How to son to the Union County Parks and draw horses, all are welcome. Recreation Advisory Board. "This exploration of horses and horseback riding will help people expand their knowledge of the equine,

ing, and what it actually takes to own your own horse." Patrons, ages 9 through adult, are invited to register for as many clinics as they would like. Each "Beyond Just Riding" session will last two hours. and will focus on one of a variety of horse and horsemanship topics offered in new and exciting ways. Classes have been designed for specific riding levels and ages, with some open to all levels of expertise, including people who have never ridden before. The

and learn simple behaviors of the

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and advanced. · Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m., Basic equine science, all are welcome. · Sunday, 9 to 11 a.m., Learn how to groom and tack up, all adults only. • Jan. 22, 9 to 11 a.m., Course

ate and advanced. • Jan. 22, 1 to 3 p.m., What it takes to own a horse, all are welcome.

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 Jan. 29, 9 to 11 a.m., Riding and safety basics, beginner through inter-

tion and colors of the horse, advanced

· Feb. 5, 9 to 11 a.m., Let's go to an outside show, advanced riders only. · Feb. 6, 9 to 11 a.m., Grooming and tacking of the horse, beginner trian topics with no actual riding," said

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manship 101, all are welcome. · Feb. 26, 9 to 11 a.m., Body clipping, intermediate and advanced. · Feb. 26. 9 to 11 a.m., Basic tack. beginner and advanced-beginner.

• Feb. 26, 9 to 11 a.m., Body clipping, intermediate and advanced. Feb. 26, 1 to 3 p.m., Extended grooming, advanced-beginner through · Feb. 27, 9 to 11 a.m., Introduction

to horses, all are welcome. Space is limited and in-person pre registration is required at the Watchung Stables, 1160 Summit Lane, Mountainside. The cost is \$20 per person for each two-hour clinic. design and jumping clinic, intermedi-For more information, call the Watchung Stable office at 908-789-

Homeschoolers anticipate test case (Continued from Page B1)

and youth crime, some argue that a curfew would do more harm than good. "For those that do pass an ordinance, it could set up a situation where homechooled children could have their Fourth Amendment rights violated," said attorney Scott Woodruff, a member of the Home School Legal Defense Association, pointing out that police would not know if children were being home-

schooled until the children were detained and questioned.

"Studies show that daytime curfews don't reduce crime," Woodruff said. "Kids who want to go out and burglarize stores won't care about truancy." While the bill has passed both the Assembly and Senate, it has yet to be

'This bill along with a number of others, is on the governor's desk for review," said Sean Darcy, a spokesman for the governor, who would not speculate on whether or not Codey would sign the bill. Plente said that there are families in her organization that homeschool who reside in towns around Union County, including three families in Plainfield.

Tree, breadbasket aid families during holidays

There is also another homeschooling organization, called Christian Home

Thanks to a generous outpouring of been well behind those of past years County Sheriff's Office's "Operation Office gives hundreds of boxes of Breadbasket" program this holiday food to residents in need during the Access to their discharge papers is limited and available only to the veterthan 100 sick and shused children.

schoolers of Union County, located in the county.

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The County Clerk's Office is locat- orange juice, milk, bread, eggnog, buted in the Union County Courthouse at ter and more.

provided gifts for children with termi-"Tree of Hope" continues to accept

> contributions throughout the year at: Tree of Hope, P.O. Box 4. Kenilworth

For nine years, "Tree of Hope" has



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT Playwright takes a poignant look at the challenges of a friendship

Sometimes life provides the best materials for stories. In fact, what might be more important is that it often provides the deepest material. That's one of the things that's most striking about the play, "We Beat Whitey Ford," written by Kal Wagenheim, which will be presented in a staged reading at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Theater Project, Union County College's Professional The atre Company, at 1033 Springfield Ave., in Cranford. Ostensibly, Wagenheim's play is about two old friends Mitch, who is black; and Hal, who is

Associate Editor

white. Together, the two played on a baseball team that beat Whitev Ford in a game two decades before But sport really isn't the focus the play at all.

Instead, Wagenheim, who wrote the play based on real-life experiences, focusing on the relationship the two friends have with each other, and about their experiences and challenges in life. There are a lot of different issues that serve as footnotes to the story, the pessage of time, the different backgrounds of the two men, hopes and dreams, — including some dreams that remain unfulfilled - but most of all, the story addresses how the two friends perceive both themselves and each other as their stations in life have changed with the passage

The story is told is set in both 1952 and 1972. In '52, the two play on a team that actually beats a team starring Whitey Ford who, at that point, was not yet a household name. Twenty years later, the men meet again at Newark Airport, and try to recapture the friendship they once enjoyed.

"I was born and raised in Newark. and I went to South Side High School which is now Malcolm X. Shabazz High School," said Wagenheim. "I was a pretty fair athlete, and we were state champs because we had this really superb pitcher, a black guy who lived 10 blocks away, on the other side of South Side. In those days, there was de facto segregation. The school itself was roughly 50 percent black and 50 percent white, and racial relations were pretty quiet. At 3 p.m., once school ended, the black kids would walk north and we'd walk

school, and many developed friend-ships through baseball that cut aries. Suddenly, one of Wagenheim's teams around New Jersey.



