

H.S. football begins

The high school football season kicks off this weekend and area teams are previewed on Pages B1-B5.

What's new on wheels

In the market for a new or used car? This week's Auto Market offers buyers helpful hints. Page B6.

Rinaldo leaves Washington

Rep. Matthew Rinaldo will retire after 20 years in Congress. Page 3.



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Campaign trail 1992: 'credentials, balance'

By Dennis Schaaf
Staff Writer

With the contest for two Township Committee slots just seven weeks from its conclusion, the Republican candidates this week emphasized the need to keep taxes down and stressed their business experience while the Democrats pressed the superiority of two-party government and highlighted their community service experience and record.

The two seats up for grabs Nov. 3 are currently occupied by the governing body's two Democratic members, Democrat Lee Eisen opted not to seek re-election, the Democratic slate consists of incumbent Marie Forman and JoAnn Holmes. The two Republican hopefuls are Harvey Fruchter and July Blitzer.

The four candidates this week in separate telephone interviews avoided most mudslinging, but the GOP candidates were clearly more aggressive on a personal level.

"What has she done in the last three years?" Fruchter asked rhetorically, referring to Forman.

"These people can't find anything to say about us," offered Blitzer. "I don't think the Democrats have any real issue against Harvey or myself."

Township Committee member Forman stressed that the governing body needs people like herself and Holmes with extensive community service backgrounds who are "true in their own right and can stand up to the majority."

The incumbent Democrat pointed out that if the two Republican candidates win then the Township Committee will comprise five Republicans and no Democrats. "If government is to be bipartisan then we need people from both sides," Forman said.

Forman said that when she and Eisen were elected in 1989, they were informed in no uncertain terms by the majority that they would not be accepted as "incumbents." "The team concept is ridiculous if by team you mean only members of the majority," she said.

Forman indicated that she is proud of her record over the past three years including the role she played in the adoption of an ordinance requiring the tearing of Planning Board members.

Forman stated that she is feeling "very optimistic" about Democratic chances in the local campaign. She said the presidential contest will spur a large Democratic turnout since voters "are distressed over the economy."

Fellow candidate Holmes, a retiring instructor at Brookdale Community College, said the election of Demo-

crats to the Township Committee is essential in order to maintain "a system of checks and balances."

Holmes, a registered Democrat, stated that she has an independent streak. "The Township Committee needs people who are not afraid to think on behalf of the betterment of the people," Holmes said.

Holmes said that, if elected, she plans to play an active role in the redevelopment of the downtown business district. "I want to see the facts and figures so that money for redevelopment will be spent intelligently," Holmes said.

Holmes indicated that she wants to take a closer look at the town's cleanup efforts because "people are saying that the center of town is starting to look very dirty. The bus stops are filthy, for instance."

Holmes also expressed a desire to further investigate the flooding conditions that were experienced when Elizabethown Water caused some of its pumping operations.

Republican candidate Fruchter, who has a law practice in Kenilworth, emphasized that the Republican majority on the Township Committee has been successful at "keeping the costs of government down."

He alluded to "12 to 18 point tax increases" under former Democratic administrations.

Fruchter emphasized that he has extensive business experience including a stint as a deputy director of New York's Metropolitan Transit Authority.

He chastized opponent Forman for allegedly being "prepared to recommend the hiring of someone as recycling coordinator" without assessing comparable salaries in other municipalities and without having a specific job description in place.

Fruchter noted that he backs relocating the town's Department of Public Works to the county-leased quarry. He said the move would bolster recycling, reduce garbage costs and even benefit snow removal efforts.

Fruchter argued that he doesn't think the presidential vote will have a major impact on the local race. He said the town has "a sophisticated electorate" that "understands the differences between national and local elections."

Fellow Republican candidate Blitzer likewise stressed that the "Republicans have kept taxes low. They've done a lot for the town, especially this year."

"I don't think they understand anything about business," Blitzer said, referring to her Democratic rivals.

Covering the world of quilts



Reference Librarian Doris Fookman and Library Assistant Angela Minieri view one of the quilts on exhibit at the Springfield Public Library.

EMT squad issues own call for aid

By David Brown
Managing Editor

A group dedicated to responding to the needs of the community is calling for that community to respond to some staffing needs of its own.

The Springfield-First-Aid Squad will open its doors and arms to Springfield residents tonight at 7:30 p.m. as the second of two open house nights at the squad's headquarters on North Trivet Street in the hope of bolstering its ranks.

"We're in dire need of day members," said Squad Captain Elizabeth Fritzen, a 19-year veteran of the organization, speculating that the dwindling of its staff has been due in large part to the return of many females to the workforce. "Housewives were a big part of our day staff," she said.

While acknowledging the squad is "keeping its head above water" by virtue of its members of retirement age, Fritzen said the squad, now 35-strong, could use another 10 emergency medical technicians.

Prerequisites to join the First Aid Squad are minimal, according to Fritzen. While there is no age restriction on the high side, Fritzen said the squad accommodates young people interested in the field through their cadet program, beginning at age 16.

As far as physical requirements, Fritzen said prospective members must be able to administer first aid and carry a stretcher. Members must also have a valid driver's license. The squad will do the rest.

"We provide all the training necessary," said Fritzen, noting the squad is a member of a consortium of other first aid squads to minimize the costs of training.

"We assume all the costs. We pay for the books and uniforms, and provide volunteer instructors," said Fritzen.

The First Aid Squad also provides interested persons a no-obligation opportunity to join one of its crews for a month to get a taste of life as an EMT.

"There's no obligation to join," Fritzen explained. "It just gives people a chance to ride along on calls and see if it's for them."

The obligation, however, is balanced with, if not outweighed by, the rewards of the volunteer position. "It gives you a great feeling to help others," said Fritzen. "Whether you've been on the squad for one year or 25 years, when you arrive at a call those people feel everything is going to be OK. It's helping your community and follow man."

Regional school board reviews 1991-92 educational objectives

By Dennis Schaaf
Staff Writer

Each year the Union County Regional High School District — as do systems throughout the state — establishes several educational objectives in collaboration with the county superintendent.

The goal of this annual exercise, district Superintendent Donald Merzahn told Regional Board of Education members Tuesday evening, is not to play a numbers game with the results. "The important thing is to have the kids reach higher than they ever did before," he noted.

Merzahn offered this perspective during the board meeting at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark this week as the school board reviewed the somewhat "disappointing" results from the district's 1991-1992 objectives.

According to a presentation by district Superintendent of Curriculum Kenneth Matfield, the district fell short in its 1991-1992 objectives.

Objective No. 1 had projected that 90 percent of the enrolled students in English I Readiness would show improvement in their ability to write a "problem-solving essay" as measured by a scoring system used in the

High School Proficiency Test. Of the 33 students enrolled, Matfield noted that only 51.5 percent had registered improvement. He indicated that the district had not met its goal that was too ambitious in collaboration with the county superintendent.

The district failed to meet Objective No. 2 by a small margin and Matfield said administrators were "pleased" with the results. The objective called for 90 percent of ninth graders in Readiness World History and Cultures to register improvement in the skill of outlining a position on a controversial issue. The test involved questions related to Saddam Hussein and the Iraq-Kuwait conflict.

