

horoscope

Why not go out and buy some new clothes?

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 23) If you don't practice diplomacy with a loved one you could find yourself in a serious argument. A professional salary increase is possible. Why not broaden your horizons and register for that class you've been wanting to take? The weekend will be relaxing and fun. If you want to learn something a secret, don't tell anybody!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 to Sept. 22) Don't let the pressures at work get to you. Do the best you can and success will be yours. Why not broaden your horizons and register for that class you've been wanting to take? The weekend will be relaxing and fun. If you want to learn something a secret, don't tell anybody!

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 23) Make good use of any free time you have this week. You'll achieve success when planning trips and organizing social activities. A surprise visit from an old friend will put you in a good mood. This weekend could lead to a unique career opportunity. Keep track of spending and avoid unnecessary purchases.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 to Nov. 22) It's a good idea to be prepared, but it's more important to be nice. Being a Scorpio, you probably have an important decision, but how pleasant are you? It may be time to let your guard down a little. A dream you thought would never come true is close to becoming a reality.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 to Dec. 21) You'll receive praise for a job well done.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) A marriage or long-standing relationship is likely to be strained by a simple misunderstanding. You'll need a lot of patience to make it through the week. Still important financial decisions or paper shuffling. Paying the money will not help you to succeed in business.

Aquarius (Jan. 21 to Feb. 18) There will be a lot going on this week. You may have to cancel plans in order to have peace of mind. A work project may be frustrating, but the results will be rewarding. A selfish acquaintance may try to take advantage of your good nature. Don't let it happen.

Pisces (Feb. 19 to March 21) Looks like a busy week for you. A friend or loved one may pay a surprise visit. Social activities and entertaining will take up a lot of your time but will be very enjoyable. Romance brightens the weekend. You may receive a gift of flowers. A Leo will come to you for advice.

Your birthday this week: This year you will lay the groundwork for major changes in your future. Make sure everything you do is on the up-and-up or it will eventually come back to haunt you. An exciting romance with a mysterious Scorpio.

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Anchor Mortgage Group, Wayne 908-882-6083	245	7.00 8.00 7.50	6.50 8.00 6.90	6.75 8.00 6.82
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Bankers Savings, Perth Amboy 908-442-6100	350	7.00 8.00 7.25	6.50 8.00 6.90	6.75 8.00 6.85
Capital Funding, Parsippany 908-882-8780	175	6.50 8.00 7.00	6.00 8.00 7.00	6.00 8.00 7.00
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Chesapeake Mtge. Corp., Hackensack 201-486-8282	250	7.00 8.00 7.50	6.50 8.00 6.90	6.50 8.00 6.50
Coastal Federal Mtge., Freehold 878-778-8778	175	6.75 8.00 7.10	6.50 8.00 7.25	6.50 8.00 6.50
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Directors Mtg. Loan, Rochelle Pk 908-872-8200	350	6.50 8.00 7.10	6.50 8.00 6.90	6.50 8.00 6.44
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Ivy Mortgage, Belle Mead 908-888-2888	300	6.75 8.00 7.05	6.25 8.00 6.70	6.50 8.00 6.90
JF Fin'l Mtge. Corp., Lyndhurst 908-466-8800	350	7.00 8.00 7.50	6.50 8.00 6.80	6.75 8.00 6.85
King Mortgage Corp., Clifton 908-882-8900	300	6.50 8.00 7.10	6.25 8.00 6.75	6.50 8.00 6.30
Major Mtge. Corp., Parsippany 908-882-8900	275	6.50 8.00 7.00	6.25 8.00 6.75	6.50 8.00 6.50
Monarch Svcs. Bank, FSB, Clark 908-884-8003	290	6.50 8.00 6.80	6.50 8.00 6.80	6.75 8.00 6.13
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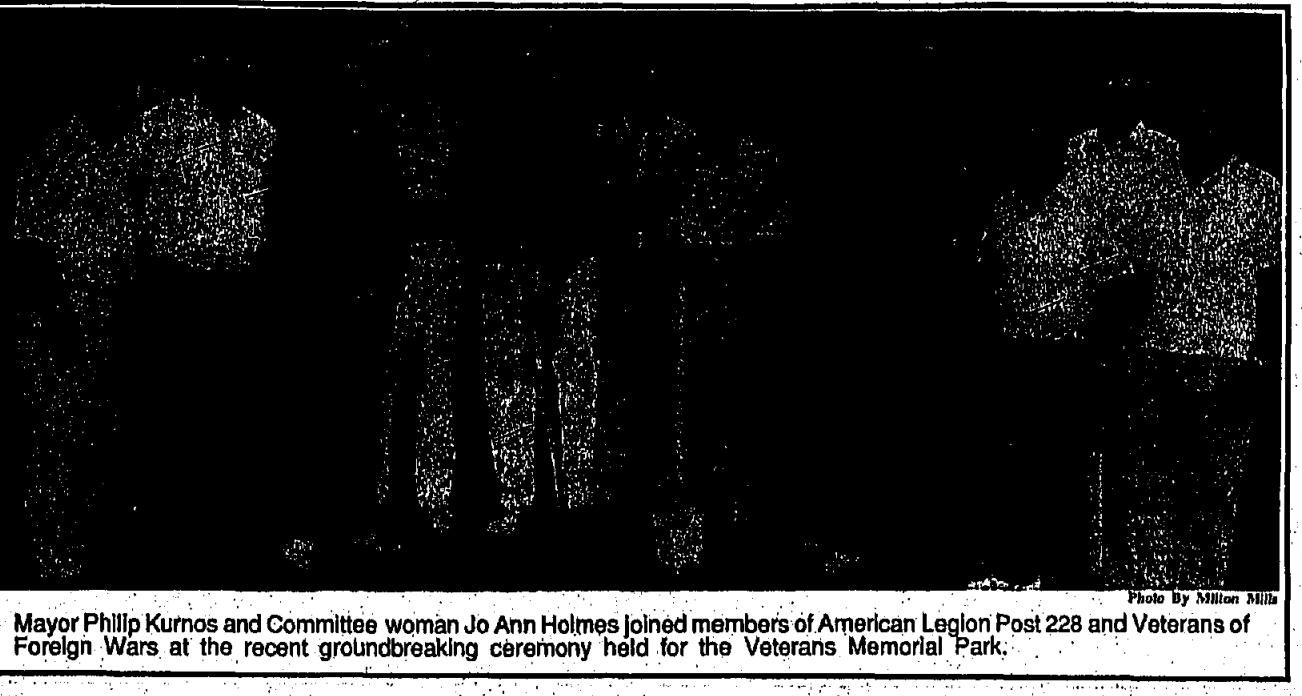
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The Springfield Minutemen Senior baseball team captures a regular season championship, Page B1.

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Mayor Philip Kurnos and Committee woman Jo Ann Holmes joined members of American Legion Post 228 and Veterans of Foreign Wars at the recent groundbreaking ceremony held for the Veterans Memorial Park.

Curbside grass pickup scheduled

At the end of the month the town will roll out a grass cart for a new grass recycling program.

Beginning Aug. 31 and running through Oct. 31, the town will be introducing curbside pickup of grass clippings by a private contractor in order to comply with future requirements of the Union County "Unified Authority's Resource Recovery Facility by Railway. The Railway increasingly expects to conduct its "first burn" in November, will not accept grass, Springfield Recycling Coordinator Steven Stanback said.

"This is like a pilot project for the rest of the year, and next year, obviously, we'll be more serious," Stanback said.

The town has hired a private contractor, Arco Brothers of East Orange, to make weekly pickups of residents' grass clippings in up to three 35-gallon containers. The clippings must be loose in the containers — they will not be accepted in paper or plastic bags.

"The following is the schedule: Residents whose garbage is collected Monday and Thursday, the grass pickup will be Tuesday; those who have Tuesday and Friday garbage pickups will have grass collected on Wednesday and those neighborhoods with Wednesday and Saturday garbage collection will have grass picked up on Thursday.

Stanback explained, and the municipality will pay the tipping fee itself.

Stanback said the program will save the town money on several fronts. He said the town's Department of Public Works had collected the grass itself, the department would have had to purchase a new truck and hire additional personnel.

In addition, Stanback estimates that the grass recycling program is in full swing, the town will save some \$80,000 per year in tipping fees. The savings will be due to divergent tipping rates: grass is disposed of with other garbage, the fee is some \$100 per ton; but separate grass disposal runs some \$45 per ton, the recycling coordinator said.

