

# Union County schedules police training for teens

**By DAVE WISE**  
Union County officials outlined plans on Monday to implement a police academy training program, entitled Police Officer Youth Week, for county high school students.

The police training program will provide selected high school students with one week of simulated law enforcement training at the Union County Police Academy in Scotch Plains, according to Union County Precincter Walter McLeod.

Students participating in the program will be given classroom instruction on the academic, physical and technical skills required for a career in law enforcement, said McLeod. McLeod and fellow Precincter Elmer Ertl helped to establish the program, by proposing the idea to the Union County Prosecutor's Office.

Ertl said the program would give high school students a good understanding of police work, while fostering goodwill between police officers and young people.

"It's a fun thing for a high student

kid," said Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald of the Union County Prosecutor's Office. "It gives them an idea of what police work is all about."

The training will be conducted by the regular police academy staff, and will include courses on Police History and Functions, Motor Vehicle Law, and Accident Investigations through Firearms Safety.

Additionally, students in the program will engage in discussions and exercises, as well as view films to get a better understanding of the criminal justice system, according to McLeod and Ertl.

The training, which will be provided to 80 selected students, is scheduled to be held from August 13 through 17. To be eligible for the program, a candidate must have completed his or her junior year of high school by June, 1990; must be in good physical condition; must be in good academic standing; and must be recommended by a high school principal or guidance department.

Since the training program does not offer overnight accommodations, stu-

dents are expected to travel to the police academy each day. The academy leaves the option of providing transportation to the school district participating in the program.

During the training, which starts everyday at 6:30 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m., the academy will provide students with breakfast and lunch. Students will also be given regulation issue-hats and shirts, although students are expected to provide their own regulation khaki trousers.

Before a candidate can be considered for this program, the high school guidance department or principal must submit the student's nomination to the Union County Prosecutor's Office no later than June 1.

After a student's nomination is submitted, representatives from the Union County Prosecutor's Office will arrange to speak to the candidate and his parents.

"The final selection will be made by representatives of the Union County Prosecutor's Office in cooperation with representatives of the schools," said Fitzgerald.



**POLICE OFFICER YOUTH WEEK** — Union County officials met at the Union County Administration Building in Elizabeth on Monday to announce to plans to start a police academy training program for high school students during the summer. From the left are Union County Precincters Walter McLeod and Elmer Ertl, Acting Union County Prosecutor Edmund Tucker, Union Precincter Chairman Gerald Green, Union Superintendent of Schools Dr. Vito Gaglardi, Scotch Plains Police Chief Robert Luca, and Westfield Police Chief Anthony Scutti.

# Pet disease warnings issued throughout the area

Pet owners have to be on their guard for two potentially deadly infectious this spring — heartworm and rabies, New Jersey veterinarians advise.

While canine heartworm disease is preventable, the threat of rabies is a real challenge for pet owners, said Dr. Arthur Baeder, president of the New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association, located at 66 Morris Ave., Springfield.

"New Jersey has been without terrestrial rabies for almost 30 years before this recent outbreak," Baeder said. "The rabies virus is rapidly moving along the Muscongoncong and Delaware rivers, and will be a danger to the entire northern half of the state within the next two months."

"The best advice for pet owners is to have their pets vaccinated for rabies, and to encourage their local municipalities to enforce the strict laws on rabies control," Baeder said.

The threat of heartworm, however, can be virtually eliminated if owners see their veterinarians for preventive medicine.

Mosquitoes can transmit canine

heartworm disease, a potentially fatal infection that attacks a dog's heart, lungs and other organs. Once the heartworm larvae enter a dog's system after the animal is bitten by an infected mosquito, the disease takes four to six months to take hold.

In 1989, a new spring created a dramatic increase in the state's mosquito

population. With enough rain, many of the mosquito eggs that were laid could hatch this spring and create a severe mosquito season.

"It takes just one bite of an infected mosquito to pass on the disease to a healthy dog," said Judy Hansen, president of the American Mosquito Control Association.

Signs of heartworm disease include a chronic cough, loss of appetite, weight loss and fatigue. These signs, however, generally do not appear until the disease is well advanced.

Heartworm is easily prevented, but once a dog is infected, treatment is complex and expensive. Veterinarians can conduct a simple annual blood

test to detect if a dog is infected with heartworms. After the animal has been found to be heartworm-free, preventive medication to guard against infection, such as daily or monthly tablets, can begin.

Mosquito control is another preventive measure. Dog owners should eliminate any standing bodies of water, no matter how small, around the house and yard, veterinarians advise.

Many mosquitoes that transmit canine heartworm disease are "container breeders" that reproduce in small bodies of water, such as cans, hubcaps and flower pots, veterinarians warn.

# Revenge of your auto salesman

**By TOM ZORO**  
As a car salesman who does not seek anonymity, for there is nothing left to hide, I challenge every educated consumer to practice what he preaches.

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Last, but certainly not least, the media. To all the television, newspaper and magazine watchdogs that report the millions of dollars the car salesman profits from the helpless consumer, and advises him on how to prevent that distasteful salesman from earning a profit, I challenge you more than anyone else to explain why, with all these profits, more than 100,000 Americans in the auto industry will be out of work, as of this reading. Why are the "Big Three" closing plants in record numbers and selling off various divisions to keep others from closing? I challenge any form of media to fill the void there will inevitably be when the auto dealer stops advertising because profit for the car salesman has become a dirty word.

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## Regional school budget cut by \$100G

**By SUZETTE STALKER**  
The six municipalities comprising Union County Regional High School District 1 agreed during a special meeting last Wednesday, May 2, to reduce the recently-drafted regional school budget by \$100,000.

The regional district Board of Education and local government officials have emphasized, however, that the quality of education in each of the communities will not be compromised by the budget reduction, the bulk of which is being absorbed by unanticipated revenue.

The district includes Springfield, Kenilworth, Mountainside, Clark, Garwood and Berkeley Heights, all of which are served by four regional high schools. These schools are Jonathan Dayton Regional in Springfield, David Brealey in Kenilworth,

throughout the district. This resulted in the actual loss of twenty-four people, with the remaining seven being eliminated through the attrition process.

The \$100,000 will be allocated from the \$27,724,358 current expense tax levy, which was the portion of the regional budget voted on by regional taxpayers during school elections. The remainder of the budget is funded through sources other than local taxation.