Matfield said that 81.5 percent of the 27 students improved; there was 100 percent improvement at two of the four high schools.

Matfield termed Objective No. 3, pertaining to math skills, "a very successful goal" although "we didn't get everything exactly as we wanted." The objective set the target that ninth-grade students enrolled in math classes should show a 40-percent improvement in tests involving estimation skills and problem-solving. The district, he said, missed the target

by 1.2 percent, an insignificant margin.

Board President Burton Zitomer asked the curriculum supervisor whether perhaps the district had set goals that were too ambitious.

Matfield said that his impression from the county superintendent's office was that the objectives should be reasonable and that perhaps the district had over-reached. "But we want to set ambitious goals," Matfield added.

After reviewing the 1991-1992 objective, board members adopted priority goals for the 1992-1993 school year pertaining to cause-effect writing, problem-solving strategies, and interpreting and constructing graphs and charts.

The objectives are geared toward measuring students' ability to handle the new 11th grade HSPT, which will be a statewide graduation requirement for the crop of pupils who entered the 10th grade this year and each class that follows.

Board members asked Matfield whether the current curriculum was becoming too heavily weighted toward achieving optimum results on the HSPT.

The office of Union County surrogate is a full-time elected post with a five-year term.

Conti indicated this week that she feels the basic issue in the November balloting will be which candidate is the "best qualified." She feels that she has the experience and legal background to qualify in this regard. "For the last 10 years I've fulfilled my responsibilities in a very fine way," she said.

County surrogate candidates face off over fund-raising methods

By Dennis Schaaf
Staff Writer

Union County Prosecutor Andrew K. Ruotolo decided this week that his office will not investigate a charge by the Republican candidate for county surrogate that the incumbent, Democrat Ann Conti, has improperly solicited campaign contributions from attorneys appearing before Surrogate Court.

Ruotolo communicated his decision in a letter to Democratic County Chairman Neil Cohen and his Republican counterpart, Frank McDermott. The prosecutor said that, short of extraordinary circumstances, the policy of his office is to forego investigating these types of complaints during an election campaign.

In a Sept. 8 press release, Republican surrogate candidate Philip Gentile of Elizabeth had charged that Conti, a two-term incumbent, is soliciting \$100 contributions from attorneys for an Oct. 5 fund-raiser.

"Democratic incumbent Ann Conti has virtually put a gun to the heads of attorneys who must deal with her office," Gentile alleged. "It's unethical and just plain wrong for her to use her position this way."

Conti, a Mountainside resident, countered this week that Gentile has "raised this complaint as a means of detracting from the real issues in the campaign."

She explained that her campaign mailed about 500 tickets for the Keenelworth fund-raiser to "the general public, to business associates and friends, some of whom are, of course, lawyers."

"There is absolutely nothing wrong with what we have done," Conti said. She said her campaign reports contributions in accordance with campaign finance laws, and that in prior elections her fund raising was carried out in a similar manner. Conti added that she does not fund raising in non-election years.

"Anyone who uses the Surrogate Court receives the same special care," the Democrats said. "There is no discrimination between contributors and non-contributors, Democrats or Republicans."



Ann Conti
"Nothing wrong"



Philip Gentile
"It's unethical"

Gentile, a former Republican candidate in the 20th Assembly District, stated this week that he became aware of the financing issue around Labor Day when a supporter, Jeffrey Katz,

approached for a contribution. He ties the current solicitation to his representation of "one or more estates in the last year or two" in Union County Surrogate Court. "It's tantamount to a shake-down," Katz contended.

Conti countered that her campaign has made no special attempt to garner contributions from attorneys appearing before Surrogate Court and that Katz must have been on a list of potential supporters from her 1987 campaign, when she won a second, five-year term.

In his press release, Gentile argued: "It's simply unethical for Conti to solicit campaign contributions from any attorney." He argued, in a subsequent interview this week, that he is "not subject to the same restrictions" as Conti because he is not in office yet and not in a position of authority. He said he would not accept contributions from lawyers, if elected, but acknowledged that he has received contributions in the current contest from "friends who happen to be attorneys."

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news notes

Aerobics sign-up set

Registration for the Beginner Low Impact Aerobic classes, sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department, will be held on Sept. 24, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Chisholm Community Center.

Mobile Meals rolls on

A non-profit organization, Mobile Meals, serves the nutritional needs of disabled residents of Westfield, Mountainide, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Greenwood, Cranford, and Clark.

Mountainside Woman's Club sets garage sale

The annual garage sale of the Mountainside Woman's Club benefiting the Scotch Plains branch of the club will be held on Sept. 25, at the Community Presbyterian Church, on Meeting House Lane and Deer Path in Mountainside.

Pack 73 seeks members

Springfield Cub Scout Pack 73 invites any boys in Grades 2, 3, 4 or 5 who are interested in joining a Cub Scout program to come, with their parent, to a meeting to learn more about the pack.

Getting out the vote

U.S. citizens who want to vote in the November election but are not yet registered may do so until Oct. 5.

Civic Calendar

The Civic Calendar is prepared each week for the Mountainside Echo and the Springfield Leader. To avoid conflicts in scheduling local events, please post dates, times and places as early as possible.

Hospital displays art

Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside is exhibiting the work of various artists during the month of September.

Thrill shop opens for '92

The Junior League of Summit operates a Thrill Shop for the 1992-93 year on Monday. The Consignment Shop opens today for receiving the sales floor opens Sept. 21. The shops are located at 37 DeForest Ave., Summit.

Mountainide safety rodeo

Cycling enthusiasts of all ages are invited to learn that "safely is no accident" at the Mountainide Safety Day on Sept. 25, at the Community Presbyterian Church, on Meeting House Lane and Deer Path in Mountainside.

Books from the stacks

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The Daughters of the American Revolution, marking Constitution Week from Sept. 17 to 23, submitted the following statement in recognition of the event.

MAR hears historian

The Mountainside Active Retirees will hear a presentation by local historian George Van Hecke on "A Day in the Life of a Colonial."

Retirement seminar set

It's never too early to start thinking about retirement plans and the Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation is presenting a free seminar for the public on Oct. 13.

Call the editors

Ever want to talk about something you think should be in the paper? Know something that might make a good story? Do you know someone who might be the subject of an interesting feature? Do you know of a sports story we don't

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"Free speech is to a great people what winds are to oceans and malarial regions, which waf away the elements of disease, and bring new elements of health; and where free speech is stopped miasma is bred, and death comes fast."

Veils of party affiliation

The entrance of Steven Brociner into the race for a seat on the Mountaineer Borough Council is welcome, though not for the simplistic notion of benefits presumed inherent within the two-party system.

Continuity with flexibility

We have two objections to a recently introduced ordinance that would enable a majority of the Township Committee to reassign the chairs of its working committees.

Comments from the campaign trail

To the Editor: As the Republican candidates for Springfield Township Committee, we thought your readers might be interested in hearing about what people are saying to us along the campaign trail after three weeks of door-to-door campaigning.

OPINION PAGE

Child Health Day targets preventable disease

Oct. 5 has been decreed Child Health Day in this country. Child Health Day was proclaimed by U.S. presidents beginning in 1928 with Calvin Coolidge. Each year, an important health aspect of problem is pinpointed for action on Child Health Day. In 1992, this annual event is focusing on preventable childhood diseases.

