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### Student author speaks

By Rick Klittich Staff Writer

On Monday morning, students at James Caldwell school in Springfield were visited by one of the most dedicated and focused authors ever raised in Springfield.

In fact, he still lives in town. Jim Cotting, an 18-year-old stu-dent at Jonathan Dayton High School, recently published his first book, titled "Sigmond," a fiction novel he had been working on since middle school.

"In seventh grade," Cottage said, "I started to get ideas for the book. I didn't start writing it until ninth grade."

Cottage spoke to a library full of students, along with two classes, about the process of developing the book, including the creation of characters and the timeline that was needed to finish.

"I drew the characters different ways," Cottage, who illustrated his own book, explained. "I kept deciding that I didn't like different things about them and I kept changing them, until I liked them. Then, that's how they stayed."

Cottage, 17 when he completed the work, said he would write whenever he got the free time to do so.

Sometimes, I would write at home," he said. "Sometimes, I'd write in the car on long trips, and sometimes, I'd write in school."

The 225-page book revolves



dent at Jonathan Dayton High School, reads from his first book, 'Sigmond,' which was recently published. Cottage was their age when he first began dreaming up what would Cottage, an 18-year-old stueventually be his first novel.

around Fantis, a world of forgotten history, swords and sorcery. It is up to Sigmond, who the book is titled after, to save the world from the Shaddows, who have devised a plan to make the land their own.

"I think it's a great accomplishment," said John Cottage, Jim's father and Office of Emergency Management director for Springfield. "He has tremendous follow-through on whatever he wants to accomplish."

Besides writing and illustrating, Cottage has gone through the ranks of Boy Scouts. He became an Bagle Scout at age 17, after many years participating and growing within the organization.

Still, Cottage didn't spend the greatest amount of his time focusing on writing and scouting. Since second grade, he has been a competing gymnast, part of a team that usually demanded three hours each day, five days a week for practice.

With the scouting and gymna career ending this year, Cottage will be attending the University of Rochester in New York next falls While his favorite subject in school has been creative writing and english,-Cottage will look to major in illustration.

His dream job would be animating cartoons, Cottage said, but he wouldn't rule out the possibility of more writing during and after corlege.

Currently, he is working on the sequel to "Sigmond," which he has begun writing but won't set any deadlines for.

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The prequel is also in the works, though only an outline has been developed thus far. The self-published novel can be found on

Amazon.com, Trafford.com, which helps publish independent works, and Barnesand-Noble.com.

The best thing about the experience of writing a book, Cottage explained, was seeing it between two covers for the very first time.

"That was pretry cool," he said. The worst part of the writing experience, however, is that sometimes he is perceived "as an author, rather than a person," Cottage explained.

With all he has done, it seems obvious that the multi-dimensional student is more than just a writer.

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### **Springfield sch** budget targete

### New high school principal appointed

### By Rick Klittich Staff Writer

With the May 19 deadline for the Springfield Township Committee to decide the amount to be cut from the school budget, which was heavily defeated by the public three weeks ago, a recent meeting with the Board of Education addressed some of the more significant line items.

The most controversial issue, a \$345,000 technology cost for a oneto-one laptop initiative at Florence M. Gaudineer school next year, soon became the center of

only significant change will come in terms of how fast the computers work.

Committeeman Harold Poltrock, however, was skeptical of this perception.

"If it's one thing we've learned," Poltrock said, "it's that we have no idea what's going to happen next."

Davino said, as an instructional tool, it can be predicted that speed is the only factor which will be changed in the near future.

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"The cost is the future of our children," said Superintendent Michael Davino.

While that may sound trite, he said, this is the first time he's seen administrators playing catch-up with students.

In total, the three-year plan to establish the usage of a laptop computer for every student and teacher in the middle school and Jonathan Dayton High School will cost more than S1 million, The projected. a second and the second of

years, the board members and town officials will look back at their meeting and regret ever even questioning it."

Also discussed between the two organizations was the \$38,000 budgeted for next year's junior varsity football program, which encompasses supplies, officials and coach-

Davino assured the Township Committee that the interest is there, as a high number of students have come forward in anticipation of 

### Mountainside's budget defended

Last year's budget was \$5,721,336. The tax increase for 2005 would be about \$85 per home assessed at \$150,000, Viglianti said.

"There mere a lot of things that we had no say in," Viglianti said.

Increases stem from five main sources, including the Rahway Valley Sewage Authority and the need to remap the borough's storm sewer system. Both decisions are imposed by the state, Viglianti said, whether the council decans them appropriate or not.

Another state mendate calls on the borough to. absorb the pension costs of borough police officers. which is close to a \$60,000 increase this year. A mandated increase for allocations to the borough library, as well, will cost around another \$60,000. "Ninety-seven percent of the increases are due to

outside sources," Viglianti said. "We've maintained our costs whenever we had the opportunity.

the process of putting the budget together went smoothly. He agreed with Viglianti that a lot of things were out of the council's hands.

"I'd like to see Trenton do something," Mortimer said. "The legislature looks like heros," he said, because of all the mandates for improvements. "We

look like the bad guys." It's the municipal government, Mortimer explained, that has to announce the tax increase

Included in the Mountainside Judget is \$260.516 for the borough pool utility costs, which is down from last year, and \$48,110 in capital improvements. also down slightly from last year.

The total number of full- and part-time employces remained the same, at 65, with salaries, wages and miscellaneous expenses for those employees set at \$3,710.236.

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"Attorneys who become involved in politics. for example, find ways to use their own law firms.

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Viglianti said he was not specifying a particular party. Sere strange

It goes for both sides," he said.

Viglianti also found an ethics conference that is supposed to be offered for New Jersey officials to figure out right from wrong is laughable Today, politicians use their roles as full-times iobs

"They get elected and have to immediately fig-ure out how to be reelected," Viglianti said: "We need to see a change, but I don't think it's going to go through.

Government cannot be all things to all people."

tional their or the equipments a about the possibility of a student grades. being confronted while leaving from

or walking to school. Davino said that, in six years working with the project at his old Staten Island district, there were zero confrontational thefts.

If a student is, in fact, confronted; Davino said he or she will be taught beforehand to simply give up the equipment and file a police report.

In looking shead toward the spending of more and more money on the initiative, Davino, said the Aught Cale of Car a salar of the state of the

A public meeting to discuss budgetary issues will be on Tuesday at 7:30 in the Jonathan Dayton High School auditorium. Another meeting may follow that one on Wednesday, if necessary.

At Monday night's Board of Education meeting, Blizabeth Cresci, current principal of Highland Park High School, was appointed as the new principal of Jonathan Dayton High School, beginning in September. Cresci will be replacing longtime Principal Charles Serson. 

### Mountainview Fleights only item on board's agenda

### By Rick Klittich Staff Writer

Though delayed more than two months so that it could be reviewed to ensure an accurate presentation, Mountainview, Heights in Springfield, proposed condominiums stop Wilson Road, was the only agenda item for the most recent Planning Board meeting.

Still, the topic lasted until the 11 p.m. curfew of the meeting, and it wasn't even close to being fin-والمرابقة المجر وأجر والمتحصص والمحاف المحا isbod.

Bruce Pitman, the attorney for development contractors, began the hearing by explaining to the Planning Board not only the variances that need changing, but why they should be adjusted.

Among the variances being requested by Mountainview Heights, whose named was originally slated to be "Baltusrol Estates," is approval of a preliminery site plan to construct 93 multifamily residential units.

dwelling units are allowed in any one building.

Condensing all of the units to one building takes advantage of the contour of the mountain, Pitman explained.

This is also to the advantage of surrounding properties, as past protests have maintained, reasoning that multiple buildings created fire

hazards and interrupted land surrounding the area.

Also, no living quarters are allowed to be located above the sec-ond story. The spectments, flowever, are proposed for third-floor living. Two-and-a-half storics are allowed for a building as well, but Baltuscol Estates proposed three stories.

The building, however, remains at less than the restricted height of 35 feet. Pitman explained, so there should be no problem with a third floor.

A New Jersey planner spoke at length about the toughest obstacle developers have encountered in attempts to build on the site, which is the "critical slope area."

The single-building advantage, he explained, will help comply with the ordinance, but construction will help avoid the slope being such an issue, he explained

The Planning Board was also assured that the "blasting" which Currently, no more than 32 has been expected to be necessary for past projects would not be as needed, nor as much of a disturbance to property owners, for this development.

> For the past two decades, Springfield residents who live near the vacant area on Wilson Road, where the former Baltusrol swim club was once located, have protested the building of apart-

ments and condominiums on the abandoned land

A fter real decis white 200 feet of the site recently received a notice regarding a Springfield Planning Board meeting about a proposal given by Baltnerol Binares, which spike to build on the property, that group is in the process of forming

Bella Lipton, one of the residents Spuring the current protect, said the May A presentation didn't answer

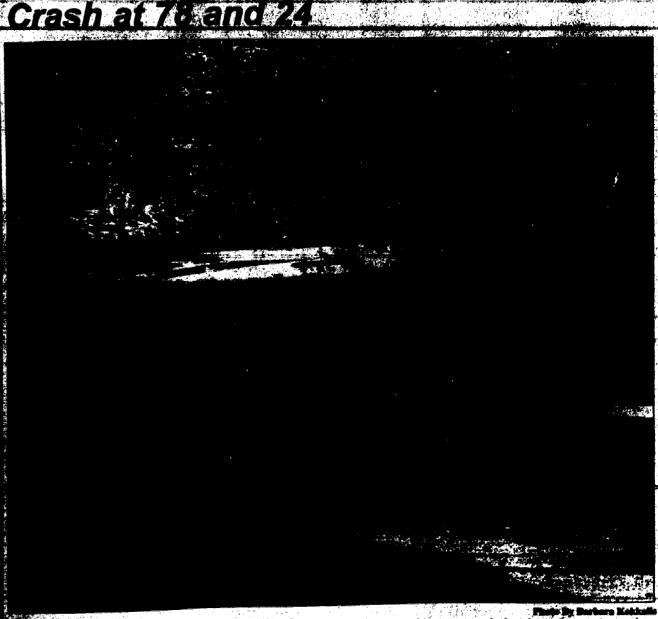
The excision rate a lot of the excision rate a lot of thir was explained. It was like a sales pitch.

were touched on, such as flooding and the emergency of a fire.

Granting the variances, she said, to one approximate believing," would the away from the Springfield the approximates and set a precedent township that could lead to leritics of Hillside and Irving-

Mayor and Planning Board membir Sy Multiness said the difference with this development and past ones is that this is one building, set back ach deeper into the site, which doem't require blowing up whole diamizine.

Presentations are expected to last at least two more mootings, Multman said. The next Planning Board incating is here Leve



A tractor trailer flipped over Tuesday morning while going around the bend westward where Routes 78 and 24 split in Springfield, landing on a car. Fortunately, there were no injuries, although traffic was tied up for several hours. Here, a police officer stands near the overturned vehicle.

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### Chamber of Commerce

hosts annual Street Fair Springfield Chamber of Commerce will conduct their annual street fair on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fair will be conducted on Mountain Avenue between North Trivett and Morris Avenue. This portion of Mourtain Avenue will be closed from 7:30

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events in June. Jean Rae Turner and Richard T Koles, author and photographer of the recent "Images of America: Springfield" volume in the popular Arcadia

Publishing series will sign copies of the book during the Springfield street fair on Saturday. Turner and Koles, authors of several

books about local history in Essex and Union counties, are being presented by the Springfield Historical Society which is also offering a walking tour of Adira Mosech Old Springtield on Saturday.

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An all-inclusive Music Cities Sha'arey Shalom's Renaissance Capital of the World" will be a treat An all-inclusive Music Cities Sha arey be trip includes deluxe Capita of the trong with reserved seats at the beginning with reserved seats at the

Memphis, Tenn., with guests staying Martin Luther King Jr. gave his an afternoon sightseeing tour of at the Radisson Hotel; three nights in famous "I have been to the moun- Nashville hosted by a local guide Branson, Mo., at the Radisson Hotel; taintop<sup>2</sup> speech. Also, there will be a with visits to the Old Ryman Auditothe Gaylord Opryland Hotel. Depar- Museum at Lorraine Motel where Dr. and Music Row. ture will be from Newark Airport to King's room can be viewed as it was Dinner this last evening will be at

flights are on Continental Airlines. is scheduled at Branson during the Renaissance Group Music Cities The cost is \$1,819 per person, round evening. The next day, there will be Tour of Memphis, Branson and trip, double occupancy or \$2,249 per entertainment from the Doug Gabriel Nashville is limited. To make reserperson single occupancy. There will Show and later, a performance by one vations, call the tour agent, Preferred be a miscellaneous expense charge of Branson's most popular perform- Travel, at 973-338-8687 and refer to \$125 to cover tips for the tour direc- ers, Shoji Tabuchi. This performance: group membership number 845819 tor, guides, bus driver, etc. Included includes everything from country to and departure date of Monday. is two-way bus transportation classical, showcased in a theatry that For information, call Marge between Temple Sha'arey Shalom is a phenomenon in itself. Dinner will Grossbarth or Arlene Newman. aboard the 1890s paddlewheel river- Renaissance Group co-chairpersons, This trip is open to the general boat, the ShowboatBranson Belle. through the temple office at 973-379-The next day, there will be a perform. 5387 or send a message by e-mail to This Music Cities Tour of Meni- ance by Yakov Smirnoff with the office@shaarey.org. Information can

### EVENTS

that day. "No Parking", signs will be Public Health Governance Perforposted along Mountain Avenue, the mance Assessment instrument for night before the event and they will . Local Boards of Health. remain in effect until the event is over and the street is reopened. The festival the community-room, located on the will be conducted rain or shine.

Springfield Chamber of Commerce and field. will feature craft and artworks. For Members of the public are welinformation, call 973-376-4784.

### Board of Health to meet

There will be a joint Boards of contact Daryl Walker at info@street- Health meeting, encompassing the municipalities of Fanwood, Garwood, Mountainside Education Foundation The 225th Battle of Springfield Mountainside, New Providence, and Steve Roslonek of Steve Songs for Anniversary Committee will have a Roselle Park, Springfield and West- a special musical performance on May table and be selling limited edition com- field. The meeting has been scheduled 20 at the Deerfield School gym on memorative items as well as handing for Monday at 7 p.m., for the purpose Central Avenue in Mountainside at 7 out information on their upcoming of review and completion of the Local p.m.

Nashville will be sponsored by the hotels throughout, round trip air and "Grand Olde Opry." After, tour the Kenaissance Group of Temple extensive sightsceing, Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, from In Memphis, there will be visits to Presley, Dolly Parton, Charlie Pride Monday to May 23 Graceland, the palatial home of Elvis and many more artists recorded their The eight-day fully escorted Presley, and the Mason Temple and hit songs. Next, there will be a tour of deluxe tour includes two nights in Church of God in Christ, where Dr. the Country Music Hall of Fame with and two nights Nashville, Tenn., at visit to the National Civil Rights rium the Parthenon, the state capitol

> the famous Wildhorse Saloon. A performance by Andy Williams Space for the Sha'arey Shalom

The meeting will be conducted in first floor of the Westfield Municipal The street fair is sponsored by the Building at 425 East Broad St., West-

### Deerfield musical concert benefits MEF

The public is invited to join the

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### Hannah Katherine Barone

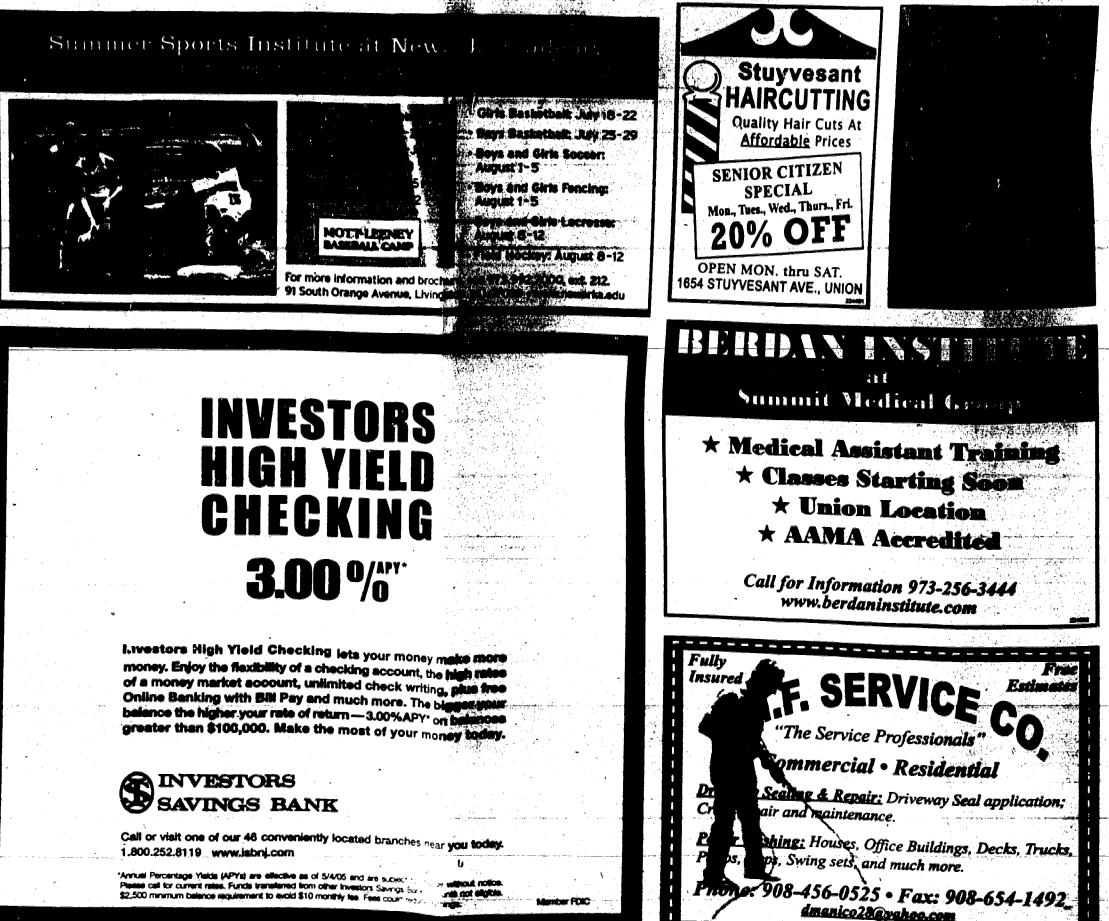
Hannah Katherine Barone was born May 4 at 9:54 a.m. in St. St.Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Christy and Andrew Barone of Springfield Weighing 6 pounds, 10 ounces, she joins a brother, Robert Francis, and a sister, Emma Louise.

Grandparents are Robert and Suran Kuldanek of Union and Frank and Patri-"en Barone of Whiting:

Adira Moesch was born Feb. 20 in Hadassah Hospital, Je Residents who live along the closed Joshua and Yaelle Moesch of Efrat, Israel.

Paternal grandparents are Sharon and Bill Moesch of Springfield and Delaware Township, Pa. Maternal grandparents are Evelyn and Arthur Jacobs

Maternal great-grandmother is Yettie Jacobs of Ramat Bet Shemesh, Israel.



come to attend.

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Jean Rac Turner and Richard T. Koles, author and photographer of the recent "Images of America: Springfield" volume in the popular Arcadia Publishing series, will sign copies of the book during the Springfield street fair on Saturday. For information, call 973-376-4784.

Springfield, at 7 p.m. Beginning this past September, Jews across America began a yearlong celebration of the 350th anniversary of Jewish settlement in North America. As part of this celebration, the film festival will look at two films that depict perceptions of Jews in America through the eyes of Jewish people and those of their neighbors.

• B'nai B'rith of Springfield plans a visit to the Forum Theatre, 314 Main St., Metuchen at 3 p.m.

adventures of a Jewish Widow and an Irish widow whose daughters move them to Las Vegas, where they share a retirement Village Condo. For reservations and information call Jerry Kamen at 908-687-9120 days or 908-277-1953 evenings, or Joe Tenenbaum at 973-379-9306.

Ave., Union, NJ 07083. For best seats, reserve early, A.S.A.P. • The Hetfield House, Mountainside's historic venue on Constitution Plaza, will host an open house event for their brick project at 1:30 p.m., followed by a raffle drawing at 2 p.m. A dedication for personalized bricks for the walkway, where Mountainsiders honor their families and themselves in perpetuity, will also be conducted. Visitors can also meet Connie McNamara at 2 p.m., the author select-

ed to write an update of Mountainside's history.

• A joint Boards of Health meeting, encompassing the municipalities of Fanwood, Garwood. Mountainside, New Providence. Roselle Park. Springfield and Westfield has been scheduled at 7 p.m., for the purpose of review and completion of the Local Public Health Governance Performance Assessment instrument for Local Boards of Health. The meeting will be conducted in the community room, located on the

first floor of the Westfield Municipal Building at 425 East Broad St., Westfield. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Tuesday • The Mountainside Borough Council will conduct a regular meeting in Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east at 8 p.m. Upcoming

· Robert Butts, conductor and lecturer, presents "From Shakespeare to" Sunset Boulevard: The Story of the Broadway Musical" at the Mountain-side Public Library on Constitution Plaza at 7:30 p.m. This program is free and open to the public. To attend, call the Mountainside Library at 908-233-0115 to register.

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P.O. Box 3109, Union, NJ 07083.

Saturday • The Springfield Historical Society will conduct a walking tour of "Old Springfield" as part of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce Street Fair on Mountain Avenue, near the Morris Avenue intersection. The tour will begin at 1 p.m. in the D.A.R. cemetery, proceed to

Church Mall and end at the Historic Cannon Ball House. For information. call the Springfield Historical Society at 973-367-4784. • The Springfield Chamber of Commerce will conduct their annual

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7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the fair. Craft and food vendors will be present, as well as rides for children. Anyone wishing to sign up as a vendor should contact Daryl Walker at

Sunday • Temple Beth Ahm will continue its film festival at 60 Temple Drive.

For information on this program, call the temple at 973-376-0539.

The show is "Bermuda Avenue Triangle," a comedy that concerns the

The cost per person is \$30. Mail checks to Jerry Kamen 2824 Morris

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### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### May 19

Columba,

Latchkey program could alter school hours in Springfield By Rick Klittich Staff Writer

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to send their children to school early, pick them up late, or and Springfield's youth.

A latchkey program proposal by the Springfield Board of Education is exploring the possibility of allowing the the rental of building space in the township. township's students, from prekindergarten age to all elementary school ages, to be dropped off at school as early as first," Davino explained, 7 a.m. and stay until as late as 6 p.m.

In the past, including this last year, other available options for after-school care included The Learning Center, to Springfield households. which rented out space in Springfield by paying the Board of Education for use of at least one of their school build-

Currently, plans are set for TLC to merge with the Sum-

'Catch A Rising Star'

mit YMCA. Springfield Superintendent Michael Davino is well, would be \$15 each day. In the survey sent to par- has no curriculum connection with Springfield and students set to meet with a representative of the YMCA in order to set to meet with a representative of the YMCA in order to NACA Beginning next year, parents may have the opportunity discuss a possible relationship between TLC, the YMCA

Davino explained that the Board of Education, as plans stand now, would not enter into an agreement with TLC for "The plan is to do something from a district perspective,

Currently, the proposal depends a lot on how many par-

ents respond to an explanatory letter that has been delivered the district.

### week and which part of each day children would be cared the building.

around \$3,700. The costs are comparable to what other dis- Still, one of the reasons Davino is meeting with a tricts charge for similar programs, Davino said. would be a connection with co-curricular activities within as bad weather weekdays and vacation days. A plan could

Children would remain at the school which they attend. capacities, Davino said. The costs for parents to send their children to school Davino said, eliminating the need for transportation after

By Joan M. Devlin

### Staff Writer

It was the launching of the new Mountainside Board of Education meeting, with President John Perrin presiding, and new member Scot Worswick in place.

"It is my responsibility to appoint new commit-tee chairmen tonight," said Perrin. "The only appointment already made was MaryBeth Schaumberg to chair the Berkeley Heights Board of Education committee," he added.

umbers had encyed in this capacity during the 2004-2005 school year and had expressed an ments will change by the next Board of Education interest in doing so again this year at the last meeting, the reorganization meeting.

Scot Worswick was named to head the Union County Educational Services Commission Board gar, for Budget and Finance; Gene Nagel for Buildand Pat Knodel was named to be the New Jersey ings and Grounds. Also: Ray Haggar, for Negotia- time.

New Jersey Boards alternate. Schaumberg was to be Transportation committee, and MaryBeth Schaum- Mountainside," said Perrin.

### Locker broken into at Bally's sports club

### On Saturday at 4 p.m., a Linden

resident reported that his locker was "broken into at Bally's sports club on Route 22 east. A lock and \$300 cash was stolen.

• On Friday at 1:16 p.m., a Freehold resident reported that his locker was broken into at the New York Sports Club on Morris Avenue. A lock and \$20 cash was stolen.

• Peter Bachus, 43, of Springfield, was arrested on May 5 at 6:27 cd at Loews Theater on Route 22

• On May 5 at 9:43 a.m., Jason Hinnant, 45, of Newark, was arrest-

• Maria Hordynsky, 53, of Union was arrested May 3 at 4:06 p.m. for possession of counterfeit documents at the Center Street Motor Vehicle

POLICE BLOTTER

meeting.

Commission. Mountainside

On May 4 at 1:41 p.m., Javier Munoz, 38, of Elizabeth, was arrest-

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the American Geristrics Society.

Please join us for the lecture series, May 18, June 15, Sept 14, Oct 20 Planning for parents of disabled children Social workers are presented with special problems relating to astate planning for parents of disabled children.

ning for parents of disabled children. The course will explain all the benefits of estate planning along the consequences of not plan-

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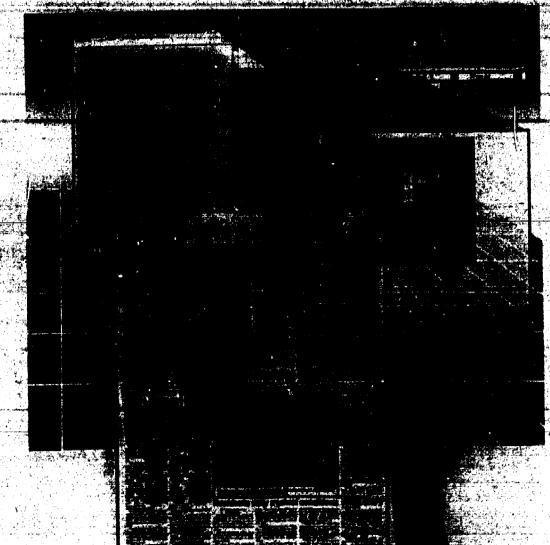
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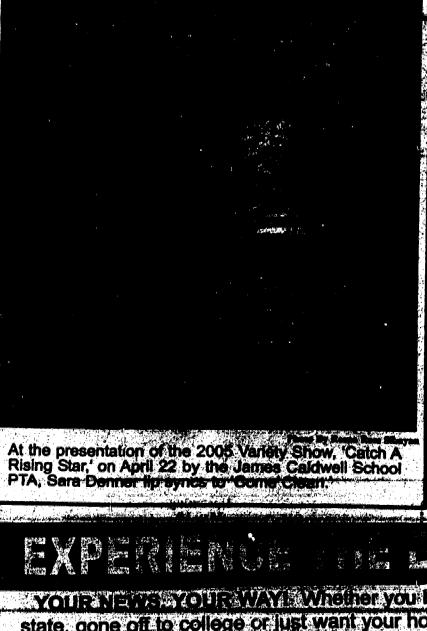
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# School Boards delegate.

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In this proposed latchkey program, Springfield teachers For a parent to send a child to school early and pick him would be involved, student aides would help out and the or her up late, for the entire school year, costs would be familiar Springfield educational program would be used.

YMCA representative is to determined what TLC can pro-The advantages of this proposal, Davino explained, vide for those days on which schools may be closed, such be developed for the organization to help out in those

early, which would include breakfast, would be \$5.55 each school. The after-school program would have "homework. Davino of TLC. With the new proposal, there would be day, based on a 180-day school year. The cost for an after-school program, which lasts until 6 p.m. and includes food helpers," student remediation, arts and other co-curricular types of programs for the students. TLC, Davino explained, context of the program," Davino said.



committee, while Pat Knodel was to chair the mittee. Mountainside PTA representative committee.

chose her appointments.

discuss it and possibly make some changes."

It was Principal Walter Rusak's last Board of Knodel stated that she was not happy with her Education meeting in his capacity as intern chief appointments. Ferrin said he felt her years of teach- school administrator, and he spoke warmly of his 20 ing experience were excellent and that was why he months of service to the school district. "It was a great opportunity for me. That is the

However, he did say, "Pat, if you are unhappy best part of a small school district: I got to know the with any of this, please, telephone me, and we can children, most of them by name, and spent much time with them during the day. I did not end up "I will definitely do that," said Knodel. This shuffling paper and doing financial reports as I being said, it is possible that the committee appoint- would have had to do in a larger district."

