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The number of deer killed is rising to the required 50 in the second deer hunt, Page B1.

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Community Update

TV guide

Today at 7 p.m. Suburban Cablevision Channel TV-3 will broadcast "Teen Talk," a forum in which area teen-agers discuss the issues affecting them the most.

Tonight two Dayton High School students, sophomore Dawn Boyden and senior Rich McPherson, will serve on a panel to explore stress management.

Pre-school screening

The Springfield school district is participating in a statewide program to identify developmentally delayed preschoolers, ages 3 through 5. Project Child Find is initiated to identify preschoolers with delays in the following areas of development: language or speech, cognition, fine or gross motor coordination, play skills and behavior patterns.

Consultations, evaluations and program services are available to Springfield residents. Call 376-0948 for details.

Purin carnival

People both Aton will host a Purin carnival on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. Prizes, food and fun will be part of the festivities. The temple is located at 60 Temple Way. Call 376-0539 for details.

Tuesday tax times

Every Tuesday until April 11 will be income tax assistance day at the Springfield Public Library. The counseling, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be by appointment only. For more information, call (201) 376-4930.

Help wanted

The Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking individuals to help with the spring and summer programs and activities. Positions to be filled are: manager for Youth League softball, pool manager, assistant swim team coach, life guards, playground and pool camp counselors, food clerk and general recreation staff.

Salary start between \$4,500-\$7,500 per hour, depending on the position, experience and certifications of the candidate. Applications can be picked up at the Recreation office, the Municipal Building, in Library and the Dayton High School guidance office.

The deadline for submitting applications is March 17. Call 912-2226 for more information.

B'nai B'rith bus ride

The local chapter of B'nai B'rith has planned a bus ride to Atlantic City for March 26 at 9 a.m. The bus will depart from Escho Plaza Mall for the Sands hotel and casino. Additional information and reservations can be had by calling Jerry Kamin at (908) 687-9120 or 277-1453 before March 15.

Support groups

The Meridian-Nursing Center in Westfield will host the Alzheimer's Support Group March 13 at 1:30 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. The meeting is open to the public and may prove helpful to caregivers and those with loved ones suffering from Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia. For details, call (908) 231-9700. This group meets on the second Monday of each month.

No bugling in this unit



Air Force Staff Sgt. Dave Clary solos on the trumpet while performing with the Air Combat Command's Heritage of America Band. The group will perform in the auditorium of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School on March 8 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free of charge, but tickets are required and may be reserved in advance by phoning the school.

Student group fights drug abuse

Students and faculty have met at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Governor Livingston High School and Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School to combat substance abuse.

Jonathan Dayton, more than 200 students are participating in a program called The Alternatives Club. According to Cliff Lauterbach, one of the club's advisors, their goal is "to provide alternative activities for students so that they have another option other than using drugs or alcohol."

The club provides a variety of activities, workshops, leadership training and other events. Carolyn Tobin, advisor for the Alternatives Club, added, "We bring in guest speakers. Some of them had former substance abuse problems, and some are counselors. Most of the speakers are former addicts."

According to Tobin, the club also has a peer group called Cross Age Teaching. It is a group of high school students who speak with junior high students.

"They talk about peer pressure, and what it's like in high school. They do away with the myths of what high school is like," said Tobin.

Sam Gudhka, a 16-year member and president of the Alternatives Club, said "the junior high school students reacted very well. It gave them a whole new aspect to high school."

Gudhka continued, "The kids thought that drugs and alcohol were all you can do to have fun. We taught them that it's not the right thing to do, and that there are thousands of other ways to have fun in high school."

"They just thought drugs and alcohol were the only answer. Afterward they realized it wasn't," said Gudhka. According to Gudhka, one junior high school student came up to him afterward and said, "I'm very glad you came here. I hope you come next year to help those students." The student said that his friends drank and he felt pressure to drink as well.

The student said to Gudhka, "You gave me more of an incentive not to do drugs and alcohol."

"I was really happy that we got through to at least one student," said Gudhka. "I couldn't believe they were drinking and using drugs in junior high school."

According to Lauterbach, on March 28, students from the three high schools will be attending workshops to be held at Union County College.

"The event will include a variety of speakers on various issues including drug and alcohol prevention, sexually, and getting along with parents. And this year-to-school education will also be in the program," said Lauterbach.

Township accepts new housing plan

By Jay Hochberg, Managing Editor
Following the Planning Board's approval Monday night of the latest version of the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, the Township Committee voted Tuesday to accept it and submit it before the Superior Court for acceptance.

The Township Committee's approval of the plan involved a two-part procedure. First the township's Master Plan had to be amended to include the new housing scheme; then the township's zoning codes had to be altered to accommodate the redeveloped and necessary apartments that may be included in the housing plan.

Four Township Committee members voted to make the two changes. John Holmes abstained from voting as the former, and cast the dissenting vote on the latter.

Township Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld said he approved of the township government's handling of the planning process, adding that taking incremental steps "toward a goal" could be expected.

Committeeman Gregory Clarke also articulated his support after he had voted.

"Major Laurel situations don't come along every day," he said. "It was a new experience for us."

Clarke also commented on the varying point of view that had been aired during the planning process. "Some members of the community preferred regional contribution agreements with other towns, he said, while others preferred the township to raise. Others preferred meeting the court-mandated requirements, as the township saw opportunities to make money."

"People may be making decisions about Springfield who don't have Springfield's interests at heart," he added, referring to the judge and court-appointed master in the case.

Regarding the handling of the Land Use Ordinance, Holmes said the performance of the township government in recent months was "a shabby way" to do business, and that the plan the committee had just approved had "holes in it."

"This plan we're sending isn't going to fly," she added. "It's going to be shot apart" by the judge.

Holmes echoed the thoughts expressed by Springfield residents:

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#4 Park Place PUD	8.2	10/Ac.	RCA	17	81	81
#5 Hillside Avenue	0.88	16/Ac.	Agency Sponsored	14	0	14
#6 Columbia Lumber	3.2	23.5/Ac.	Set-Aside	15	60	75
Sub Total				129	472	584
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Sub Total				139		
Rehabilitation				17		
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** These units will be transferred outside of Springfield.

An additional 2.7 acres will be zoned for senior citizens at 16 units per acre. If developed, they will result in 43 more dwellings, nine (9) of which will be affordable to low and moderate income senior citizens.

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Six year plan



The Planning Board voted 6-3 Monday night to pass their new version of the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan on to the Township Committee for approval. The next night, the Township Committee accepted the plan, which will now be forwarded to David Kinsey, the court-appointed master of Springfield's affordable housing planning efforts. If Kinsey approves the plan, it will be valid for approximately six years.

Sharpshooter hunt is halfway over

By Mark Devaney
Staff Writer

Within four days of sharpshooting in the Watchung Reservation, 25 deer had been killed by county agents, which is about the halfway point for this year's deer hunt. Once 50 deer have been taken, the controversial practice of gumpung in the county park will be over.

According to Dan Bernier, chief of Park Operations, of the 25 deer deer, 18 were does, and of those 18 does, 15 were pregnant. The sharpshooters have been instructed to shoot in females deer in an effort to further reduce the park's deer population.

Although it is too early to tell, Bernier speculated that most of the pregnant does were carrying twins, and at least one may have been carrying triplets. He added that the exact numbers of the deer will not be known until pathologists from Fish, Game and Wildlife complete their examinations of the Union County deer.