Kal Wagenheim, whose play, 'We Beat Whitey Ford,' will be presented in a reading at Union County College on

game against the Fort Monmouth Park in Newark," said Wagenheim. 'My friend, whose real name is Ralph, was pitching, and we were losing 3-1, in the ninth inning. We were t bat and we loaded the bases, and they brought in a relief pitcher. In walks a young blonde guy, who was Whitey Ford, who later became a Hall

of Fame pitcher for the Yankees. "Whitey had played one year for he Yankees, but he was drafted by the Army. I came up to bat against this Major League pitcher, and I hit a pop fly to third base and I was out. Then Ralph came up, who was also a good hitter. He hit a triple over the right fielder's head which drove in three runs, and we won the game. So for years after that, we'd sit around and brain to barriely es that we beat Whitey

n't doing well, he was disappointed in himself," said Wagenheim. "He'd played Negro League ball, but his nessed the play together.

as a big brother. In many ways, he'd been an inspiration to me. "It was difficult because of the passage of time, at the time it seemed

to him that I was more successful. had an office job, I was struggling to pay a mortgage, I had a family, and to him our positions in life looked different," said Wagenheim. "I didn't feel that way, because I always looked up to him as someone special." So the two men tried to talk their way through the awkwardness, but it

didn't seem to be working. Suddenly, Wagenheim took a chance, forcing the issue, to a degree. "At that point in the play I tell him in an emotional outburst how much I looked up to him and cared about him. Some times guys don't say this to

each other, but it seemed to help." Wagenheim's move provided the heim's friend was signed to a bonus to ago, "We Beat Whitey Ford" was prospring training ended his career pre- at the Pulse Ensemble Theater on the Here, a theater on Sixth Ave. between Spring and Broome streets, where

playwright from a slightly different perspective. For the bulk of his career. he's been a journalist, writing for The his start working with Sid Dorfman of

The Star-Ledger. Wagenheim has play "Bavarian Rage," about a dream sent a copy of "Bavarian Rage," to Eli lived in Puerto Rico and Buffalo, team of lawyers who are defending a Wallach, to gauge his interest. "He before he and his wife returned to suburban Essex County, not far from addition, Wagenheim has written sev-funny." eral books, including, "Babe Ruth:

where he grew up. Since 1985, he's published a His Life and Legend," "Clementel" 659-5189.

"When it was produced, I found newsletter called Caribbean Update, He has also translated, from Spanish him and brought him to the play, and which deals with politics and eco- "The Pond," a 19th century novel, and he sat next to me and said it brought nomics in the Caribbean. One day a "The Seventh Miracle" a memoir of a tears to his eves." said Wagenheim. Wagenheim comes to his role as a

week he teaches an undergraduate survivor of the Holocaust. course in creative writing at Columbia University. "We Beat Whitey Ford" was a quarterfinalist in the seventh annual

tion Competition. He also wrote the ever since," noted Wagenheim, who

Clearly, he's been bitten by the playwrighting bug. "About seven or eight years ago, I got this idea, and I just started writing plays and screen Writer's Network Screenplay and Fic-plays, and I've been active doing i team of lawyers who are defending a Wallach, to gauge his interest. "He man who might be Adolf Hitler. In wrote back and said it was very

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'Bride' serves up the laughs

Staff Writer

Usually, when one experiences a Ray Cooney British farce, where timing is of the utmost importance with doors slamming and people nearly, but not quite, colliding, it becomes a laugh-a-minute comedy.

But, with Cooney adding a collaborator, John Chapman, to "There Goes the Bride," and an exceptionally funny cast, made up of the Westfield Community Players, it becomes a laugh-asecond vehicle, where hilarity builds to such a degree that no member in the audience is devoid of unabashed tears. And as Naomi Yablonsky, the play's director, indicated before the

opening scene of the first act, one needs to forget for a few hours what is appening in the world today. And laughter is the best medicine Yablonsky, with the assistance of er husband, Jerry, and Barbara Soldstein, stage director, has brought ogether a delightfully talented cast to

nilk the most giggles from a audience. The performers make mince meat out of this hilarious comedy of errors, which concerns an advertising execuive, who, on the morning of his aughter's wedding, falls and hits his nead, and when he emerges from his fall, he discovers a 1920s flapper from his advertising campaign at his side.

> Unfortunately, or fortunately, no one else can see this gorgeous creature, pybo, incidentally adores him. law and father-in-law frantically race in and tat. of the Westerby, family's

London home, where everyone is Then there's the bride herself, Judy has really come up with a gem of a All the members of this incredible Vikki Massulli, who looks beautiful in anniversary year. seriously, but, in reality, have turned, confined to nervous reactions and is left, so, if the public needs more than a into and become the characters por-constantly hiding away. trayed in these chaotic situations. John Correll, as the bewildered father of the er, Westerby's business partner, takes take of the exceptional offerings of the

John Correll and Valerie Micke as Timothy Westerby and Polly Perkins, respectively, have a moment alone during their performance in "There Goes the Bride," the British farce, by Ray Cooney and John Chapman, at the Westfield

Jrsula Westerby, the harassed mother Drimmond, the bride's grandmothe of the bride, provide much of the fun. is appropriately funny. And Charles They are excellent together — and And Linda Correll is stunning in

her appealing costumes. Stan Kaplan But it is Valerie Micke as the con nearly steals every scene as Dr. Gerald in polly Perkins, an absolutely Drimmond the bride's grandfather itted in-prison respirate adaptive adaptive adaptive adaptive respirate in the second seats with Isualistic (vil w ... surper train to ... This Westfield Community Players

Azen as Charles Babcock, the angry

equally effective performance.

