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Complaint department

Any member of the public wishing to comment on the township's affordable housing plan may do so in writing before April 1 by contacting:

- Superior Court Judge John Ptasny at the Union County Court House, 2 North Broad St., Elizabeth 07207.
- Court-appointed Special Master David Kinsey at Kinsey & Hone, 14 Aiken Ave., Princeton 08540.
- New Jersey Deputy Attorney General H. Edward Gable at the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, CN 114, Trenton 08625.
- Assistant Counsel for Union County Henry Ogden at the county Department of Law in the Administration Building, Elizabeth 07207.

Tuesday tax times

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

School play

Students of Castlewood School will perform "On the 30th Century," a comedy about life on a train. Performances are scheduled for tonight, tomorrow and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call 376-1025, Ext. 403.

Dinner and a show

Jonathan Dayton Regional High School's Project Graduation committee has planned a pasta dinner to precede a performance of "Guys and Dolls" on March 31. The Olive Garden Restaurant will cater the food, which will be served at 5:30 p.m. General admission for the dinner is \$6; for students and seniors, admission is \$4. For more information or tickets, call 379-1147.

Singles club

This & Hers Singles will hold a dinner and dance at the Tower Steak House on Route 22. First tomorrow at 9 p.m. Admission is \$12 and jackets are required. For more information, call 635-2888.

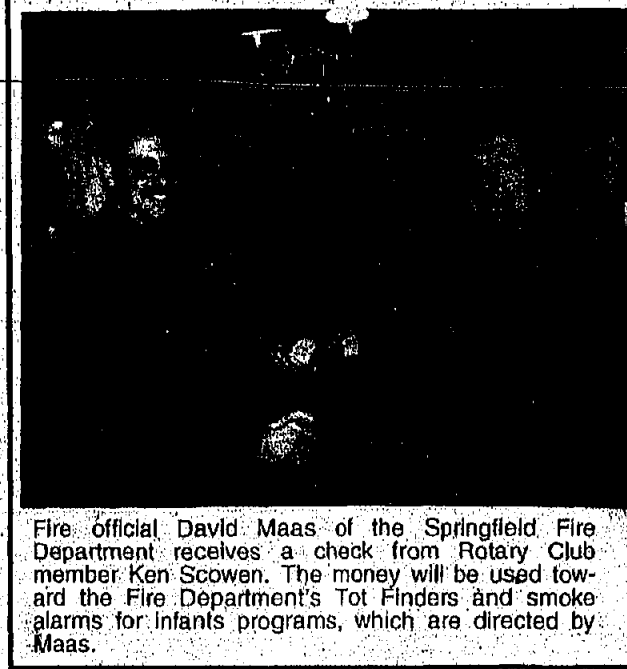
Investment strategy

A seminar on financial investments will be held on April 5 in the offices of Merrill Lynch, located at 51 JFK Parkway in Short Hills. Jim Tucker, a vice president at Merrill Lynch, and Lara Roman, a regional vice president of Flapship Funds, will be the speakers. The event will begin at 6 p.m. For more information, call 912-3031.

Fashion show

The Women's League of Temple Beth Ahm will host their annual dinner and fashion show on April 4 at the Short Hills, located on Mauris Avenue in Short Hills. Cheryl Modes, co-Milithon, will present the latest in spring and summer fashions in a show coordinated by Marlene Pearce. For information and reservations, call 376-0839.

Rotarian donation



Fire official David Maas of the Springfield Fire Department receives a check from Rotary Club member Ken Scowen. The money will be used toward the Fire Department's Tot Finders and smoke alarms for infants programs, which are directed by Maas.

Historical club plans to battle freeholders

The Springfield Historical Society and the Clark Township Historical Society are the support of the many towns that are fighting the county in its plans for demolishing a historic landmark in Clark. Historian William T. Fideriski, of Clark, presented a slideshow and lecture titled "Our Historic Houses vs. the Wrecking Crews." The presentation dealt with the Robinson-Bowen House in Clark, which some county freeholders have targeted for demolition. He outlined what he called the "worst advocacy by many Union County residents to preserve historic landmarks which might be destroyed." In addition to being an active member of the Clark Historical Society, he is a leader in various efforts to save the Robinson-Bowen House and a new building used solely as a golfers' clubhouse. "Right now, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is in control of the decision with two members, Linda LaRocca-Kelly and Linda Stender, expressing a strong desire to keep the historic site." The Clark Historical Society and the Clark-Township Council have voiced their agreement with that position with a special resolution. The Clark Historical Society has been receiving many calls from its story butts all over Union County supporting its efforts to preserve and refurbish the centuries-old building. It has also been sending messages to many Union County organizations to save the house. "Our members have indicated their great interest in saving this building," said Springfield Historical Society Program Chairman Catherine Siosat. Opposed or noncommittal are seven of the nine-member Board of Chosen Freeholders.

According to Fideriski, the building contains an unusual three-story freestanding spiral staircase, which has been called "open-air" by architects and historians. Fideriski slides also showed the original oak beams which support the attic and roof. Last month while conducting a tour of the house with 40 people, he said, he noted the absence of vibrations throughout the site — including areas two added extensions.