"We really don't have much of a choice," Stanback said, referring to UCDA requirements. "We have to pick it up this way."

Under the current system, scheduled for Aug. 31 alterations, residents put grass in plastic bags and dispose of them with the regular garbage pickup.

Stanback said the program will not apply to commercial or industrial properties or to apartments or condominiums. Landscapers can leave a resident's clippings at the curb, but they must be in plastic bags and have had to purchase a new truck and hire additional personnel.

The township will not accept grass clippings at the drop-off depot.

Improvement plans ready for bonding

The township is capable of issuing a bond for \$2.5 million, which would cover the anticipated costs of two major capital improvements but falls short of the amount needed for all capital improvement requests.

Mayor Philip Kurnos suggested that the Township Committee bond the portion available from this year's budget for capital improvements and bond the remaining portion next year out of that budget.

The removal and replacement of underground fuel storage tanks from the Chisholm School, Public Works Department and Municipal Building Annex, and the installation of an elevator in the Municipal Building should be completed out of this year's money that is available to bond, according to Mayor Philip Kurnos.

The estimated cost of the removal of the tanks would be \$120,000. If there is no lot leaseage and an estimated \$425,000 with leakage, according to figures submitted by Township Engineer Robert Kirkpatrick to the Township Committee.

"I have estimated a condition where each of the tanks is presumed to be present and some significant contamination has occurred at each location," Kirkpatrick said. "It is anticipated that, hopefully, that will not be the actual case and the total amount expended will be less than estimated."

The four underground tanks do not meet the requirements of the New Jersey Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks include a 5,000-gallon heating oil tank at the Chisholm School, a 2,000-gallon diesel fuel tank, a 3,000-gallon gasoline tank located at the Public Works garage, and a 500-gallon heating oil tank serving the annex.

For each tank, Kirkpatrick listed a set of different options for the township to consider.

The township has the option, in the case of the heating oil tank, of removing the tank and replacing it either with an underground tank, an above-ground storage tank or changing the heating system from oil to gas.

In the case of the heating oil tank, Kirkpatrick said, he would seriously recommend changing the heating from oil-fired to gas-fired tanks.

For the diesel and gasoline tanks, he said the Township Committee's option is to remove the tanks, install ground storage because of the lack of room available for above ground tanks.

The deadlines for the removal of the different tanks range from December 1993 to Aug. 6, 1994.

The other capital improvement that was outlined in Kirkpatrick's plan, which is mandated by the federal government, is the installation of an elevator in the Municipal Building. The cost of an elevator that meets the Americans With Disabilities Act requirements is estimated at \$30,000. That price includes the contract for \$20,000 and engineering, architectural, legal and advertising fees, and "miscellaneous contingencies" estimated at \$10,000. Kirkpatrick said the installation of the elevator may be eligible for grants from the community development fund.

The ADA requires building owners to make available to the disabled community all services available to those who are not disabled.

Other capital improvements that were outlined by Kirkpatrick were improvements to the Chisholm School, Public Works garage, the firehouse at Irwin Field, the firehouse portion of the Municipal Building and downtown redevelopment.

Committeewoman Marcia Forman said the list from Kirkpatrick was not complete because it only lists capital improvements that require engineering. Some of these improvements included repairing and updating equipment for Public Works.

"Now is the time to pick our priorities, because we set out with a long shopping list," Forman said.

Bagger bill signed into law by Florio

After months of difficult negotiations and the recent disappointing election to keep David Brentley High School closed, Kenilworth residents were overjoyed to hear that there may be a way to save Brentley after all.

Last Friday, Governor Jim Florio signed Bill A-2284, also known as the "Bagger Bill," which creates a procedure for the dissolution of a regional school district. The bill is the first to provide for such a procedure.

The signing of the bill comes shortly after a decision by its administrative law judge to keep Brentley closed. Since the decision, residents and students have begun to focus on the transition of students to other district high schools.

At students and members of the regional board are working to ease the transition, the bill has given Kenilworth officials the opportunity to begin forming their own school district.

Kenilworth residents and members of the Committee of Concerned Parents have been lobbying for the signing of the bill, which makes it possible for the borough to dissolve the regional district and open a high school exclusively for Kenilworth students.

Though the bill creates a procedure, the borough alone, cannot use it to dissolve the district. The bill requires each town in the school district to approve the dissolution.

The signing of the bill has residents and borough officials feeling optimistic again. "We're on our way," said Janet Glynn, president of the Committee of Concerned Parents. "The town is up again. Everyone is feeling good again," Glynn said.

Glynn said the first step for the borough will be to examine the feasibility study currently being prepared for the borough. The preliminary results of the study, being conducted by a consulting firm, indicate the district would be able to maintain its own school district.

According to Mayor Joseph Rego, an earlier feasibility study found that the school for about \$75 million per student than the regional district. "I think it's worth \$75 per student to have our own high school," Rego said.

Rego said he was pleased the bill had been signed. He said he had sent a letter to the governor on Thursday inviting him to sign the bill in Kenilworth, but the governor signed the bill the next day.

Rego said he plans to meet with other community representatives soon to discuss the next steps in the plan to break up the district. "We're going to go ahead with the deregionalization," he said.

The bill outlines several steps to be completed before the dissolution can be complete. The steps are as follows:

- A majority of school boards or governing bodies of municipalities in the regional district would have to propose the dissolution of the district.
- The communities would meet to discuss the proposal.
- A feasibility study would have to be prepared to examine the possibility of dissolving the district and how district assets would be divided. The study would then be submitted to the board superintendent.
- The superintendent would review the study and submit it back to the communities with comments. If the communities were still interested, the proposal would be placed on the ballot.

"The proposal would have to be approved by a majority of the voters in the district. It would also have to pass separately in each community."

According to Bagger, the bill was not designed to promote the dissolution of regional school districts. "This serves as an incentive for the creation of regional school districts," Bagger said. "Communities are more likely to join a regional district if they know there is a way to get out."

Bagger said he was pleased the governor signed the bill. "There was never any indication that he wouldn't sign it," Bagger said.

Committee selected for 200th birthday

In honor of Springfield's 200th birthday, the Springfield Bicentennial Committee have begun to plan and coordinate the appropriate ceremonies, activities and events for the 1994 celebration.

Bagger said the committee was appointed at the last Township Committee meeting. The members appointed include as co-chairmen the Rev. Jeffrey Curtis and Thomas Ernst; John Cottage and William Weber, co-vice chairmen; Janice Drogolovani, secretary; and William Crea, treasurer. Helen Maguire-Kayworth was chosen to act as the township liaison.

The committee will serve without compensation until the end of their term, Dec. 31, 1994. The bicentennial committee will submit a final report to the Township Committee. If there is a remaining balance, the money will be donated to the Springfield Historical Society to renovate and repair the Historic Cannon Ball House.

Anka requests exemption

Hostel, said the days Anka can work on the bridge become fewer as the seasons change. He explained that the bridge can't be painted when the weather is cold, because the paint would not adhere as well; therefore, time is running out.

"The project was supposed to be finished by Thanksgiving and now it looks more like New Year's," he said.

Anka was contacted by the Department of Transportation to send him and paint the three bridges over Morris Avenue; the bridge over the quarry and the two bridges between Rollins 75 and 247.

Resident Charlie Jacques expressed concern about the extended construction hours. Jacques lives near the bridges and said the disruption would disrupt the living patterns of him and his neighbors.

"I'm strongly opposed to any exemptions made to the noise ordinance," he said. "It would be against the spirit of the ordinance and that would be totally unacceptable."

At the Township Committee meeting held Aug. 10, members said they would accept three different requests for exemption that would include the different locations.

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One of the best

Photo by Milton Mills

Chris Stracey of Springfield finished first in the 13 and over girls individual freestyle and 24" at Springfield Pool records a time of 1:19.44 at the North Jersey Summer Swim League championships held Aug. 5. Stracey helped Springfield finish 8-2 in the league's Division 4 standings.

Measures designed to protect insurance industry

Assemblyman Alan M. Augustine said this week that the enactment of a multi-bill package last week "puts New Jersey in the national mainstream in regard to providing the highest possible safeguards to protect the insurance industry and an investment-savvy public."

Augustine, who represents portions of Union, Somerset, Morris and Middlesex counties, was one of the sponsors of three of the new laws, which would mandate the highest professional industry standards for companies that write insurance in the New Jersey marketplace.