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Timothy McGovern, as Bill Short- over to 1000 North Ave. W. and perbride, Timothy Westerby, and his real most of the confusing moments in his kind of laughter for which everyone wife, the lovely Linda J. Correll, as stride. Linda Giuditta as Daphne craves. It's worth the trip!

Parsons adds spirit to a stage adaptation of a cult film from the '70s

Associate Editor "Harold & Maude" made its debut as a film in 1971, and quickly earned

About Mary." Playhouse, with music by Joseph Thalken, and book and lyrics by Tom

renowned actress Estelle Parsons playing the role of Maude. The story line, in which a perpetually depressed, suicidal 20-year-old, Harold, falls in love with the 80-yearold Mande, requires careful casting to

properly capture the spirits of the

aptured Maude's fearless life-loving quality with vigor, particularly in one scene where she convinced Eric Millegan, as Harold, to join her on a perch she drives away while a police officer questions her during a traffic stop. Lit-Broadway Hall of Fame later this shine, a free-spirited Bohemian girl month.

Harold's mother found through a dat-

become more animated, and more the will suddenly pacents the normal, optimistic.

Donna Lynne Champlin, who per-enhance the many social functions she

ing service to set him up with.

petually dressed in a black suit, and a flirtatious Bohemian energy, enter- Order," and on the BBC television cast was dressed in wandrobes that duction

forms half a dozen characters throughout the play, has performed on Broadway in "Hollywood Arms," "By Jeeves," and "Bloomer Girl." In "Harold & Maude," Champlin steals the scene when she appears as Sun-

Champlin was excellent playing all Christ Superstar" on Broadway. Mil- six of her characters, but her perform-As the play begins, Harold is per- obsession with suicidal thoughts with. Act," on 'television in "Law and Throughout the production, the that they can best appreciate the pro-

ple colors, and his character has Harold was some that

Like Chemptin, Danny Burstein performs many characters, including the prices at a functal at the beginning Sigmoid, the psychiatrist Mrs. Chasen have to extend Harold; and as the head of a duo of movers who repos-

sees Mande's familiare. almost seemed to accentuate the Burstein has performed on Broad-depression that Harold had to over-

formed the roles adequately. Throughout the performance, the its vast array of emotions are both conveyed through the orchestra, par-

"Bev," Roseanne Connor's mother on the long-running television series "Roseanne," conveyed the spunky, attempt, a topic that he is obsessed of Maude. There's a naturally buoyant quality to Parsons, which was ideal for "Millegan is suddenly dressed in multi
"Bev," Roseanne Connor's mother on the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television series he retains for possible use in a suicide wespons and death the long-running television with show "Harold's Maude," Burstein moment, from Harold's Maude, "Burstein moment, from all black to a more casual, multimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnifurney, yet colorful outfits, to the almost wespons with the gruff, dismissive demeanor of the colored look, to Maude's furnimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnimother, Mrs. Clearer, Flaglish lends a mover repossessing Maude's furnim ooked like something one might see

> Tickets for "Harold & Maude" ca be purchased by calling the Paper Mill hox office at 973-376-4343, Monday and Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

from poon to 9 n.m. legan excelled at showing the gradual ance as Sunshine soars above all clse. way in "Three Men On a Horse," "A come, and the mixed emotions that & Maude" should probably see the Her character matches Harold's Little Hotel on the Side." "A Class Maude felt toward the end of the play. stage version at the Paper Mill first, so

Actress examines lives of three first ladies in a new production

Associate Editor

Elaine Bromka has played a vari-The City," and "The Sopranos," not to mention films such as "Uncle Buck." But her listest role seems to be a bit of a departure for her.

Actually, it would be more rate to say her letest roles. Bromka plays three first ladies - Ladybird ohnson, Pat Nixon and Betty Ford in a play she co-wrote. "Tea for Three: Ladybird. Pat and Betty, which is currently being performed at 12 Maies West Theatre in Bloomfield. Bromka got the idea for the play

vears of work," said Bromka. "I real- said, 'Wait till you meet Eric Wein- came up with the concept of using

Bromka thought she was in the clear. But Bart wasn't about to let her get women the public was able to see, but hostess that much of the time? What's because day were very self-reliant at does in this play.