Bond Act will fund environmental advances

Passions of a presidential election too easily can draw voter attention away from a critically important environmental bond issue on New Jersey ballot Nov. 3.

Letters to the editor

Scouting is great for girls. Scouting is upon us and many parents are planning their children's extra-curricular activities. Why not include Scouting in that schedule?

Misstatements and half-truths

To the Editor: In response to the Echo's coverage of the mayor's encounter with Mr. Bush in which he "grudgingly" informed the president that Mountaineer has never elected a registered Democrat, and that it was probably due to the fact that "we've provided good service here in the borough"

Thanks for pursuing left turn delay

To the Editor: We would like to compliment both Mountaineer Mayor Robert Vigilanti and Ed Hoffman for their initiative in getting the state to consider a left turn delay at the intersection of Route 22 and New Providence Road.

Join volunteer groups under single agency

The willingness of millions of Americans who want to assist the victims of Hurricane Andrew in Florida and Louisiana is proving the need for better coordination of 21 federal programs designed to encourage volunteerism in America. The federal investment of \$231 million in grants to state and local volunteer organizations over the past year has enabled many of them to quickly respond with clothing and food drives and other offers of assistance to Florida and Louisiana residents whose homes were destroyed by the hurricane.

Hand out brooms and stop the car thieves

"If a young person took a gun and shot somebody, he would be tried as an adult. Yet that same young person can take a car and run over a citizen or a police officer and he's not tried as an adult. I think something is wrong here."

I & R is no solution to reforming government

"All politicians are crooks." "You can't fight City Hall." "It's not what you know but who you know."

Letters to the editor

"Candidate of change" is boxed in. Governor Clinton has done a terrific job marketing himself as the "candidate of change." Yet, on issue after issue, the Clinton campaign seems to be boxed in by the status-quo of the core Democratic support.

Let's reflect on the season at the Shore

Another beach season has drawn to a close and it's a good time to do some reflecting on the Jersey Shore, and also to do some planning for the future.

Screening New Jersey

On the surface, Clarke's explanation makes sense. Poverty can explain a lot of the ills of urban life. But the theory didn't seem to jibe with some of the things Celester told me.

Letters to the editor

We must ban assault weapons. Assault weapons are designed for one purpose — to kill as many people as possible, as quickly as possible. We are packed with our legislators have chosen to repeal the ban on such weapons.

Something more to ponder

In response to Joseph Chleppa's letter in the Sept. 10 edition of the Springfield Leader — if George Bush dies, Dan Quayle will be president. That's the scariest thing I could ever imagine!

Mountainside to hold American Heart Walk at Echo Lake Park

Handfuls of Union County citizens will join thousands of walkers around the state to walk all over cardiovascular diseases during the American Heart Walk, slated for Oct. 4 at 9 a.m., at Echo Lake Park in Mountainside.

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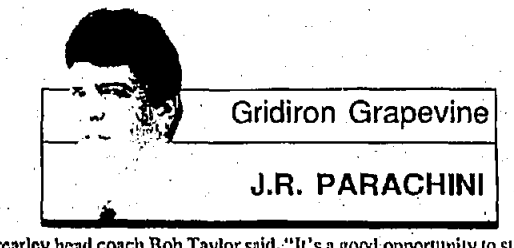
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Section B
SEPTEMBER 17, 1992

H.S. football previewed here and on B2-B5

The high school football season officially kicks off tomorrow night as let's get right to it:
Previews of area teams appear on:
B1: Dayton Regional, Rahway, Linden, Roselle
B3: Union, Roselle Park, Brearley Regional
Schedules of area teams appear on Page B5.
Four area teams will be in action this weekend. Here's the slate:
Tomorrow night:
Rahway at Newark East Side, 7:00



Saturday
Brearley Regional at Hackensacktown, 1:00
Union at Plainfield, 1:30
Summit at Linden, 1:30

Everyone else will open next weekend, with the above teams getting a week off during the summer.
Here's how the eight area teams fared last year:
Union, 11-0
Brearley Regional, 6-2-1
Roselle Regional, 7-2-1
Linden, 6-3
Dayton Regional, 4-3
Roselle, 5-4
Rahway, 4-5

Union (North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4) and Brearley (North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1) claimed state championships. Union (Champion American), Johnson (Mountain Valley-Valley) and Dayton (Mountain Valley-Mountain) won conference titles. (Dayton shared its crown with Immaculate).

The picks record last year was 44-71 for .863. Here are the first two picks of the season:
Brearley Regional (0-0) at Hackensacktown (0-0): The Bears hosted the Group 2 school last year in the opener for both and Hackensacktown rallied in the fourth quarter for a 19-15 victory. On Saturday Brearley will take the bus ride on interstate 30 (exit 19) with hopes of starting 1992 1-0. "Their skill players are back, so we'll have our work cut out for us,"

Brearley head coach Bob Taylor said, "It's a good opportunity to start the season with a bang. We like playing good teams early in the year."
Hackensacktown features the talents of quarterback Mike Morgan, a strong Division 1 prospect and running back Bill Bachman.
Brearley, the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1 champion last year, will have Hill Pione at quarterback and Steve Miceli in the backfield.
Brearley 17, Hackensacktown 13
Union (0-0) at Plainfield (0-0): Although head coach Lou Rittino may not be on the sidelines for Union, things will be in good hands with assistant coaches Gary Zaskovic in charge of the defense and Jeff Longo in charge of the offense.
"I haven't made up my mind whether I'll be able to attend," said Rittino, who is still recovering from the surgery he underwent this summer to remove a cancerous tumor. "I'll be talking to the doctor this week to see when I'm going to be able to handle the stress of being involved in a game situation."
The best news so far this season is that Rittino is getting better and feeling stronger everyday.
"The worst of it is over," Rittino said. "I'm practicing everyday, but it's tough and go right now when I'll be able to get back into the full swing of things."
Rittino said Monday night that he may not be able to attend Union's first couple of games, but will probably be back to full strength after that. His last radiation treatment is scheduled for Monday.
As far as the opener goes, Union takes an 11-game winning streak into the affair. Last year (at home) Union struggled to a 14-6 halftime lead before downing Plainfield 40-17.
Ed Collins takes over at quarterback for the Farmers and on hand



Bulldogs could benefit from coaching stability

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

SPRINGFIELD—First-year head coach Ed Manigan's biggest achievement was returning for a second season next year. "I'm the third Bulldogs coach in the past three seasons."
"I want to bring some continuity to the program," said Manigan, who is beginning his first head coaching position at the high school level after stints as an assistant at Morris Catholic (1965, 1966), Upsala College (1964-1966), and Millburn (1960, 1991) and a long career at Seton Hall University's last head coach (1968-1981).
Last year's squad made great

defeat the week before at Roselle Park eliminated it from gaining the fourth and final playoff berth in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.
Still, the Bulldogs managed a share of the Mountain Valley Conference Mountain Division title with Immaculate.
"I've got a good group of kids here," Manigan said. "I was impressed with what I saw of last year's team on film and this year's squad, for the most part, will be senior dominated like last year."
"Unfortunately, not many of our seniors have a lot of experience. However, they're all hard-working and the strong nucleus of our team."