"When a deer comes in, we remove its antlers and in the process, the reproductive tract is removed. Even if the female is to be pregnant, the next time she is going to be pregnant, she is infertile because there is infestation that can be put there," explained Bernier.

"We then weigh the deer, which is a standard practice, that way Fish, Game and Wildlife can compare our deer to others to see if our deer are as healthy as other populations of deer in the state," said Bernier.

The age of the deer is also determined by removing its lower jaw. The

Cop suspended for sexual coercion plea bargains

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

The suspended Mountaintop police officer who had been charged for four cases of allegedly coercing women to engage in sexual acts plea bargained in Superior Court on Feb. 24.

Thomas McCartney, a seven-year veteran of the township's Police Department, pleaded guilty to two counts of official misconduct — one involving a 15-year-old girl, another involving a 23-year-old woman — stemming from an internal investigation jointly conducted by the Union County Prosecutor's Office and Mountaintop police.

In exchange for the guilty plea, the state will seek two seven-year prison sentences to run consecutively, when McCartney is sentenced on April 21. The state dismissed charges of sexual assault, criminal coercion, aggravated criminal sexual contact and bribery.

The indictment had originally included 16 counts, resulting from four separate alleged incidents. The charges in two cases were dropped.

"Plea bargains are a fact of life," said Thomas Ison, supervisor of the county's Special Prosecution Unit. "It's something both sides discuss. Both sides gain something from it."

"Any time you look at a multi-count indictment, a defendant isn't going to plea bargain on everything. He'll take his chances in court," Ison said about the charges from two of the alleged incidents being dropped. "This is a guarantee that justice is done."

The terms of the plea bargain were discussed with the victims prior to the deal, because there will be no trial, most will have been publicized. The victims' support of the plea bargain was a factor in its acceptability, Ison said.

So far, neither the Union County Prosecutor's Office nor the Mountaintop Police Department are aware of any civil litigation filed in relation to the matter.

McCartney, 28, has been suspended without pay from the force since May of 1994. He will be dismissed upon being sentenced, according to Chief of Police William Alder.

"Technically we must wait until the sentencing date," he said of the impending termination of McCartney's employment. "Once that arrives, he automatically forfeits his position with the department."

Harry Dolfin, meanwhile, has designed five stamps for the U.S. Postal Service and is the author/illustrator of the best-selling "Portraits of American Architecture."

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Regional school district joins recognition program

The Union County Regional High School District for the 10th straight year will participate in the Governor's Teacher Recognition Program.

One "outstanding teacher" from each of the three Union County regional high schools — Jonathan Dayton, Arthur L. Johnson and Governor Livingston — will be selected by a panel comprised of teachers, administrators, Regional Board of Education members and other community residents.

Nominations for the designation of outstanding teacher may be submitted by parents, students, faculty members and all other residents of the district, which includes Springfield, Mountaintop, Berkeley Heights, Clark, Garwood and Kenilworth.

Residents wishing to nominate a teacher for this award may obtain a form in any regional high school main office or instructional media center, or in the town halls and public libraries of any of the six communities in the district. All residents are invited to consider-nominating teachers for this honor.

Completed nomination forms are to be returned by 3 p.m. on March 13 to Kenneth Mattfield, Office of Curriculum Services, 40 Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Mountain Avenue, Springfield 07081.

For more information, call (201) 376-0300, Ext. 272.

Two local artists to judge posters

Mountaintop artists Harry and Wendy Dolfin, the best-selling husband and wife team who have authored more than 30 children's books, will judge Union County entries from fourth-grade students in the third annual New Jersey County Officers Association Poster Contest.

The association is comprised of the four constitutional officers in each of New Jersey's 21 counties.

Among the Dolfin's best-known works as authors and illustrators are the nine books in the best-selling "Cranbury" series.

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Team work



Roberto Guerci and Geoffrey Shupe from Mrs. Cannoli's class in Walton School team up to cooperatively build their dream palace and kingdom. They structured it.

Repairs offered for county seniors

The Catholic Community Services Minor Home Repair Program is offering home repairs free of charge to senior citizens who reside in Union County. Some volunteers will be available to work on minor repairs including fixtures, faucets, caulking, spackling and high crownings.

Anyone who is in need of minor home repair or knows a senior who could benefit from this service, should call Christine Banolita, Catholic Community Services, at (908) 709-2150 Monday through Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Petitions filed for board seats

Three seats on the nine-member Union County Regional Board of Education are scheduled to be contested this year; one seat each representing the municipalities of Berkeley Heights, Clark and Springfield.

For Berkeley Heights, Barton Zitomer will be running for his third term on the board; he was first elected in 1989. In addition, Zitomer has served as president of the board since 1991.

Thomas Forreger also submitted a nominating petition.

In Clark, F. Donald Paris will seek a second term on the board; he was first elected in 1992.

No one else submitted a nominating petition.

In Springfield, Luigi Monaco, who was appointed to the board on Jan. 17 to replace Margaret Hough, will run for his first full three-year term.

Neil E. Sember too submitted a nominating petition.

Regional Board to meet at Dayton

The Union County Regional High School District Board of Education will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Instructional Media Center of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, 40 Mountain Avenue in Springfield.

The anticipated agenda is as follows: superintendent's report, board secretary's report, payment of bills, approval of purchase orders, approval of minutes of the Feb. 7 meeting and board counsel's report.

The district will review, with the Board of Education, various planning programs and ideas for future consideration which relate to educational and school matters.

Board members are expected to discuss a proposed memorandum of agreement between the Union County Prosecutor's Office, local police departments and the Regional Board of Education. The prosecutor has been

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Sarah Jane Meisel

A daughter, Sarah Jane, was born Jan. 29 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Meisel of West Orange.

Hicks' twins: Twins, Bryan Joseph and David Jr., were born Feb. 16 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. David Hicks of Bloomfield.

Mr. Hicks, the former Donna Hedy, is the daughter of Fay and Harry Hedy of Springfield. Her husband is the son of Anna and John Hicks of Passaic.

obituaries

Harold Dennis

Harold Dennis, 70, of Springfield died Feb. 20 in the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Research Center, New York City.

Isabel M. Eve: Isabel M. Eve, 82, of Springfield died Feb. 5 in her home.

Gertrude Ferriera: Gertrude Ferriera, 81, of Springfield died Feb. 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

George M. Schaefer: George M. Schaefer, 85, of Springfield died Feb. 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

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Three cheers for the new guys

JoAnn Holmes, often the lone voice of reason lately on the Springfield Township Committee, had some company recently when Committeemen Roy Hirschfeld and Gregory Clarke dropped the Democratic Party line to side with her on a Police Department personnel matter.

That personnel matter was listed among the items on the agenda of the Township Committee meeting on Feb. 14 as a resolution on the "Scope Petition." This would have allowed the current Township Committee to unilaterally renegotiate a point in the labor contract between the PBA and the township that had been settled by the previous committee in 1994.

That point is known as the minimum manning clause, which stipulates that no fewer than four police officers will be on duty at any time. It is a clause that also has been included in every contract the township has entered into with the PBA for at least 25 years.

Mayor Marcia Forman and Deputy Mayor Herbert Slotz — both of whom had agreed to the minimum manning clause during contract negotiations last year — sought to have that clause removed from the latest contract.

This clumsy maneuver in contract negotiations was recommended by Mark Ruderman, the attorney retained by the township to handle the issue.