The three new laws include two similar bills, A-75 and A-76, which would respectively increase the capital and surplus requirements for com-

panies writing property and casualty insurance and those that provide life and health insurance coverage. The bills effectively apply the regulatory standards set down by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

A third bill in the package, A-85, would provide for state regulation of insurance intermediaries to reduce the likelihood of insurance investments. Reinsurance represents the reselling of third- or fourth-generation insurance coverage to other companies that assume the risk of the original policy.

After the Aug. 9 bill signing in Newark, Augustine called the package of bills "a historic bulwark built to protect the stability of the insurance industry while providing a strong dependable shield for the benefit of each and every consumer. The painstaking series of provisions and regulatory safeguards in this package will protect insurers and insured alike from the vagaries of an often unpredictable economy."

Augustine noted that one of the major intentions of the three new laws is to remove the historical anachronism that has existed in the state's insurance laws by putting in protections for both the industry and consumer related to the changing economics of the 1990s.

Dramatic fluctuations in the state and national economy that occur without such regulatory protections, such as those which victimized many insurance industry portfolio investments in the early 1990s, helps explain last year's financial collapse of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company.

The 22nd district assemblyman noted that under the previous law, insurers writing property and casualty coverage only had to have \$3 million in net assets — a standard established in the 1940s. Under A-75, the minimum net asset requirement is increased to \$6.25 million.

Augustine also said the adoption of regulatory safeguards for the reinsurance industry is "long overdue. It's incomprehensible to me that New Jersey law previously allowed companies to conduct reinsurance businesses without being licensed or regulated. Obviously, this legislation (A-85) puts an end to that."

Summer learning

English teacher Patricia Cio reviews a writing assignment with students, from left, Albert Cardona, Kenneth Vazquez and Kalle Klinger during the Union County Regional High-School District's summer basic skills improvement at Jonathan Dayton.

Sharing sponsors thrift sale

Sharing, a volunteer organization for handicapped, is sponsoring a thrift clothing sale for the family on Aug. 26 and 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Aug. 28, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the United Methodist Church in New Providence, across the street from Sharing.

All items will be one-half off the ticketed price.

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Concert planned

The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation invites area residents to bring a lunch, lawn chairs and blankets and celebrate summer with "Summer Sights and Sounds," a series of free lunchtime concerts on Thursdays during August. The performances will take place on the lawn of Union County Park adjacent to St. John's Parsonage, 633 Park St., Elizabeth, from noon to 2 p.m.

Taking advantage of the diversity of Union County, the series will spotlight the talents of local artists who will present a variety of unique and culturally diverse musical programs," said Linda-Leo Kelly, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

"The performances include jazz, rhythm and blues, ragtime, show tunes, poetry, musical improvisation and more," she noted, "and there will also be displays of visual artworks created by Union County artists at each concert."

The smooth latin jazz sounds of "Terra Brasil" will be spotlighted Aug. 12. The group's music encompasses the exotically rich rhythms and sounds of its members' various cultural backgrounds which include Brazil and the Caribbean.

Aug. 19 presents "More Contrasts," a unique program of poetry, jazz and musical improvisation. The program highlights the talents of poet Charles Mosler and his musical ensemble alternating sets with Wayne Smith of Westfield, jazz pianist, and Hazel Gordon, vocalist.

Aug. 26 showcases "Ragtime to Broadway" with the wonderful baritone voice of Ed Pinson from Elizabeth. The concert will feature songs and music from greats like Scott Joplin, Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, Richard Rodgers and Jerome Kern.

Free parking is available to the public. In the case of rain, the performances will take place at the Rita Theater, 1148 East Jersey St., Elizabeth. For more information, call the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, (908) 559-2530. Relay service users should call (908) 852-7899 during business hours.

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Civic Calendar

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Today
□ The Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside will present *Laser Revelations*, at 2 p.m.
□ A planetarium show will be held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside called *Family of the Sun*. The presentation will illustrate the solar system, highlighted by intensive demonstrations of the air pressure, friction and orbital mechanics. NASA photographs will also be on display.

Sunday
□ A planetarium show, *Secrets of the Summer Sky*, will be held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside, at 2 and 3 p.m.
Coming events
Aug. 24
□ All about Motors will be presented at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside at 2 p.m. The difference between meteor showers and random meteors will be discussed.
□ The Springfield Township Committee canceled the regular meeting earlier in the summer.
Aug. 25
□ Life in the Forest will be held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside. The program will explain the planets by using music and puppets.
Aug. 26
□ Preschool show will be held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center, to explore the day and night sky.

Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe we have made such an error, please write to Tom Canavan, Editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083 or call him at 686-7700 weekdays before 5 p.m.

Fire prevention tips

Fire don't just happen. There are a lot of measures which can be taken to ensure that a fire doesn't start.

Battalion Fire Chief Frederick Juliano of the Union Public Safety Department offered the following safety tips:

- Install a smoke detector on every level of your home. Check it monthly and replace batteries when necessary.
- Have an electrical look at the wiring in your house. Make sure circuits are not overloaded.
- Have all unconventional heating units, such as wood stoves and space heaters, checked by an expert.
- Keep matches and lighters out of reach and away from children.
- Never, ever, smoke in bed or in over-stuffed upholstered chairs.
- Do not wear loose-fitting or easily ignitable garments when cooking.
- No house can be 100 percent fireproof. There are some basic things everyone should do to prepare for a fire.
- Determine at least two ways to escape from every room in your home.
- Purchase an approved chain ladder to use to climb out of rooms above the first floor, and practice using it.
- Select a location where everyone could meet after escaping from the house.
- Discuss what you would do in case of a fire.
- Know how to call for emergency assistance.
- When a fire starts:
 - Close the door when you exit a room, and feel closed doors before you enter a room. A hot door or doorknob usually means the room is on fire.
 - If your clothes are on fire, drop to the floor and roll to smother and put out the flames.
 - Get everyone out quickly, and then call for emergency assistance from a neighbor's telephone.
 - Know how to give accurate directions to your house when you call for assistance.

Local band hosts free 'garden party'

Hillside-based rock band Red Habit will host its second annual "garden party" Friday at a home located at 2421 Wilder St. The show will be a "collaboration of things to come for the band," according to its members.

In the past year, the band has been meeting with representatives from Sony music to discuss showcases and other events. The band also has been speaking to other management companies and entertainment groups.

Tomorrow's performance was planned because the group "wanted to put on a show in our town free of admission, for all the fans who have shown their support through the years, and as an invitation for new fans to join us," band members said.

The band's first full-length album, "Children of Rage," will be available at the show along with other merchandise. The show is scheduled to start at 7 p.m., with special guests accompanying the group.

Red Habit has appeared at several New Jersey clubs, including Visions, Escapades, Club Bene and Obsessions, and has appeared on many local television shows.

Since its inception in 1989, the band has sponsored a soup kitchen for the homeless by playing a charity concert at a local high school. It also has given concerts at the Boy's and Girl's Youth Center in Union and was the first to help raise money to help the family of a college student who was seriously injured with medical costs. The group also raised money for the Union Public Library when it was broken into and vandalized.

"Through our longstanding friendship and musical association, we share much in common and that predominate our perfectionism," the band members said. "Unwilling to compromise on quality, we constantly seek new ways to bring to our fans live performances and recorded music that is super-charged and positively motivational."

For further information on tomorrow's free concert or for directions, call (908) 351-5257.

Kean faculty submit petition to governor

By Chris Gatto
Managing Editor

Faculty members at Kean College of New Jersey have outlined their gripes with the manner in which the campus is being operated in a petition sent to Gov. Jim Florio and various state legislators.

Concerns include everything from the way in which Kean administrators utilize staff and adjunct professors to the deterioration of race relations between students as well as college employees.

"Our college is sadly adrift, with profound implications for our students and those who would manage our institution appear to function without accountability to anyone," stated Kean College Federation of Teachers President Robert Stielman in a letter written earlier this summer.

"Meanwhile, polarization, division, and deterioration abound our efforts to 'keep our relations'."

Stielman stated that the faculty, professional staff, and students are asking for "some sign of concern" by state officials.

"The students continue to pay greater and greater tuition and get less and less for it. The campus moves from crisis to crisis and we grow ever more desperate for some kind of resolution," said Stielman.

