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# Springfield Leader

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## Community Update

### Books to borrow

Springfield Free Public Library patrons wishing to borrow selected library materials over the summer may do so by requesting vacation loan at the time of check-out.

Twenty-eight day fiction, some books-on-tape and nonfiction upon approval may be checked out from the adult department until Sept. 9. Children's materials must be approved by the children's librarian.

The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. Summer hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Group to chat

The Springfield Free Public Library Great Books Discussion Group, which has been meeting since last fall, is planning to continue meeting throughout the summer. The group is reading and discussing select works and selections from classic authors such as Aristotle, Plato, Rousseau, Kant, Thoreau and Tolstoy, to name a few.

The group will meet today and Aug. 23, between 10 and 11:30 a.m. in the library meeting room. Today, the group will discuss "After the Ball" by Tolstoy. On Aug. 23, they will discuss "Habit" by James. The discussion leaders are May Daniels and Rhoda Rosenfeld, who have both received training from the Great Books Foundation.

New members are invited to participate. Books may be picked up at the circulation desk. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave.

### What to Buy

When patrons come to the Springfield Free Public Library looking for information about office equipment and computers, there's no better reference periodical than "What to Buy for Business," the leading consumer guide to business equipment.

Published monthly, it is an excellent resource for buyers looking for value, reliability and good service. It refuses advertising, so readers can count on it for unbiased advice.

There are "What to Buy" reports on all major types of office equipment — copiers, fax, computers, phone systems, mailing equipment and more. It is not available on newsstands or in book stores.

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### Sound off offered

Angry about a public that hasn't been free? Happy about a program offered by the Board of Education? Let your neighbors know by "sounding off" on the editorial page of the Leader through a telephone call to our office.

Readers interested in sharing their opinions can call (908) 686-7700, Ext. 401 and leave their message. They must speak clearly into the tape, be brief, and leave a name and telephone number. We'll accept initials for publication, but we need a name for verification purposes. The number is available at all hours of the day and night.

Your voice should be heard.

## Okafenokee revisited



Regional Summer Players members, from left, John Fay, Jennifer Rogoshewski, Curtis Cerillo and Irene Piccinini rehearse a scene from the group's upcoming production of "L.I. Abner." The American favorite, based on the Al Capp-created characters, will be presented by the Summer Regional Players on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 28, 29 and 30 at David Brainer Regional High School in Kenilworth. Curtain time for all three performances is 8:00 p.m. For ticket information, please call Foto Finish in Kenilworth at (908) 241-2021.

## School offers chance to grow

By Mark Devaney  
Staff Writer

The school year is over but learning has not stopped at the Florence Gaudin School.

"A Chance to Grow," the summer school program of the Springfield public school system, is also half-way over; it started on June 26 and ends on Wednesday. However, it does not look like the 157 students taking part in the program are anxious for summer vacation to really begin.

The curriculum offered at Gaudin varies from refresher courses in the basics to enrichment courses to recreational classes. The staff consists of 13 instructors with expertise in a plethora of diverse areas.

On a given day, students can review standard subject matter, get their own screenplay mystery and improve their backhand on the tennis court.

Doug Drescher supervises "The Butler Did It" and "Brain Drain." The latter course stresses higher level thinking skills through logic grids, spatial puzzles, mind benders and math games. In Drescher's class, students were building towers with sheets of paper, which teaches them how to conceptualize geometrically.

Also taught by Drescher, "Comic Book Creators" has yielded the superhero family of Super-Built-Big Guy, Queen LaNity and Daniel O'Mission.

Man. Each student is creating their own comic book, starting these characters.

Springfield 07081, a course modeled after the popular soap opera "Beverly Hills 90210," will result in a full-length video written, produced, directed and featuring Gaudin students. Rumor has it that class elections and a big school dance figure into the plot.

In ceramics, Barbara Delikaris guides students in the use of the pottery wheel and in the creation of hand-made jewelry. A whole herd of ceramic dragons and dinosaurs were near completion.

Also in the finishing stages were a slew of wooden gumball machines. Steve DiGangi leads his group of ceramic carpenters in their term projects.

"They start with a block of wood, 4-feet by 4-inches, lay out the face, drill it, cut it and modify it as they wish," DiGangi said. The end product is guaranteed to spit gumballs and produce smiles.

Smiling faces were easy to spot in Glenn Brown's gymnastics class. Olympic-dreamers of all age groups were flipping, tumbling, spinning and balancing with grace. The gymnasts were preparing for a demonstration at the end of the term.

Meanwhile, faces were decidedly more serious in Ottawana Anderson's computer class.

"The students are working hard. They take a program, work on their lessons and then they help the class. Anderson said. They work at their own speed and get a lot of individualized instruction.

Nicholas Corby, director of the summer school program, concurred with the computer teacher's comments.

"A computer test assesses their abilities and then a specific computer program is designed to meet their needs," Corby said. "The computer strengthens the students' skills and supplements their course work."

Regarding the overall program, Corby indicated that it was aptly titled, "A Chance to Grow."

"It seems to grow every year. We've been expanding the program for the kindergarten and first grades. Such students are now eligible for courses like 'Keeping Skills Fit,' 'Art for Young Children,' 'Young Scientists' and a number of fitness classes," Corby said.

Refresher courses are free, Corby added, and children can still enroll. However, the other non-standard courses cost \$50 and are now closed.

So until the program concludes, students will be hard at work polishing up their projects.

"On Monday, we will be having an open house for anyone that wants to come see what the children have accomplished," Corby said.

## Meeting remains a closed affair

By Ray Lehmann  
Managing Editor

Say what you want about public meetings — they're boring, fruitless, serve mainly as a forum for lip service and election year posturing — but there's one thing you can say about public meetings that you couldn't say this past Tuesday. The press and several concerned residents were turned away at the door after a pre-meeting vote concluded that it would be in the committee's best interests to keep the meeting private.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the members-only club when they met this past Tuesday. The press and several concerned residents were turned away at the door after a pre-meeting vote concluded that it would be in the committee's best interests to keep the meeting private.

"There is a concern among the municipal representatives that, since there is such a division of opinion on this issue, certain members may question what they say because the press is present," said Union County Director of Parks and Recreation Daniel Benjamin. "But there is no 'gag rule,' as has been reported. Anyone from either the press or the public can contact committee members to find out the progress of these meetings."

The committee is comprised of 21 members, including county officials, representatives of both hunting and animal rights groups, and municipal representatives from the reservation host communities of Berkeley Heights, Mountaintide, Scotch Plains, Springfield and Summit.

Committee member Linda Nidzwieko of the New Jersey Animal Rights Alliance, who, along with a representative from the American Humane Society, represents the concerns of animal rights activists, has expressed her frustration that the committee seems to be adverse to alternatives to the hunt.

"To get the deer down to a population of 10 to 15 a square mile would be a slaughter," Nidzwieko said, referring to the figure proposed by the Board of Freeholders. "We should be exploring every option."

The main option that Nidzwieko is referring to is the "trap-and-transfer" plan, whereby deer are lured into a feeding area, immobilized and transported to another site where they can be culled for. A comprehensive outline of the plan was presented to the committee by Mark McNamara, president of Red Hook, N.Y.-based Fagus Research and Development Inc., who has successfully carried out similar programs in Deepwater and Middletown. Fagus Research would then house the deer until a time when they could find a more permanent home, most likely either for release in an area with a smaller deer population or for transfer to a petting zoo. As per the terms of the contract, Fagus Research guarantees that deer would be killed for their meat, furs or antlers.

McNamara presented a ballpark figure of between \$10,000 and \$20,000 for equipment and one year of trapping in the reservation. According to figures compiled by the Guardians of Woods and Wildlife of Union County, the hunt last year cost county taxpayers an estimated \$54,000.

Responding to McNamara's plan, Benjamin reported to the committee that he found "trap-and-transfer" to be an impractical option.