In an early vote, Springfield and Berkeley Heights were the only communities to favor keeping the budget intact without reductions. Springfield Mayor Philip Kurkos stated that his government's position was "very strong and very firm" because Springfield voters had approved the budget. A subsequent motion to reduce the

budget by \$87,715.05 was approved by all the communities except for Mountainside. Mountainside Mayor Robert Vigilanti rejected the proposal, however, claiming that he wanted to reduce the budget by \$100,000 as proof of an even stronger commitment to cutting costs.

The approximate \$12,000 which must be cut to meet the full \$100,000 reduction will not impact upon the quality of education in the regional district, according to the board.

The last time that a current expense budget was defeated in the regional school district was in 1976, according to district spokesman Thomas Long. There were also two district capital outlay budgets defeated in the early 1980s. The district has not had a capital outlay budget for several years. The actual number of tax points to be reduced will vary among the regional municipalities, confirmed Long, and is expected to be determined by the Union County Board of Taxation by May 14. The regional Board of Education formally adopted a resolution accepting the reduction at last week's meeting.

Each of the municipalities are expected to adopt their own resolutions accepting the budget reduction at their respective governing body meetings.

If the regional municipalities had not been able to reach an agreement, or if the agreement had been rejected by the regional board, the board would have had to notify state Commissioner of Education Saul Cooperman by May 29.

The board would have also had to notify the regional municipalities regarding this action.

## Springfield police aid in arrest of crime suspects

**By DAVE WISE**  
The Springfield Police Department was involved in the capture of two suspects connected with the brutal kidnaping and extortion plot against a Springfield family in 1985, according to Police Chief William Chisholm.

The two suspects were arrested as a result of a tip received after the case was recently depicted on the "America's Most Wanted" television show on May 2.

The crime, re-enacted in the program, involved the suspects kidnaping a mailman, stealing his truck, and forcing their way into the Springfield home of a bank official.

Once inside the family home, the suspects held the banker's daughter and mother-in-law hostage as part of a conspiracy to extort \$200,000 from an Elizabeth banker.

The first suspect, Darryl Pierre Devose, had avoided capture since 1985 despite being identified as a key suspect shortly after the crime. A break came in the unsolved case after the crime was featured on the national television show.

According to Chisholm, Devose

was apprehended after a two-day police surveillance of a New York apartment, where the suspect was believed to be staying.

Assisting the New York police, who made the arrest on April 28, were FBI agents, U.S. postal inspectors and detectives Robert Mason, Judd Loverson and Edward Kesch of the Springfield Police Department, said Chisholm.

The arrest of Kent Clark, the second suspect, came on May 2, when he was apprehended in his East Orange home by a team of FBI agents, U.S. postal inspectors and local police. Detective Mason of the Springfield Police Department performed the early morning arrest.

Devose and Clark, who were remanded without bail to the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York, are being charged with a series of crimes that started with the gun-point kidnaping of mailman Benjamin Blackhall.

Blackhall was forced into the back of his mail truck, after which the suspects commandeered the vehicle in order to use it for their kidnap-extortion plot.

The indictment also charges that Devose masqueraded as a mailman after he stole Blackhall's uniform. According to authorities, Devose passed his way into the Springfield home of Arnold Mastello, an Elizabeth banker, when one of Mastello's family members answered the door.

After entering the home, Devose and Clark handcuffed Mastello's mother-in-law, brutalized his daughter, and telephoned the banker at work to demand a \$200,000 ransom for his family members' release.

Before the suspects could arrive to collect the ransom at a drop-off site, which was under surveillance, Devose and Clark escaped during a commotion outside the home. Blackhall, who was left handcuffed in the mail truck, had managed to call for help and passersby came to his assistance.

According to authorities, evidence left at the crime scene led police to identify Devose and Clark as suspects in the case.



**ART CONTEST WINNERS** — Governor Florio recently presented awards to 10 art students of James Caldwell and Thelma L. Sandmeler Schools during a ceremony in Trenton honoring Child Abuse Prevention Month. Pictured, from left, are Maggie Zambolla, Christina Tomasino, Melissa Tratenberg, Meghan Paglia, Tamara Young, art teacher Marilyn Schneider, Bethany Rainey, Michael Puorro, Keesha Simmons, Christina Florio and Tara Listowski. Poster contest winner Jennifer Fiorelli is not pictured.

## Springfield pupils named poster contest champs

**By DAVE WISE**  
Ten students at Thelma L. Sandmeler and James Caldwell School in Springfield were among 20 New Jersey students who recently received awards from Governor Jim Florio for their artwork concerning Child Abuse Prevention Month in April.

The ceremony, presented by The New Jersey Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect, was held at the New Jersey State Museum Auditorium last month.

The Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect was formed by Governor Thomas Kean's administration in 1983. It consists of individuals from both the public and private sectors, working together to increase awareness about the problem of child abuse and neglect in New Jersey.

The 10 Springfield students were winners of the 1990 Poster Contest, which required students to create

drawings depicting the theme of "Families Helping Families."

In the kindergarten through third-grade competition, first-graders Christina Florio, Tara Listowski and Michael Puorro were the first, second and third-place winners, respectively. The honorable mentions were first-graders Christina Tomasino, Meghan Paglia, Jennifer Fiorelli and Maggie Zambolla.

In the fourth-grade through sixth-grade competition, the first-, second- and third-place winners were fourth-graders Melissa Tratenberg and Tamara Young, and fifth-grader Keesha Simmons.

"When we were notified about this, we were astonished," Schneider added. "Children are much more creative than we give them credit for. Their beautiful artwork reflects the kind of education they are receiving at the Springfield public school system."

At the ceremony, which honored students' artwork from across the state, Governor Florio spoke about the problem of child abuse.

"All children are deserving of love and tenderness," Florio said. "They are our most fragile citizens, and because of that, we place an invisible 'Handle With Care' upon their lives. Too often, though, undisciplined anger results in broken bodies, crippling injuries, damaged minds and sometimes death," Florio added.

"Not so long ago, child abuse was America's 'dirty little secret.' It was a hidden disease for which there seemed to be no cure, no prevention," Florio remarked.

At the ceremony, several local

## Area professor recounts 'Battle of Springfield'

**By DAVE WISE**  
Mark Lender, a professor of history at Kean College in Union, recently reopened a local page of 'United States history through his lectures on the American Revolution. Titled "The Truth About the Battle of Springfield,"

This battle occurred in the middle of June 1780, when the British army tried to capture the war materials which General George Washington had stored at Jockey Hollow in Morristown. The British, Lender said, crossed over from Staten Island and landed in Elizabethtown, now known as Elizabeth.

