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Vets honor war dead

By Alexander George
Correspondent

Memorial Day was observed Monday and while some observe the holiday by visiting the Jersey shore or taking advantage of Memorial Day sales, veterans celebrated the holiday with appreciation and remembrance of their fallen comrades.

Ethel Smith, vice commander of American Legion Post 228 in Springfield, said "Memorial Day is not a three-day holiday, rather a time to honor the memory of our lost ones." She also stressed the gratitude owed to fallen soldiers: "We must understand that we owe our freedoms to these fallen soldiers and we must pay tribute."

Smith, a veteran herself, served as an army nurse in the South Pacific during World War II and has been staunchly pro-veteran since her return to America. This past Monday, and every Memorial Day since she has been at the American Legion, all the veterans at her post have gone to place American flags on the graves of all veterans at four nearby cemeteries.

While Smith stresses the importance of showing gratitude, she is all for enjoying the weekend.

"We should enjoy all the freedoms that men and women of our country fought for. Freedom does not come easy."

Robert Farley, commander of Mountainside Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10136 and head of Westfield's Elks Club, had a packed schedule for Memorial Day but took his duties in stride.

Farley served from 1967 through 1973 during the Vietnam War as an aviation engineer, repairing and occasionally flying planes for the Navy.

Though he only spent a short time in the Pacific, he said, "I ended up enjoying it and my only regret was not spending more time in service."

Farley's responsibilities were perfect for him: "I loved my work, there were no big dangers, and I felt good serving my country."

Despite his short involvement with the war, he said he has "absolute appreciation" for those who died serving our country.

The Mountainside VFW, with about 60 members, and the Elks Club, with over 200 members, joined forces to honor fallen soldiers, in a bevy of ceremonies, memorial and cemetery visits, and parade marches on Monday.

Farley spoke at multiple gatherings that day but broke the mold of most Memorial Day speeches by honoring some overlooked American heroes such as "the members on the 9/11 flight who made efforts to stop the on-board terrorists. Also, the civilians doing relief work in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other war-torn countries."

"These people are doing their part; their work is just as important. Considering how we are sometimes seen as the aggressors, these volunteers are also working to benefit how the world sees the United States."

Memorial Day certainly holds special meaning to veterans. They most appreciate the sacrifices men and women in uniform made so that everyone may enjoy the freedoms to which they dedicated their lives.

Demonstration of Neptune



Photo By Joseph A. Bernardi

A demonstration of the Neptune firefighting system took place along the waterfront in Elizabeth on Friday. Components of the massive apparatus are housed by surrounding fire departments, including Springfield. See story on Page B1.

School board approves early dismissal for end of year

By Jean M. Devlin
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Board of Education last week approved three revisions to this year's calendar school calendar, allowing an early dismissal of 1 p.m. on June 21-23.

"It is for time needed for the teachers to complete a tremendous amount of paperwork at the end of the year," said Chief School Administrator Richard O'Malley said.

"It should have been put on the calendar

at the beginning of the year — not left to the last moment," board member Patricia Knodel said.

MaryBeth Schaumburg said it was a good suggestion and Perrin said, "We will work on that next year."

Knodel voted no while all other six board members voted yes.

Fall is not far away, and the new 2005-06 school calendar indicates the first day of school for students will be Sept. 8, while teachers and staff report the day before that, Sept. 7. Non-teachers will report on Sept. 6.

To honor the Jewish holidays, schools will be closed for Rosh Hoshanah on Oct. 4. Then there will be an in-service day on Oct. 10 when the schools will be closed again. The high holy day of Yom Kippur falls on Oct. 13, when schools will also be closed in observance of this.

The month of November has two days: Nov. 10 and 11, for the NJEA convention when schools will be closed. Also, there are parent-teacher conferences which are set for Nov. 21 and 22, at 1 p.m., and a 1 p.m. dismissal on Nov. 23.

Schools are closed Nov. 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving. More parent-teacher conferences will be Nov. 28 in the evening and there is a 1 p.m. dismissal that day as well.

Winter recess is set for Dec. 26 through Dec. 30 when all schools are closed for Christmas holidays.

Schools reopen on Jan. 2. They honor Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Jan. 16, when schools close.

In February, schools close on Feb. 20 for Presidents' Day, and in March, March 20 is a 1 p.m. dismissal for a staff in-service day.

Spring recess this year will be April 10-14. May 10 brings an open house, and an in-service day on May 15 with 1 p.m. dismissal. May 29 schools will observe Memorial Day, the last Monday in May.

And finally, the last day of the school year will be June 21, the official graduation day.

If more than five day are needed due to inclement weather, the spring recess could be reduced, or school could be in session on holidays, or even extended for students and teachers in June.

Process to vetify candidates

By Jean M. Devlin
Staff Writer

Mountainside school officials are reviewing dozens of applications for the position of assistant principal at Deerfield Elementary School.

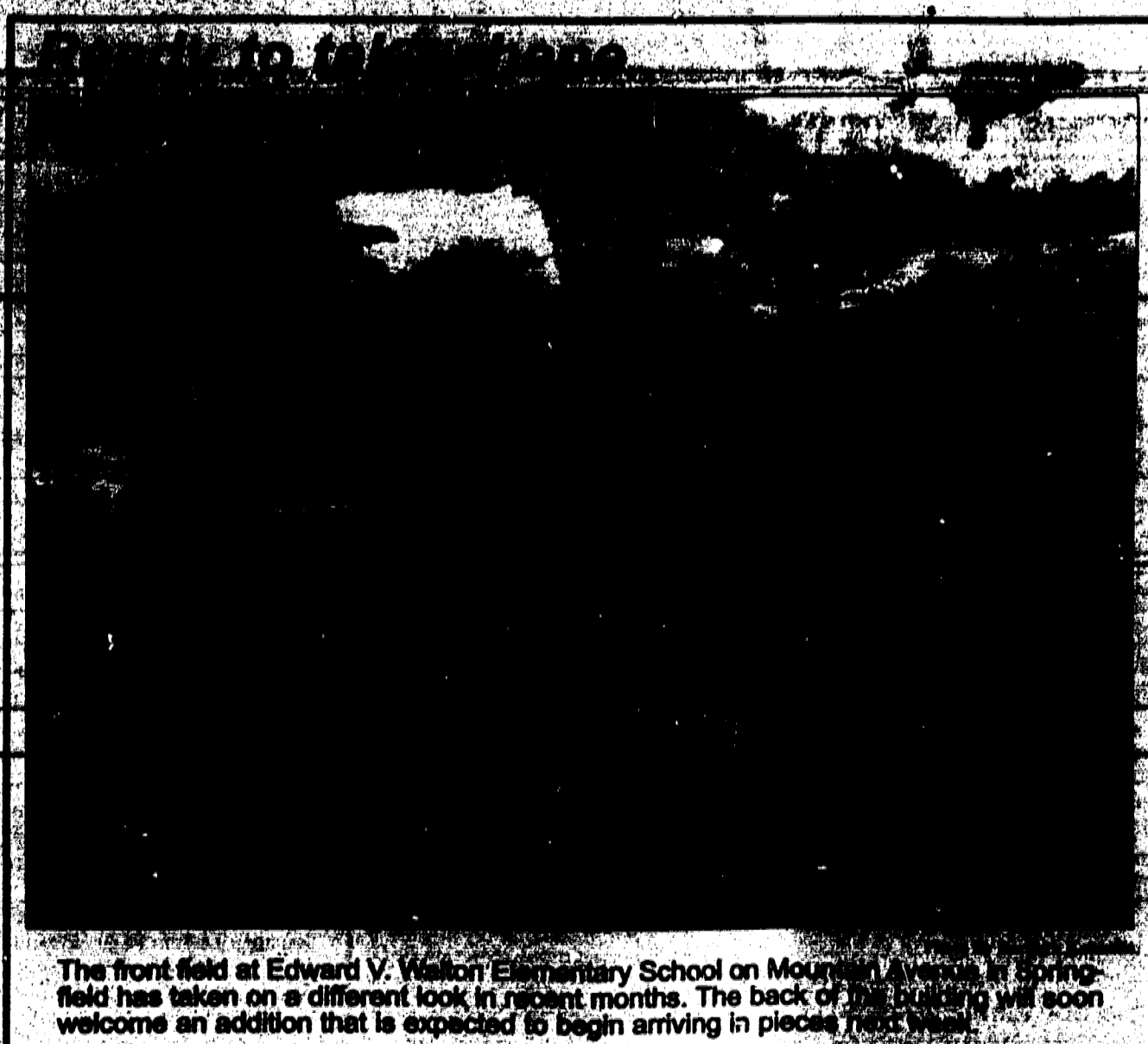
Chief School Administrator Richard O'Malley said there will be an extensive interview process, which is under way, and expects to screen the 70 applications already received during the next several weeks.

"We will narrow it down to about 15 if all goes well, and then bring in about eight to 10 people for informal interviews. We will have community members of parents and staff to help us narrow it down."

He added, "We want to do a thorough process to find the best candidate."

The job of assistant principal will combine the position of curriculum coordinator, which had been held by Angela Cosimano.

The assistant principal position is open as of July 1, "but this will depend on the status of the person's present job, and other factors," O'Malley said, adding that the position's salary range has not yet been determined.



The front field at Edward V. Walton Elementary School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield has taken on a different look in recent months. The back of the building will soon welcome an addition that is expected to begin arriving in pieces next week.

New Dayton principal to take helm July 1

By Keith Howe
Correspondent

Elizabeth Cresci, the current principal at Highland Park Middle/High School, has been chosen to become the new principal at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield for the 2005-06 school year.

She will replace Charles Serson, who is retiring in June after serving many years as principal of Dayton.

Cresci will be taking over at Dayton July 1 and is excited about her new position.

"I'm excited to get started early and look forward to meeting with different teachers, students and parents," she said.

She is under contract from July 1, to June 30, 2006 at an annual salary of \$114,033.

Cresci has been in the education field for numerous years, and has an extensive background as a school administrator.

She attended New York University for her undergraduate and graduate years, where she eventually received her master's degree in Education in 1985. After attending graduate school, she got her first job as an English teacher at LaSalle Academy in New York, where she stayed for four years.

Following that, she taught English for eight years at East Brunswick High School before moving on to Monroe National Administrative and Supervision from Rutgers University in 1997.

Cresci's latest stop have been at Ridge High School in Somerset, Conn.

ty as assistant principal for two years and then Highland Park Middle/High School, where she has been principal for the past three years.

"Taking over at a new school is never easy, but Cresci believes the small size of the high school will aid her in her transition from a larger district.

Cresci said that in a "smaller high school it is easier to get to know students on an individual basis, where in larger schools you can't do that as easily."

The current enrollment at Jonathan Dayton High School is 513, while Highland Park has an enrollment of 603.

Also, Dayton's student-teacher ratio is 9.6, compared to Highland Park's 10.8. Both are lower than the state average of 11.6.

"When asked about what she would like to bring to her new high school, Cresci said she would like to "continue the tradition that is already there, which is of high expectations for student achievement."

Jonathan Dayton High School and Highland Park High School are similar in that both are classified in the GH District Factor Group by the state Department of Education.

DFGs were developed in 1975 "for the purpose of measuring students' performance in terms of assessments across districts." The data is updated when the Census Bureau releases the latest data every 10 years.

DFGs represent an approximate See HIGHLAND, Page 2

School board to get laptop presentation

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

Superintendent of Schools Michael Davino hopes to present a plan to the Springfield Board of Education for implementation of the laptop program before the end of this school year. The final board meetings of the school year are scheduled for Monday and June 27.

During last week's school board meeting, administration officials said they expect to order between 350 and 400 laptops, depending on enrollment. The potential cost for each computer could be \$300 over a three-year lease, Davino said, with specifics still to be negotiated with whichever company is selected by the board. He was to return to the school board.

The initial laptop proposal was cut in half, by about \$146,000, after defeat of the \$31-million school budget in April. As a result, only seventh- and eighth-graders will receive laptops next year instead of all middle school students, as originally proposed.

Davino implemented a laptop program in his previous post as principal and chief school administrator at Michael J. Petrides School, a K-12 laboratory school in Staten Island designed to develop new techniques to share with other schools.

A simple Internet search reveals numerous newspaper articles, studies, memos and assorted papers

about the implementation of laptop programs and their successes and drawbacks.

Flush with a \$30 million budget surplus, former Maine Gov. Angus King, 1999-2003, launched statewide laptop programs in 2000. All 2,100 seventh- and eighth-graders in the state received laptops, at a cost of \$36 million over five years. Maine was the first state to "take on the task of widespread implementation of one-to-one computing, through the Maine Learning Technology Initiative."

The program was funded with the help of a \$1 million grant from the state and Maine's Gates Foundation. The program was also funded with a \$400 million grant from the Gates Foundation.

The program was to provide laptops for all students in grades seven to 12. Like Springfield's plan, the program was eventually limited to seventh- and eighth-graders.

Hendon County public schools, with a diverse enrollment in suburban Richmond, Va., equipped 23,000 high school and middle school students. Horizon Elementary School in Springfield, Mass., wanted to give all K-5 students laptops but because of financial problems, only first through fifth-graders received them in the first year, according to a report in the October 1998 in the United News.

In some districts, teachers younger than middle schoolers have been equipped with laptops. At East

Rock Magnet School, a K-5 school in urban New Haven, Conn., third- and fourth-graders are assigned laptops, and according to reports, test scores have increased along with student motivation. Gorman Arace Middle School, an inner-city school in Bloomfield, Conn., near Hartford, borrowed \$2.5 million at one middle school to equip students with laptops. In-school suspensions dropped by 80 percent in two years.

A decline in behavioral problems are among the positive attributes cited with laptop programs, along with increased student motivation and engagement. In many cases, the most significant improvements are seen in at-risk and low-achieving students.

A spring 2004 study by the National Education Policy Institute indicated that laptop programs demonstrated an increase in critical and creative thinking. A key component of the laptop program is the ability for students to learn at home, leading to more out-of-classroom learning opportunities.

A survey by the National Institute of parents, teachers and students at Maine's Piscataquis Community High School did not "reveal any glaring disadvantages or concerns about the laptop program."

But some concerns have been raised about laptop programs and the amount of time they can pose in class, inappropriate use in class, and equipment failure.

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Highland Park principal makes move to Springfield high school

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A measure of a community's relative socioeconomic status," according to the state Department of Education. They range from A, which include Abbott districts like Elizabeth, to J, like Westfield and Summit, and J, which includes Millburn and Mendham.

The only other GH district in Union County is Cranford.

Cresci noted how she got the sense that the school is a community and that the school along with the town seem to "work together very well in order to make the school a focal point in the community."

Citing Jonathan Dayton as an "excellent school, in a district with a fine reputation," Cresci is looking forward to working with the Board of Education. She said Springfield appears to be a "great place to be a part of" and cannot wait to get started come July 1.

Cresci is the third recent hire from the Middlesex County school district, joining the Assistant Superintendent Hillary Corburn and Director of Human Resources Elly Atherton.

One-to-one laptop programs can be found throughout U.S.