He told Bromka he could team her

friend. Lenny Bart, ran a one-person whimsy," Bromka noted.

of Television and Radio. It took two away?" said Bromka. "But Lenny was open to new ideas, and that he she can, taking no liberties with them. depth, and still gives us laughs along ized I want to say so much more berger." Bromka agreed to meet with Ladybird Johnson, Pat Nixon and said Bromka. "The facts were so stun-about these women, so I said, 'I Weinberger — and agreed with Bart's Betty Ford, because they were in con-

time in the White House, and they did .cuts. show festival and encouraged her to So Bromks and Weinberger set out have teas, they had constant teas, two These women would have learned to develop a play that portrayed the and three a day," said Bromks. "So self-reliance at a very young age," ladies in the show. Not necessarily the was, what goes into having to be the that was very lonely, they'd be OK, an effort. But that is just what Bromka who they really were, and what they great about that construct is that it an early age. What kind of personality up with a playwright with the ability "We really end up giving the sudi- a chance to reminisce about their time The play is a psychological study. to turn Bromka's concept into a top- ence a chance to walk in their shoes," in the White House, how they met "We cared what made these 9187.

she found it an eye-opening and heart- And while Bromks makes each "I did all this research, pored over "I thought, 'I've already put in opening experience. I loved that." character interesting, as much as postuments where the play takes on a journey of some

said Broanka. "The facts were so stun- moved and uplifted." should write my own play.' I was assessment after meeting him. "Eric's assist on earth. We care but even if Bromka was only half-serious, her colleagues knew a winner of an idea when they heard one. A a wonderful sense of humanity and assessment after meeting him. "Eric's secutive order, and because they said themselves." Indeed, when him wind up presenting to the audience has weren't well known.

Bromka looked at the larger picture of the eight first ladies beginning with see sides of the first ladies we might not have seen when they were in the said themselves." Indeed, when wind up presenting to the audience has weren't well known.

Then he came up with the continuous first ladies beginning with see sides of the first ladies we might not have seen when they were in the said themselves." Indeed, when wind up presenting to the audience has serious, her colleagues knew a winner of an idea when they heard one. A a wonderful sense of humanity and each of those women at the end of her five of the eight lost one or both par-

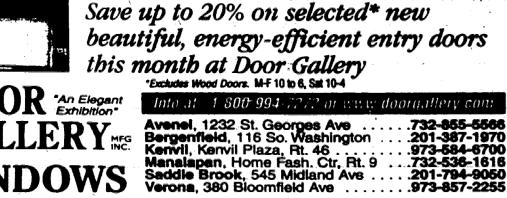
"We didn't have to take liberties," the way, but ultimately leaves u

After Bart's festival passed, real sense of each of the three first one of the questions we considered said Bromka. "If they went into a job being three in one night demands quite

gives a threshold moment, gives them can cope with the pressure of the job? Saturday. For information, call the 12







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Use your creative talents to entertain your friends and enjoy a deserved

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Diversity Art Gallery to hold exhibition in Clark focused on quilts Area quilting and fabric artists such through mutual quilting experiences tal. Artists Glendora Simonson, children and adults. Through her resi-13th exhibition in Clark with the focus as The Nubian Heritage Quilters Guild and by incorporating ethnic patterns. Catherine Sheffield, and Carolyn Davis dency at the The Newark Museum's with computer graphic color schemes.

plays includes various themes, styles of Scotch Plains will be providing itage and nurturing future creativity. numerous works for gallery display and sale. New Jersey's fiber artist Glendora sale. New Jersey's fiber artist Glendora ited at the Newark Museum and the ations by artists Judy Covington of what works best with students into as Laura Fyhr.

Simonson and quilt enthusiast Carolyn Newark Aljira Gallery and they have Princeton, Linda Bhan of Woodcliff future curriculum. She is well versed in The exhibiti Davis founded The Nubian Heritage Quilters in 1995 to promote, preserve and document the importance of arts program. This is the second quilt/fabric show, which was conceived to recognize the creativity of artists who sew, glue and paint diverse fabrics. The public is invited to attend an artists' reception from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

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on quilts and fabric art. Each of the disof Irvington and the Heritage Quilters and fabric, thereby preserving their herwill display six large and smaller quilts educational programs, she has shared

participated in such events as the Lake and others will be on display many different techniques and has been African American Heritage Festival in throughout the months of January and Homdel, Morristown Women's Festi- February.

The guild's quilts have been exhib-guild's membership. In addition, cre-but also enabled teachers to incorporate

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plus two team effort art works by the her technical expertise with children, creates quilt clothing, will be on hand awarded in various categories.

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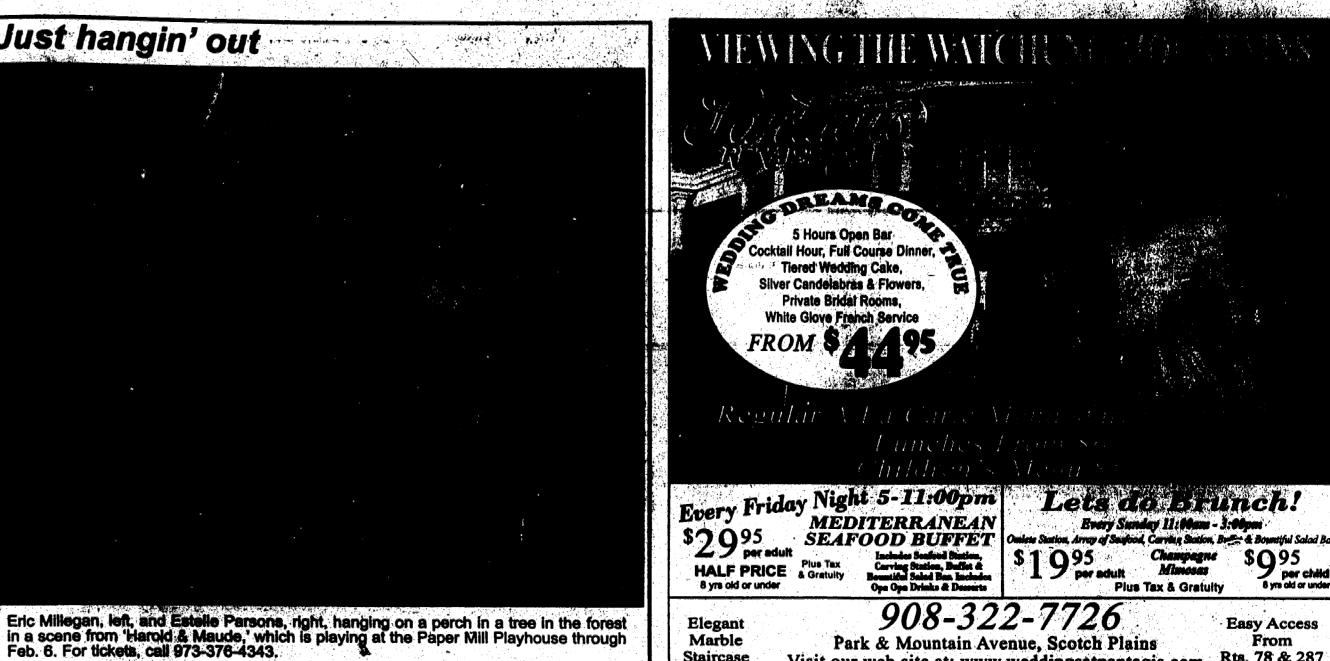
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and types of art which are on display