From there, the British traveled through "what is essentially now Morris Avenue" and arrived at Connecticut Farms, which later became Union. As the British reached Union, "they ran into their first serious resistance" when they encountered both the American Continental Army and the local militia.

After some fierce fighting, the British army pulled back, but not until much of Connecticut Farms was burned to the ground, according to Lender. Following this event, however, the British returned — somewhat reinforced — and crossed the Rahway River to invade Springfield.

"On both sides of the Rahway River banks," Lender said, "the American and British troops blazed away at each other with musket fire from a distance no greater than 20 yards."

Lender said Fleming argues that because Morristown was a major military center, which at various times served as headquarters for George Washington, it would have produced immense damage to the American cause.

Since Morristown was regarded as a safe haven, "it would have been a morale blow of the first order," said Lender, "had the British broken through."

"One could speculate on what could have been," explained Lender. "What if it had finished off a teetering American army? We don't know. Although, certainly, one of the implications of 'Forgotten Victory' is that a blow like this would have been a coup from which the Americans may not have recovered."

"Consequently," the professor added, "the battle of Springfield, in stopping Knyphausen's drive, was not of local importance, but of major significance to the American cause."

This battle, no doubt, is an important part of the American Revolution based upon its context.

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## 'Battle' recounted

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 Hessian documents translated into English in the Morristown National Historical Park — "a wonderful revolutionary period library" — Lender concluded that Knyphausen had only attempted to perform some reconnaissance operations. The documents, which Lender managed to examine, amount to what is called Knyphausen's "after action report." In these transcripts, the general gives "no indication of trying to deal a knock-out blow" to the Americans.  
 "The most Knyphausen had in mind was to push to a place called Hobart's Gap, a very prominent landmark near the modern-day Short Hills Mall," said Lender. "When Knyphausen found that Americans were willing to put up a stiff fight, he pulled back," Lender added.  
 "Knyphausen was unwilling to do anything particularly daring," the professor emphasized. "He certainly had no authority to launch an invasion of New Jersey."  
 Furthermore, since the summer of 1778, the war had been fought to a virtual standstill. The British had decided to not seek a military solution in the northern colonies, said Lender.

## at the library

On Wednesday, May 16, at 7:45 p.m., the Springfield Public Library will present Dr. Richard Wolf, a Union chiropractor.  
 Dr. Wolf will speak on the natural way to get rid of headache and neck pain. According to Wolf, it is necessary to find out why a person experiences pain and then to alleviate the symptoms without relying on painkillers or other drugs.  
 To register for this free program, one can call the library at 376-4930 or sign up in person at the circulation desk. The library is located at 66 Mountain Avenue.

## Becky Seal lunch menu

The Becky Seal Nutrition Program for the elderly is being held at the Chisholm Community Center on South Springfield Avenue in Springfield Monday through Friday. Reservations may be made by calling 912-2233. Transportation can be arranged by calling 912-2227.  
 The lunch menu for May 14 to May 18 is as follows:  
 Monday — Stuffed peppers, mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, cookies, beef noodle soup, bread, margarine and milk.  
 Tuesday — Chicken chow mein

## Poster champs named

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 The report showed were 58,404 cases of abuse and neglect last year. Nearly 36 percent, or 21,311 cases, were substantiated or determined to have occurred after an investigation was conducted.  
 Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, which enrolls students from Springfield and Morristown, has announced the names of those students who recently made the honor roll for the third marking period, which lasted from Jan. 29 to March 30.

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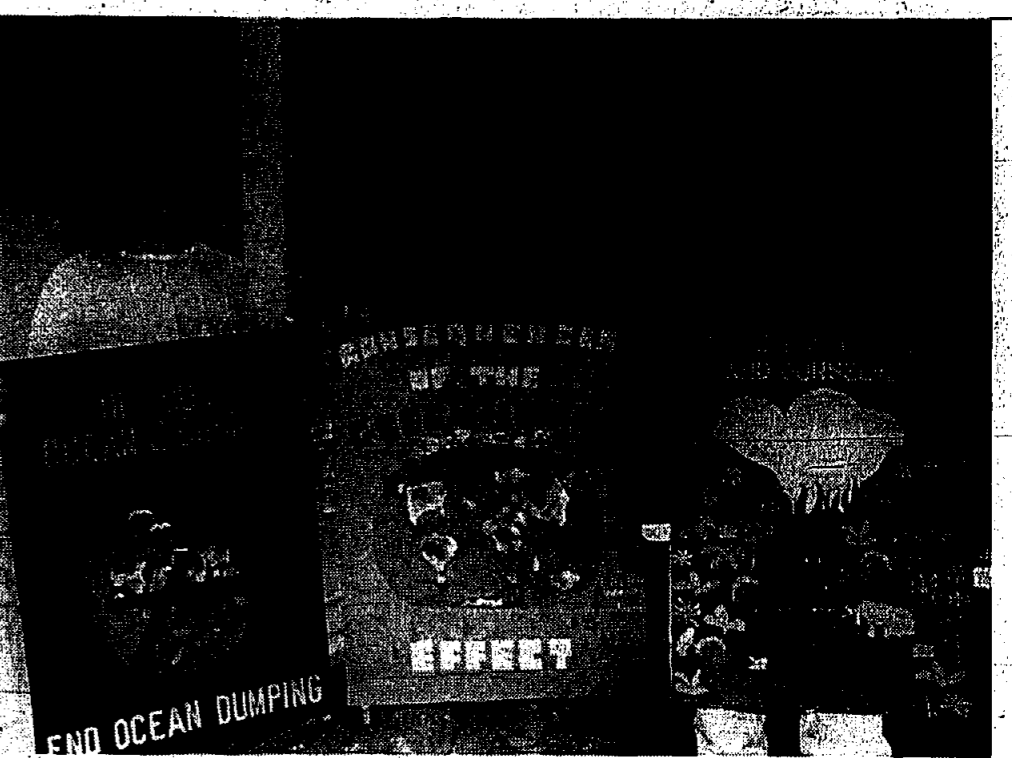
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## Kenilworth Art Association plans trip

The Kenilworth Art Association is sponsoring a trip to the Trenton State Museum in Trenton on Saturday, May 12, to see the museum's exhibit titled "25 Years of Collecting Fine Art," the organization announced this week.  
 The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the Municipal Parking Lot on South 21st Street, in Kenilworth, across from the Veterans Center. The group will be at the museum until noon.  
 At that time, the group will leave the premises and travel to Princeton. There, participants will visit the Art Museum of Princeton University and see the expanded and refurbished Art Gallery and the paintings, plus other works of art the museum recently acquired.  
 The guided tour through the Princeton Museum begins at 2:30 p.m. The fee is \$12.50 and the price includes the entrance fee into the Princeton Museum.