"In the past, it was possible to trap deer and relocate them to other parts of the state where there was a population deficit. However, New Jersey's deer range is already adequately

## Residents declare war of attrition

By Mark Devaney  
Staff Writer

The war of attrition has begun. Angie Franzoni, newly elected president of the Colonial Association, was not surprised at his own words; in fact, he expected to say them sooner or later. But when the Springfield Board of Adjustment postponed their meeting on Tuesday night, the first blow in what could become a battle of endurance may have been struck.

The Colonial Association represents a large group of residents from the north end of Springfield and the Glenwood section of Millburn. Their primary concern is directed at Stop & Shop's plans with the property on 92 Millburn Ave., Saks Fifth Avenue.

"Most of the people in Millburn and Springfield within 200 yards of Saks received a certified letter from Stop & Shop's attorney stating that they are seeking a variance for a supermarket," Franzoni said.

The Colonial Association realized that the Colonial Association realized that the law firm of Wasser and Feldman of Somerville, experts in real estate law.

Franzoni reported that the attorneys were announced at a Colonial Association meeting July 13 at the St. Rose of Lima Church. Also introduced were the four-occupier board members and the seven block captains for the organization, which is now more than 70 people strong.

"People came up to me and said the Colonial Association is well-organized and our information was pretty accurate," Franzoni said. "What's gratifying about the meeting is that we had a great turnout and spirited discussion and a commitment to spread the word about what could come in and affect our quality of life."

John Gilhooley, coordinator of the Glenwood section, spoke about "imposing interest there." He has passed out circulars and said he has attended Millburn township committee meetings.

"We plan to be heard and we want the decision-makers to take care of the welfare of the community," Franzoni said.

Franzoni speculated about what appears to be messy tactics on the part of Stop & Shop's advisors.

"It's interesting that also property switched hands in January and the application emerges in the summer when most residents are busy," Franzoni said.

Because of the timing of the impending fight, the executive board members stressed that residents be present at the board of adjustment meeting.

"Some people in Springfield are concerned about retailers and they should not be. The residents and community cooperation should come first," Franzoni said.

## Lizard hunt is on

By Pia Wilson  
Staff Writer

Springfield police are hot on the trail of a missing iguana.

The iguana and a recently recovered ferret, worth \$140 were shopped from the Fit and Feather Pet Store, according to Springfield Police Capt. James Hietala.

Store employees realized the two animals were missing from their cages after a large group of juveniles left the store. Assuming the juveniles had nabbed the large, green iguana and the albino ferret, the store employees took down the license plate number of the silver van in which many of the teen-agers had departed.

According to police reports, a computer check of the van license plate revealed that a Hillside woman was the registered owner of the van.

Springfield police put out a bulletin, describing the van, over the countywide radio band, explaining that the van was suspected to be involved with a shoplifting.

Officer John Shust of the Hillside Police Department spotted a van matching the description of the suspect vehicle along with a blue car, later found to be registered to a Scotch Plains man.

Shust spoke with the operator of the van, who denied any knowledge of the thefts, as did the other people in the vehicle.

Shust and an officer from Springfield scratched both vehicles with the consent of both drivers, according to police reports.

No one in either vehicle was arrested or charged with anything, said Hietala.

The ferret was later returned to Springfield police by a Summit couple who said they recognized their child had received the stolen animal from a friend.

Police are still seeking the lost iguana, valued at \$30.

## NACO award presented

By Mark Devaney  
Staff Writer

More than 800 fifth graders from eight school districts in Union County literally dig their school work.

Operation Archeology is one of seven Union County programs to receive recognition from the National Association of Counties. NACO will hold a convention July 31 to Aug. 4 in Clark County, N.Y., to honor the winning programs.

Operation Archeology began in 1991 with 125 students and has grown "remarkably" to include children from Mountaintide, Springfield, Roselle Park, Rahway, Elizabeth, Plainfield, Linden and Winfield, said

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**REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK**

**Stiles Street is home, but not always sweet**

By Mark Devaney  
Staff Writer

On Stiles Street last year, in the middle of the night, Herman Prather woke up to the sound of a girl screaming.

When he got to his back door, a young white girl burst through the ledge in the rear of his yard and landed in his arms. Her shirt had been torn from her body and she was hysterical.

Prather's wife threw a bathtub around the crying girl and Prather stepped outside to see who was responsible for terrorizing the young woman. He saw no one.

He went to call the police, but the girl pleaded with him to call her father instead. She was young, in high school, from another affluent town. Prather understood what the girl wanted to preserve. He held his telephone out to her and she called home.

When her father arrived, he indicated that he knew which boy was responsible and he would handle it. He also offered Prather money for the circulation department.

Prather refused. He didn't do it for a reward. Prather was just being what his neighbor Larry Burns calls him, "The best neighbor you could have."

Larry Burns moved here in 1958. "I saw the opportunity to get my family out of East Orange," he said. "I came here fresh from the military and I was green. They told me at town hall, when I said I was looking for property, that there was no property in Springfield. They steered me to Stiles Street."

"I've been here ever since and I've seen nothing but buildings," Burns chuckled wryly. "That's all right, though. I don't hold no grudges on that. I'm not anti-anything. I love everybody."

What Burns soon realized was that he had been forced, ever so subtly, to settle in "The Square," the black section of Springfield.

At that time, around the corner, in the center of Diven Street, Harold Davis had also recently finished the construction of his home.

"It was a dirt road then," said

grievances. Their tolerance for the stug-like pace of Springfield's bureaucracy is remarkable.

All Burns and Prather want is more lighting on Stiles Street. For years now, the dark street has been a favorite gathering spot for people in need of the sort of activities that are best suited for darkness.

"It's darker than the inside of that," Burns said, pointing to the sky above Stiles. He then used an even more frightening analogy.

"When you have a cold and you don't go to the doctor, you end up with pneumonia, then you die. It's better to nip it in the bud."

"Brother Burns is right. All it takes is one big thing," Prather said.

If you look along the north end of Stiles Street, you'll see discarded beer cans and liquor bottles strewn along the curb. You'll see leaves dumped there and moving with the deceptive speed of a glacier into the center of the road. You'll see cars zipping through without the slightest care for the speed laws or for the children whose spots have been exposed to protect.

In short, you'll see that Prather and Burns may like to laugh, but they are not joking about Stiles Street.

Residents of "the Square" have a reason to complain: The township has ignored their concerns for the better part of 40 years.

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"At this stage in my life, nobody's going to run me out," said Prather. "When I leave, I go feet first."

"Prather," joked Burns, "when you leave, I leave."

**Civic Calendar**

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**Today**  
The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will hold a work session at 6:30 p.m. in the Freeholders meeting room, sixth floor of the administration building, Elizabethtown Plaza.

**July 28**  
The Mountainside Borough Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the council chambers at Borough Hall, New Providence Road, Mountainside.

**Rail projects grow, gain support**

By George W. Satzmann  
Staff Writer

A light-rail transit system in Union County is moving closer to reality. Representatives of the Union County Alliance, New Jersey Transit and mayors of several towns in Union County met at the Liberty Hall Center Conference Center Room Wednesday in Union to discuss possible corridor extensions of the Newark-Elizabeth Rail Link.

The two groups focused on explaining the present status of the Urban Core System, a series of five multi-phase rail-improvement projects in Union, Essex, Hudson, Bergen and Passaic counties. The project will include the much-praised Newark-Elizabeth Rail Link — a 8.8-mile project connecting the Broad Street station with Penn Station in Newark by using existing Conrail freight lines.

As it stands, the proposed NERL connection extension would run from Elizabeth through Roselle and Roselle Park, to Cranford, Garwood, Westfield, Fenwood, Scotch Plains and into Plainfield; the railway's northernmost point, using mostly abandoned freight lines.

A separate extension would run north through Kmlilworth, Union, Springfield and Summit.

The project would also include the modernization of the Newark subway, extension of the newly-constructed Airport monorail to New Jersey Transit's northeast corridor, as well as the construction of a new bus center at Midtown Station, Elizabeth.