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The final 33-page report of high school laptop report can be found at www.mitchellinstitute.org.

In some cases, the laptop programs were met with skepticism. According to a New York Times report in March 2003, the Maine initiative was seen as extravagant, with the state Senate president at the time saying there were other priorities for the state's schools, such as construction and renovations. Also, people thought students would not take care of the equipment.

Technology usually allows the laptop to be configured in a way that should it removed from the network, the laptops lose "significant functionality," and in many cases, theft of computers is not an issue.

Rockman Et Al, an independent research organization, conducted evaluations from 1996 to 2000 of

Microsoft's Anytime Anywhere Learning program. President Saul Rockman wrote in an October issue of *TECHLEARNING* magazine, that, among other things, laptop programs "promote collaborative learning as students and teachers move around more; students are highly engaged; productivity increases, and attitudes toward writing improve," among other things.

"Unfortunately, one desired outcome of laptop use seems to remain stubbornly beyond the efforts of researchers to capture it: improvement on standardized achievement tests," Rockman wrote.

"The current Holy Grail of any change in educational practice seems to be producing a corresponding improvement in student performance on these tests." All the skills involved in participating in a laptop program "are desirable in the world of work but difficult to measure in cost-efficient ways."

'Give 'em Watts' on display Sunday

Beginning on Sunday, the famous painting by John Ward Dunsmore, "Give 'em Watts Boys," will be on display at Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. Library hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library desk can be reached at 973-376-4930.

The display of this painting is part of the township's celebration of the 225th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield, scheduled for June 25 and 26.

The 225th Anniversary Committee secured the painting through the offices of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution's New Jersey and New York chapters. This painting is part of the John Ward Dunsmore Collection housed at the Francaes Tavern Museum.

The painting depicts the moment when the Rev. James Caldwell, whose wife, Hannah, had been killed at the Battle of Connecticut Farms on June 7, 1780, went into Springfield's First Presbyterian Church and took the old Watts Hymnals from the attic and passed them out to the troops for "wedding" and carriage paper. As he did so, he shouted, "Give 'em Watts, Boys, Put Watts Into Them!"

Locals and historians are familiar with this famous painting — also referred to as The Battle of Springfield, from history books and a mural on the back wall of long-gone Newberry's Department Store.

Dunsmore was a late 19th-early 20th-century painter best known for his realistic and historically accurate paintings. He was the first director of the Detroit Museum of Art and a member of the Sons of the Revolution. He donated the majority of the collection of historical paintings directly to Francaes Tavern.

"This is a landmark exhibition of 45 paintings, the largest such collection in need of restoration. The New Jersey and New York Chapters of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution paid for restoration of this painting.

John Ward Dunsmore was born in Riley, Ohio, in 1856 and died in Dover in 1945.

Volunteers wanted for Battle of Springfield

A commemorative journal and souvenirs will be available and refreshments will be for sale.

"Our town will be in the spotlight and we need to have sufficient sponsorship to be able to do justice to Springfield's heritage," said Seidel.

Additional donors are needed and he urged them to either call 973-912-2200, 973-912-2300 or e-mail to www.springfieldbattle.com.

Dayton HS plans Project Graduation

The Springfield Project Graduation Committee is in the process of planning the celebration for the Jonathan Dayton High School senior class of 2005. Committee members are in desperate need of funds in addition to those that have already been raised.

The celebration is a supervised, drug- and alcohol-free, fun-filled evening at the Madison YMCA. Activities will include swimming, DJ and an all-night footfest. Transportation will be provided. This event will take place following graduation ceremonies on June 23.

The estimated cost of this celebration is approximately \$20,000. All donations are tax deductible and your business and/or organization will be identified as a sponsor in the journal distributed to graduates and their families.

Tax-deductible donations can be mailed to: Jonathan Dayton High School PTSO, Project Graduation 2005, 139 Mountain Ave., Springfield, NJ 07081.

The JDHS Project Graduation thanks everyone for their support as the committee works toward providing a safe and enjoyable celebration for the Jonathan Dayton High School class of 2005.

For information, call one of the Project Graduation 2005 committee members.

SENIOR NEWS

ough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east in Mountaineer from 10 a.m. to noon.

Call Lisa Cassidy at 908-232-4406 for information.

Senior van provides free transportation

The Mountaineer Senior Van provides free transportation service for borough seniors ages 60 and older. It is available for trips to doctors, dentists, shopping, hairdresser appointments and the public library. For reservations, call 908-232-2400 ext. 5, weekdays mornings.

Senior Citizens Club gathers at church

The Senior Citizens Club meets on

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To mail a schedule, send it to Echo Leader, Attn: managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today
• The Good Books Discussion Group of Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will meet at 7 p.m. to discuss "My Sister's Keeper" by Jodi Picoult.
Call the reference department at 973-376-4930 ext. 228 to reserve a copy of the book.

• The Mountaineer Newcomers Club will sponsor a new member coffee at 8 p.m. at Anne Eichel's home. This is an informal way of meeting other club members and to learn more about the activities of the club. For information and to RSVP, call Tricia Brancatella at 908-301-1498.

Saturday
• The Mountaineer Newcomers Club will host a townwide garage sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fee per household to participate is \$20 which offsets the cost of advertising, maps and signs.

• Make checks payable to: Mountaineer Newcomers Club and mail ASAP to Natalie Zuzovsky, 1287 Wood Valley Road, with a short description of the items that will be available for sale. The garage sale is open to all Mountaineer residents.
For information, call Natalie Zuzovsky at 908-233-2988.

Sunday
• In preparation for the 225th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield, the event coordinating committee will host a lecture by noted historian Thomas Fleming at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

This lecture will coincide with the Springfield display of John Ward Dunsmore's painting, "Give 'em Watts Boys," which is currently hanging in Francaes Tavern in New York City.

Through the combined good offices of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution's New York and New Jersey Chapters, the painting has been refurbished and will be on display in the Springfield Public Library during June. The society will also sponsor a small reception following Fleming's speech. The public is invited to attend. For more information, visit www.springfieldbattle.com.

Monday
• The Springfield Board of Education will meet in the media center at Jonathan Dayton High School on Mountain Avenue at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday
• Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will begin its Lunchtime Video Series, "Song & Dance," at noon, with the film "Shall We Dance?" starring Richard Gere and Jennifer Lopez. Bring a brown bag lunch to the program. Coffee and cookies will be provided.
For information, call 973-376-4930.

Wednesday
June 11
• The Friends of Mountaineer Public Library, Constitution Plaza, will sponsor the annual yard sale from 9 a.m. to noon in the commuter parking lot next to the library. In case of rain, the sale will be moved inside. Donations for the sale may be dropped off at the library between Monday and June 9 during regular library hours. Donated items must be clean and in working condition. All proceeds from the sale will go to the Mountaineer Friends, a support group which provides programs, materials and furnishings for the library.
For more information, call 908-233-0115.

June 13
• The Springfield Township Committee will meet for a workshop session in the Municipal Annex Building, 20 N. Trivett Ave., at 7:30 p.m.
June 14
• The Springfield Township Committee will convene a regular meeting in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave., at 8 p.m., preceded by a workshop session at 7:30 p.m.
• The Mountaineer Board of Education will meet in the media center of Beechwood School, 1487 Woodacres Drive, at 8 p.m.
• The Mountaineer Borough Council will meet for a workshop session in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east, at 8 p.m.

June 16
• The Great Books Discussion Group of Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will meet at 10 a.m. to discuss Homer's "The Iliad." For information, call 973-376-4930.
June 20
• The Board of Trustees of Mountaineer Public Library, Constitution Plaza, will meet in the meeting room at 7:30 p.m.
June 21
• The Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave., at 8 p.m., preceded by an executive meeting at 7:30 p.m.
• The Mountaineer Borough Council will convene a regular meeting in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 east, at 8 p.m.

June 26
• B'Nai B'rith of Springfield plans a trip to Atlantic City at the Claridge Casino hotel. The package includes breakfast and lunch at Bagel Cateau, 222 Mountain Ave., Springfield, next to the post office at 11:30 a.m. The bus will leave from Echo Plaza Mall at 1 p.m. between Mountain Avenue, and Route 22, Springfield. The bus will take you down to the Claridge Casino where they will receive \$16 Balloons and a show ticket to "Legends in Concert" at 7:30 p.m. in the Palace Theatre. The cost per person is \$35.
For reservations and information call Jerry Kamen at 908-687-9120 days or 908-277-1953 evenings. RSVP by Monday, mail checks to 2824 Morris Ave., Union, 07083. Limited to bus capacity.

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Route 78 the scene of three calls

FIRE BLOTTER

Springfield
Firefighters responded to three separate calls along Route 78 on May 23.
At 7:33 a.m., firefighters responded to Route 78 West for a motor vehicle accident with injuries, and again at 8:53 a.m. before another report at 8:53 a.m. for a truck fire in the express lane.

• Firefighters responded to a Morris Avenue apartment for a medical service call before responding at 11:54 a.m. to a Linden Avenue apartment complex for a medical service call. A report of an activated fire alarm was taken at 3:49 p.m. to a Lenape Road residence.

• Firefighters responded to a Morris Avenue residence for a medical service call before a 10:17 a.m. report at a Route 22 East business for a medical service call, and another one at 12:08 p.m. at an Edgewood Avenue residence. A report of an activated fire alarm was taken at 3:49 p.m. to a Lenape Road residence.

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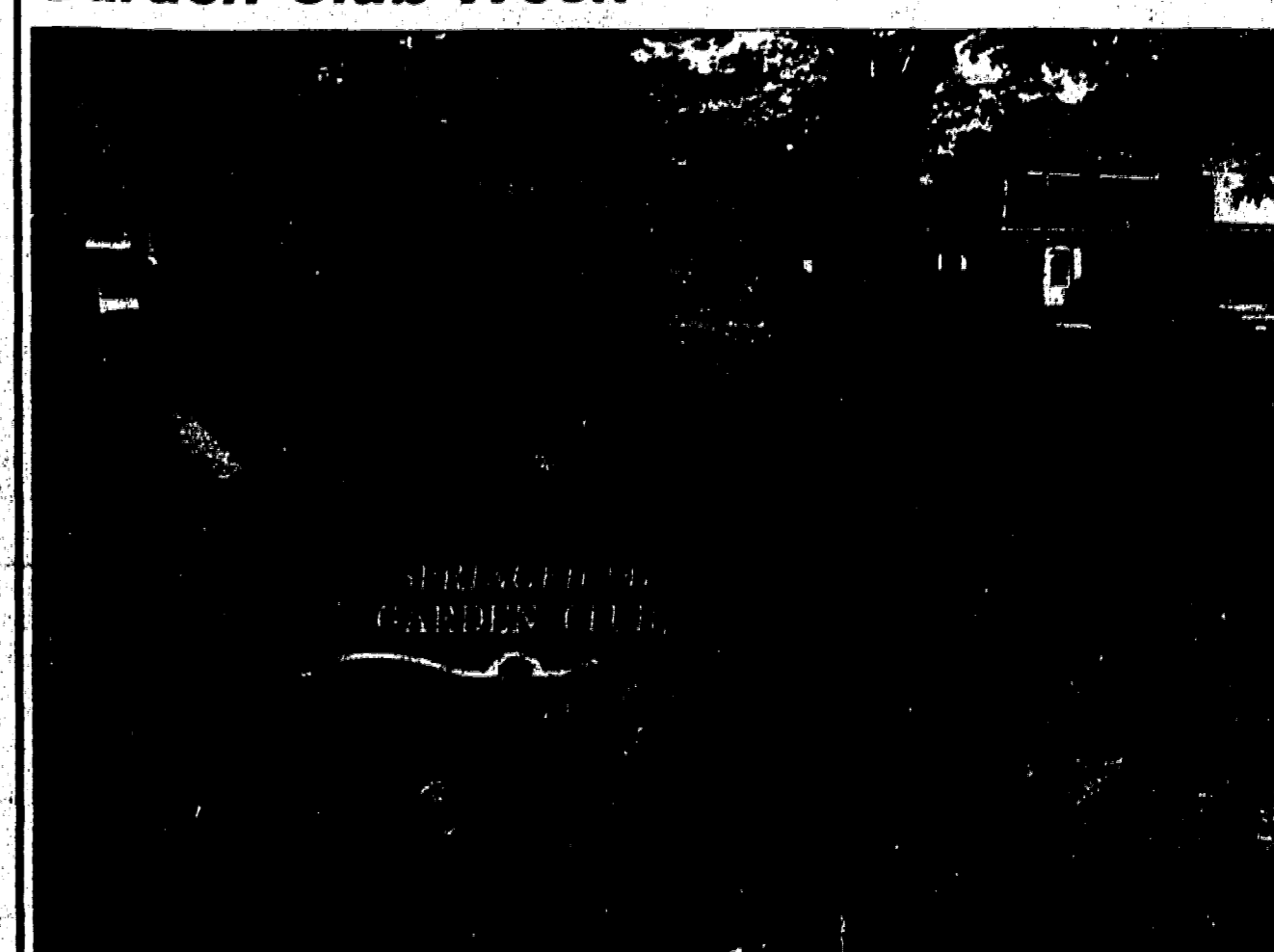
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Garden Club Week



Springfield Garden Club members, from left, Elayne Colicco, Elaine Lehman, Dorothy DeGaetano and Janet Thiemeberger work in the garden at Springfield Public Library. National Garden Week is June 5-1. Look for green and white balloons or ribbons at the civic gardens created and maintained by local garden clubs.

Burglary reported at Academy Green

There was a report of a burglary on Academy Green on Sunday. A storm window was broken and the frame was brought to headquarters for evidence.

POLICE BLOTTER

• Police received a report of the theft of six lugnuts from a 2003 Honda, parked along the 100 block of Morris Avenue on May 26.

• A 2004 green Dodge was reported stolen from the Loews movie theater on Route 22 east at 4:15 and 6:15 p.m. on Saturday.

• On Friday, there was a report of \$200 cash stolen from a locker at Bally's health and fitness club on Route 22 east.

• Marco Cantos-Lopez, 37, of North Plainfield was arrested Saturday at 8:10 p.m. for driving while under the influence at Route 22 west and Justin Place, police said.

• A tire and rim were reported stolen Monday from a red 2003 Nissan parked along Washington Avenue. The incident occurred sometime between Friday and Monday.

• Rodney Bostic Sr., 62, of Plainfield was arrested Friday at 8:15 p.m. for driving while under the influence at Route 22 west and Justin Place, according to police.

• Kyle Glunk, 21, Jamie Filippone, 19, and Paul Cosme Jr., 19, all of Springfield, were arrested and charged with possession of a handgun Monday.

• On Saturday at 7 p.m., there was a report of an attempted motor vehicle theft at Loews Theater on Route 22 east. The victim did not notice the attempted theft until returning home where he found damage to the underside of the door lock.

Living wills the topic of Tuesday workshop

When the Rev. Elaine Weng, pastor of Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, and Congregate Sharon Santiago of Springfield attended a recent workshop at Overlook Hospital on Palliative Care, their eyes were opened to the consequences of not having an Advance Directive or one that is either too vague or restrictive in its language.