The petition, which was sent to the Board of Higher Education and Chancellor of Higher Education Edward Goldberg, was signed by 5,500 people. The teachers union turned to another source to air their concerns, Stielman said, because the Kean administration has not been responsive to the needs the APT has expressed.

Among the APT's list of concerns are the following: student retention, excessive and inappropriate use of adjuncts, diversity on campus, computer library, enrollment restrictions, deterioration of the college library, inadequate supplies, the budget, and the state of the faculty.

The petition maintains that retention rates between freshman and sophomore years are "excellent" and have been so for "many years" because resources have been invested into the "front-end of the college experience."

However, according to the petition, of the students who entered the college in 1987, only 34 percent of the regular admissions students graduated within a five-year period. Twenty-two percent of the special admission students and 16 percent of the college's BOF students graduated within this same period, it states.

According to the petition, a drop-off in student services beginning in 1989 has led to "frustration" by students because they have been unable to receive adequate advancement from college employees.

In the past there were also full-time advisers and 15 faculty volunteers who served in an advisory capacity. This past year, the petition states, there were four student advisers, who in addition to those duties had been assigned other responsibilities, and the 15-member advisory group has been eliminated.

At the same time staff reductions were being conducted in these areas, the petition contends the college's public relations office has deteriorated. This resulted in "vacant" empty seats in classrooms and revenue losses, the petition states.

The petition again argues that there was a lack of consultation with the faculty when the administration decided to limit the enrollment in the spring and summer seasons of 1992. This resulted in "vacant" empty seats in classrooms and revenue losses, the petition states.

Also, library expenditures for books and periodicals were trimmed from \$417,000 in 1990 to \$290,000 in 1993, failing "poorly" when compared with funds expended by other state schools in the state, the petition states. The college also employs eight librarians, fewer than schools such as Trenton State, 20; William Paterson, 22; Montclair, 18; and Jersey and Rowan, 13 apiece.

Under the current administration, the equipment budgets for various areas of the college have been slashed dramatically, the petition states. The equipment budget for the Fine Arts Department, the petition states, was \$40,200 in 1989 and \$9,000 in 1993 despite the need for new computers, machines, and repairs to drawing tables.

"Stipend" photocopying budgets are a "problem" campus-wide, the petition argues, "forcing" instructors to abbreviate "important student handouts" and often leaving the faculty to "distort" class presentations and "cover less material."

Despite budget cutbacks, the college has the "highest" percentage of upper-level administrators of all state colleges in New Jersey, the petition states: From May 1989 to January 1992, the number of administrators increased at the college by more than 23.9 percent—according to the petition.

Also it states that the college expended \$6.8 million to purchase the Town & Campus Motor Lodge for conversion to dorms and another \$1.9 million for renovations. And since the dorm was not opened until a year later, the college lost \$1.2 million due to unrented space, the petition says.

"The faculty are deeply troubled by the apparent lack of commitment on the part of the administration to good teaching, to fostering student learning and to promoting diversity," the petition states. The petition goes on to say that the college needs a board of trustees and administration that can "work together" to make that steps be taken to stem Kean's "deterioration" immediately.

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Franks campaigns for N.J. coverage

United States Representatives Rob Andrews and Bob Franks, co-chairmen of the Coalition for New Jersey News, recently announced a major advancement in the coalition campaign for greater television coverage of New Jersey news — a new public affairs program devoted to New Jersey issues on WABC-TV in New York City.

The congressmen also released details on a proposed study to monitor New Jersey news coverage on 10 commercial television stations in New York City and Philadelphia media markets. The proposal calls for taping and analyzing more than 200 news broadcasts over a four-month period starting this fall.

The two congressmen said that WABC's decision to launch a public affairs program devoted exclusively to New Jersey issues demonstrates that the Coalition for New Jersey News is having an impact on New York City and Philadelphia-based television stations, which face license renewal by the Federal Communications Commission next summer. Franks and Andrews had met with station management at WABC-TV in June to discuss the station's commitment to New Jersey news and public affairs programming.

The new program, "New Jersey Views," began airing on the morning of Aug. 8 on WABC-TV. It will be broadcast twice a month on Sunday mornings at 8:30.

Franks, District 7, said: "When we announced the formation of the Coalition for New Jersey News in June,

we were putting television stations in the New York City and Philadelphia media markets on notice that they can't ignore New Jersey anymore. WABC-TV's response is a positive step forward. We urge other television stations to follow this example and work cooperatively with us to enhance coverage of issues of special concern to the people of New Jersey. With this new program, WABC becomes the first commercial television station based in New York City to have a public affairs program exclusively on New Jersey issues."

Andrews, District 1, said: "I am pleased to see that our efforts with the Coalition are beginning to have an effect. I would like to commend WABC for taking the initiative and I would hope that the other stations concerned would stand up and take notice."

Andrews and Franks said over the past two months they have had preliminary meetings with the management of a number of television stations, including WABC, WPVI, WPTZ and WNET — to discuss the Coalition's concerns that New Jersey viewers, who represent 30 percent of the viewing audience, are being short-changed by television stations. The Coalition for New Jersey News includes some of New Jersey's leading business and civic and community organizations.

Franks and Andrews also announced that the Coalition will meet on Sept. 2 to finalize a proposal

Bagger bills signed

Three bills sponsored by Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger, R-Union, were signed into law by Governor James Florio during recent weeks. The new laws impose a retaliatory committee tax on New York residents, provide a procedure for dissolution of school districts, and phase in the pre-funding of certain pension obligations.

Assembly Bill 1071, which became law four years after being proposed by former Assembly Speaker Chuck Hardwick, taxes New York residents working in New Jersey the same way New Jersey taxes New Jersey residents working there. Since 1988, New York has taxed New Jersey commuters at a tax rate based on the taxpayer's entire family income. The new law retaliates against New York by taxing its commuters the same way.

"This measure doesn't make New York's commuter tax go away," Bagger explained, "but it restores even-handedness to interstate taxation. In addition, it will generate \$27 million in revenues which I propose using to provide an additional tax credit for New Jersey residents to offset New York's commuter tax."

Assembly Bill 2234, Bagger's second school regionalization measure to become law this year, creates a procedure for the dissolution of regional school districts. The new law sets forth a series of studies and approvals necessary to break up a regional district, culminating in a voter referendum.

"Voluntary school regionalization can help create educational excellence at an affordable cost. The ability to dissolve or reconfigure regional districts is an additional incentive for voluntary regionalization. If a com-

munity knows it is possible to leave a regional district, it will be more likely to join one," Bagger stated.

Assembly Bill 2175, also signed into law by the governor, eviscerates and accelerates the annual pre-funding of certain post-retirement benefits under the New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System. "This bill continues New Jersey's very conservative approach to its pension system, prudently pre-funding benefits that most other states pay on a current basis," Bagger declared.

Including these three new enactments, a total of 10 bills sponsored by Bagger have become law during his first legislative term.

Heard slates carnival

To kick off the celebration of more than 70 years of community service, the Holy A.M.E. Church of Roselle will sponsor a carnival.

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The carnival will feature amusement rides, games of chance, raffles, many children's activities and a variety of food. It will be held at Sylvanwood Land Memorial Field on Columbus Avenue and Walnut Street in Roselle and will run from Sept. 3 to 6.

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State forms council to study education

Educators from throughout the state have begun studying emerging issues in education through an initiative established by state Education Commissioner Mary Lou Fitzgerald. The commissioner's ad hoc advisory council, a collection of nine groups of educators with specialized experience and expertise, were appointed by Fitzgerald in May and conducted organizational meetings in early June.

"Instead of asking local educators to react to a foregone conclusion, it is important to get them in the loop early, before the regulations are written," she said. "The Department of Education cannot promote the decentralization of decision-making unless it models, organizationally, that which it teaches. Consequently, we are creating this structure for generating feedback and advice."

Each council has been asked to propose statewide initiatives, recommendations to existing regulations, identify effective program models and create a summary paper with recommendations, for submission to the State Board of Education.

Eight of the advisory councils will address the following areas of education policy: alternative education, curriculum and assessment, early childhood educational technology, health service community schools, gifted education, professional development and school-to-work transitions.

The ninth advisory council will focus on streamlining state regulations governing public education in order to give professional educators the flexibility to create programs to

meet the individual needs of their students. This ad-hoc review committee will conduct a regular convention on Sept. 21 to receive public input. Fitzgerald said she expects advisory council members to gain input from other educators, including chief school administrators from within their counties who meet monthly with their county superintendents. The councils will meet regularly throughout the summer and submit preliminary reports to the commissioner in late October at a working meeting site in conducting with the advisory councils.