POSTER WINNERS — As one of several Earth Week activities conducted at the school, the Science Department of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield sponsored a poster contest. The top prize winners in this contest were, from left, Christine Strozczak, first place; Tom Wasyluk, second place; and Matt Cook, third place. Students entered in this poster contest created signs which called attention to the importance of environmental protection.

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**EARTH DAY CELEBRATION** — Second-grade students in Lenore Nadler's class at Deerfield School in Mountainside learn how to recycle soda cans and turn milk cartons into birdhouses during the school's recent celebration of Earth Day. Pictured, in back row from left, are Peter Ahearn, Gina DeCastro, Nicole Rosenzweig, Kerri Glasull and Marissa Riviccio. In front row, from left, are Kassy Claslulli, Craig MacGregor and Danlelle Denry.

**Family to welcome exchange student**

The ASSE International Student Exchange has selected Norma Fedder and her daughter, Margaret, of Morris Avenue in Springfield, to have a foreign exchange student stay at their home next year.

Each student has three to seven years of English and has their own medical insurance and spending money. Families interested in obtaining more information about sponsoring an exchange student should contact Elton Voorhees at 276-7514 or ASSE, toll free, at 1-800-333-3802.



**CECILE EZRATY**

**Red Cross to honor blood programs**

The Summit chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a luncheon tomorrow, May 11, honoring the groups in the Summit area who participate in the American Red Cross/New Jersey Blood Services blood program. The event will be held at the Red Cross chapter house, located at 695 Springfield Avenue in Summit.

The lives of many hospitalized friends and neighbors in the area," announced a statement issued by the Red Cross this week. The guest speaker at the luncheon will be Anne Madden, director of the program.

The Mountaineer Restoration Committee will hold its annual garage sale on Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the lawn of the historic Herford House on Constitution Plaza in Mountainside.



**MATH COUNTS** — Eighth-grade students at Florence M. Gaudineer School in Springfield recently participated in the MathCounts Regional Competition. The Springfield team placed eighth in the overall competition and first among the new schools participating. Pictured, on the left, is Gaudineer Principal Kenneth Bernabe, receiving the first place trophy for new school participation from Adam Raviv, third from left. The remainder of the team is comprised of, from left in back, Gregory Gabauer, Marlie Sambour, Michiella Naggar and eighth-grade teacher William Hannah. In the front are Michelle Rozan, left, and Youshaa Patel.

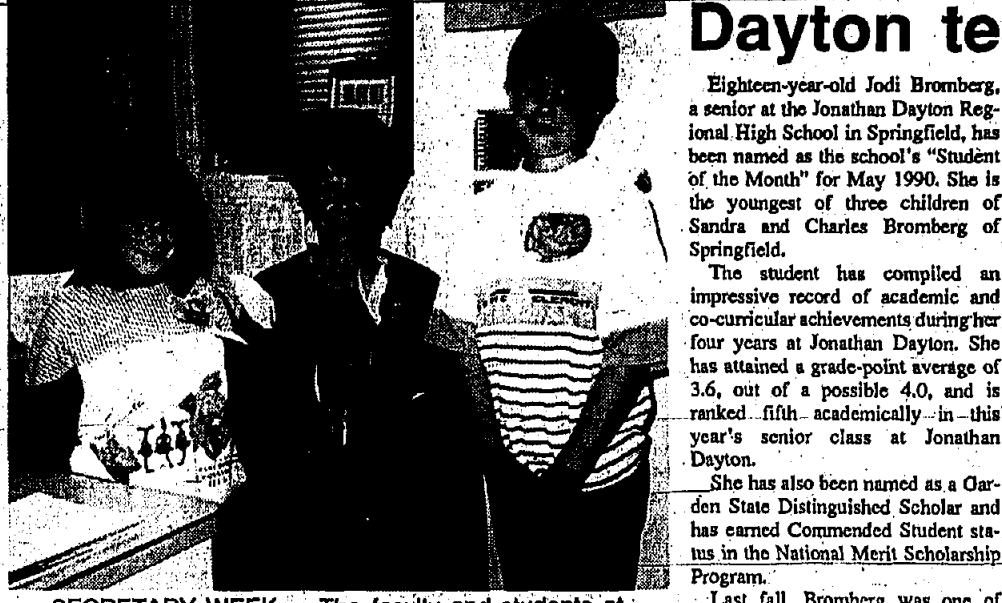
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**Telethon to benefit area hospitals**

Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside and Children's Hospital of New Jersey in Newark will be the local hospital beneficiaries of the Miracle Mother's Day benefit, a major annual fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network Telethon.

The winners of the benefit will be drawn on Thursday, May 17, during a special event at the Airport Marriott in Newark, beginning at 7 p.m., and featuring local celebrities and area talent. Highlights of the event, sponsored by the Airport Marriott, include: "Kathy's Cable Kids," a Springfield-based program for kids by kids; corporate sponsor representatives from Johnson & Johnson Personal Products and Supermarket's officials Bill Bodner, vice president of sales, and Paul Stanton, vice president of non-foods.



**SECRETARY WEEK** — The faculty and students at James Caldwell School in Springfield recently celebrated Secretary Week at the school. In the picture, Christina Fiorio, left, and Danny Rivera, right, present Rosa Leonardis, center, secretary to school principal Robert Black, with a plant. The event was sponsored by the James Caldwell School PTA, which is chaired by Lynn Cozzi.

A special announcement concerning an upcoming event for the telethon will also be announced. Area residents and organizations have been supporting the telethon through the sale of benefit tickets for the past few months.

Prizes include: first prize, a trip to Paris for two, donated by Ellert Travel Associates of Westfield and TWI; second prize, an Apple II computer, donated by Arnie and Roberta

The mission of the telethon is to raise money for children's hospitals across the country. Each hour will include 40 minutes of diversified entertainment from Disneyland in Anaheim, Ca., Disney World in Florida and Disney World of Tokyo.

The telethon will feature celebrities such as Marie Osmond, John Schneider and Marilyn McCoo. Suburban Cablevision TV-3 will produce local 20 minute segments featuring stories of children and families who have been treated by Children's Specialized Hospital and Children's Hospital of New Jersey.