Iris Gilron of the Springfield Kiwanis Club thanks Ed Schnatterly of Kiwi Airlines for speaking at a recent luncheon. The club meets Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. in Tower Steak House.

Residents unite to stop freight trains

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

A citizen activist group that has organized to be in the political arena has found another serving on the government's plate.

Sensible Citizens Revolt Against Poiz — an organization opposed to the proposed light rail system that would pass through Springfield — met in the library Monday night to arrange a preliminary strategy for combating the county Board of Chosen Freeholders.

In January, the freeholders passed a resolution that would put the county government in charge of creating a system of railways out of the remains of the former Railway Valley and States Island rail lines. After the creation of the system, Union County would lease the railway "to a qualified private sector rail operator."

The county, according to the resolution, is now authorized to negotiate with the state Department of Transportation and Conrail — the private freight-hauling railway operator — and other interested parties seeking to ship goods along what is known as the northeast corridor.

Of the nine members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, seven voted in favor of the resolution. Freeholder Filmer Ditt abetted. Linda Stender was not present at the time of the vote.

The objections voiced by members of the township in opposition to the plan, is now authorized to negotiate with the state Department of Transportation and Conrail — the private freight-hauling railway operator — and other interested parties seeking to ship goods along what is known as the northeast corridor.

To stop the flow of federal dollars, SCRAP asks to mobilize the resources of the township in opposition to the railway. If it can be established before Congress that the project does not have the support of the community, the federal funding can be cut. SCRAP members will circulate petitions throughout Springfield in the hopes of collecting 1,000 signatures to be submitted to government officials. In addition, the organization will conduct a letter-writing campaign that will target the county freeholders

Two boroughs call for audit of regional district's budget

The Mountaineer Borough Council passed a resolution Tuesday night that enables Mountaineer to join other constituent towns of the Regional High School District in seeking an audit of the district's books. Officials of the Borough of Kenilworth approached their counterparts in Mountaineer to propose such an audit after the Regional High School Board of Education released its tentative 1995-96 budget several weeks ago. "I've been in the district regarding Springfield's entry into the probe had been made." The resolution passed on Tuesday after Mountaineer the option of joining a coalition of constituent

Classic musical comes to Dayton Students will perform "Guys and Dolls"

By Cynthia H. Gordon
Staff Writer

Nathan Detroit is back in town! The students of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School will present their annual musical, "Guys and Dolls," on the evenings of March 31 and April 1 in the school's auditorium. Based on the stories of Damon Runyon and featuring the music and lyrics of Frank Loesser, "Guys and Dolls" is the classic musical fable about the underworld of gamblers and sentimental clovee girls in a New York of these parts. "This Dayton production will feature Jonathan John Fay and Dana Zika in the leading roles of Nicky Maslova and Sarah Brown, respectively. Alex Gitter and Rich McManis will portray two other leading characters, Adelaide and Nathan Detroit. Other Dayton students featured in this show include Bob Breda, Beth Harris, Jana Greene, Tim Kaufers, Carrie Pischelberg, Kenny Vasquez, Heather Purtenburg, Nicole Nelson, Dan Vardalis, Lauren Tuma, Liron Ben Simon, Jackson Hunt, Rosy Partee, Lisa Kerpner, Bill Malcolin, Karen Meek, Bill Ravaioli and Jim Foster. Directing this year's production is Becky Hubinger, drama director, and Donald Kay Kucin is the musical director.

Why did they pick "Guys and Dolls"? "A lot of the kids wanted to do the show for a long time because of the revival on Broadway," said Hubinger. "It's got quite a few parts and catchy tunes."

"This has been one of the most pleasant shows I've had to produce," said Donald Kay Kucin, Dayton's choral director and musical director for the past 14 years. "The kids have been working well together. They're very cooperative and very strong musically. I feel very confident it will be as good a show as we've ever put on."

Enthusiasm and energy among the students and staff is rising high as they gear up for their performances. Fay said that "Guys and Dolls" is one of his favorite shows. "It's one that I've wanted to do since I started acting," he added. "I was thrilled when I got the part." Fay plans to minor in acting when he attends college.

Zika, who plays Sarah Brown, said she enjoys singing but will now try her hand at acting. "If the show is a success in a playhouse," she added, "I wanted to try out, so what? What? I got the part I wanted and was very excited."

Being in show business isn't all glamorous, according to Hubinger,

especially County Manager Jim Barr and the clerk of the board. "To speak for them before Congress, SCRAP members are turning to Rep. Richard Zimmer, who represents New Jersey's 12th Congressional District. The railroad tracks in the area have been abandoned by larger railroad companies, citing cost-cutting measures. Those tracks remain in the ground and the county seeks to redevelop them for smaller companies in order to help rejuvenate Union County's manufacturing base. Although there is no significant industrial center in either Springfield or Summit, the two towns have been targeted for railway lines in order to link two main lines. This plan for arrangements among private entities and the county will create additional points of conflict between the freeholders and citizens when access to Route 22 would be cut because of a passing train. Clarke said additional park spending would be justified by government investments, who may perceive a need to construct either a bridge or a tunnel for motorists to use when crossing Route 22.