The light-rail project will use electric-powered passenger cars, similar to the trolley cars that were in use until the 1950s.

According to Lavin, 14 light-rail projects have been put into use throughout North America since 1980.

The group also looked at ways to involve the cooperation of everyone who would be affected by the project, according to County Manager Ann Burns. "It's important for the state, county and local governments to all work together from the start. We used to keep the lines of communication open all the time."

State transit officials are in the process of establishing ridership estimates, construction and operational cost projections that will be incorporated in a preliminary environmental impact study expected to be completed next year.

Lavin said that ridership projections will require input from population figures, employment estimates, projected growth, highway usage and existing rail line usage, as well as those residing along the lines to secure the land for future rail-use.

A county light rail project would help bring jobs to the area, as well as those residing along the lines to secure the land for future rail-use.

Mayor J. Charles Bolivage said he feels the city stands to gain a great deal with the construction of the new railway. "If built, this project will bolster an area with over \$250 million in development projects."

Bolivage referred to the three Port Jervis development projects, which will bring approximately 2.4 million

**Model Citizen**



Springfield resident Julia Rudakov poses with four Cover Girl supermodels and the nine other national finalists in the High School Cover Girl Model Search at the 1994 Awards ceremony at the Water Club in New York City. Pictured, from left, are Coral Rodriguez, Lori Schares, supermodel Lana Ogilvie, Colleen Stathis, Linda Trinh, supermodel Nikki Taylor, Kim Arnold, supermodel Patricia Velazquez, Farah Topp, Maria Felipe, supermodel Tyra, Tracey Ostrand, Rhonda Willoughby and Rudakov.

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# Court ruling, again, finds funding formula unconstitutional

By Vera Carley and Sean P. Carr

Last week's unanimous state Supreme Court ruling that the current school funding formula was unconstitutional left legislators, lawyers, school administrators, parents and taxpayers wondering how it will affect their district, their children, and their wallets.

**History of decision**

It's been 21 years since the state Supreme Court first ruled that funding schools through property taxes was discriminatory against poorer districts. Since that time, in an effort to provide what the state's constitution calls a "thorough and efficient education," various funding mechanisms have been put into place that would eliminate the disparity of funding between wealthy and poor districts, chief among them the income tax.

Signed into law in July 1976 by then-Gov. Brendan T. Byrne, the state's income tax was originally designed to fund the school aid formula. But as income taxes rose, the disparity between the funding formula and wealthy districts did not close.

In 1981, five years after the income tax was established, the state's funding formula was again challenged in the case *Abbott vs. Burke* for not remedying the disparities between the districts. In 1990, the state's high court ruled that the system of funding public education was unconstitutional because poorer urban districts could not provide a good education under

the state's aid mechanism. At that time the court gave the state until 1991-1992 to begin tackling the problem.

Then-Gov. Jim Florio may have sealed his electoral fate when he signed the highly controversial Quality Education Act in 1990. Under the QEA, income taxes were increased by \$1.1 billion, aid to wealthier districts was to be significantly reduced or completely eliminated while spending was to be increased for poor and middle-income districts.

Amid anti-tax protests, however, \$360 million was diverted to provide property tax relief in QEA II, setting the stage for another lawsuit charging that the QEA failed to meet the court's mandate to remedy the spending disparities.

**Decision's aftermath**

Once again, last week, the state Supreme Court ruled that the state has failed to eliminate the funding disparities between the districts. Setting a 1997-98 school year deadline by which the state must ensure that there is spending parity among the districts, the court also maintained jurisdiction over the case. That means that advocates for the poorer districts can return directly to the high court if they believe their ham' progress to address the matter.

The court also charged the state Department of Education with devising means of accountability for all districts receiving aid.

Although the ruling doesn't call for

changes, Cohen said. Specifically, he said that the terms to define foundation, transition, and special needs districts will have to change unless the state wants to find itself back in court, campaign pledge of a 30 percent income tax cut and finding a funding formula that will close the spending gap.

According to Assemblyman Joseph Suliga, D-Union, Whitman's statements so far do not look good for districts which do not fall into the special needs classification. The governor, he said, has commented that a pool of money is already there to fund the poorer schools. That he said could mean that transition districts, those that fall between the poorest districts in the state and the wealthiest districts, might see a loss of funding.

"The only one it means more money for is Elizabeth," he said. "The impact can't be seen right away."

Until the governor's plan on how to fund the districts is revealed, he said, it would be impossible to tell what will happen. And it could be years from now that the governor reveals a new funding formula, Assemblyman Neil Cohen, D-Union, said.

Pointing to the timetable given by the high court, Cohen said that Whitman has three years to devise a plan. And part of whatever plan the governor does come up with, he said, will definitely mean a change in the way districts are classified.

"I think they are going to have to redefine the terms. I think all the definitions in the QEA are going to

# Paper Mill names trustees



Mountainside resident J. Robert Arthur was named to the board of trustees of the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

The Paper Mill Playhouse has announced the election of two new trustees — Ronald J. Del Mazo of Weehawken and J. Robert Arthur of Mountainside.

At the annual meeting in June, Vincent J. Apruzzese, a Paper Mill trustee since 1989, was also elected chairman of the board for the coming year. Elliot I. Stupel was made vice chairman and Barbara Baldwin and Alan Sagner were both elected vice presidents.

"I think more funding can bring in those kinds of programs they couldn't afford by themselves," Fitts said, particularly remedial and honors programs, arts, music and computers.

Fitts — whose position is appointed by the state, not the county — said he's not sure if more money for poor schools will help improve the quality of education. "Sometimes you don't do better with more," he said.

Marjyn Moheuser, whose Education Law Center in Newark filed the case against the state on behalf of children in the poor urban districts, said the court produced a "good verdict."

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# Exchange students seek families

By Catherine King

International exchange students are looking to be placed with host families in Union and Morris counties, according to Eileen Voorhees, a volunteer community representative of the American Scandinavian Student Exchange.

"We really still have a lot of homes to find for these students. Otherwise, they won't be able to come," she said.

Students ages 15-18 will be arriving to live with their host families in the United States between August 15 and 30 and will attend high school based upon approval of the school, which may limit the number of exchange students, Voorhees said.

"By hosting an exchange student, some finds that they are no different from Americans when it boils right down to it," Voorhees said, explaining how friendship was not contingent upon a country's political affiliation.

Some exchange students do not receive credit for their year abroad, yet still approach the challenge with vigor. "It's amazing how much exchange students study even though they aren't getting credit for their work," she said, noting how they are often enrolled in advanced physics and calculus courses and participate in extracurricular sports and activities.

All applicants are expected to have studied English for at least three years and have maintained a "B" average in their overall academic studies to be considered for the program. The application process also includes a series of interviews as well as an autobiographical essay or "Dear Host Family" letter describing the student's reason for wishing to become an exchange student.

As a Kenilworth resident, Voorhees has hosted a total of five students from Sweden, Germany and Japan. Having had her first exchange student in 1980, Voorhees has remained in contact with the Swedish student — now 33 and married with three children — visiting her in Stockholm and communicating with letters.

"I found the greatest tie with my first exchange student," Voorhees noted, possibly resulting from the closeness of the experience.

On the other hand, Voorhees' Japanese student probably encountered more difficulty than her European counterparts in adjusting to American culture.

Eastern culture is a world apart from ours," Voorhees said, citing how her student was taught not to speak unless spoken to, and her opinions were not valued by her elders.

"European kids are so different from American kids because their culture is not that different from ours," she said. European teenagers do have difficulty relating to curfews, though, which do not generally have the same importance in Europe as in the United States.

"By the time European kids reach 13-14, their parents treat them like adults and encourage their children to make their own decisions," Voorhees said. Often times American teenagers do not experience independence until they have graduated from high school and are on their own, she added.

One aspect which differentiates ASSE from other exchange programs is displayed by the community rep-

resentative's work toward ensuring a happy experience for both the host family and exchange student.