For more information concerning the Children's Miracle Network Telethon, the benefit or the May 17 event, one can call 233-3412.

**school menu**

FRIDAY, pizza parlor; plain, sausage-pepperoni, peppers and onions; hot corned beef sandwich, egg salad sandwich, coldlaw, vegetable, fruit, large salad platter with bread and butter, homemade soup, desserts, milk.

MONDAY, frankfurter on roll, chicken pearsom on bun, boiled ham sandwich, potatoes, vegetable, fruit punch, large salad platter, homemade soup, desserts, milk; TUESDAY, pizza hoagie, minute steak on roll, tuna salad

**Dayton teen cited**

Eighteen-year-old Jodi Bromberg, a senior at the Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, has been named as the school's "Student of the Month" for May 1990. She is the youngest of three children of Sandra and Charles Bromberg of Springfield.

The student has completed an impressive record of academic and co-curricular achievements during her four years at Jonathan Dayton. She has attained a grade-point average of 3.6, out of a possible 4.0, and is ranked fifth academically in this year's senior class at Jonathan Dayton. She has also been named as a Garden State Distinguished Scholar and has earned Commended Student status in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

**graduates**



**NICHOLAS RUGGIERI**

Nicholas James Ruggieri, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Ruggieri of Springfield, was graduated from the University of Pittsburgh on April 28. He was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in film studies. He is a 1986 graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

Ronald Bela Gascher of Mountainside was among 574 students at the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark who received degrees during the school's first winter commencement. Gascher, who majored in industrial engineering at the school, received a bachelor of science degree.



**NOT ALL THUMBS** — Fifth-grade students Nick Vitale, left, and Jim Lehnhoff, right, at Harding School in Kenilworth recently attended in a "Family Science Reunion" for parents and students who participated in the "Family Science" program last year. Here, the boys discover how important the thumb is when they try to lie a bow without using their thumbs.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. Take notice that the following decisions were made at the regular meeting of the Board of Adjustment held on Tuesday, April 17, 1990.

APPROVED: The Board of Adjustment, by a majority vote, does hereby grant a conditional use permit to the applicant, for the alteration of an existing lot to be used for a single-family residential use in the R-2 Zone subject to Section 1003(b), 1003(c) & (d) of the Mountaineer Land Use Ordinance.

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Advertisement for Newport Stripes cigarettes. Features a large image of a smiling woman's face and the text "Save 75¢ on a pack". At the bottom, it says "SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide." and includes a barcode for regular and menthol versions.





IN GRATITUDE—U.S. Congressman Matthew J. Rinaldo (R-7), right, accepts the Merit Award of the New Jersey Association of Non-Profit Housing for the Aged from Karen Uebels, association president, and Alfred Jago, manager of the Westfield Senior Citizens Housing Corporation.

Guest Column

## Social Security and retroactivity

By JOHN H. MCCUTCHEON  
Some people think that if, for any reason, they delay filing an application for Social Security benefits, they are entitled to benefits retroactively to the month of their first eligibility. That's not the case. If you apply before reaching 65, with few exceptions, you cannot receive payments for months before you apply. If you apply after you reach 65, you may be entitled up to 6 months retroactive payments. This happens if you meet all the requirements for entitlement to benefits except for filing of an application.

Suppose you reach age 65 in June 1990 but you don't file an application for retirement benefits until June 1991. You can be entitled to retroactive payments back to December 1990. Let's suppose now that you reached 62 in June 1990 and don't file an application until June 1991. Benefits cannot be paid to a retired worker, a spouse, or a widow or widower for months before applying, if this would result in a permanent additional reduction of the benefits.

We say "if" because the retroactive payments do not always result in a permanent reduction in benefits. If your spouse is over 65, or under 65 with a child in his or her care, their benefits as your dependents are not subject to reduction, and they can receive retroactive payments and so can you.

You can receive retroactive benefits for months prior to 65 if you had excess earnings in the first year of entitlement, and those earnings can be applied to months before applying. The number of retroactive months that can be paid depends on the amount of the excess earnings and the months you worked.

Retroactive benefits can also be paid to a disabled surviving spouse or a disabled surviving divorced spouse who is entitled to retroactive benefits for any month before reaching age 60. Also, a widow(er) or a surviving divorced spouse who files an application in the month after the month of the worker's death may be entitled to benefits for the month of the worker's death.

Social Security is always concerned about the rights you have to retirement and survivors benefits under the program, as well as to Medicare. There are certain rules and waiting periods that insured people have to meet before Medicare is available to them. However, to permit a disabled widow(er) or disabled surviving spouse to have Medicare as soon as possible (provided he or she meets all the requirements for eligibility) he or she is deemed entitled retroactively for up to 12 months, even if monthly benefits are not payable retroactively.

### Volunteers sought

Trillium Nature and Science Center is looking for a few good volunteers to assist staff Naturalists with summer programs. Volunteers are needed to work with 4-6 year olds, first and second graders, third and fourth, and fifth and seventh graders. Anyone wishing to volunteer should be reliable and have some experience working with children and enjoy working in the out of doors. By volunteering your time you can meet new people and gain valuable skills and experience while working at a Union County facility, located in the Watchung Reservation. To volunteer your time or for more information call Betty Ann Kelly, Tuesday through Friday at 789-3670.

## College to offer program on non-profit fundraising

Nationally known consultant Dr. Thomas Wolf will present a workshop entitled "Good Money in Bad Times," jointly sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and Union County College. The program has been especially designed for those associated with the development of non-profit organizations in the arts and history, and offers a fresh perspective on building fundraising skills and strategies. It will be held at the college's Cranford Campus on Saturday, June 2.

Union County Freeholder Walter E. Boright noted, "This workshop will help board and staff members and volunteers to develop that critical base of ongoing support from individuals and small businesses. Participants will find practical tools and suggestions on how to raise money to support concerts, theaters, galleries, outreach programs—the full range of the arts. Dr. Wolf's workshop is sure to stimulate new enthusiasm and ideas for cultural and historical organization in the county."

Boright is freeholder liaison to the county's Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, which recommends county arts and history programs.

Dr. Thomas Wolf has been called "the most dynamic, entertaining, and informative workshop leader in the country today." The nationally known consultant, author, teacher, and administrator has led workshops in 30 states and taught at Harvard University and Radcliffe College, where he is principal instructor for the Institute for Non-Profit Administration. His books include "The Arts Go to School," "Presenting Performances" and the just published "Managing a Non-Profit Organization." His consulting firm, the Wolf Organization, Inc., provides services to some of the nation's leading artistic institutions.