The commissioner announced the creation of the ad hoc advisory council in late April at a working meeting with the state's school district superintendent and staffed by a county superintendent and a Department of Education professional.

John Howard of East Orange is chairing the school-to-work transitions committee and Marcia Bossart of Glen Ridge is chair of the gifted education committee.

Meeting planned

The Cpl. Louis S. Ferdinand Post 309, Irvington-Union, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., will hold its monthly word hospital party at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, East Orange, at 7 p.m., Aug. 24. Co-chairing the committee are Lillian and Sy Clair of Hillside, Martin Horwitz of Elizabeth, Shirley and Irving Rubinstein of West Orange, and Robert Zall of Irvington. Herman Pollock of Union is post commander.

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student update

Stephanie Nilsvoocca

Nilsvoocca awarded

Ten-year-old Stephanie Nilsvoocca of Springfield has been named a recipient of a 1993 Art and Science Financial Aid Award from the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, an international organization based in Washington, D.C.

Nilsvoocca, who began attending the Summit Speech School at the age of 18 months, has interests ranging from tap and jazz dancing to playing the piano and clarinet for the all-district school band. She has been an active member of her school's Library Club.

In June, Nilsvoocca won a medal for her Irish dancing and has won awards for showing her golden retriever in junior handling classes at dog shows. This summer, she wants to add a new dimension to her activities by enrolling in classes at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts specializing in painting, drawing and ceramics. With the award from the Bell Association, she plans to sharpen her artistic talent.

Sabatino graduates

Michael A. Sabatino, son of Mrs. Annmarie Sabatino of Mountaile, received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Richmond on May 9. He attended Richmond College, earned a undergraduate division at the university.

DellaSala is a member of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School's 1993 graduating class.

Landow named director

Jamie Landow of Springfield has been named director of Student Publications at Johnson & Wales University in Providence, R.I.

Landow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Landow of Lynn Drive, is a recent graduate of the University of Rhode Island, Kingston, where she received her bachelor of arts degree in journalism.

Weinerman makes list

Stacie Rae Weinerman, daughter of Ellen and Harry Weinerman of Springfield, has been named to the honor dean's list for the spring term at Kean College of New Jersey, Union. She also made the honor dean's list last fall with a cumulative grade point average of 3.70. Weinerman will graduate in May.

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Legion awards scholarships

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The event provided a week of learning the organization and procedures of the county and state governments. It is under the direction of the state organizations of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Delegates to Girls State are, front row from left, Herbert Quilton, commander of American Legion Post 228; delegate Michelle Naggar, delegate Aarti Vaswani, and Edith Holmberg, Girls State chairman; second row, Elaine Auer, Girls State co-chairman; alternate, Allison Maskowitz, and alternate Michelle Rozan; top row, Jane Lauston, guidance counselor at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School.

Delegates to Boys State are, front row from left, Jane Lauston, guidance counselor at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School; second row, Herbert Quilton, commander, American Legion Post 228, and William Webber, Boys State chairman, American Legion Post 228; top row, alternate Danny Marcus and delegate Gregory Gebauer.

Club provides tips for preventing automobile theft

What can you do to keep thieves from cashing in on your car?

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- Protect your car's contents. Lock all valuables in your trunk. Discourage stereo equipment theft by purchasing removable radio/cassette decks that can be locked in your trunk or taken with you.
- Park in busy, well-lit areas. When parking in a commercial garage or lot, leave only the ignition key with the attendant.
- Make your vehicle easy to identify and recover. Each your vehicle identification number onto car windows and underneath the hood. Your car's VIN is embossed on a metal plate located between the dashboard and the windshield on the driver's side. It's also written on the manufacturer's certification sticker on the driver's door jamb.
- Install and activate vehicle security systems. A variety of devices are available and all insurance companies in New Jersey are now required to offer discounts of up to 25 percent on comprehensive coverage to policyholders whose cars are equipped with one or more anti-theft devices.
- Prevent illegal towing. When parking, use your emergency brake and turn the steering wheel sharply to the left or right. This locks the steering column making it difficult for thieves to tow your car. To unlock the steering column, disengage the parking brake, start your car and turn the wheel so the tires are aligned. Also, park in the middle of the block — cars at the end of the block are easy targets for thieves with tow trucks.
- Keep important documents safe. Never leave your car title or registration in the glove compartment. Thieves can use it to impersonate you when stopped by police or to sell your car. Always keep a record of your car's license plate number and a copy of your insurance identification card which contains important information including your VIN and policy date. If your car does get stolen, you'll need this information to file a police and insurance report.
- Taking these precautions can reduce your chances of becoming an auto theft victim," said Lou Sofianakos, an insurance agent for the Automobile Association of America, Automobile Club Underwriters Agency. "But if your car is stolen, be sure to report it to the police and your insurance company immediately."

For a free brochure detailing these and other auto theft prevention tips, visit the AAA office in Randolph on Route 10 West in the Sterling Plaza Mall, between Millbrook Avenue and Center Cross Road, or send a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to AAA Auto Theft Brochure, Sterling Plaza Mall, 486 Route West, Randolph, 07869.

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"One of the master delusions of the American people is to the effect that they are in favor of free speech. They are actually almost unanimously against it."

H.L. Mencken

Balanced equation?

The racial balance equity plan, proposed and updated by the Union County Regional Board of Education, has been a point of contention between the board and residents since the decision was made to close David Brearley High School.

The plan, which was revised to meet state mandates on racial balance, states that the district will attempt to achieve racial balance in all three of its high schools by allowing students to choose which school they will attend. Although students will be assigned to schools based on their residency, the board hopes to attract an ethnic mix of students at each school by offering different academic and extracurricular activities. Students will be allowed to attend the school which offers courses that interest them.

If the board's plan works, it will be a model example of how to bring people together and integrate communities based on common interests. If it is successful, the plan will have proven that the key to ending racial and ethnic discrimination and violence is to focus on people's similarities.

However, if the plan doesn't work, the board will be faced with a situation which will be impossible to solve. If students do not create racial balance by choice, the board will be forced to assign students to schools based on race. Since there are enough white students to create a balanced number of white students in each school, it will only be minority students who are assigned to schools based on their race.

The inevitable problem will be that the "choice program" will serve to provide choice only to those students who choose the appropriate school. If student choice doesn't also align with district racial balance requirements, some students will be denied their choice after all.

The board is not at fault here. Its plan is logical and could solve the balance problem without conflict. By allowing students to choose their schools, the board is attempting to avoid a conflict by letting personal interests and academic aspirations reign.

The board is being forced by the state to contradict itself and its schools' lessons. While students are being taught to respect different races, and schools are adopting multi-cultural curriculums, the state is forcing the district to label and assign students based on race.

The state Department of Education says that its racial balance requirements are designed to "ensure that each race is reflected equitably" in each school. The state also says the racial balance mandate has the best interests of minority students in mind.

If this is truly the case, then minority students should be allowed to make their own decisions, and be granted the same opportunities to choose as their white counterparts.

Letter writers

Readers are encouraged to write letters to the editor expressing views on topics of interest. Letters should be typed, double-spaced on legibly handwritten and no longer than 2 1/2 pages. When necessary, letters will be edited for length, clarity and fairness.

For purposes of verification, all letters must include a name, address and daytime telephone number. Unsigned letters will not be published. Names may be withheld from print in certain circumstances upon the request of the writer and with approval of the editor. Address letters for consideration to Letters to the Editor, 1201 Stuyvesant Ave., P.O. Box 3109, Union, NJ 07083. The deadline for letters is 9 a.m. Monday.

Happy motoring was not all fun and games

These days, the average motorist simply jugs in his automobile, shoves the ignition key in the lock and twists it to be rewarded with a healthy roar from the powerful engine under the hood. It was not always thus, however. Let's consider the situation of a motorist in the "good old days" of the beginning of the 20th century.

Even then there were a variety of makes and models of motor cars to choose from. If you had the money to buy one, Henry Ford's Model T was one of the most popular, and you could have it in any color you preferred, as long as your choice was black. It came with a steering wheel, which was an improvement over some earlier motorcars which were steered with a tiller, like a sailboat.