He said, "Thanks for giving me this experience," Everyone applauded spontaneously after he spoke. The present standing committees were named as The Board of Education then granted him seven follows: Carmine Venes, for Technology; Ray Hag- paid vacation days since, during his tenure, he had never taken any time off for vacation or personal

tions; Gene Nagel, for Community Relations, Pat "We are a grateful school district for Walter Board member Gene Nagel was named to be the Knodel, for the Policy committee and also the Rusak's tireless efforts on behalf of the students of

heroin and cocaine.

undercover officer in the rear of the Lawrence Avenue U-turn. incident.

ounces of heroin and cocaine. • Aldrin Grant, 34, of Orange, \$2,500.

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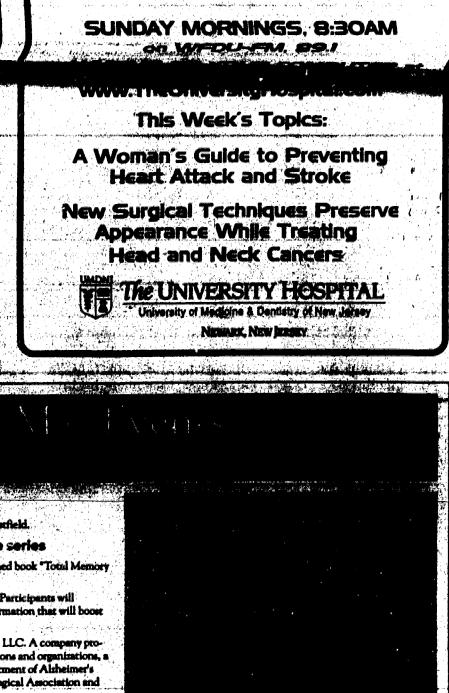
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### EDITORIALS

### Be reasonable

While the Springfield Township Committee is currently reviewing the school board's budget to determine what can possibly be cut to reduce costs, it also has some cuts to make of its own.

One of the most significant costs to this year's preliminary \$20,875,673 municipal budget is the \$3.5-million cost of the Police Department/Town Hall expansion and renovation project. This is the same as the cost of the township's massive Fire Department Headquarters project, which was finally completed early last year.

While both the Police Department and Town Hall need to be renovated and expanded, the Township Committee needs to rethink not only its priorities, but its proposed plan for the project.

First, the project should be postponed until a more streamlined, efficient and scaled-down plan can be developed in the existing building. The recent announcement of expanding Town Hall across N. Trivett Avenue, knocking down the old Annex Building and blocking access to Caldwell Place and nearby James Caldwell School was ill-conceived. One of the most glaring hazards of this plan, aside from the cost, is the result of blocking access to Caldwell Place. This would not only provide an inconvenience for residents, but a safety hazard for the First Aid Squad, whose headquarters are on that same street.

Waiting until next year to do a more scaled-down project would be more sound. Not only would there be opportunities to reduce costs by applying for grants, but there would be more time to create the most cost-effective and efficient plan for the project. Yes, this project should be designed to stand the test of time and provide ample space for future growth, but that doesn't mean the building needs to be expanded across the street. Nor does this mean that a stateof-the-art Taj Mahal needs to be constructed. There are not enough town employees and Police Department staff to warrant such an expansion. They do deserve a well-equipped and comfortable working environment, but within reasonable limits.

The other unnecessary expense that could be eliminated from this budget is the salary for a township administrator. Since this position was created as recently as 1999, it stands to follow that the township can run effectively without one, as it has been for many years until this point. Township Committee members have already stated that the township clerk and the two assistants filling in for the vacant position have been doing just fine making sure the township runs smoothly. If so, then why the added expense?

Just think of what \$100,000 can be used for!

### The brush-off

After almost eight decades in operation, the Lennpe Park Trap and Skeet Range is no more. And Union County wasted no time disposing of it. The last day of operation for the county facility was May 1, and the following day, the skeet houses already were being demolished.

Only a few months ago, the county banned the use of lead shots at the facility. Patrons seemed to follow the new rules, switching to the more expensive steel shot and some even spent money ensuring their guns would accommodate the range.

Union County officials have been in discussions with representatives from the federal Environmental Protection Agency since last year regarding concerns about the skeet range's effect on the local environment. Patrons feared that the banning of lead at the range was the first step toward closure. And so their fears were realized with last week's demolition.

Not only did patrons go to the trouble of accommodating new regulations at the range, but a small group of dedicated hobbyists devised an alternative plan for the site. The proposal included costs and suggestions for generating more revenue at the range. While perhapps it may not have gained muster with the DEP or EPA, it's rare to have such active participation from citizens to save such a facility. It deserved more of a response than the county provided.

As most other county Parks and Recreation facilities, the skeet range did not generate much revenue, and certainly not enough to regularly cover the cost of operation. It likely makes more business sense to close it and perhaps hope for the private sector to fill that void.

Had the EPA ordered the county to clean the site, we'd be talking about some serious dollars; that's a safe bet when federal and state agencies are involved. To remediate soil at Meisel Avenue Park in Springfield, the county spent almost \$1 million, some of which came from Green Acres funding. It's understandable that the county did not want to commit the funding and resources to remediating a site that is not as widely used as other facilities, or mainly by Union County residents for that matter. But those who lobbied the freeholders and proposed alternatives, regardless of whether they're county residents or not, deserved more than the usual blank stares at the freeholder meeting.



### Keeping things neighborly with the neighbors

appearance: I, Downstairs Man The Upstairs Woman, Upstairs Man - Setting: Large Victorian, divided into apartments. Time Period: Circa 2005.

Act I. Scene 1. A Saturday morning, around 10 o'clock. My doorbell' rings two or three times in quick succession. Who can it be? I walk down-

stairs and encounter Downstairs Man. He's in his pajamas and he's annoyed, "Andy, whatever you're dragging around up there, please stop it!

Please!" "OK man, sorry. Won't happen again."

Two things to note regarding this exchange. First, despite his grumpiness. Downstairs Man addresses me politely. I conclude that it pays to play my bedtime is 10 p.m. Conflict tennis with one's neighbor.

And second. I don't know what he's talking about. Dragging something around? In my apartment? What do I drag around in my apartment? No. Garbage? No!

Then, epiphany. My desk chair has my bedroom's location. casters. When I want to print a docu- She realizes that her bedroom and unprintable, so I'll paraphrase and unprintable, so I'll paraphras MARINE CITY TO MAR DE TRANSPORT

As much as I enjoy gliding, however, Downstairs Man does not share my enthusiasm. Especially on a Saturday morning. So, for the sake of inter-



apartment amity, I put the brakes on gliding.

Seene 2. A Wednesday, 12:02 a.m. Upstairs Woman begins taking/making phone calls above my bedroom. I can hear every word, sigh and giggle.

Again, two things to note: First, I am not a voyeur. I have absolutely no interest in what she is saying or to whom she is saying it. And second, appears inevitable.

• I soon encounter Upstairs Woman on the walkway leading to the house After exchanging pleasantries, I say, "Look, I think we have a little prob-Boxes? No. Laundry? No. Luggage? lem." I proceed to guide her around the side of the house and to show her

want to file something. I glide to the "my bedroom. To bolster my case, I cablet. When I want to check on a word's meaning, I glide to the diction- she's losing her privacy. So, really, I'm doing her a favor by bringing this

to her attention. That's the clincher. Not a peep for three nights. Call me Master of the

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Then, I'm awakened again. This time, Upstairs Woman speaks in a muted voice, and in Spanish. So much for the privacy argument. And the 10 o'clock curfew. My reign is over.

Act II. Springtime. An anonymous Sunday New York Times appears at the end of the driveway. I don't want it to get run over, so I bring it into the

And there it sits. Sunday passes. Then Monday. Then Tuesday. Nobody picks up the paper.

The following week, the same thing happens, "Hmm," I think to myself, "this must be some kind of promotion." And savvy. With a total of six tenants in the house, one of us is bound to bite and order home delivery. In the meantime, why shouldn't I read the newspaper? And as you know, the Sunday Times is loaded. There's a TV guide. There's a magazine. There's "The Week in Review." There's even a New Jersey section. So. for two or three weeks, I enjoy the Sunday paper.

Until, to my horror, I find a diatribe posted in the foyer. Most of it is unprintable, so I'll paraphrase and takes my newspaper: Get your own subscription

Neighbor... in quotes? That makes me a sub-neighbor. Not just a thief. but scum. Vile filth. An untouchable. How could I let myself amble

lost or stolen than desk models.

down this path of wretchedness? Have Andrew Vagelos is a frequent con-I not diligently picked up litter on the tributor to this newspaper ...

### Issuing students laptops is unwise

To the Editor: The Springfield Board of Education boards was defeated in the April 19 school board election. New Jersey law manufers that it then has to be reviewed by the Springfield Township Committee for possible reductions. The state law should be changed, since most of the Township Committee Members might be influenced by the fact that they have children in the Springfield school system, and they themselves might or might not be rediested by the same people who voted in the school board election. It would be far better to have outside skilled auditors or accountants or persons from the New Jersey Board of Education in Trenton make any revisions. Letters to state be the board be considered, about which many residents, with or without children in action, are questioning. Many taxpayers are opposing the issuance of laytop computers to students. The Springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The Springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The Springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The Springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The Springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The springfield Board of Education's plante laytop computers to students. The taxpayers have already furnished at S89 and the schools with many com-puters. These computers are in separate chaster of the schools with many com-puters. These computers are in separate chaster of the school in the students are clementary school classrooms. It contains several laptop computers and the stu-elementary school classrooms. It contains several laptop computers and the stu-dents who do not know the fill the students are several laptop computers and the stu-To the Editor

elementary school classrooms. It contains several laptop computers and the stu-dents, who do not know the full keyboard are taught mininal "fun type" computer skills, sometimes by an interested parent or a tracher on a short time basis. At the high school, large classrooms are tally equipped with many desktop com-

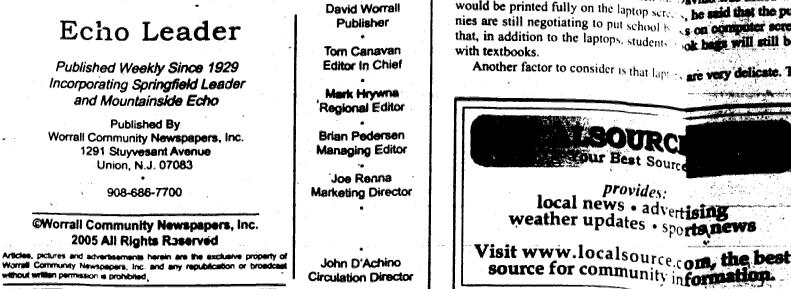
However, under the proposed computer plan being promoted by new Super-intendent of Schools Michael Davino, the students would have their own laptops to be used in school and carried to their hones for bomowork assignments. After Springfield taxpayers have spent thousands of dollars on the current computers, he would prefer the new computers to be rom the Macintosh manufacturer — the Board of Education. commonly known as "Apple" which used in his previous job. It is com- Before people argue of mon knowledge in the computer industry hat Apple computers are not readily compatible with the those of other na ufacturers such as Dell, Compaq, Hewlett-Packard, Toshiba, etc. When M: Daving was asked whether textbooks would be printed fully on the laptop server, he said that the publishing companies are still negotiating to put school h son composer screen. That means

that, in addition to the laptops, students sok hars will still be heavily loaded not the Township Committee members.

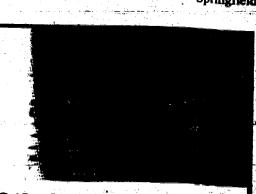
Laptops responsible for budget defeat To the Editor The Springfield school budget was defeated by the widest margin I can remember a few weeks ago. It is clear to me that the primary reason of the defeat was the computer issue in the middle schools with, an estimated cost of

increased taxes. A laptop computer for every student may be the future, but should the community pay for a still "experimental" but novel proposal? The budget process now heads to the Township Committee, who are faced with a difficulty job in trying to reduce the budget. However, I have been told that the Township Committee only approves a final budget amount, and not how the money is spent by

Before people argue over what the appropriate amount of cuts should be, let us all remember that the main reason for the budget defeat was the "laptop computer" issue. No matter what the final budget number approved is, the Springfield Board of Education should cut the laptop initiative first, not cuts in teachers, programs or even lights on the tennis courts. If the computer initiative goes forward as planned, then we should hold the Board of Ed members responsible.



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Another factor to consider is that lapin, are very delicate. Textbooks can be

TO PROTECT AND SERVE - Two new members of the Springfield auxiliary police graduated from the John Stamler Academy on April 26. Springfield residents Tony Sidar and Charles Gleason completed a 31/2-month basic auxiliary training program conducted by the Union County Office of Emergency Manage-Participating ment. were, from left, Capt. Ron Scull, Chief Nick D'Achille. Gleason. Sidar, Emergency Management Coordinator John Cottage, Lt. Marc Marshall and Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Seidel.

front lawn? Have I not consistently parked between the lines in the driveway? Have I not routinely greeted my neighbors with "good morning" and "good evening?"

I can't bear the shame. That night. I take the foyer screed and a \$10 bill and set out to right the wrong. I want to apologize and, if I'm still conscious, to explain my behavior.

I approach a door and knock. A young woman answers. I ask her if she posted the sign. No, she hadn't. At the next door, that of Upstairs Woman. there's no answer. I approach a third door, take a deep breath, and knock. Upstairs Man appears in the doorway.

Cradling the angry words and the \$10 - a gesture of peace and goodwill in many cultures, I sheepishly ask Upstairs Man if he has been missing his New York Times. His eyes open wide, and he starts to laugh.

"You've been taking my paper?!" I admit my guilt. Upstairs Man graciously refuses the money, but I insist. And with my apology and explanation, we shake hands.

"Don't worry about it. I'm never home anyway." As I return to my apartment, it

occurs to me to call the cable compa-Reality TV? Curtain.

dropped, but a bump or knock can disable a laptop. The cost to fix or buy service insurance on a laptop is expensive, but the cost of an "Apple" reput is greater than that for other manufacturers' models. Laptops can more easily be

As the Board of Education plans to lease them, do they know that the general rule regarding a leased product is that it must be remined in mint condition or extra charges will be made? Will the extra charges be paid by the parents or the school system via the taxpayers? How many extra computer instructors will have to be hired for pupils as well as teacher instruction on "apple" or other laptops? Springfield already offers much more than other New Jersey schools systems, such as full-time kindergarten and free pre-school education for all 4-yearold children, including the non-handicapped.

How many more entities will the school board want to be covered by tax-payers' dollars? Also, what happened to all of the free hand calculators that the Board of Education supplied to the students some time ago? Let's hope that the Springfield Township Committee will now have the expertise and courage to make sizeable reductions in this school budget.

Hazel Hardgrove Springfield

\$340,000. This on the back of the referendum on the new construction, which

Dr. David Hollander Springfield

### ECHO LEADER

### Registration opens for Swim Team 2005

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Springfield Recreation Department offers swim team 2005 registration. To register, call 973-912-2227 or mail to: Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield, NJ 07081. Fees are \$35 for the first child; \$30

for each additional child, payable to "Township of Springfield"; \$15 for each child, payable to "Swim Team Parent Association." Make two separate checks

The swim team is for girls and boys from ages 5 to 17. The Swim Team will be divided into two groups, with a small percentage making up the Developmental Team.

The Developmental Team will be nade up of children ages 8 and younger who need a little more instruction and guidance. These par-ticipants initially must be able to lemonstrate the ability to swim freestyle and be willing and able to swim in the 5-foot section of the pool with a coach in the water along side Coaches will assess the partici-

ants in an informal tryout within the irst few weeks of practice.

Coaches will determine roup the child belongs in or if they place of being on the team for the

All other swim team participants must be able to swim a lap of the pool without stopping and be comfortable imming in the deep water.

### Scraphooldnd classes meet at Borough Hall

Learn to preserve your stories and photos for generations to come. Join a scrapbooking class. The class, sponsored by the Mountainside Recreation Department, meets in the Community, Room at Borough Hall on June 10 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The fee is \$12 per person.

For information or to register, call the Recreation Office at 908-232-

### Learn how to create cards for all occasions

Learn to make your own greet cards at a greeting card class. Make cards for birthdays, holidays r any occasion.

The class is scheduled for June 3 at brough Hall on Route 22 cm Claused and for south

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The pool is scheduled to open on June 11, and registration for the first cession of swim lessons will begin on 

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the June 11. Daily operations begin on June 24. The season runs through Labor Day.

Residents have three membership categories to choose from: family, single, ages 16 to 61, or senior citizens, ages 62-plus. Resident family and single members who joined before April 15 received two free guest passes. Non-resident memberships also are available. Call the Recreation Office at 908-232-0015 for details.

### Soccer sign-ups in May

A variety of instructional, recreitional and competitive soccer programs will be offered by the Recreation Department this fall. Listed below is a brief description of each age group. Children should be registered for the grade in which they will be enrolled in September.

Kindergarten: Six-week instructional clinic meets for one hour a week on Saturday mornings from Sept. 17 to Oct. 29. UK Elite Soccer will provide the program supervisor working with steer coaches. The fee is \$28 per

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clinic meets for 11/2 hours cach week on Saturday mornings from Sept. 17 to Oct. 29. UK Elite Soccer will provide the program supervisor with volunteer coaches. The fee is \$30 per child. in-town instructional recreation league will again be offered in the fall beginning Sept. 10. All players will be placed on teams that will play on weekends at the Borough Hall field. Team practices will be scheduled during the week. Fee TBA.

for these grades will compete in the Intercounty League, There are separate teams for boys and girls on the U12 and U14 divisions.

first come, first served basis. There is a \$15 late fee after Friday. For information, call the Recreation Office at 908-32-0015. The UK Blite Soccer Camp will be

onducted this summer from July 25 to 29 at the Deerfield soccer field.

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### Fitness Rcom helps

seniors stay in shape The Senior Fitness Room at Borough Hall provides seniors with an opportunity to improve and maintain a healthy lifestyle through the use of

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tate-of-the-art fitness equipment. A free Senior Fitness Room orientation tour is scheduled for May 24 at 2:30 p.m. This tour includes a demonstration of the proper use of the equipment. Call the Recreation Office at 908-232-0015 to sign up for a tour.

The room is open weekdays from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for members. Memberships for people ages 55 and older are \$50 a year or \$30 for six months.

Complete membership information is available at the Recreation Office.

### 2005 badges are available for tannis

2005 tennis badges are now on sale at the Recreation Office. All players must have a current badge when using the municipal courts at Deerfield School or the Echobrook Coults at Office during regular office hours, call ticipate. 108-232-0015, and they will make ther arrangements

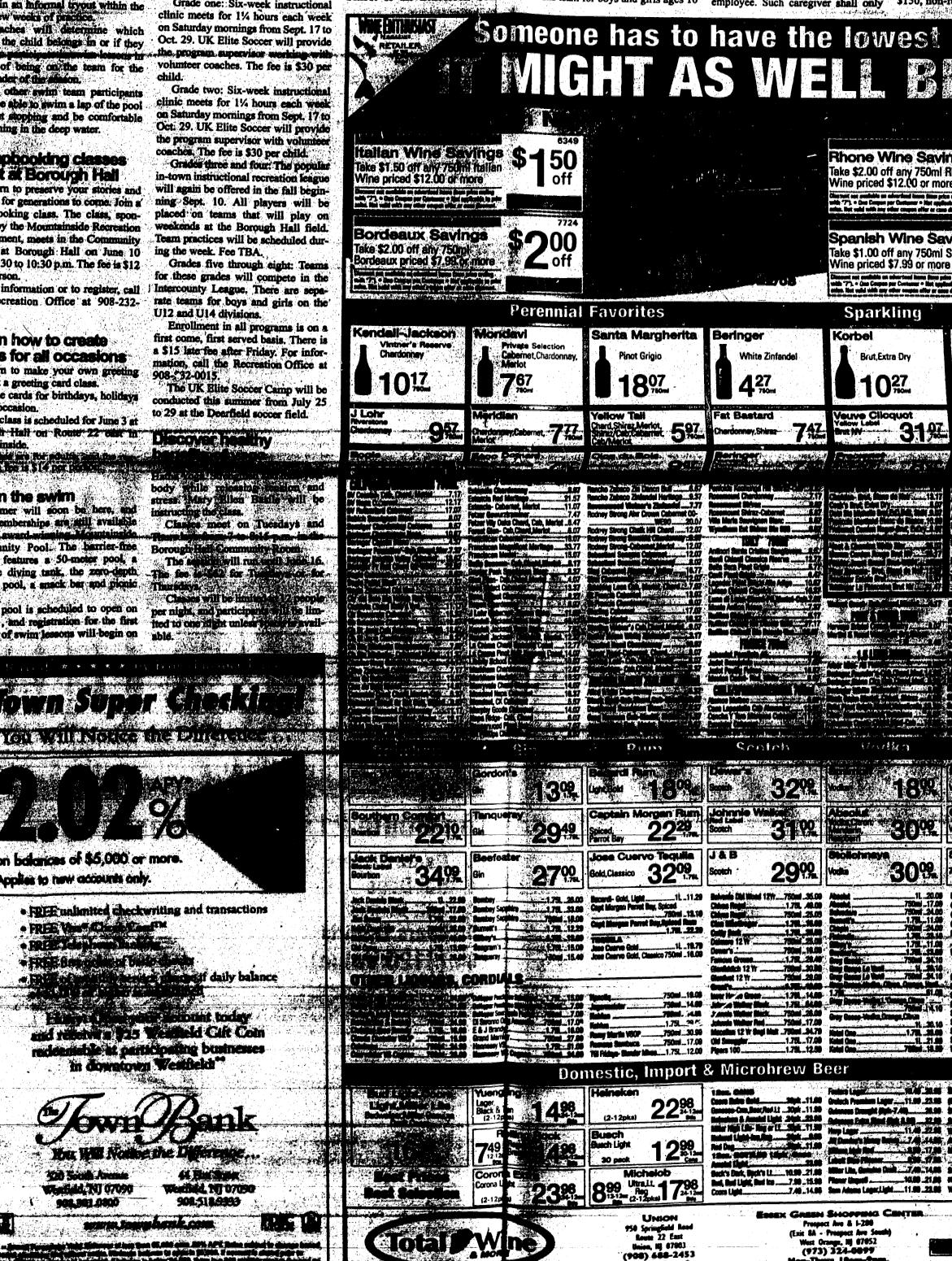
free, and non-residents. \$30.

Reserved time begins Monday at Echobrook courts 1 to 4. Weekly sign up sheets will be posted on Monday mornings up sheets will be posted on Monday Tennis badge holders may sign out

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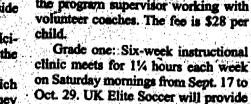
d. The light controls are on the pole with the area light outside the fence. If here is a problem with the lights, call the Recreation Office at 908-232-0015 and leave a message on the tape with the court numbers and specific prob-

Summer Youth Tennis leam takes off Get your racquets ready. A town tennis team for boys and girls ages 10



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Grade two: Six-week instructional

Grades five through eight: Teams

Grades three and four: The popular

Enrollment in all programs is on a

purchase your badge at the Recreation mediate and advanced players can par-

Matches will be scheduled with teams from surrounding towns. Prac-Adults, ages 18 to 61 are \$15; sen- tices and matches will be conducted in the same household. One member r citizens, 62-plus, \$10; teens, 13 to on weekday afternoons, Registration \$10; children, younger than age has begun. Detailed information will be available at the Recreation Office.

The Springfield Community Pool offers 2005 membership application information. 2005 Membership Classes:

1. Family - Permanent residents. husband, wife and all unmarried children up to and including the age of 22, who reside within the same household.

2. Family - Caregiver - A caregiver should be someone who proides special care to an individual within the family and the caregiver must be 16 years or older. The caregiver must provide proof of age as well as verification of employment signed by both the employer and employee. Such caregiver shall only

Borough Hall. If you are unable to to 17 is planned for this summer. Inter- be permitted access to the pool while accompanying the person receiving such care.

> 3. Joint Membership — Shall be available to any two persons residing must be an adult.

4. Individual - Any permanent resident between the ages of 21 and 61 and not a member of a family

5. Senior Citizen - Any permanent resident who is 62 years or older. Proof of age is required for new members. 6. Non-resident - These mem-

berships are accepted on a limited basis only

2005 Pool Membership Rates: Family: Resident \$295; Non-resident \$395.

Family plus caregiver: Resident \$325; Non-resident \$465. Joint Membership: Resident

\$230. Non-resident \$330. Individual: Resident \$185; non

resident \$265. Senior Citizen Married: resident. \$150, non-resident \$215.

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### Speaker explores history of musicals

Robert Butts, conductor and lecturer, presents "From Shakespeare to Sunset Boulevard: The Story of the Broadway Musical" at the Mountainside Public Library on May 19 at 7:30

Few musical forms are so distinctively American as the Broadway musical. Growing from plays with songs to full-blown musicals, the Broadway show emerged at the beginning of the 20th century with a vitality drawn from the spirit and talents of the lyricists, composers and performers. It developed fully during a Golden

Age of theatrical music led by the creative personalities of Rogers, Hammerstein, Lerner, Loewe, Kern, Porter, Gershwin, Bernstein, Webber and Sondheim. As the 21th century begins, the Broadway musical remains one of the world's most popular musical formats, reflecting the styles, trends and personalities of all who enter its world.

This program is free and open to the public and offered through the Horizons Speakers Bureau of the NJ Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. To attend, call the Mountainside Library at 908-233-0115 to register.

### Story time Theatre features folk tales

The Mountainside Free Public Library will offer Story time Theatre at Constitution Plaza in Mountainside. Story time Theatre presents stories and folk tales acted out each week.

The program is offered Wednesday and May 25 from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. Registration is required. The pro-

gram is open to Mountainside cardholders only. For information, call 908-233 0115.

### 'Goodbye Lenin' concludes film festival

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., concludes its spring International Film Festival en May 19 with "Goodbye Lenin" at noon and 7 p.m. This 2004 German film is 118 minutes and rated R.

Admission is free for all films Space is limited to 60 people at each showing. Refreshments will be served.

For information, call 973-376-

### Group examines 'Great Books' of civilization

Once a month, the Great Books Discussion Group meets at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., to examine the great books of civilization. The spring selections range from essays to fiction. The group meets the third Thursday of each month at 10 a.m.

A section of "The Guide to the Perplexed" by Moses Maimonides, "On Evil," will be discussed on May 19. Maimonides accepts the neoplatonic doctrine that evil is not an independent principle but rather the absence of good. He cites three kinds of evil: natural evils, such as floods and earthquakes, which man cannot control; social evils, such as wars; and personal evils. the various human vices, both of which man can control. Maimonides argues against those who hold that the world is essentially evil, stating that if one looks at the world at large, rather than at one's own pains and misfortunes, one finds that the

world as a whole is good, not evil.

rial Jewish thinker or the Middle Ages. her as Warner's leading lady. She He wrote extensively on philosophy, plays fulle Marston, a tempestuous science and medicine. Although he wrote no works on ethics per se, ethi- causes a break in her engagement to cal issues permeate all of his philos the inflexible Pres Dillard, played by ophical writings. The Great Books compilation may

ion Desk. The discussion group wel- showing Refreshments will be served. omes new members. Participants are For information, call 973-376invited to come to any or all of the dis-

For information, call 973-376- Children's programs

### Series celebrates spunky leading ladies

A film discussion series called Drop-In Story time from 10:30 to 11 "Classic Spitfires: Women with a.m. and again from 2 to 2:30 p.m. Smarts. Spunk and a Whole Lot of Sass" will run for two more Sundays, read the same book? That's the idea including this Sunday and May 22 behind One Book New Jersey. Cele-

This film appreciation series will gie Pie!" and other books by Palatini. take a modern look at some of the The library continues May chil-

take a modern look at come of the sense. The library continues May chil-dren's programming for babies, tod-diers and young children, as follows: O Sunday, John Wayne, Manage O'Hara, Barry Fitzgerald, and Ward Bond star in a 1952 Republic Pictures film that is 129 minutes. Sean There ton, an American boxer, returns house to Ireland, where he falls in lows with Mary Kate Danaher, played by O'Hara, Their romance, however, is The library continues May chil-dren's programming for babies, tod-diers and young children, as follows: • The Mother Goose Group pro-motes the enjoyment of language through nursery rhymes, simple sto-ries, songs, and activities for toddlers ages 1½ to 3 years old and their parent or caregiver. Plan to stay and play afterward. The nogram will be conducted on O'Hara. Their romance, however, is omplicated by local customs includ-

ing payment of a dowry. payment of a dowry. On May 22, Bette Davis, Henry ninutes. Bette Davis won a second May 27, from 11-11:20 a.m.