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ages artists and populations in the sur-

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Gallery in Bethlehem, Pa.

The exhibit, titled "George Segal: April 17. Gallery hours are Wednesday exhibition of Segal's sculptures, drawings and own photographs in the DuBois Gallery.

worked closely with Segal and made Lokuta photographs what he considnearly 15,000 photographs of the life was the traces. Not the expected pose. and work of one of the world's great but the unexpected gesture between sculptors. In 1991, Lokuta assisted Segal in the creation of the RDR. moment off guard," he said. Lokuta is Memorial in Washington, D.C., and was . represented by the Sarah Morthland selected to model for the central bronze

figure in "The Depression Breadline". In an interview with Dubois Gallery director Ricardo, Viera, Lokuta expressed his admiration for Segal. "I've been very fortunate," Lokuta said. http://www.3.lehigh.edu/about/lumaps During the years from 1984 to 2000, I directions sep, or call the gallery at fixend a wonderful friend. George Segal 610-758-3619.

Lokuta's career as a photographer, painter, teacher and historian spans more than 30 years. He has authored and co-mathored several books and written many articles about photography. His own artwork is published widely An Intimate Portrait," will run through and has been included in more than 300 exhibitions. Lokuta's works are in through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 numerous permanent exhibitions such p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. "An as the Art Misseum at Princeton University, the Biblioteque Nationale in Paris the Museum of the City of New York, in New York, and the Smithsonien Insti-

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dising some comprehensive, making final selections a The total section of hot dishes. Among the cold antipastos to an impressive section of hot dishes. Among the cold antipastos, I selected the Materials Fantasy, a fantasia of deliciously fresh mozzarella, processive, sun-dried tomatoes and roasted peppers. Delicately but richly seasoned and marinated, each component wonderfully complemented the flavor of the next, yet retained its own unique identity on the palate.

Also featured on the appetizer and salad sections of the mean are traditional antipastos as well as several tempting varieties featuring such ingredients as olives, artichoke hearts, a variety of means, not peppers and much more; grilled marinated Portabello mushroom with Gorgonzola cheese and field greens; a hot anitpasto for two featuring baked clams, mussels and shrimp; hot and cold appetizers encompassing shrimp cocktail to fried calimari to mussels and beyond and salads ranging from garden salad to Caesar salad to animach salad. One could easily make an entire, filling meal without yeathering into the

main course offerings. However, venture I did! For my main course, I selected one of my all-time favorite dishes veal Marsala - and Two Tony's did it justice and their some. The veal
was succulently tender, cooked to perfection, and swimming in a richly
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ART SHOWS

SWAIN GALLERIES, 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call 908-756-1707.

BRIGHT, BOLD LANDSCAPES will be the focus of Mountainside resident Cynthia Smith Weiss' work, which will be on display at Bouras Galleries on DeForest Avenue in Summit. The galleries are open to the public by appointment only. To make an appoint ment, call Linda Cole at 908-277-6054 exhibit a series of serigraph prints at Reeves-Reed Arboretum, 165 Hobart Ave., Summit, to Feb. 14. An artist's reception will be held Jan. 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Wisner House. Wisner House is wheelchair-accessible and open to the public, free of charge, weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information on the exhibition or Reeves-Reed Arboretum, call 908-273-8787.