These wishes are:
• "The person I want to make care decisions for me when I cannot";
• "The kind of medical treatment I want or don't want";
• "How comfortable I want to be";
• "How I want people to treat me";
• "What I want my loved ones to know." These wishes are suitable for persons of all ages to discuss.

The women's newfound awareness has led to the church offering a workshop open to the all ages 18 years or older on Tuesday, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The workshop, "Advance Directive: What's In It For Me?" will be led by Dr. John Gregory, chairperson of the Bio-Ethics Committee and director of Palliative Care at Overlook Hospital.

The church is encouraging singles, couples, family and friends to attend the June workshop together. A \$5 donation per person will be encouraged to cover the cost of hand-out materials. Pre-registration is requested by calling 973-376-1695.

We learned from case studies how certain language commonly used in a Living Will or Advance Directive often worked against a person's intentions because the words were outdated by medical advances and procedures that typically return a patient to a productive life," they explained.

The church is located at the far back end of Church Hill near the intersection of Morris and Mountain avenues in Springfield.

Brownie troop helps to beautify Springfield library

A Brownie troop, the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Troop 31 helped beautify Springfield Free Public Library in their community planting project in the beginning of May. The flowers were donated by Maplewood Nurseries. All the Brownies involved are in the first grade.

Author of 'Forgotten victory' to speak on Sunday

The project is another notch on the belt of these budding naturalists — they've also been camping, and are involved with nature, outdoor activities and digging in the dirt. The girls will receive a community service badge for their efforts.

A closing year ceremony and pizza party will be tonight, when they will receive all their badges for the year and advance to second year Brownies.

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A lack of openness

While the decision to reduce the defeated Springfield school budget by \$200,000 has already been decided by the Township Committee and the result is said and done, what hasn't been said was how Township Committee members came made their decision.

The questionable closed session the Township Committee members conducted on the night they made their decision prevented anyone from the public from finding out the thoughts of their elected officials on an issue that sharply divided the town.

Whether people in the community didn't want a single cent cut from the school budget or preferred millions of dollars chopped out, they all deserved to hear how the members of the Township Committee reached their decision. But they didn't hear it that night, nor did they hear anything the night before when the committee heard comments from the public during a meeting at the high school.

Closed sessions — which are allowed when governing bodies are discussing litigation, personnel or negotiation matters — are probably the most abused and misinterpreted laws in the state. There's no better example than the Springfield Township Committee's executive session to discuss the defeated school budget.

The public is entitled to hear how their elected officials reached this decision. The closed meeting conveniently prevented that.



A GRAND SLAM — Amy B. Mansue, president and chief executive officer of Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside recently welcomes Somerset Patriots Manager and former Yankees player, Sparky Lyle, left, and members of the Somerset Patriots, Newark Bears and Newark Bears ball clubs to announce a grand slam. Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation will host celebrations at the Somerset Patriots, Newark Bears and Trenton Thunder on June 9. Game time is 7:05 p.m. Tickets to benefit the foundation may be ordered by calling 908-301-5457 or visiting www.forchildrens.org.

Welcome aboard

The hiring of Elizabeth Cresci as the new principal at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield, effective July 1, marks an important turning point for the district. As long-time principal Charles Serson retires from his position after many years of service, Cresci has the ability to bring a fresh perspective to the school and continue the success Serson had earned during his tenure.

As the third person in an administrative position to come from the Highland Park School District during the past year, Cresci comes to Springfield with a strong background in fostering academic success among the students she serves, as evidenced by her extensive educational experience.

A louder voice

Whether it's state or federal government, local school boards seem almost constantly saddled with requirements and mandates that are not accompanied by adequate, and in some cases zero, funding.

Educators across the nation have been up in arms since the passage of the federal No Child Left Behind Act in 2002. No Child Left Behind has caused an uproar not only in New Jersey, but nationwide. In Utah, the governor signed a bill allowing state officials to ignore the federal requirements that clash with state programs, even though that action could cost the state federal dollars.

The National Education Association, the largest teachers' and school employees' union in the nation, has filed suit against the federal Department of Education, claiming that NCLB is underfunded by \$27 billion.

Though school administrators and teachers' union are likely critics of programs that would try to tie funding to test scores or other quantitative measures, NCLB is the typical unfunded mandate that school boards always must deal with, in the face of escalating property taxes and annual costs. Whether it's the feds not coming up with their required share of special education costs or the state requiring districts to bus students, there are numerous mandates that are not supported by funding. So it ends up coming from property taxes.

The goals of the No Child Left Behind are admirable: they raise standardized test scores and ensure qualified teachers for all children. But school administrators in nearly every district have complained about the costs and resources tied up in the bureaucracy of all the federal requirements.

In Cranford, the Board of Education unanimously passed a resolution last week urging the New Jersey Attorney General to seek legal relief from the federal government's requirements. School boards in Mountainside and Springfield should seriously consider doing the same, banding together to generate a louder voice that will be heard in Washington, D.C.

"The concept that government may restrict the speech of some elements of our society in order to enhance the relative voice of others is wholly foreign to the First Amendment."

— Buckley vs. Valeo U.S. Supreme Court opinion 1976

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Highway is dangerous enough

To the Editor: Most would have to agree that Route 22 is one of the more dangerous roads traveled in Union County, and perhaps within the state. What with cars and trucks entering from all sides, some even traversing lanes to get to their destination and, of course, those foolish pedestrians who attempt crossing Route 22 at all hours of the day, including rush hours. It makes driving this road a variable obstacle course and unless your eyes are peeled to your immediate surroundings, you could be headed for trouble.

With that in mind, how can the Township of Springfield permit Autoland to erect a "video" billboard with bright flashing lights that can only be targeted for the attention of passing drivers. And now, today, there are two such signs and soon, I'm sure, there will be five or 8 or 15; for how can you grant the erection of such a sign to one merchant and discriminate against another?

Isn't the enormous American flag enough for Autoland to advertise their location? Soon, Route 22 will be a drive-through video game, sure to grab the attention of drivers and take their eyes away from other obstacles that Route 22 produces, only to increase the accident and/or death rate that already exists. I've been a resident of Springfield for 35 years and am disturbed by how easily such pollutants can be approved. Don't let this continue. In fact, don't let it be.

Phyllis Landow Springfield

Biased stance toward school system

To the Editor: Am I the only one who is getting tired of this newspaper's biased stance toward the Springfield school system? Last week the Echo Leader staff wrote a scathing editorial toward the Springfield Township Committee stating that they did not feel the committee cut enough out of the school budget. Two hundred thousand dollars is not enough? Yes, the budget was defeated by a 60/40 margin but the 350-vote difference as a percentage of the 5,000 plus registered voters is less than a percentage point. Why does the Echo Leader have a problem with the town trying to roll out a new dynamic initiative? Don't the children of Springfield deserve the opportunity to receive the best education possible? The only fact the newspaper got right is that the program is new and different and would have required an additional \$5 out of each taxpayer's pocket. Did anyone on the Echo Leader staff read any of the many research articles praising the benefits of an in-school laptop program?

I think the decision reached by the committee was extremely dynamic. Yes, the budget failed and yes the laptops were probably the reason. But look at the outcome. As a result of a well thought out approach, the school gets to try out the new initiative with two grades — if there are observable benefits hopefully the program will continue. Maybe I am being naive but I am willing to pay approximately \$2.50 this year to see what the results will be.

The Echo Leader states that they can't imagine how frustrated the homeowners are. Where did they come up with that one? Did they ask the same two outspoken residents who complain every year, did they draw their own conclusions even though they don't own a house, have children or pay real estate taxes or did they actually conduct a survey in towns? Something to think about when we read their biased opinions in the future.

Gary Bachman Springfield

Our taxes keep our town pleasant

To the Editor: I am angry that fellow resident, Harry Pappas, calls our Township Committee members "useless coconuts" in response to the recent \$200,000 budget cut. I am also growing weary of Hazel Hargrove's "woolly county" in which she complains about tax money being spent for services in Springfield. Her pet peeve is the jitney to the train station.

I would like to thank the Township Committee for their stewardship. My family moved here four years ago. Coming from the South, it was very difficult finding a community in New Jersey or New York, offering everything we needed. We settled in Springfield because it offered affordable housing, excellent education — the high school is practically a private school — a jitney which brilliantly turned Springfield into a Midtown Direct "train town," virtually no crime, great emergency services, and the lowest taxes with a highly-rated high school. Later, I found out that the library offers wonderfully creative programming. Finally, after some disruption, we now have an innovative superintendent who wants to dig in and prepare our students with valuable, new technology. I understand that we have residents in our community who do not want to pay for these services because they have no use for them. However, the solution to this problem is not to call our committee members obnoxious names and cancel the great service delivery in our town. Our taxes keep our town pleasant, our property values high and prepare our kids for the future. I believe we all share these values. The simple solution for those who do not, is to move to a community which best caters to your needs. By the way, because we have high standards and lower taxes than our surrounding affluent towns, you are going to get a great price for your house.

Even though my husband and I will become empty-nesters in August, I will

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always continue to vote for candidates and school budgets that insist on high quality education in Springfield. It's my civic duty and it's self-serving. I want to live in a town with a government committed to excellence.

Frank Middleberg Springfield

Public should speak beforehand

To the Editor: On May 24 I attended the public meeting of the Springfield Township Committee and I was appalled over the arrogance of several of our elected officials. I found that Clara Harelik is quite impressed with herself. Ken Faigenbaum continues to talk down to anyone who would have the audacity to ask him a simple question and that the real mayor and sixth committee member is Township Attorney Bruce Bergen, who runs most of the meetings. When the subject of the \$200,000 school budget cut came up, most of the committee members went on the defensive patting themselves on the back while Hillside cut their school budget \$1.8 million; Westfield \$725,000 and Rahway \$955,000.

Additionally, I was dismayed to find that the Township Committee has invoked new rules at their public meetings by not allowing residents to speak on any pending item on the agenda before official action is taken. When I served on the governing body we were happy to have residents speak, question and/or suggest anything they wanted on any subject listed on the agenda. Not this bunch of coconuts. This crew wants to stifle residents. Why bother to have a public meeting if one can only speak after the Township Committee has taken official action? Their actions defy all logic and are reprehensible.

There appeared a resolution on the agenda expanding some \$8,200 of public funds. When I asked if I could ask a question, Harelik promptly stated that I could not speak and cut me off. It is precisely these types of government arrogance that gets government officials in trouble with the authorities. I question the legality of not permitting residents to question any spending proposal before the governing body takes official action. Perhaps if government were more open, U.S. Attorney Chris Christie would not have the massive list of indictments and convictions already to his credit. The one question that politicians don't like to answer in Springfield is why on any subject.

When I requested Bergen to review the policy of past years, he flatly refused stating that this portion of the meeting was never open to the public. As usual, he is incorrect. Either he was being less than truthful or he doesn't know what he is talking about or this is what the governing body wants. This crew has changed the format not to permit residents to speak on agenda before any official action was taken. And, they have the nerve to call themselves the keepers of the public trust?

I am again calling upon our elected officials to research their current policy and permit residents to speak on any subject that is listed on the agenda before any official action is taken. Not only do I believe the Township Committee is obligated under the laws of New Jersey, but it also shows respect to our residents who are forced to sit for hours listening to their reverend and unimaginable self-serving rhetoric.

Harry Pappas Springfield

Why not cap county's budget too?

To the Editor: In a recent column, Freeholder Daniel Sullivan states that "To preserve our quality of life, we must develop a better system to fund services." The all-Democrat controlled freeholder board is supporting a tax convention. Hmmm, interesting timing. This comes just weeks after the county announced the budget which has increased \$18.8 million and one week before they hold a public "hearing" on it. As if the freeholders had anything taxpayers have to say.

The million-dollar county public misinformation department that we the taxpayers are footing the bill for is already spinning this in the county's favor. All overblowing politicians not wishing to take responsibility for their actions will publicly insist on the need for a citizens tax convention. That way they get to portray the problem of escalating property taxes as being out of their control. This will be a public relations coup in that they will try to deflect our attention away from their mismanagement, overspending, patronage jobs, pension padding, no-bid contracts to political contributors, etc.

The county has raised taxes about 50 percent in the past five years. Has your town seen your county services increase 50 percent? The state has imposed a spending cap on school budgets. Why not do the same for county budgets which now? Do we need a tax convention to accomplish this? Will a convention force our elected officials to look at the line on spending, which is the real culprit?

Only a healthy democracy can solve our tax problem. When was the last time you read an informative press release from the county regarding your ever increasing tax bill? If you want to control your tax bill, start demanding the truth and accountability from your elected officials. Democracy is not free, it is something that has to be fought for and protected every day by each citizen or we all pay the price for it. We must force politicians to act for the good of the people and not themselves.

That may take a revolution not a tax convention.

Tim Kozma Cranford

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Elks honor D'Alessio



Springfield-Hillside Elks BPOE Lodge 2004 officers and members recently honored Sgt. Pasquale "Pat" D'Alessio, a member of the U.S. Army National Guard and lodge member at a dinner held in his honor. He recently returned from a tour of duty in Cuba. At the presentation are, from left, his mother, Mrs. Marie D'Alessio, Elks Veterans Committee chairman; D'Alessio; Brian Hopkins, Elks district deputy, and Elks ECD Vice President Rich Zaack.

EVENTS

Rosary Society meets

Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 300 Central Ave. in Mountainside offers a Rosary and Novena on Monday at 7 p.m., followed by a 7:30 p.m. Mass for living members, by the Rev. John McCrone. A pot luck supper and installation of new officers will take place at 8 p.m. All are invited.

In-store book fair sponsored by St. James

The Home School Association of St. James the Apostle School in Springfield and Barnes & Noble are teaming up to have an in-store book fair for students, families and friends of St. James.

Adult swing dance offered at Trailside

Adults 18 and older are invited to join "Star Performer" director of Swing Dance Plus in Mountainside, for an evening of music and dance under the stars at the Skytop pavilion in the heart of the Watchung Reservation at Trailside Nature & Science Center, 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside on June 18 from 8 to 10 p.m.

Trip to Atlantic City planned by B'nai B'rith

B'nai B'rith of Springfield plans trip to Atlantic City at the Claridge Casino Hotel on June 26. The package includes breakfast and brunch at Bagel 'n' Brioast, 222 Mountain Ave., Springfield, next to

Church Mall street fair coming in September

The second Church Mall Street Fair will be in Springfield on Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors and service organizations are encouraged to reserve a space at the Fair now. Space is limited so the event can move indoors in case of inclement weather. Approximately 20, 10x10 spaces are still available. This street fair is different from most in that the focus is on encouraging stronger, healthier communities as a way of honoring the lives of those persons who died on Sept. 11, 2001. The community groups represent a wide array of non-profit and social service organizations that help people, animals and the environment in our area. Not only can the public learn about services available to them in Union County, they can also learn about ways they can help their community.

Admission to the Fair is free.