Academy Award® for her outstanding Maimonides was the most influen- performance in this film, establishing Southern belle whose insensitivity Henry Fonda.

Admission is free for all films. e purchased for \$24 at the Circula- Space is limited to 60 people at each

### offered in May

On Saturday, the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., invites children to a new program-

What if every child in New Jersev from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The discussion leader is Francesca Rizzo, who teaches at Kean Universit. reads the One Book NJ selection "Pig-

The program will be conducted on Monday from 10:30 to 10:50 a.m. No advance registration.

· Babies' Laptime is designed for Fonda, and George Brent star in 1938 the youngest patrons - birth to 18 Turner/Warner Bros film that is 104 months - and will be conducted on

> Surviving are two daughters, Joan a machinist at Liberty Mold and Surviving are her husband of 65 Schwarz and Marie Parron; two sons. Duplicating Co., Springfield, for 45

### Frank Gwathnev Sr.

Frank Edward Gwathney Sr., 83, of the Vauxhall section of Union, formerly of Springfield, died May 2 in Union Hospital.

Born in Springfield, Mr. Gwathney lived in Vauxhall for 60 years. He was

for ducks at the Edward V. Walton School carnival in Springfield on April 15.

### Sylvia Eisenberg

Sylvia "Bobbie" Eisenberg of Springfield, formerly of Union, active with a Jewish War Veterans auxiliary, died May 8 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Eisenberg lived in Union before moving to Springfield in 1976. She was a bookkeeper for Masco Sports, Union, for 20 years before retiring in 1992. Mrs. Eisenberg was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans Elin-Unger Post 273, which veterans Elin-Unger Post 273, which was named after her fate brother, Sto-Lyons. She also was a member of the of Smith College.

The crowning touch.

charter member of the former Herbert W. Elin Post 273.

tion "President of the Year" award and served for 18 years as the auxiliary's joint-installation co-chairperson. She donated more than two gallons of blood to the Veterans of Forign Wars Blood Bank over the years. For the past four years, Mrs.

Eisenberg volunteered on Mondays at

Center in Summit. Mrs. Eisenberg received the New Jersey Jewish War Veterans Associa-tion "President of the Year" award great-grandchildren.

### Margery Wagner Margery Cohen Wagner, 89, of

New Providence, a volunteer in Mountainside and Summit. Mrs. Wagner lived in South the Department of Veterans Affairs Orange before moving to New Provmanifest 0.46 a Observer

wood and the Jewish Community Mountainside and SAGE in Summit.

### Aanes Ronkovitz

Plainfield, formerly of Springfield, died May 3 at home.

lived in Springfield before moving to South Plainfield in 1966.







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ney S. Unger, and served as the aux- Hillside Hadassah, the Seymour Mrs. Wagner volunteered at the iliary's president 10 times. She was a Feldman Leukemia Fund in Maple- Specialized Children's Hospital in

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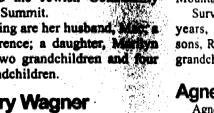
**OBLIUARIES** 

Agnes H. Ronkovitz, 93, of South

Born in Newark, Mrs. Ronkovitz

### AT THE LIBRARY





Monday Senior Early Bird Bowling League at the Hy-Way Bowl in Union. Surviving are two sons, Frank Jr. and James Darryl; three daughters, Joyce Ann Anthony, Louise Tonya Brown and Andrea L. Gwathney; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.





SUMMIT OBSERVER - ECHO LEADER

Janet Rowley of Summit extremely busy and productive. When she's not at her job as a low vision therapist at University Hospital in Newark, she is planning her wedding. Just back from camping and turkey hunting with her fiance, she is out at least one night a week practicing in a women's quartet and another night at a chorus rehearsal with a group of women who participate in regional and international competitions. All this and Rowley, an exuberant, six-foot blond record-setting athlete, is legally blind.

Rowley is one of an estimated 1.3 million people in the United States who are legally blind, meaning they cannot see better than 20/200 with the best correction possible. A much larger group of Americans, about 14 million, have low vision and cannot see better than 20/70 with correction. Her visual disability began at birth due to albinism, a genetic lack of pigment in her skin, reting and hair.

Her work at the Low Vision Center at University Hospital allows her to bring her own experience and sensitivities to others with the same chal-Dr. Marco Zarbin, chairman of the

Department of Opl/thalmology at New Jersey Medical School, said the Low Vision Center was created in 2004 because of the increasing number of people with low vision who needed

Blindness doesn't stop therapist from helping others with vision Low vision services begin with an distance or appreciate the details in-depth questionnaire, medical histo- costumes at a show. - After their low vision rehabilitation ry and measurement of a patient's maximum functional vision under the plan has been established, patients are best conditions possible. Then an indi- referred to Rowley. As a certified low vidualized plan is developed which vision therapist, her job often involves addresses adaptive devices and tech- counseling patients who are fearful niques of daily living. that their whole personality is dimin-Some examples of adaptive tech- ishing along with their reduced ability niques include ordering large print to see well. checks, using a tactile mark to set the , Rowley said depression about low oven dial or arranging spices in alpha- vision is a common problem among betical order, to name a few. Special- older people whose eye problems are ized adaptive products include "talk- related to macular degeneration, glauing" blood glucose monitors, devices coma or diabetes. "They feel they've worked all for pouring that emit a warning beep to prevent an overflow, specially these years and planned to retire and designed Wallets that have compartenjoy themselves, now they need ments for different currencies, and guidance," said Rowley. familiar board games created for peo-Beyond offering support on emotional and psychological issues associple with low vision. On the high-tech end, there are speated with low vision. Rowley teaches cial access technology software proher patients practical reading strategies to compensate for particular probgrams, which through magnification and speech synthesizers give people lems. Patients with macular degenerawith low vision full access to the tion, for example, find that the center World Wide Web, e-mail and any per- of each sentence they read may be sonal computer-generated text. Televery cloudy compared with the text to scopes and magnifying devices run the the far right and left. Rowley teaches gamut from simple to sophisticated. patients techniques on how to scan the "Low vision means that you text and bypass the predictable trouble Janet Rowley of Summit doesn't doesn't let being legally blind stop her from enjoying life, or from job as a low vision therapist at University Hospital in Newark. always have to adapt to your disabili- spot. For information about The Center ty, but you can do almost all the things you like to do," said Rowley. For far Low Vision Rehabilitation and help beyond what could be done with essarily from their disability," he said tions similar to what physical therapy example, she never goes anywhere Applied Vision Research Frogram at "Low vision therapy has a rehabilita- offers people following orthopedic or "Low vision therapy has a rehabilither offers people followin "Many people are suffering unnec- tive role for people with visual limither neurological surgery." without a lipstick-sized telescope that University Hospital, call 973-972allows her to check street signs from a 2097. Summit residents form Transportation Task Force for bike week Last year, a group of Summit residents cov- ferent segments within the community, one The force is currently planning the second Common Council to form this group.; Tolles, lifelong member of the Summit Police force; a ering a cross-section of the community joined forces, literally, by joining the Alternative Modes of Transportation Task Force. In just one year, the group has successfully low Ribbon Walk to support troops overseas. In just one year, the group has successfully low Ribbon Walk to support troops overseas. Other participants in the effort include a While the members represent a broad crossorganized Summit's first-ever Bike in Summit The walk is slated for June. mother of four and public relations director: a section of the community, all agree more walk-Council of Summit and given the authority to Week, participated in the annual Fourth of July Task force Chairman Ted Tolles is largely mother of three and Common Council mem- ing and biking would enhance life in Summit. responsible for the formation of the group. His ber; the president of an international insurance For information on involvement in the events at Memorial Field and steadily worked toward establishing safer routes throughout the ballef in the benefits of cycling and walking company and owner of a world-class cycling Alternative Modes of Transportation Task While the task force members represent dif- city for cycling and walking. encouraged him to take on the campaign with team; a mother of four and PTO member; a Force, call Ted Tolles at 908-273-1565. Site awards given to students in Summit's elementary schools The site competition is an annual is an opportunity for students to put Awards were made in two divi-• Emily Richards, Shannon Beatty, • Jennifer Coviello. The Get it All • Alexandra Reszetrik and event in the Summit elementary their problem solving skills to work sions. Division B includes third and Katharine Reszetnik, "Write On" Slip Slops. Abbie Krupnik and Brittani schools and is open to all third-, and to apply their knowledge and cre- fourth-grade students; fifth-grade stu- School Supplies. Washington School Sharenow, Headband Sock. fourth- and fifth-grade students. The stivity to practical situations, Students dents compete in Division C. First • Sarah Meyers and Madeleine • Lauren Sormani and Carolyn Taylor Lockhart and Priya school board wants to thank Washing- must follow a protocol in creating place winners in both divisions will Malleur, Hairbrush Hair Remover. Marathe, Binder Buddy. Saxton. Flavored Swabs. ton School Principal Lauren Banker their inventions: they must identify a participate in the regional competition • Allison Hislop and Maggie Lees, for coordinating the competition and problem; investigate hypothetical for pulling together this large and solutions; decide on the best solution; complex event. create a prototype of their invention; Shabbat for prospective congregants offered that will be conducted later in the Quick Brush. Temple Sinai, a reform Jewish congregation in Summit, is sponsoring a Frispring. The following is a list of stu-From Jefferson School: dents and their projects. day Shabbat service and Shabbat dinner for prospective congregants, June 10. · Michelle Leung, Everyday Poster. The judging for the competition develop a pricing and marketing plan; was conducted in March at Washing. keep side of the process, and he pro-Come meet Rabbi Gershon, Cantor Merel and the religious school director, as Brayton School · Olga Pryymak, BethAnn Powers, well as other congregents during an informal Shabbat dinner or after the servictetasiya Bryymak, and Sarah Runo Claire Harrison and Jonethan East Contine Boards prised of starf memory evaluated the en. The average is comental environmental description of joining their congregation of sec. nd other volunteers, evaluated as system for illocate process of a Grid Net iventions. Summit's SITE competition, which dent's success in a number of areas Shea Pay Shea Payees and Evan Quille, be a traditional Friday night Shabbat service with music. In between the two LeGoff. Snow Slippers. Franklin School · Kevin O'Malley, Play Station services starting at 7 p.m. sharp, there will be an informal Shabbat dinner that American Red Cross Matthew Celona, The Double anyone from either service can attend. Isabel Rodriguez, Stamps R.S.V.P. no later than June 3 by calling the temple office at 908-273-4921 Ringer. seeks donations for troops The Summit Ares Chapter of the brushes, travel size American Red Cross is in need of size shaving cream, double edge individually wrapped disposable razors, Chap Stick/lip balm, travel size Inm Kozl mouthwash, small bottles of unscent-ed baby or foot powder, eye drops, /elcoi COUT SL ladies hygiene items, bug guard ----with DEET, sun block - SPF 45 or higher, travel size bottles of shampoowe'r brands preferred --- travel xtles of hand sanitizer and one gal Ion zin look bent. 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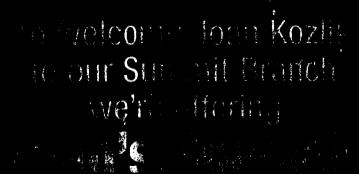
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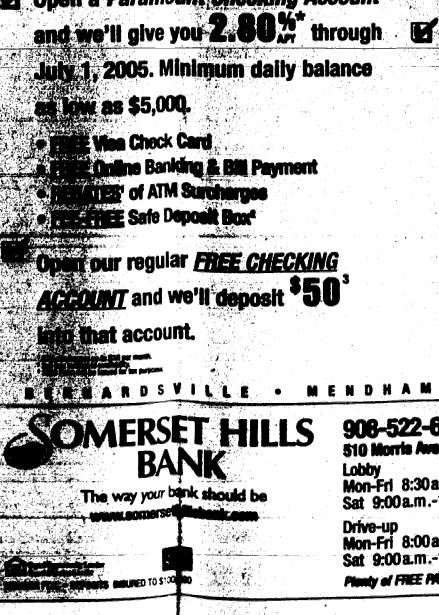
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### **PEOPLE IN THE NEWS** Tenenbaum to be

### honored for service Joseph Tenenbaum, veteran presi-

dent of Springfield B'nai B'rith Lodge 2093, will be honored June 15 for his longtime service to B'nai B'rith and its many causes. The function will be conducted at Temple

Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. Tenenbaum, a Springfield resident since 1959, has guided the lodge, the largest in New Jersey, for

most of the last 17 Tenenbaum years. The approximately 500 members include men and

women from Clark, Cranford, Hillside Mountainside, Scotch Plains, Union and Westfield, as well as Springfield. Born in Newark's Weequahic sec-

tion, Tenenbaum graduated from Weequahic High School and subsequently served in the army. He graduated a business major from Upsala College in

Tenenbaum owned Towne Cleaners Inc., Roselle, a wholesale cleaning business, from 1953 until his retirement in 1990.

Although officially retired, Tenenbaum's days have been filled with a vast variety of projects which have included assistance to the less fortunate by raising funds to feed the homeless and numerous other similar-type pro-

He has actively sought to develop B'nai B'rith senior citizen housing in Springfield, while working with memseeking to find and develop a site. Tenenbaum was honored by the

PUBLIC NOTICE

Springfield, New Jersey County of Union, New Jersey TAKE NOTICE, that there will be a Spe-TAKE NOTICE, that there will be a Spe-cial Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, State of New Jersey, Tuesday, May 17, 2005, at the Jonathan Dayton High School, at 7 30 p.m., School Auditorium. The purpose of the meeting is a public hearing on the 2005-2006 defeated school budget Action may be taken. If an additional meeting is needed, it will be held Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at the Municipal Building, at 7:30 p.m. KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI Township Clerk Township Clerk U111119 ECL May 12, 2005 (\$6.75)

SHERIFF'S SALE NUMBER CH758290 CHANCERY

SHERIFF'S NUMBER OF SOLUTION DIVISION: CHANCERY COUNTY: UNION DOCKET NO. F917403 PLAINTIFF THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF EQUITY ONE ABS. INC. MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES DD-1 FENDANT MICHAEL PETRILLI, THONY PETRILLI A/K/A ANTHONY D DEFENSIVE PETRILLI AUDIO ANTHONY PETRILLI AUDIO PETRILLI ET AL WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE: WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE:

WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2005 SALE DATE: WEDNESDAY THE 1 ST DAY OF JUNE A.D. 2005 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed 1 shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. 1at FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA; ELIZABETH, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the atternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in-cesh or certified check at the conclusion of the sales. The property to be sold is located in the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, common-ly known as 950-956 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey.

Year for the considerable amount of work he had done for the organization. dinner. Tenenbaum and his wife, the former Muriel Fisher, were married in 1951. He joined the Springfield B'nai B'rith Lodge in 1960, less than a year after moving to the township. His wife, who became active in the former B'nai currently a member of the presidential presidium of the successor Springfield Nittoly. organization, Jewish Women Interna-

He is a member of the Elin-Unger the Springfield Democratic County Committee, a congregant of Temple Beth Ahm and a member of both its Men's Club and Hazak, its senior roup. He is also a member of the Senior Set of Congregation Israel, Springfield, and the Weequahic High School Alumni Association. In addition. Tenenbaum is on the board of trustees of both Hazak and Senior Set.

The Tenenbaums have three children. Mark of Trenton, Howard of New York City and Steven of Monroe Township, and four grandchildren, Sarah Beth and Samuel of Monroe, and Jeremy and Jessica of New York City.

For information on how to purchase tickets, call Hy Kuperstein at 973-376-7535. The price is \$100 per person or ad journal. Proceeds go to B'nai Shanley & Fisher in 1999. B'rith's many causes.

### Nittoly earns Saiber

Achievement Award On Monday, Mountainside resident bers of the Township Committee in Paul Nittoly of Drinker Biddle & Reath was presented the Samuel S. Saiber Professional Achievement Award by

> PUBLIC NOTICE Tax Lot No.: 10 in B'ock No. 3903 Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 121.86' x 75.00 x 148.69' x 120.56 Nearest Cross Street: Dundar Road Additionally, there are prior liens for real estate taxes as set forth in the attorney's Affidavit of Consideration in the approxi-mate sum of \$25,000.00 as of March 21, 2005, plus any and all interest, additional fees, charges and penalties as may be due before and/or as may continue to 2005, plus any and all interest, additional fees, charges and penalties as may be due before and/or as may continue to accrue from and after the aforesaid date.

accrue from and after the aforessid date. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investi-gation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding liens or encumbrances remain of record and/or have priority over-the lien being forsclosed hereby and, if so, to ascertain the current amount due. The Union County Sheriff's Office here-by reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. JUDGMENT AMOUNT FOUR HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED ONE & 08/100 (\$404,901.08) ATTORNEY: DEMBO & SALDUTTI ATTORNEYS AT LAW BUILDING B ORNETS C. ILDING B 2 BROWNING LANE IERRY HILL, NJ 08003 IERIFF, RAIPH FROEHL DESCRIPTIC LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS FILED AT \_UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S

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SHERIFF'S SALE SHERIFF'S NUMBER CH758291 DIVISION: CHANCERY COUNTY: UNION DOCKET NO. F1599404 PLAINTIFF: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION' SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA DEFENDANT: FRANCES FISHER; WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE:

Northern New Jersey Council of B'nai — the Essex County Bar Association. The B'rith as 1996-1997 Volunteer of the presentation will be part of the Association's annual installation and awards "The Saiber Award is bestowed

upon an ECBA member who is highly respected and who has volunteered their professional skills and expertise in service to the bar and the community" said Patrick Brady, the Association's B'rith Women, is a past president and outgoing president. "No one exemplifies that description more than Pant

Nittoly has played an integral role in the litigation surrounding the renovation of the landmark Essex County Post 273 of the Jewish War Veterans, Courthouse. Over the last 15 years, he has provided his services pro bono, on behalf of the Bar Association, to secure funding for the extensive courthouse

Nittoly's connection to Essex County began when he went to work in the prosecutor's office after his graduation from law school. He was an assistant Essex County prosecutor from 1973. 1979, then left to join Shanley & Finher, which was based in Newark until their move to Morristown in 1983, and president of the Essex County Ber Association from 1998 to 1999.

Nittoly, a certified civil and criminal trial attorney, is a partner in the White Collar and Corporate Investigations Practice Group and the Labor and Employment Practice Group of the equivalent in ads for the junction's DrinkerBiddle, which merged with

"Paul's dedication to the courthouse project is a tribute to the exceptional professional standards that he brings to all areas of his work," said Daniel F. O'Connell, partner-in-charge of Drinker Biddle's Florham Park office, where Nittoly practices. "All of our colleagues join me in congratulating Paul on receiving this honor."

PUBLIC NOTICE

MARCH 07, 2005 SALE DATE: WEDNESDAY THE 1 ST DAY OF JUNE A.D. 2005 By virtue of the above-stated with of en-cution to me directed i shall extense cution to me directed i shall extense cution to me directed i shall extense county ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 1 st FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN FLAZA ELIZABETH, N.J., on WEDNEDAY, st two o'clock in the siternoon of sect dey All successful bidders must have for of their bid available in cash of setting check at the conclusion of the setting WENS AS NOMINEE FOR ARIZONA V. FRANCES FISHER DOCKET NO. F-15954-14 PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: Township of Springfield, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 76 Shunpike Road Springfield, New Jersey TAX LOT # 11 BLOCK # 1304 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 90' x 135 NEAREST CROSS STREET: Windsoft Drive

Drive Taxes: 1st and 2nd Quarters 2005 (winterest to 05/31/05) \$3,836.09 Plus interest on these figures through date of payoff and any and ell subsequent layes water and sever amounts THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITH-OUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUB-LICATION JUDGMENT AMOUNT TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOU-SAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT & 55 100 (\$275,748,55) ATTORNEY: PARKER MCCAY, P.A. ATTYB. (MARLTON) PARKER MCCAY, P.A. ATTYB. (MARLTON) P.O. BOX 974-7001 LINCOLN DR. W. MARLTON NJ 08053-3292 SHERIFF: RALPH FROEMLICH FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS FILED AT THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. TWO HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND NINETY-TWO & 73/100 TOTAL JUDGMENT AMOUNT (\$290.092.73) May 5, 12, 10, 28, 2005 U110082 ECL (\$102.00)

### 2005 Municipal Budget TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED **DECEMBER 31, 2005**

### **Revenue and Appropriation Summaries**

Summary of Revenues - Current Fund		Anticipated 2004				
4 Burnlus	2003	2004				
1. Surplus	\$2,100,000.00	E0 335 000 00				
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	3.567.907.95	\$2,325,000.00				
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	385,000.00	3,607,833.27				
4. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	15.762.765.10	375,000.00				
Total General Revenues		14.495.429.00				
	\$21,815,673.05	\$20,803,262.27				
Summary of Appropriations - Current Fund	2005 Budget	Final 2004 Budget				
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	ED 671 980 00					
Other Expenses	\$9,671,869.00	\$9,582,304.00				
2. Deterred Charges & Other Appropriations	8,953,834.05	8,047,753.27				
3. Gapital Improvements	363,270.00	334,705.00				
4. Debt Service	140,000.00	151,150,00				
6. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,686,700.00	1,687,350.00				
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Total General Appropriations	\$21,815,673.05	\$20,803,262.27				
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	135	125				
2005 Dedicated Swim Pool U	tility Budget					
Summary of Revenues	Ar	ticipated				
	2005	2004				
1. Surplus	\$53,405.00	£64.000 x.				
2. Miscellangous Revenues	316.500.00	\$54,000.00				
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Total Revenues	\$369,905.00	\$362,400.00				
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1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages		and and and and and				
Other Expenses	\$187,000.00	\$165,000.00				
2. Capital Improvements	98,800,00	93,200.00				
3. Debt Service	5,000.00	30,000 00				
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Total Appropriations	\$369,905.00	\$362,400.00				
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	50	50				
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Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union on April 26, 2005. A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Municipal Building on May 24, 2005 at 8:00 o'clock (PM) at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2005 may be presented by tax-payers or other interested persons. Copies of the detailed budget are available in the office of Kathleen Wisnlewski, Township Clerk, at the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081, (973) 912-2200, during the hours of 9:00 (A.M.) to U111060 ECL May 12, 2005 (\$405.90)

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From February 12th to June 12th, you have the opportunity to win an exciting trip for two to Miami's Delano Hotel in South Beach! All that you have to do is write the plate number down when you spot a "Donate Life" license plate and visit our web site to submit your entry. Both you the plate will be entered to win the exciting trip for will be awarded to the first five people who submit CHILL NOT ALL FOR

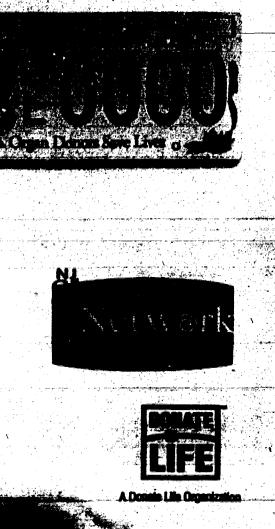
Et in in strategy and Winders Will be announced on June 27th at our 7th annual "Tee-up for Fransplants" Golf Invitational to be held at the Tournament Players Club Jasna Polana in Princeton, NJ.

To enter the game or to purchase a "Donate Life" icense plate, log onto www.sharenj.org.

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Anne Mikkelsen, Lana Feteiha, Maddle Simko and Olivia Kelly join Girl Scout Leah Carr in a recent Earth Day Clean-Up Project at the Brayton School field. Carr coordinated these second-grade members of Brayton Brownie Troop 188 as part of her project for her Gold Award. The Gold Award is similar to the Eagle Scout Award and Carr has been working toward completion of this award for a year and a half.

she. Adult classes are held three nights a week

with two weekly Teen classes. We have an active Senior Set and very active Jr. NCSY and Sr.

NCSY chapters for pre-teens. Our Sisterhood, Adult Education and Youth groups provide a

wide array of communal programming. For further information call the synagogue office at

JEWISH - REFORM

EMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, 78 S.

Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (973) 379-5387, Joeina Obidshin, Rabbi; Amy Deniels, Cantor/

Education Director; Nina Greensma, Pre-School

Director; Mindy Schreff, Family Life Educator;

Edward Fink and Hank Rottenberg, Co-

Presidents. Temple Sha'arey Shalom is a Reform

ongregation affiliated with the Union for

Reform Judaism. Shabbat worship, cahanced by

volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings

\$:00 PM, with monthly Family and Alternative

Worship. Saturday morning Torsh study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30

WORSHIP CALENDAR

### summer camp is also available to children of this

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BAPTIST EVANOEL BAPTIST CHURCH "SERVING CHRIST IN THE 21st CENTURY." "SERVING CHRIST IN THE 21st CENTURY." - 242 Shupplies R.d., Springfield. Rov. Prederick Maclosy, Sr. Pastor. Sundays: 9:30 AM Bible School für all ages - Nursery through Seniors: Spanish Sunday School 9:30 am and 5:30 pm. 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care -5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Service £ Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study: Janior/Senior High Ministry. Active Youth Ministry; Wide-Range Music Program. Ample Parking. Chief Lift provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us. For welcomed to participate in worship with us. For further information contact church office (973) 379-4351. Mondays - 7:00 pm - ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE.

JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, pringfield. 973-376-0539. Mark Mallach. Rabbi. Richard Nadel, Cantor. Marilyn Garlen, resident. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekday services Mon.-Fri. 7:00 AM Sun-Thurs. 7:45 PM Shabbat (Friday) 6:00 PM & 8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; undays, 8:30 AM. Pestival & Holiday moming 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (hiddconducted regimery. Our Religious School (Hidd-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and (Danday, There are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The Proposition also appeares a Pro-School Manual's Longue, Men's Chub youth groups for sinch through twelfth graders, and a basy Adult Education program. For more information, please contact are offici thering define appeared of the

JEWISH-OKTHODOX SPRINGRIELD 339 Monthlis Avenue, Springfield 972-667 9664 Chain Manue, Rabbi Alan J Yule, Kabbi Pinerbar Solomon 11 Granifield, Fröhend Chainerbar Solomon 11 Rabbi Alan I Yuke, Katol Emargine Solomon I REDERMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND Greathed, Product Congregation Incess in a SCHOOL 229 Comparison Pl, Weitheld, Modern Orthodox synagoges. There are two Rev. Pant & Reinch, Pastor. (908) 232-1517. Children's Church is held during the worship and y working Maryan at 6:15 a.m. and Beginning: Sundry, July 6, Summer Worship 7:00 a.m. Daily manifolds Ministra Congregation Particle Congregation of the State of 7:00 a.m. Daily wookday Mincha/Maariv. times. There are two Shobbet morning services at 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. as well as Junior Congregation at 9:30 a.m. the Nursery School unducts classes for children aged 2 1/2 to 4. A 

AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-3; on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4.7: and Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday evenings for post bar/bat mitzvah students. Prochool, classes are available for children ages 2 /2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an settive Bisterhood, Brotherhood, Renaissance Group and Youth Group: A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfall Outreach, Singles and Seniors.

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for more infirmation, call the Temple office, 773) 379-5387 **EUTHERAN** HOLY CROST LUTHERAN CHURCH 639

Church Office Middley through Thursday, 8:30-

Rev. Full E. Riviera, Plance, (906) 233-1517.
 Baginning: Sunday, July 6, Summar, Worship Times are as follows: Sunday Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning Nursery available. Wednesday Evening Worship Service, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all worship services. The charth and all rooms are headicipped accessible.

### METHODIST

SPRINGFIRLD EMANURL UNITE METHODIST CHURCH (SEUMC) - is . thith community ignited by God's love for all people. Join us for Sundry worship which begins with the entire congregation at 10:30 AM before children exit for Sundry School, Express God's ompassion through outreach activities. Beginning and enginitational vocalists and municians are invited to participate in the music ministry led by professional musclans Ginny Johnston and Dan Crisci. Bible study, prayor, youth group and Bellowship events enable all to grow in their faith. SEUMC is located at the far ick end of Church Mall, near the intersection of Morris and Mountain Avenues, Springfield Call 973-376-1695 for more information.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Summit is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. Church School and Bible Study is held at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Worship is at 10:30 a.m.; the emphasis of which is to always have a "good week" because of Paul's reminder to us in is letter to the Romans "that ALL things work ogether for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose". The sermons are uplifting, Biblically sound and guaranteed to keep you awake. The music and weekly children's message are memorable. All are welcome to hear the Good News of God's love and salvation through Jasus Christ. Our church also offers nursery care, after worship refreshments and fellowship, and many lively programs for everyonic Could worship with us and find out how you too san have a "good Rich Hendrickson, Senior Collastors for spore

Morris Ave. at Church Mail, Springfield, 973-Opportunities for personal growth through worship, Christian Education, Choir, ongoing church activities, and Fellowship. Holy Communion is held the lat Sunday of every mosth; The Ledies Evening Group-3rd Weineeday of each month at 7:30 p.m.;

Kaffeeklatsch-1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 s.m.; Men's Fellowship-2nd Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m.; Choir-every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. We also host various Outside group meetings: Springfield Oarden Club, Children's Community Choir, Learning Disabled Group, and Alanon. For information about any of our programs or services, call Gesele at the Church Office: 973-379-4320, Mon. through Fri., 9:00

### ROMAN CATHOLIC

a.m.-12 noon; 1:00pm-4:00pm

THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, 300 Central Avenue, Mountainsid 908-232-1162. Celebrate the Lord's Day; Anticipated Mass 5:00pm, Sunday at 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am. Weekdays: Moniday-Friday 7:30am, Saturday 8:00am, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Saturday at Ipm. Perpetual Adoration Chapel for personal prayer and www.ollmountainside.org side.org.

PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jerecy 07081.973-376-3044. SUNDAY EUCHARIST: Set, 5:30 p.m. Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Masses: 7:00 & 8:00

### UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST

UNITARIAN CHURCH IN SUMMIT, Waldron Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901. 908-273-3245. www.uchammit.org. Rev. Vannessa Rusi veek". Call the church office or Pastors Gins or Southern, Minister, Mitchell Vines, Music and Choir Director Sunday Services and religious

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**Summit Police Department** conducts 'Cops in Shop' initiative

from the Department of Law and age 21. Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic In N States Justice Department's Office of egory since 1986. Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to conduct a "Cops in May 30, 2006

This program involves undercover legal age to purchase alcohol.

In addition, these officers ensure that the establishments are in compliance with all state laws and local ordinances.

"Cops in Shops" is an aggressive vital tool in the battle against underage drinking.

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identification.

The Summit Police Department alcohol-related motor vehicle acci- year there is an influx of college las received a federal block grant dents involving drivers younger than

In New Jersey alone, there has Beverage Control, and the United been a 67 percent decrease in this cat-

Nevertheless, 31 percent of all deaths for young people age 15 to 24. Shops" program from June 1 until still result from auto accidents

involving alcohol. In addition, thousands of incidents flicers operating within local liquor of assault, injury, sexual abuse, establishments, acting as merchants unsafe sex, academic problems, suiand checking the identification of cide attempts, and vandalism involvindividuals appearing to be under the ing college-aged students involve an

According to the author of the grant application, Detective Sergeant John Rice, "these statistics demonstrate a continuing need for programs like 'Cops in Shops.' These funds are aw enforcement technique that is a essential in our efforts to keep our young people safe."

This is one of many efforts which three major private, four-year univer- Lucid. have proven effective in New Jersey sities -- Fairleigh Dickinson, The "Our 'Cops in Shops' involvement and throughout the nation as a whole College of St. Elizabeth's and Drew speaks to our concerns for the safety in reducing the number of fatalities in University - and during the school of our citizens."

dents in the area." said Rice. "They tend to travel out of their towns to seek liquor establishments to purchase alcohol with fraudulent

Having our law enforcement officers assigned to local liquor stores sends a clear message that attempting to purchase alcohol while under the legal age with false identification will not be tolerated and will be punished to the full extent of the law."

Chief of Police Robert Lucid wel comed the continued availability of federal funds, noting that the "Cops in Shops" program had been used effectively in Summit for the past five years.

"I wish to commend Sgt. Rice for his initiative in securing this grant to continue our efforts to address the issues of drinking and driving, as 'Summit is located in proximity to well as underage drinking," said

### **NJ SEEDS director** earns Kent Place alumna award

Amy Ziebarth, executive director was recognized by the Delbarton f New Jersey SEEDS, has been selected to receive the Kent Place 2003, her thoughts on diversity and School Alumna Professional Achievement Award.

Ziebarth graduated from Kent Place in 1980. She subsequently received her bachelor of arts from Colgate and her master's degree from Drew University.

Ziebarth joined the staff of New ersev SEEDS in 1995, assuming the the "fifth grade cliff." role of executive director in 1998. New Jersey SEEDS - Scholars, Educators, Excellence, Dedication, Success — is a privately funded, state-wide, nonprofit organization committed to educating future leaders from a wide variety of backmotivated and academically talented; but financially limited. SEEDS helps these students gain access to, and succeed at, competitive secondary schools.

In her tenure as executive director, Ziebarth has quadrupled the annual tive independent day and boarding increased the number of students graduate schools. In the one of the served enquely from 50 so 160, and tary, SEBDS has become one of the moved the beedquarters from High most respected educational organiza-stown to the heart of downtown tions in New Jersey. transportation to consult with staff Alumna Professional Achievemen members or volunteers their time.

Ziebarth expanded the size of the full-time staff from six to 17 and tripled the number of independent schools where SEEDS slumni are placed. She also led a successful \$6 tice." million capital campaign, carning The swards ceremony will take SEEDS recognition from the Partner-ship in Philanthropy. In: 2001, she Kent Place in Summit.

School as Educator of the Year. In education were published in an op-ed in The New York Times.

In 2002. Ziebarth launched a new SEEDS project, the Young Scholars Program, designed to serve students in grades five and six. She created the Young Scholars Program to address an alarming trend known as

All too often, high-achieving students in inner city schools stop performing well after fifth grade as they succumb to peer pressures and negative social distractions. The Young Scholars Program creates a bridge for students from elementary school grounds. SEEDS students are highly to high school, ultimately placing students in competitive, private schools. In 2003, the young Scholars Program received a \$100,000 grant from Oprah's Angel Network.

Today, NJ Seeds has close to 900 alumni, who are attending competioperating budget of NJ SEEDS, schools, selective colleges and top increased the number of students graduate schools. In its 14-year his-

> Ziebarth said of the Award. "Kent Place taught me the contribution. It is an honor to be recognized as an alumna who has taken what she learned and put it into prac-

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### Special Ed Parent

Advisory group meets The May Special Education Parent Advisory Committee meeting will take place today at 9:30 a.m. at the Summit High School Library, 75 Maple St.

The featured speaker is LeDerick Horne, a protege of Jonathan Mooney who currently serves as chairperson of Project Eye-To-Eye, founded by Mooney to empower learning disabled students through mentoring programs. In his presentation, "Growing up Special." LeDerick reflects on his academic career and the difficulties he encountered as a child with a learning disability that not only affected his ability to read and write, but also his self-esteem. After graduation from Franklin High School, LeDerick began his education at Middlesex Community College. With academic supports, he eventually transferred to Jersey City University to finish his bachelor of arts in mathematics with honors. LeDerick has served as the keynote speaker for the New Jersey Department of Education's Student Leadership conferences for high school students. All parents are welcome. If you have any questions about the parent presentation, call Carolyn Mulligan 908-277-0874.

### Leadership Institute offers enrichment

Spring is here and planning for summer camp and enrichment programs is in full swing.

The Girls' Leadership Institute at Kent Place provides a variety of opportunities for girls ages 12-14, entering seventh and eighth grades, to sports, arts and crafts, computers, consider new models of leadership nature and musical theater are highand their own capacities for develop- lighted by weekly special events such ing leadership skills.

The Girls' Leadership Institute, now celebrating its 10th anniversary, the opportunity to sample a variety of is a five-day, four-night, residential summer enrichment program for middle school-aged girls conducted on the campus of Kent Place School in Sum- ditioned dining hall. Two, three, four

The institute will be conducted July 24-28. Participants will interact with women who have distinguished themselves through their career and digital photography, cartooning, personal choices and enjoy the physi- crafts, tennis, cooking, and drama. cal challenges of a rope course Campers participate in five areas of

### EDUCATION

important for leadership development.

such as self-esteem, communication,

planning and goal setting, organiza-

"Girls at this age are particularly

vulnerable to a loss of in self-esteem."

said Institute Director Christine

unique leadership style through a

broad range of hands-on activities."

The Girls' Leadership Institute at

Limited need-based scholarships

are available. For information, call

Eileen Hutton at 908-273-0900 ext.

266 or send a message via e-mail to

Read more about The Girls' Lead-

Summer programs offer

School's summer program of day

camps, art workshops and enrichment

is accepting registrations for this

year's program. Openings are still

available for the June 20-Aug. 5 ses-

packed days for boys and girls enter-

ing grades two to six. Archery, tennis,

swimming, a wide variety of field

as Hawaiian Day, Olympics and Gold

Rush. A daily "choice" time provides

activities, including weekly sports

and six-week sessions are available.

Lunch is included in their air-con-

• The Creative Arts Workshop, for

boys and girls entering grades five to

eight, offers activities such as pottery,

· The Day Camp offers action-

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designed to build trust and self-confi-Teachers are professionals in their devi field. Lunch is provided in their air-Daily workshops will include interactive learning and practice in areas conditioned dining hall.

· Also available for students entering grades six to eight is Career Expe- avai rience, which runs from June 20-24. strict Campers have the opportunity to ni.u. research and explore various carcer from opportunities.

· Enrichment Programs include Excel, which is an integrated learning "Each girl who attends the Institute - experience designed to challenge boys will discover and develop her own and girls entering grades three to five.

- Two special Enrichment Programs are offered to girls only: Success for Girls in Middle School and the Girls' Leadership Institute. Suc-Kent Place is part of the school's cess for Girls in Middle School is designed to help girls entering grades munity resource on women's issues six and seven make a smooth transk tion into middle school, both academically and socially. Students learn. study skills with emphasis on time management, organization, note taking, problem solving and test prepara-

This program runs from Aug. 1-5. ership Institute online at www.kent- The Girls' Leadership Institute. for girls entering grades seven and eight. is a five-day, four-night, residential program from July 24-28. Girls explore and develop their individual leadership potential through a broad range of hand-on activities.

> boys and girls, ages 4-14 the opportunity to have fun and learn new skills in a diverse, safe, low competition atmosphere. Students are well supervised by a qualified staff of program directors, teachers and experienced counselors. Extended care is available from 7:50 a.m. in the morning and in the afternoon until 5:30 p.m.

> Explorations and availability, call 908-273-0900 ext. 272 or send a message by e-mail to mailto:summer@kentplace.org Visit Summer Explorations or download an application on the Web at www.kentplace.org.

Music, cartooning, sewing, cooking, photography - take your pick from these and more in the Summit Public Schools summer FLASH dents in grades two through nine the ties and other venues.

interest daily for a three-week session. opp. manty to pursue their talents and new ones. HLASH class schedule and

> non form have been mailed to families, but are also now on-line in PDF on the dis-Neb site: www.summit.k12. ASH classes run July 1-28, 30 a.m. to noon, Monday Friday. Register early --till up fast.

### KidzArt teaches new drawing methods

usters in the Summit area now new way to learn about drawand themselves.

dy Art, a unique arts enrichment in for children, is now being offered at the Summit Recreation Center located at 100 Morris Ave. Classes are torming now for preschool. kindergarten and grades one to five. To catoll, call the Summit Board of Recitation at 908-277-2932. To find out more about KidzArt, call Woolcock at 973-762-6622 or via e-mail at kidshivkidzart@comcast.net or visit Kid/Art on the Web at

KidzArt offers a unique "guided creativity" curriculum for children. Classes are kept small, usually around whit to 12 enrollees, to maximize the

the program teaches them how to express themselves - and gain greater self-confidence - through

reingerator-ready" art, but a whole secondary set of skills as well. "KidzArt really helps strengthen s child's sense of artistic excellence and mastery which starts to spill over into other areas of their lives," said Lisa Wosleock, owner and certified instructor. "Kids learn to think creatively ---- outside the box and they gan a lifetime love of art."

unded in 1993 and franchising since July 2002, KidzArt is designed to t kids of all ages explore their innet artistic potential in a safe, structured non-competitive environment. With 40 franchises nationwide and growing, KidzArt is bringing its innovame activities to after-school proenrichment program, which gives stu- grams, summer camps, birthday par-

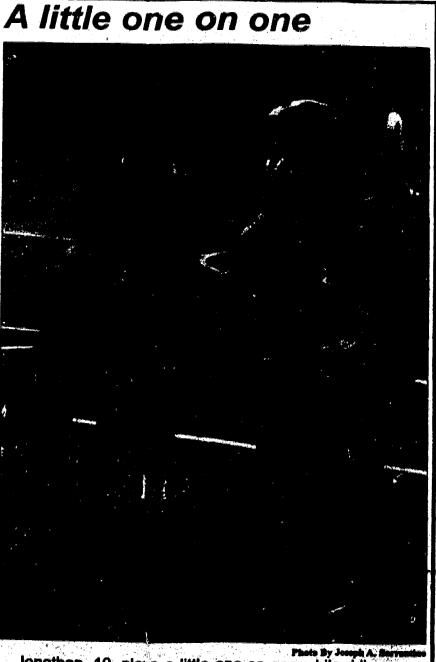
Photo By Joseph A. Serves Jonathan, 10, plays a little one on one while riding on inline skates with Anthony Fernandes, 9, on the basketball courts at Tatlock Field.

### Bilingual story hours offered to community

The Summit Free Public Library and Summit YMCA will partner to bring a series of bilingual story hours to the community. This free program, open to the community for children in grades kindergarten through 5, will be offered on Mondays through June 6 from 7 to 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Summit Free Public Library, 75 Maple St. No registration is required.

This program strives to foster an appreciation of diversity and a love of lanruages. Native English speakers will benefit with exposure to simple stories in Spanish, which is the designated world language of the Summit School District, and children who have English as a second language will certainly benefit from the language arts component of the program.

For information, call Pat Obst, head of Children's Services at the Summit Library, at 908-273-0350 or Janet Maulbeck, Community Development director at the Summit YMCA, at 908-277-3330 ext. 158.





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For information about Summer

### Children can pursue their talents in a FLASH

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Editor: JR Parachini Can be reached in Maplewood at 973-763-0700

### Hockey for good cause

Proceeds aid cancer patients By Timothy Denman

A good time for a good cause

That is what you can expect if you head over to Bouth Mountain Arens in West Orange tomorrow night at 7 for the second annual Dayton High School Alertan Hockey Came.

The contest, which ended in a tie last year, pits Dayton alumni against Johnson and Brearley alumni in a good-natured reunion setting designed to raise money for pediatric cancer

The game is played to benefit The Healing Heart Foundation and The Jordan Lee Fish Foundation

The foundations were formed in memory of David Nehmer, age 12, and Jordan Fish, age 14, both of Springfield, who lost their battles with

The Healing Heart Foundation has raised almost one million dollars since its inception. Most of the money goes to help fund research to minimize the suffering of patients and improve the quality of life for those with advanced stages of the disease.

The Jordan Lee Foundation provides scholarships for Dayton High School students and assists pediatric cancer patients.

Both Nehmer and Fish were big hockey fans, while Fish was planning on playing hockey in high school.

The players on the ice for tomorrow night's game all knew Nehmer and Fish and were teammates when Brearley, Johnson, and Dayton all shared a hockey team.

Former New Jersey Devils star Bruce Driver will be in attendance. along with other current and former professional sthietes. They will act as game referees. Yankes and Mets ticken will also

Last year, over 500 manaly iterated the event, which is the second secon

Soccer tryouts

Sce website www.soccerclubof-springfield.org/for times Power 1: Kittathaay Harricanes 1: In a match of two undefeated 12and-under traveling girls' teams, 

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Villiams up front. Scorpions 2, Ridge Seasiders The 11-and-under Scorpions improved to 5-0 after getting goals from Christian Schmidt and Mike

Disko after trailing 1-0. John Balboni carned an accest on the Schmidt goal, while it was a Zaok Heliczer shot that was deflected past the Ridge goalis by Disko. Also playing well for the Scorbions on offense were Nico Izzi, Nick Poeri, Scrigto Annerstates, Matt. Lynn and Ryan Schiptokert.

Jake Rudomb and Peter Yablonsky nade clutch saves in goal in front of solid play on defense by Ryan Cutino, Brian DiFiore, Matt Disko, Andrew Iomlish, Max Kotler and Joey Bai-

Roadrunners 5. Caldwell Hurricanes 0: The 9-and-under Roadrunner

and Chris Vega.

In first place in Flight 4, the Road-

Start Writes. BERKELBY HEIGHTS The Highlander teen move the only pro g up the mountain. Governor Livingston is now two wins away from win? The Highlander of in its first Union County Tournament baseball chaminer a results acored only third as United and the second s

quarterfinals Down 4-3 is the bottom of the second and yourselost of the second second of the second second

of 4-0 against Original and Ag team's pitching ace.

Matt Zimmerman and Jason Hollowell starting things off with back-to-back one out singles in the first to set the stage for clean-up batter Mike Manganiello. The senior backstop responded with a long drive to deep

left-center that cleaved the fance for a three-rup homer. "My approach going into that ar-bat was to look for a fastball and adjust to the game, "Many sold, sold of hore that Blumetii has a good curve and that jusch was in the back of my head. He threw me a curve and I was able to

make good contact." Roof mild: "Different is provide the first state of the second sta

The Highlanders' fourth run was produced when Brooks' Miller reached on a single, moved to second on a ground- nal at Veterans Field in Rahway, scheduled for noon. ant by Phil Vitale and came around to acore on a wellsuched double hit by Andrew Trivelle. The score remained 4-0 until the top of the fourth when

cance 0: The 9-and-under Roadrumer boys' team remained undefeated after a decisive 3.0 wire over the Caldwell Hurricenes.
Goalies Drow Parbetoin and Boomer Sex Jonabined for the team's third allowed anto footing possible of an overdation of a second double of a second Citrin, Vinnie Nagy, Bailey Rudolph Elvis Urena and allowed Sean Panella to reach base on a - day. GL had road games acheduled for Monday and yester

Up next was Jake Fernandez. The third baseman came In first place in Flight 4, the Road-runners are acheduled to host Caldwell Saturday at 5 p.m. and play at the Hanover Warriors Sunday at 1 p.m. Up next was Jake Fernandez. The third baseman came Dayton is scheduled to play at Hillside today at 4 p.m. GL junior conterficient Mart Battoni blasted a three-run homer in the to of sector and the Highlanders past the Highlanders that could have cost them the game. With Bernards 10-7 ast Friday in Bernardsville.

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"We had a nice little comeback, but it was not enough." "I can't say enough about the way Pijanowski pitched,"

"He obviously was running out of gas there at the end, but he pulled it together when we needed him and got a big strikeout to end the mine?"

NOTES: Union will now look forward to the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 playoffs, which commence the work of May 23.

Fining reached the final last year, falling to. Watchung Hills after winning a defending champion Kearny in the

mproved to 5-0, finishing with eight Ks and one walk. He will now pitch against Dayton Saturday in the first semifi-GL defeated Dayton 3-1 at Ruby Field in Springfield

-hack on April 15, the first Dayton loss after a 6-0 start. GL began the week 18-2 and had won 14 in a row. Day

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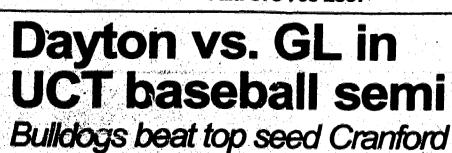
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By JR Parachini Sports Editor

Two wins away from a county championship

That's a goal for four baseball and four softball squads as the Union County ournaments continue Saturday with semifinal contests. Here's the lineup;

BASEBALL SEMIFINALS

Saturday, May 14 at Veterans Field in Rahway 8-Dayton vs. 4-Governor Livingston, noon

3-Westfield vs. 2-Roselle Catholic, 3 p.m.

The championship game is scheduled for Saturday, May 21 at 2 p.m. at Memorial Field in Linden.

SOFTBALL SEMIFINALS

Saturday, May 14 at Memorial Field in Linden 7-Brearley vs. 6-Roselle Catholic, 6 p.m.

4-Craniord vs. 1-Governor Livingston, 8 p.m.

The championship game is scheduled for Saturday, May 21 at 7 p.m. at Memorial Field in Linden. Three of the top four seeds made it to the baseball semifinals, with the excep-

tion being eighth-seeded Dayton. The Bulldogs, who have won the UCT just once and way back in 1954, knocked off top-seeded Cranford 11-4 in Granford in Saturday's quarterfinals. The other quarterfinals included fourth-seeded Governor Livingston over

fifth-seeded Union 4-3, third-seeded Westfield over sixth-seeded Elizabeth 14-1 and second-seeded Roselle Catholic over 10th-seeded Johnson 4-0. The pitching matchups for Saturday's semifinals include:

Dayton: Joe Furnaguera, Jr. RH vs. GL: Joe Pijanowski, Sr. RH (5-0).

Westfield: Bill Hearon, Sr. RH (5-1) vs. RC: Nick Nolan, Jr. RH (4-0). GL has never won the UCT, Roselle Catholic has appeared in two finals and

won only in 1971 and Westfield has won the most UCTs with 11 and last won in 2002. GL beat Dayton 3-1 on April 15 at Ruby Field in Springfield.

Scotch Plains beat Roselle Catholic 3-1 in last year's final.

Dayton is coached by Dayton grad Chris Loeffler and GL by GL grad Chris Roof. Dayton was 16-9 last year and ousted in the first round of the UCT at Cranford 10-0, the Cougars the second seed and Davton the 15th seed. The Bulldogs went on to reach the Central Jersey, Group 1 quarterfinals. In beating Cranford Saturday, Dayton received a 2-for-4, three RBI perform-

ance from Matt Parman and one RBI and two runs each from brothers Joe and Raul Furnaguera. Dayton defeated Union and Roselle Catholic before getting the eighth seed at the UCT meeting, a seed some thought was too low. Dayton begins the week 12-2 and winners of three straight.

GL begins the week 18-2 and winners of 14 straight, After a 4-0 start, GL lost at Millburn 11-4 and then at home to Union Catholic 9-8 in a three- day span. GL held on to beat Union 4-3 behind the five-hit pitching of senior righthander Joe Pijanowski. Senior catcher Mike Manganiello blasted a threerun homer.

Junior righthander Nick Nolan shut out Johnson on a five-hitter that included nine strikeouts and no walks. Jason Aguilera drove in two runs and Joe Kropa added an RBI in a game that was played at Nomahegan Park in Cranford. Westfield got past Elizabeth behind a five hiver from senior righty Bil Hearon. Junior catcher Mike Murray was 3-for-3 with an inside-the-park home

run, triple, two RBI and three runs for the Blue Devils. knocked off second seeded Union 4-1 in Union in Saturday's quarterfinals. The Lions, who have never won the UCT, knocked off third-seeded Westfield 2-1. The other quarterfinals included fourth-seeded Cranford over fifth-seeded Johnson 5-4 and top-seeded Governor Livingston over ninth-seeded Scotch

Jains 3-1. The pitching matchups for Saturday's semifinals include: Brearley: Jenns Vitale, Soph. RH vs. Royalle Catholic: Emily Vieni Cranford: Elena Morge, Jr. LH vs. Gov. Liv., Capri Catalano, Soph, RH, GL won its only county crowns in 1997, 1999 and fibit, while Cranford Won More to 2002

GL won its only county crowns in 1997, 1999 and 2007, while Cranford won its only UCT in 2002. Roselle Park defeated Cranford 2-1 in 13 innings in last wire's final. Cranford is seven innings (or more) away from reaching the final for a fourth consecutive year. The Cougars defe. / d Union in the 2002 final and then loss to Roselle Park in the 2003 and 2004 finals, toor by one way fill extra innings. Cranford's win over Johnson was he and saveling rounned in record at 15-4. The Cougars are scheduled to play Union and Westfield this week prior to GL the UCT semis.

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go. Cranford also had a solid win the day before at Ridge 60.2 Mor four-hitter that included 11 strikeouts and no walks. Mellow Classes Scaramuzzi delivered two-run singles.

Morge struck out 12 and walked one in hurling a two-tiltur against Johnson. "Our character and heart had been questioned of line," Bitanto and, "We had not fine particulations against Ridge and Johnstor." In last year's UCT finel, Morge scored Contracts and internet bottom of the first after a single hit by senior Kiera Zimmerment Base and a state and a 14-game shutout study, by Roselle Park senior picture. Base the senior against now intring at long of the Single Base All-State selection, and the senior state and the senior is an and Riccinelli, a Hits Issue and 2004 USE senior sectors and the senior sectors and the 2003 Morne struck out 12 and walked one in hurling a two-

Group 1 state championship. Morge gave up uncarned runs in the top of the sixte and

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"I haven't seen her yet, but we know she is real tought." Biunne said Catalano begins the work 15-0 and GL 17-2 and wanners of six strategiet. Carriento strategiet out 17 and walked one in besting Sected Picket in the sector strategiet. She is sveraging 15 strikeouts and has walked less than 10 being the second son. "We'll need to make some adjustering Disputched. She could be very, very talented pitcher and can also hit.

"It will probably be a low-scoring game, at least I hope so, and we re goin to have to find a way to scratch out some runs." BULLDOGS BEST UC, TECHNOLOGY: Dayton played Union Catholic

over again May 3 and won 13-3 in a UCT first-round game. The teams played to a 5-5 tie after seven innings the day before at Ruby Field. Devton followed that win with a convincing 23-7 Mountain VAlley Confer-

ence triumph at Technology last Friday. The game was originally scheduled to be played on Anril 26. Raul Furnaguers and York Cook blasted bothe mail prift. HF a same stop, going 5-for-5 with six RBI and four runs.

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### 'Bike in Summit' week celebrated Citizens encouraged to participate in National Bike Month

Once again, the city of Summit will with their child before sending them create a sater and healthier environhost Bike in Summit Week, Monday out solo. The League of American ment in the city. Many participants in through May 22. The city is celebrat- Bicyclists Web site: www.bike- last year's event were surprised to find ing National Bike Month by encourag- league.org, offers practical advice for a spin to town, whether it is for lunch ing citizens to participate in "Bike-in- cyclists of all ages. In addition, a free shopping or a medical appointment Summit" week.

to dust off their bikes and take a spin YMCA and other local sites. to the office, train station and sporting Hoping to make this an easy transi- supporting the event by offering discipation activities. In the spirit of the week, tion, the city is designating areas to counts on merchandise during bin Summit Police Chief Robert Lucid lock bicycles throughout the downchallenged all municipal workers and town; the hub being the Summit train Common Council members to join station. him in a ride to City Hall. No surprise. everyone showed up to work that day the "how-to's," including suggested 16 at 7 p.m. that will start from the with a big smile.

information regarding the emotional ment can't be knocked either. and physical benefits of eveling. For this reason, they support various ini- ter Plan initiative to "enhance conneetiatives to enhance cycling across the trons within the city of Summit country. Thus far, Bike to Work Week through the use of public transit syshas successfully been adopted in cities tems, walking, biking and alternative across the United States, including modes of transportation." According involved simply requires putting down community to the use of alternative rial for the Bike in Summit week the car keys and biking to and from modes of transportation." work

The city is also encouraging chil-

brochure offering safety tips is avail- was not only easier, but faster. Last year the event got commuters able at City Hall, the Summit Library,

The free brochure covers many of

This event supports Summit's Mas-

The City's Alternatives Modes of Iransportation Task Force which was pamphlet, call Ted Tolles at 908.273. the New Jersey Classical League. dren and parents to consider pedaling formed last year is organizing the 1565 or contact him via email at the week. Parents should do a test run pedestrians and cyclists as well as to drey at 908-273-6306.

John MacKinnon, owner of Cvcla

Palace on Broad Street in Summit, in

hike week, road cyclists from across the area are encouraged to tom a ride of solidarity slated for May routes, clothing and storage Partici- parking lot at Wilson School, The That would come as no surprise to pants will be amazed at how little time Ride of Silence will cover approxithe League of American Bicyclists, it actually takes to commute by bike. mately 20 mostly flat miles and move who have sponsored Bike-to-Work The added bonuses of a healthier at a 12 mph pace. Bikers will ride in week for more than a decade. The lifestyle, no gas or wear-an-tear on gle file and are not to speak at anytime League is well aware of the statistical your vehicle and a cleaner environ- during the ride. The event was launched last year in honor of those injured or killed while riding. To date. of cities across the U.S. and Canada are participating in this year's ride.

The AMT task force will also be running a poster contest for Summit children grades 1-5. The contest will bike-friendly communities like Port-land, Or.; Folsom, Ca.; Arlington, Va.; Bike-to-Work program is a great tool prize winner. The grand prize drawing and Washington. D.C. Getting to help educate and encourage the will be featured on promotional material

For information regarding, ditte

This year Kent Place had an

Eight Kent Place eighth-graders both the Middle and Upper Schools. ster, Alicia Hobson of Florham Park achievement for each girl and for Cum Laude honorees included Kent Place School," noted Middle

time received honors from the Emma Weinreich of Summit and Summit residents Catey Bayse. ational Latin Exam, sponsored by received Gold Summa Cum Laude Allison Beeman and Katia Gummins. event or a copy of the bike to merican Classical League and and Liza Wiesenthal of Short Hills "This is a remarkable academic was awarded Magna Cum Laude. to school, a practice or game during event to help create awareness of ted\_tolles@yahoo.com or Elissa Cor- impressive 100 percent participation Vanessa Rendon-Vasquez of Kenil- School Latin teacher Christine and carned many recognitions in worth, Holly Goodman of Bedmin- Napolitano.