Starting the small engine on this car was quite different from modern cars. Starting motors had not been invented in those days, but every car had a crank which was inserted through the hole under the radiator and into the radiator, where it was connected to one of the engine's crankshaft. A knob on the dashboard was connected to the crank, which operated the crankshaft. This knob was used to properly adjust every time the engine was to be started, but the adjustment varied with the temperature of the engine. The driver had to learn by experience what the proper settings should be.

In order to start the engine in the "good old days" the driver had to

The Way It Was

By William Frolich

reared the spark, open the throttle slightly, go to the front of the engine and crank the engine a turn or two. Then back to the dashboard and turn on the ignition switch.

Now back to the crank and give it a good pull to spin the crankshaft. If it went well, the engine would start; if not, give it another pull. However, too much pulling would flood the engine with gasoline and it would not start as the gas and air mixture was wrong. It may seem odd, but even today that mixture is critical for the proper combustion of gas in the cylinders. It also happens occasionally that a misfiring engine might kick backwards, which could result in an injury to an bystander. In fact, it was not unusual to see a car with a misfiring engine which would spin in reverse.

Once the engine was running, the driver removed the crank and the engine would continue to run. After getting into the driver's seat he could make further adjustments to the throttle, spark and choke as the engine warmed up. Then using the pedals on the floor to engage the transmission, power was supplied to the rear wheels and the car was in

motion. Out in the country, away from the cities and towns, the ride was exhilarating. The scenery depicted by a never-ending change of colors and sights in a pattern undreamed of by the small passengers in the car. Even sitting on a dusty, unupaved road just added to the thrill of motion, although some of it was up-and-down, caused by the holes in the surface of the road.

These same holes could cause problems, however. Flat tires were a common hazard of motoring in those days of the past. Stones and other sharp objects as well as the potholes could easily penetrate the thin tires and cause a blow-out of the inner tube and tire. Some blow-outs occurred because the expensive tires were worn; their intended mileage had become too thin to withstand the rigors of continued driving.

In any case, it was time to attend to the problem. If the vehicle did not carry a spare tire with which to replace the blown-out one, that one had to be fixed. This was not a simple process. The car had to be jacked up to access the tire which held a ring unscrew the six nuts which held a ring clamped against the steel rim upon which the tire was mounted. Only the U.S. Army Group and the WWII ship U.S.S. Sylvanus (AKA-40) is seeking information for the reunion. Send your name and address to John D. Pierce, 6631 Holloway Lane, Lansing, Mich. 48917.

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was used to roughen the surface of the inner tube where the pressure was applied to the surface and allowed it to dry. Meanwhile, a specially coated rubber patch was prepared and pressed over the puncture, when it fastenly adhered to the dry cement. If the inspection of the inner surface of the tire revealed a break in the tread wall, it was necessary to place a "blowout patch" in that area, or else the rough edges would soon damage the tube and cause another flat tire.

When all of these little matters had been taken care of, the inner tube was placed back into the tire and the tire remounted on the split rim, being very careful not to pinch the tube while doing so, or the tube would get another leak. The rim had a locking device at the split, which had to be hammered into place to make sure the split did not open unexpectedly. Once the rim was properly set in the tire, it was time to inflate the tube, using a hand-operated air pump to build up pressure of 40 to 50 pounds per square inch. Then the tire and rim could be placed back on the wheel and fastened with the ring and lug nuts.

All this was just a part of "happy motoring" in those "good old days," which seem to be gone forever, thank goodness!

Roselle resident William Frolich is the president of the Roselle Centennial Committee and a member of the Union County Historical Society.

Program is bringing state out of recession

From the Governor's Desk

By Gov. Jim Florio

Creating jobs... saving lives... investing in the future... these are the words that describe the success of our state's highest quality workforce. In some industries around the state, jobs are created around a company can't make the investment in the tools and training needed to keep competitive.

There's no more important investment we can make than in our people. If we can't create more jobs, we can't protect jobs for people already working. In some industries around the state, jobs are created around a company can't make the investment in the tools and training needed to keep competitive.

Over the past three years, "New Jersey Works" signs have sprouted all over our state's highways, as we rebuild and repair the transportation network which is the economic blood-artery of our state. We've also begun a \$300 million investment in our schools. It's the first time in 15 years that New Jersey has stepped forward to help communities repair old schools and build new ones. Our kids deserve no less.

Our Workforce Development Partnership is a unique employment and training program to make skills, training, education and a wide range of other support services available to job seekers and employers. It's the kind of public-private partnership

that's building New Jersey back out of this difficult recession.

We began our program a year ago, and now 40 companies are undergoing customized training, reaching approximately 100 employees. Another 6,700 workers have gotten individual training grants to upgrade their skills. Job training programs are one of the most important tools to keep and bring new manufacturing into a state.

New Jersey ranks second nationwide in our per capita investment in worker training, according to a recent study. By doing that, we're not just helping workers invest in themselves, but we are investing in all of our futures.

We can't bounce back from the recession overnight. We know that there are no easy solutions. It takes two things to bring New Jersey as a place of hope and opportunity where people can live with the dignity that comes from providing for themselves and their families; and the hard work to make that a reality.

In New Jersey, we've got both.

From the Governor's Desk is a monthly column written by Gov. Jim Florio.

Some tax breaks available for elder care

If you're financially supporting an elderly parent, the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants points out that certain tax breaks can help alleviate the financial pressure on you and your family.

Although taxpayers commonly take dependency exemptions for their children, many fail to realize that if they are providing at least half of the support of a parent, or another close relative, they may take an additional dependency exemption on their tax return, as long as that relative does not file a joint return with his or her spouse. The dependency exemption, which directly reduces your taxable income, is \$2,350 in 1993. However, with the exception of legally adopted children, qualified dependents must be citizens or nationals of the United States or residents of the United States, Canada or Mexico.

Individuals who qualify to file as head of household are subject to a different tax rate which is usually lower than the rate for single individuals. If your dependent parent is physically or mentally incapable of caring

for himself and you need someone to look after him while you work, you may be able to recover some of the cost by claiming a tax credit. If your adjusted gross income is \$10,000 or less, an income tax credit is available equal to 30 percent of certain employment-related expenses incurred for such care. The amount of the credit will decrease by 1 percent, but not below 20 percent, for each \$2,000 of adjusted gross income, or fraction thereof, in excess of \$10,000, until it decreases to 20 percent for taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes over \$28,000. The maximum amount of employment-related expenses that can be taken into account to determine the credit is \$2,400 for one qualifying individual, and \$4,800 for two or more qualifying individuals.

Even with medical insurance coverage, many families are finding themselves sharing the burden of a parent's qualified medical bills. If you pay for your dependent parent's qualified medical expenses, you may take

an itemized tax deduction to the extent that such expenses, along with your own medical expenses and those of your other dependents, exceed 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income. Qualified expenses include cost of medical insurance premiums; fees paid to physicians, dentists, chiropractors and other medical professionals; prescription drugs; and supplies and equipment, such as false teeth, eyeglasses, crutches, hearing aids, or orthopedic shoes.

CPAs point out that as caretaker of elderly parents, you should help them to maximize their income with a proper financial plan and encourage them to draw up appropriate legal documents, such as a will. This will help your parents to take charge of their financial future and give both you and your parents greater peace of mind.

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Letters to the editor

Headline racially insensitive

To the Editor:
I am shocked by your racially insensitive headline, "It was a Black Sunday for Union teams last weekend" (the Springfield Leader, Page B1, Aug. 12), which, because the Union teams lost, equates "black" with "bad." It seems

incredible to me that after over three decades of progress in interracial understanding, your conclusions of the racial bias frequently incorporated in language has not yet been raised in the slightest degree.

Robert F. Stahlhut
Springfield

reunions

Planning a reunion? There is a brochure available which gives complete information on how to go about it. For information, call 1-800-222-3277.

West Orange High School, Class of 1950 to 1959, are having a reunion picnic on Aug. 28, 1993 at Memorial Field, Linden. Call 862-4272 for more information.

Newark Central High School, Class of 1943 will have a 50th class reunion on Sept. 11, 1993 at the Star Cafe Restaurant, Lyndhurst. Write to P.O. Box 23, Lincoln, NJ 07738 no later than Aug. 10 if you wish to attend.

Union High School Class of 1978 is having its 15th year class reunion Sept. 18 at the Costa Del Sol Union. For more information contact Tracy Caruso at 687-7835.