Prior to the team's first scrimmage, seniors David Nitano (5-8, 170) and Shand Wright (5-11, 160) were vying for the starting quarterback position. Manigan will run a Slot-I and Power-I offense.
"I like an offense with a little more option play involved," said Manigan, recognizing the fact that Maglione installed a wishbone attack last year that was very successful (five backs rushing for more than 1,500 yards).
Other seniors on this year's roster include starting guard Andrew Sarno (5-8, 175); tightback-corerbacker Victor Lee (5-8, 155); starting corner-backer split end James Balsal (5-6, 140); starting two-way tackle Jordan Pinta-

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Certainly no lack of talent here

The question is how soon will it take for the Crusaders to bloom?

By Susan Krakowicki
Assistant Sports Editor

CLARK — Johnson Regional may be lacking experience at the 1992 season gets underway, but there is certainly no lack of talent.

"The talent is there on both offense and defense," head coach Bill Theodosatos said. "There is a lot of potential, but also a lot of room for improvement and a lot of work that needs to be done. We look like we can blossom into a very good team; the question is how soon."

The Crusaders, who won the Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division title last year and finished 72-1 overall, field a new offensive line this season. Senior Joe Hill, one of the four Johnson captains, will start at center, Fred Gallo, another senior, is the right guard and junior Paul Segro is at left tackle.

On the left side, senior Roy Pitta and senior Steve Cicciotti, a sophomore who moves up from the freshman team.

"Chris saw limited playing time last season, but he looks to be a very good quarterback," Theodosatos said. "He has some work to do in picking up the system, but he can really throw the ball. And he's got some guys who can catch it."

Returning as the starting fullback is senior Mike Mentzel, who last season barreled his way to 12 touchdowns. Mentzel will also serve as one of the Crusader captains. Juniors Mike Barile and John DeSordi will provide the

backup to Mentzel.

At the halfback, or slotback positions, DeSordi and senior captain Steve Jordan are set to start. Jordan picked up some varsity experience last season. Senior Craig Mahon will back up the halfback spot. He's a rookie, but according to Theodosatos, he's "got very good speed, he can really run."

On defense, Barile will get the start at nose tackle. Segro, who is a veteran on defense but not on offense, will start at left end, while Leggio, who also saw some playing time with the varsity defense last year, will start at right end.

Eric Almetaj, a junior, will start at left outside linebacker and Sangiliano will start on the right side. Mentzel returns to the middle linebacker spot, while Hart and Dill will play at the intermediate linebacker positions. Sophomore Joe Procopio and junior Dave Donato may also see some action at linebacker.

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Malton, Donato and senior Sean O'Flynn will also see some action as defensive backs. Bill Solujich, a senior, will fill in at linebacker. And junior Al Bacchary will also fill in on the defense.

Peterson and Sangiliano will handle the punting and the place-kicking. Vazquez will also help out with the place-kicking duties.

"We're green on our offensive line," Theodosatos said. "There were a lot of errors in our last scrimmage. A lot of work needs to be done, but the potential is there. We also have some decent size on the line. In the backfield, Peterson looks good at quarterback and Mentzel is just superb."

"Defensively, we hit pretty good in the last scrimmage. There's room for improvement, but we have people I think can do the job. The conditioning is not where it should be at this time, but we're working on it."

"By and large, it's a new group of players. They've gotten a lot of work in with the scrimmages, and they needed it. They need to get experience quickly, in time to open the season strongly."

Indians sport new look for new level of competition

By Susan Krakowicki
Assistant Sports Editor

RAHWAY — A new look for a "level of competition" that is different than those behind the Indians moved up from Group 2 to Group 3, but they're sending a lot of new players out onto the field this year.

"We graduated 15 starters last year," head coach Fred Steuber said. "So we're putting a lot of new faces in the lineup. At the other end of the line, we have a lot of juniors and seniors, but they don't have a lot of varsity experience."

Four players are fighting it out for the starting tackle positions, but only one of them played last year. Senior

Jason Holohoko was a starter last year. Senior Terrence Campbell and junior Mike Whitlock and Tom Miller are also varsity experience. The situation is the same at offensive end, where there are four candidates vying for playing time. Junior Steve Rasinski and seniors Danny Halsey and Kevin Fitzharris have no real varsity experience. Only Joel Thomas, a senior, saw action last season. The offensive guard is a case in point. At center, Steuber will start Antonio Ellis. Ellis is a senior, but he has only one game of varsity experience. Offensive guard Frank Alfano, a junior, also has just one game of varsity experience. At the other guard spot is senior Jason Jeru, who didn't play at all last year.

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Tigers have needed experience to improve

By Susan Krakowicki
Assistant Sports Editor

LINDEN — Head football coach Bucky McDonald hopes the Tigers can improve on last year's 6-3 record and feels he's got the experienced team to do just that.

"We have a nice group of players returning from last year's squad," McDonald said. "We want to play at the same level or better, than last year and I think we have the kids to do it."

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Rams are big on offensive line

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

ROSELLE — Having to fill the void of one of the county's best running backs in some time (Mike Falkman, who is now at Rutgers) won't be easy for the Rams. But if head coach Lou Cassano can point to what he feels is a strength, it's his offensive line. They'll have to provide the cushion for this year's runners.

"We'll be pretty big up front and probably have one of the biggest offensive lines around," said Cassano, entering his 13th year as the head coach.

The line, with a lot of experience, consists of seniors at four spots and one junior. The center is Tyrone Small (but by no means) at 6-2, 250. At right guard is Kenny Jackson (6-4, 260), left guard Ralph King (6-1, 205), right tackle Ray Harmon (6-3, 265) and left tackle Terrell Taylor

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Can 1991 success be duplicated?

Sheridan will spark Farmers on both sides of the ball

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

UNION — Last year was a return to glory, of sorts, for Union. This year's challenge will be to keep it going.

Back to head 1992's cast is blue-chipper Brian Sheridan. The 6-1, 205-pound senior linebacker-fullback is one of North Jersey's most sought after players.

"More than anything, Brian wants the team to be able to repeat," said head coach Lou Retaino. "He's not a showboat type of player. He's well liked."

His talents on both sides of the ball helped Union, the Watching Conference-American Division champion, record its first 11-0 campaign since 1987. It was the Farmers' record eighth North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 title and fifth No. 1 state ranking.

The only junior to make our All-Area squad last year, Sheridan started for a team-high 1,068 yards and paced

Washington (6-1, 205) and Marco Cuban (5-6, 165). Queli, a senior, saw some time at running back last year and was a starter in the secondary. Washington, a senior, and Cuban, a junior and the team's placekicker, will fill the voids left by graduating seniors Derrick Cannon and Danny Taylor.

"Queli has some breakaway ability and is a hard runner," Retaino said. "He's got very good speed (both he and Sheridan have been clocked at 4.6 in the 40) and has the chance to have a very good year."

Queli will be at left halfback and Washington at right.

"We haven't had a big halfback in a long time and Washington fits that bill," Retaino said. "He started five varsity games last year at tight end and has a lot of power potential and decent speed (4.8)."

Replacing since graduated Mike Lillo is quarterbacking the junior Ed Collins (6-2, 180). Steve Ercoli (6-1, 160) will serve as the backup. He missed most of last year when he was injured (ribs), showing potential as the team's first junior varsity contact.