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WOODS," will be held on Wednesday at 7 p.m. Performances will be on May ter has managed to build a following in 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. All tick- its suburban location by drawing from a ets will be \$20. For tickets, call 908- mix of New York City comedy club

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THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP will meet at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of Center is in an intimate art gallery, with the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and limited capacity. Reservations may be Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. made by e-mail at www.watchun-For information, call 973-376-8544. garts.org or by phone, calling 908-753-0190 and leaving a message if neces-THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" READsarv. Tickets will be held at the door. ING CROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble ed "on the circle" in Watchung, reached 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For informa-

tion, call 732-574-1818. EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITERS' CIRCLE, led by Cheryl Racanelli, meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For

information. call 732-574-1818. CLASSICS BOOK CLUB meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route lage Methodist Church, 1130 Mountain call 973-376-8544

CLOAK AND DAGGER READING GROUP will meet the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For information, call 732-574-1818. AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERESTS meets the second Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

MYSTERY READING GROUP meets the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

Teenagers, The Del Vikings, Charlie Thomas' Drifters. The Chantels, Emil Stucchio & the Classics, will be present-STAFF RECOMMENDATION BOOK ed by LAR Enterprises on Feb. 18 at 8 GROUP, a monthly reading group featuring staff members' favorite books, Tickets are \$35. For information, call the meets the second Thursday of the box office at 732-499-8226 or visit the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Web site, www.ucac.org. Union County Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544. Arts Center is located at 1601 Irving St.

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PAGE TURNERS DISCUSSION GROUP will meet the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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Raritan Road, Clark. For information, http://www.watchungarts.org/Afolk.ht. The following artists will perform as WRITERS WORKSHOP meets every part of the Watchung Art Center Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Acoustic-Folk Series: Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. On Feb. 5, Kristy Jackson. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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Estelle Parsons, who is starring as Maude in the play Harold & Maude," now playing at the Paper Mill Play house through Feb. 6. For tickets. call 973-376-4343.

\$14. For information and reservations. call 908-522-1501 or send an e-mail to concerts4causes@aol.com. Also, visit the Web site, http://www.coffeewithcon-

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On Saturday, Modern Man. On Wednesday, Tom Kimmel. On March 19, Peter Mayer. On April 16, Lowen & Navarro. On May 21, the Kennedys. On June 18, the Dreamsicles

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"1941" by Stephen Spielberg, will be shown on Jan. 29 at 2:30 p.n. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway. All tickets are \$5. For ticket information, call 732-499-8226. For general information, visit the Web site,

"THE GREAT ESCAPE," starring Steve McQueen, James Garner and Richard Attenborough, will be shown on Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway. All tickets are \$5. For ticket information, call 732-499-8226. For general information, visit the Web site,

ring Burt Lancaster, Montgomery Clift, Deborah Kerr, Frank Sinatra and Donna Reed, will be shown on Jan. 30 at 2:30 p.m. at the Union County Arts

at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call importance of culture and the arts to the economy and quality of life, the freeholders established the HEART OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT takes place the second Sunday of every Grants in 1998. This innovative program supports projects related to histomonth at 7 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, ry, the arts, and humanities, and 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818. demonstrates a commitment to the artists and nonprofit organizations of Union County. The response to the HEART Grant program in past years has been exciting," said Freeholder

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1601 Irving St., Rahway. "YOUR ARMS TOO SHORT TO BOX WITH GOD" will be performed at the Union County Arts Center on Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. Regular ticket prices are \$40 and \$35. For information, call the box office at 732-499-8226 or visit the Wab site, www.ucac.org. Union County Arts Center is located at 1601 Irving St.,

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VARIETY

THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will TALES FOR TOTS PRESCHOOL present Open Mic Night every Thurs-STORYTIME will be offered at Barnes day night, a disc jockey every Friday and Noble, Route 22 West, Springfield, night and solo artists and bands on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m., Saturdays. Happy Hour is 4 to 7 p.m. and the Kids' Writing Workshop, Satur-Mondays to Fridays, with \$1 drafts and days at 10 a.m. For information, call \$3 Long Island iced teas. Mondays are Mexican Mondays with \$2 shot specials, \$2 Coronas, \$2 margaritas and \$1 tacos. Wednesdays are Ladies

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· As employers are promising a New Year's hiring surge, get a step up Union County College's Division of Economic Development and Contin- from the competition by gaining skills uing Education will be offering two in resume writing and job interview sessions during its spring semester that techniques through single-session of Economic Development and Contin- provide the necessary training to work workshops to be offered during January uing Education now offers an IT Secu- as a professional emergency rescuer. To and early February at Union County rity Specialist Certificate Program. The take this course one must have current College's Cranford Campus.

course is an 80-hour training program CPR/AED certification at the health The workshops are designed for for network professionals designed to care/professional level by the American people who wish to upgrade their status maintain the security and integrity of Heart Association, American Red in a chosen field, people who recently Cross, or the National Safety Council. experienced a layoff, those who believe the spring 2005 semester, it will begin Beginning on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. they may face a job loss, or those who on Jan. 25 and will be held on the col- to 4:30 p.m., on the college's Plainfield want to change direction and start an lege's Elizabeth campus at 12 West Jer- campus at 232 E. Second St., the entirely new career path. New gradusey St. from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. on Tues- course, Emergency Medical Techni- ates will also benefit from the workcian, will be offered. The course meets shops.