Board members, organization members, and staff will all benefit from this workshop. Registration is open to members of any New Jersey non-profit arts and cultural organization or presenter of arts programs. The cost is \$15 per person, which covers materials and lunch for the all-day workshop. For registration forms or further information contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202, 201-538-2550.

## Air pollution is dangerously growing, says group

By DAVID F. MOORE  
Information is piling up, bit by bit, that the air is a hazardous wastebasket for dangerous materials than is land or water. The trouble is, using air means that flying junk ends up on both land and water, via fallout.

According to a recent report from INFORM, a nonprofit research and education organization, toxic air emissions totaled 2.6 million pounds in 1987. The group got its numbers from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reports—a part of a toxic release inventory.

INFORM feels that since only six hazardous chemicals are currently regulated by the Clean Air Act, as opposed to 126 under the Water Pollution Control Act and 650 for land-based discharge, air disposal is the path of least resistance. Of course, many of the air-borne toxic chemicals are gases to start with, and therefore don't lend themselves to land or water disposal, but they're still right.

Only 10 chemicals represent two-thirds of all those currently reported. They are toluene, methanol, ammonia, acetone, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, methyl ethyl ketone, xylene, carbon

disulfide, dichloromethane and chlorine.

As this is written, the U.S. House of Representatives is debating a new Clean Air Act, since a Senate version was passed on April 3. The compromised Senate bill addresses some of these problems, but not enough.

New Jersey is well ahead of almost all other states in dealing with its own air quality standards. But the problem is that with differing standards in different states, polluters can shop around to find places to move where they don't have to pay as much for pollution control.

Worse yet, the Senate version gives the proposed federal law the right to

pre-empt any similar state law which might impose tougher standards. That's a catch-22 grievously accomplished by industry lobbyists, guarantee to emasculate much-needed control.

Also, air doesn't know where state lines are. So in order to keep our air as clean as it should be, we would have to keep our standards higher to offset what other upwind states send us—a pretty impossible task in practical terms! So tougher, even-handed federal laws are essential if any real results are to ensue. States must also have the chance to improve on federal standards to adjust to local conditions.

At the Senate measure now reads, "We're not getting a level air-quality playing field. Let's hope the House will come up with a strong bill that can improve on the Senate version. But don't hold your breath waiting for that."

We got lots of dirty air from our New York and Pennsylvania neighbors, even being one of the biggest problems. And automobiles are the major culprits. We think nothing of driving a few miles for a quart of milk and a loaf of bread, or living long distances from work. Our sprawl pattern of growth established over the last quarter-century, with its consequent loss of public transit systems, has been and is a hazard to our health.

New Jersey has more cars and more roads for each of its residents to care for than any where else in the nation. And as travel time gets longer, with more traffic to slow us down, meeting air quality standards gets tougher all the time.

I don't know why it is, but we seem to feel that highways deserve many times the subsidy public transit gets. If highways had to meet the same economic standard railroads do, we'd shut down about one-third of the roads!

I hope enough of you will write or call your Congressfolks to insure that we get a better air deal. If you need more information about airborne toxics, you can write to INFORM, 381 Park Ave. S., New York, NY 10016. For Clean Air Act action details, write to the American Lung Association of New Jersey, 1600 U.S. 22, Union, N.J. 07083.

Moore is executive director of the New Jersey Conservation Foundation, a non-profit agency.

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## The allergy season: months and plants

Ambrosia. To the Greeks it was known as the food of the gods. To allergists, it is the technical name for ragweed. To the allergy sufferer, it brings, not pleasure, but an all out assault on the senses.

According to Dr. Leonard Bielow, director for Allergy & Immunology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey—University Hospital in Newark, and co-author of a student on aeroallergens (air-borne allergen) in New Jersey, "ragweed is the single most important cause, qualitatively and quantitatively, of seasonal allergic rhinitis (hay fever) in the United States." The good news is you won't have to worry about it until mid-August, when it begins pollinating, and continues through the early fall. The bad news is, there's plenty of other aeroallergens to make you suffer until then.

If you are a serious allergy sufferer, this may not be news to your nose. Trees, mostly elm and birch in New Jersey, release by early March, peak

In May, and continue through early summer. But tree pollen is only the first of many aeroallergens that are to come. The list also includes: grass and weed pollen, molds, as well as the year-round plague of dust mites and animal dander.

Pollination of major plants occurs in sequence. Grasses (fescue, orchard, timothy, and red top grasses) start to pollinate in the middle of March, peak in June and continue through July. Grasses are the principal cause of allergies during the spring and early summer, and rank second to weeds in the severity of allergic reactions in the U.S. A second, less intense, grass season occurs during September.

Weed pollen begins in May and continues through October. In New Jersey, ragweed—the most potent aeroallergen—pollinates from mid-August through early fall. Other New Jersey weed pollens include lamb's quarters, cocklebur, plantain, and dock sorrel.

Molds are present all year, including the winter thaw, but predominate from May through October. Animal dander and dust mites are also year-round irritants.

According to Dr. Bielow, there are three strategies for combating allergies: avoidance, medication, and immunotherapy. To see about medication or immunotherapy, he recommends consulting an allergist—a physician with special training in the diagnosis and treatment of allergic diseases.

If you suffer from allergic rhinitis, some common sense measures for avoidance are: whether in your house or car, keep your windows closed and use air conditioning; minimize early morning activity when pollen levels are highest (between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m.); stay indoors when the pollen count is high, especially windy days when pollen and dust are whirled up; take vacations to pollen-free areas, such as beaches. In addition, don't mow lawns or rake leaves; don't hang sheets or clothing outside (they'll collect pollen and mold); and don't grow too many indoor plants (they cause molds to form).

If you are a serious New Jersey allergy sufferer, you can stay on top of the pollen count all year by calling (201) 456-6518, the pollen count hotline at UMDNJ-University Hospital. In general, a count of 0-20 particles per cubic meter is low and causes symptoms only in the most allergic individuals; 20-200 is a medium count and produces symptoms in most people with allergies; a count over 200 is considered high and produces symptoms in all allergy-sensitive people.