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Kenilworth, adding that Kenilworth was the only town to finance the audit. Borough Administrator Kathy Toland has been assigned to find out from Kenilworth which of the six districts that send students to the regional high schools plan to both participate and share the cost of the audit. Kenilworth Councilman Michael Tripodi, who has sent letters to each of the six districts, said Kenilworth has also expressed interest in joining the effort to audit the Regional High School District's tentative 1995-96 budget. Tripodi said he had not heard from the other districts yet.

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Elks prepare for another summer at Camp Moore

'Miracle on the Mountain' attracts hundreds of handicapped kids

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

Summer camps are becoming an important part of the lives of handicapped children. Camp Moore, a 22-acre retreat in Haskell, looks about 500 handicapped young people during a 10-week summer session. Dubbed the "Miracle on the Mountain," Camp Moore opens its doors usually in late June or early July.

The Summit and Springfield lodges each send five children last year, and members plan to repeat their efforts this summer.

At Camp Moore, campers aged 7 to 19 stay one week, free of charge, thanks to the efforts made by local Elks lodges to generate funds. By selling holding fund-raising parties, among other means, members of the organization raise the money needed to keep the camp open.

Lodges pay about \$175 per child for each week the child stays in the camp.

It is not uncommon for counselors to be thanked by parents for the week-long respite from those responsibilities, according to Fred Musco, executive director of the Springfield lodge.

Because the camp is managed by the New Jersey State Elks, the responsibilities of individual projects in the camp are shared among lodges from all around the state.

These projects vary from replacing appliances to repairing structural damage to buildings.

The camp's facilities, including the cabins, which house about 30 children each, are modified and approved specifically to accommodate campers.

Doors, access ramps and corridors for wheelchair users have been constructed. In fact, the camp is so accessible that it is used by campers who need help to bathe, were even. A swimming pool was constructed by the Elks.

In preparation for this summer, Springfield Elks will replace a broken water line at the site, said member Larry Kasperowicz.

Members of various lodges also sponsor activities campers enjoy. Dances, magic shows, even "Christmas in July" dinners are among the events keeping the kids engaged.

This is not to suggest that members of the order are scheduled to appear on a rotating basis to care for the children. As dedicated as they are,

they sometimes seek out those children with whom they had bonded earlier.

The Springfield lodge will be active in other child-related functions in coming weeks.

On Sunday afternoon in the Woodbridge lodge, area Elks will hold an awards ceremony for children who expressed their feelings for "Camp Moore" in posters they created.

On their last day as campers, children hold a concert for their parents, singing songs they had learned and practiced in the preceding days.

Some of the campers return for several summers, and some counselors say they sometimes seek out those children with whom they had bonded earlier.

Help wanted: Camp Moore seeking young adults for summer positions

New Jersey Elks are seeking young adults to join the staff at Camp Moore — the summer camp in Haskell for physically and mentally handicapped children.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which operates the facility, is accepting applications for all positions at the camp from students in high school and college. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. They must also be able to cook and have administrative assistance.

Applications should be sent through the Elks' state office in Sayreville, N.J. In coming weeks the Elks also will reach out to 100 high schools, 50 colleges and 40 nursing schools throughout New Jersey, but those wishing to get a head start on the application process may contact Camp Moore Director Chris McManus at 22 Cobb Place, Morrisown 07960.

Applications for campers also are being accepted.

The camp welcomes children aged 7 through 19; proof of age is required with each application. Applications may be obtained from local Elks lodges.

Because the Elks take campers on a first-come, first-served basis, it is recommended that parents obtain acceptance and return applications early.

Lodges in turn are urged by the Elks' state office to forward the applications immediately, to avoid candidates being put on a waiting list. Local lodges also are asked to contact any children they had sponsored last year and invite them to return.

American music award



Past Commander Herbert Quilstein, Commander William Weber and Americanism Chairman Donald Auer of the Springfield American Legion, Post 1440, Jonathan Dayton Regional High School student Karyn Mack and Principal Judith Wickline in the gymnasium. The three legionnaires presented their Americanism Award to Mack in recognition of her handiwork of "The Star-Spangle Banner" before sporting events at Jonathan Dayton.

Trailside schedules early springtime events

The Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountaineer has scheduled a variety of events to kick off their spring season.

At the Watchung Stables, adults are invited to register for riding lessons that will be offered on Sundays and Tuesdays.

The group lessons, open to all people of varying degrees of riding experience, are held on Sundays at 12:45 p.m. and Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

The center is also accepting registrations for classes that will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

These evening classes will begin on April 10.

All registration must be done in person at the stables, located at 1160 Summit Lane in Mountaineer. For more information, call (908) 789-3665.

On Sunday at 2 p.m., the Trailside Museum Association, a volunteer support group, will host the Magic, Mystery and Geology program.

Magician/Geologist Steven Okulewicz will perform magic tricks — including mini-volcano eruptions, mountain building and oil exploration.

Other mysteries to be explored will include identities of rock types, properties of minerals, weathering and erosion.

Okulewicz, a former professor of geology, led performed magic on MTV, HBO, the Learning Channel and the Monty Magic nightclub in New York City.

He is also a member of the Society of American Magicians and is a popular performer at Trailside and the Morris Museum in Morristown.