Ruderman's recommendation to the committee prompted more than two dozen PBA members to attend the Feb. 14 meeting. Their appearance prevented what would have been St. Valentine's Day massacre of Springfield's public safety.

Removal of this clause could have been used as a cost-cutting measure. Although Forman assured the public that the township never would want to take advantage of such an option, she could not explain why the Township Committee would bother to pass such a resolution.

As part of the PBA's protest, Mitch Fenton, president of the PBA local, asked the Township Committee if Ruderman would be dismissed from his post for suggesting such an unseemly tactic.

Faith check, Officer Fenton.

What makes this so important to the safety of every resident is the fact that Springfield's finest are already thinly deployed. If only four officers are in the field after midnight, for example, their time easily could be monopolized by only a few emergency calls.

Domestic disturbances must be responded to by at least two officers. Traffic accidents too require more than one officer. In medical emergencies, police officers are almost always the first on the scene.

If a Police Department administrator decides to schedule fewer than four officers one night, how will simultaneous emergencies be handled?

While it is true that Springfield still enjoys suburban tranquility, that good fortune will not hold forever. The nearby highways often serve as veins bringing social poisons into the suburbs of Union County. And if the court-mandated affordable housing units are ever constructed, it is possible that some of those same elements will bring their attitudes, values and behavior to this township.

Those two scenarios alone pose a challenge to any police department; a force that serves with one hand tied behind its back will fail.

Because Forman, Holmes and Slotz had agreed to the manning clause last year, the only votes in favor of dropping the manning clause should have been, Hirschfeld's and Clarke's, but they both recognized Ruderman's trickery and refused to soil themselves with it.

"I greatly appreciate your concern on the issue," Hirschfeld told the PBA members. "It shows you care about the town."

"I haven't had time to discuss it properly with Township Committee members," Clarke said, indicating he was going to support Forman and Slotz. "I don't see an immediate need to" reverse the existing decision on the contract.

Because Hirschfeld and Clarke joined Holmes in opposing the measure, it was never introduced as a resolution, let alone put to a vote.

Take a bow, gentlemen. You may have saved someone's life.

Synchronize watches

On the lighter side of municipal governing bodies, Mountaintide Borough Councilman Ronald Romak recently settled a dispute between himself and the president of the local Democratic Club.

The feud dated back to the campaign last fall, during which some verbal nastiness, in excess of common campaign rhetoric, was used.

The issue, a perennial point in politics, was taxation. The Democrats alleged that the municipal portion of property taxes increased by more than 40 percent since 1991.

Romak countered, calling the Democrats liars and claiming that the tax increase was closer to 1 percent.

To prove his point, Romak presented a comparison of tax rates for the borough which reflects an increase of 10 percent. While those figures support his argument more so than the Democrats', Romak used 1990 — not 1991 — as a base year. Taxes in 1991 were cut 2.5 percent from 1990.

Have the Democrats been accurate in their statements that the tax rate was higher than 1 percent? Yes.

Did Romak come clean by proving himself wrong about the 1 percent increase? Yes, but by selecting a base year at his convenience, Romak demonstrated that either the facts don't get in the way of his arguments, or that he simply lost track of the years.

This year marks Mountaintide's centennial. Reset your watch Mr. Romak; we wouldn't want you to miss the party.

OPINION PAGE



Springfield school board misleading public

On Feb. 13, Springfield Board of Education member Rob Britton and Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland addressed a small group of parents in Wilson School regarding the distribution of the Regional High School District. As I listened to the presentation, I noted numerous inaccuracies in their statements.

It is one thing to discuss an issue objectively and truthfully, but quite another to have residents believe false information, which could influence how they feel and vote on the impending reorganization matter.

Some of the errors noted which deserve correction are as follows:

• The excess support service penalty which certain school districts were assessed.

• The cost of transportation to Livingston, Madison, Millburn, Princeton, Scotch Plains, etc. — was not for excessive administration costs.

• The cost of transportation for students from the state would have been paid by the state.

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WHO KILLED BABBY? Several dogs walk through the snow-covered Watchung Reservation. The plan to thin the deer population by 50, which involves using food to lure female deer to several locations to be shot, began Feb. 22. In addition to several protests organized by residents of Mountaintide and neighboring communities, opponents of the shootings have alleged that rifleman have violated the terms set by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. Several protestors have claimed that deer, wounded by gunfire, have been chased into the woods, leaving trails of blood before being killed. Several anti-shooting activists also have said that local rifleman have been warned to avoid the park by either their schools or through parental notification. Citizens had alleged that the corn used as bait has attracted rodents to the area.

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Language skills lacking in letters to editor

Be Our Guest

By Eugene S. Pollino

By trade I am not a newspaperman, but a teacher of high school English and history. I am moved to comment on the letters to the editor in the form in which they were originally received.

The lot of the average editor must be sorry indeed when it comes to dealing with missives from the semi-literate who buy and, perhaps, even read the papers in this, the best of all possible worlds.

During the early years of a editor's career in America, the fledgling editor discovers to his chagrin a fact that has been common knowledge to virtually every second-day English teacher in America: while years ago most of the folk writing "letters to the editor" are little more than unlettered clods, today's letters are more often written by well-educated, well-written people.

There are two important points here. First, those authoring letters to newspapers, far from being incoherent, are to be appreciated when an editor has taken the time to alter their prose.

And why should the editor ever bother in the first place to "fix" the letters? Wouldn't it be far better, to say nothing of a good deal more amusing, to publish them just as they are and let the writer look like the writer? Even though a good many of the people who write are dumbbells of the first order, they sometimes do have something to say that just might be interesting or valid.

There are already too many cars on the roads going without saying without the proper driver making a bad situation even worse.

One of the more dangerous problems we have in this country is the ignorance of the law. They will drive 50 mph in a 25 mph area, weave in and out of traffic, pass on the right and make jack rabbit starts from a stand stop.

Of course, there are the tailgaters who get too within two or three feet of you and blow their horn to get you moving. If the car ahead had to suddenly stop, can you imagine the rear-end collision that would ensue?

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letters to the editor

Attorneys should study law in school

To the Editor:

I read with great concern the letter to the editor in a recent edition of the Springfield Leader submitted by Bill and Beatrice Leviodov.

On the subject they raised regarding what is, or what is not considered a legal contribution, it is very clear that they really have no idea what they are talking about.

What bothers me is the fact that Beatrice Leviodov has been an attorney in New Jersey since 1975, and one would think a lawyer would know the laws that govern our state.

For their information and files, "an offer to print your lawsuit, fit you for depositions, or teach 'Never on Sunday' at a dinner dance," as stated in her letter, does add up to more than one penny in contribution. In fact, it totals many dollars, especially when you add to it a gift-or-service rendered to a political fundraising effort to raise money on behalf of candidates. This was the case in this matter.

The laws of the State of New Jersey are very clear on this point, and Beatrice Leviodov, Esq., should know this. There is no gray area in the law.

May I suggest that Ms. Leviodov spend a moment to look up N.J.S.A. 19:4-A-3, section D. She will agree with me that the law covering this activity is plain vanilla.

Perhaps, had they bid and won the \$125 certificate for free legal advice from the State Bar of New Jersey, just perhaps, they would have remembered the law from law school. Politics and the way money appears to have been handled in this matter, can't mix as one no matter how hard you try to explain it. Either you do it the correct way or you pay a price.