### **BPW welcomes Giobal Project speaker**

At 7:30 p.m. on Monday, at the Grand Summit Hotel, 570 Springfield Ave., the Summit Business and Professional Women will welcome Mary Stober of Global Project Resources, LLC who will present "Profit from Diversity." The public is welcome to join this interactive session, where participants learn to improve their job performance by bridging language and cultural differ-

ences. Stober has led multi-lingual, cross-functional teams in the pharmaceutical, chemical and technology industries in the US and Europe since 1993. In 2001, Stober formed Global Project Resources, LLC to offer industry managers research, training, and resource guidance related to improving their job per-

### League of Women Voters meets regularly

Men and women interested in public policy issues are invited to consider joining the League of Women Voters of Berkeley Heights, New Providence and Summit.

The league was originally founded in 1920 as a non-partisan, political organization, operating at local, state and national levels.

Lits aim is to influence public pollev through education and advoca-

Presently, one of the league's activities is co-sponsorship with the Summit Adult School of the "Great Decisions" discussion series, which is a nationwide project of the Foreign Policy Association.

meet weekly on Wednesday evenings at Summit High School from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Background essays are supplied for each topic.

Global Water Issues, U.S. Intelli-

"Great Decisions" participants

gence and the Global Poverty Gap.

For information about the "Great Decisions" meetings or about other league activities, call Pam Kuhn at 908-273-7472 or Barbara Packer at 908-277-6773.

Summit Toastmasters, one of

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Summit Toastmasters

**NEWS CLIPS** Sudan/Darfur, Outsourcing Jobs,

reached a noteworthy milestone its 50th year of operation. Summit Toastmasters is a non-

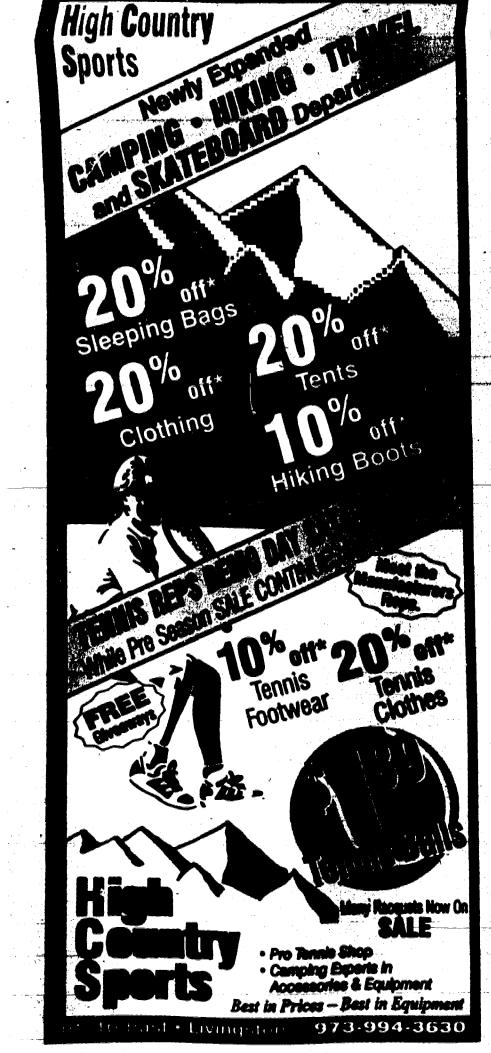
profit organization dedicated to helping area residents learn to communicate and lead in a non-threat-ening, supportive, and fun environment. - **3**-14-)-The club's motto is "Speak Us to

Get Ahead."

Topics coming up include successful and enduring clubs his The group meets Wednesdays from 8 to 10 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Ave. Summit. Guests are always welcome.

For information, call Vice President of Membership Lisa O'Donnell Fahoury at 973-324-2100. or visit Summit Toastmasters at www.summittoastmas-

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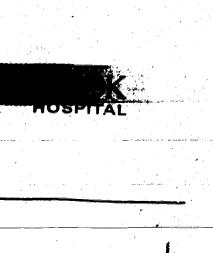
Kent Place Middle School students Vanessa Rendon-Vasquez, Holly Goodman, Allison Beeman, Emma Weinreich and Catey Bayse, recognized by the 2005 National Latin Exam, pose for a picture with teacher Christine Napolitano.

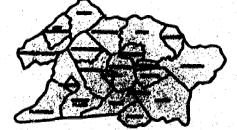
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### Kent Place students honored







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### By the numbers

10 - The number of octoge narians who slong with som Elizabeth grade school kids participated in a celebration of the 100-year history of the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth County Clerk Joanne Rajopp has been tenacious in promotin the year-long celebration of the facility as the center of justice in Union County.

0 - The number of Depart ment of Environmentla Protection livable community grants given to the 21st Legislative District last year by the McGreevey administration.

State Sen. Tom Kean Jr. was quoted, "It goes to show that merit-based decision making has not been the standard."

### Left Out By Frank Capece

3 — The number who will iointly serve as the new executive committee overseeing Rahway's Merck & Co., the world's top drug maker. Last week Chief Executive Officer Raymond Gimartin's 11 year term as CEO was cut short.

The chairman of the board position will be shared by three independent directors of the company's executive committee. The company has faced hand

times after the recall of the pain reliever Vioxx as well as shortly losing via expiration some valuable patents. The company had \$22.9 billion in overall sales last year. 40 - The I

ism reports last year mit School Dinner survey revealed also 36 acts violence from the district where 3,498 students are enrolled. Overall, the county had 672

acts of violence, 271 vandali report provides unduplicated counts of the number of incidents within a category. 50 — The number of years

the Union Township Chamber of Commerce has been in operation. On Monday, they will hold a celebration at the Suburban Golf Club for the 330 membe

\$760 million --- The amoun of additional investment by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to deepen the harbor channel to SO fact. Last mack the Port Authority announced they Executive Director Kenneth Ringler Jr. said, "The channel-deepening is a critical part of our aggressive long-term redevelop-ment of the Port. We are invest-ing millions to build new and upgraded rail facilities and roadways to strengthen and deeped berths."

\$19.5 million --- The amount of money the Clark Board of Education has voted to spend to revitalize school facilities in the

\$805 million -- The amo of shortfall estimated to be needed to replenish the state's Transportation Trust Fund.

There is little talk show ncrease in the gasoline tax a more. Also, coming on a 13-percent increase in mass transit costs, the estimates from Trenon are for more increases

5 to 3 - The vote by which house was elected area Robelle Board

Saturday afternoon waiting line at ShopRite in Elizabeth while the costomer in front of me argued over a buy one/get one free pr 650 - The number

ionts who anduste this week from Keen University at a coremony held at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. An attorney, Frank Capece is a

esident of Crasford.

### By Lauren DeFilippo

Staff Writer The friends and family of Eddie Sinclair took to the streets Tuesday evening to remember the young man. It was Mother's Day, May 10, 2003 when Sinclair, then 17, hanged himself on a broken sprinkler head in his cell at the George W.

Herlich Juvenile Detention Center in Elizabeth. The facility, which has a capacity to hold 38, sometimes housed as many as 50. The center sits atop a six-floor parking garage adjacent to the county courthouse that was constructed in 1968.

County officials have talked about building a new facility since 1994. Not until Sinclair's sui- the vigil. cide two years ago have plans really taken off. The county has acquired land of Routes 1&9 in her son and was not notified about the autopsy on Linden and the Union County Improvement his body. Had she been, she said she would have from the top floor of the facility. Authority is overseeing construction of a new donated his organs to someone who needed

mer on the \$40-million facility, with the twostory warehouse building on the Edward Street site recently having been demolished. Sinclair's mother, Yolanda Padilla said she

will be back every year to honor her son's memory until justice is served. Padilla contends that the county violated her parental rights regarding her son's passing. She papers were originally posted on the brick wall She emphasized that the freeholders should said that even two years later, she still has not

received a copy of the police report documenting Eddie's death, despite repeated requests. "This doesn't need to happen to another

child." she said in a telephone interview before Padilla said she was not even able to identify

youth jail. Groundbreaking is expected this sum- them, because that's what he would have wanted.

the same thing last year.

### Students drawn to robotics team

By Lauren DeFilippo Staff Writer

Even though Seth Green killed Transformers hero Optimus Prime on Atlanta. his new show "Robot Chicken" on the Cartoon Network, the name lives on at Pauline Barkin, 15, said. the Union County Magnet High School.

Some 28 percent of the student body - which numbers approximate- to teams behind the Chairman's ly 300 students in grades nine through Award. 12 — passed the name on to their robot. Their version does not transform from tractor-trailer to a robot warrior, but is still pretty impressive. It can right itself when it falls over.

and has three degrees of freedom in its movement, meaning, it can move in! three directions simultaneously.

The machine, entirely student designed and built, was this year's entry into the FIRST robotics compe- teams and also took home the Xerox tition. The worldwide event welcomes Creativity Award and the Autodes

and the second second

operate the controls of their robotics project.

### Fund-raising continues for children's museum

am on Central New Jersey are still on 

"The outlook is very bright." **CMCNJ Board of Trustees President** Kelly Deere said.

The proprofit is in lease negotiain Unice and hopes to have a lease ened within the next six months, she

After the lease is signed, Deere and, the capital campaign to raise the big bucks necessary to construct the new 43.000-square-foot mus

And the Fire House and the Fire le's kind of hard to ask for large

inancial contributions without Freeholder Angel Estrada, who

also mives on the CMCNI Board of Presides, said that the Union location . for the museum is ideal. Last week, the organic

ored its five "Assel Donors," who pledged \$5,000 and unveiled the firstrenderings of some of the proposed

In 2003, the project was projected to cost \$12 million to complete. That

regional qualifiers before heading to this year's national championship in

"FIRST is all about inspiration,"

The team was even honored with the Engineering Inspiration Award, the second most prestigious award given

The Engineering Inspiration Award is given to a teams that have uniquely influenced engineering in the community, Barkin said, referring mostly to the large amount of participation the club garners within the school.

At the New York area regional in March, the team Parallel Universe 1257, a name they got out of a physics textbook, was seeded second out of 32

> tisted by Gail Eckert, who considers herself a bit of a when it comes to the FIRST o

schools. had a coup

ed mostly seniors

Van Eckert said.

Plans for the new Children's Muse- of Chosen Prosholders to get the ball rolling. The grant was made possible through the county's Open Space, Recentition and Historic Preservation

> unit the state of the strategic analysis have been hired, and renderings of the trand structure have been comp

end planters are envisioning a "muse un complet, which will incorporwhich will incorpor tentetively includule to be com

hich will house 20 different exhib will be a place where families

interact together. The "lavered" exhibits can date newborns to kids as old Decre mid, with special emphas children sees 2 to 8.

Betrada also said the mus cflect current research that ind that children learn more in their

See MUSEUM.



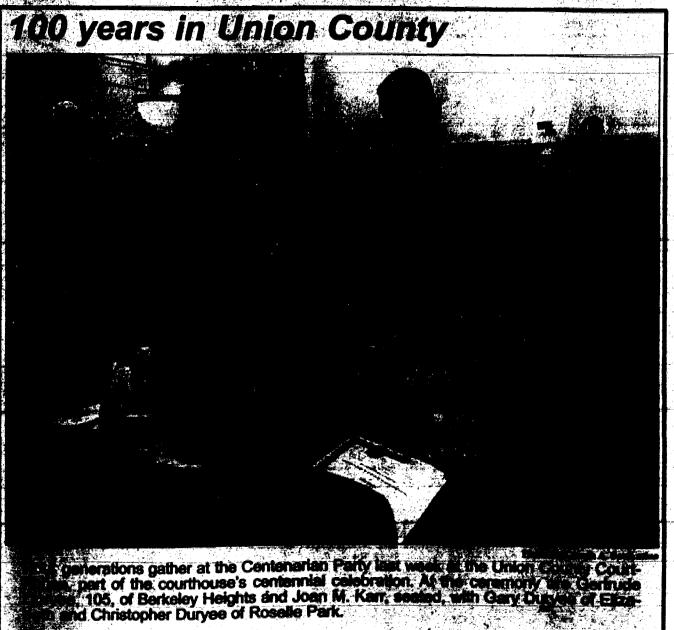
A dramatic Justin Permo jumps back to escape merknives of Optimus Prime, a robot constructed by students at the Union County Magnet High School

aid the entire group showcases team- cuit. work and leadership.

"I think it's amazing really," he the students. We sort of step back and Last week, the team

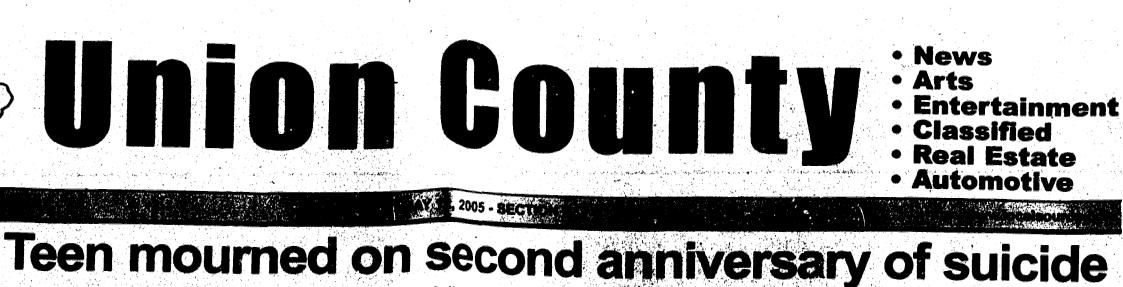
obovsky, both 17.

as he introduced to his fellow livingston wsky would be departing as much



By Learen DeFilippe

Trust Print and was paid in \$250,000 Installinests over an 18-month period.



him so young.

Based on this, Padilla recently filed a lawsuit they had grown up together because she had had against the County of Union.

Approximately 45 people gathered outside the facility bearing signs and donning T-shirts and pins with Eddic's likeness.

Papers were circulated so that those in atten- own son's tragedy, but also those of other juvedance could leave messages for Eddie. The niles, ordinance. Padilla asked to see a copy of the ordinance and told the officers that she had done

shouts were received by banging on the windows human rights,"

of the parking garage, before county police offi- put time and money into creating some "real cers told the crowd they were in violation of an programs" for juveniles rather than the volunteer placement ones currently in place. Padilla also cited a 2004 report by the state's

Padilia then switched gears, calling out the

Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders for

their lack of concern or action on not only her

Office of Child Advocacy which stated that the Those in attendance then began marching in a county had repeatedly violated state regulations circle chanting, calling out for justice. Their and "suggests a fundamental disregard for

The report also said that those factors l Eddie's mother read from a prepared state- directly to the conditions that allowed Sinclair's ment calling her son, her whole life and said that maining

However, this year that will change school sessions that would recreate ecause she became so fond of the stu-ients in the club. Faculty Advisor Bill Barlettano

While the club is geared toward the engineering aspects of robot creation. tid. "The club is entirely driven by it is open to everyone. In fact, the club drew students with intercets not only

To undertake the challense of com ition, students sought out sponsor ree and small. According to Barkin,

robots, competition entrance fees, and

teaching she has of their knowledge to the group's the event. To offset costs further, the carned a large chunk of their funding. said Allison Chuang, 17, as well as selling pizza and smoothies.

The group even offered up some of its tools to bear the name of individua sponsors for \$10.

For information about spons ships, visit the club's www.ucnj-tech.org.

But, their competitiveness vithout limitations Construction on their entry c

not begin until six weeks before th nnetition, and had to be designed to And it could only cost \$500 to build weight of 120 pounds.

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### PAGE B2 - THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2005

### Plant sale Sunday

Savvy gardeners trek to Trailside Nature and Science Center in the and spend the day with like-minded first "urban bio-bluz." green thumbs.

This year, the Rutgers Master Gardeners in cooperation with the Union found in a given area in this case, the County Board of Chosen Freeholders 450-acre Union County park that borwill hold the 16th annual spring gar- ders on Cranford, Kenilworth, Springden fair and plant sale on Sunday from field. Union Township and Westfield. noon to 5 p.m., rain or shine. in their demonstration garden next to Trailside the Union County Board of Chosen Nature and Science Center, 452 New Freeholders, the Union County Providence Road, Mountainside Department of Parks and Recreation Admission is free.

of Master Gardener perennials, bulbs. tion, the New Jersey Department of tubers and other divided plants from Environmental Protection Watershed the members' home gardens. It is an Ambassador Program, the Friends of opportunity to purchase stunning Lenape Park, and National Biodiversiplants at bargain prices. Plants from ty Parks Inc. local nurseries are also available at the

for \$10 each.

Gardeners will also be on sale. Free springtime." activities and crafts for children will run throughout the event.

er Program that includes community out May 21, until 6 p.m. beautification projects, horticulture therapy programs for adults and chiles for county residents and the Sharing ed. Garden that grows fresh vegetables feed the hungry

and Canada, is a two-part educational 908-527-4231 to register. effort, in which avid gardeners are Some members of the public will through volunteerism.

Union County Master Gardeners at 300 North Ave. East in Westfield.

For more information on the fair or 209,6321 the Master Gardener program, call 908-654-9854. For unswers to gardening questions or problems, call the free Helpline office at 908-654-9852,

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**Bio-blitz** at Lenape Park Scientists and skilled environmen talists, assisted by community volun-Watchung Reservation every spring to teers, will fan out across Lenape Park snap up lots of garden bargains, get in Cranford over a 24-hour period answers to plant and insect questions. May 20-21 to conduct New Jersey's

> A bio-blitz is an intensive effort to identify every living plant or animal

The event is being sponsored by and the Rahway River Association in One highlight of the day is the sale partnership with the Arthur Kill Coali-

"The goal of this effort is to raise awareness of the incredible diversity Solutions to garden problems can of life in this suburban park and the find at the fair, via one-on-one meet- wonderful resources Lenape Park ings with Master Gardener Helpline offers for recreation and as an outdoor staffers who are trained to diagnose classroom and science lab," said Freeplant pests and diseases. Extensive holder Bette Jane Kowalski, liaison to materials published by Rutgers Coop- the Union County Parks and Recreerative Research and Extension are ation Advisory Board. "Specialists in available free and soil testing kits for areas ranging from birds and insects to lawns and gardens can be purchased mushrooms have already been recruited, but more volunteer workers are House plants and many unique arts needed to identify the hundreds of and crafts, provided by the Master species to be found in the park in the

The "blitz" will start in the park 6 p.m. on May 20, with some workers All proceeds from sales provide the on hand throughout the night. Other annual budget for the Master Garden- volunteers will work in shifts through-

For those interested, a Bio-Blitz Headquarters tent will be set up where dren with disabilities, helpline servic- results and identifications will be post-

Scientists and lay people interested that are donated to local agencies that in volunteering for the event must call Holly Jantz at the Union County The Master Gardener Program, Department of Parks and Recreation, which is now available in 46 states 908-527-4032, or Betty Ann Kelly at

provided many hours of home horti- have an opportunity to work alongside cultural training, and they in return, the scientists during parts of the 24assist local university extension agents hour period; advance registration is also required for this.

For more information about Bioare trained at the Rutgers Cooperative Blitz 2005, call Dennis Miranda, Research and Extension office located Committee Chair/President of the Rahway River Association at 973-

### Whitman to speak to Republican women

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Inion County Republican Women will hold a "Festive Tasting of Fine-Wines" on May 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at will be between the months of May The Arts Guild of Rahway, 1670 Irv- and August. ing St., Rahway. Thirty fine wines, Bilingual individuals are especially contributed by The Wine Library of needed.

COUNTY NEWS nringfield, will be featured.

The evening's special guest will be hristine Todd Whitman, the first woman elected governor of New Jersev. serving two terms from 1993 to 2000, and a member of the Bush Cabmet, as director of the Environmental Protection Agency from January 2001 to May 2003

She will talk about her book "It's My Party, Too: The Battle for the Heart of the GOP and the Future of unerica."

In her book, Whitman, one of the Republican Party's leading moderates and most recognized women, recounts her own experiences in the turbulent world of politics and offers her view of the ideological struggles within the Republican Party today.

The book has been called "a compelling analysis of the future of the Republican Party." She will be available to sign copies of her book, which will be on sale at the event.

The evening is open to all. Tickets cost \$35 per person. RSVP by Wednesday with a check payable to Union County Republican Women 15 Grove St., Westfield, 07090.

For more information, call UCRW President Kelly Hatfield at 908-522-1455.

### Training offered for rape crisis advocates

The Union County Rape Crisis Center is looking for caring, supportive, and committed individuals who can assist survivors of sexual assault during daytime, evening and weekend

A specialized training program to become a rape crisis advocate is scheduled Sept. 27 to Nov. 17 on most Tuesdays and Thursdays between 6:30 and 10 p.m. Volunteers must attend all training sessions.

The training addresses the different types of sexual assault, the trauma experienced by sexual assault survivors and their family members and other related issues. It prepares advocates to respond with support and information either on the phone through the 24-hour hotline or in person while accompanying survivors through medical or legal proceedings.

In addition to serving as a Rape Crisis Advocate, volunteers can also become involved in making educational presentations to schools or to groups in the community on sexual assault.

Persons interested in becoming Rupe Crisis Advocate should call 908-233-7273 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Interviews for volunteer training

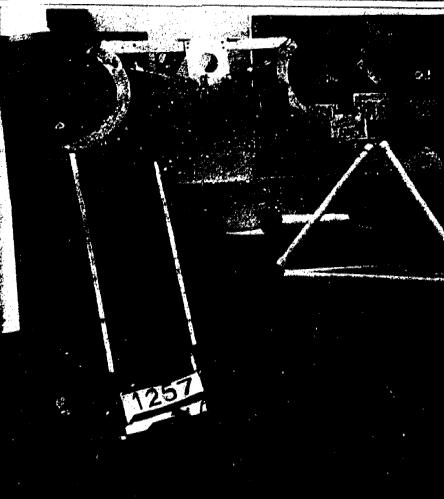
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Pauline Baskin and Maxim Lobovsky work on the robotics team's project at the Union County Magnet High School in Scotch Plains.

### Robotics team competes at regions

(Continued from Page B1) During the time of intense construction phase --- one ne even working exactly 24 of 48 hours, they said - was

enod of trial and error. takes a big commitment, but it's really fun, 14-yearold Chris Uehlinger said. And, sometimes, that fun can be dangerous. Cuts and bruises from construction projects and culate among other teams and ask questions about their robot and how they work to report back to their own group. alt, a living room floor, came last year when Livingston.

meht the robot home for some work. the most ingenious creation Lobovsky said was outfittra non. The idea was even lauded by fellow competitors. and writing letters to potential sponsors. Optimus Prime, as the robot was called, also developed

Most of her involvement with the club was on the marhard plastic omni-wheels from Lego treads for better keting and publicity end, making phone calls to strangers. "They're very good life lessons to have." she said.

### Museum plans hands-on exhibits the literal town centers of communias well as some ocean life; and the

being professional.

(Continued from Page B1) ries, with "everything you can think ats then previously thought. All of the exhibits will have a focus on the state of New Jersey, she said. Deere explained that while the

Board of Trustees conducted research; in the form of focus groups, findings indicated that youngsters knew little

about New Jersey or its history.

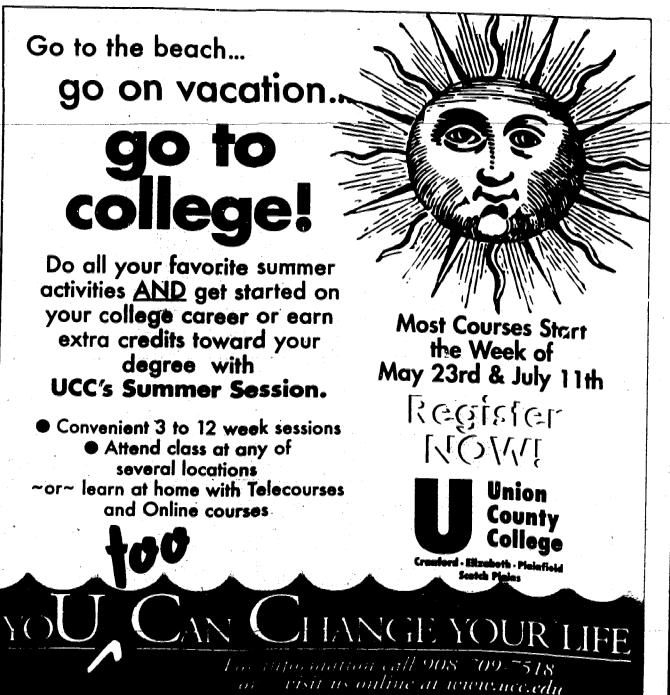
of," Deere said. Of course, everything will be childsized, and allow children to touch pull, push, open and close various doors, windows, and the like.

Other exhibits include All Aboard, which looks at mine transit. Bown me Shore, which will have water and sand





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Photo By Barbara Kokkalla

expandable hooks that allowed it to easily pick up the tetrahedral, or triangular game pieces in competition. It was an evolution of the original design, Livingston said, While competing, there is a lot of emphasis on professionalism and congeniality among teams.

In fact, it is built into the event that team members cir-Courtney Ervin, a senior, said she learned a lot about

> Garden State Farm complete with animais and plants. Deere also added that all the

exhibits will fill in line with New Jersey curriculum standards. To learn more about the Children's Museum of New Jersey, call 908-389-



### Last leg of **Jazz series** is ready

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By Francine Cohen Correspondent If you're cool to hip jazz and hot for a terrific night out, you won't want to miss jazz great --- and South Orange local --- Don Braden and his Don Braden Octet when they wrap up the spring season of Jazz at the Baird on May 21 at the Baird Center. Friends, neighbors, new and old fans alike will delight at this casual. coffeehouse-style, 120-scat venue as Braden and his Octet bring their magic to the Baird Center. Jazz lovers from 6 to 60 are certain to enjoy an informal evening of music and mingling with the musicians after the show. Judy Wukitsch, assis tant director of recreation and cultural affairs for the village of South Orange, is thrilled about this upcoming evening, "It's always an exciting time when we can bring major jazz musicians to this intimate setting This is the third and last concert or the season in the newly reformatted Jazz at the Baird series ard we're very excited to have Don Eraden and his Octet with us. Not only do we have jazz legends in this series but what makes it extra special is that all in this series are South Orange residents. In the comfort of their own hometown, the musicians have an opportunity to stretch a bit more knowing they'll be warmly received," Wukitsch said. "With the success of this ongoing jazz series and the multitude of cultural pro-

grams offered at The Baird Center, if really has become a destination for everything from tennis to jazz." Jazz lovers who make the Bairy Center their destination at 8 p.m. on May 21 won't be disappointed. Don Braden promises an evening that is, "swinging and grooving, relaxing and enjoyable." Braden, leading the Don Braden Octet, featuring Eddie Allen on trumpet, Bruce Williams on alto sax, Mike Fahn on trombone. Claire Daly on baritone sax, Bitt McCarron on piano, Miriam Sullivin on bass, Cecil Brooks Mi and Active and Don Bradem, should be descent sat, here a contract of the contract of the contract sat, here a contract of the contract of the contract of the contract sat, here a contract of the contract of t patrons will be transed to the sounds. of "Souring Spirit," the six part jazz suite composed by Braden with a grant from the Doris Duke Foundaon Braden said "This blece has been well received every time we've played it and we're optimistic it'll go over well here too." The members of The Octet are looking forward to playing together as an octet, some-thing they haven't had the chance to do in a while. While most of the group has played together before, there are some newer members, and Braden likened it to a family excursion to a new destination, commenting. "We know the integrity of traveling together is there, however, it's a new audience and a new venue and to much of the state is interviewd.ex we're sure to hear new interpreta-THE REAL TRADE DAY & MADE AND shine and there's the potential for

It's definitely going to be cool, and we're psychol to hear what hap-pens. Of course I'm recording it for posterny." So clep loudly, Baird hear patrons, and you'll be part of postery While the suite is being recorded for posterity, the ovening docen't and there. After a giort break, Braden and the Octet will be back with some jazz standards like "Speak No Evil," "Soul Station," "Creepin," some jazz. blues tunes and a few standards from the always crowd-pleasing American songbook. Also on the night's set list is "Monk's Hat." This piece will probably be more familiar as the theme some from the CBS hit show "Coeby. On May 21, anyone within hear

ing distance will count themselves fortunate to have heard Don Brades and the Don Braden Octot. Tickets for this concert are still available for \$15 in advance and \$17 at the door, and \$12 for students, seniors and friends of the arts. Call 973-

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Above left, from left, Elizabeth Messineo, Diane Glich, Jean Kuras, Roy Pancirov, Sally O'Neil, and James Broderick, who star in 'A Delicate Balance,' which is being performed at the Summit Playhouse through May 21. Above right, the cast, in character. For tickets or additional information regarding the per-formance, visit the Web site, www.summitplayhouse.org, or call 908-273-2192

### Summit theater group tries to 'balance' its performance won a Pulitzer Prize 30

### **By Jeff Cummins** Associate Editor

In one way, the fact that the Summit Playhouse is producing "A Delicate Balance," written by Edward Albee, is just appropriate.