Our Lady of the Valley High School, Orange, Class of 1943 is planning its 50th reunion for Sept. 18 at the Ramona, Route 10, Hanover, N.J. Alumni should contact M.J. Hunt, 200 Mount Prospect Ave., Apartment G-8, West Orange 07092, 669-0342.

Linden High School Class of 1953 is having its 40th reunion from Nov. 5 to 7 at the Grand Hotel and Country Club, Kerkonkson, N.Y. For further information, call 908-881-3767.

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Involve your children in the savings process

The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants recommends that you begin saving for a child's education before he or she is out of the cradle. If that hasn't been done and your child is a few years away from enrolling in college, CPAs say that with a rigorous savings plan, you may be able to set aside the funds needed to pay for the tab of higher education. Here are their recommendations.

According to a college board survey, the average cost for one year at a four-year college or university for the 1992-93 academic year was about \$6,000 for in-state students attending a public institution and about \$15,000 for students attending a private, room and board.

If college costs include about 7 percent a year and your child enrolls in college 10 years from now, you can meet that cost with just \$20,000 to \$25,000 or more for four years of college education.

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high-risk, high-yield investments such as stocks, as well as some fixed-income instruments, such as bonds or certificates of deposit. As you get closer to your child's college years, it's best to avoid high-risk investments and consider short-term, fixed-income instruments that offer you greater liquidity. Here are some saving vehicles to consider:

• Mutual Funds - Mutual funds enable you to invest in a variety of investment vehicles, such as stocks, bonds, government or state municipal bonds, and money market instruments. Because mutual funds offer a broad range of investment options and risk - you can look for funds that suit your specific college savings needs.

• Series EE U.S. Savings Bonds - Interest on bonds purchased in 1990 or later is free from federal income tax.

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• Whatever investment options you select, as your children get older, be sure to involve them in the savings process. Finally, CPAs emphasize that a college savings program is vital to your own future financial security.

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State police offer help for parents of runaways

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Troop prepares for fall riding

Registration for the fall 1993 season of riding lessons at the Watchung Stable, located at 1160 Summit Lane, Montclair, will continue through the summer, according to a spokesperson for the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

- Boys and girls, 9 years of age or older, with or without previous riding experience, are eligible to participate. Adult lessons are also available. Registrations of all ages are especially invited to enroll.
- Lessons will begin the week of Sept. 7 and continue for 10 weeks. Troop placement will be in accordance with the rider's ability as determined by the stable's management.

School to begin

The new school year in the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 will begin on Sept. 1, when freshmen and new student orientation programs are conducted at the Jonathan Dayton, Arthur L. Johnson and Governor Livingston regional high schools.

Students who are entering the ninth grade in the regional high schools, as well as those underclassmen who are enrolled in new schools for the 1993-1994 school year, are scheduled to participate in these orientation programs. All regional district students, grades 9-12, will report for the first regular day of classes on Sept. 2.

But transportation will be available to all eligible students. Bus route information has been disseminated through local newspapers and through mailings to parents. Contact the Regional District Transportation Office at (201) 376-6300, Ext. 264 if additional bus route information is needed.

Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone. Obituary notices must be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call 686-7700.

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obituaries

Gloria H. Malling
Gloria H. Malling, 70, of Backus, formerly of Springfield, died Aug. 12 in Brick Hospital.

Born in Irvington, Mrs. Malling lived in Springfield before moving to Bricktown in 1985.

Surviving are her husband, Daniel J., a son, Daniel 3rd; a brother, Arthur Inglyby Jr.; two sisters, Lorraine Phillips and June Raguz; and a grandson.

Edward Ruggieri
Edward Ruggieri, 46, of Margate, Fla., formerly of Mountaineer, died Sunday in Boca Raton Community Hospital in Florida.

Surviving are his parents, Mary and Hillard Getchler; a brother, Phillip; and two sisters, Joanne Hartlaub and Mary Alice Bollen.

Phillip A. Meyer
Phillip A. Meyer, 89, of Springfield, formerly of Springfield, died Aug. 12 in Brick Hospital.

Born in East Orange, Mr. Meyer lived in Short Hills before moving to Springfield 13 years ago. He had been vice president of Nicoll Industries, New York City, and Florsham Park, New Jersey, and was president of the Asbestos Mines in Quebec, Canada.

Robert Getchis
Robert Daniel Getchis, 36, of Mountaineer died July 29 in the Manor Care Nursing Home in Mountaineer.

Born in Summit, he lived in Mountaineer for many years. He was co-owner of B.G. Roberts Audio in Green Brook for several years. Mr. Getchis was a graduate of the University of Rhode Island.

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SPORTS

Change in Union schedule bumps up Farmers' opener

The Union High School football schedule has been changed, with the Farmers beginning the 1993 campaign a week earlier than expected.

Union will open at Kearny on Saturday, Sept. 18 at 1:30 p.m. The Farmers will then play their next five games at home, beginning with the home-opener on Thursday, Sept. 23 against Irvington at 7 p.m.

The schedule change came about because Summitt was left without an opponent after one team dropped Summitt from its schedule.

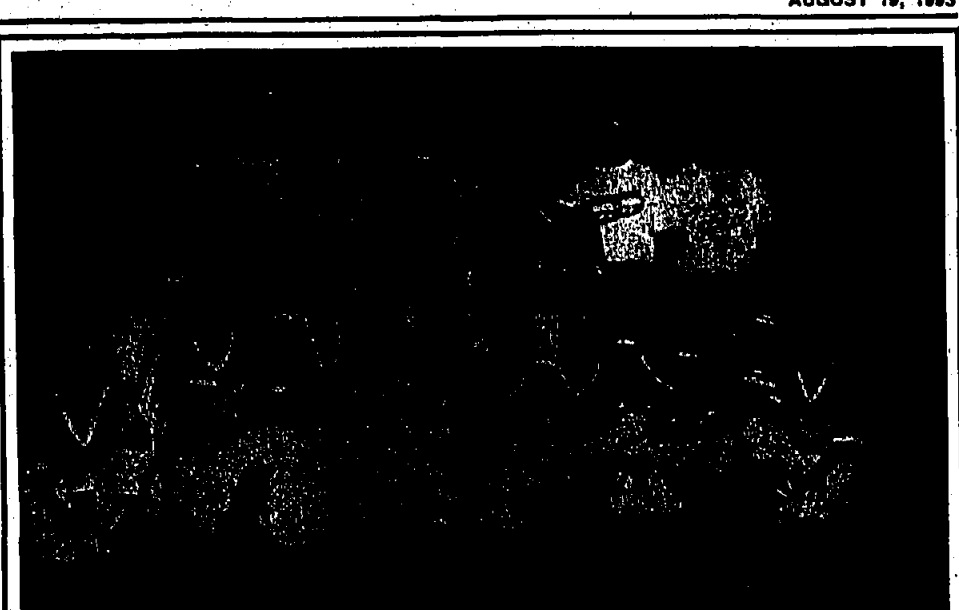
Union was originally scheduled to open the season at home against Irvington on Friday, Sept. 24 at 7 p.m.

Union High School boys' soccer practices commenced on Wednesday, Sept. 8 at 8 a.m. at the Gruber Avenue Field Practice will continue at 8 a.m. on Sept. 2, 3, 4 and 6. Practice will take place Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 2:30 p.m.

Springfield's Naggar completes season
Eric Naggar of Springfield recently completed his freshman season swimming for the Brandeis University swim team.

Johnson Regional physicals
Physicals will be conducted at Johnson Regional High School on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:15-10:30 a.m.

Mountainside youth soccer signups
Youth soccer for children ages 5-14 is being offered by the Mountaineer Recreation Commission this fall.



TOURNAMENT WINNERS - The Springfield Minutemen 9 and 10-year-old baseball team won the Chatham Tournament championship. From left, are Steve Silverman, Joey Tremarco, Michael Mammonne, Bobby Lee Silverman, Dan Bussicchio, Cory Cooperman, James Carullo and Michael Puro. Middle row, from left, are Scott Eberartz, Darlo Ruggiero, Joe Ablez and Jeffrey Slapser. Coaches, from left, are Joe Carullo, Art Eberanz, John Bussicchio and head coach Fred Silverman.