I would ask both Bill and Beatrice in please check their facts before attempting to question my facts or statements. If they were told to write their letter, they were made fools of. If it was their letter they spotted big time.

Harry Pappas
Springfield

Why can't taxes come down once?

To the Editor:

I'm a little confused about Mayor Vigilanti's budget announcement. First, no change over last year when that happened anyway before, or doesn't mean last year's budget was too high?

Secondly, funds were taken from an insurance reserve to meet other expenses, does that mean the insurance reserve is now deficient?

Why do government officials resort to creative or fancy bookkeeping to balance budgets, are lessons being taken from Christie Whitman and Bill Clinton?

Joseph Chiappa
Mountaintide

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

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letter to the editor

Thomas only visible at election time

To the Editor:

This is in reply to Lou Timmins' letter to the editor of Feb. 23. I've searched high and low and what comes to mind is a phrase I remember from my Catholic upbringing, and I use it in this respect and seriousness: "Purge them for they know not what they do." And in your case, Lou, that applies two-fold, for you know not what you do and you know not what you say!

How could you read my letter to the editor of Feb. 16 and go off on a tangent the way you did? I did not question your political ambitions or abilities, for I could care less about them. I questioned the pure fact that Karen MacQueen, Lou Thomas and Eli Hoffman are a trio of turtles who only come out of their shell when they feel like it.

It's wonderful that you have your name plastered in the newspapers three months before election time, year after year after year, but where are you the other nine months of the year? I believe you're taking advantage of that turtle shell during the other months.

You run off at the mouth about increased taxes and Council President Romak's promises, while neither I nor my article addressed those issues. What ever problem you have with the council president is no concern of mine. Certainly, you've addressed enough that no one can escape it. If you felt it necessary to respond and make reference to my article, you should say within the text of my message instead of your attempt to avoid the issue.

The question that was posed was, What do you all do besides becoming verbal in and around election time? Are you aware that Mountaintide has an active Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, one which every resident of Mountaintide should support and become active in? The limited amount of people assuming that BARE program work extremely hard to educate our kids as to the dangers of drugs. The small but I remember each year is rewarding beyond imagination.

Are you aware that there is an active campaign to have better and up-to-date facilities at the Little League field?

Are you aware of the time and energy that is going into the town's hundredth birthday celebration? As I reiterated, I am chairman of the Centennial Fund-Raising Committee and the sole purpose of this committee is to raise enough funds to cover the expenses of the Gala, Hill, Parade and Heritage Day Party, in order that not one single resident of Mountaintide should have to pay any cost relating to the borough's centennial!

Are you out there day and night working as a volunteer on any committee or activity that the town has to offer?

I'll answer for you: no!

But guess what, Lou Timmins is a Democrat. My oh my, I for one will sleep better at night knowing that Lou Thomas is a Democrat.

Are you aware that an active member of your own party, whether officially or unofficially, suggested to me at lunch on Feb. 20, whether I would consider running as a candidate for mayor of Mountaintide as either a Democrat or independent? I must admit I was flattered, but I have no political ambitions or intentions at this time.

My concern for Mountaintide remains as I have stated previously, volunteers are an essential and vital part of this borough. A fly-by voice as seen by your own council band, Hercules, Springfield students have opted for more academic courses, athletics or other co-curricular activities. They have not chosen to continue their Excellence in Township Activities at the high school. Regional Board of Education.

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CVA schedule

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts calendar is prepared by the *Summit Observer*. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday from noon to 4 p.m., and from 2 to 4 p.m. on the weekend. The center is located at 68 Elm St. For more information, call 223-9121.

Saturday and Sunday

- **Inspiration White-You-Wait:** The State of the Art of Screen Printing. Barbara Schuchman will demonstrate how a photocopier and Japanese screen printer can be used in transforming drawings, photographs, and collages into silk-screen prints or original greeting cards. Request materials list when registering. Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$70, materials \$10.

Saturday and March 11

- **Kinono Art:** Willner and Shapiro will lead attendees on a brief and knowledgeable illustrated survey of the kinono in art, then apply your own spectrum of creativity and chosen materials to hangeable kinono-based works of art. Close the wall with your creativity and wear the art on your sleeve. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$45, materials fee \$10.

Saturday and March 11

- **Face Value:** People Photographing People. Helen Strummer, a celebrated leader in portraying people will address ways to approach and photograph people. Students must be familiar with their cameras and the darkroom procedures. Two Saturdays. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$50, materials fee \$10.

Mar. 9

- **Chinese Brush Painting:** Po Wu, popular brush painting authority will show how to balance spontaneity and a process of composing elements and space in the "oriental" way. Request materials list when registering. Six weeks starting March 9. From 12:30 to 2 p.m., \$105 fee.

Mar. 10

- **Caricature:** David Willard. Six week course that encourages students to become both active artists and simply people on the lookout for beauty and distinctive in everyday life. Starting March 10. From 9:30 to 11 a.m., \$105 fee.

Mar. 12

- **Opening New Jersey Center for Visual Arts 1995 annual international juried show - 64 artists from around the world. Juror, Lotsey Sims, associate curator, 20th century art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City. Preview reception and awarding of prizes 2 to 5 p.m. at the center, 68 Elm St.**

Phone talk



Margit Hanson, a systems consultant from AT&T, lectures members of Community Services about their new phone system as they moved into the new City Hall on Friday.

New Jersey theatre is focused

The Prudential Foundation's Talking Stages series of free symposia exploring the issues that inspire the plays on New Jersey's professional stages will look back at America's theatrical, journalistic and political history in three events presented by the New Jersey Theatre Group on March 10.

On Sunday at 5 p.m., the American Stage Company will host a panel discussion on "The American Musical Revue: Past and Present" at the Pater Filicia. The *Star Ledger's* theatre reviewer, *TheaterWeek* columnist and musical theatre aficionado, will moderate the discussion, following a multi-media performance of the musical revue "I Love You, You're Perfect - Now Change."

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SHIP comes in for needy

Huddled near the kitchen door at Calvary Episcopal Church at 6:15 a.m. on a cold winter's morning are some people waiting for a hot breakfast and an amiable atmosphere. Without this meal and the cold in search of food or shelter, those people identified through the Summit Welfare Office are eligible for help.

"Most do have a roof over their heads but not much else. They may not have the funds to pay the rent and heat," says Richard Nelson, SHIP's program director. "Their situations are tenuous. They are at-risk of being homeless."

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1 Pet. 4:11

THE TRUTH ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY

God created them MALE and FEMALE, thus the natural and proper sexual relationship is a man and woman joined together as husband and wife in marriage (Gen. 1:27-28; 2:18-24; Isa. 127:3-5).

It is unnatural for a MAN to have sexual relations with another MAN. It is unnatural for a WOMAN to have sexual relations with another WOMAN. God DOES NOT make them homosexuals. Their actions are a result of their own lust and evil desires (1st Cor. 6:9-10).

What does God's word say about homosexuality? Abomination and SIN (Leviticus 18:22; 1 Cor. 6:9-10; Rom. 1:18-19; 1 Tim. 4:3-5; 1 Pet. 4:3).

If you are fully of homosexuality, I urge you to be washed, be sanctified, be justified, and quit this SINFUL practice.

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Tennis championship set

The 1995 National Platform Tennis Championship is coming to New Jersey.