The play is set in affluent, suburban Connecticut, which is similar in many ways to fashionable Summit. As far as everything else in the play, that could apply to virtually any

place in the year 2005. Written and produced in the '60s. "A Delicate Balance" is perfect for the 21st early century. It features overwhelmed parents, alcoholism, divorce,

during a Broadway revival. Producer Frank Hawrusik noted that this is the first time the Summit Playhouse has attempted to do an

"In a way, it's sort of a parable about what the obligations of family and friendship are." said Hawrusik. alluding to the fact that the host couple uddenly finds people intruding on their home.

He noted the Summit Playhouse cals, although the audience for those community theater. He's challenging, types of productions is strong - and consistent.

exposed to more Benedyrey, so you set

an audience that is a little more famil- can afford us to function that way." Roy Pancirov, respectively. Sally director's advice to us was. 'Think of Director Joann Scanlon wasn't shy O'Neil plays Claire, the alcoholic sis- the most awful thing in your life, and "This is my favorite kind of thing," of New Providence, plays the role of the same time. It's difficult for one Julia, the daughter returning home family to take in another. To have from her fourth failed marriage. Scan- someone come in to the house upsets Roper has come up with a striking concept for a set design.

iar with theater and playwrights, so Several local performers appear in their expectation is higher," Hawrusik "A Delicate Balance, including Jean Kuras. "When we had discussions said. "A good part of the audience still Kuras of Glen Ridge, playing the role about it, what this terror was that appreciates comedies, comedies are of Edna, the wife of the couple that made them leave their home. It was Edward Albee play in its regular sea- still where the great success is. But we arrives at the home of Agnes and supposed to be something that each of like to provide other things, as a sort Tobias, played by Diane Gilch and us could feel, and that was it. The of balance." about her enthusiasm for this type of ter of Agnes, and Joann Scanlon's take it from there.' I think the signifiproduction. she said. "Everyone does musicals, but a lot of community theaters don't has done things in the past that weren't do Albee because a lot of people don't lon added that set designer Rhoda the delicate balance." the tried and true comedies and musi- want to think when they go to watch

both in language and topic. The characters aren't living in reality; they don't wonne to live in the reality of life. Mois of us don't have the money that

Coal escape and unants unrazed by rear, resuraint By Jeff Complete place where he works with props and

The intensity of Thomas Solomon's work doesn't fully hit you until you see is attic,

Solomon, who makes his living an illusionist, magician and escape artist, can do the card tricks, and perform vanishing acts and such. Still, it's the attic that contains the law-drobping, cycball-bulging stuff, the sort of stuff that instantly convinces you that Solomon isn't the andinery entertainer. By now your curicality has been piqued. What's in Solomon's attin? Put simply, his attic is his "work spice "a Solomon."

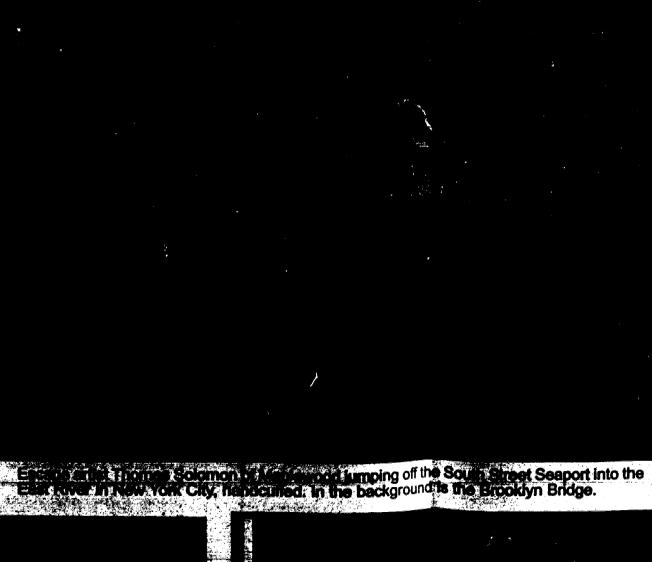
gets ideas for his act. The attic is filled with locks of all kinds, thumb screws, a head cage --- don't ask --- and methods of restraint the average individual might not even think of, including a massive money bag from the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, complete with a lock.

How did Solomon come these souvenirs? "I used to do an act in Chicago,

where people could bring anything they wanted to trap me, but if I escaped, I got to keep it," said

cuts on his cuts.

Forget about strength, though. One such as the time he escaped from Pen- the situation. honville, a maximum security prison in "I did an escape in the Hudson closed a whole cell block for me," said Solomon. Then there was the time







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Still, most parts of the play aren't that abstract - except for the sudden intrusion by Edns and Hann, which leaves one wondering just extently why

One look at Solomon offers evi- he leaped into the East River with essary due diligence, including study dence that he's certainly strong enough handcuffs on. Even better, there was ing the simulation, and analyzing how to get out of these devices. I've spent one occasion when he was thrown into can escape. plenty of time in gyms, and trust me, the East River handcuffed and bound \_ When given a fair chance, he' this guy is ripped, chiseled, and has to a chair. No, the average citizen doesn't do this sort of stuff for kicks.

So how does Solomon syoid the look through his scrapbook of escapes, temptation to panic? Let's just say he and it's clear that Solomon has gotten has a remarkable ability to focus on the out of some truly terrifying situations, task at hand - or foot, depending on

England that confined convicted Irish River during a Nor'castar once," he Republican Army terrorists. "They said. "The waves were pounding the cleared a whole cell block for me," surf, making the escape more difficult. When I surfaced, I was farther from the crowd. I said, 'I can't panic,' so I floated on my back, then swam under water, against the current, to get back performed at the White House severa to the shore."

> of some seemingly impossible situa- well, and has appeared in a BBC televitions, don't let Solomon's bravery con- sion show. He's currently involved in vince you he's not scared when he per- negotiations with ABC on a pilot show forms these escapes. He's the first to Clearly, Solomon is a man who is say that fear is a good thing. A good thing?

> "There have been many times I've feared for my life." Solomon said. /in harm's way time after time, knowing "Fear is the body's defense mecha- that one slip, one mistake, could I nism. If you have no fear, that's when fatal. you can end up dead."

> never encountered a situation he can't danger addict; what I do is try to create conquer. In some cases, situations have a memorable performance. I want it to been manipulated so that he can't suc- seem impossible, not because I have a

was tampered with," he polinted out. "If the lock is deliberately broken, I may not accept the challenge. You. learn by doing, but when you tell peo- go very far to see Solomon perform. He ple you're an escape artist, there are frequently appears at Here's 2. The Arts people who will deliberately try to trip a performance cafe in Maplewood. For you up. You want that safety. I do a show where I escape things. Can I escape everything? Probably not."

and had the opportunity to do the nec- agree.

the couple is seeking shelter. "It's never really explained," said daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Messineo cant thing is they both feel this way at

> The Summit Playhouse is located at 10 New England Ave., Summit. For tickets or more information on "A Delicate Balance," visit the Web site, www.numm/ip/a3 908-273-2192.

escaped from nearly every form of restraint used against him. Which begs the question, which was his most diffi cult escape?

"One time I escaped a device from the Navy," Solomon said. "It was a canister used to store radioactive iso topes in ice-cold water. It was tough logistically, to get permission from the Navy, and it was tough to do."

By now, Solomon's devotion to his craft has created unique opportunitie that aren't afforded most people regardless of how daring they are. He's imes during President Bush's admini Despite the fact that he's gotten out tration, and he's performed overseas as onjoying the fruits of his labor. but most people would still question why someone would willingly put himself

"I think I enjoy the creative aspec That's not to say that Solomon has about it." Solomor said. "I'm not a death wish. If you put something c "I've had situations where the lock yourself into your performance, peop will-come to see you."

Fortunately for residents of Fast and Union counties, they don't have to more information on Solomon, visit his Web site, www.thoma which proclaims him. "Thomas Still, it's rare when Solomon fails, Solomon: Mystoriarch. Master of particularly if he's given a fair shot, escape and illusion." It's hard to dis-



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> the committee, contact Barry Zins at are requested by May 27. BZins1111@aol.com.

an e-mail to hhsclassof1975@com- co5@comcast.net. cast.net.

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Edison/Raritan Center in Edison. The • Hillside High School, Class of cost is \$72 per person. This event is 1965, is holding its 40th reunion on being coordinated through Reunions Unlimited, and can be accessed on the If anyone has information regarding Web at www.reunions-unlimited.com, former students or would like to join or by phone at 732-617-7000. R.S.V.P.s

The following day, there will be an Contact Paul Ladell at 973-715- ates, This is a good place to show of your children, meet old friends, make · Hillside High School, class of new ones and play softball. This third

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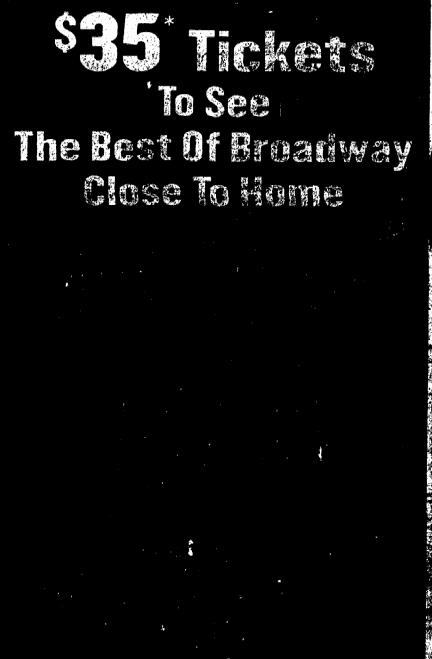
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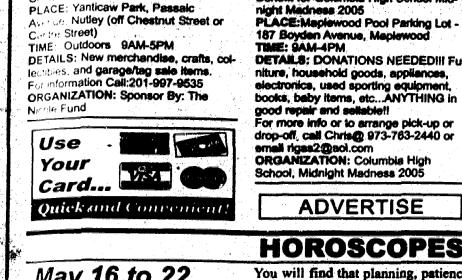


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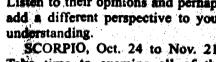
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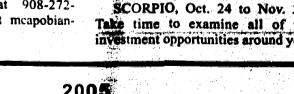
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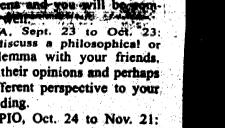
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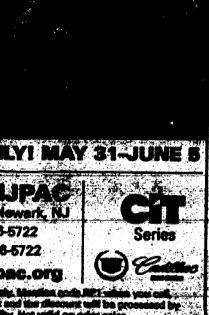
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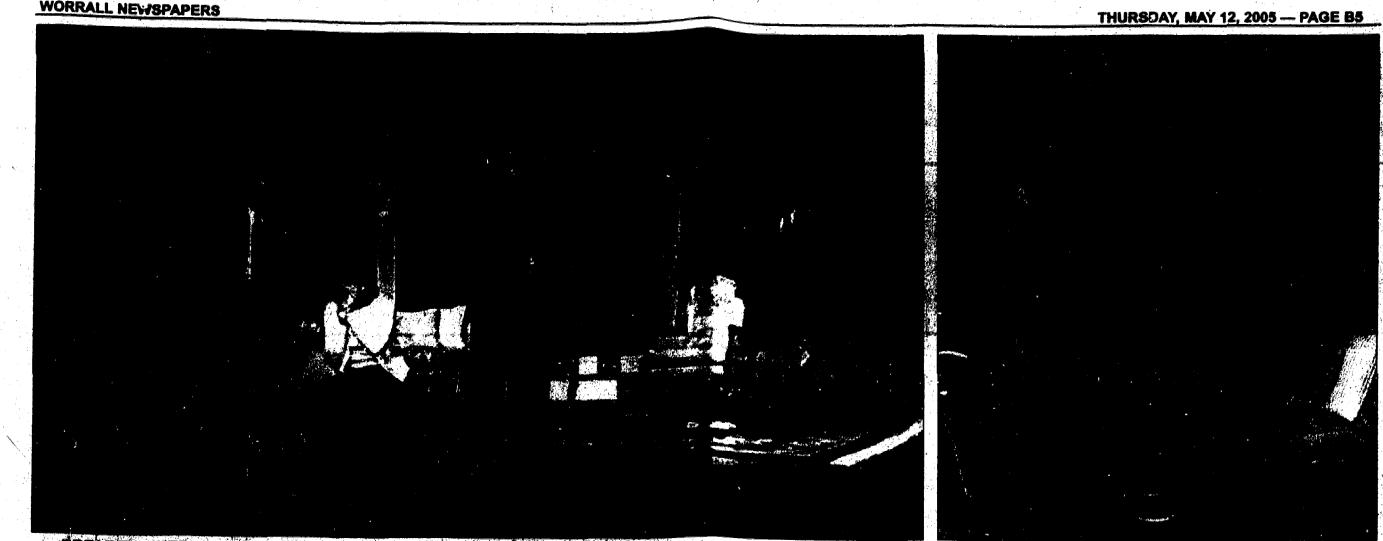
You may uncover some interesting history about your family tree. Take the necessary steps or make additional inquiries to confirm certain facts.

If your birthday is this week, get ready to enjoy a prosperous and overall expansive period in your life during the coming year. Your professional contributions are recognized and appreciated. You can expect to be compensated well. Money tends to disappear from your possession as quickly as it appears. Adopt a budget that supports financial growth and control unwarranted spending.

Also born this week: Bob Saget, Liberace, Frank Capra, Malcolm X, PISCES. Feb. 19 to March 20: Conan Dovie.







DREADFUL INTRUDERS --- Above left, from left, Diane Gilch, Roy Pancirov, Elizabeth Messineo, Jean Kuras, Sally O'Neil and James Broderick star in 'A Delicate Balance' at the Summit Playhouse. Above right, from left, are Roy Pancirov, playing Tobias, and Sally

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at the Continental Club in Buddy Holly's grave, in the pendent Record Distributors. set that included the power pop Austin, Texas. In the dark confines of this

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windy west Texas cotton town.

Maura, return to Union County tar with Nanci Griffith, and he land. In a dusty little dressing Hummingbirds. to play as part of the Coffee left town for a gig in Telluride, room on the top floor of They were nominated once with Conscience series on May Colorado, 1,000 miles northwest Dublin's Olympia Theatre, they again for the NAIRD Indie After the show, they spoke

penned the songs that would award, and the title track become their first CD. "River of became their signature song.

"Indie" award in 1995 for "Best collection. They each drove 500 miles to Adult Contemporary CD" by the Pete and Maura Kennedy met celebrate their first date at National Association of Inde- "Evolver," was a big, rocking

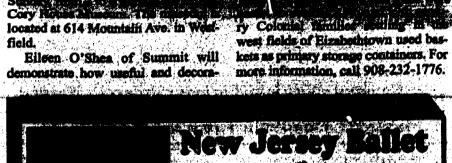
There was more cause for to record their second CD, the released "Positively Live!" a roots rock sanctuary, they hit it celebration when Maura joined ambitious "Life is Large," live album that captured the off immediately. Within 24 Griffith's band and they set out which wove their talents with blistering guitar jams and rockhours, they had written their on an extended tour of the those of guests Steve Earle, ing vibe that set them apart from first song, "Day In and Day British Isles, opening shows all Kelly Willis, Nils Lofgrin, other acoustic acts.

The Kennedys, Pete and Out." Pete was playing lead gui- over England, Ireland, and Scot- Roger McGuinn, and the Dixie

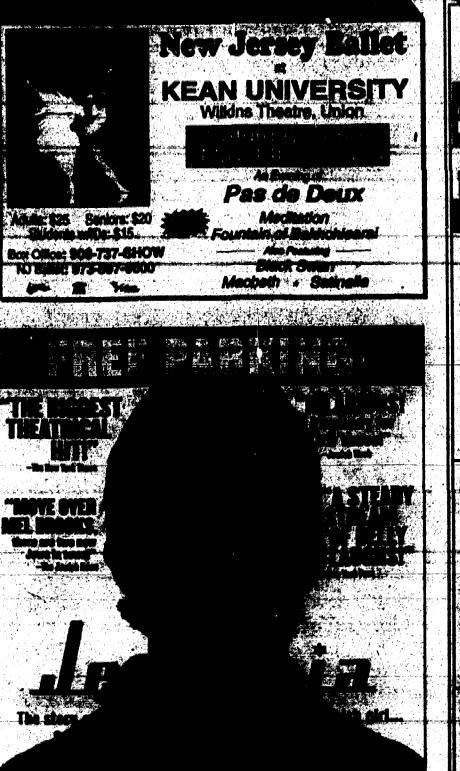
Their third CD, Angel Fire, was The CD was awarded the a largely acoustic, lyric driven

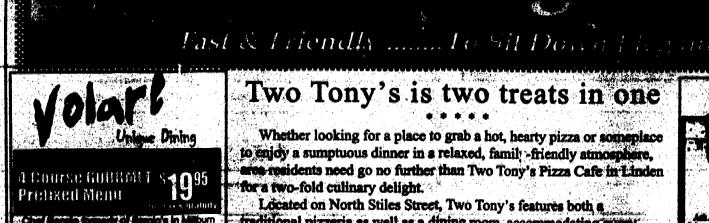
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deliciously ardious task. The extensive list of appetizers ranges from hot and cold ant

to an impressive selection of hot dishes. Among the cold antipastos, I selected the Mozzarella Fantasy, a fantasia of deliciously fresh mozzarella, prosciutto, 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 menu are traditional antipastos as well as several tempting varieties featuring such ingredients as olives, artichoke hearts, a variety of meats, hot 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 spinach salad. One could easily make an entire, filling meal without venturing 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 then some. The yeal Also featured among the main course selections are traditional wealth of pasta, from penne to linguine to ziti and more, and vegetarian

was succulently tender, cooked to perfection, and swimming in a richly delicious Marsala sauce with generous chunks of mushrooms. My side dish of pasta was perfectly prepared - neither over- nor undercooked and boasted a freshness that made it light while at the same time hearty. Italian fare: a variety of chicken and veal dishes including Parmagiana, Franchese and Florentine; seafood, most notably shrimp scampi; a selections such as baked ziti Sicilian made with egoplant.

In addition to the regular menu, Two Tony's offers daily specials, not all of which are Italian, such as the popular chicken Murphy. With the pizzeria for eat-in or take-out and the dining room for a more traditional dining experience, Two Tony's is the best of both

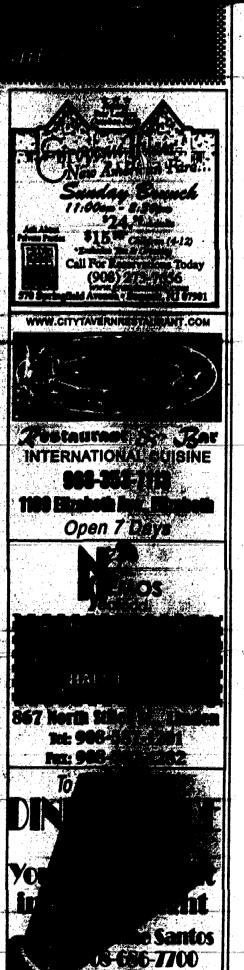
Two Tony's Pizza Cafe is conveniently located at 628 N. Stiles St. Linden. Reservations are recommended on weekends, especially for langer parties, but are not necessary Mondays through Thursdays. For Viernation, call 908-925-1977.

O'Neill, playing Clair. For additional information about the upcoming performance at the Summit Playhouse, you may visit the Web site, www.summitplayhouse.org, or telephone the theater at 908-273-2192.

Bank to sponsor art exhibition in Summit On May 22 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ronald Wilson, a photographer from the NJ Center for Visual Arts, in part- New Bedford, Mass., will come to nership with Bank of America, will. Summit to show his color-drenched present Bank of America Art in Summit photographs taken around the globe. 2005, an annual fine art and craft show Transporting the viewer to near and disand sale in downtown Summit on tant places, his hush images include the Union Place and Beechwood Road. Greek Isles, Cape Cod, the Emerald Isle Browse more than 100 artists and and the American South West. crafters from the tri-state area and Exhibiting artists will also include beyond. Their unique offering of Beth Whiting, founder, Whiting objects d'art includes had-made jewel- Designs of Somerset, who creates deliry, oil paintings, wood working, quilts, cate flower corsages and pins by hand-and original photographs. Bank of sewing French ribbon, and one-of-a-America Art in Summit Offers some- kind bags of dupioni silk and layered thing for the entire family. Free kid's art and textured French ribbon. areas, free storytelling and songwriting workshops with Julia Perri of Cottage al Arts for Bank of America Art in Sum-Music, live music and other fun family mit to enjoy a great day for the whole activities will fill the day. One of the many exhibiting artists, 273-9121 or www.njcva.org.

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### **ART SHOWS**

A preview will begin at 6:30 p.m.; the lister. call 973-376-6581. art auction will begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$10 per person, which includes refreshments, wine, and a door prize. For advance tickets call Iris Kubicz at 908-204-9772.

THE ASSEMBLED IMAGE, an exhibit of recent digital collage work by Leslie SAMUEL JAY will sign copies of his Guild of Rahway through Friday. 908-233-3535. Admission is free. Gallery hours are Friday 1 to 3 p.m., and Thursday from 1 to 3 and 5 to 7 p.m. Appointments are available for school visits and large groups. For information, call 732-381-7511, or bend an e-mail to artsguild1870 (gearthlink.net.

### **BOOKS**

THE AFRICAN AMERICAN BOOK GROUP will meet at Barnes and Noble. 1180 Rantan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818. BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT

WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544. THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" READ-ING GROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For informa-

tion, call 732-574-1818. KEAN UNIVERSITY'S OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS and The certs.org. Star-Ledger have partnered to publish a new book titled "World of Wonder: now available for purchase in the Keen University book store and on the Web 8.

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KAREN BAICKER will sign copies of her new children's book, "Snuggle Me Snuggily," on Saturday from 11 a.m. to Rispoli at 908-964-4123 or Mary Clare field. For information, call 908-233-

Nobler-Farber, Elizabeth Jacobs, Kris- book, "Shadow of Guilt," on Saturday ten Faughnan, Joohyun Pyune and from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Town Book Jay Seldin, will be on view at the Arts Store, Westfield. For information, call

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### CONCERTS

SANCTUARY CONCERTS in Berke ley Heights will present musical acts in the coming weeks.

Concerts are presented at Union Village Methodist Church, 1130 Mountain Ave., Berkeley Heights. For more nformation, call 973-376-4946, or visit the Web site, www.sanctuarycon-

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http://www.watchungarts.org/Afolk.ht. The following estists will perform as part of the Watchung Art Center Acoustic-Folk Series: June 4, Dave's True Story

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DANCE Clark. The fee for each lesson is \$4. For information, call 908-298-1851, 732-361-2535 or 908-241-9492.

### Rubio at The Ritz

Paulina Rubio will perform at The Ritz Theatre in Elizabeth on May 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$45 to \$125 and are available at the box office 908-352-1919.

908-522-1501 or send an e- FOLK DANCERS group has begun a call mail to concerts4causes@aol.com. Also, visit the Web site, http://www.coffeewithconscience.com. Upcoming shows are:

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### **HOBBIES**

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC. meets at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, behind Home Depot on Route 22 East. The club is open to the public Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

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### INTERNET

THE INTERNET LOUNGE, 256 South Ave., Fanwood, hosts an Open Mic/ Karaoke Night on Sundays at 7 p.m. Join the group for a cup of gourmet coffee and a wide variety of organic foods and participate in an original poetry reading, a stand-up comedy routine or a musical number. There's no cover charge, and patrons can come in, make new friends, surf the Web, or play a game of Diablo2, NeverWinterNights, WarCraft or Counter-Strike. To ask about a schedule of events, call 908-490-1234 or visit its Web site: www.theinternetlounge.com.

### JAZZ

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call 908-241-5675, or 908-241-1224. Patrons may also send an e-mail to salanga@bellatlantic.net.

### **KIDS**

TALES FOR TOTS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME will be offered at Barnes and Noble, Route 22 West, Springfield, Mondays and Thursdays at 11:30 a.m., and the Kids' Writing Workshop, Saturdays at 10 a.m. For information, call 973-376-8544.

### RADIO

TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION will meet at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays of the month at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. For information, call 908-241-5758.

### SINGLES

**DINNERMATES** and Entrepreneurs Group invites business and professional singles to dinner at a local restaurant; wine and mingling is at 8 p.m., dinner is at 9 p.m. Two age groups are available. For information on dates and locations, call 732-822-9796 or visit www.dinnermates.com.

women and teen-aged girls who sing adults older than 45 years old, will meet are urged to visit the Web site, hickory- every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at info@hickorytreechorus.org., or call First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., West-

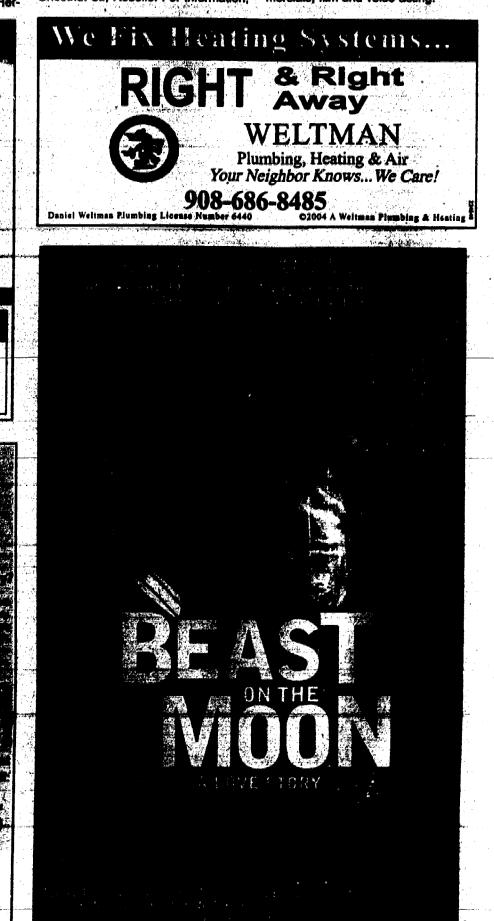
### I HEATER

"A DELICATE BALANCE" by Edward Albee, will be performed from Friday through May 21 at the Summit Playhouse, 10 New England Ave., one block from the Grand Summit Hotel, just off Springfield Avenue. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students. For reservations, call 908-273-2192, or order tickets online at www.summitplayhouse.org.

"THE SPITFIRE GRILL," a musical by James Valcq and Fred Alley, will be presented on Friday, Saturday, and on May 20 and 21 at the Westfield Community Players Theatre, 1000 North Ave. West in Westfield. Refreshments will be served at 7 p.m., showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available at the GSWRC Service Center, 201 Grove St. East in Westfield, or by calling Vickie at 908-232-3236, ext.

**NEW JERSEY RESIDENT** Kimberly Hodges is Dr. Cantaloupe in "Goldilocks on Trial," through Sunday at the Studio Players, 14 Alvin Place, Upper Montclair. All ticket \$8. Call 973-744-9752 or visit www.studioplayhouse.com\_for\_more mormation.

Hodges began her career in theater and dance more than 15 years and has tinued performing in a number of theater productions. She is also currently performing in the original theater protures top acts from the New York Met- at the Afro-American Historical Society merly known as "The Cove," 112 Other credits include television, com-Chestnut St., Roselle. For information, mercials, film and voice acting.