"Collins has a strong arm and has the potential to be a very good passer," Retaino said. "He has the ability to throw long and keep people honest. We'll still be a predominantly running team, but have the ability to blow."

The offensive line will consist of senior Camen Marano (5-10, 220) at center, Dan Mingucci at left guard, senior Steve Tillberg (5-11, 195) at right guard, junior Frank Fabio (6-1, 250) at left tackle and senior Corey Caldwell (5-10, 270) at right tackle. Tim Kelly (6-3, 205), a senior co-captain along with Sheridan, is the

right end. The split ends will be Evell and senior Tim Russo (5-9, 165). Collins is the punter.

Last year's starting unit went a total of 30 consecutive quarters without allowing a single touchdown and recorded four consecutive shutouts (games 6-9).

This year's squad will be led by Sheridan at (inside) linebacker. He will be joined there by senior Marc Ulewicz (6-0, 175) and Washington, senior Jonathan Cohen (6-1, 180) and Cuban at outside.

The line will consist of Kelly and

Caldwell at ends and Marano and Fabio at tackles.

Queli and Ercoli are the cornerbacks and senior Jeremiah Burns (5-7, 150), junior Nick Marascio (5-8, 155), junior Sharrad Williams (5-9, 165) and Russo will see time at safety.

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Rams are big on the offensive line

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 This year's backfield will include fullbacks Gary Morton and Eric Mickens, both juniors, and senior Rahib Abdullah and junior Garry Riddick at tailback.

Morton and senior Ralph King are the tight ends and Mike Smith, a junior, and Kameron Ables the flankers.

Rashon Champion, a junior, will play split end and Boyce should see time as a wide out.

"Everything is pretty wide open right now," Grasso said. "Nobody really has a lock on any position. We don't have that much depth, so a lot of players will be going on both sides of the ball."

Kean tied by Bridgewater

Bridgewater managed to score a fourth quarter touchdown and on its third try, the ensuing extra point, to knot Kean 20-20 in Division 3 college football action in Bridgewater, Mass. last Saturday.

After Jeff Putnam connected with Paul Piccolini on a 19-yard pass with 5:37 left to bring Bridgewater (9-0-1) to within 20-19, placekicker Matt Carroll missed on the extra-point attempt, but Kean was called for having 12 men on the field.

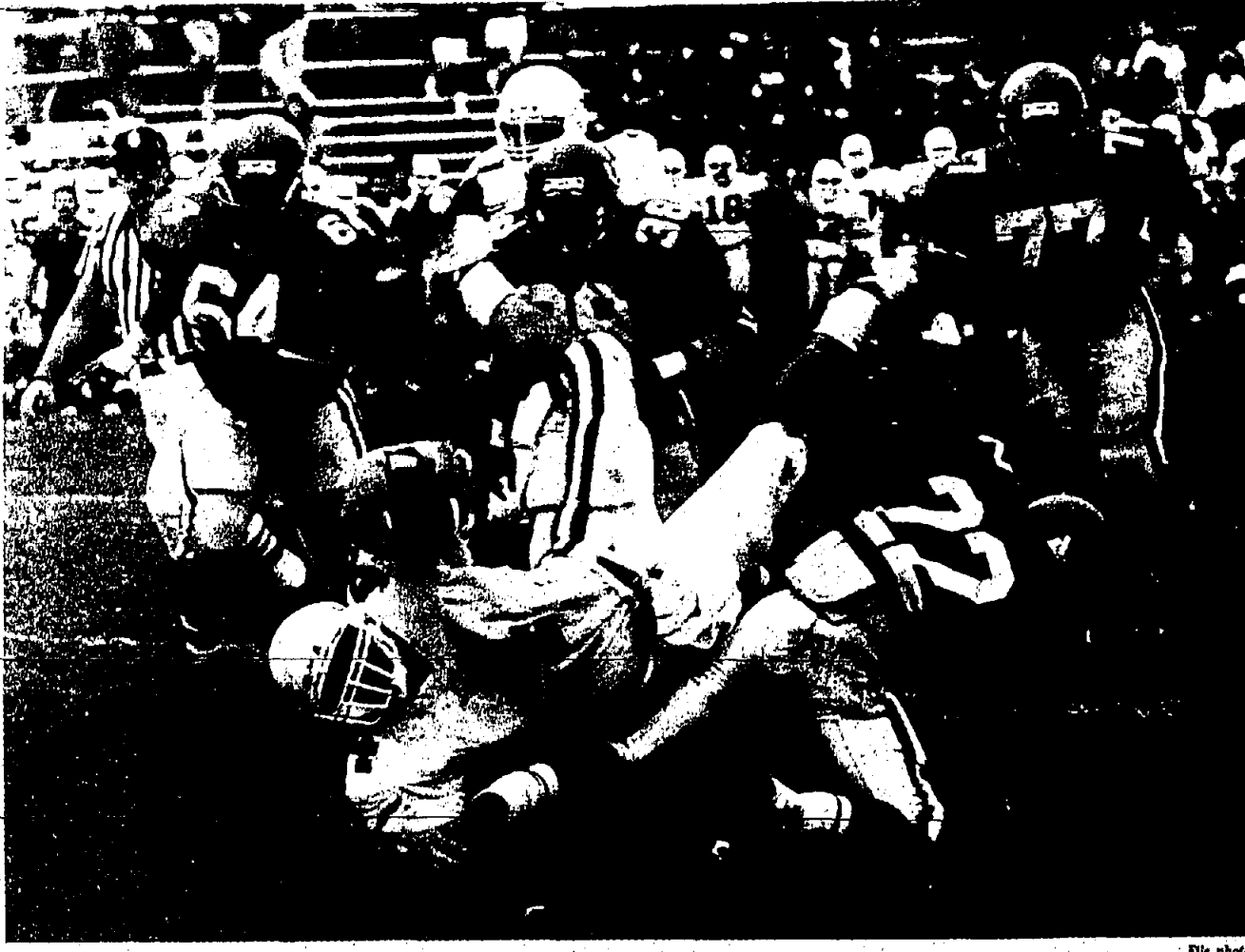
Bridgewater then went for a two-point attempt, but was called for illegal procedure. The team then decided to kick again and, this time, was successful.

Neither team mounted a serious scoring threat the rest of the way.

Kean (1-0-1) jumped on top behind the passing of Johnson Regional graduate John Pomanski, a transfer from East Stroudsburg. The quarterback from Clark fired a 32-yard pass to Terence Brody and then hit the talented receiver again for 45 yards and a touchdown on the opening drive of the game.

Pomanski hit Dion Elliot with a touchdown pass of 42 and 70 yards, the latter giving Kean a 20-13 lead in the third quarter. The sophomores completed 9-of-24 passes for 235 yards and three touchdowns.

Kean hosts Upstate Saturday and will stay home for a contest against Ramapo, Saturday, Sept. 26.



Here's action from last year's game between Governor Livingston and Roselle in Roselle, N.J. No. 38, Eric Mickens (junior) and No. 77, Kenneth Jackson (senior) are returning players for the Rams this year.

Runners invited to Heart & Sole Race

Area runners are invited to sign up for the JFK Medical Center's 10th annual Heart & Sole Race, a 10-kilometer run through Edison on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 9:30 a.m.