The Kid's Zone will offer old-fashioned carnival type games and make-your-own-craft tables. Food, music, a community stage and a brief time of remembrance for 9/11 will be featured during the day. Vendors and community group displays are spaced along Church Mall and Academy Green Street in Springfield. Community organizations and local businesses interested in performing on the stage are also asked to respond to this invitation. Organizers are hoping to draw dance troupes, youth or college performers, martial arts, acrobats and other groups who may wish to demonstrate their skill onstage.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

BAPTIST

EVANGELISM-BAPTIST-CHURCH "SERVING CHRIST IN THE 21st CENTURY" - 342 Shoups Ln., Springfield, 9:30 AM Bible School for all ages - Nursery through Senior Spanish Sunday School 9:30 am and 5:30 pm - 6:30-7:30 PM AWAHA Club Program for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Service & Nursery care. Wednesday: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study; Senior/Senior Plus Ministry; Adult Bible Study; Bible Study; Music Program; Family Partners; Child Care provided with assistance. All are invited and 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 ABRAHAM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, 973-374-0319. Mark Malach, Rabbi; Richard Nadel, Cantor; Marilyn Oren, President. "Beth Abraham" is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekly services Mon-Fri, 7:00 AM Shema. Times: 7:45 PM Shabbat (Friday) 6:00 PM & 8:30 PM Shabbat day 9:30 AM & sunset; Sunday, 8:30 AM. Festival & Holiday services 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (diversity) meets on Sunday and Tuesday. There are adult classes for both High School and pre-Sabbath School. Concerts are held in the synagogue and at the Pridmore House. The synagogue also sponsors a Pre-Sabbath School's Luncheon. Men's Club, youth groups for sixth through twelfth graders, and a "Baby Adult" Education program. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

JEWISH-ORTHODOX

CONGREGATION TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM OF SPRINGFIELD 339 Mountainside Avenue, Springfield, 973-467-9666. Chela Marcus, Rabbi; Alan J. Yankel, Cantor; Rebecca Greenfield, President. Congregation includes a Modern Orthodox synagogue. There are two daily weekday morning Minyan at 6:15 am and 7:00 am. Daily weekday Minyan/Maariv services are also held. Contact this office for details. There are two Shabbat morning services at 7:30 am and 9:30 am, as well as Jewish Congregation at 9:30 am. The Nursery School conducts classes for children aged 2 1/2 to 4 A

METHODIST

SPRINGFIELD - IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (UMC), is a faith community led by God's love for all people. Join us for Sunday worship which begins with the entire congregation at 10:30 AM before children exit for Sunday School. Express God's presence and strength through outreach activities. Beginning and experienced vocalists and musicians are invited to participate in the music ministry led by professional musicians Ginny Johnson and James Johnson. Bible study, prayer, youth group and fellowship events enable all to grow in their faith. EUMC is located at the far back end of Church Mall, near the intersection of Church and Academy Avenues, Springfield. Call 973-376-1695 for more information.

UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST

UNITARIAN CHURCH IN SUMMIT, 4 Walden Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, 908-273-3565. www.unum.org. Rev. Victoria Smith, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekly Masses: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

LUTHERAN

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountainside Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 973-379-4525. Fax 973-379-3887. Rev. Markson, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 a.m. For information about our midweek children, men, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, Springfield, 973-379-4320. Sunday School Classes for ages 2yrs. - 6th grade 9:00 a.m. at our Parish House; Sunday morning worship service 10:15 a.m. Children's Church is held during the worship service. Nursery care and facilities are provided. Opportunities for personal growth, stewardship, Christian Education, Child, ongoing church activities, and Fellowship. Holy Communion is held the 1st Sunday of every month. The Ladies Evening Group meets Wednesday each week. 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday of which all rooms are handicapped accessible.

EDUCATION

Preschoolers sought for special ed services

Disabled preschoolers aged 3 to 5 who are in need of special education and related services are being sought by the Springfield school district. Preschool children with disabilities demonstrate delays in cognition, speech, language, vision, hearing, motor or social/emotional development. Springfield offers a program for preschool disabled youngsters called SPROLLT, Springfield School Readiness Opportunities for Unique Learners.

Anyone who knows a preschooler who may be eligible for this program, may call the Springfield school district, Department of Special Services at 973-376-0948 to request an evaluation of the youngster.

Red Cross offers life-saving courses

The local Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross,

321 Elm St., Westfield, has announced its spring health and safety course schedule.

To register or for information on any of the following courses and programs, call 908-232-7090. Unless otherwise noted, all courses will take place in the chapter house. First aid kits and supplies are for sale at the Chapter house.

Infant CPR teaches how to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in infants. The fee is \$35. The course will be today from 9:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Education foundation offers T-shirts for sale

The Springfield Education Foundation

is selling two different shirts, a tank top and T-shirt, to honor Springfield. These shirts are an original design just for the township of Springfield. All funds raised from the sales of these shirts will benefit the Springfield Education Foundation.

Youth and adult tanks are available for \$10 each, youth and adult T-shirts are available for \$12.

Those who are interested in purchasing a T-shirt can make a check payable to: Springfield Education Foundation, Attn: Laura Delia and place it in your child's backpack.

Any orders placed will be sent back to you through your child's backpack before the last day of school.

All orders must be paid in full. Once the order is placed, there will be no refunds or exchanges. If you would like to see samples of the shirts they will be available during the selling period. For information, call Laura Delia at 973-467-2226.

Registration opens for 2005 swim team

Springfield Recreation Department offers swim team 2005 registration. To register, call 973-912-2277 or mail to: Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield, 07081.

Fees are \$35 for the first child; \$30 for each additional child, payable to "Township of Springfield," and \$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 made up of children ages 8 and younger who need a little more instruction and guidance. These participants initially must be able to demonstrate 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 them.

Coaches will assess the participants in an informal tryout within the first few weeks of practice.

Coaches will determine which group the child belongs in or if they must participate in swim lessons in place of being on the team for the remainder of the season.

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

Scrapbooking 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

RECREATION

the Recreation Office at 908-232-0015.

Learn how to create cards for all occasions

Make your own greeting cards, birthdays, holidays or any occasion, at a greeting card class Friday at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East, Mountainside.

Classes are for adults, and the registration fee is \$14 per person.

Get in the swim

Summer will soon be here, and pool memberships are still available for the award-winning Mountainside Community Pool. The barrier-free facility features a 50-meter pool, a separate diving tank, the zero-depth wading pool, a snack bar and picnic grove.

The pool is scheduled to open on June 11, and registration for the first session of swim lessons will begin on 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 Mountainside Department of Recreation at 908-232-0015 for details.

Summer Youth Tennis Team takes off

Get your racquet ready. A town tennis team for boys and girls ages 10 to 17 is planned for this summer. Intermediate and advanced players can participate.

Matches will be scheduled with teams from surrounding towns. Practices and matches will be conducted on weekday afternoons. Registration has begun. Detailed information will be available at the Recreation Office. The session will run until June 16.

STUDENT UPDATE

Dubno awarded degree from Skidmore College

Andrew Ross Dubno of Mountainside was among the students at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., awarded bachelor's degrees at the college's 94th commencement May 21 at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. He received a degree in philosophy.

Fischer a magna cum laude graduate at WPU

Nicole J. Fischer of Mountainside graduated magna cum laude from William Paterson University with a bachelor of arts degree from the College of Arts and Communications. A member of the Lambda Pi Eta National Honor Society, Fischer will continue her studies at New York University for a M.A.T. in Childhood Education. She is the daughter of Thomas G. Fischer of Livingston and Deborah Szurley of Wanque.

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'My Sister's Keeper' to be discussed

The Good Books Discussion Group of Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will meet today at 7 p.m. to discuss "My Sister's Keeper" by Jodi Picoult.

AT THE LIBRARY

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Books discussion group meets Thursdays

Once a month, the Great Books Discussion Group meets to examine the great books of our civilization. The spring selections range from essays to fiction.

Lunchtime Video offers 'Song & Dance'

Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., will begin its Lunchtime Video Series, "Song & Dance," on Tuesday at noon.

Public Notice

All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sale.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

Women's knitting group welcomes newcomers

The Women's Association of the Community Presbyterian Church of Mountaineers would like to celebrate new beginnings by welcoming all new babies in the area with a handmade gift of a baby bonnet.

Newcomers Club offers new member coffee

The Mountaineers Newcomers Club announces the following activities: New member coffee — A new member coffee will be today at 8 p.m. at Anne Eicke's home.

Public Notice

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT TAKE NOTICE that on the 21st day of June 2005, at 8:00 o'clock p.m., a hearing will be held at the Springfield Free Public Library.

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Public Notice

By Irene Knapp Saporta to review nullification of building permits on January 5, 2005 of building permits issued October 14, 2004 in connection with the addition of a sun room to an existing single family residence.

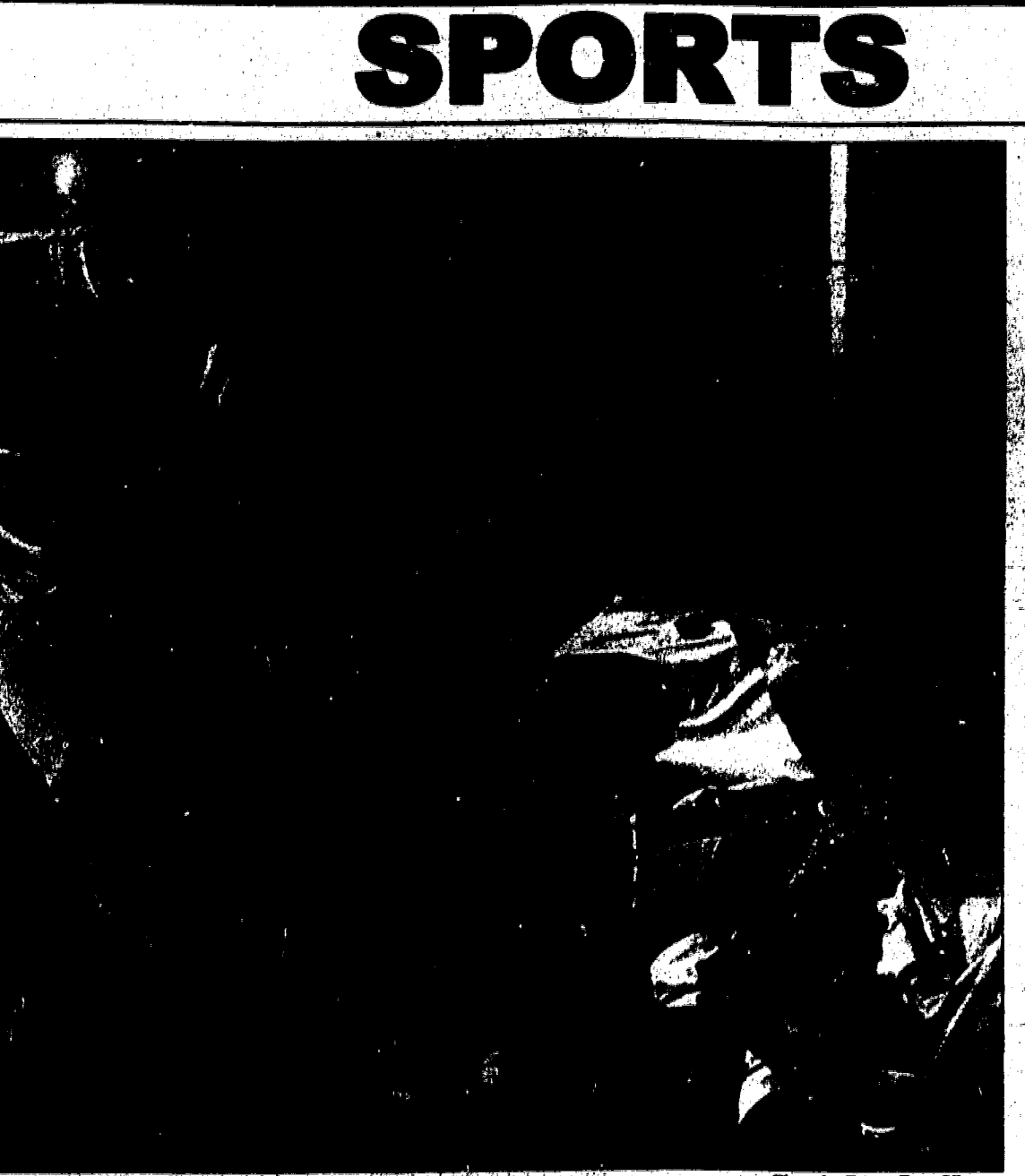
Public Notice

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SPORTS

Summit tennis wins 2.2

The Summit High School boys' tennis team did well to reach the Group 2 state championship match for the second time in three years.



Dayton will host New Providence tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the Central Jersey, Group 1 final.

Summit, M. Lakes sought title game

SUMMIT - Two of the finest boys' lacrosse programs in the state are on a collision course. Wins by Summit and Mountain Lakes in yesterday's semifinals would put them in the second annual Group 1 championship game Saturday.

Dayton baseball is one win away from winning section

Dayton and New Providence split regular season games, with the Bulldogs winning 2-1 in New Providence on April 9 and losing 11-8 at home on May 9.

Bulldogs among best

The Governor Livingston boys' track and field team captured the North 2, Group 2 title at Whippany Park last weekend, while Summit was second.

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OBITUARIES

Joan L. Zisa
Joan L. Zisa, 68, of Springfield died May 22 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Rosina Schieppe
Rosina Schieppe, 76, a lifelong resident of Summit, died May 26 at home.

Robert Camporine Jr.
Robert A. Camporine Jr., 75, of Mountainside died May 20 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Thomas Williams
Thomas Kniley Williams, 91, of Whiting, formerly of Summit, died April 28 in Keswick Pines, Whiting.

Rita O. Kentz
Rita O. "Obie" Kentz of Spring Lake and Vero Beach, Fla., a retired teacher in Summit, died May 22 in Wall Township.

Lorraine Ford
Lorraine Ford, 74, of Port St. Lucie, Fla., formerly of Mountainside, died May 23 at home.

Susie W. Gast
Susie W. Gast, 89, of Princeton, formerly of Summit, died May 21 in the Acom Assisted Living, Princeton.

Ella Speisel
Ella Speisel, 94, of Summit died May 27 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Catherine Ingate
Catherine Ingate, 95, of Bridgewater, formerly of Springfield, died May 28 in Somerset Medical Center, Somerville. Born in Newark, Mrs. Ingate lived in Springfield most of her life.

Christine L. High, Betty Sue L. Reed and Nancy L. Spears, two stepdaughters, Judy G. Plath and Linda G. Bayha; a stepson, Jerry A. Gast, 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Miss Schieppe was a cafeteria worker at Summit Middle School for 39 years before retiring last January. Surviving are three sisters, Julia and Jeanette Schieppe and Ann DeLuca, and a brother, John.

Mr. Camporine was a graduate of the former Jersey City State College and served in the Navy Reserve, retiring in 1993. He was a member of the Police Benevolent Association Auxiliary and the Elks Lodge, both in Mountainside. Surviving are his wife, Paula; a son, Robert A. III; two brothers, Victor and Jerry, and three grandchildren.