"ASSE doesn't just take a kid, give him or her a family and disappear for 10 months," Voorhees said.

Assigned to a community representative, students meet monthly with their community representative to discuss any concerns and go rightening. In addition, ASSE offers students the opportunity to visit Florida and California during high school vacations.

The ASSE program requires its students to enroll in English language and American history courses during their stay here. The remaining academic requirements depend on the high school's curriculum.

Airfare, spending money and health insurance are provided for by the student whereas the host family provides the student with food and a place to live. The hosts are encouraged to treat their student as a family member.

More than 50,000 students and host families participate in ASSE, a nonprofit organization. The program was founded by the Swedish government and originally was intended to provide student exchanges between the United States and Scandinavia.

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## If only...

Last week, the *Mountainide Echo* and *Springfield Leader* printed a story about Mountaineer resident Denise Suskie, who has committed a good deal of her time to learning about plant and animal wildlife in the Watchung Reservation.

Suskie is not a scientist. She has never been elected to public office, never served on a deer subcommittee, and has never taken an oath to uphold the interests of her community. And yet, she has made more progress toward resolving the issue of harmoniously co-existing with wildlife than any of the aforementioned "experts," who seem to specialize in a never-ending litany of lip service, but take no action in either direction.

One reason for this inactivity may be that, in actuality, neither the individual city, township and borough councils of reservation-bordering communities, nor the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders really want this issue to go away. A resolution would be a major setback for their campaigns, especially for the freeholders, because this is the issue that never dies.

Like a local version of the death penalty or abortion, it's something that all these politicians can count on as their bread and butter. As long as there is a reservation, as long as deer continue to live there, people continue to hunt, and others continue to protest their hunting, this issue will live on as an albatross around the necks of Union County residents, who have grown used to the patronizing rhetoric and meticulous spin-doctoring of the likes of Charles Sigmund and Linda Lee-Kelly.

Now that the media gag rule regarding the deer subcommittee finally has been lifted, maybe the dialogue can come to some kind of compromise or resolution, but that's probably hoping for too much. If the current trend continues, it may very well prove to be one more useless project that taxpayers' money has financed to no avail.

This is why residents like Suskie, and other citizens who go the extra step to try to make life a little better for themselves and their communities, are such a vital resource for the future of Union County. While some people choose only to complain about their lot in life, about their azaia getting eaten or their tomato gardens getting trampled, others will search for solutions.

If only the same could be said about our elected officials.

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## Talk of privatizing state services too soon

There's a lot of talk about privatization these days as a way of closing growing budget deficits and improving service delivery. More and more folks want to find ways to turn costly public activities over to the supposedly more efficient private sector. Motor vehicle inspection is one area often targeted for the "big P."

Rigorously concerned about productivity and efficiency, citizens want to know why can't government be run more like business? However, beyond conventional wisdom about privatization and the overblown rhetoric about the inherent goodness of "standard business practices," there are lots of unanswered questions.

How come no one ever mentions S&L's Mutual Benefit or the spastic auto industry when it comes to privatization? To be clear, Governor Christine Whitman has said that turning public services over to private hands is "no picnic" and that she is not a fan of "privatization."

She recently appointed an advisory commission to do just this. The difficulty comes in just how we are to determine which services are best left in public hands and which should be privatized. Defining terms like productivity and efficiency is not easy, particularly when comparing two worlds — government and business — that often have diametrically opposed "bottom lines."

According to Henry Rainaldo, an economics professor at the Eagleton Institute of Rutgers, there is a three-part test that should be administered before we take on the privatization of public services. First, we must ask whether the privatization sector can perform the same service at a lower price. If they can, we must ensure that quality doesn't suffer in the process. Finally, we must guarantee that access to that service stays the same, he said.

Rainaldo has been studying, consulting and writing about privatization for more than a decade. He's not against it; he just thinks we're too quick to turn the most profitable and attractive private services over to business. That's great, as long as the private vendor meets the three-part test. The danger is that the private vendor is looking to get his hands on the routes that take commuters from Bergen

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County, Monmouth or the Jersey Shore to Port Authority in New York.

The professor has a point. It doesn't take a genius to figure out how this scenario plays out. The public transportation agency farms out the line that virtually guarantees a steady stream of bodies and revenue, while they retain the bus line in Newark, Paterson or Asbury Park at 10 p.m. That's the "off-peak" bus going through a dangerous neighborhood, that winds up with two people on it paying a buck each way. That's the line that the private sector tells government it can keep. This is where the public-sector competition and terms like "productivity" and "efficiency" get muddy.

How can the government-run urban bus lines at 10 p.m. be competitive when it's expected to take these two poor souls home or to work? How can it possibly be efficient when these two single-dollar fares are matched against paying for a \$15- to \$20-an-hour bus driver, the cost of depreciating a \$125,000 bus, gas and insurance?

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This isn't to say that government isn't wasteful and inefficient without any excuse. It's just that comparing public and private sector service delivery isn't that simple. It's hard to look good when you get stuck with everything business won't or can't do. Think about it: Federal Express competes with the post office for the big-ticket overnight and special mail, but lets the public agency keep what's left — junk mail and coupons. Then when it's expected to take these two poor souls home or to work? How can it possibly be efficient when these two single-dollar fares are matched against paying for a \$15- to \$20-an-hour bus driver, the cost of depreciating a \$125,000 bus, gas and insurance?

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## Medicare expansion could mean tax hikes

**WARNING:** If you want to stop Congress from creating a new health care program that is bound to result in tax increases and could lead to a complete government takeover of the U.S. health care system, you need to take immediate action.

Right now, Congress is considering legislation to reform the nation's health care system by creating a massive new government entitlement program called "Medicare Part C." If enacted, this new program is bound to lead to billions of dollars in new taxes and is likely to raise the health care system's cost.

Medicare Part C is the idea of a few liberal members of Congress who want a total government takeover of the health care system. They are pulling out all the stops. Medicare Part C is a big idea before it's too late.

Medicare Part C is bound to require billions of dollars in new taxes. Every year, the amount of these taxes will be subject to legislators' political whims and outside pressure of special interest groups, which will lobby Congress to increase the amount of taxes and require more and more taxes — from you and me.

Medicare already doesn't pay its fair share. For example, because Medicare pays hospital care for most of its costs, people with private insurance have to pay more than the hospital costs — 30 percent more in 1991, according to a congressional study. If Medicare is expanded, hospitals' overhead will be even bigger. So if you're privately insured, you can expect your health care costs to go up even more.

Medicare Part C will be the first step toward total government control of our health care system. The Congressional Budget Office estimates that Part C and the current Medicare program for the aged will have 130 million enrollees by the year 2002. With that many people in the government system, private health plans will be hard to maintain.

Bill Gradison is president of Health Insurance Association of America and a former U.S. representative from Ohio. Robert J. Myers is a member of the board of advisors of the Coalition for Health Insurance Choices and a former chief actuary in the Social Security Administration.

## HSPT report missed the mark by a mile

Last week's news report about Roselle Park High School's performance in the High School Proficiency Tests missed the mark by a mile, due to some clearly misleading language used by Superintendent of Schools William Clarke.

Clarke seems more like a jockey than a competent school administrator as he describes the significant decline in the number of students passing the HSPT exam as if it were an increase.

In fact, 97.6 percent of the Roselle Park students who took the test in 1993 passed all three parts. Only 73.9 percent passed the entire test when it was administered here last October. In the latest round of testing, some number between 19 percent and 25 percent failed at least one section — but Clarke did not reveal the actual combined success rate in the statement reported in the newspaper.

Paying more getting less for board members and key administrators. Clarke, an avid golfer, is being given an advance to visit Torre Pines Golf Course during his taxpayer-financed trip to San Diego, Aug. 22-26. He was even given a \$400 cash advance out of the public school budget for his trip.