The race will begin across from the medical center in front of the JFK Fitness & Conference Center on James Street. It will wind through suburban township streets before finishing at the race site.

For those wishing to participate, but at a more leisurely pace, a one-mile walk/run will precede the 10K at 9 a.m.

Runners, walkers and wheelchair athletes of all ages are eligible for either event. More than 800 people competed last year and a large number of entrants are again expected.

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Union Rams win youth football opener

In opening Central Jersey Pop Warner League youth football action (Middle Division) last weekend the Union Rams (13-14-year olds) defeated North Edison 27-6 to start the season at 1-0.

After halting North Edison on its opening drive, Union drove 85 yards for a score. Premio Grant ran 40 of those yards for the first six points of the game.

Union's next score came on a pass from David Robinson to Shawn Johnson.

Mario Bailey, after getting an interception, scored Union's third touchdown on a 10-yard run.

Union's final touchdown came on a reverse play to Mark Gock who raced 20 yards behind Clark Legemann for the touchdown.

Union Rangers win 12-0
 Union's Junior Pee Wee team, the Rangers, blanked North Edison 12-0 to go 1-0.

Jasper Hankins, a tailback, scampered 25 yards for Union's first touchdown. Daron Hayes scored Union's final touchdown on an 18-yard run late in the second period.

Dayton Regional

- Sept. 25 at Immaculata, 7:30
- Oct. 3 at Hillside, 1:00
- Oct. 10 Newark Central, 1:00
- Oct. 17 at Ridge, 1:00
- Oct. 24 at Gov. Livingston, 1:00
- Nov. 7 at Roselle, 2:00
- Nov. 14 Roselle Park, 1:00
- Nov. 26 North Plainfield, 10:30

Rahway

- Sept. 18 at East Side, 7:00
- Sept. 26 at Plainfield, 1:30
- Oct. 3 at Scotch Plains, 1:30
- Oct. 17 Cranford, 1:30
- Oct. 24 at Kearny, 1:30
- Oct. 31 Westfield, 2:00
- Nov. 7 at Summit, 1:30
- Nov. 14 at Shabazz, 1:30
- Nov. 26 Linden, 10:30

Brearley Regional

- Sept. 19 at Hackensack, 1:00
- Oct. 2 at Middletown, 7:30
- Oct. 10 Bound Brook, 1:00
- Oct. 17 Hillside, 1:00
- Oct. 24 New Providence, 1:00
- Oct. 31 Roselle Park, 1:00
- Nov. 6 at Manville, 7:30
- Nov. 13 at North Plainfield, 7:30
- Nov. 26 at Johnson, 10:30

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- Sept. 25 Johnson, 7:30
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- Oct. 9 at Middletown, 7:30
- Oct. 17 South Hunterdon, 1:00
- Oct. 23 at Manville, 7:30
- Oct. 31 at Brearley, 1:00
- Nov. 6 New Providence, 7:30
- Nov. 14 at Dayton, 1:00
- Nov. 26 Roselle, 10:30

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- Oct. 9 at Manville, 7:30
- Oct. 17 Dayton, 1:00
- Oct. 23 at Middletown, 7:30
- Oct. 31 Cranford, 1:00
- Nov. 6 at Bound Brook, 7:30
- Nov. 14 at Immaculata, 4:30
- Nov. 26 Brearley, 10:30

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 Oct. 10 at Westfield, 1:30
 Oct. 16 Newark East Side, 7:30
 Oct. 23 at Elizabeth, 7:00
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UNDEFEATED CHAMPIONS—The Union Rams youth football team finished unbeaten and won the Division 2 championship in the Morris United Shoot Out during Labor Day weekend (Sept. 5-7). Teams from New York, Delaware and New Jersey competed in the three-day tournament. From left, are Chris Jenkins, Peter Truong, cheerleader Alexa Messinger, Jared Messinger, Evan Sobel, Steven Zadjelovich, Michael Poller, Terrance Krakovia and mascot Nicholas Ganeth. Standing, from left, are Mike McGrath, Mike Iuzzo, Michael Rose, Chris Papa, Stanley Blonner, Matt Finnegan, Michael Messinger, Alex Benoit and coach Henry Garcia.

Mario Martins goal lifted the Dynamo past the Falcons 2-1; the Wizard trounced the Sting 6-0; the Wildcats, behind Jason Devito's breakaway goal, edged the Pythons 2-1.

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Mandley, who is the third generation of nursery operators in his family, says business is as good as ever this season, and more and more people are coming to Maplewood Nursery, located at 160 Springfield Ave., for a variety of items to make their homes and yards look fresh.

Maplewood Nursery also carries at least nine different styles of paving stones from which to choose, and all are easy to install and reasonably priced.

"They don't need mortar so the homeowner can do the installation easily," says Mandley. "They are already cut to fit together like puzzle pieces, and once they're down, they stay put."

"It seems like everyone needs at least a little help," he says. "They usually want to know how much of something they need and where it will go best."

Mandley stays on top in the highly competitive nursery business by keeping prices low and selling products in bulk.

Mandley added that although his stock moves out at a quick pace, he does a few extra things with his shrubbery to keep it fresh.

"We are one of the few nurseries that water the stock in the ground. We don't just water them."

Another unique feature he offers is the sale of items in bulk, which drops the price considerably. "We can sell things by the cubic yard instead of the bag," he says. "Selling things by the truckload can mean big savings for the customer."

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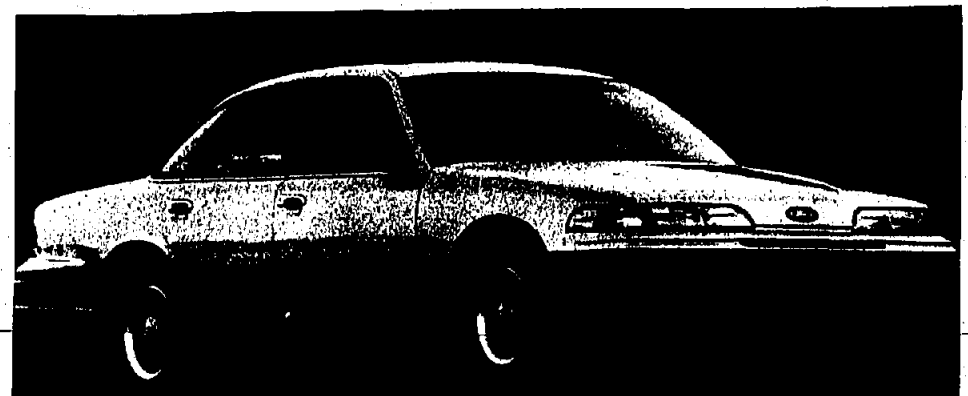
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AUTOMOTIVE MARKETPLACE

New sedan premieres

A touring sedan, which combines the roominess and comfort of a luxury car with the handling and precision of a European sports sedan, was added to the Crown Victoria line-up in 1992.

"This special edition is a high-value six-passenger car with precise handling, exceptional interior and trunk space, and a new, more efficient 4.6-liter, 210-horsepower engine," said Ross H. Roberts, Ford Motor Company vice president and Ford Division general manager.