According to Laurence Chapin of Mountaintide, chairman of the championship, more than 300 men and women will compete in the four-day event which will benefit Children's Specialized Hospital.

The 61st annual championship will be played at local country clubs including the Short Hills Club and the Montclair Golf Club on March 22-26.

"Since the championship is being held in New Jersey, we felt the event should benefit a local charity and what better cause than Children's Specialized Hospital?" said Charles J. Stevens, Jr. of Cranford, president of the American Platform Tennis Association and Championship Committee member. Money will be raised through sponsorship of the championship and donations received during the event.

"We're extremely grateful to the members of the American Platform Tennis Association for choosing Children's Specialized Hospital as the beneficiary of the 1995 championship. With their support the hospital can continue to provide rehabilitation care for children and adolescents throughout New Jersey and neighboring states," said Philip Selzer III, vice president for development at the hospital.

The Championship Committee has been organizing the event and registering players from throughout the country. Besides Chapin and Stevens, other committee members include Bobo Dolesey of Chatham, requests professional for the Montclair Golf Club, Jerome J. Graham of Morris-town, chairman of the Men's tournament, APTA Treasurer, Nancy Mangano of Chatham, chairman of the Women's tournament, and Cyril York of Verona, chairman of President's Cup Activities.

Platform Tennis, more commonly known as "Paddle," is a unique outdoor tennis-like game that is generally played in cold weather. The court is one quarter the size of a conventional tennis court and is situated on a raised platform surrounded by 12-foot high fencing. It is primarily a doubles game and the equipment consists of a short-handled wooden racket and a ball made of solid polypropylene.

Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's only comprehensive pediatric-rehabilitation hospital, treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years of age. The hospital maintains an 85-bed facility in Mountaintide and Campden Centers in Fairwood and a 30-bed Toms River location.

For information regarding sponsorship opportunities, call Stevens at (201) 276-3250. For general information about the event, contact Oshumler at (201) 744-1190.

Female rage is explored

Mary Valenti and Anne Devane describe the physical and emotional problems that can arise from rage turned inward.

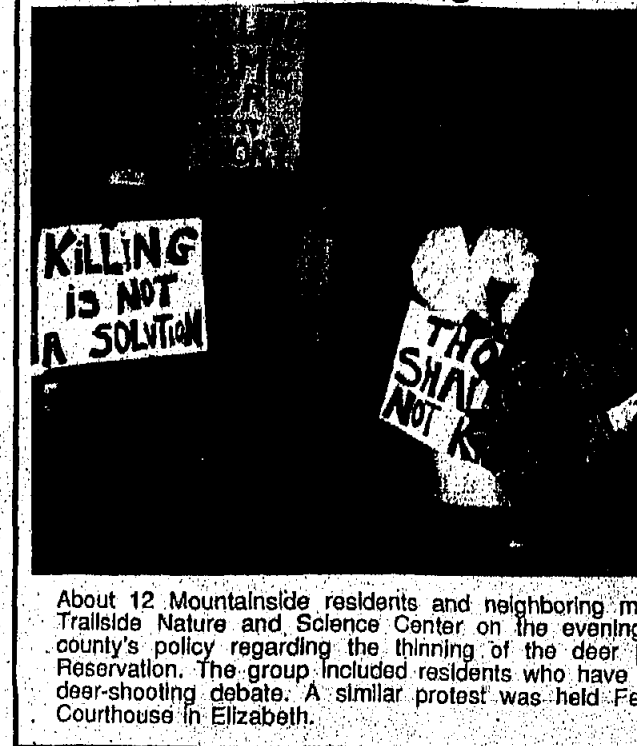
The fee is \$10, or \$5 for center members, and the registration deadline is March 17. For more information call the office at (908) 273-7253.

The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a non-profit organization offering programs and services to adult women.

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Stop the shooting!



About 12 Mountaintide residents and neighboring municipalities gathered at the Trailside Nature and Science Center on the evening of Feb. 21 to protest the county's policy regarding the thinning of the deer population in the Walpurg Reservation. The group included residents who have spent years in the deer-shooting debate. A similar protest was held Feb. 24 at the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

MadJazz has upcoming concert

MadJazz, a locally popular & capella ensemble, will be in concert on Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church in Montclair. The group will be joined by the Gentlemen of the College, a 14-member, all-male student & cappella group from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

MadJazz, formed in 1991, is under the direction of Jim Little of Plainfield. Members of the group include Mountaintide residents Laurie Woods Thomas, Kristy Weeks Boyce, Andrew Hoidal, Robin Gillman, and Warren and Julie Pritsenberg. Scotch Plains residents Tom Blain and Brenda Kay-Kahn also join Little and his wife, Nancy, to round out the group.

MadJazz is currently performing at the Community Presbyterian Church in Montclair. For more information, call Little at (908) 273-7253.

Fortnightly auction held

The 16th annual Travel and Service Auction, the major fund-raiser of the OFWC Summit Jr. Fortnightly Club, will be held March 10 at 7 p.m. at The Grand Summit Hotel, Springfield Avenue, Summit.

The evening will include a preview of the collection of more than 80 trips, services and hotel accommodations, ranging from "red" items as a three day/one night stay in Orlando or a joint to the Boca Raton Resort & Club to brunches or dinners for two and trips to San Juan, Acapulco, Bermuda or New York City gateways at award-winning hotels. The evening also will feature a door prize, a dinner buffet, dessert and cash bar.

A \$15 donation entitles a person to admission, buffet and door prize drawings. The cost is \$75 per couple. The preview will begin at 7 p.m.

Chairing the event is Karen Halliday of Summit. Lois Schneider Reardon of Summit, also has made donations to the planned auction as has Reed Reference Publishing, Chubb & Son Inc., Reiche, Strimling Bank and CIBA, Colwell Bankers-Reichart and Hudson City Savings Bank. Proceeds will benefit Operations Smile International, an organization founded in 1992 providing medical and surgical care, as well as health and educational related assistance, to those who need it most throughout the world.

GFWC Summit Jr. Fortnightly Club is a non-profit women's service organization. Anyone interested in obtaining tickets, should call (908) 277-3135. Seating is limited and tickets will not be available at the door. Your abilities can earn extra income. Advertisements with a classified ad by calling 1-800-564-8911.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY

God created them MALE and FEMALE, thus the natural and proper sexual relationship is a man and woman joined together as husband and wife in marriage (Gen. 1:27-28; 2:18-24; Isa. 127:3-5).

It is unnatural for a MAN to have sexual relations with another MAN. It is unnatural for a WOMAN to have sexual relations with another WOMAN. God DOES NOT make them homosexuals. Their actions are a result of their own lust and evil desires (1st Cor. 6:9-10).

What does God's word say about homosexuality? Abomination and SIN (Leviticus 18:22; 1 Cor. 6:9-10; Rom. 1:18-19; 1 Tim. 4:3-5; 1 Pet. 4:3).

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Protect yourself

A 2-week series titled "Intensive Self-Defense for Women" will begin on March 25 from 9 to 4 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

CPR and first aid

The Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross has scheduled the following first aid and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation courses for the month of March:

Job skills taught

A workshop titled "Presentation Skills for Women" will be held on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, Summit.

Little leads Choral

A musical tour de force is set to take place at the Calvary Church of the Holy Spirit on March 12 at 4 p.m. The choral, under the direction of James L. Lank, will present Durillo's "Requiem" and the orchestra will perform Healey's "Transcendental" and the "Viola Concerto in G" by Violinist, Isabella Feinberg.