The school board is also looking to send Board Secretary/Business Administrator Robert Ziegler to Seattle, Wash. Several board members went to New Orleans last April at taxpayer expense and some are said to be eagerly planning their next publicly funded vacation to San Francisco.

All this globe-trotting seems to fly in the face of sentiments expressed by voters who rejected the district's second time they took the test. A job is less than the \$288,000 tax savings we

## Another View

By James Devine

It is these step increases that gain higher pay as our school board signs sweetheart contracts with the teachers' union, in effect giving double raises to many employees. As teachers achieve years in service or advanced college education, their pay increases. These raises are called "steps."

Other people's money. All the above-described spending contradicts the tightwad image cultivated by school officials who forced Roselle Park school's voters to pay seven times the amount charged for using ball fields in Winarino Park.

More incredibly, after extorting high fees from the softball league, the school board gave a green light to two profit-making ventures without even asking for a penny's contribution to the public bill.

Patrick Lalley and Jack Shaw, employees of the public school system, each stand to make an easy \$5,000 to \$8,000 profit from a three-year period of the next year. Only a few recommendations are accepted by the school board. Teachers are anticipating 5 percent wage increases during the school year.

With many unions and young families, Roselle Park can scarcely be expected to maintain these kinds of automatic spending increases.

James Devine is a resident of Roselle Park.

## Provide for needs by purchasing insurance

Money Management

At long last, a new way to provide for your long-term care needs by purchasing long-term care insurance. The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants says that the cost benefit of "purchasing" your long-term care needs depends on a number of factors, including your current income and assets, age and health, as well as your anticipated life expectancy.

Money Management is a weekly column on personal finance distributed by the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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## Letters to the editor

### Shame on both sides

As neither a friend of hunting nor a self-appointed deer spokesperson, I am amazed at the war of words I am witnessing on these pages every week. While I admit that the most Mountaineer residents I desire a solution to my deer destroyed shrubbery and lawn droppings, I have not followed these proceedings closely. I spend my time at other town meetings.

However, the verbal barages really have muddled whatever might be going on. That is, I find it difficult to imagine that with the finger pointing and weekly "attacks" over all these months that anything constructive has or will occur. Shame on both sides for their spirit of uncompromising non-cooperation.

Maybe all we could hope they do is fix those crater-sized potholes, like the ones on Tracy Drive, and remove the one-sized gravel available at, seemingly, every intersection in the reservation.

Once again, most citizens will be caught in the middle of faction while egos get satisfied denigrating their vocabulary and smearing conspiracies. Fitly our poor roads, mums, azaleas and other deer food. How Orwellian.

Mountaineer

### Don't hand me no 'carp'

I was reading about how "carp" was introduced in the United States by the old U.S. fish commission in the 1800s, and used by Washington D.C. politicians to trade off votes from their constituents.

And, I was also watching television seeing non-native species that were introduced in the United States, such as Japanese deer to Chincoteague Island, by the Boy Scouts of America. Also the red deer — Asian — from none other than the father of our country, George Washington.

These two examples, as well as others, including ourselves, make up this great melting pot of a country called America. So maybe, just maybe, any ethnic cleansing of foreign plant species and "junk animals" may be misconstrued as being un-American. For all the so-called plant species, of which I do not know how to pronounce their names, in the Watchung Reservation have a right to be there as all the little Italy, Chinatown, Spanish Harlem, Watts and any other ethnic town and people have a right being in the United States of America.

## So much for intelligent discussion

To the Editor:  
I refer to your July 7 editorial, "Both sides need to listen." True. In it you speak of the excesses of both sides. I agree except that your characterization of the attitude of the Watchung Awareness Groups was a little unfair. I was at the meeting.

Both sides do need to listen, especially the politicians, to the trap and transfer plan that will remove deer safely and economically. The problem is that it will not satisfy the gun crowd. Am I inserting a plug? OK. In fact, in general, I agree with everything you said, except the following:

You begin the article with a quote about freedom of the press. In the middle you refer to the word deer "overpopulation," a concept that has not been scientifically verified. The park commission gave a projected figure for a less than 1,800-acre reservation to be 312 deer by July, but the AISC found only 139 deer over a 4,000-acre area. The park commission will not accept this even though the AISC would have been scientifically valid. The only thing is, it was far from their hoped for figure.

Then at the end of your editorial, to quote you: "One thing is certain. Until both sides are willing to actually listen to intelligent discussion about the subject, we will be stuck in a stalemate." This is a very good statement. In fact, a bigger loss will be the environment.

Why do you buy that there is an "overpopulation" of deer? How do you know that "intelligent discussion" is being attempted by the committee? Aren't members of the subcommittee not supposed to talk to the press? In the press allowed the freedom you quote at the beginning of your editorial? Who is getting to you?

Let me guess. I quote from your newspaper's quote of Daniel Bernier in an earlier article: "The director of Parks and Recreation will keep the press informed." So much for freedom of the press. So much for intelligent discussion.

Susan Levine  
Mountaineer

## State is jet noise capital of country

To the Editor:  
Because of the Federal Aviation Administration's Expanded East Coast Plan, New Jersey, once admired as the Garden State, is now nationally ridiculed as the jet noise capital of the country. To resolve this environmental crisis, the FAA, as ordered by Congress, is obliged to consider various options in an Environmental Impact Study.

Other than rollback of the EECPP, the only other statewide solution offered to date is the NJ Citizens Against Aircraft Noise Ocean Routing Plan. The wide field of perspectives of this approach is significant since, historically, the FAA's perspective has been confined to small operating changes that shift noise from one community to another.

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For those with a long-term commitment to live and work in our towns, the fairer solution is the NJ CANM Ocean Routing Plan and a total elimination of the EIS for its inclusion is the only viable option for resolving the New Jersey aircraft noise problem.

Fredrick Chrook  
Scotch Plains

# ASK A PROFESSIONAL

Do You Have A Question For These Professionals? Send Your Inquiries To "Worrall Newspapers", 1291 Stuyvesant Ave. Union, N.J. 07083 Attention Bob Clancy