The pollen and mold counting station at UMDNJ-University Hospital is the only station in New Jersey approved by the American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, which presently has a grant to record counts across the country for the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

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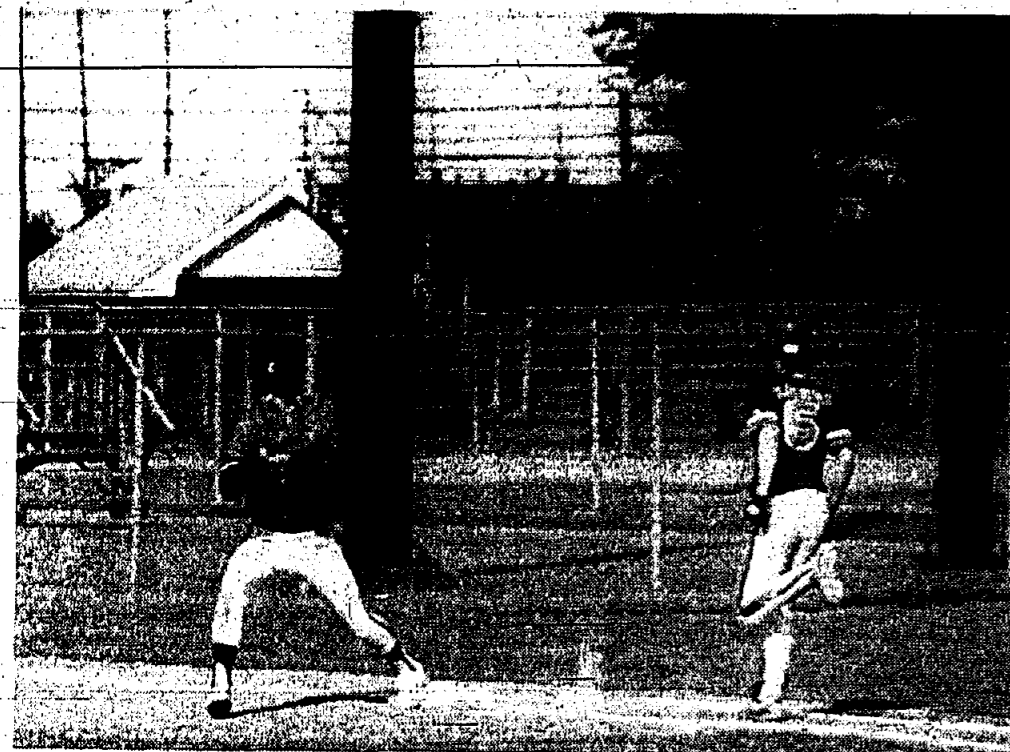




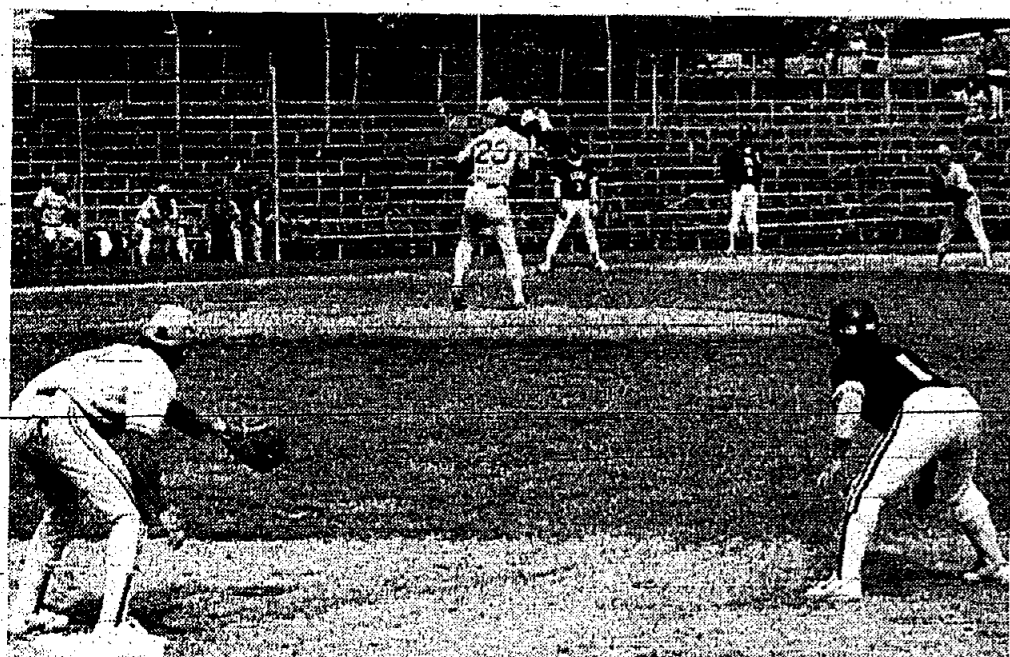








OUT AT FIRST — Eric Michelson of Scotch Plains runs out this ground ball during Sunday's Union County Tournament game at Memorial Park, but Linden first baseman Jim Flankowsky has already made the putout. But Scotch Plains won the game, 8-3, setting up a UCT quarterfinal-round clash at Elizabeth on Saturday.



WHO'S ON FIRST? — It's Andre Caban, 1, of Union, who keeps an eye on Roselle pitcher Eddie Jones during Sunday's Union County Tournament game at Union, while Roselle first baseman Mike Maglia holds Caban on. The Union speedster went 3-for-3 to help spark Union's big 18-0 win.

this week in sports

MAY 10
Baseball
Brearley at Middletown, 4:00
A.L. Johnson at Dayton, 3:45
Roselle at Westfield, 3:45
Hillsdale at Roselle, 3:45
Ros. Cath. at No. Pfld., 3:45
Ros. Park at New Prov., 4:00
Hanover Pk. at Union, 7:00
Softball
Dayton at A.L. Johnson, 3:45
Westfield at Linden, 3:45
No. Pfld. at Ros. Cath., 3:45
New Prov. at Ros. Park, 4:00
Boy's Tennis
Brearley at Ros. Park, 3:30
A.L. Johnson at Dayton, 3:45
Ros. Cath. at Greenbrook, 3:45
Golf
A.L. Johnson at Dayton, 3:15
UCT, Echo Lake, 10:00
Ros. Cath. at Roselle, 3:15
Union at St. Peter's Prep., 3:45
Hillyball
Dayton at Scotch Plains, 3:45
MAY 11
Baseball
St. Pat's at Brearley, 4:00
Gov. Livnat. at Ros. Park, 7:30
Softball
Camford at Dayton, 3:45
Golf
Linden at Un. Cath., Ashbrk, 3:15
Ros. Park at New Prov., 3:30
Boy's Tennis
Ros. Cath. at Oratory, 3:45
New Prov. at Ros. Park, 3:30
MAY 12
Baseball
Brearley at Westfield, 2:00, UCT
Dayton at Roselle, 11:00
Ros. Cath. at Union, 1:30, UCT
Softball
Linden vs. Union, 6:00, Mem.
P.A. UCT
Boy's Track
Mountain Valley Con., Ridge, 10:00
Wat. Con. Champ., Watfld., 10:00
Girl's Track
MVC at Ridge, 10:00
Wat. Con. Champ., Watfld., 10:00
Volleyball
Verona at Dayton, 10:00
MAY 14
Baseball
Oratory at Brearley, 4:00
Rahway at Linden, 3:45
Westfield at Union, 4
Softball
Linden at Rahway, 3:45
Union at Westfield, 4:00
Volleyball
Blitz at Dayton, 3:45
Union at Millburn, 3:45