We don't look 100!



Franklin School first graders Mark Garcia, Alison Dlenno, Geoff Garibaldi and Lauren Manner greet their first-grade friends from Jefferson School with a home-made banner and poem proclaiming Feb. 10 as the 100th day of school.

worship calendar

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skill building session that will focus on controlling anxiety, enhancing one's message through effective physical delivery and handling a question-and-answer period effectively.

The fee is \$25, or \$20 for center members. Registration is limited. For more information call (908) 273-7253.

On Monday and Wednesday, from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m., a seven-hour Standard First Aid course will be given, which includes first aid and adult CPR training.

On March 20 and 23, from 6 to 10:30 p.m., a nine-hour Community First Aid and Safety course will be given, which includes first aid, adult CPR and infant and child CPR.

Presented at the chapter house, 695 Springfield Ave., the fee is \$40 per course. For registration call (908) 273-2076.

The fee is \$70, or \$60 for center members, and the registration deadline is March 20. For more information call the office at (908) 273-7253.

The Resource Center for Women, located at Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeFosse avenues in downtown Summit, is a non-profit, non-denominational organization offering programs and services to all area women.

Effective Parenting is a practical approach to helping parents relate more effectively to their children, based on the concepts of mutual respect, encouragement, and natural and logical consequences. It is by Linda Degnan, the series is intended for pre-school children aged 2-5.

The fee is \$85, or \$70 for center members, plus \$12 for the STEP manual. Registration is limited. For more information call (908) 273-7253.

An all-day "guarding" course from the American Red Cross is being offered by the Summit YWCA for qualified participants. This course teaches skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies and includes certification in first aid, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and CPR training.

Interested participants must be at least 15 years old and pass a swim test. The test includes treading water for two minutes using only the legs, swimming 500 yards continuously using freestyle, breaststroke and sidestroke, and a 10-pound brick and returning to the surface.

The course is being offered on Wednesdays from Thursday through Friday from March 1 through May 18. The fee is \$100.

Anyone interested should register at the Resource Center for Women, YWCA at (908) 273-4242. The Y is located at 79 Maple St., two blocks from the train station.

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Percussionists three



Ensembles from the New Jersey Youth Symphony will appear at the Uniterian Church in Summit on Sunday at 4 p.m. as part of an afternoon music series. Shown here are members of the percussion ensemble: Aaron Bell of Belle Mead, John Buscand of Hightstown and Timothy Zolandr of Somerville.

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Seniors can enroll in Medicare program

If seniors are eligible for Medicare Medical Insurance Part B but for some reason they have not enrolled, they will have a chance to sign up during the annual general enrollment period that runs through March 31.

This three-month period will give seniors another opportunity to enroll if they did not do so when they were first eligible or if they dropped their coverage in the interim.

In 1995, the basic monthly premium for each 12-month period will be eligible but not enrolled. For 1995, the basic monthly premium is \$46.10. There are special premium rules and enrollment periods — generally with no penalty for delayed enrollment — for workers age 65 or older and for people under age 65 with disabilities who have group health coverage based on their own or their spouse's current employment.

If seniors are 65 or older and not eligible for Medicare's premium-free Hospital Insurance Part A coverage, they can buy this coverage with Part B coverage during the annual enrollment period. People entitled to Medical Hospital Insurance through the Social Security or Railroad Retirement systems or through government employment do not pay this premium.

In 1995, the basic monthly premium for Part A coverage will be \$267. For individuals with 30 credits or more of work covered by Social Security but not enough to qualify for benefits, the amount is reduced to \$183. Their monthly premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic amount if they delayed their enrollment for 12 months or more after they were first eligible to enroll.

For individuals whose income is about \$600 a month and whose resources, like a bank account, are limited, the program may waive or all of their Medicare expenses, including the deductible and co-payment amounts may be paid by the state government. Individuals whose income is slightly above the level to qualify for the QMB program — more than \$600 a month but less than \$700 — may qualify for state help in paying their Part B Medical Insurance premium.

If seniors think they qualify but haven't filed for Medicare Part A, they may contact Social Security to find out if they need to file an application. Further information about filing for Medicare is available from the local Social Security office, or from Social Security's toll-free number, (800) 772-1213, any business day between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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SPORTS

Dayton's Reino captures 217-pound championship

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Roselle Park and Millburn had four champions and two-time defending champion Union three, but it was only Millburn who captured last weekend's District 10 title in the final team competition of the high school wrestling season.

Third-time Union County Tournament champion Rahway won its second District 10 crown in three years at Westfield. The Indians had eight wrestlers in the finals. Two champions and 11 Region 3 qualifiers.

District 10 and 11 qualifiers are wrestling in Region 3 competition. The top three place-winners in each weight class advanced to Region 3 competition, which was scheduled to conclude last night at Union. From there, the top three finishers at each weight will gain a berth in the NJSIA-A Tournament, which will begin at four sites with preliminary rounds and quarterfinals scheduled to begin Wednesday, March 7.

The venue will then shift to Atlantic City Convention Center for quarterfinals and wrestlebacks on Friday, March 11. The semifinals, finals and consolation will be wrestled on Saturday, March 12.

Region 3 competition was scheduled to continue tomorrow and conclude Saturday.

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Millburn, behind champions Jim Weinbach (126), Don DiGino (136), John Qualler (162) and Anthony Braca (187), captured Union's two-year reign as champion.

Here's a look at the wrestlers from the schools in the Roselle Park and Dayton Regional, which qualified for an appearance in Region 3.

Union: Rick Dave Babunowski (121), Joe Bertolino (136), Dan Zucko (144), Greg Hargrove (153), Mike Schuler (162), Jack Strickland (174), Steve Amico (187), Jayson Washington (HWI).

Roselle Park (5): Bill Terino (102), Justin Meadows (109), Eric Sack (121), Bill Crecca (121), Steve Karik (217).

Dayton Regional (5): Pat Moekel (136), Brian Harris (153), Eric Rizzo (187), Chris Reino (217), Scott Reno (HWI).

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Union's Babunowski, a district champ at 103 the past two seasons, was beaten by Crecca 3-1 in the 121 final after posting a 5-4 win over him to win the UCT title. Johnson was a 2-1 and 1-0 wins respectively to lead the Bulldogs.

Dayton boys' team finale
The Dayton Regional High School boys' basketball team finished its 1994-95 campaign on a winning note by defeating Rahway Prep of Summit 57-55 in Mountain Valley. Conference interdivision play last Friday.

The Bulldogs finished 14-6, edged by winning two of their final three games.

Recent sub-seeded Rahway II won the fourth quarter to lead 25-23 victory. Roberts-Farsons paced the Bulldogs with a 15-point effort.

Regan Nelson scored 14 points and Brad Mulligan 11 in Dayton's 99-51 loss to non-conference foe Hanover Park, Feb. 25.

All-Area teams this month
Worral Community Newspapers will publish their

District 10

Bertolino earned a third-place finish for Union and Zucko won second, losing the 144 final by pin to Kyle Steele of Irvington in 2:50.

Francisco, who won titles at 130 in 1987 and 140 in 1994, captured his third district crown by winning the 154 final. He pinned Nate Hill of Seton Hall Prep in 1:38 in the final to improve to 17-1.