<b>CHIROPRACTOR</b> Q: I've read the term "myofascial trigger point" in a health article. What is a trigger point and what causes them? A: One of the more enjoyable things in life is to have someone rub your shoulders. As often as they come across a tender spot that will cause you to say "That's it!" This tender spot is known as the health field as a trigger point. Trigger points are caused by acute muscular overuse, muscle fatigue, direct trauma and chilling. Active trigger points can refer pain and mimic head, neck, shoulder/arms, leg and low back pain. Trigger points are a common form of muscle injury and are the hidden cause of many muscle aches and pains. GENTLE, SAFE, EFFECTIVE - TRY CHIROPRACTIC. Antonelli Family Chiropractic Center 2576 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 908-688-7373	<b>REAL ESTATE</b> Q: My home was on the market for a period of six months with a small firm and did not sell. When you tell me why my home may not have sold since it was in the Multiple Listing Service. A: In order to sell a home one, it must be sold First. First, your agent had to sell it to the other agents in the Multiple Listing Service, and second, they must sell it to their buyers. Perhaps your agent did not do a good job in selling the features of your home. When you put your home on the market you have two important things to do. First, what person will you have represent you to sell your home and second with that person determine the best price to ask. As a full-time agent I know the reasons people do not buy as well as the reasons they do. I would like to set up an appointment with you so that I may show you how I will sell your home to the other top agents in the area. LOUIS G. SCHMIDT Louis G. Schmidt 1307 Stuyvesant Ave., Union 908-687-4800	<b>FINANCIAL PLANNER</b> Q: Someone told me to pay my mortgage BI-WEEKLY to save on interest costs. Is this a good idea? A: YES and NO! While paying your mortgage bi-weekly helps you save on interest costs, you LOSE the tax deductions on your mortgage payments. I have a much better idea. 1. PAY your mortgage as 40% of the cost of your mortgage! 2. KEEP valuable tax deductions throughout the payment period. 3. CONVERT your mortgage payments to DEBITS into your retirement account or help pay for college tuition. 4. STOP mortgage payments after 15 years. So, it makes sense to save on interest payments off your mortgage, but most people go about it the wrong way! Remember, keep tax deductions and avoid income taxes on your savings. And avoid income taxes.
<b>ATTORNEY</b> Q: What is the difference between libel and slander? A: Libel is a method of defamation expressed by print, writing, pictures, or signs. In its most general sense, any publication that is injurious to the reputation of another. The essential elements of slander are: (A) a false and defamatory statement; (B) an unprivileged communication; (C) concentration at least to negligence on the part of the publisher; and (D) either actuality of the statement or negligence on the part of the publisher. In case of slander the speaking of base and defamatory words tending to injure another in his reputation, office, business, or means of livelihood. "Libel" and "Slander" are both methods of defamation; the former being expressed by print, writing, pictures, or signs; the latter by oral expressions or transitory gestures. John Giorgi, Esq. 2204 Morris Ave., Union • 908-688-1000	<b>AIR CONDITIONING</b> Q: How can I be sure I choose the right heating and cooling contractor? A: Whichever heating and cooling equipment will greatly enhance your home, your investment. You will be sure that you are getting the best value for your money. Don't be lulled by the sales pitch. Make sure you are getting the best value for your money. Don't be lulled by the sales pitch. Make sure you are getting the best value for your money. Don't be lulled by the sales pitch. Make sure you are getting the best value for your money. JOE DI GANGI Joe Di Gangi POLAR AIR, INC. 965 Jefferson Ave. Union, N.J. 686-3601	<b>MORTGAGES</b> Q: My wife and I are First Time Homebuyers. Are there any special programs available to us? A: Yes, if you have never owned a home or have not owned one in the past three (3) years. The New Jersey housing and mortgage Finance Agency offers loans to First Time Homebuyers. There is an income and purchase price limit based on the county you are purchasing in. Currently funds for this program are expected to be made available from July '94. SOURCE: ONE SOURCE FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. is a participating key lender in this program. JOE SINISI Lionard Mortgage Banker, State of New Jersey (908)709-1500 25 Commerce Dr. Cranford, NJ 07016

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### news clips

#### VA awards locals

At a recent awards program dinner held at the East Orange Veterans Medical Hospital, the following Springfield residents and members of the Ella-Unger Post 273 and the Ladies Auxiliary were presented with pins for volunteer hours served at the hospital: Ruth and Carl Hirschhorn and Bobbie Eisenberg, for 1,000 hours and Joe Todres for 500 hours.

A barbecue will be held at the hospital Aug. 15, for all patients. All members and prospective members are invited to help prepare and serve for the party.

Meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center on Church Mall in Springfield. All veterans and members of their families are invited to join.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Bobbie Eisenberg (201) 375-6919.

#### Local lawyer on TV

Kenneth Javerbaum, senior partner in the Springfield law firm of Javerbaum, Wargaff and Hicks, recently appeared on national television as a guest commentator on CourtTV, a cable channel devoted to courtroom programs.

Javerbaum provided expert perspective during the course of a broadcast of a legal malpractice trial that was televised live from a courtroom in San Diego, Calif.

A certified civil trial attorney, Javerbaum limits his practice to substantial personal injury matters involving catastrophic injuries and

claims of legal malpractice. He is active in numerous Bar Association activities and a frequent lecturer to other attorneys on trial techniques.

His firm is the largest in Union County whose principals have all been designated as Certified Civil Trial Attorneys by the New Jersey Supreme Court, as well as by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. These designations require significant trial experience and a proven record as measured by peer recognition, the recommendation of trial judges and extensive testing.

In addition, the firm was recently cited for inclusion in Preeminent Attorneys in the United States, an honor afforded to less than two percent of practicing attorneys.

The law firm has developed a statewide representation and practices throughout the courts of the states as well as in the Federal Court. The partners in the firm, Kenneth Javerbaum, Jack Wargaff and Robert Hicks, are active in a wide-range of professional activities and hold leadership positions in a number of organizations devoted to trial advocacy. Each are active leaders in the Richard J. Hughson of Court which is an organization devoted to the training of young trial attorneys.

#### Residents graduate

Springfield residents Andrew Brody and Alan Pope were recent graduates of the sixth grade at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit.

Andrew, son of Nicholas Brody, will attend DeBaron School in the fall.

#### Night Out planned

Springfielders are being invited Aug. 2 to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 11th Annual National Night Out, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch.

National Night Out is designed to heighten-crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support and participation in local anti-crime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community relations and send a message to criminals by letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 7 to 10 p.m., residents are invited to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors, friends and police.

The Springfield police will be visiting local neighborhoods throughout the evening.

Neighborhoods wishing to have block parties, or any type celebration can call the Crime Prevention Bureau at (201) 912-2243.

#### Academy graduates

Six seniors from the local area were among this year's 64 graduates at Newark Academy in Livingston. Diplomas were awarded by Chairman of the Board of Trustees Joseph A. Scillone, Newark Academy Class of 1955, and Blair Gardner, son of Brooke and Bob Gardner of Mountainside, will attend Lafayette College.

Robert Curran, director of the Ford Foundation's Urban Poverty Program and former member of the Editorial Board of The New York Times, addressed the graduates, families and faculty.

This year's graduates include: Gabriel Conno, son of Lois and Rita Conno of Springfield, who will attend the University of Michigan.

Gina Sheryl Millin, daughter of Henry and Monica Millin of Springfield, who graduated cum laude and will attend the University of Pennsylvania.

Youshaa Patel, son of Yusuf and Zainab Patel of Springfield, who will attend the University of Michigan.

Adam Michael Raviv, son of David and Susan Raviv of Springfield, who graduated cum laude and will attend Yale University. Raviv was awarded the American High School Mathematics Examination Award and certificate of achievement and pin at the school's awards ceremonies.

Jared Seth Stadlin, son of Gale Salz of Springfield and Barry Stadlin of Springfield graduated cum laude and will attend the University of Michigan. He was awarded the Newark Academy Community Service Award, the Geoffrey Toone 1974 Memorial Award, in recognition of superior sportsmanship and team consciousness as a member of the cross country team, and the New Jersey Foreign Language Teacher Association Award, for outstanding achievement in the study of foreign languages.