Tickets will be sold only by the door — no advance sales — and will cost \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children. TMA members will be admitted for \$2.50. The proceeds will benefit the TMA's educational programs.

For more information about the show or about the TMA, call (908) 789-3670.

The center is located at 452 New Providence Road in the Watchung Reservation in Mountaineer.

The Trailside Nature and Science Center has also planned activities for middle school students.

To complement a child's science education, the center will offer Trailside Rangers — a program that will immerse students in the fields of wildlife management and natural history by giving hands-on experience.

The forests, streams, and ponds in the 2,000-acre Watchung Reservation will be the classroom, offering endless avenues of exploration for the Rangers.

The Hardwood Swamp program begins tomorrow.

Other programs include: an exotic plant study titled Alien Invaders on April 7; Mixed Hardwood Forest Exploration on April 21; and Stream Survey on May 3.

On June 2, the center will conduct a field trip to Chocomaug State Park in Matawan to visit habitats common to southern New Jersey, including a cedar swamp and pine barrens.

Preregistration is required of all students and enrollment is limited.

Call ahead for space availability or for more information about Rangers and other Trailside programs.

Other visitors to the Trailside Nature and Science Center will have an opportunity to "go wild" on April 7 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Wildlife Sunday — the sixth annual — will feature exhibits, demonstrations, vendors, speakers, live animals, children's crafts and more, and everything will focus on wildlife and protection of animals in the Garden State.

"Visitors to Wildlife Sunday will be surprised to learn that New Jersey is home to such a wide variety of wildlife," said Fred Schuler, TMA Director. "The event promises to be educational, as well as fun for all."

At 1:30 that afternoon, Andrea Anderson from the Ramapo River Wildlife Refuge, will speak on the ordinary people can do in the course of their everyday lives to help wildlife.

She will also discuss her career as a wildlife rehabilitator; her job involves rescuing injured and sick animals — including raccoons, possums, squirrels, groundhogs, rabbits and skunks — back to health.

She will be accompanied by Stinky, an irreplaceable skunk.

"One ultimate goal is the return of the wild animals to the wild," she said.

Visitors to Wildlife Sunday will also have the opportunity to study birding when members of the Watchung Nature Club take a "beginners" bird walk from 1:45 to 3 p.m. Bring binoculars if you have them, or borrow Trailside's.

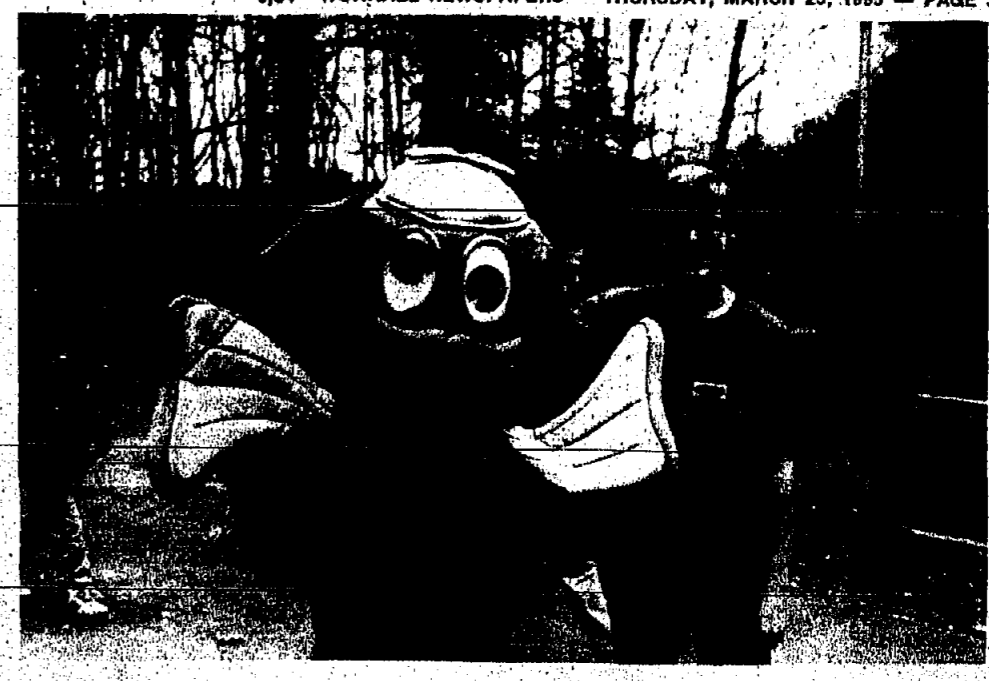
The wildlife experience on the far side, visitors can attend the center's "Animals in Space" Exploration program.

The event will deal with the various animals used in different space missions, and what was learned from the experiments.

This program will begin at 2 p.m. and is for children age 6 and up.

Another presentation, to be held at 3:30 p.m., is geared for children age 4 and up. Admission will cost \$2.75 per person, or \$2.35 for senior citizens.

At 2:15, the state Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife will shift the focus to birds, when they show "Migrant



Freddie the Flounder and volunteer Chris Jenkins of Mountaineer in the Watchung Reservation in Mountaineer. Freddie will be back on April 2 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. to welcome those attending Wildlife Sunday.