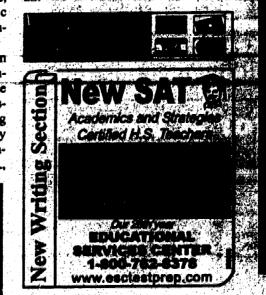
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mentals, configuring firewalls, design- Medical Technician Basic, or EMT-B. ing firewall systems, advanced TCP/IP. The EMT-B serves as a vital link in the Make Your Résumé Work for You in of the health-care team. This proing Linux computers, security of Intergram includes all skills necessary for

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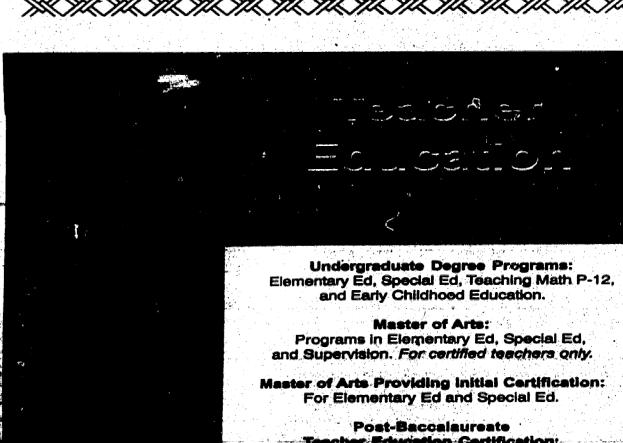
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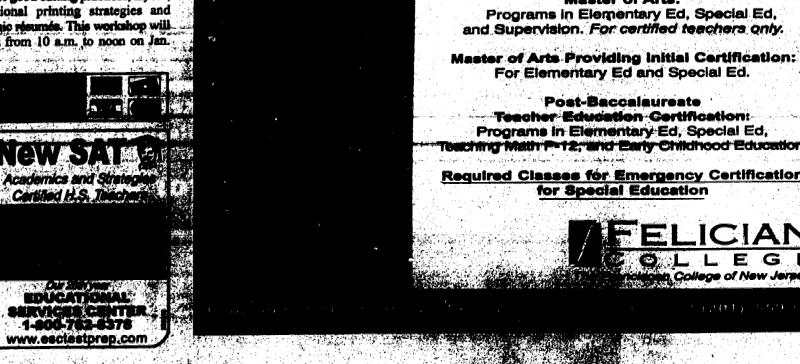
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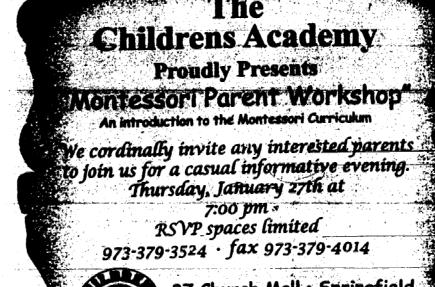
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New Providence Chiropractic per- the first place," he said. Many people are actually suffering forms a complete orthopedic and neufrom a condition called piriformis rological examination with the appro- Chiropractic has opened its doors to chiropractic care. He also consults deep muscle of the buttock, causes or an MRI to rule out a disc herni- December and January winter back. United States on delivering quality Piriformis syndrome. This muscle can ation or other conditions that can prevention months. During these spechiropractic care.