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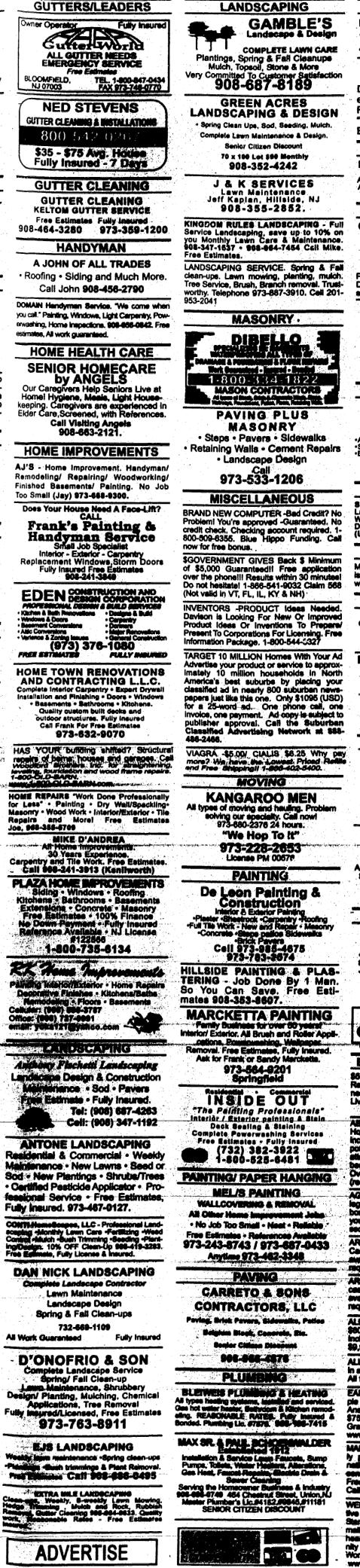
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YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, ESGS, pisin-tilf's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0324, telephone num-bar 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint and Amendment To Forecio-sure Complaint filed in a civil action, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGIS-TRATION SYSTEMS, INC. is plaintiff, and MARIA M. AGUILAR, et al., are defen-dants, pending in the Superior. Court of New Jersey. Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-6925-06-within thirty-five (35) days after May 12, 2005 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be ren-dered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex-CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 2625, together with your check in the sum of \$135.00 representing the filling fee-in-accordance.-with the rules of civil practice and proce-dure. This action has been instituted for the

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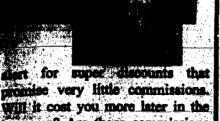
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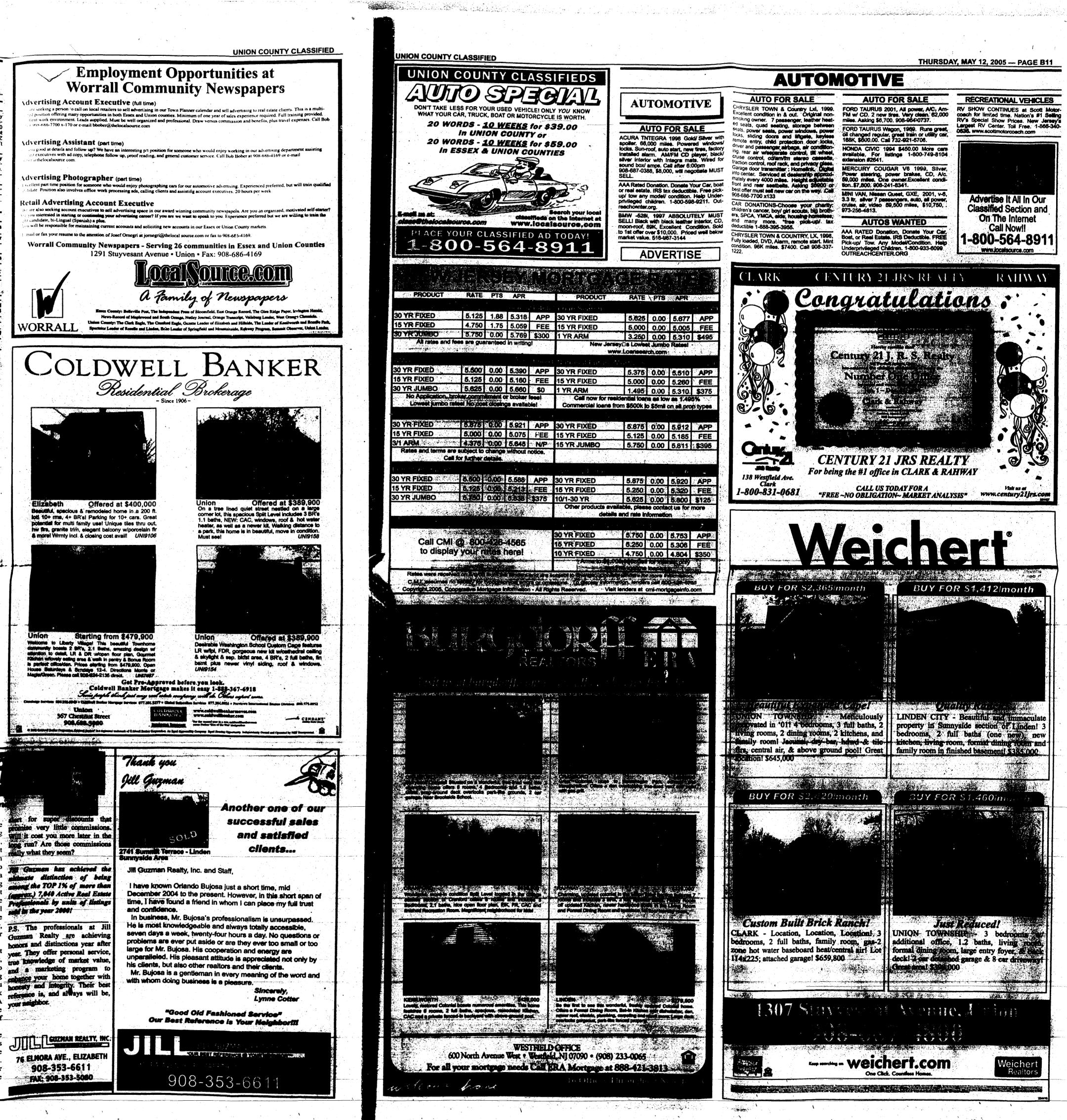
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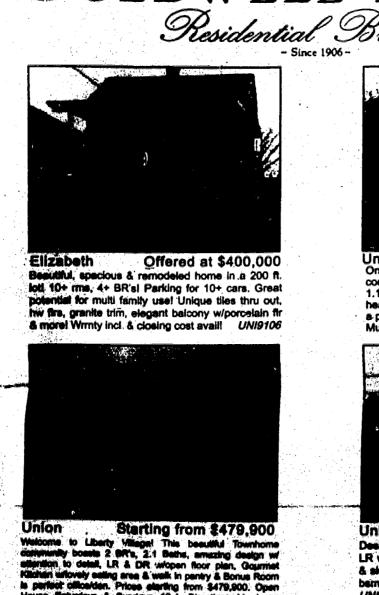
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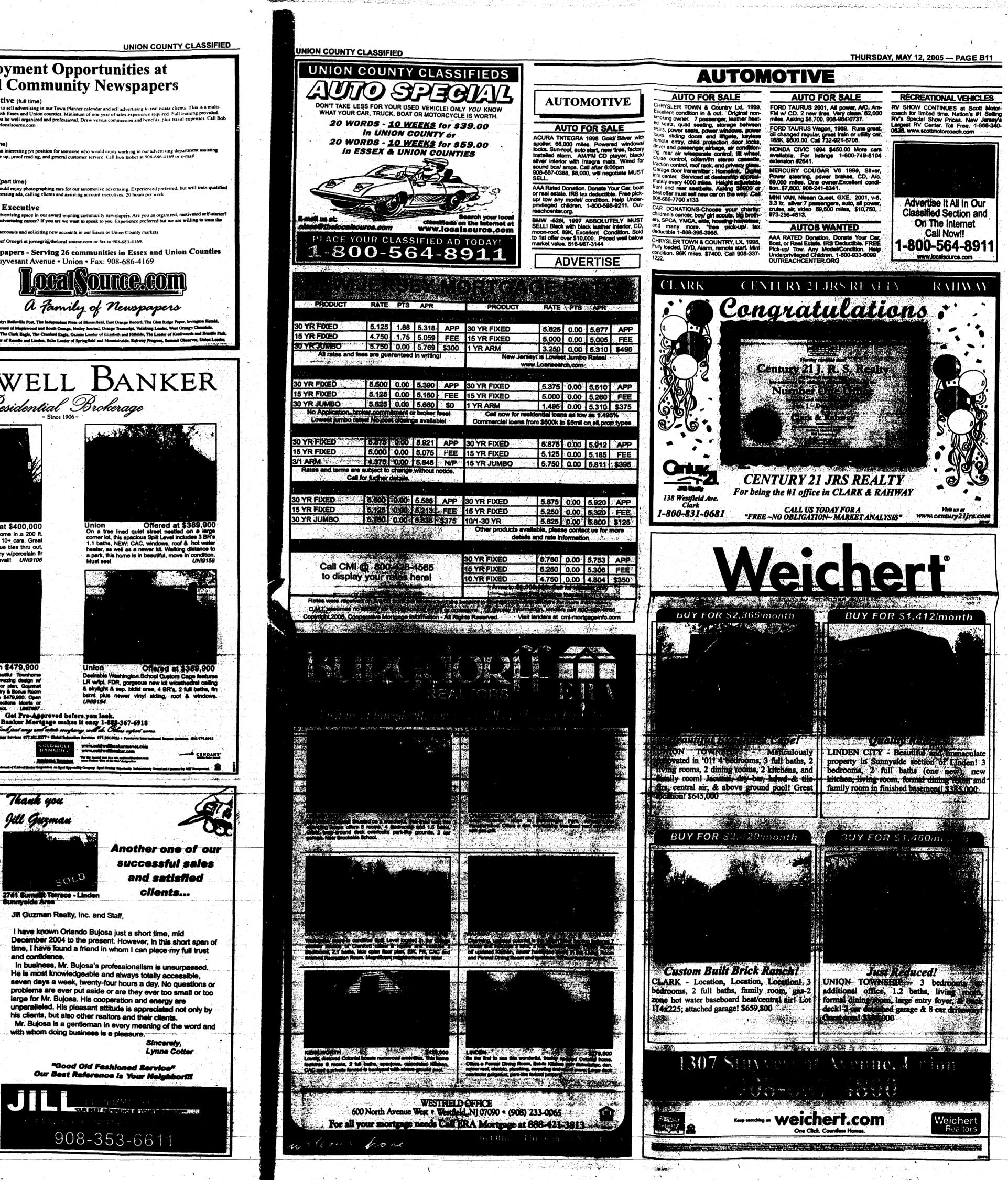
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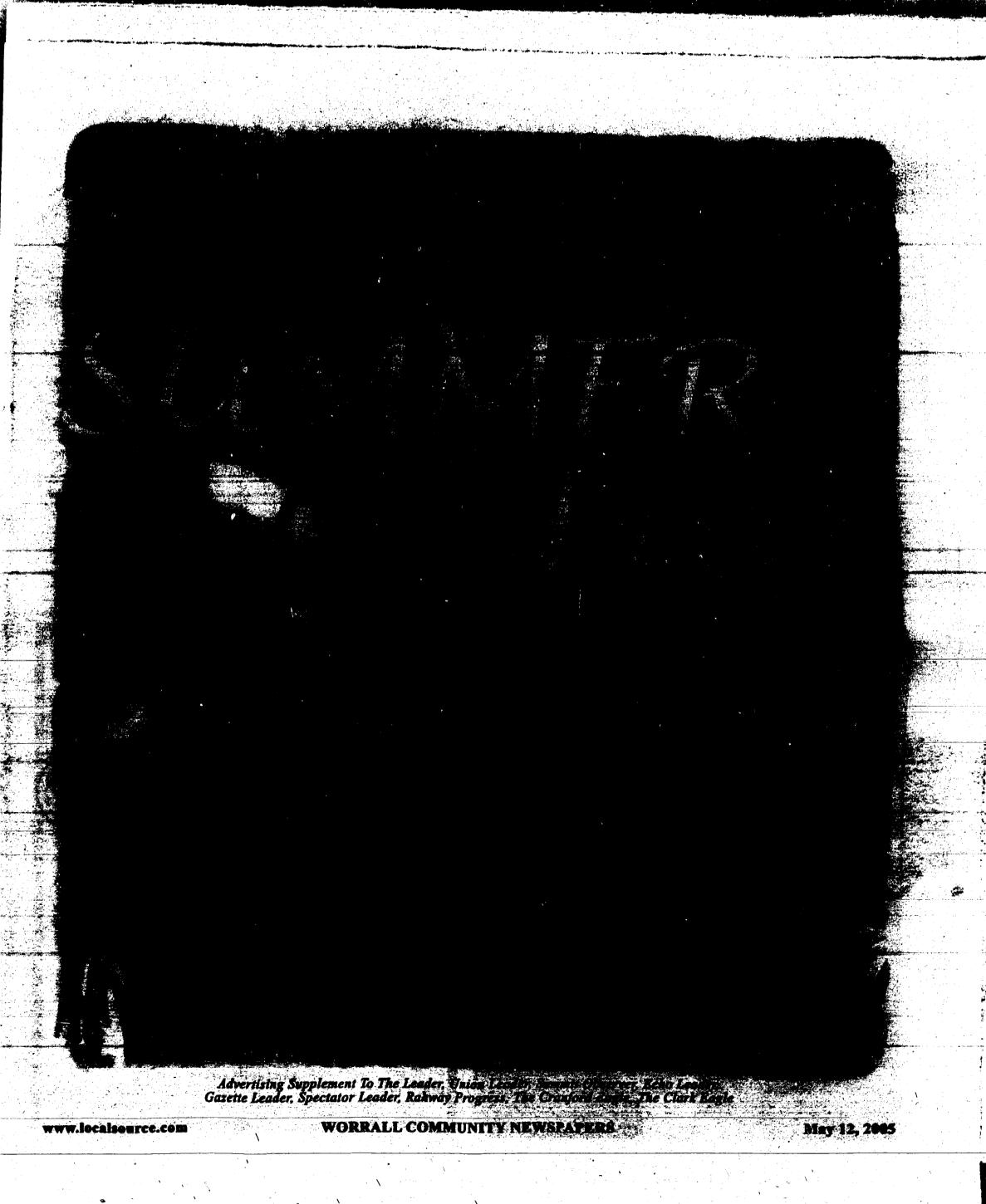
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### Jersey Shore Coast has a number of hot spots

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Overflowing with great vacation spots for families, seniors, shoppers, casinolovers and beachgoers, the Jersey Shore makes for a special summer trip that'r within quick driving distance. With such a diverse selection of summer shore rentals. hotels and bed and breakfast inns available along the coast there's something for everyone at the Jersey Shore.

### Belmar and North Area

Asbury Park attracts tourists to its many popular venues, including Bruce Springsteen's favorite hang out. The Stone Pony. Belmar, long known for its bars and clubs has become a popular destination among families since the beaches became smoke- casual dining.

Now a hot-spot for all ages, Belmar and North Area offers quiet summer getaways. Avenue, which runs along the beach: stiracts. Belmar's ocean waterfront features shops and restaurants with shore house rentals available along the strip or just blocks away. the unique atmosphere found in this small Long Branch provides shopping, as well as Jersey Shore town, Bay Head's shops, delis an array of outdoor activities such as swim-ming, boating and fishing at its 33-acre Bridge Avenue are all family, and there do

Spring Lake, located just south of Belmar, is home to the longest non-commercial beachside boardwalk in the state. A familyoriented town, Spring Lake has more than 60 shops and boutiques, and is adorned with beautiful rental homes, hotels and bed and breakfast inns.

### Point Pleasant Area

Catering to those who want fun family activities nearby, the Point Pleasant area is home to the Lakewood Blue Claws minor league baseball team, Monmouth Park, Six Flags Great Adventure and Jenkinson's Aquarium. Located on the boardwalk in Point Pleasant Beech, the aquarium features marine life from around the world, including exhibits dedicated to Atlantic sharks, Pacific sharks, coral reefs, penguins, alligators and seals. Jenkinson's Aquarium also has a touch tank that allows guests to touch live sea stars and juvenile sharks, among other live animals.

Ray Head is known for its quaint bed and breakfast inns and restaurants, including Dorcas' of Bay Head, which accommodates

Bay Head's beaches are perfect for swimming, surfing and sunning, while East runners and skaters, with two tennis courts and a baseball diamond nearby. To add to

Beach State Park, the southern-most point of highest point. this Jersey Shore area, is valued for its private atmosphere. In fact, it is the largest expanse of natural dunc beach in the Northeast, accommodating windsurfing, biking and guided kayaking.

Seaside Heights, located between these two relaxing vacation spots, is a bustling beach town with shops, rides and restaurants that run along its boardwalk, as well as hot night clubs.

### Long Beach Island

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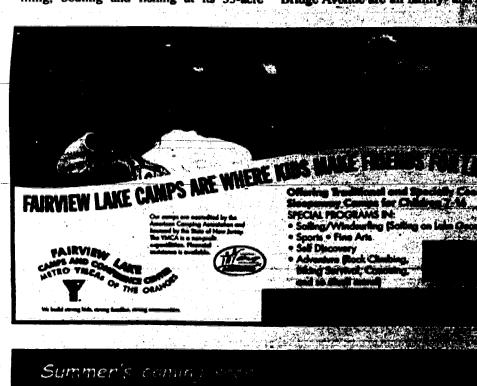
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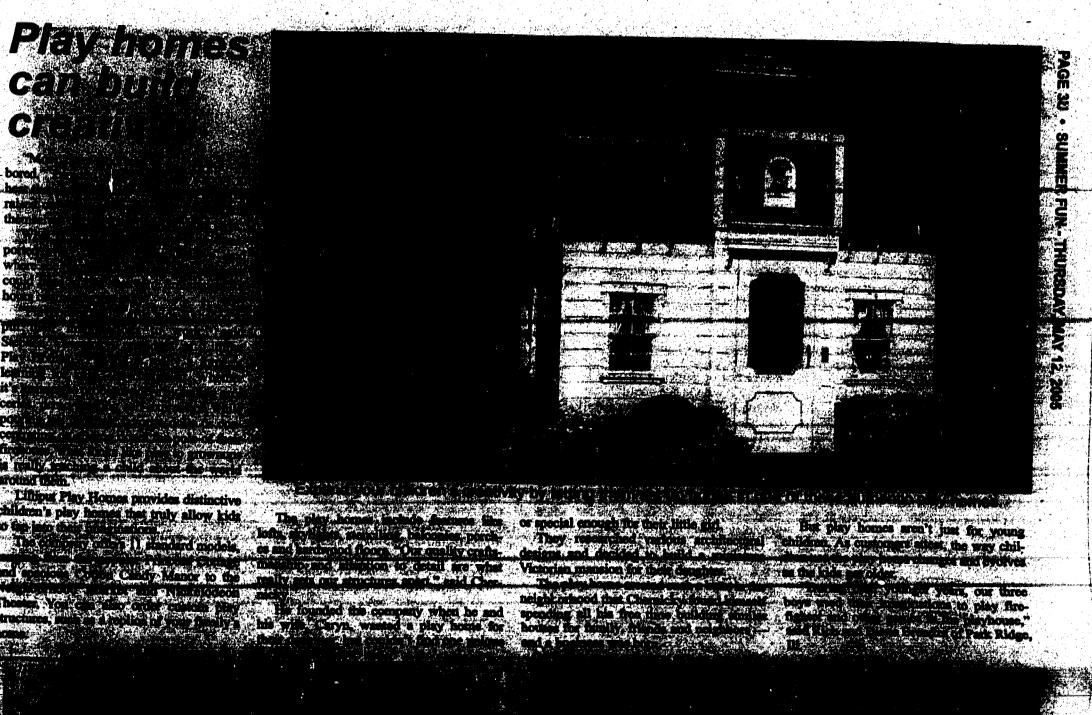




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### Always best to ease into those summer projects

home improvement muscle and tackle the and an adjustable handle height that allows great outdoors.

But according to the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission, each year, 2 inches. more than 400,000 people suffer minor injuries from lawn care and gardening projects.

Be sure to minimize aches and pains by easing into spring chores and do-it-you-self projects and by using the latest ergonomic tools to minimize the stress on your body.

"A lawn or garden project is a great way to improve the curb appeal of your home while enjoying the summer weather," said Glenn Ubertino, gardening tool expert at The Home Depot. "To get the most out of their efforts, homeowners should look for tools and equipment that are adjustable, and remember not to take on too much in one dav.'

### Walk it off

If just looking at a lawn mower makes you long for the couch, try one of two new walk-behind mowers from the Lawn-Boy Insight Series, available exclusively at The Home Depot.

These mowers were designed from the ground up to fit users through a unique ergonomic engineering process that ensures a comfortable mowing experience regardless of the user's age, height or strength

Both Lawn-Boy mowers include more than 15 new features such as soft grips on

Summer is the best time to flex your the pull cord to fit the entire human hand a 4-foot 10-inch homeowner to mow equally as comfortably as someone who is 6 feet

> Removing and replacing the bag requires only one hand, and when the lawn is done, a simple step-on lever allows the handle to fold down 180 degrees for storage.

One model is even equipped with Sens-a-Speed self propel technology — a unique system that actually senses how fast the user walks and adjusts the mower's speed accordingly.

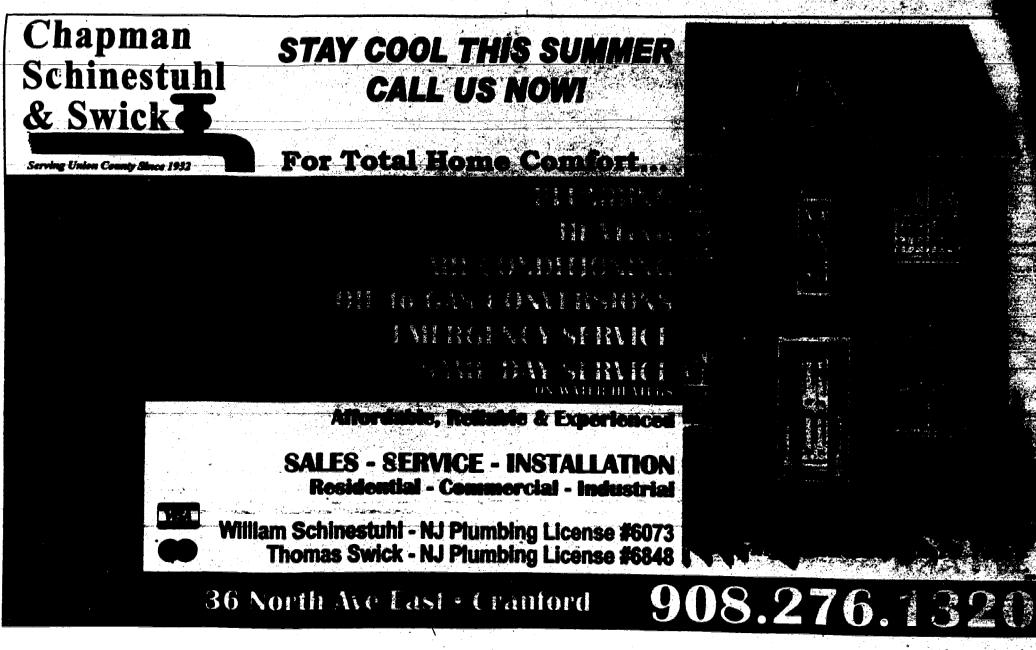
A tiller or cultivator can give the back and arms quite a workout. So if a new flower bed or garden is on your honey-do list, you'll want to add one of the new gas or electric Ryobi cultivators featuring the JustAddSand system to your shopping list.

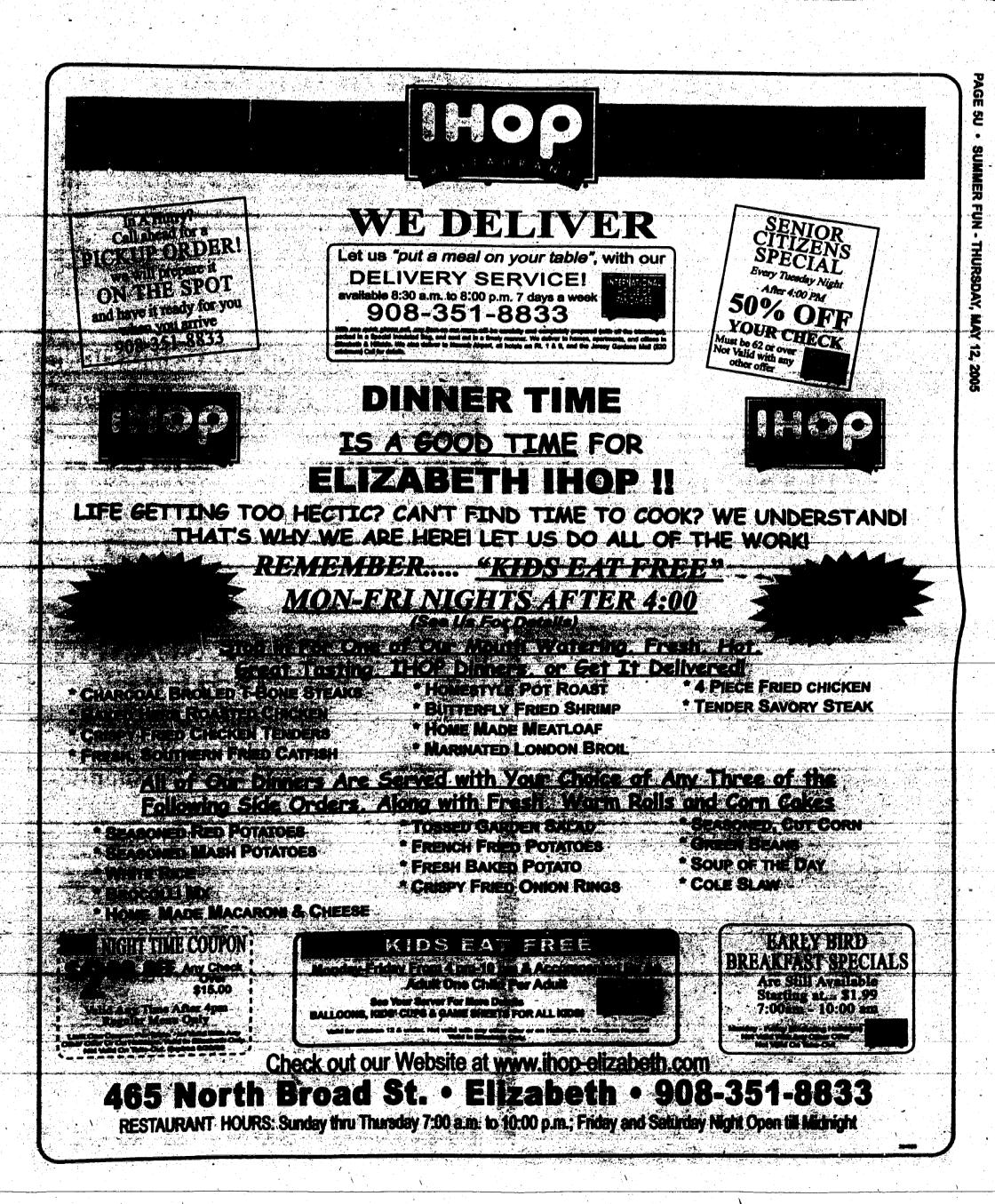
The one-of-a-kind JustAddSand system allows the user to add up to 13 nounds of sand to act as ballast. Unlike a bulk weight. add-on, the sand is able to move around as needed, digging deep and keeping the unit from skipping or bouncing around while providing greater control to the user.

Even a seemingly simple job like raking can put stress on the body when the tool size is not appropriate for the user. Look for a rake with a handle that is a comfortable height for you or consider an add like the True Temper Thatching Rake, which is available at The Home Depot stores and

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on Broadway, star in a movie, or maybe just experience the thrill of being on stage for the very first time.

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Maybe your child has a dream to perform fun environment. This is a camp where young performers learn how to work and create together.

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Classes are taught by highly-skilled professionals in their respective fields.

Our Juniors a.m. Program, formerly known as Half-Day Program, is from 9 a.m. to noon. Monday to Friday from June 27 to July 28. Students entering kindergarten through second grade will experience fun Through dance (tap, jazz, and ballet), musical theater, voice class, and creative dramat-

Special activities include Hawaiian Beach Party Day, Costume Day, Crazy Hat Day, Pajama Day, Patriotic Day, and Mismatch Day. Campers will perform their dance routines and vocal numbers which they rehearse at camp at our annual Musical Revue on July 28.

The Juniors p.m. Program, formerly known as Half-Day Aflemoon Program, is from 12:45 to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday from June 27 to July 22.

The Juniors p.m. Program accepts registrations on a weekly basis; parents also have the option of combining both the a.m. and p.m. programs enabling their youngsers to remain at camp for the entire day. Student entering kindergerten through 2nd grad will pertake in classes such as dence improv, arts and crafts, and perticipate special games and activities actaion. afternoon camper will also participate in Special Activity Days



### Hot trends make this year's pool designs sizzle

Today's pools are more attractive than ever, serving as the centerpiece of a home's utdoor space. With smart innovations in outdoor space. Whit inter shows those in design and mainsenance these pools are also easy to take care of Hore are some of the bottest trends in pools from the fugurinting of Pool and Spa Paulosticity and the state of the bottest trends in

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ently," said Marc Campbell, senior vice president at San Juan Pools in Lakeland. Fla., and a member of APSP's Builders Council. "They are not just places to splash

and play anymote." • Water without Walls. Some of the most popular ideas in pools now involve the lack f nool walls --- most notably playful and pretty beach entries, shallow and comfortable wet decks and dramatic vanishing edges. The beach entry is just what it sounds like --- a gently sloping entrance to the pool that mimics a beach in looks and feel. Wet decks are extremely popular, said Campbell. "You can lie in about four inches of water and read your magazine and stay cool."