UCUA seeks students for Science Alliance

Marian Swientkowski, the UCUA's district recycling coordinator, is working with Mary Naiman, a teacher in the Linden school system, to craft a curriculum focused on recycling. The UCUA project, titled "The Benefits of Recycling: Resource Conservation and Reuse in a Shrinking World," will target fifth and sixth grade students.

"This curriculum strives not only to educate students but also to motivate them to make recycling a part of their lifestyles, and have them encourage others to do the same," said UCUA Chairwoman Blanche Banastek.

"Recycling reduces waste, helps protect the environment, and preserves our natural resources. By educating our children of the benefits of recycling, we will begin to change society's consumer and disposal habits." A draft of this lesson module will be completed by next month and will then be reviewed by the local Science Alliance Steering Committee.

The curriculum will be presented during the summer to teachers from six different counties at the Science Alliance Summer Institute in Warren.

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Throughout the afternoon, certified New Jersey State bird banders Cheryl and Eileen Mähler will demonstrate and explain their work. If weather permits.

For another glimpse of the exhibit, both the Turtle Back Zoo in West Orange and the Avian Wildlife Center in Wantage will feature wild animals, including a leopards, an owl, a snake, and a turtle among others.

Works of art, created by local artists Diana Wilcox Patton of Bridgewater and Andy Glusac of Scotch Plains will be on display throughout the day.

Younger visitors can have their faces painted, or make a wildlife-related craft for a petting zoo.

Light refreshments will be available.

While there will be no admission charge, there will be a request for a \$1 donation, part of which will be used toward a wildlife-related door prize.

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OPINION PAGE

Just say no

The Union County Regional High School Board of Education displayed a wisdom conspicuously absent in other school boards faced with the intrusive "Elizabeth Agreement" offered by the county prosecutor's office.

The Elizabeth Agreement establishes protocol that school administrators would follow when reporting suspected acts of "hate crimes" or "bias incidents."

During their March 7 meeting in Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, the board heard a presentation of the agreement by a representative from the county prosecutor.

The agreement defines hate crimes as "any suspected or confirmed offense or unlawful act which is directed at or occurs in a person, private property or public property on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation or ethnicity."

To the prosecutor's office, a "bias incident" is similarly defined, but the term is "broader than the term 'hate crime,' in that a bias incident need not involve an act which constitutes an offense against the law."

Several board members voiced their concerns regarding potential abuses.

Robert Jenks half-jokingly questioned the possibility of a student, "who yells ethnic slurs," being camed in Superintendent Donald Morachnik's office.

Donald Paris mentioned a more probable situation when he said he feared "overzealousness" on the part of police.

When examined from any perspective, the Elizabeth Agreement should be seen for what it is — a bureaucratic attempt to prove it is responsive to the perceived needs of minorities by presuming the intent and motivation of a suspect, when the crime itself is the real issue.

However, well intentioned they claim to be, these law enforcement officials have embarked on the creation of a Thought Crime division.

As those employed by the Union County Prosecutor's Office should know by now, there now exist on the books ample laws and codes relating to such criminal activity.

Laws that prohibit assault, vandalism, criminal mischief and trespassing, among others, also prescribe commensurate punishment for the guilty.

If society deems those punitive measures insufficient, then the Legislature should enact laws so severe they would deter would-be criminals and ensure that those already convicted would not try again.

If judges fail to impose those sentences to protect society, reforms in the judicial system — that would replace social engineering with justice — are in order.

In any case, further actions taken by prosecutors and victims should include passing any bills for medical care and property damage repairs to the perpetrators' parents.

The opportunities for victims, police officers, and school officials to abuse the vaguely worded agreement should discourage its implementation. And we ready to accept one party's manipulation of the spirit of this agreement to stiffen a suspect's sentence?

In order to make the Elizabeth Agreement, in the words of Board of Education President Burton Zitomer, "something we can live with," the board agreed to wait 30 days before informing the prosecutor's office of their decision.

During that time, a committee of board members, faculty, students and juvenile officers will convene to examine the district's alleged need for the plan.

Board member Michael Rogers was the first to question the scope of the agreement, asking why the document was 20 pages long.

The answer given to the board was humorous, but told half of the story: "Well, you have lawyers involved," said the supervisor of the county prosecutor's juvenile bureau.

True, lawyers are involved, as they are too deeply in too many aspects of society. But the impetus of the Elizabeth Agreement is the prosecutor's desire to be brotherly toward all — at the expense of each of us.

Everyone within the borders of the United States enjoys the same protections under law; the Office of the Prosecutor has been using the Elizabeth Agreement to make some of the county's children more equal than others.

So far, the Regional High School Board of Education seems to grasp all of this. The board has displayed uncommon good sense not only by refusing to rubber-stamp their approval, but also by inviting student input.

The Elizabeth Agreement has been adopted in many other school districts in Union County — most recently in Mountainside — and it will continue to spread. Hopefully, when the time comes to give their answer, the regional board will say "thanks, but no."

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Freedom is only freedom when it is available to those who think differently.

—Julio Cortazar

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Springfield school board's facts are wrong

I feel compelled to reply to the article by Stephen Fischbein in the 9 edition of the Springfield Leader. For what he claims to be fact may be nothing more than presumption and conjecture on his part and the record should be set straight.