Mr. Williams was a graduate of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va. He was a member and worshipful master of the Atlas Pythagoras lodge 10 F&AM for many years and a member of both the Atlas Chapter in Westfield and Pearl Chapter in Dover of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Kentz was a teacher in the foreign language department of the Oak Knoll School in Summit for more than 30 years before retiring. She also worked on the faculties of Seton Hall University, South Orange, and the Benedictine Academies in Paterson and Elizabeth.

Mr. Ford was a member of the United Jewish Appeal of New Jersey and the Union County chapter of Hadassah.

Mrs. Speisel lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Summit four years ago. She was a member of the United Jewish Appeal of New Jersey and the Union County chapter of Hadassah.

Mrs. Ingate was a member of TWIGS, the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary, and the Summit Parent-Teachers Association, where she served as president from 1955 to 1956. She was active with the Calvary Episcopal Church, Summit. Mrs. Gast was a member of the Altar Guild and the Friday Service Chapter.

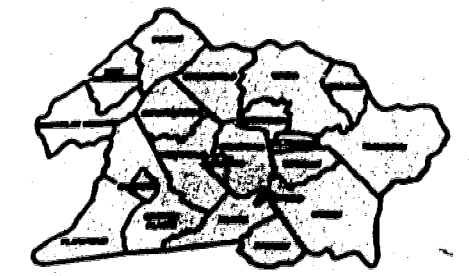
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Surviving are three daughters, Angela Losco and Mary Ann McNeill; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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Summer notes

On Memorial Day: U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine marched in the Summit parade. Last year he did Cranford. This year Cranford had State Sen. Tom Kean Jr., Freeholder Betty Jean Kowalski and Republican Chairman Phil Morin.

Left Out
By Frank Cepece

Work hard play less: A study by Universal Orlando told us what we already knew — we work hard. Turns out the Newark metro area, including Union County, uses the least vacation time of anyone in the country.



The Iron Man nozzle is capable of dispensing 5,000 gallons of water per minute, enough to fill an 18 by 4-foot swimming pool.

Forging water into a sword
By Doug McNamara
Staff Writer

"We can forge that water out there into a mighty sword to fight fire," State Fire Marshall Lawrence Pettilo said at Friday's demonstration of Elizabeth's new Neptune firefighting system at the marina.

Tuesday's primary to determine fall ballot
By Lauren DeFilippo
Staff Writer

In Union County, 13 candidates are seeking the overcast, first hurdle toward a spot on the county's Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Graduates prepare for next step after commencement
By Lauren DeFilippo
Staff Writer

It's "a rainy day outside, but there are a lot of warm hearts inside," Union County College President Thomas H. Brown said just before the school's 71st Commencement exercises May 25.

Budget adopted

The Board of Chosen Freeholders unanimously accepted the more than \$390 million county budget during its meeting May 26.

Others had what Freeholder Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella called "constructive comments."

Paterson, who ran for a freeholder as a Republican last year, was asked to leave by Freeholder Chairman Rick Proctor and County Counsel Robert Barry after making what they called accusations about members of the freeholder board.

The multimillion-dollar budget includes \$12.5 million in higher taxes for county residents, even though rates in the county — tax revenue-generating properties — have increased approximately \$13 million in the last two years.

Average property tax increases range from \$13 in Clark to \$194 in Mountainside, while New Providence residents will see a \$22 decrease.

The budget adopted last week was also roughly \$16 million more than the executive budget introduced by County Manager George Devaney in January.

Since then, \$12 million in state and federal grants had been awarded to county.

Cost-saving measures like the privatization of the print shop was estimated to save the county \$4 million, and initiatives like reducing employee travel, downsizing the county's fleet of automobiles, were highlighted by the administration.

At the meeting, Devaney also pointed out that Runnells Specialized Hospital, for the first time in its history, has actually experienced a profit, which had a positive impact on the budget.

Finance Committee Chairman and Freeholder Daniel Sullivan again echoed his statements from the April 28 meeting, when the budget initially was introduced by the board, saying that a number of the 25 new positions allotted in the new budget — more than half — would be public safety related. He also cited rising insurance costs as a prime reason why the budget had been so large.

"We were basically in a hole of about \$15 million before we even got started," he said.

"These are very difficult budget times," he said. "The state is faced with a many billion dollar debt."

The problems of increasing property taxes is not particular to Union County he said, noting that every municipality and county in the state faced a similar challenge.

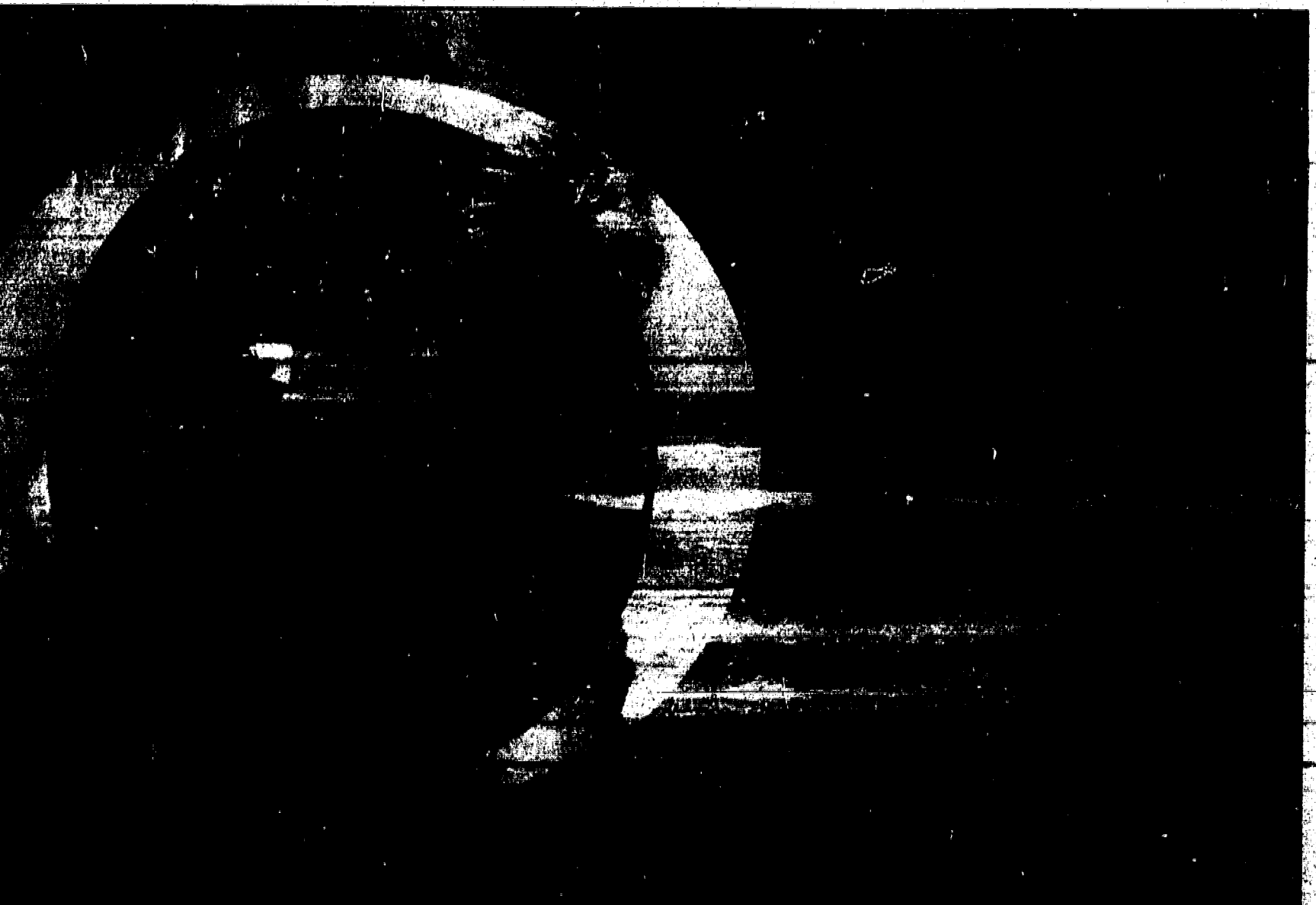
"That being said, we're going to continue to work throughout the year an into next year to make sure we can deliver services at the best price possible," Sullivan said.

Albert Ott of Summit, other Republicans, Pete Peterson of Summit, and Jeff Katz, former mayor of Springfield, are running on the Best 2005 line, hoping to improve the ballot position of gubernatorial candidate, and former Jersey City Mayor Bret Schneider.

County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi is also seeking re-election for a five-year term while Saunders Spector, the Republican chairwoman in Plainfield, filed for the GOP nomination.

In the governor's race, Union County Republicans will have their choice of seven candidates: Schandler; Doug Forrester; Steve Longgan; Paul DiGaetano; Bob Schroeder; John Murphy; and Todd Calligaris. Forrester was awarded the organization line during the spring convention.

Democrats, on the other hand, only have a choice between three candidates: Jon S. Corzine, James D. Kelly Jr. and Francis Tmaglio.



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Twins Daniel and Ryan Forte watch the demonstration with their uncle, Elizabeth Firefighter Kevin Preston.

Perhaps more amazing than the system itself was the relatively short time it took to coordinate all the agencies involved. "The cooperative effort is amazing," said Elizabeth Fire Chief

Environmentalists want regional not local steps. They also target hot spots who expand their homes.

5,000 watts: It's hard to single out any of the five Cranford Township Commissioners as the most verbose. Newcomer George McDonough is giving it a good shot with his irrelevant quips and painful pauses for effect during the commissioner comments.

Tough guy: It's getting rough in Springfield, PA, President John Cook is still angry with Mayor Sy Mullman. The top cop says he won't let his union be blamed for the battle over the school budget.

Up the road in Summit: Dennis Alocco, complaining about the conditions of recreation fields said, "I want to say that you folks on council, you work for us. And the Board of Education — ensuring the playing fields under your jurisdiction are safe, it is your responsibility."

About the bill: Somebody is going to have to explain the bill to our kids. Last week \$175 million was authorized to permit the Department of Transportation to borrow against future federal highway funds to pay for road work in Cape May County. Acting Gov. Richard Codey also authorized \$75 million in leftover borrowing under the cigarette tax to fund past restoration.

Edward Sisk. In less than a year, he had worked with the six UASI counties, found a vendor and gotten funding.

In particular, Pettilo praised two companies — Kiddie Fire Fighting and National Foam. "Basically, Kiddie stopped production to deliver the equipment under a year."

The \$3.4 million Neptune system was made possible by a federal Urban Area Security Initiative grant through the Department of Homeland Security. Pettilo stressed that "homeland security dollars coming into the state are being spent wisely."

To prepare for the event, the Elizabeth and Union Fire departments trained for six weeks in a cooperative effort.

At the demonstration, both Neptune systems were on display. The day's highlight was the "Iron Man" nozzle, which can dispense 5,000 gallons of water per minute or roughly the amount of water in an 18 by 4 foot swimming pool.

Elizabeth Fire Chief Kevin Preston said that the system was the first in the world to be used for this application, said Pettilo.

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Sgt. Vincent Gagliardi, right, accepts the Investigator of the Year Award from Sheriff Ralph Froehlich and Prosecutor Theodore Romankov.

Sergeant named Investigator of Year

A dedicated Union County Prosecutor's Office detective with a penchant for helping crime victims, tracking down e-bay fraud suspects and drawing crime sketches and cartoons of his co-workers is the recipient of the Investigator of the Year Award.

Sgt. Vincent Gagliardi, who he joined the Prosecutor's Office in 1998 after six years of service with the Union County Sheriff's Department, brought with him an expertise in crime suspect sketches that netted him numerous commendations and certificates for assisting in apprehension of suspects.

"I join the people who work with Sergeant Gagliardi and nominated him to receive the prestigious Pisano Award in saying he certainly deserves this distinction and will join a list of fine detectives who earned it before him," said Prosecutor Theodore Romankov, who presented the honor earlier this month in front of an cheering overflow crowd of colleagues, friends and family.

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"I'm thrilled, I'm honored and I'm proud to say this is not about me but is about being part of a fantastic team that boasts some of the best in law enforcement," said Gagliardi, who has a brand new son with his wife, Susan. During his time at the Prosecutor's Office, he has served in the Identification Bureau, the Arson Unit, the Criminal Case Control Unit, the Pre-disposition Conference Unit and since 1999, in the Special Prosecutions Unit where he has developed expertise in the areas of computer crime and various types of theft and fraud.

"The parents of Alfonso Pisano, Al and Carol, attended the ceremony each previous year to be present for the recognition given in their son's honor although only Mrs. Pisano and her family were present because of Al's illness in recent months. A separate plaque listing the 10 detectives who received it hangs in a special spot in the fourth-floor conference room of the Andrew K. Ruotolo Justice Building in Elizabeth next to the courthouse.

"I have witnessed his dedication to the victims of the crimes he investigates and his undying determination to see they receive the justice they deserve," said one co-worker. Others repeated his continuous charity work, contribution to morale through the office softball team and volunteer work in the community.

"I use my training and the features from faces provided in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Facial Identification Catalogue," said Gagliardi, who is currently assigned to the Special Prosecutions Unit and serves as

UCEDC plans wine tasting, networking event

On June 9, UCEDC, formerly Union County Economic Development Corporation, and Elizabethtown Gas, as the event host, will welcome local business, community leaders and government officials to its first wine tasting and networking event. The wine tasting, sponsored by The Wine Library of Springfield, will provide an opportunity to make new business contacts while sampling wines from all over the world along with h's d'ouevres.

The wine tasting and networking event will take place at the home offices of UCEDC and Elizabethtown Gas, 1085 Morris Ave., Union. The Wine Library anticipates having eight to 10 wine distributors, who will each be offering tastes from a selection of eight to 10 wines. The wine tasting will take place from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. with coffee and dessert to follow until 8:30 p.m. Tickets are available for purchase in advance at a price of \$50 a ticket. Tickets will be available for purchase the evening of the event at a price of \$60. In addition to attending the networking event, businesses and organizations have an opportunity to promote their products and services through advertising in the wine program and journal.

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COUNTY NEWS

Recycling event June 11

The County of Union will sponsor a recycling event for electronics, automotive tires and household special waste on June 11, so that Union County residents can get rid of unwanted tires, toxic household products, computers and other electronic equipment in an environmentally proper manner.

All residents of Union County are eligible to participate at no cost. Computer monitors and televisions are the source of a considerable amount of lead — about 5 pounds per screen. Up to 95 percent of most electronic appliances can be recycled.

Household special waste includes pool chemicals, oil-based paint and varnish, antifreeze, aerosol cans, corrosives, pesticides, herbicides, solvents, thinners, fire extinguishers, motor oil and oil filters, gasoline, batteries, thermostats, unbroken fluorescent bulbs, and mercury switches. Only materials in original or labeled containers will be accepted.

Bias Crimes Officer. "To me it's just unbelievable that something I could draw helps to bring a criminal to justice. That is something that's more rewarding than any award I could hang up on my wall."

Romankov said he is glad Gagliardi assists local departments in cases where they have a good description of an armed robbery, sexual assault or murder suspect. "He's more than willing to provide this invaluable contribution to police agencies and I'm happy loaning his services out to catch dangerous criminals," he said.