1992 Crown Victoria

Functional features of the touring sedan include a high performance overhead cam V-8 engine, anti-lock brakes with traction assist, performance tires and a touring suspension with special springs, shock absorbers and anti-sway bars for flatter cornering.

Additionally, the touring sedan features contemporary styling, cast-aluminum wheels and interior appointments including standard cloth and leather seats.

In the first major redesign of Ford's full-size, four-door family sedan since 1979, Ford refines the Crown Victoria's lines to create a sleeker, more aerodynamic car. The new design includes limousine doors, flush glass, body-colored bumpers and a sculptured hood.

"What the new Crown Victoria does is bridge generations," Roberts said. "It has the size, comfort, security and status familiar to the traditional Crown Victoria owner, yet includes the contemporary styling and vehicle dynamics that are keys to capturing a new generation of full-size prospects."

Inside the 1992 Crown Victoria, drivers will find an environment of luxury. The front doors and instrument panels have been designed to flow together in a wraparound style which enhances the spaciousness of the interior.

Controls have been designed, positioned and labeled in an effort to reduce confusion and simplify operation. For example, a ledge beneath the radio offers a natural resting spot for fingers while adjustments are being made, a feature especially helpful in a moving vehicle.

Standard equipment on the Crown Victoria includes a driver's side airbag, four-wheel disc brakes, child-safety latches on rear doors, 4.6-liter sequential fuel injection, overhead cam V-8 engine, tinted glass, clearcoat paint, front and rear stabilizer bars, all-season BSW tires and air conditioning.

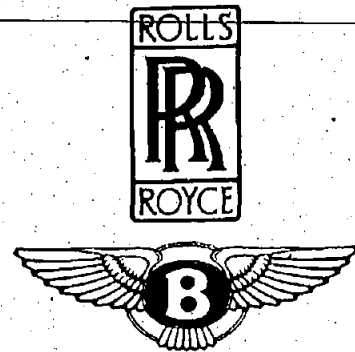
Options include a passenger-side airbag, a keyless entry system, a Ford JBL audio system, a rear air-suspension and an Insta-Clear windshield for fast defrosting.

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AUTOMOTIVE MARKETPLACE

Auto works facility helps keeps cars in top shape

The average car on the road is 7.5 years old, according to the Automotive Information Council, and that figure keeps going up. As a result, professional auto paint shops are increasing in business.

In addition to painting cars, the

Maaco Auto Painting and Body Works facility, located at 1035 Hudson St. in Union, also repairs rust, dents and collision damage. Since the early 1980s, Maaco has been a leader in the repair of taxi-body cars, which

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Body Works is having sales on some of their most popular paint services. Perennino invites you to come down and take advantage of these savings from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or from 9 a.m.-noon on Saturday.

Modern engines operate hotter

Have you ever felt the intense heat when you raise the hood after a stretch of highway driving?

Modern engines are designed to run hotter. But they are less "forgiving" of cooling system neglect.

Running an overhead engine can cause major dam-

age, said the Car Care Council. If you overheat, shut it off, and do not touch it until it cools. Removing the radiator cap from a hot engine can cause a geyser of steam. The council suggests a cooling system checkup before starting out on that vacation trip.

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Operating as a volunteer, non-profit organization to provide Porsche car owners with the opportunity to get together and enjoy their own cars in an educational and safety-controlled environment, more than 60 events are held annually in the area. Activities include road rallies, Concours D'Elegance, autocross, high performance driver education, technical workshops and social events. A 50-page regional magazine, PorscheForum, is issued monthly to all NNJR members covering topical Porsche Club interest, upcoming and past event articles and advertising, plus technical information.

Covering all of Bergen, Morris, Essex, Hunterdon, Somerset, Union, Middlesex, Passaic, Hudson, Sussex and Warren counties, NNJR has been the national recipient of the Porsche Cup awarded to the Region of the Year three of the past five years and five times overall.

Also active in community affairs over the past years, NNJR has awarded scholarships at Morris County and Middlesex Community Colleges, participated locally in the "Say No To Drugs" program, assisted in the "Toys For Tots" campaign and held major club events to raise funds for charity. The club's most recent endeavor, a fifth annual Chinese auction to benefit the Seeing Eye in Morristown raised more than \$12,000 in 1991 bringing the overall contribution to the Seeing Eye to in excess of \$45,000.

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AUTOMOTIVE MARKETPLACE

USCAR formed as umbrella for Big Three consortia

Chrysler, Ford and General Motors have formed the United States Council for Automotive Research, an umbrella organization that will recommend, monitor and promote pre-competitive research among the Big Three.

Collective research and development consortia among the Big Three in specific non-competitive areas have been underway for some time. It is such consortia in existence that USCAR will cover for administrative and information services, funded by the member companies.

USCAR was born out of informal meetings of Chrysler's Francois J. Castaing, vice president of vehicle engineering; Ford's John F. McGee, vice president of technical affairs; and GM's Gary W. Dickinson, vice president of group executive-technical staffs.

Don Walkowicz, formerly GM's manager of technical staffs and business planning, has been appointed executive director for USCAR. This position will rotate among the Big Three every two years. Also named to the USCAR staff is Larry A. Wells, formerly public affairs manager, Ford Division, as USCAR communications director.

USCAR will monitor the status of all existing and proposed consortia as a one-stop source for anyone seeking information about their joint R&D programs," Walkowicz said.

USCAR's objectives are to: □ Monitor current joint research projects and consortia; □ Conduct and recommend new joint research and development projects and consortia;

development on the most promising technologies," McGee said. "By pooling resources, we are able to better tackle the technological hurdles that will affect the entire industry. The social benefit of such joint efforts is improved products in the market sooner."

While promoting technologies that mutually benefit the U.S. automotive industry is a primary goal, Castaing said.

Existing R&D Consortia in order of formation: automotive composites consortium; auto oil/air quality improvement research program; United States Advanced Battery Consortium; CAD/CAM Partnership; high speed serial data communications research and development partnership; environmental science research consortium; vehicle recycling partnership; and low emissions technologies research and development partnership.

Tune-ups save lives

When most people think of auto maintenance, images of high costs, scheduling and dealing with mechanics often pop into mind. As a result, many people put off some routine maintenance that is very critical to safety on the road. Fortunately, there's a quick and easy way to do a safety tune-up on your car. And, best of all, it's free.

First, check your tires. Remember that these are the critical elements that determine how well your vehicle travels on the road and how it stays on the road. Start by looking at them. But don't just stand there and give each a glance. Actually get down on the ground and really look.

Evaluate the tread. Is it almost worn off? Is it worn in only one area? Is the wear dramatically different from any of the other tires? Are there any nails or other objects embedded in the tire? Look at the backside of the tire that faces underneath the car. Are there any bulges? Also measure the air pressure of each tire, and then add or release air to the level specified on the tire or in your car's owner manual.

Should the tire show any signs of problems, consult a reputable tire dealer. They can let you know if you need a patch, need to rotate the tires or even wear or, if, in the case of irreparable damage, you must purchase a new tire.

Next, do a thorough check of your windshield wipers. Virtually all your driving decisions are based on being able to see, so you must be sure that everything is in perfect working order.

To check the wiper blades, simply lift them off the glass and look at the squeegee, which is the rubber element that actually wipes the glass. It should be flexible, with a straight edge that has no cracks, tears or warping. Especially look at the edges where the wiper, rotten squeegees often can tear during use. Make sure the entire blade is firmly attached to the wiper arm that moves it across the glass.