Mr. Fischbein has every right to question whether the Regional District provides a quality education, as should every taxpayer whose taxes support the high school program. But, to believe that the Springfield Board of Education, without experience, can "provide" a more competitive, comprehensive program as well as safe, healthy and sound is ridiculous. Currently, there are only 394 high school-aged students in the Regional District from Springfield. Yet these students are part of an enrollment of 708 students. We can offer greater education opportunities with a large student body.

Mr. Fischbein should try to operate a high school with 394 students — that is about 99 students per grade in levels nine through 12. He would then understand the folly of promoting a "competitive" comprehensive program, and yet continuing costs. With such a low number of students, a district either operates very costly small classes or restricts the breadth of educational opportunities. Again, with costly technology projected to educate handfuls of students, a Springfield Board of Education program for only 394 students would be cost prohibitive and educationally wanting.

Before Springfield residents dissent what they already have, they should be sure they will receive something better.

Mr. Fischbein writes about Senate Bill 1089 as if it is a dead issue. He claims this bill "has not" been introduced in the Senate. It is a member of the Legislature on the Senate Education Committee.

I continue to believe that the bill has a possibility of passing, mandating Springfield making equity payments to Garwood and Mountainside. If the Springfield Board of Education is awarded Jonathan Dayton Regional High School via deregionalization.

Springfield residents should know that this possibility for students may be as good as dead. The Legislature will act by June 30.

He also indicates that four of the Regional District constituent districts are "so dissatisfied that they have petitioned to dissolve the district." I maintain they are dissatisfied with neither our programs for students nor the quality of our educational services, but that each has its own reasons for seeking dissolution.

We have three operating high schools and can only be converted to one regional district with a like number of operating schools. So don't compare operating costs of districts unless they are like districts. His comparison is unfair and inaccurate.

The Springfield Board of Education may have undertaken a crusade to make the Regional District look bad so that the board may influence voters to vote for deregionalization. People are getting the message that unless the local Board of Education can control the district's K-12 education in Springfield, it will not be satisfied. But, the board should put its grand design aside and begin to examine the district's K-12 education in Springfield. It should not be satisfied. But, the board should put its grand design aside and begin to examine the district's K-12 education in Springfield. It should not be satisfied. But, the board should put its grand design aside and begin to examine the district's K-12 education in Springfield. It should not be satisfied.

Be Our Guest

By Theresa LiCausi

After all, Garwood and Mountainside paid taxes to the Regional District for 57 years. If they do not receive a high school facility, it is fair for them to walk away with empty pockets? And, in the age of litigation, do you believe they will walk away quietly?

The Regional District provides a quality education despite Mr. Fischbein's doubts. One student accepted to some of the finest colleges and universities — Princeton, Yale, Harvard, University of Pennsylvania, Boston College and Villanova, for example.

Those who enter the workforce are adequately prepared. But, our residents must realize that the Regional Board of Education is serious about cost containment.

Our township budget for 1995-96 was raised by 2.05 percent. We are moving in an appropriate and proper direction.

Mr. Fischbein can write what he wishes, this is a free country, but the residents of Springfield should carefully examine what educational benefits their high school students currently receive before they buy into a program.

Small high school programs, too often, are institutionally inadequate and cost prohibitive. Take a long, hard look at what you have now. Talk to our graduates about their education and success in life before you opt for something which may turn out to be empty and not as effective as what we have today. Be certain that a change will be in the best interest of our children.

Theresa LiCausi is one of Springfield's two representatives to the Regional Board of Education.

Politics is not same as community service

This is in reply to the letter submitted by Mr. Scott Schmeidel on March 16.

There's not a pillow as soft as a clear conscience. I'm a firm believer in doing one's homework in order to fully understand and respond to an issue.

I have attended many a number of council meetings during the years. Other commitments make it impossible for me to attend Tuesday night meetings.

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When I resigned as commissioner of the Recreation Department, the mayor held that resignation for a short period of time, hoping that I might reconsider. That was an honorable gesture by the mayor and I appreciated that gesture, but having attended all the meetings month after month, I realized that I could contribute nothing to the pool. I seriously considered what, if any contribution I could make and when I reached a personal and community-wise decision, it was wiser for me to give up my position as commissioner and tender that seat to someone who could benefit and assist the Recreation Department's generous missions.

It is fair to the Borough of Mountainside to have a dead piece of wood on the Recreation Department rather than a dedicated and productive individual for the betterment of Mountainside?

It was more beneficial to the town and myself that I direct my energies elsewhere. I am not a politician and I still maintain that I am not in the position to devote my time to politics.

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We envy our wishes to candidates at election time via the voting process. Do you believe they are foolish enough to stick their responsibilities?

I think not. Should they be constantly subjected to statements indicating that they are not doing their job? I think not. Should they be constantly subjected to statements indicating that they are not doing their job? I think not.

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Setting MacQueen's record straight

No, Karen MacQueen is not a member of the Mountainside 100th Anniversary Celebration Committee. Perhaps it has something to do with the fact that she has over-extended herself with numerous other volunteer activities.