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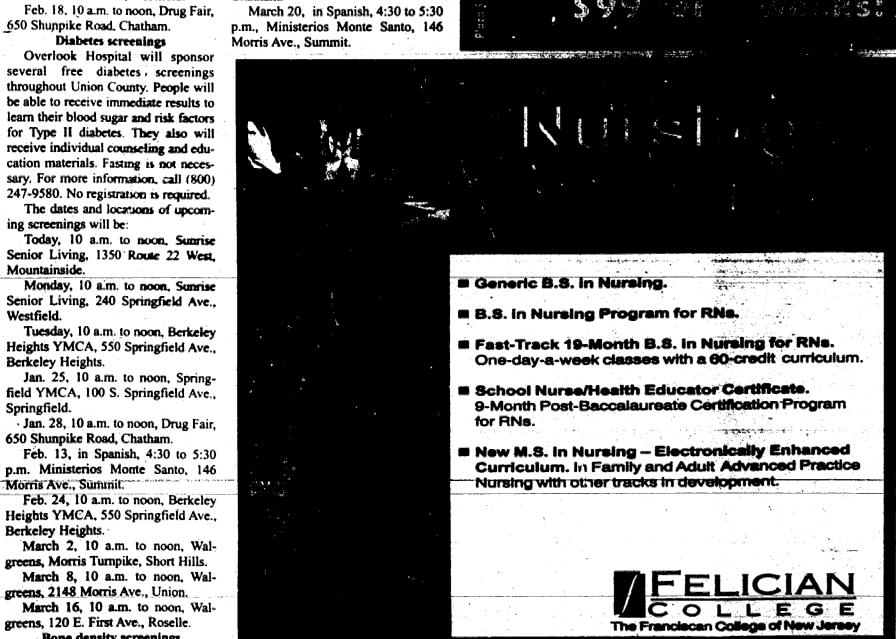
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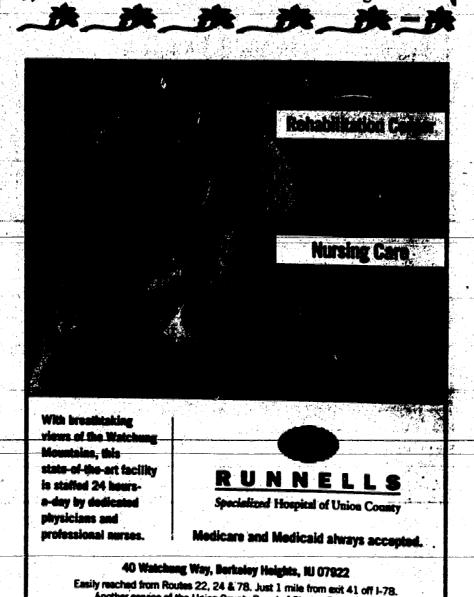
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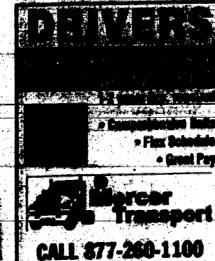
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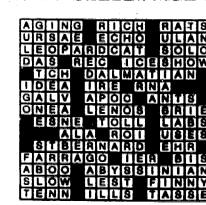
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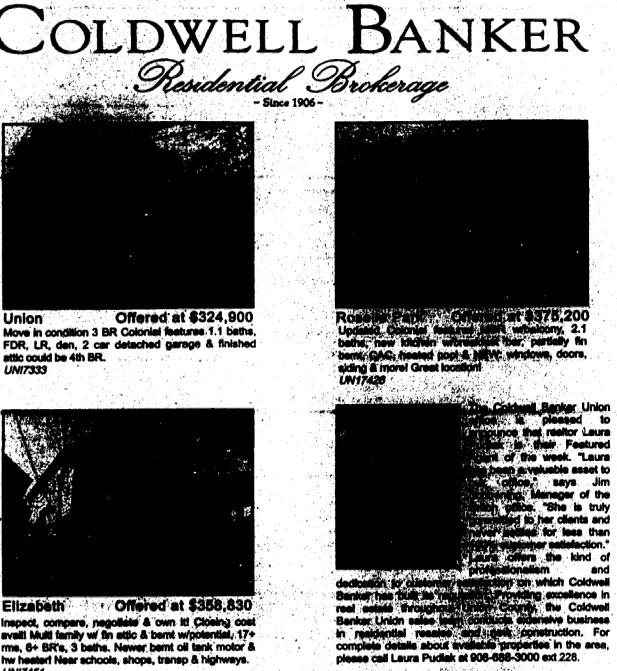
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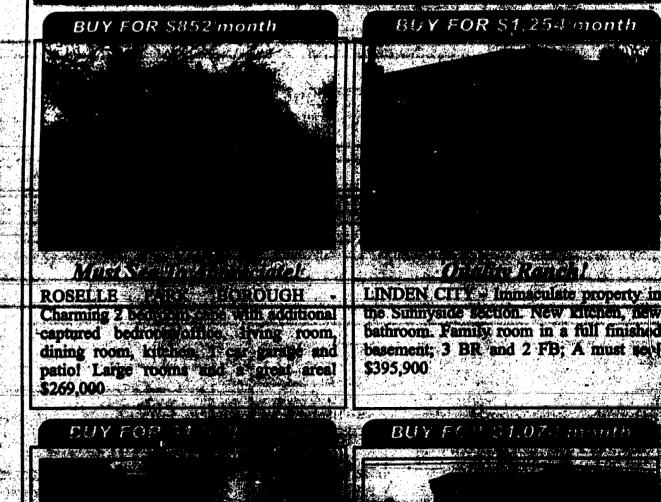
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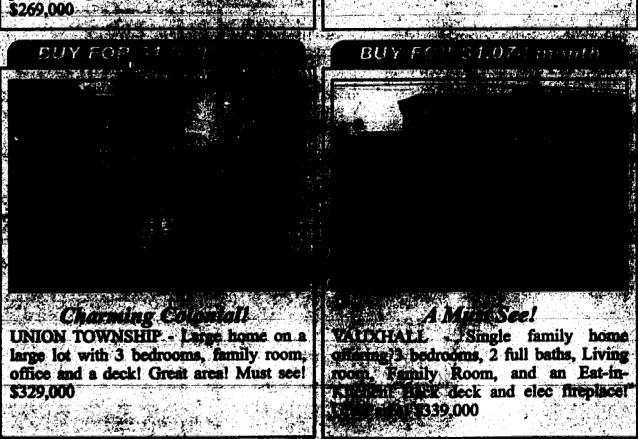
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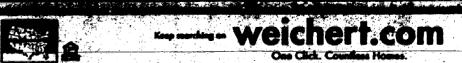




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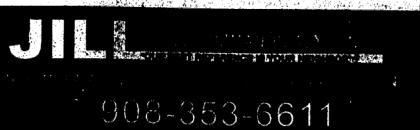
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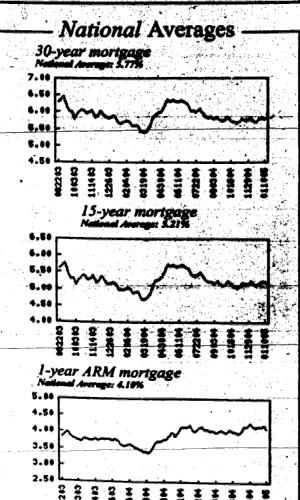
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says a company insider. Five years ago, when it became inevitable that Harley would have to do something to cure the Sportster's case of the shakes, engineers looked at things like single and dual counterbalancers, a shorter stroke engine, or rubber engine mount bushings to settle

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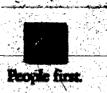
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