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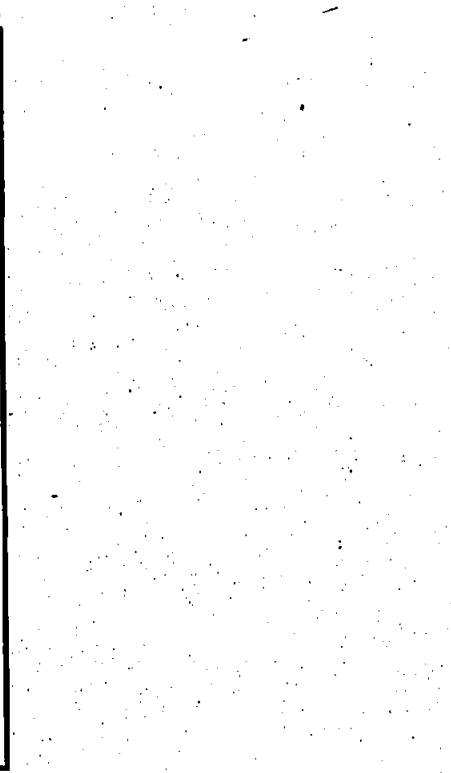
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Former UHS standout Young a pre-season All-America pick

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Jimmy Young, former Union High School football standout and 1989 UHS grad, has earned pre-season All-America recognition from a number of college football publications. Young, a 5-11, 185-pound cornerback at Purdue University, is entering his senior year at the West Lafayette, Ind. school as a two-time All-Big Ten selection.

Here are some of Young's pre-season honors:

- Playboy: Named as one of eight defensive backs in line of the Best category of the top players in the country at that position.
- Petersen's College Football: Second-team All-America selection at defensive back. First-team defense All-Big Ten pick at cornerback.
- Street & Smith's College Football: Honorable Mention All-America selection. First-team All-Midwest Team.

"It's ironic that this is happening," UHS head football coach Lou Retino said. "The reason Jimmy picked Purdue in the first place was that he promised him he would play offense."

That was a promise then head coach Fred Akers made to

Young. The stock athlete saw action on offense at slotback his redshirt (1989) and freshman (1990) seasons. Then Akers was fired and replaced by Jim Colletto, current Purdue head coach.

"When Colletto took over, one of the first things he did was put Jimmy on defense," Retino said. "Jimmy led the Big 10 in interceptions that first year (1991) and was All-Big 10."

Young, who was the leading rebounder for Union's basketball team his senior year, might not have attended Purdue if he knew he was going to play defense.

"I thought that if he had any shot at making this a career, it would be better on defense," Retino said.

Last year Young paced the Big Ten in breaking up 14 passes.

"He's an outstanding all-around athlete," Retino said. "He's got very soft hands, better-than-average speed and is a natural leader. If he stays healthy I think he has an NFL career ahead of him."

Purdue, which opens its season at North Carolina State Sept. 4, went 4-7 last year. This year Young is among 48 returning lettermen.

Nardones at top of C Division

The following are the Linden Recreation Slow Pitch Softball American League and National League standings for the week ending Aug. 11.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

C Division

- Nardones, 17-5, 772
- Sports, 16-8, 727
- Gapans, 13-9, 690
- Reliable 9, 12-10, 545
- Bad Attitude, 12-10, 545
- Bad Attitude, 11-11, 500
- Slovak, 10-12, 472
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D Division

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- Rena, 15-9, 636
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Scores

Bad Attitude 20, Mesa City 15
Reliable 13, Gapans 9
Nardones 16, Beries 8
Rena 9, Reliable 3
Nardones 16, Ballo 0

Pictured are Rahway Wrestling Club coach Fred Stueber, left, and assistant coach Larry Bodine, right, with several members of the District 11 championship Rahway High School wrestling team. They have on their new jackets which were purchased by the Rahway Youth Wrestling Club via a donation by Rahway Savings.

Rahway Youth Wrestling Club gives thanks for contributions

The Rahway Youth Wrestling Club recently held a special ceremony to thank Tom Granthill and the Rahway Savings Institution for their generous contributions to Rahway Youth Wrestling. The Rahway High School wrestling team not only compiled a 12-0 dual meet record during the 1992-1993 season but also won the Wrestling Conference and for the first time since 1959 won the District 11 championship. Several varsity wrestlers are graduates of the Rahway Youth Wrestling Program sponsored by the Rahway Recreation Department.

In honor of the fact that these athletes won the District 11 title for the first time in 34 years the club wanted to



Larry Rafaliko of Rahway Youth Wrestling is shown presenting Tom Granthill of Rahway Savings Institution with a Special Recognition Award for its most recent donation.

SANDAL Camp Aug. 23-27

The second annual SANDAL Camp for boys and girls in grades 4-8 will take place Monday through Friday, Aug. 23-27, at the YM-YWHA of Union County in Union. SANDAL features intensive morning drills, two games daily, appearances by NCAA, NBA and high school future standouts and coaches.

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The first of two SANDAL tours will be of the Meadowlands Sports Complex. Campers will walk across the 50-yard line in Giants Stadium, sit courtside at the Byrnes Arena and stand trackside at the RaceTrack.

More information and/or a camp brochure may be obtained by calling program director, Al Gross at 908-289-8112. Gross and Sandy Flynn will be the camp directors.

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Physicals to begin at ALJ

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Taurus (April 21 to May 21) Think positive and you can accomplish anything this week. Domestic problems are not as bad as they seem. Improved communication is all that is necessary. Follow your instincts when faced with important decisions. A good time to visit family or friends in other cities.

GEMINI (May 22 to June 21) The pace at work may slow down and you could find yourself a little bored. Make the best of it by initiating new projects. Put your good ideas into action and you will be a success. Romance will reach a high point, and you may even start a serious commitment.

CANCER (June 22 to July 22) Your busy work schedule may be taking a toll on your health. Take a few days off and relax. The work will be there when you get back. A long-term friend will suddenly pay a visit. You will be shocked by the changes you see. A new sport or hobby will spark your interest.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 23) Take care of details before doing any traveling this week. A compromise will have to be met with a family member. More bonding on your part may be required. Give those close to you an opportunity to express themselves. You'll learn something new on Wednesday.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 to Sept. 23) Procrastination will get you nowhere but closer to trouble. Free yourself with work projects that you may be putting in a lot of late nights. A romantic squabble will be emotionally draining but must be dealt with. You will get through it if you honest with yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 to Oct. 23) Don't mislead your partner in order to avoid a fight.

Oktoberfest is due

The Bavarian Club of Newark and the Elizabeth Sports Club will hold a two-day Oktoberfest Aug. 28 from 5 p.m. to midnight and on Aug. 29 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Archer's Grove, Springfield Road, Union. Admission at the gate is \$4 a day and children under 12 can attend free of charge. Advance tickets are on sale for \$4 including a \$1 coupon for food and drink. For advance ticket sales, one can call Archer's Grove at 688-1421.

A complete program of family entertainment will be presented featuring the dancing of Bayern Verein and an ice cream parade on both days.

Open house scheduled today

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, 68 Elm Street, Summit, will hold an open house today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Art Center will open its doors to acquaint area residents with its activities, and offer prospective students the first copies of its summer brochure.

Writing workshop slated

Barnes and Noble of Springfield has announced that it will hold writing workshops for short fiction and poetry every Sunday evening beginning Sept. 5 and running until Nov. 14. Individuals attending sessions will have to provide copies of their work to be reviewed that evening. It also was announced.

For more information, one can call 201-376-8544.

Bea Smith, Editor
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Benefit talk is planned

The Rev. Brian Luckoff, pastor of the Townley Presbyterian Church, Union, will present a lecture, "Focus on South Africa," Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the First Congregational Church, 1340 Burnett Ave., Union. It will be part of the Congregational Church's 1993 Benefit Series, to which the community is invited.

Messina set for concert

The Teaneck Public Library will feature in concert former Springfield resident Don Messina, as part of the Jazz Trio Sept. 19 at 3 p.m. The jazz trio includes Larry Bluth, piano, Don Messina, bass, and Bill Castelli, drums. The group will perform two sets of improvisations, spontaneously selected from standards, originals, and from compositions by Louis Armstrong, Bud Powell, Charlie Parker, Lester Young and Wesly Marsh.

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OTHER

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY August 23rd thru August 27th
EVENT: Vacation Bible School
PLACE: Ukrainian Evangelical Assembly of God Church, 2208 Stanley Terrace, U.C.C., 1540 Clinton Ave. at Ohio Square, Irvington, NJ 07111
TIME: 9:30am to 12:00pm
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Music night under stars

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