One sketch from 2004, for example, depicts the face of a suspect who broke into the home of an elderly woman in Roselle Park and stole a large amount of cash from her.

Since Ruotolo urged Froehlich to appoint the young detective as the county's official sketch artist a decade ago, Gagliardi has completed 200 drawings such as a sketch of the man who killed a candy store clerk in Union and several others that were "dead ringers" for the person later arrested.

CAP training planned

The Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse functions as an autonomous arm of the Union County Board of Elections, which will pick them up for counting. Voters who need absentee ballots should apply as soon as possible to the Office of the County Clerk, Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad St., Room 113, Elizabeth.

Training offered for rape crisis advocates

A special 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 with accompanying survivors through medical or legal proceedings.

Residents with tattered, torn and otherwise damaged American Flags can drop them off at eight Union County locations for proper disposal through June 14, Flag Day.

Drop off American flags

New Jersey households with incomes in the lowest 20 percent pay 9.2 percent of their earnings in property taxes, while the wealthiest 20 percent pay 3.6 percent of their income in property taxes.

Freeholder forum

On the latest "Freeholders Forum" program, Freeholder Chairman Rick Proctor and Freeholder Daniel Sullivan, along with Union County Tax Administrator Christopher Duray, discuss the case for a statewide constitutional convention on property tax reform.

Freeholder forum

The freeholder board recently backed a resolution supporting the idea of a state constitutional convention on property taxes and calling on the Legislature to put this question on the ballot in November.

Public notice

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Musically inclined family uses talent to brighten lives, spread cheer

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

Every day music permeates the Cranford home of Lester, Smith, and as a result, it has reached deep into the hearts of Lester, his wife, Barbara, and their three daughters, Shannon, 9, Alyvia, 7, and Sommer-Leigh, 3.

Lester sings solo or with the four members of his family, Lester and the Sweethearts, and they professionally entertain audiences in assisted living, nursing and rehabilitation and senior housing communities.

During a recent visit with the attractive couple, Lester and Barbara Smith, they explained the importance of music in their family. "Actually," she said,

"It's not about having the show, but teaching them to give and share. It's a serious family hobby and adding the gift of music to their lives."

Lester recalled that he "started in the business a long time ago. My father was a singer, and he always used to sing Gene Autry and Hank Williams songs."

Lester and Alyvia attend Bloomingdale School, both in Cranford. Sommer-Leigh is in pre-school in Kenilworth.

Three weeks ago, Lester and the Sweethearts entertained the senior citizens at Schaefer Gardens in Union. The

following week, Smith by himself charmed and entertained the enthusiastic group.

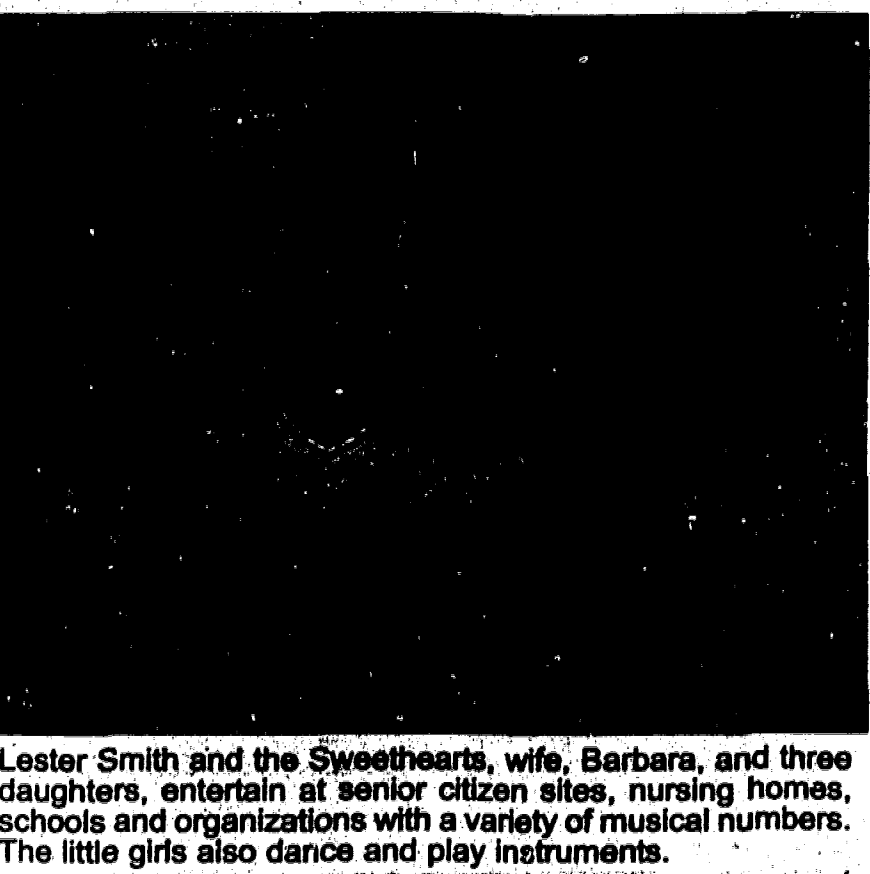
Smith had taught himself the guitar, and after he was married and had children, he played as often as he could around the house. He also played the piano.

"Our children," said Barbara, "have the presence of so much music around. Lester would wake up with a guitar in his hand and play and sing for us while we were having breakfast. It was just a natural thing. I guess the baby was so immersed in music, she also wanted to be a part of it. But it's Lester who has all the talent," she said modestly. "We only enhance it."

The children love to sing, dance and entertain, and their parents do not let the music interfere with their education. Shannon attends Orange Avenue School and Alyvia attends Bloomingdale School, both in Cranford.

Right now, he indicated, "it's all about sharing and keeping the family as one; two of the most important aspects of our lives." They are planning to record another album, which will contain original songs written by Smith.

"There's more to music and entertainment for our children," said Barbara. "First of all, entertaining and working this way keeps the family together. "And it's a wonderful togetherness. Also, the children are exposed to all of humanity, and we teach them compassion, empathy and kindness. In nursing homes, they will approach the people and hug them, which makes all of them happy. And they get more out of this than just the love of music."



Lester Smith and the Sweethearts, wife, Barbara, and three daughters, entertain at senior citizen sites, nursing homes, schools and organizations with a variety of musical numbers. The little girls also dance and play instruments.

Author's book invokes history, memories

By Jeff Cummins Associate Editor

As good as Rudy Marzano's book is, speaking with him is every bit as fascinating. Fifteen minutes into the conversation, it's easier to imagine cutting school for an afternoon ball game and plunking down a nickel at Ebbets Field for a seat in the center field bleachers than it is to think of logging on to some news Web site to find the latest update on the war in Iraq.

Marzano's field of expertise is baseball, and the Brooklyn Dodgers in particular. Seldom has a professional sports franchise had a more profound cultural impact than the Brooklyn Dodgers. Plenty has already been written about the Dodgers, but not the way that Marzano looks at the team.

Marzano, a long-time Maplewood resident, recently published a book titled, "The Brooklyn Dodgers in the 1940s." How Robinson, MacPhail, Reiser and Riskey changed baseball, that conveys in new ways just why the Dodgers had such a pronounced impact on baseball history, and culture.

Marzano brings every asset you could possibly want to this project, aside from a new ballpark that would bring the Dodgers back to Brooklyn. As a former reporter for the Newark News, he was an eyewitness to history, one who used his inquisitive reporter's mind to analyze key events and developments. Marzano also lived in Brooklyn for years, and knew the pulse of the neighborhood the Dodgers left. And as a baseball historian, Marzano saw how the Dodgers shaped baseball as we know it today.

Granted, the signing of Robinson in the history of baseball was 1939 in Ebbets Field. That game was arranged by Larry MacPhail, the president of the Dodgers. MacPhail also arranged for the first night game in the history of baseball a few years earlier with the Reds, so this guy is an important guy.

"The first book was the life of Pete Reiser, but somebody beat me to it," said Marzano. "The publisher told me, 'We like your style. Why don't you do a book on the Dodgers, as a team?' So I did, and I learned things I didn't know." Didn't know? There could be things that Marzano doesn't know

Band plays jazz and more

By Leslie Prentice Correspondent

Urgency pervades Industrial Jazz Group's latest recording titled, "The Star Chamber." Perhaps this urgency is born from the 10-piece, not-quite-jazz ensemble's desire to innovate. Producer, composer, and conductor Andrew Durkin explained, "We call it eclectic music."

"The touring group will bring a collage of musical mastery and syntax to the 12 Miles West Center for the Arts in Bloomfield on June 17. "Eclectic" is a fitting description of Industrial Jazz Group's stylings. While rooted in traditional jazz, the group also takes a note from bebop, American popular music, and even riffs from ragtime swing.

What is so exceptional about this band is the ability of its 10 soloists to seamlessly adjoin as a cohesive and impressive whole, navigating complex passages as an unbroken time signature and bold improvisation without trouble.

Durkin, a native New Jerseyan, is excited about his homecoming tour of the East Coast. "I'm from New Jersey and I lived there till 1995 and at that point I moved out to Los Angeles to go to school and I've been in L.A. since," Durkin said. "This is actually the first opportunity I've had to bring my group back East."

So if you find yourself irked at the traffic on Route 22, or waiting in a long line at the supermarket, trying to find something to do on Saturday, reach about Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt isn't your only option: At the Goldenfich bookstore in Maplewood, Marzano will sign copies of his book from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Marzano is a breath of fresh air, acknowledging that in the old days, reporters at sporting events often created myths and legends, in addition to reporting on the events of the day.

Back then, writers like Grantland Rice made people bigger than life, creating legends such as the Four Horsemen of Notre Dame. Today, of course, we have Stuart Scott of ESPN saying "Boo-ya!" every five minutes.

Among the many figures cited by Marzano in his account of the Brooklyn Dodgers is Branch Rickey, the team's general manager, graduate of the University of Michigan. Rickey was a baseball visionary, signing Jackie Robinson, the first black player to play in the major leagues.

Marzano acknowledges that the '50s era really wasn't all that happy for Brooklyn fans. "The '50s to me, that's the era that Los Angeles fans have taken away from us... the '50s to me, that's the era that Los Angeles fans have taken away from us... the '50s to me, that's the era that Los Angeles fans have taken away from us..."



Rudy Marzano signs a book for a fan at a recent author appearance.

Of all the stadiums ever built in the history of baseball, Ebbets Field is the most important, and the decade of the '40s was the most important decade," said Marzano, who doesn't "munch words." "The first telecast in the history of baseball was 1939 in Ebbets Field. That game was arranged by Larry MacPhail, the president of the Dodgers. MacPhail also arranged for the first night game in the history of baseball a few years earlier with the Reds, so this guy is an important guy."

Players who've been hit by a pitch over the last half-century can also thank MacPhail, who Marzano credited with creating the batting helmet. "In 1940, Jon Madrick, a Hall of Famer out of Carleton, MacPhail's teammate, was honored very seriously," said Marzano. For the non-sports

fans, a bean ball is a pitch that deliberately hits a batter in the head. "MacPhail decided to have a batting helmet designed to protect players. People went to Johns Hopkins and two brain surgeons designed what was the grandfather of today's batting helmets." Yeah, it's a safe bet that any better-than-iced Roger Clemens or Bob Gibson appreciated that invention.

And Marzano blows up possibly the greatest of all sports: That winning guarantee happens. With the Dodgers' winning their first World Series in 1955 and leaving for Los Angeles just a few years later, Marzano acknowledged that the '50s era really wasn't all that happy for Brooklyn fans. "The '50s to me, that's the era that Los Angeles fans have taken away from us... the '50s to me, that's the era that Los Angeles fans have taken away from us..."

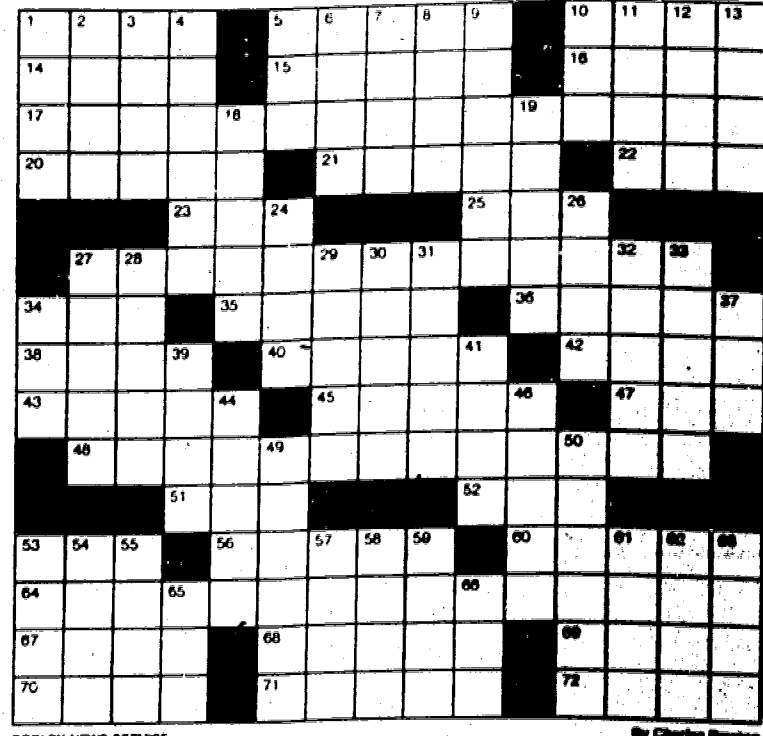
Marzano is currently trying to suffice his past knowledge and music experience as possible, inventing a new "avant-jazz" style in the process. The name, Industrial Jazz Group, created in the spring of 2000, does not necessarily reflect the style of the band. Durkin explained, "That particular name we took on sort of early on and it kind of stuck. We're not industrial, in terms of Nine Inch Nails or electronic music. That word, in the name of the group, was more of a reference to what we do, because, again, it's difficult. Trying to take that stuff and pair it with jazz is a very complicated, something that would still be difficult, but from a musician's perspective..."

As Durkin can expect a glimpse into the future of the band's sound at its Bloomfield and New York shows. "This group is a very exciting, exciting group, one of the best in the world in her style of music. Van Hausten definitely took the prize for very engaging and dramatic, but did not sell herself as would famous. Her vocal quality was a little disappointing, however she did captivate the audience with her artsy costume changes. The show got more provocative with every item peeled off her little frame. "Oh boy did she peel off items of clothing and change character, but she exposed a whirlwind of emotions, brought personality to the stage. Caelen, calm and reserved, and Hausten, bubbly and seductive, complimented one another perfectly, just as did the salsa! Heaters. Van Hausten's performance was a cultural experience and definitely one for people who can take it for what it is. European, without comparing it to more popular art forms. 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What's Going On

FAIR SATURDAY & SUNDAY June 4th & 5th, 2005
EVENT: Harrison's Multicultural Celebration Street Fair
PLACE: Held along Harrison Avenue, Harrison, NJ.