#### Teacher of the year

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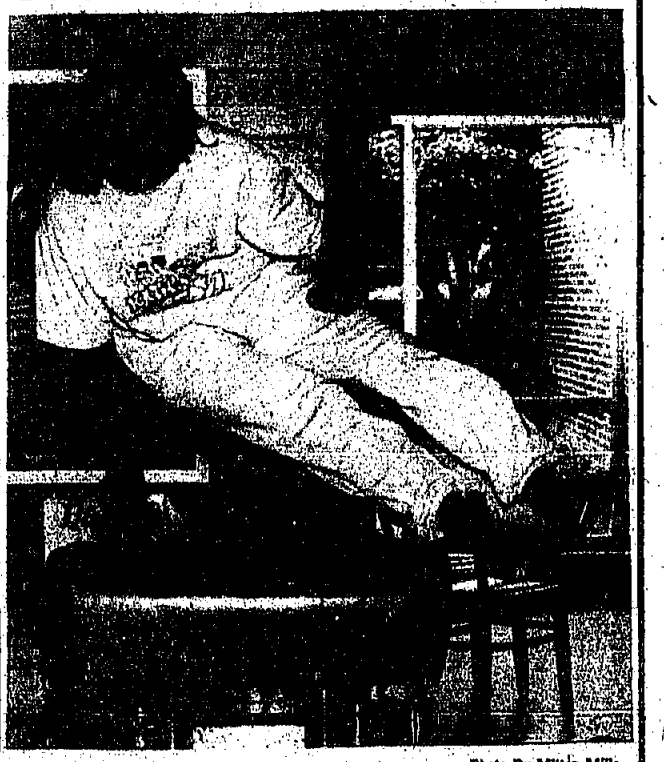
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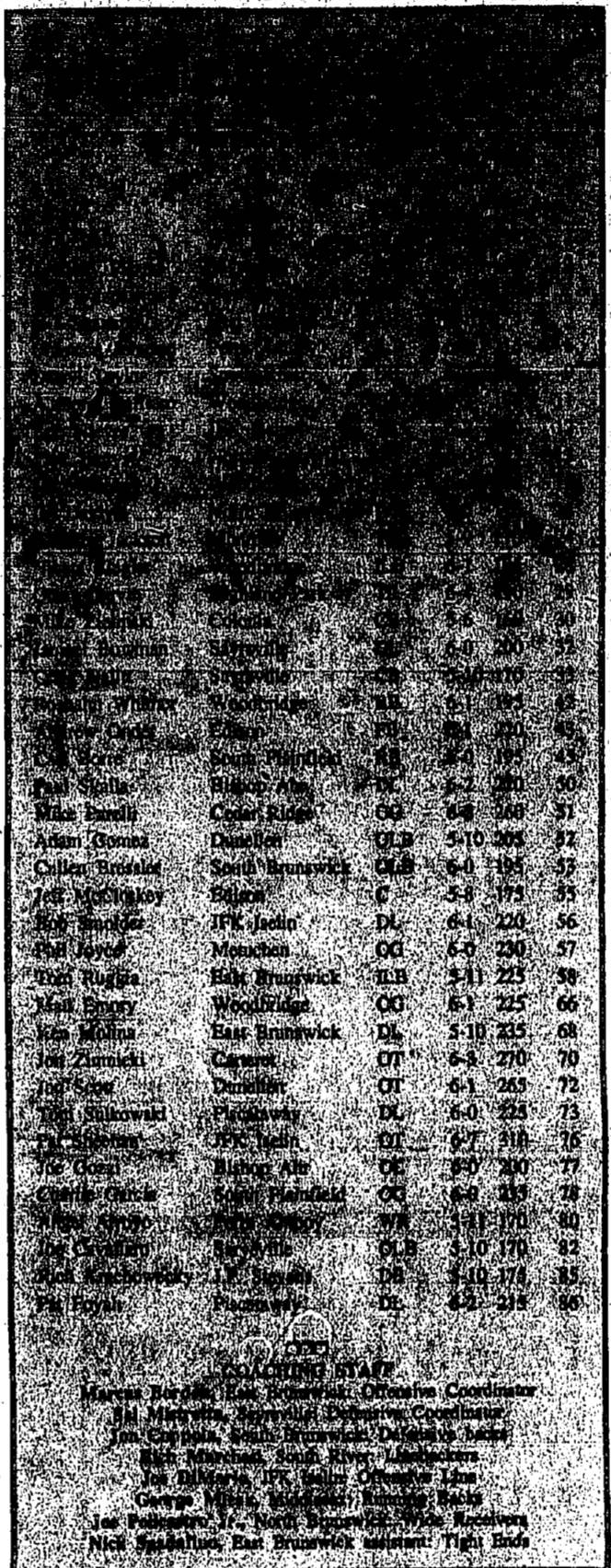
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## The first Snapple Bowl is here It's Middlesex vs. Union tonight at UHS for county bragging rights

By J.R. Parachini  
 Sports Editor



**UNION** — The players are excited. The coaches are excited. Football in July is the reason. Not a camp, but a game. A game that will give graduated seniors one more chance to showcase their talents before it's off to college.

The contest will go down in history as the first News Tribune Middlesex-Union Snapple Bowl All-Star Game. Kickoff is 7:30 tonight at Union High School's Cooke Memorial Field.

The Lakewood School in Edison and the Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountlake have been chosen to split 60 percent of the funds raised from ticket sales.

"Our kids have been practicing with a lot of intensity," said Hillside head coach John Kaye, who is serving as Union's inside linebackers coach. "We have a great bunch of kids and they're all anxious to get out there and perform."

**GAME DIRECTOR MARCUS BORDEN**, the head coach at East Brunswick and the offensive coordinator for the Middlesex squad, put a lot of time and effort to see the team in making this game become a reality. "Marcus has been the key guy, there's absolutely no doubt about that," said Roselle Park head coach John Wagner, who is serving as Union's defensive coordinator. "He's done a fantastic job in getting this game off the ground."

Borden was one of many Middlesex County coaches who thought this would be a good natural rivalry and took it up from the great success of the Shore Classic All-Star Game that pits Monmouth vs. Ocean counties.

In February and March, coaches in Union and Middlesex counties met to discuss Borden's proposal and declared it a winner. "THIS GIVES KIDS WHO WEREN'T SELECTED to play in the North-South game a final opportunity to put on the uniform and be a part of what we hope is going to be something special," Borden said.

Since the annual North-South game includes 80 players from the entire state and only one per school, a game such as this allows more youngsters an opportunity to be recognized one more time.

"I'll receive satisfaction from seeing the parents and kids being excited about the prospect of playing in another high school football game," Borden said. "We're giving 80 players one more chance to compete and show a lot of people that they're pretty good football players. The chance to compete is what it's all about."

**BECAUSE OF CONFERENCE AND STATE SECTION** alignments, Union and Middlesex county schools don't get the chance to play each other during the regular season or the playoffs. Outside of New Providence facing South River in their annual non-conference game or pre-season scrimmages, these counties are gridiron strangers.

So tonight's game will begin a legacy that will serve to answer this question: Who's better, Middlesex or Union?

On Union County's side, Union has the best record in the state the past three years with a 32-1 mark that includes three North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 championships. Roselle Park has the state's longest current winning streak at 22 games, having gone 11-0 the past two seasons and winning back-to-back North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1 titles.

**ON MIDDLESEX COUNTY'S SIDE, WOODBRIDGE** (Central Jersey, Group 4) and Dunellen (Central Jersey, Group 1) captured sectional crowns last season, with Dunellen going unbeaten at 10-0-1.

An All-Star Committee selected Union as this year's sight and the game will alternate each year from a Union school to a Middlesex school. Next year's game will take place in Middlesex County.

"I think Union is the logical choice to get the game off on the right foot," Union head coach Lou Retino said. "It's centrally located in Union County, we've got the second largest stadium in the county and a fine facility with a major league lighting system. Last but not least is our parking facility, which is among the best in the county."

**THE UNION 5TH QUARTER CLUB IS ALSO** excited about hosting the first News Tribune Snapple Bowl, especially since Union's first five games are on the road this year and the Farmers will not play a home game until Friday night, Oct. 28, one of only four including Thanksgiving.

"We're proud to host the first game and are looking forward to seeing a big crowd," said 5th Quarter Club president Ed Collins Sr., whose son Ed Jr. was replaced on the Union roster by Westfield's Ron Noble after the talented quarterback left for Arizona after signing a professional baseball contract with the Milwaukee Brewers.

Last night the Union squad was treated to a pre-game meal at Clotti's Restaurant and Pizzeria in Union prior to their final session. "I time to put the blocking sleds away. Game time is here."



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 Union HB



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### Players ready for the game to begin

By J.R. Parachini  
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**UNION** — John Schinestuhl, meet Marco Caban, Chris Peterson, say hello to Jay Coleman. Dan Mingucci, this guy over here is Roger Chammas.

Now that the players have been introduced and the practices have been completed, it's time for the game to begin.

The inaugural News Tribune Middlesex-Union Snapple Bowl All-Star Game, featuring some of the best high school football players from both counties, takes place tonight at Union High School. Kickoff is set for 7:30 at Cooke Memorial Field.

The players and coaches from both sides were introduced at a press conference held last month at North Brunswick High School. However, there have been numerous roster changes since that time.

On the Union side, Westfield's Ron Noble replaced Union's Ed Collins after the latter signed a professional baseball contract with the Milwaukee Brewers and left for the Arizona Rockies League. Noble, who was selected to play in the North-South Game but couldn't because of injury, will get a chance to play tonight and add depth to Union's defensive line.