Schuler, a district champ at 135 last year, finished second at 162, losing in the final to John Qualler of Millburn 5-2. Schuler took a 16-6 record into last night's competition.

Washington repeated as the heavy-weight champ. Giannino won his first district title and Almerick took second at 187, going pinless, by Anthony Braca of Millburn in 4:21 of their final bout.

Giannino, second in the district at 162 last year, bested Tom Fernandez of Millburn 10-7 in the 174 final. Union's only unpaired wrestler, Giannino took a 21-0 record into the regionals.

Washington improved to 19-1 by pinning Rafael Rosado of Irvington in 2:46 to win his second straight heavy-weight crown.

Roselle Park had the first four champions, three of them freshman and one a sophomore.

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Tajiri, a freshman, added to his UCT title by leading John Hall of Seton Hall Prep 9-8 in the 102 final to win his first district championship.

Meadows, a freshman, earned the only share of the finals by blanking Naved Khawaja of Columbia 12-0 to win the 108 final.

Sack, a freshman, added to his UCT crown by pinning Rich Shelle of Irvington in 3:23 of their 114 final. Sack entered the regionals perfect at 25-0.

Crecca, a sophomore, avenged his UCT final loss to Babunowski by beating the junior this time 3-1 in the 121 final. Crecca had lost in Baldwin to by one point last year when the two wrestled at 103 and by one point in this year's UCT final. Crecca-like Tajiri, entered the regionals with a 22-3 record.

Karik, a sophomore, reached the 217 final where he was beaten by Dayton Regional senior and defending district champion Chris Reino. Karik, who clinched two wins this season for the Bulldogs by winning matches at heavyweight, was pinned in 1:51.

Dayton girls' faced Mendham Tuesday

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All-Area Girls' Basketball will run first on Thursday, March 16.

All-Area Boys' Basketball will run on Thursday, March 23.

All-Area Wrestling will run on Thursday, March 30, concluding the coverage of the winter sports season.

Jersey Girls seeking talent
Jersey Girls, Union County's premier softball team, is seeking for talented high school players across the state. The team is currently recruiting players for the 1995 season. The team is currently recruiting players for the 1995 season. The team is currently recruiting players for the 1995 season.

Senior softball players sought
The Union County Senior Softball League is seeking additional players to fill its roster. For the spring season, the eight team division is for men age 50 and older. The other four team division is for men age 60 and older. Interested individuals seeking additional information may contact Tony Meehan at 908-272-9348 or Don Pagan at 908-654-5688.



The Deerfield School of Mountside girls' basketball team completed the 1994-95 season with a winning record of 7-2 and received instruction from NBA Hall of Famer and Mountside resident Earl 'The Pearl' Monroe. Sitting in bottom row, from left, are Marissa Rivicello, Sarah Drake, Fernie Van Boek, Gina DeCastro, Shannon Moore and Robyn Juba. Sitting in top row, from left, are Maya Monroe, Alison Kobel, Tracey Saladino, Jesse Orentzak, Lauren Kobel, Stephanie Scasso and Kerl Ciavulli.

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Johnson grapplers qualify for this week's Region 3

Although host Westfield and Elizabethtown had the most champions with three each, last weekend's District 11 title went to Rahway, which posted a 10-1 record in the final and posted a 13-4 record overall. Johnson grapplers in the final placed two champions in the final team competition of the high school wrestling season.

The Indians, who two weeks ago captured their first Union County Tournament crown, won their second year in a row. In three years, they have advanced 11 wrestlers into Region 3. Westfield has won five of past seven titles, with Rahway winning the other two (1991 and 1995).

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Here's a look at the wrestlers from the schools in the Roselle Park and Dayton Regional, which qualified for an appearance in Region 3.

Rahway (11): Jim Campenelli (102), Chris Trancello (114), Andy Hoy (121), Tom Wyszcki (126), Luis Torres (136), Chuck Ott (144), Alex Rodriguez (153), Tyrone Crutchfield (162), Javier Gonzalez (174), Ryan McGuire (187), Antonio Garcia (217).

Elizabethtown (6): Austin Hay (162), Allen Hay (174), Michael Miller (187), Albert Moore (190), Charles Fiorio (211), Wacław Zdziny (HWI).

Johnson Regional (3): Willy Corbushiero (108), Tim Pitta (136), Ray Redzinski (HWI).

Elizabethtown (3): Kevin Stocking (108), Willy Corbushiero, Johnson

District 11

(102): Kim Guter (114), Terry Smith (153).

114 — Kim Guter, Elizabethtown, Chris Trancello, Westfield, 12-6.

121 — Kevin Sullivan, Westfield, pinned Andy Hoy, Rahway, 4-35.

126 — Tom Wyszcki, Rahway, defeated Steve Crutch, Cranford, 9-2.

136 — Tim Pitta, Johnson Regional, dec. Luis Torres, Rahway, 5-1.

144 — Cory Porek, Westfield, dec. Chuck Ott, Rahway, 9-2.

153 — Terry Smith, Elizabethtown, pinned Mike Haly, Westfield, 1-36.

162 — Austin Hay, Linden, dec. Tyrone Crutchfield, Rahway, 8-2.

174 — Allen Hay, Linden, dec. Dan Quinn, Columbia, 16-4.

187 — Frank DiGiovanni, Westfield, dec. Michael Miller, Linden, 4-2 (OT).

217 — Antonio Garcia, Rahway, pinned Shawn Sanguin, Westfield, 15-3.

HWI — Sam Richardson, Cranford, dec. Ray Redzinski, Johnson Regional, 9-3.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS
102-Dan Tede, Westfield, 108-Albert Moore, Linden, 114-Joe Herbin, Columbia, 121-Charles Fiorio, Linden, 126-Paul Boudreau, Westfield, 136-Dave Lettini, Cranford, 144-Sean Friedman, Cranford, 153-Alex Rodriguez, Rahway, 162-Mike Lager, Westfield, 174-Javier Gonzalez, Rahway, 187-Ryan McGuire, Rahway, 217-Jamie Johnson, Columbia. HWI-Wacław Zdziny, Linden.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND
102 — Keenan Stocking, Elizabethtown, dec. Jim Campenelli, Rahway, 5-8.

108 — Willy Corbushiero, Johnson

UNION COUNTY NEWS

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From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

The resignation of Michael Brinker as executive director of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties is an anti-climactic resolution of the controversy that surrounded the sewerage authority since November 1994.

Brinker's resignation came on the heels of a Joint Meeting committee's decision to retain him as executive director, but was expected to reduce the amount of power and authority he had at the agency. In Brinker's own words, "The handwringing was over."

Brinker, apparently, said to hell with all of you and he just did his resignation last week, now leaving the future of the Joint Meeting in uncertainty. I can understand his decision to resign. I'd feel the same way if I worked for a public utility, fell head over heels for a girl who had been a job for the last 18 years of service and heard that I might be replaced with a political patronage appointment — which is exactly what happened in case anyone tries to say differently.

I'd also feel the same way as Brinker if that political appointment were a man who helped contribute to Essex County's \$16 million debt. That's quite the opposite in comparison to a sewerage authority "that operates" with a surplus.

For four months, Brinker had been waiting for his fate. Probably knowing that patronage positions come after them prove an experience. Brinker chose to change the course of his life. No one can blame him for that.

Call me a naive idiot, but I'm rooting for Brinker, and his resignation only means a victory for his detractors. Three detractors will be looking themselves in the mirror for a while if the financial stability of the Joint Meeting deteriorates.