Training clinic at Kean

High school students and college freshmen who are considering athletic training as a career will have the opportunity to attend the third annual training clinic at Kean College from June 24-28. The clinic will provide an opportunity to expand skills in a structured atmosphere. Topics to be covered include CPR, first aid certification and laboratory experiences. The \$200 fee for each student covers educational materials, as well as room and board. Further information is available by calling Tim Sencor, Kean's head athletic trainer and clinical supervisor, at 527-2378.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Municipal Band set to play on Monday

The Union Municipal Concert Band will present its second concert of the season Monday at Elmhurst Gardens, Union, in the all-purpose room at 7:30 p.m. The concert is free, and the public is invited to attend. The band is under the direction of John H. Bunnell and is sponsored by the Township of Union's Recreation Department. The band rehearses on alternate Monday evenings at Connecticut Farms School, Union, at 7:30 p.m. New members are welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Bunnell at 377-8058.

Children's show is set at Center

A children's show at Rahway's Union County Arts Center, "The Velveteen Rabbit" will be presented Saturday at 11 a.m. It will be performed by a troupe of professional actors.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Edited by Trade Michel Jaffe.

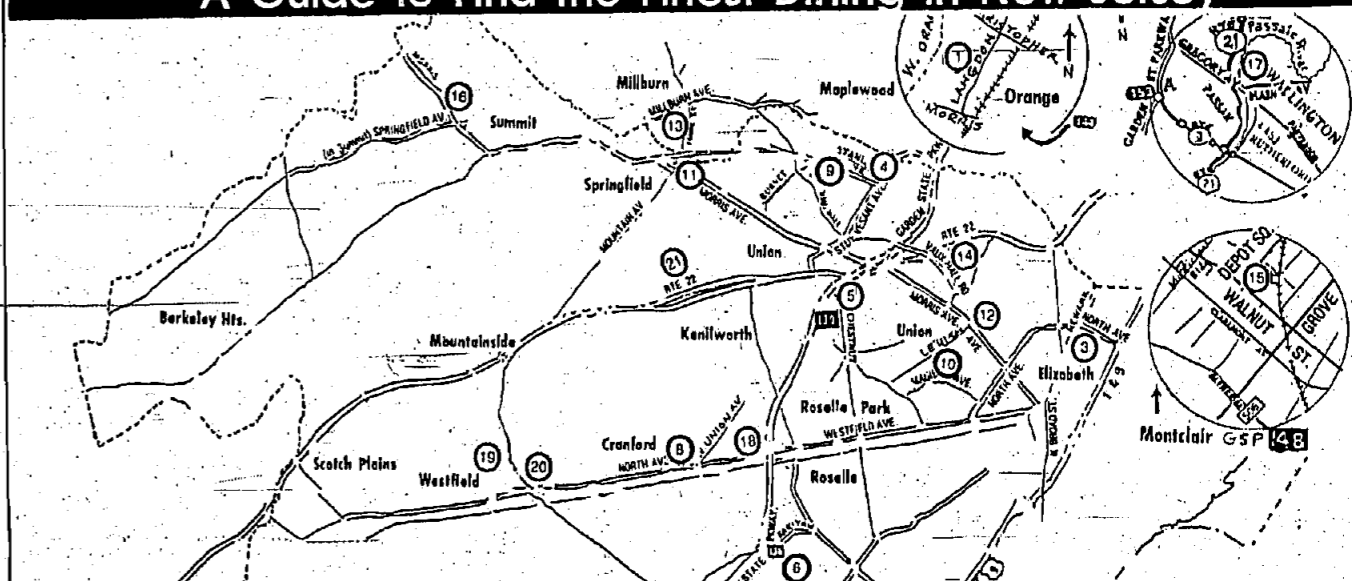
horoscope

For week of May 13-May 19
ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Do not be reckless with personal finances. Opportunities to expand your horizons emerge. Let love simmer on the back burner, because business is too hot to ignore.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Friends think you "own" increases in value, much to your delight. Do not overlook the obvious. Even managers bring glad tidings. Stress security and domesticity.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Friends think you are spread too thin. You know better. While and tribulations fire your imagination. Keep a diary. Stay superficial with colleagues.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Seize the initiative in personal affairs. Be a dynamo around your home. Do not allow nattering nabobs to deter your sensitive vision. Others look up to you.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Friends remark, "Look what the cat dragged in!" Do not take it personally. Supported limits are love strokes. Focus on career desires, personal magnetism and sensuality.

Original students' works to be shown in college

Original works of art by students at Union County College, Cranford, will be displayed during this month in a special show marking the end of the 1989-90 events at the Tomassulo Art Gallery. An opening reception will be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the gallery, located on the college's Cranford campus. The show is co-sponsored by the College's Art Society. According to Prof. Antony Nicol, art gallery director, the students' artworks will be selected "based on their successful solution to an assigned visual problem, and on their competitive appearances." For further information one can call 709-7155.

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Restaurant review Tiffany Gardens. Specialty entrees range in price from \$7.95 to \$12.95. The swordfish steak, \$12.95, was somewhat juicy that it tasted as though it had come fresh from Nantucket. Tiffany Gardens is so close by. Their specialty is baby back ribs, which are smoky and basted in a specially formulated tangy barbecue sauce.

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Restaurant review Tiffany Gardens (continued). From the appetizers, my dinner companion and I chose to share the minichule platter, \$6.95. It was a hearty sampling of fried mozzarella cheese, potato skins, and a vegetable trio, served with a marinara and a horseradish sauce.