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REUNIONS

- The following schools will conduct reunions in the coming months:
Scotch Plains High School Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, June 11.
Scotch Plains High School Class of 1975, 30-year reunion.
Union High School, Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, 2005.
Union High School, Class of 1995, 10-year reunion, 2005.
Union Hill High School, Class of 1975, 30-year reunion, 2005.
Union High School, Class of 1976, 30-year reunion, 2006.
Union High School, Class of 1981, 25-year reunion, 2006.
Union High School, Class of 1986, 20-year reunion, 2006.
Westfield High School, Class of

1980, 25-year reunion, 2005.
For information on any of the above reunions, write to Reunions Unlimited Inc., P.O. Box 150, Englishtown 07726 or call 732-617-1000.
Hillside High School, Class of 1965, is holding its 40th reunion on June 25.
If anyone has information regarding former students or would like to join the committee, contact Barry Zins at BZins1111@gmail.com.

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THE ARTS

The Music Studio's String Ensemble, a highly successful program this summer, will return for the fall and winter.
Intended for violin, viola, cello and string bass players, the Ensemble will meet on Saturdays from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at 150-152 E. Broad St. The hourly sessions, under the direction of Janet Lyman, will run from October through March at a fee of \$100 for Music Studio students and \$175 for non-students.

Musicians meet at workshop to hone their craft

Area musicians who are looking for an opportunity to fine tune their skills and share their talents have several options available provided by Westfield's New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Music Studio.

Art display in Summit



Above left is 'Legato,' and above right is 'Opposites,' two of the works by artist Robin Tedesco, whose work will be on display at the Domo Gallery in Summit through Saturday. For information, call 908-608-0079.

Book store celebrates Father's Day

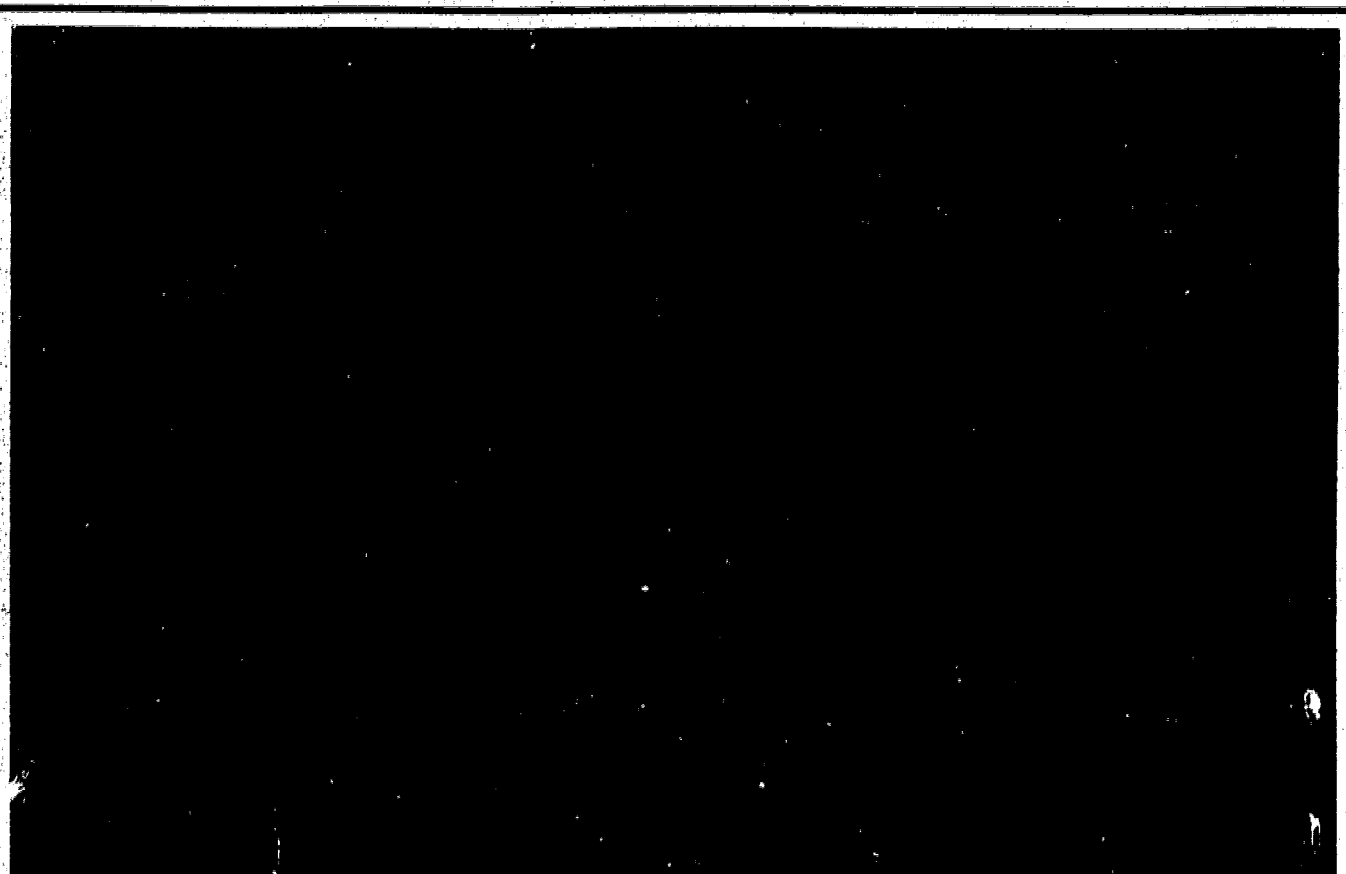
From now through Father's Day, Springfield Barnes & Noble, located at 240 Route 22 West, also accessible via Hillside Avenue, is going to the dogs and cats with various events, featured guests and gift-wrapping at the Springfield Barnes & Noble benefiting the animal welfare efforts of Jersey Animal Coalition.

& Noble on Father's Day from 2 to 3 p.m. There will be a special storytime, as well as balloons, prizes and giveaways. It's also a great opportunity to have dad's photo taken with Spot and the kids.
On June 20 at 11:30 a.m. and June 23 at 11:30 a.m., the Springfield Barnes & Noble will also host special storytimes for toddlers featuring Spot stories and prizes.

Bob DeVos is set to perform in jazz series

In the late 1960s, organist-vocalist sensation Trudy Pitts was a major creator of the organ as a jazz instrument. A few years later she picked a then young Bob DeVos to replace Pat Martino on guitar. Pitts and DeVos toured extensively during the 1970s then went on to their separate careers.

This June, they are playing together once again. The Trudy Pitts-Bob DeVos Organ Trio opens the 40th anniversary of the Newark Museum's outstanding free Jazz in the Garden Series on June 23, noon to 1:45 p.m. This weekend, June 24 and 25, the trio plays at Trumpets Jazz Club in Montclair. They are joined by drummer Bill Drummond. Three sets starting at 8:30 p.m., with a \$15 music charge. Call 973-742-2600 for details.



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Stepping Out

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ART SHOWS

ANDRA SAMELSON will be the focus of an exhibit at the Domo Gallery, 447 Springfield Ave., Summit, through Saturday. For further information, call 908-608-0079. or visit www.domogallery.com

ROBIN TEDESCO will be the focus of an exhibit at the Domo Gallery, 447 Springfield Ave., Summit, through Saturday. For further information, call 908-608-0079. or visit www.domogallery.com

FIRSTLOOK 2005 EMERGING ARTISTS SERIES will continue at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts Maple Street Gallery, 34 Maple St., Summit. Call 908-273-9121 for more information.

"LARGE SCALE WORKS FROM 1990-1994" by Gayle Ruskin-White will be on exhibit at Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. For more information, call 908-709-9155.

A UNION COUNTY ART EXHIBIT will be held at Liberty Hall Center, 1085 Morris Ave., Union, through June 13. For more information, call 908-558-2550.

AN EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS by award-winning realist artist Paul Casale will begin with an opening reception on June 10, from 6 to 10 p.m., June 11 from 1 to 6 p.m., and June 12 from 1 to 4 p.m. at The Framing Center, 9 Eastman St., Cranford. Casale's art combines a 19th century approach to painting with contemporary subject matter. Recent paintings in oils, pastels and watercolors of landscapes, cityscapes, beach scenes and figurative work will be on display. The show will run through Aug. 31.

BOOKS

THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP will meet at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan 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 973-376-6544.

THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" READING GROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

KEAN UNIVERSITY'S OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS and The Star-Ledger have partnered to publish a new book titled "World of Wonder: Exploring the Realms of History, Science, Nature and Technology." The book brings together 40 of the most fascinating subjects surveyed by the World of Wonder series. The book is now available for purchase in the Kean University bookstore and on the Web site of [The Star-Ledger](http://www.nj.com/worldofwonder) at <http://www.nj.com/worldofwonder>.

LARUE SUE BROCKWAY, interfaith minister and wedding officiant, will sign copies of her latest book, "Wedding Goddess: A Divine Guide to Transforming Wedding Stress Into Wedding Bliss" on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. Learn ways to create your own rituals and vows that reflect your values and discover "sage" advice on staying connected with your groom through the craziness. Tell your bride-to-be friends about this special event. For more information, call 973-376-6581. or visit <http://www.nj.com/worldofwonder>.

DOROTHEA BENTON FRANK will sign copies of her book, "Pawleys Island," on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For more information, call 973-376-6581.

DOG BEHAVIORIST KATHY SANTO will sign copies of her book, "DOG SENSE: Everything You Need to Know About Raising, Training, and Understanding the Dog in Your Life," on June 11 at 2 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For more information, call 973-376-6581.

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION WITH SPOT THE DOG! Spend a fun-filled afternoon with Spot the Dog in honor of Father's Day on June 19 at 2 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For more information, call 973-376-6581.

DIANE GOODSPEED will present a biking book geared specifically toward families with young children on June 22 at 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For more information, call 973-376-6581.

SPORTS COLUMNIST MAURY ALLEN will discuss the 1955 Brooklyn Dodgers' World Series win over the New York Yankees on June 23 at 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

For more information, call 973-376-6581.

LOVE A GOOD MYSTERY! Get a sneak peek at the new American Girl Mysteries on June 24 at 4:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

For more information, call 973-376-6581.

SOPHIE KINSELLA will be the subject of July's Chick Lit Book Club on June 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

For more information, call 973-376-6581.

"THE BOOK OF SALT" BY MONIQUE TRUONG will be the focus

of reservations, call 908-522-1501 or send an e-mail to concertscauses@aol.com. Also, visit the Web site, <http://www.coffeewithconscience.com>.

THE COFFEE WITH CONSCIENCE CONCERT SERIES OF WESTFIELD will take place at First United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 E. Broad St., Westfield.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., shows start at 8 p.m. Admission is \$14.

For information and reservations, call 908-522-1501 or send an e-mail to concertscauses@aol.com. Also, visit the Web site, <http://www.coffeewithconscience.com>.

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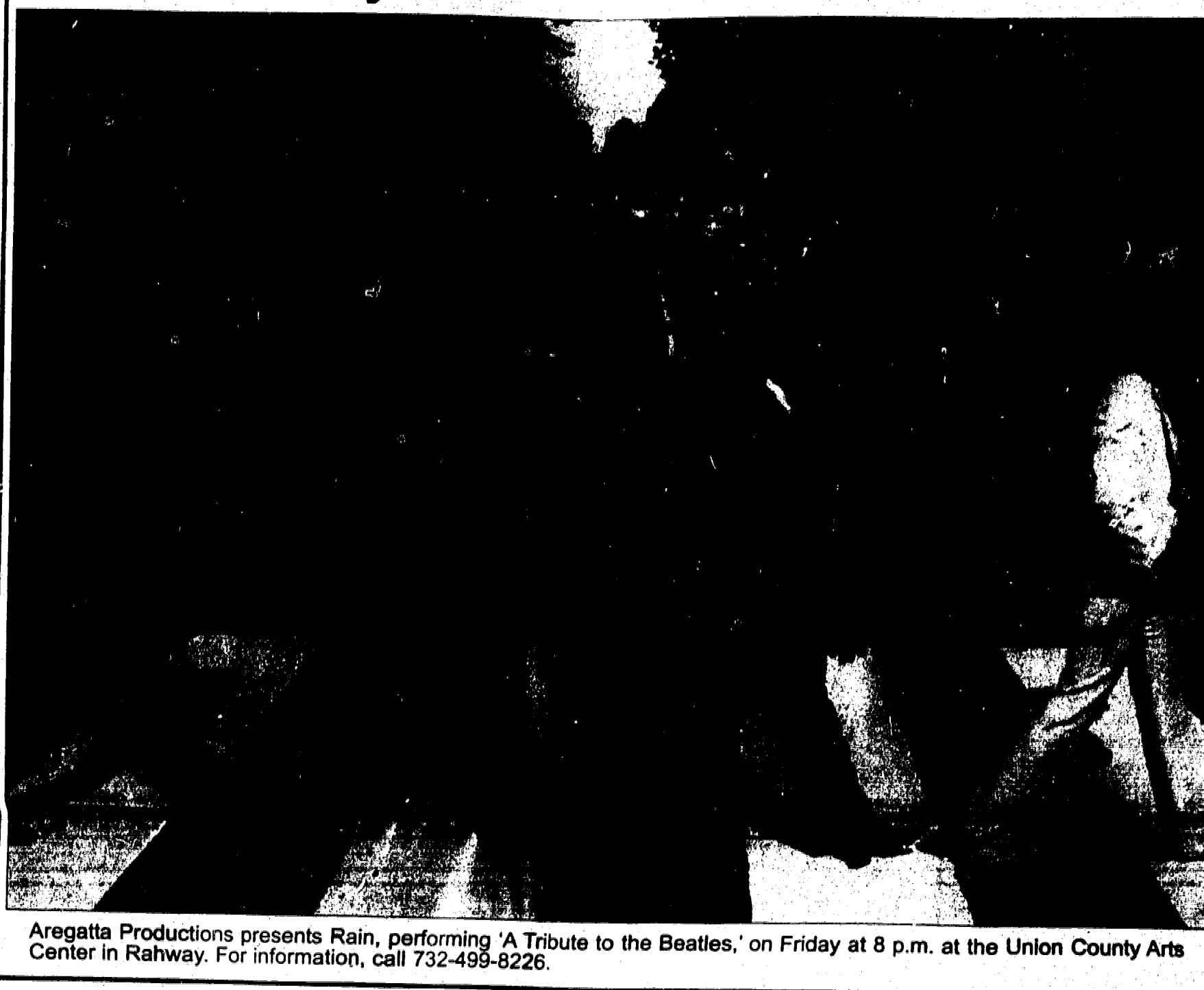
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Return to Abbey Road



Aregatta Productions presents Rain, performing 'A Tribute to the Beatles,' on Friday at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. For information, call 732-499-8226.

of the "Discover" book group on June 29 at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

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CLASS

THE DUCRET SCHOOL OF ART is located at 1030 Central Ave. and is situated on a seven-acre campus in a historic residential area of Plainfield. The school offers full-time and part-time day and evening classes in fine art, graphic design/computer graphics and illustration.