It's funny how government works — funny in a very bad way. We elect our representatives to serve our best interests, and discover that they get the greatest pleasure giving friends jobs when they are not qualified, using political access, or fulfilling a political paycheck.

And all the while they are doing this, they are forgetting about the people they were elected to serve.

To Union County residents, I'm sure you're all wondering what the hell is going on. I'm sure you're all wondering what the hell is going on.

The jury that convicted Scott Johnson of the rape and murder of Passaic resident Gail Shindler will now be charged with deciding whether or not Johnson should be executed.

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Parks' chief, freeholders not darlings of deer lovers

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

Dan Bernier, Union County's chief of park operations, must have had an incredible rigging scam in his ears on the night of the last freeholders' meeting.

While it may have been more fitting that these bells should be ringing through the snowy terrain at the Watchung Reservation, that ringing instead was the result of scattered County residents bringing up Bernier's name before freeholders.

The parks' chief's name was mentioned during discussion on several matters Feb. 23, but it was those residents opposed to sharpshooters targeting a surplus of deer at the reservation which caught most of the wrath.

Residents not only blasted Bernier for statements he allegedly made on television, but also questioned his qualifications. The Bernier supporter even cast Freeholder Chair Linda DiGiovanni to ask that county employees not be attacked during public meetings.

It was not only Bernier who took some flack as the result of the county's hunting attempt of its deer population. County Manager Alan Barnas was targeted as well.

Barnas was criticized for failing to provide freeholders with a letter detailing how sharpshooters intend to take a town with small-town characteristics and turning it into a garbage dump.

Before concluding her words to the board, Bernier spoke of a visit and presentation made by several Girl Scouts upon the meeting's opening.

"The irony," she said, "of these girls giving you recycling patches was really too much for me to bear."

Vincent Leshocky, a Linden resident, asked Bernier attorney Jerry O'Dwyer about a portion of the ordinance regarding penalties. Leshocky, who told board members he had traced an off-the-road truck, the week prior, was told by counsel that there is a provision in the ordinance calling for a monetary reward. If an individual reports that a truck has violated the route designated, the reporter will receive a portion of the fine assessed if the violator is found guilty of the alleged offense, O'Dwyer said.

Joanne Esch of Rahway invited freeholders to attend a meeting Friday at the Second Baptist Church, 378 East Milton Ave., in Rahway beginning at 8 p.m. to discuss how residents feel about the increased truck traffic.

Following a motion by Lehr, freeholders voted unanimously to table the ordinance and turning it into a garbage dump.

Freeholders also noted that state officials informed him that if the house is sold, it will lose half of its historic value and will make it impossible to receive grant funds to restore the facility.

Freeholders are awaiting a report which will reveal whether a new facility and the old house can coexist at the golf course. If the report finds they cannot, then freeholders must decide whether to leave the site as is or demolish the existing building and construct a modernized one.

Clark Environmental Commission, which was always assumed that the county recognized the facility as a historical site. When it was discovered that it was possible this site would be demolished, then people became involved.

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A Union County man racks a deer carcass as a day of sharpshooting nears its end.

Truck traffic plans snarled by unhappy residents

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

Truck traffic on local streets in Rahway has gotten "heavier" and residents are not happy about the county last week, and it resulted in the Board of County Freeholders tabling an ordinance which would have established an enforcement mechanism for trucks traveling to the Union County Reservoir Facility.

The Rahway Truck Traffic Group had to outbid a letter to the freeholders prior to the meeting, requesting the route for non-local garbage trucks not permit more on Grand Avenue, Lawrence Street and other local roads in the City of Rahway.

Leading the charge against the ordinance were members of the Concerned Citizens of Union County and Rahway City Councilman Frank Janusz, who said the freeholders' plan is "not acceptable" to the Rahway's governing body.

Ann Parker, secretary for the truck traffic committee and a Rahway resident, told freeholders during the Feb. 23 meeting that the ordinance originally was delayed so that a system of color coding could be adopted to determine whether trucks are traveling the correct route.

DiGiovanni noted that freeholders were given the ordinance further before putting it up for a vote.

During the hearing, Freeholder Frank Lehr questioned Park Janusz on what truck traffic is at its peak. Said Parker: "It just seems whenever the school buses are in town, it's bad all the time."

Another Rahway resident, Kerl Blanchard, said there seems to be a "steady stream" of trucks traveling the local streets and access to the

NFL great teaches inmates

About 40 inmates at the Union County Jail were scheduled to graduate yesterday from the AMER-ICAN Academy, Inc., an educational program founded by National Football League Hall-of-Famer Jim Brown.

The program, which was to be the focus of a ceremony at the Union County Jail in Elizabethtown, aids individuals in overcoming a "general lack of self-esteem," announced Union County Freeholder Chairwoman Linda DiGiovanni.

"This state-sponsored educational program is a good addition to the educational programs we already have at our correctional facility," stated DiGiovanni. "There has been so much positive feedback about the program" that another class began on Monday, two days before the graduation of 20 male and 20 females in the county jail.

Union County Manager Ann Barnas said that this program goals "aid the inmates in eight personal skills areas that can only benefit them. They have already shown success through their positive behavior while incarcerated."

Brown, who was an All-American football star at Syracuse University and a star running back for the NFL's Cleveland Browns, founded the academy in 1992, and more than 16,000 California inmates have successfully completed the program.

Job act exceeded by Union

Union County has been awarded \$101,422 in Governor's Incentive Funding for exceeding all mandated Job Training Partnership Act performance standards set by the New Jersey Department of Labor.

"This is the fourth year in a row that Union County has been awarded incentive funding as the number one Services Delivery Area in the state," said Freeholder Frank Lehr, who also is chairman of the county's Job Training Program. For more information on the JTPA, PIC or the Division of Employment and Training, contact Jean Kozallinski, division director, at (908) 527-1880.

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By Ben Smith, Lifestyle Editor
The Union High School Musical Theater Group is embarking on the most challenging musical production in its career, 'My Fair Lady'...



Students enact scene during rehearsals of musical, 'My Fair Lady'...

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Watercolorist Nat Lewis, who has highlighted images of "sun glint" on Maine's white beaches...

'Aladdin' is scheduled on Arts Center stage

A new show "Aladdin," presented by the American Family Theater, will be staged at the Union County Arts Center...

Cantor Martha Novak set to be artist at concert

Martha Novak of Springfield, cantor of Temple Emanuel, Westfield, will be among the guest artists at Chesham Congregation of South Orange...

Bea Smith, Editor
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Ensemble to appear

The First Congregational Church of Westfield, 125 Elmer St., resumed its mid-day musical concert series on March 1...

Mid-day concert series is resumed by church

The schedule of concerts includes: March 8, Karen Leigh, mezzo-soprano...

Writer talks

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DINING REVIEW

By Lisa Ann Battito
Choosing a restaurant is often difficult, but members of the party have conflicting cravings...



Nicholas Buyard, a waiter at The Broadway Diner and Restaurant, and hostess Christina Pann look over the menu.

My friend, she swooned by the restaurant's chair to have the "world's best pancakes." The menu gave her a choice of chocolate chip, vanilla, blueberry, strawberry, apple, pineapple, cherry, hint and french apple...

My dinner also came with my choice of dessert but at this point I was full in capacity. I did, however, opt for a fresh fruit salad that was made with three types of pears...

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