I feel it is my duty as a 16-year resident of Mountainside to write and set the record straight about Karen MacQueen.

Do you know Karen? Well, for those few who do not, let me give you a brief description of her.

Several years ago when Karen moved to Mountainside, she joined the Newcomers Club. Immediately upon joining, she chaired one major committee after another, and eventually became president of that club.

She has been the president of the Mountainside Garden Club.

For 10 years, Karen faithfully was involved with delivering Mobile Meals to the people of Mountainside.

Karen is currently the vice president of the Union County Literacy Volunteers. She is the editor of their quarterly newsletter. She heads the fund-raising and is responsible for the grant writing, and she is a trustee of the other volunteer tutors — besides doing volunteer tutoring herself.

Besides literacy tutoring, Karen volunteers second language tutoring. When Karen is not busy with the literacy program, she is a working member of the Friends of the Mountainside Library.

Karen also has assisted with Mountainside Parent-Teacher Association activities on several occasions.

Karen MacQueen is very kind, warm, caring, intelligent, in touch with the real world, and a contributing member of our community.

Maryann J. Cusano
Mountainside

Schools debate welcome, overdue

In a recent edition of this newspaper, there was a column by Theresa LiCausi concerning her perceptions of the presentation provided to the Wallon School PTA and interested community members. Her column is of a personal nature attacking the presenters for embarking upon an investigation to enhance the quality of education presented to high school students who attend Jonathan Dayton High School. Undoubtedly, there is a difference in point of view between the presenters and those who are responsible for the administration and organization of the Union County Regional High School District.

As Superintendent of Schools in Springfield for the past eight years, I have heard repeatedly comments about the quality of schooling at both the elementary and high school levels, and have taken an active role in trying to improve the services at both levels. Since the beginning of this debate about the dissolution of the Regional High School District, there has been a great deal of communication about the issues, as well as a degree of responsiveness in changing the status quo.

Although I do not agree with personal attacks on individuals, debate and research on the high school program are essential to promoting a program that is well articulated with the programs offered in the Springfield elementary school system. One must also recognize that the performance of our students at the high school level is the result of cumulative education in grades Pre-K-12, and that the local elementary school system is a stakeholder in the quality of schooling offered at the high school level.

Change and pressure from external forces create a climate of insecurity for some, while at the same time energizing others to lead a debate which is long overdue. Hopefully, the readers of the paper will recognize the importance of the issue and separate fact from opinion.

Regarding the factual information about the cost to the taxpayers of Springfield, both reports show a variance of less than 2 percent on school taxes, which translates to less than \$50 on a tax bill of \$5,000. As for Senate Bill 1089 regarding equity assessment and funding school bonds for indebtedness, it is my understanding that that bill will still be in committee and has seen no action and more than likely will remain at that status since there is no interest in moving it forward.

Personally, it is my belief that our community will debate the issues long enough and seek further rather than relying only on information provided by groups or opponents of dissolution. I believe Mrs. LiCausi has underestimated the intellect of our residents and their interest in this matter. Naturally, as a proponent of allowing the voters to decide on the dissolution process as it affects the community of Springfield, I have voiced my opinion and will continue to do so, realizing that this risk will also encourage personal attacks.

Gray Friedman, Schools Superintendent
Springfield

Reasons to oppose dissolution

I am a high school senior at Jonathan Dayton and am writing to express why I am against deregionalization. For months, I've heard nothing but support from parents, but I recently haven't seen what students think published. After all, deregionalization affects students most. I feel it is my duty to tell you what I think of the scenario and what the ultimate result of deregionalization will be.

Jonathan Dayton gives me a chance to challenge my mind. Dayton offers a diverse group of electives. During the next three years, I will be able to take courses ranging from Journalism, to cheer, to gourmet cooking. I also will be offered a chance to take college level courses including psychology, AP French, and AP Calculus. Yes, now, as a freshman, I am taking classes that require me to put more effort into my work than I have ever done. I don't want to risk losing that challenge.

The January study of dissolution recognizes that several modifications could be made initially. These include: offer Advanced Placement courses on an alternating year basis, reduce the range of elective course offerings in some departments and offer a greater concentration in the core curriculum area, provide other course offerings via a distance learning satellite network.

These possibilities could not improve a high school. By alternating AP courses, students may miss out on classes they need or want to take. If, as a senior I wanted to take AP Biology, I wouldn't be a happy camper to learn that a course that seniors were offered the previous year wouldn't be offered to me.

Andrea Zawarczuk
Springfield

Letters to the editor

Secondly, reducing the range of elective courses to focus more on academics would be unfair to those pursuing vocational careers. Finally, these would be courses offered through distance learning via a satellite network. Through town would offer a personal level in teaching, satellite learning would be just the opposite.

Now, students are offered a wide variety of sports. The sports seasons are full of options for boys and girls at three levels: freshman, junior varsity and varsity. All students get to play at one of these levels. Transportation, uniforms and equipment are provided for all students who want to play. Everyone can find a sport to play.

If we deregionalize, we will be capable of continuing such a sports program. Probably not. There will be fewer kids to try out for sports. Sports will be dropped because they can't all be funded.