Finally, fill your washer fluid reservoir with cleaning solution specifically formulated for this use. Don't try to use household soaps that will foam excessively and possibly damage the paint of your car.

If your blades are no longer in ideal condition, you have the option of purchasing other replacement blades or just a replacement squeegee. If you want to like care of wiper wear permanently, you can install lifetime guaranteed wipers that are sold under the name TRIPLEEDGE Lifetime Wipers or SPECTRABLADE Silicone Wiper Blades (available in stores or by calling 1-800-55-CLEAR). Instead of being made of rubber, the squeegee on both these items are made of a virtually indestructible synthetic. As a result, the manufacturer guarantees them for as long as you own your car.

The last step of your safety tune-up involves checking your lights. If any of them are not functioning, you are asking for trouble at night and whenever you turn on the lights. Turn all the lights on and check their various functions. Make sure they come on, blink and dim as they should. If the lenses have a lot of build up, use a soft bristle brush and a good quality cleaner to make them sparkle again.

Crossroads Ford slates party

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

'Wizard of Oz': Magic on the Paper Mill stage

By Lisa Smith
Lifestyle Editor

For those loyal, ardent "Wizard of Oz" fans, who would flinch at any deviation from the classic 1939 MGM movie, the best news of all is that the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn has retained every wonderful moment in a magnificent staging in celebration of the theater's 10th anniversary. It has, in fact, elaborated on some of the scenes, costumes, musical score of Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg, characters and dancing, improving... yes, actually improving "The Wizard of Oz."

Thanks to the uncompromising talents of Robert Johnson and James Rocco, who directed and choreographed this exciting production, it is something that will give you theater-going, this reviewer has never, ever seen produced on a theatrical stage. Scenic designer Michael Anania has had a field day with this one and has really taken everyone over the rainbow in collaboration with the 56 cast members — reportedly the largest ever assembled on the Paper Mill stage — Greg Barnes' costumes, Tim Hunter's lights, and Jeff Rizzo's musical direction. With the farm-house twirling in the sky, and its

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come to terms with the idea that no one can step into the magic red shoes of Judy Garland, who played the beloved Dorothy in the movie, nor sound anything at all like the late legendary star, the sooner one can appreciate the talented young Kelli Rabke, who has a resoundingly operatic voice and a lovely personality that lend of glow on an "Oz" fan. Her rendition of "Over the Rainbow" brings goose bumps to one's skin. And she's from West Orange.

Nothing really has changed with this Paper Mill version of the film, "The Wizard of Oz," and yet, everything has changed. It is the most marvelous transition from film to stage, and one has to see to believe it. From the very beginning, as the sky darkens on a small Kansas farm, and the cyclone hits it with winds that can be felt by the audience, one is amazed at the similarity to scenes remembered from the movie. With the farm-house twirling in the sky, and its

memorable crash onto the rainbow-colored, enchanted land of Oz, the monkeys and witches dangerously flying about, Munchkins, colorfully costumed, dancing and singing, and the Yellow Brick Road twisting and climbing, all the favorite characters come to life to delight an audience.

Veteran actor-comedian Eddie Bracken, who hails from Glen Ridge, is an absolute joy in the roles of Professor Marvel and the Wizard. He brings his own comedic talents to the two roles, and even outdoes the original Frank Morgan. Rather than a disappointment, it is these delight to witness Dorothy's three friends, the Scarecrow, played by Mark Chmielewski, the Tinman, played by Michael O'Grady, and the Cowardly Lion, played by Evan Bell, who rarely deviate from the original characters. The same three actors play the roles of Uncle Henry's farmhands. In fact, many of the principal players have dual roles and they play them with conviction. Judith McCauley is seen as Dorothy's Aunt Em and the Good Witch of the North. It is a rare pleasure to welcome her back to the Paper Mill in her ninth production. She is an exceptionally beautiful actress with an equally exceptional operatic voice that seems to have improved over the years. Her appearance, waving her wand, is something to behold as she floats down in a round halo, her blonde hair flowing about her.

One of the production's most marvelous, energetic scenes is Elizabeth Franz, who plays the

Wicked Witch of the West, with a loud, nightmarish cackle that could make one's blood run cold. She's absolutely fantastic. But then, so is the rest of the cast — the youngsters, the little people, the extra, and of course, wonderful Toto, Dorothy's little dog, who is so well behaved... it's scary.

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Lender, City, Phone	30 YR FIXED	15 YR FIXED	OTHER
Academy Mortgage, Bloomfield 908-746-2200	7.500 3.00 7.75	6.875 3.00 7.40	4.500 3.00 A
Acorn Mortgage Corp., Bloomfield 201-666-2200	7.500 3.00 NIP	7.125 3.00 NIP	3.500 3.00 A
Alternative Mortgage, Princeton 609-452-1400	7.500 2.875 NIP	6.875 2.75 NIP	4.500 2.25 A
America's First Mtg., Hackensack 201-488-6252	7.500 3.00 7.67	6.875 3.00 7.37	4.125 3.00 A
Arbor National Mortgage, Clark 908-382-8800	7.500 3.00 7.61	6.875 3.00 7.30	3.950 3.00 A
Axla Federal Savings Bk., Avenel 908-499-7200	7.500 3.00 7.94	7.500 1.00 7.68	4.500 2.00 A
Bankers Savings, Perth Amboy 908-442-4100	7.500 3.00 7.91	7.000 2.75 7.45	4.250 2.00 A
Berkley Fed. Savings, Millburn 201-467-2800	7.500 3.00 8.07	7.125 3.00 7.62	7.000 1.00 F
Central Mtg. Service Corp., Summit 908-822-0500	7.500 3.00 8.47	6.875 3.00 7.80	6.500 3.00 D
Coastal Federal Mtg., Freehold 907-772-6278	7.500 3.00 NIP	6.875 3.00 NIP	4.125 3.00 A
Concordia Mtg. Corp., Livingston 201-962-2070	7.500 3.00 7.81	6.875 3.00 7.45	4.250 3.00 A
Consumers Mtg. Corp., Red Bank 908-378-8800	7.500 3.00 7.89	6.875 3.00 7.37	4.625 2.50 A
Countrywide Mortgage, Westfield 908-789-9400	7.500 3.00 NIP	6.875 3.00 NIP	4.500 1.50 A
Crestmont Federal Savings, Clark 908-827-0800	7.500 3.00 7.81	7.000 3.00 7.41	4.500 2.75 A
Dime Savings Bk. of NJ, Somerset 908-805-3300	7.500 3.00 7.82	7.000 2.75 7.48	
Directors Mtg. Loan, Rochelle Pk. 908-572-0200	7.500 3.00 7.89	7.000 1.75 7.33	4.375 2.00 A
Equity Financial Inc., Old Bridge 908-562-5626	7.500 3.00 NIP	6.875 3.00 NIP	7.000 0.00 C
First Savings Bank SLA, Edison 908-225-4450	7.500 3.00 7.84	7.000 3.00 7.46	7.250 0.00 D
Genesis Mtg. Svcs., Brunswick 908-277-9700	7.500 3.00 NIP	7.250 3.00 NIP	4.375