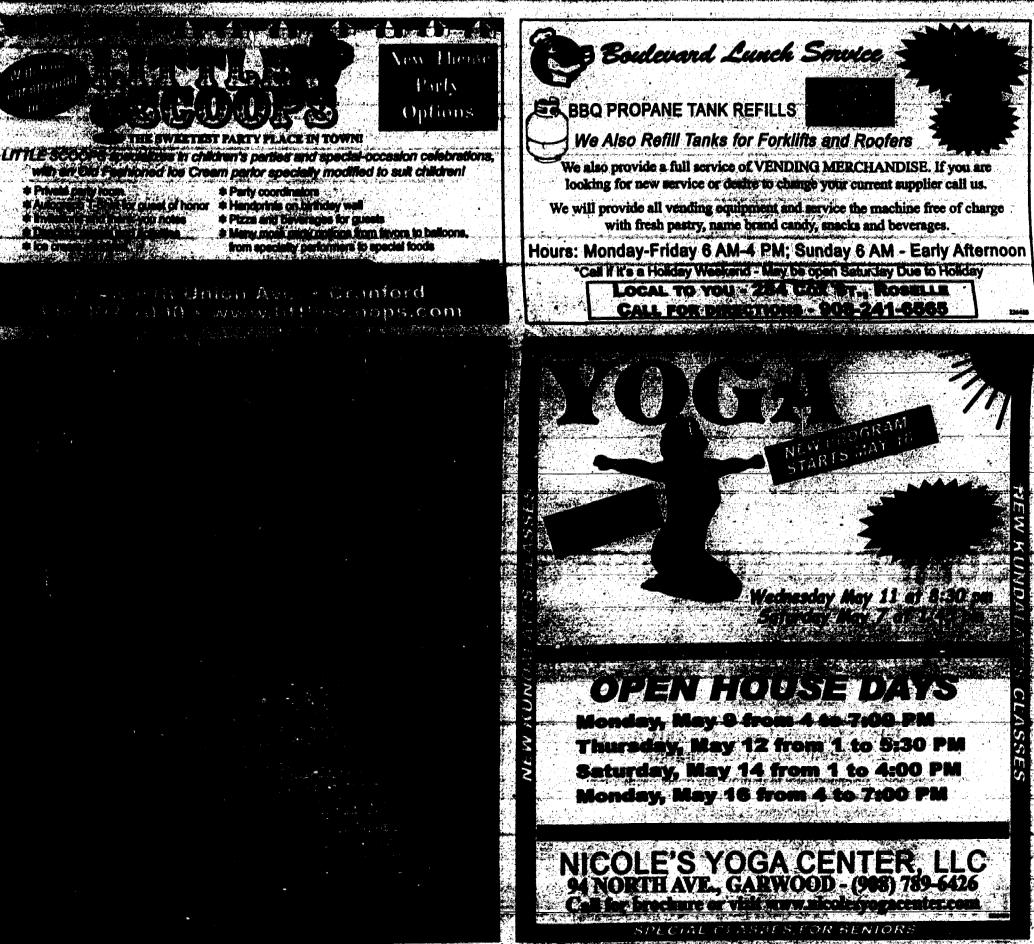
• Fountain Fun. Fountains bubble or those that make a big splash create a sound shield for your pool and help keen it clean. And some are downright fun. Intermittently squirting fountains in a beach-entry area will entertain little ones for hours. Fountains coming from and highlighting statuary or antique Greek ums make. a beautiful, timeless statement. Subtle, yet immensely refreshing misters look and feel

Laminar flow fountains shoot a stream of water about the thickness of your finger through the air. The water holds together to create a moving, watery tube that will carry the glow of fiber optic lighting.

Foaming fountains mix water and air for a frothy, mushroom-head effect. Lots of manufacturers are offering adjustable nozzles to let you control how high and how far your fountain will go.

. Water Falling, Always popular, waterfalls continue to be one of the most-requested design elements on pools. The options often are only limited by imagination. Sleek sheets of water fall over granite platforms to offer a secluded area for swimmers.

Other versions are playful cascades that splash and fall from real or manmade rocks. Some waterfalls let you increase or décrease the rate of fall to get the sound of gently falling rain or a turbulent rain shower.



### **Keep reading routines** alive during summer

When school's out for the summer, one of the last things on most students' minds is reading Yet, according to reading special- and be inspired to read more. Even a few ists, year-round reading is especially important so kids don't undo the progress they've made over the previous school year.

"Summer reading is very important in developing life-long reading habits, maintaining reading proficiency and promoting reading for pleasure," said Dr. Mary Howard, Ed.D., a national literacy consultant. "Studies have repeatedly shown that children who continue to read during the summer months perform better when school resumes in the fall. The problem is that outdoor activities and other distractions, such as television, video games and the Internet, often seem more exciting than reading."

Howard and other educators agree that the challenge is to make summer reading fun so kids don't feel like they're still in school. The following tips can help parents turn their children into year-round, proficient, highly motivated readers;

Let children participate in choosing books to ensure that reading materials have a special interest to them.

· Lead by example. Make sure your children see you regularly reading for pleasure.

• Turn reading into a family affair. Set aside designated times when everyone in the family can be reading and then share what ... everyone has learned by talking about books at the dinner table

· Be diligent in tracking reading time so kids can see the progress they're making minutes every day can really add up. A new product on the market --- the Mark-My-Time Digital Bookmark - is designed specifically to help accurately track reading time. It is available this summer at leading bookstores, such as Barnes & Noble, and features a countdown timer with alarm, as well as a cumulative timer to track reading time over an extended period. Because it empowers children to take responsibility for their own reading progress, parents and teachers who have tested it confirm that it helps motivate kids to want to read more.

· Keep books in the car, especially when traveling longer distances, to encourage reading during otherwise "down" times.

· Encourage additional reading on rainiy days or after sunset when there are fewer outdoor activities to compete for children's attention. Reading right before bedtime can help calm down otherwise active routines.

• Tie fun activities into your reading routine by either visiting a place in the book being read or doing an activity mentioned in the book.

You might also consider a craft or making cookies shaped like a character or image in the book.

• Talk to other parents in your neighbor-hood about the possibility of creating a summer reading group or circle, so that your



Don't let your children's reading routines tell by the wayada during their summer break.

children can share the fun of reading with their friends.

the availability of special summer reading programs and activities.

Allow kids to read a wide variety of naterials. The teacher isn't around, so almost any ago-appropriate written material is good, including comic books, children's magazines, game instruction booklets and, of course, maintonal books. Anything that helps kids build their vocabulary and comprehenation will consent their overall p ciency and comfort level with reading

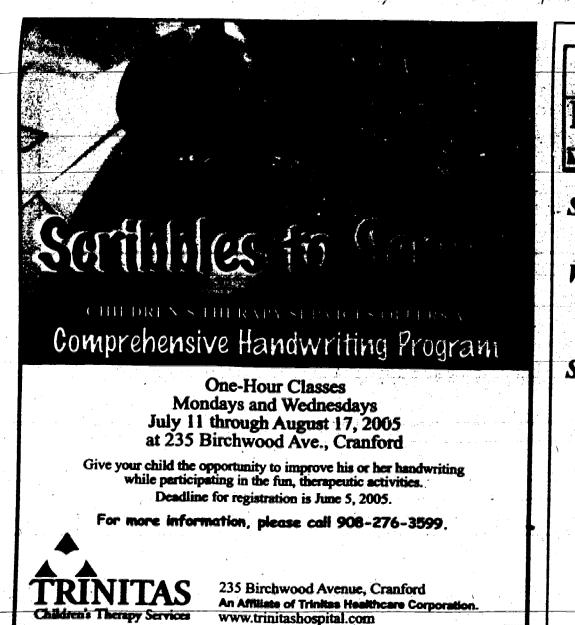
· Most important, be an involved parent

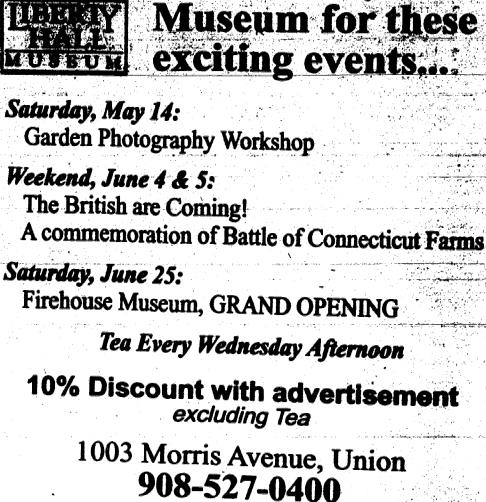
in your kids' reading activities. While some out reading should be encouraged · Check with your local library regarding once a child is in the second grade, it's important to listen to kids read aloud to help

Reading should not be a seasonal activity. It should be encouraged and practiced year-round to continue building reading proficiency and good habits.

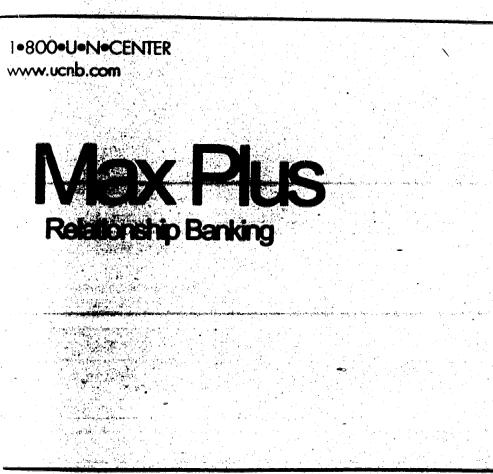
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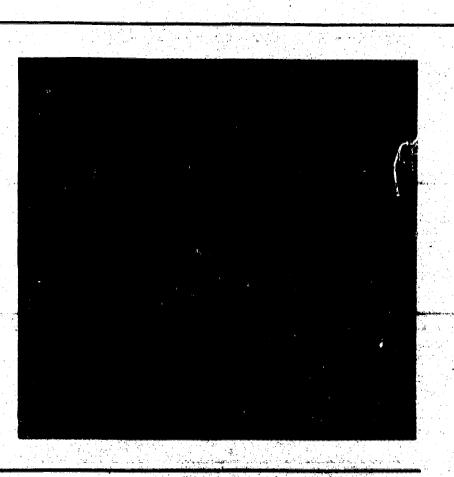
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### Riverbend offers fun

At Camp Riverbend, the group honors each child's talents and efforts. The group's philosophy of "participating, not competition" ensures that every camper is special. We are proud of our mature counselor staff, made up of teachers and college students, who supervise our small camper groups of 16-18 children, and provide individual attention to each boy and girl.

Camp Riverbend serves children ages 4-14, and offers three-, four and seven-week sessions on 30 acres of woods and fields in Warren Township. Our "classic" camp program offers fun and achievement through arts and crafts (including international crafts, ceramics, woodworking, lanyard, drama and music), team and individual sports (including basketball, baseball/softball, soccer, tennis, archery, canoeing, challenge course, rollerblading and lacrosse), nature and environmental awareness, and daily swimming lessons and free swimming in our heated outdoor pools.

The camp contains special days, carnivals, cookouts and clubs. Camp Riverbend also offers a teen travel program for boys and girls entering seventh- to ninth grades. On Monday through Friday trips, our teens visit beaches, amusement parks, museums, sports facilitics and much more throughout the northeastern USA and Canada, Camp Riverbend was founded in 1962 by Marianne and Harold Breene, and is run by them and their four children. Riverbend provides an extended day option for working parents, and offers transportation in small buses from parts of Essex, Morris, Middlesex, Somernet and Union counties.

### Beautify exterior of the home

Summer is here and with the warm weather comes endless hours spent outdoors enjoying the sun.

Whether you're spending time in the pool, grilling on the barbecue, or just lounging on your deck, you want your house looking its best. That's why now's the perfect time to spruce up your home's exterior and impress your neighbors.

There are many do-it-yourself projects that can have a dramatic effect on the beauty of your home. A little gardening close to the house can provide color and life to your outdoor space.

Planting some flowers, shrubs or trees in the right areas can make a world of difference. Other ways to beautify your home include cleaning your windows and screens, which will improve exterior appearance and allow more light into the home. Refinishing your deck can bring back a warm, natural wood look, while also protecting it from the sun's UV rays and heavy summer foot traffic. You can even restore your home's vinyl siding and shull to their original color and shine!

In the past, the only vinyl care options available were both costly and time consuming, but now there's an easy-to-use, inexpensive solution that can be done in half the time of painting.

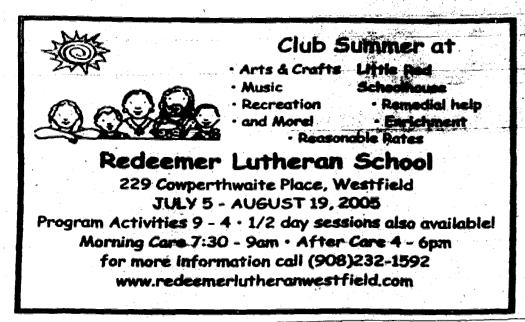
Restora, from The Flood Company, is a unique two-step process that thoroughly cleans exterior vinyl, and then restores the original, rich color and vibrant sheen for a "like new" appearance.

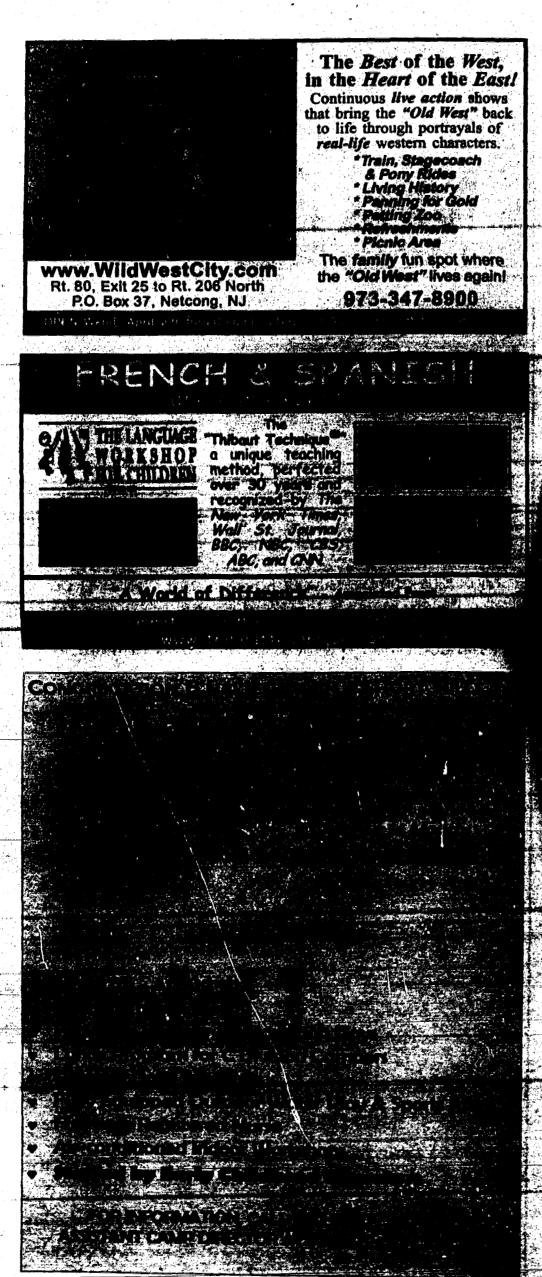
"Vinyl siding and shutters are considered low-maintenance materials for your home. However, vinyl still needs to be cleaned, especially after a few years in the elements when it begins to look weathered," said Danny Lipford, host of the national television show, Today's Homeowner with Danny Lipford. "Restora offers a quick, effective and long-lasting solution homeowners can do themselves."

The easy, two-step vinyl care system first removes surface dirt, chalk, stains, etc., and cleans deep to eliminate oxidation and built-in contaminants, then restores the original color of dull, faded exterior vinyl, Guaranteed not to crack, peel or blister, Restora gives homeowners a solution that provides long-lasting color, strong surface adhesion, and superior penetration, while saving time and money.

So before you answer the call of the great outdoors, take the time to get your home ready for summer. Clean and revitalize your weathered vinyl and be proud of having the best-looking house on the block.

For more information, visit the Internet at www.flood.com.





### 64 millon travelers are actually found on Internet

Finding your way off the beaten path for the family summer vacation has never been casier as the Internet levels the playing field between quaint small towns and the destination

Of that group, 44.6 million actually booked at least one travel service or product online

in the past year. "The Internet has put confirmers in control of their plans and they like it. They're able to gather all the facts they are been proved prices and options to obtain what they feel are the best deals possible," eccording to Dr. Suzanne Cook, senior vice president of research for the Travel Industry Astociation of Amarica. It used to be that research destinations dominated the local travel scene because they had the most money to market and advertise. Resort dominator, was and largely remains particularly acute in popular destinations such as Florida, California and Colorado, the country's top three vacation destinations according, to Yearwick, Popperdine, Brown & Russell's Leisure Travel Monitor.

For an example of the power the Internet can wield in the hearts and minds of travelers, Lee Hart, president of Brand Amp, a strategic communications firm that works with several smaller destinations in Colorado, offers Chaffee County as a case study. Just a 1-1/2 hour drive from Vail, Copper Mountain, Breckenridge and Crested Butte, Chaffee's two small historic towas, Salida and Buena Vista, have struggled to be heard amidst the marketing messages trumpeted by its internationally acclaimed neighbors.

Little more than a year ago, Chaffee County launched an integrated image campaign anchored by a new Web site optimized for key search terms that would uppeal to Coloradobound visitors and bought Internet advertising to actively direct visitors to the site.

Today, Chaffee County is not only easier for travelers to find but also for the travel industry trade to discover, as well as travel editors hungry for new and unusual destinations to write about.

As proof, in the past few months, Chaffee County has been named one of America's Top Dream Towns by Outside magazine, won the Governor's Award for Outstanding Community Tourism Initiative for its Adventure in Arts year-round series of monthly countywide arts events.

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### Summit Y and branches offer camps for summer

summer programs for preschoolers, youth and teens. Camps are offered by the week beginning June 27 and run through Aug. 26.

At the Summit YMCA, whether it's a first-timer, sports junkie, nature explorer, or aspiring actor — camp keeps everyone smiling all summer long. Preschooler camps include: "Little Beavers," "Camp Little Moon," "Sports Shorts," and "Discovery." Youth entering grades 1-5 may choose from "Camp Cannundus," held at Watchung Reservation, offering fun weekly themes such as "Celebrating the '50s," "Olympics" and "Under the Sea," Sports Camps learning or improving skills in basketball, soccer and other sports, and "Drama Camp" where acting and putting on weekly productions is a blast. Half and full day options are available for Little Beavers and "Camp Little Moon."

The Summit Y also offers an array of camps for pre-teens and teens looking for a meaningful, exciting and fun filled summer. "Quest" and "UNITY," are mentally and physically challenging programs and "Teen Expedition: The Ultimate Experience" at a five-day camping trip to Blue Ridge, N.C. "Teen Camp," also held at Watchung Reservation, offers weekthemes, such as, "Where's my Camp Dude" and Eco-Challenge." "Teen Leadership

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The Summit, Springfield and Berkeley Heights Y's are offering 10 weeks of fantastic Camp," is a counselor in training camp that offers two weeks training and one week spent with younger campers as a junior counselor. The learning environment enables teens to acquire leadership skills, build self-confidence, and expand their talents. The Summit Y is located at 67 Maple St., in Summit. For space availability, call the Camp Registrar at 908-273-3330, Ext. 140.

Springfield YMCA, campers entering grades one to six, will love meeting new friends at Camp Anupama. Held at Ruby Park in Springfield, campers are provided the opportunity to participate in weekly fun themes such as "Tye-Dye Day," Silly Sports or "Dinosaur Days." Tiny Trekkers, an indoor camp, offers half and full day sessions. The Springfield Y is located at 100 S. Springfield Avenue in Springfield. For information about camps and space availability, call the Terri Clinton at 973-467-0838.

At the Berkeley Heights YMCA, campers 5-10 years enjoy weekly theme sessions. Offering half and full day options, campers can participate in fun activities based on themes such as: "The Zoo Crew", Sports Mania," and "America the Beautiful." The Berkeley Heights Y is located at 550 Springfield Avenue in Berkeley Heights. For information about camps and space availability, call Jen Falvo at 908-464-8373.



### NJ Travel Guide can assist in summer motoring

The New Jersey Commerce, Economic Growth and Tourism Commission recently unveiled the 2005 New Jersey Travel Guide during a celebration that brought to life the

state's unique, diverse and edored destinations through a live walk-through exhibit. With new featured enclose including "Shop "Till You Drop," "New Jersey Golf Guide," and an all new "101 Fun relieve To Do," the guide defines the Garden State as an ideal place for two-or force day bits

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to south, cast to The 2005 New Lease of the vacation is just a drive away." The 2005 New Lease of the state tourism industry's flagship publication, contains virtually and the state tourism industry's flagship publication, visitor or resident might want to know about the Garden State, all presented to maximize the pleasure for prospective to the state of their prior familiarity with New Jersey.

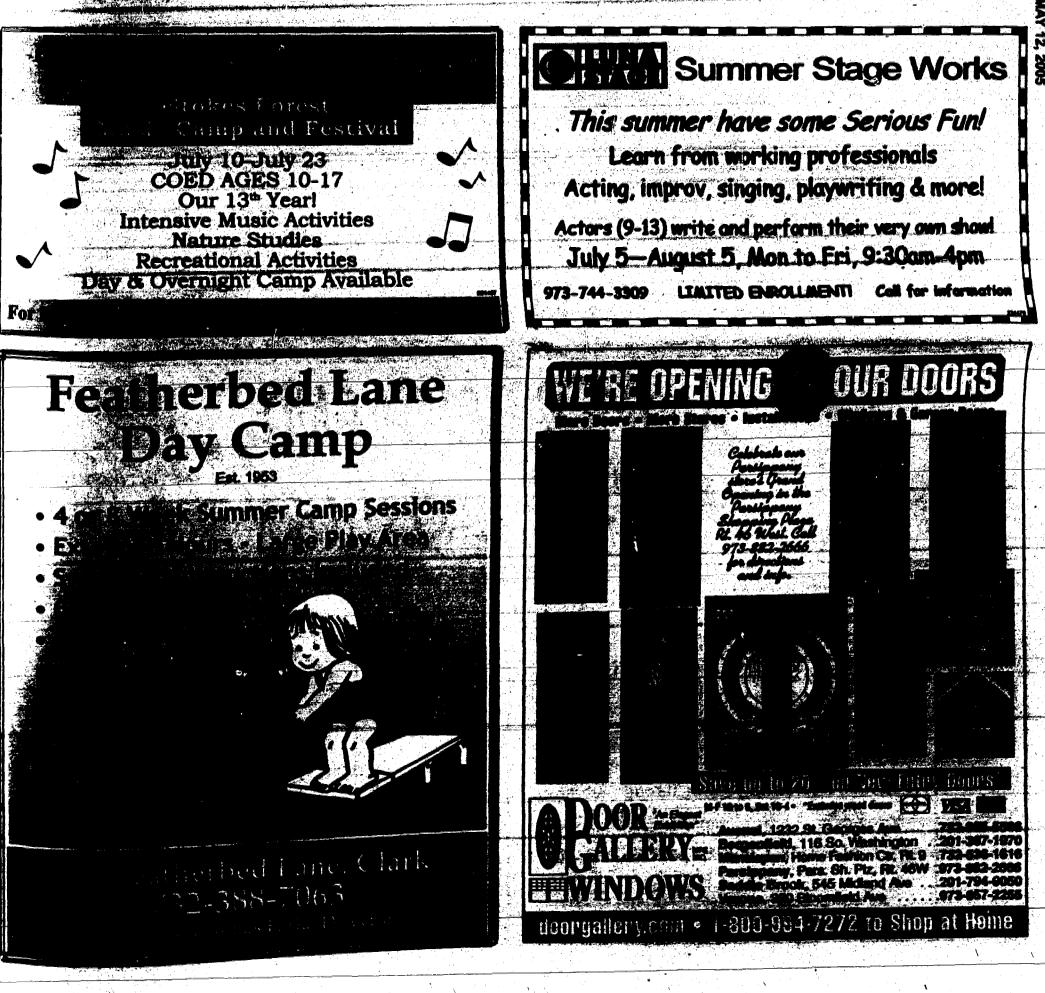
It boasts extensive listings of accommodations, restaurants, sites and attractions for business or pleasure. It also features suggested itineraries for planning easily accessible and unforgettable overnight getaways in the Garden State.

Exciting and informative special sections within the guide can help residents and visitors plan the perfect getaway. The special sections include the "New Jersey Golf Guide," which highlights some of the most scenic, challenging and highly rated courses in the nation; "Shop 'Till You Drop" which features premier destinations for outlet and mall shopping, antiques, boutiques and more, and an all new "101 Pon Things To Do" ranging from a reallife rodeo to premier skiing to beautiful beaches promise that new experiences are awaiting every visitor.

The 2005 New Jersey Travel Guide was launched during an interactive event at the Nassau Inn in Princeton.

Guests were invited to "travel" through out the state exploring hands-on exhibits from some of the state's finest destinations.

Among those represented were Garden State Discovery Museum, Jenkinson's, Crystal Springs Golf & Spa Resort, Grounds for Sculpture and Liberty Science Center.



### Bring Harry Potter back to life

Ever since Harry Potter first came on the scene, he has been igniting the imaginations of children around the world. They immediately identify with the young wizard who was sad and lonely until he realized he had magical powers.

The series about Harry's adventures and misadventures, brought to life by author J.K. Rowling, has become so popular that the sixth book, "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," set for release on July 16. will have a U.S. record-breaking first printing of 10.8 million copies. The first three books in the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," and "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" have already been made into movies.

Child psychologists agree the reason the series has become so popular is that kids identify with the characters. They see a correlation between the relationships Harry has with the children and adults in the books and their own lives. The Harry Potter books are filled with scenarios that discuss common childhood issues such as loneliness, fitting in, bullying, loss, and rule-breaking; while at the same time offering an imaginary world of escape.

As is apparent from the continuing record breaking sales of Harry Potter merchandise — hats, robes, scarves, magic

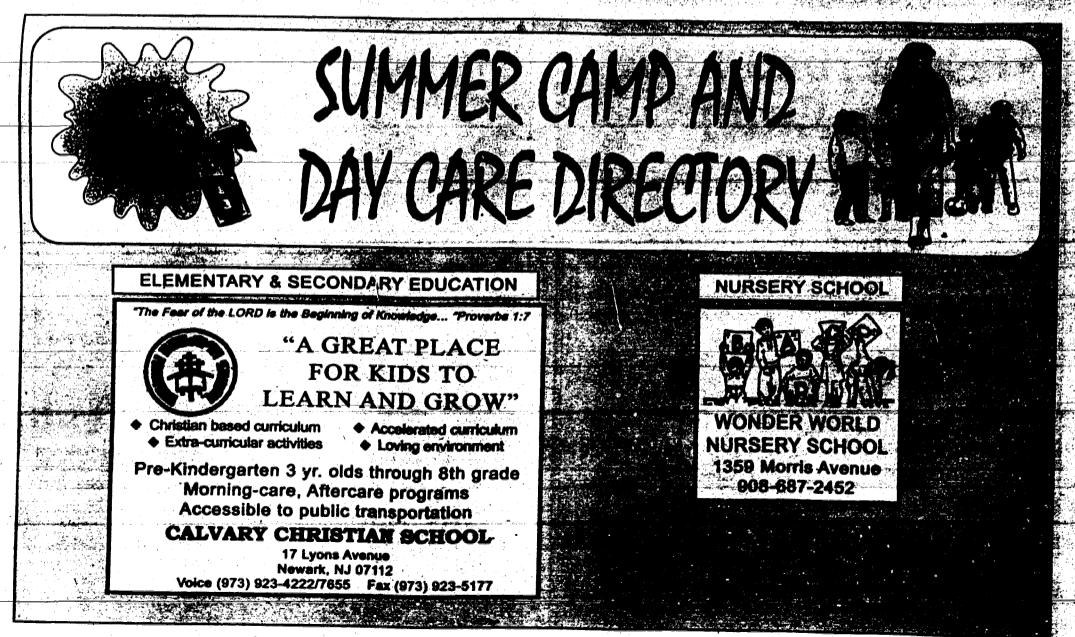


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