Union's other roster change was Roselle outside linebacker Steve Dorr replacing teammate Gary Martin. The Middlesex squad had six roster changes. Anthony Pizano of Sayreville replaced James Amstrong of Spotswood, Jeff Shanaphy of East Brunswick replaced Ron Aalack of Madison Central, Emilio Nieves of JFK Iselin replaced Jeff Herbert of Madison Central, Mike Feeney of Woodbridge replaced Mike

Lange of Bishop Ahr, Ken Molina of East Brunswick replaced Dan Gulics of Woodbridge and Joe Gozzi of Bishop Ahr replaced Avery Patrick of Colonia.

The Middlesex squad got the jump on practice, beginning last week (Monday, July 11) at Sayreville Union's practice sessions, which took place at UHS, commenced Saturday and ran through last night. Union had double sessions Saturday and Sunday and single sessions the past three evenings.

"We'll run a multiple offense and Steve Cicciulli (Union County head coach) does a good job at making it diversified," said Hillside head coach John Kaye, serving as the Union County's inside linebackers coach.

Kaye feels the Union squad has great speed on the perimeter and that both quarterbacks, John Schinestuhl of Roselle Park and Chris Peterson of Johnson Regional in Clatsop, have looked good running the offense. Kaye has been working with inside linebackers Harold Kicher and Jason McNeil of Hightstown and Peter Kucharski of Dayton Regional, the latter two also known for their ability to run with the ball.

"We're trying to play the kids at the position they're going to play in college," Kaye said.

Union's running backs include 1,000-yard rusher Marco Caban of Union and Jay Coleman of Linden, 2 and 3 respectively in county scoring last year, and Bobby McClain of Rahway and Ken Faxon of Summit.

The wideouts include speed demons Shane Jacobs of Union, Charud Williams of Elizabeth, Melvin Brown of Plainfield and Mark Carlson of Roselle Park. The tight ends are Rodney Tullis of Union and Isaac Nelson of Hillside. Nelson is headed to Jersey City State to play basketball.

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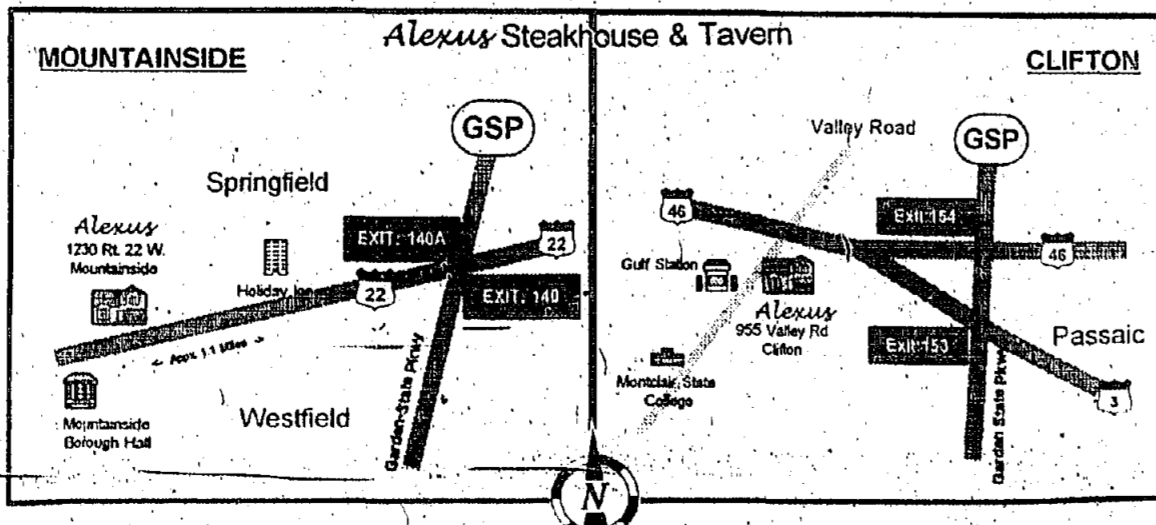
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Reception will kick off physicist's photography show in Union library's Les Malamut Gallery

"Bodies of Water," an exhibit of color photographs by Frederick Damont of Newark, will be the next show at the Les Malamut Gallery in the Union Public Library in Pringle Park on Morris Avenue.



"Little Island" - Glacier National Park by F. Damont. The photograph will be part of Damont's show at the Les Malamut Gallery in the Union Public Library in Pringle Park on Morris Avenue.

Damont, a physicist, formerly of Bell Labs and now a consultant, expresses his creative abilities through photography. The current exhibit features photographs taken in the course of world travel.

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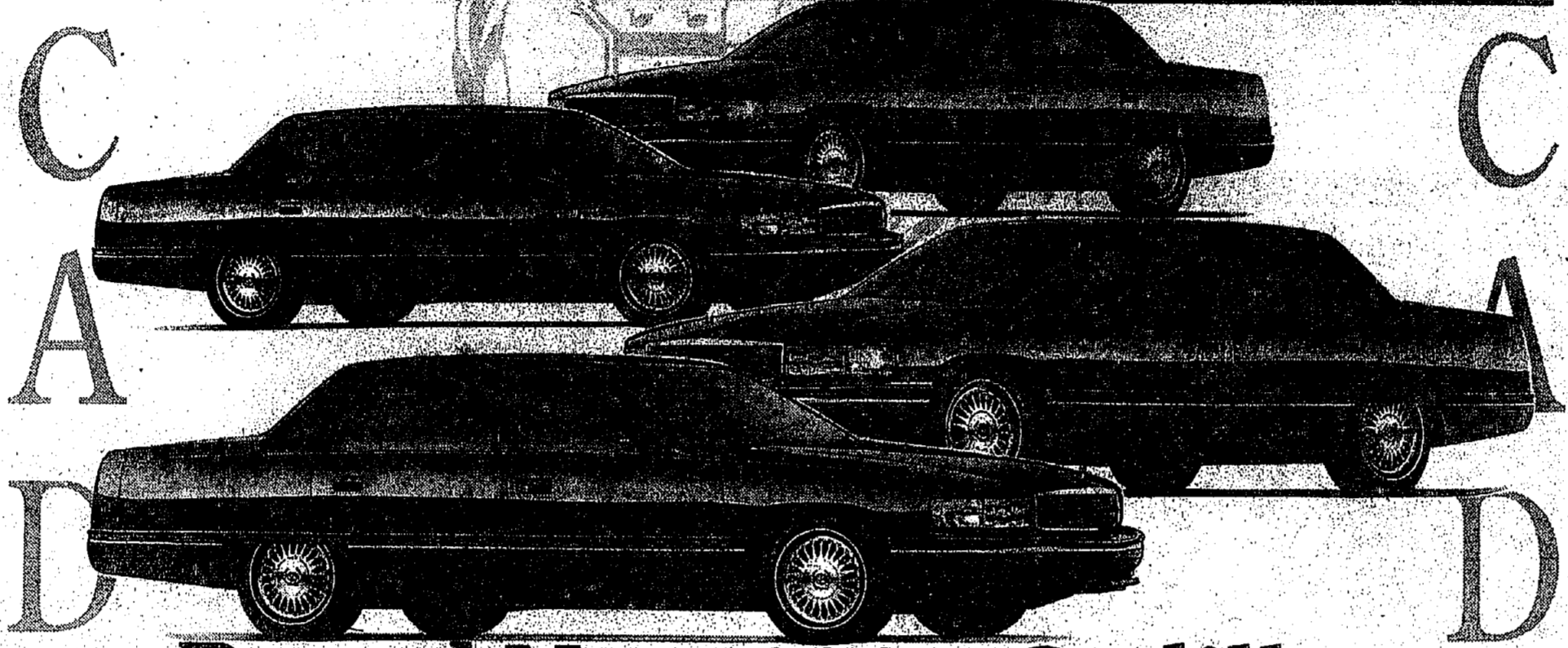
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