For information about the spring term call 908-757-7171, fax: 908-757-2628, or visit the Web site at www.ducrret.edu for details.

CONCERTS

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

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

MEET THE ORCHESTRA concert series continues at the Suburban Community Music Center, 570 Central Ave., Murray Hill. For the 18th year, the Suburban Community Music Center, in cooperation with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, will host the Meet the Orchestra series for children ages 3 to 8.

For more information, call 908-790-0700.

HOBBIES

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC. meets at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, behind Home Depot on the public Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

For information, call 908-964-9724 or 908-964-8808, send inquiries via mail to TMRClub@aol.com or visit the Web site at www.tmrclub.com.

KIDS

TALES FOR TOTS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME will be offered at Barnes and Noble, 240 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.

SPORTS

SPORTS AMERICA KIDS MONTH starts today at 11:30 a.m. at Barnes & Noble on 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. The Bearstain Bears Go Out for the Team, by Jan Berenstein, will be among the fun books to read.

For information, call 973-376-8581.

LEARN ABOUT GRADUATION DAY

with Ellen Weiss' "Hello Kitty on Graduation Day," "Happy Graduation" by Namrata Tripathi, and "Biscuit's Graduation Day" by Alyssa Satin Capucilli on

Monday and June 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

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DANCE

Y-SQUARES, a local square dance club, meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Frank K. Hehrly School, Raritan Road, Clark. The fee for each lesson is \$4. For information, call 908-298-1851, 732-381-2535 or 908-241-9492.

INTERNET

THE INTERNET LOUNGE, 256 South Ave., Fairwood, hosts an Open Mic/ Karaoke Night on Saturdays 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*, *Neverwinter*, *WarCraft* or *Counter-Strike*. To ask about a schedule of events, call 908-490-1234 or visit its Web site: www.theinternetlounge.com.

JAZZ

LANA'S RESTAURANT in Clark will offer dinner and live jazz with Warren Vachre every Thursday, beginning at 7 p.m. For information, call 732-689-9024.

JAZZ

JAZZ IS BACK AT THE COVE! "Wednesday's Jazz Cocktails" will feature the house band, Tempo, playing at Dusky's Place, formerly known as "The Cove," 112 Chestnut St., Roselle. Saturday Jazz Showcase features top acts from the New York Metropolitan area. Grant information, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202; call 908-558-2550. Relay users dial 711; or send inquiries via e-mail to culturalinfo@ucnj.org.

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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.

SINGLES

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield. Donation is \$2. For information, call 908-889-5285 or 908-889-4751.

SENIOR CENTER

Band to play Watching Dave's True Story's smart, sexy sound blows a cool breeze through the world in which we live with its fourth release, "Nature."

The band will perform at the Watching Arts Center, 18 Sterling Road in Watching on Saturday at 8 p.m. For information, call 908-668-8092.

Like all great art, Dave's True Story stands outside of its era, with a sensibility that encompasses the past, lives in the present, and hints at the future.

The New York City group utilizes a stylish, elegant jazz-pop sound that contrasts the thorny thicket of songwriter/guitarist Dave Cantor's deliciously devilish lyrics.

The group's resident siren, Kelly Flint, coo former playwriting Cantor's craft, acerbic missives as if they were tender messages of love, but songs about psychic readings, beatnik posers, and prescription medication are seldom the stuff of late-night saloon songs.

Over the course of three albums, enough people have noticed Dave's True Story for the band to sell more than 50,000 records without the benefit of a major label or big press machine.

Instead they've been winning hearts and minds in a more subversive, covert manner, flying under the big boys' radar even as they've been lauded everywhere from *The New York Times* to CNN and had their songs included in the feature film "Kissing Jessica Stein."

In a world primed for sophisticated, jazzy pop by the likes of Norah Jones and Diana Krall, Dave's True Story injects the crucial element of sharply observed irony with mordant, masterfully crafted tunes.

Whether the songs veer a global ennuï to a sinuous nova beat or a love-lorn protagonist searches for missing mojo against bongo-driven Beat-era jazz grooves, Dave's True Story

audiences clearly hear the sounds of a different drummer.

So when *The Wall Street Journal* observes that "Harry Connick Jr. and John Pizzarelli should have used material that's as witty as what Mr. Cantor creates," they're not consigning Dave's True Story to an adult Contemporary niche market. They're simply wackering their brains for artists with enough old-school spit and polish to do justice to the sparkle of a sound that's at once postmodern and timeless.

It's clear that Dave's True Story is a musical island unto themselves, offering a shrewd, sometimes salacious, but strangely luxurious escape from the banal world of mainstream pop music.

Ruskin-White's art hangs at Union County College

Through July 28, Union County College will be host to an exhibition by Gayle Ruskin-White titled, "Large Scale Works from 1990-1994."

This exhibition will be hung in the Commons on the College's Cranford campus at 1033 Springfield Ave. Due to extensive renovations being made to the MacKay Library, the Tomasulo's offerings are being moved from the gallery space to various venues on the Cranford Campus.

Ruskin-White describes her works as abstractions, using a combination of organic, painterly gestures with line. She works on five or more paintings at a time, which allows her to create a wonderful dialogue between the pieces.

The paintings all seem to come together at the same time. The paintings are worked on in layers, allowing them to manifest a sense of depth.

This allows the viewer to establish their own dialogue with each painting; there is no correct interpretation of

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what is seen. The paintings in this exhibition are oil paint on unstretched canvas, wood panels, and steel. They incorporate tonal works of black, gray, brown, and white, with hints of color. The paintings have an urgency of color and death to them, not in an ominous way, but instead, they reach out to a universal acknowledgement of the human condition.

Ruskin-White lives and works in New York City. She studied art as a child in school and was enrolled in a special college art program for high school students. She went on to study with the encouragement from her teachers, at Pratt Institute in New York City, receiving a BFA in drawing. Following graduation, she lived in Mexico for a while, working in a lithography studio. Ruskin-White has exhibited in New York City, California, Mexico, Chicago, Arizona, Florida, and Germany.

Attended gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays and on Saturdays.

Evening hours are from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays through Thursdays. For more information call 908-709-7155.

Theater group receives endorsement

The National Endowment for the Arts announced on April 21 that it is awarding The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to support the theater's upcoming production of "Julius Caesar."

Directed by Brian B. Crowe, Shakespeare's ever-popular history play will be presented on the company's Main Stage in Madison from Oct. 11 through Nov. 13, with 35 public performances and seven on school-time Student Matinee Series performances.

The award comes in the form of an Access to Artistic Excellence grant,

which specifically supports the creation and presentation of exemplary work throughout the nation, across a full spectrum of artistic disciplines.

The program bolsters artistic endeavors "that make the best of America's arts organizations and artists accessible to all Americans," said NEA chairman Dana Gioia.

The Shakespeare Theatre's production of "Julius Caesar" was selected from among 1,088 eligible applications as one of 98 leading theater companies and theatrical organizations nationwide to receive this prestigious federal funding. It is the only New Jersey theater to receive an Access to Artistic Excellence grant.

Said The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey's artistic director Bonnie J. Monte, "It is always a tremendous honor to receive an NEA grant, and we are thrilled that the NEA has chosen to support our production of 'Julius Caesar.'"

"Julius Caesar," marks the fifth part of The Shakespeare Theatre's multi-season focus on works from Shakespeare's canon that address the current world situation.

The initiative began in 2003 with "King John," followed in 2004 with "Richard II" and "Macbeth" as well as the 2004 Biennial Colloquium, "The Ethics of Power and Kingship in Shakespeare's Universe: Holding the Mirror Up."

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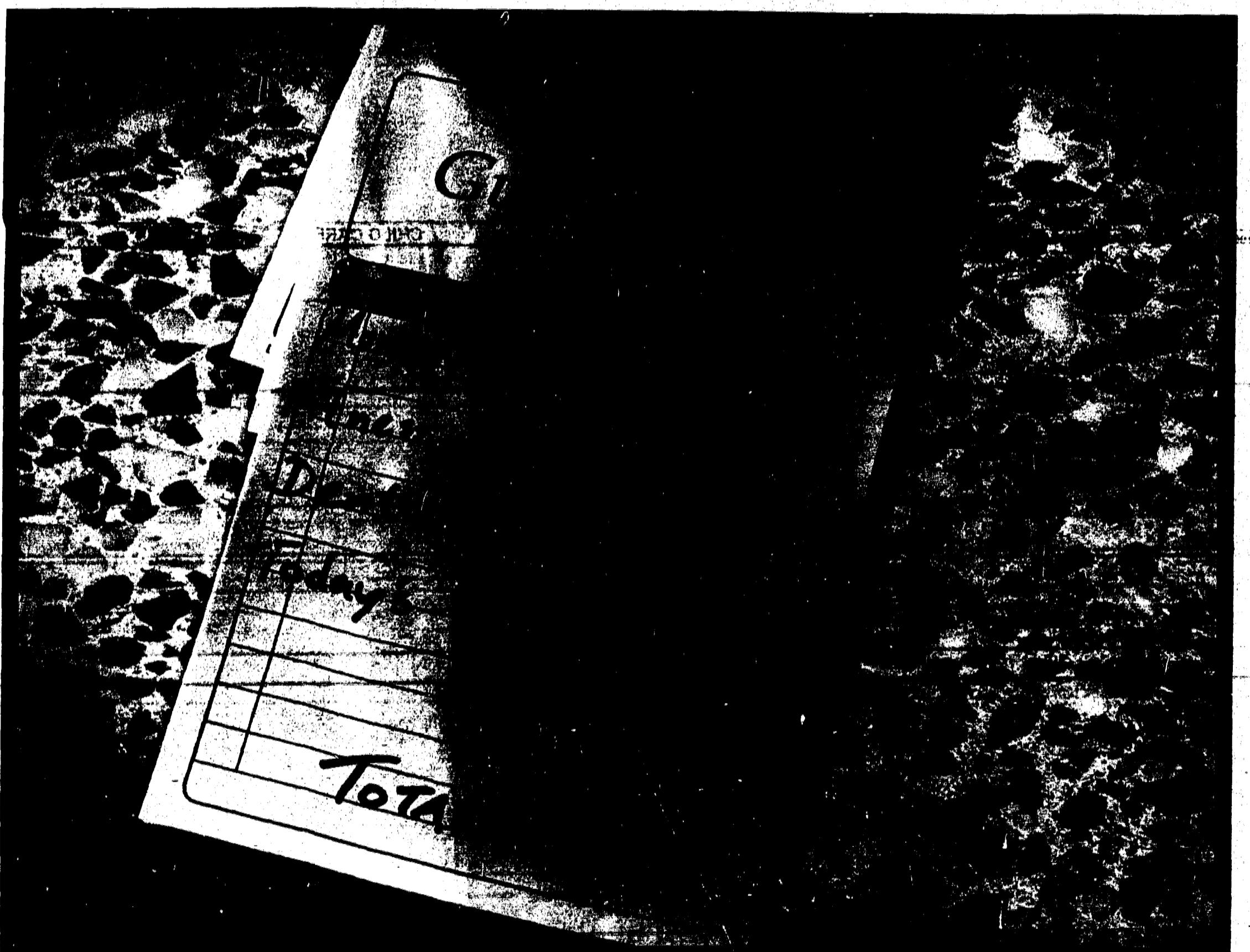
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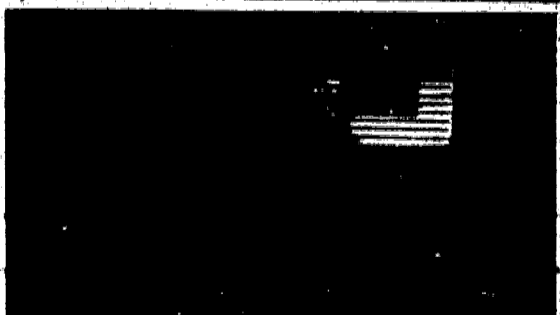
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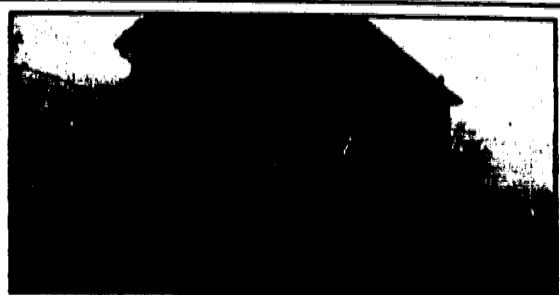
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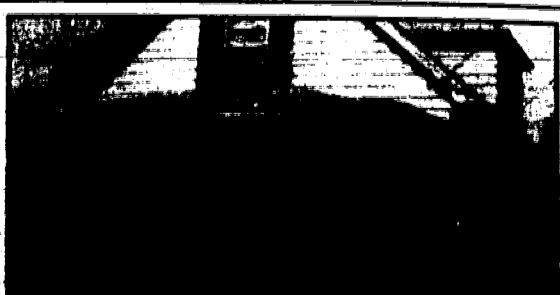
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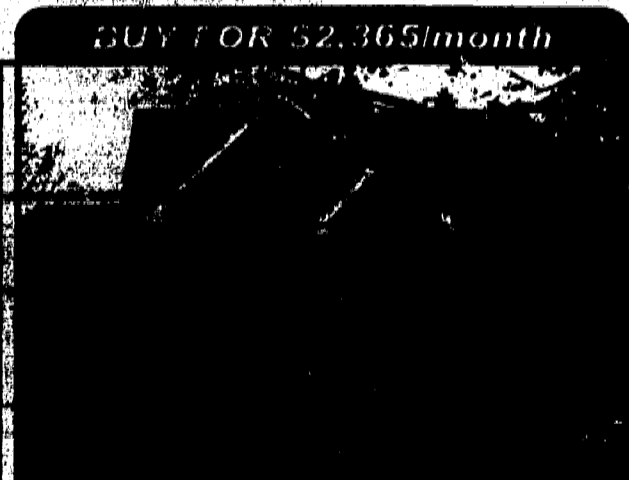


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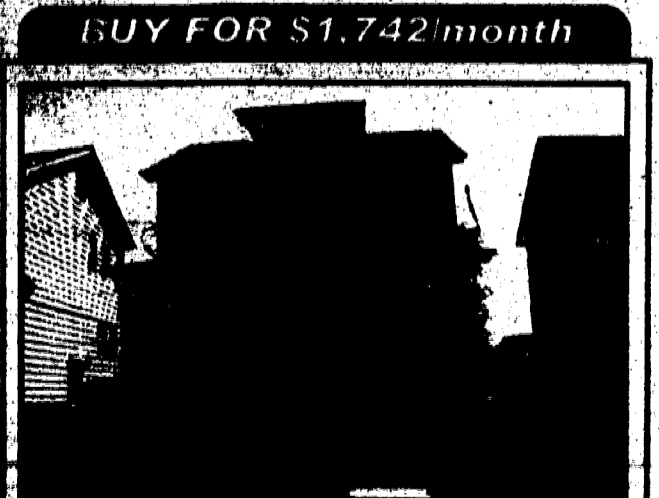
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