High schools cost a lot more to run than middle schools. How will everything be paid for? Will taxes be raised? To a degree, sure. But after a while, classes, sports and other extra curricular activities will be dropped. With fewer students enrolled, the more courses will begin to be dropped because few students will enroll in them.

By deregionalizing a town preparing me, just as in real life when I walk into school, it no longer matters if my family is blue or white collar, rich, middle class, or poor, or if I live in "the hill." All that matters is that I pull my own weight as much as I can. I am proud to be a student at Dayton.

Before you make your decision, talk with your kids, the students, the people this change would affect most. Ask them if they are satisfied with the education they are getting. Explain to them, without bias, what deregionalization is and what changes it will cause. Before you import your children from a school they are settled in and force them to make a transition, make sure they want it as much as you do.

Andrea Zawarczuk
Springfield

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Dooley, Yatrakis elected partners at Summit Medical

Dr. Kenneth P. Brin, chairman, board of directors of the Summit Medical Group, announced today that Dr. Charles H. Dooley, Jr., and Dr. Nicholas D. Yatrakis have been elected partners of the Summit Medical Group. Dooley and Yatrakis have been in practice together at 261 Orchard St., Westfield, for 13 years and will continue to practice at that location as partners of the Summit Medical Group.

"Joining Summit Medical was a natural marriage for us," said Yatrakis. "Both Dr. Dooley and I have known many of the doctors in the group for years and find them to be a very well thought of and respected group of physicians."

"Prior to joining Summit Medical, we recognized the rapid changes that were taking place in health care, and that we needed to develop a more sophisticated administrative and business woman than the existing management team," Dooley said. "We both wanted to spend more time with our patients rather than getting involved in the business aspect of managed care."

Established in 1929, Summit Medical Group is recognized for its staff of primary care physicians, specialists, and sub-specialists in virtually all areas of medicine.

Summit Medical's main center is located at 120 Summit Ave. in Summit, where they maintain state-of-the-art auxiliary facilities including full laboratory services, radiology, pulmonary, endoscopy, vascular, otolaryngology, nuclear medicine, and diagnostic services including mammography and sonography. Summit Medical also offers a convenient and accessible urgent care program, the Ready Access Center, which is open every day of the year.

SMG participates in the Oxford Health Plans, Travelers Health Plans, CIGNA Health Plans and Actua Health Plan and maintains offices in Summit, Morristown, Watchung, Westfield and Short Hills.

He received his bachelor of arts degree from Rutgers University in 1969 and his medical degree from the

NJ Center for Visual Arts schedule for April-May

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 273-9121.

Saturday and Sunday

- **Monotype and the Model:** Lisa Mackie in a course for people who have had some monotype will explore faces of drawing/printing the figure, through this immediate and flexible medium. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$60, model fee \$14.
- **Saturday**
 - **Comic Books Workshop** — ages 9-12. One day workshop with comic book artist Rich Kruden. Learn from the artist of "Justice League," "Ninja Turtles" and more. Create a character and then take it through different adventures. All levels welcome. From 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$15.
 - **Forging the Art of Stretching and Taping Metal:** Metal Hammering Workshop, with Instructor Sue Sachs, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All levels welcome. From 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$15.
 - **The House Within Papermaking Workshop** — Build your own studio with Wilmer & Shapiro. The papermaking class moves to a "home" of its own, starting from a humble basis of simple foamcore structure, across the surfaces with digital or other personal items. A captivating exploration of the art of mixed media assemblage from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The fee is \$45; materials fee is \$10.
 - **KIP's Art Studio** with Lynn Celler will meet Children's Beginning Drawing II (ages 6-10). If you love to draw, come to learn how to improve your skills. Concentration will be on body proportions and figures in action. All materials provided from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. Fee is \$15; materials fee is \$3.
 - **Spring Fabric Printing** (ages 10-12) — decorate your own T-shirt with fabric crayons and sponge.

Apr. 6

- **Creativity, Color and Design Workshop**, with Kay Bain Weiner takes you into a fascinating seminar to stimulate your inventiveness and recharge your imagination. A unique slide presentation will offer sources of inspiration and demonstrate color/design association. Pack a lunch, and request materials list when registering. From 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fee is \$65.

Apr. 7

- **First Friday at the Art Center** is open only for new members who wish to join the center this evening. If you are not presently a member, come and join today. You will then participate in a Private Tour and Reception from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Memberships start at \$35.
- **Waxing Artistic: Eucrasia Beginner & Intermediate**, with Valeric Shvili will take you through the ancient Greek process of painting with hot wax. Students will need to bring an electric frying pan or skillet to the workshop. Wax and pigments will be provided by the instructor. Request a materials list when registering. Cost is \$50; materials fee is \$25.
- **Imagex '95: NJCVA's major fund-raiser**, at the headquarters of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America and Panasonic Industrial Co., Secaucus. Tickets are \$125 per person and can be purchased in person at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, 68 Elm St., or call for information: (908) 273-9121, Monday through Saturday from 10 to 4 p.m.
- **Apr. 9**
 - **Actor Chamber Music Society** presents the St. Lawrence String Quartet, flutist Laura Gilbert, clarinetist Paul Green, harpist Mariko Anzaki, and pianist Lanore Flaherty Davis playing Mozart Piano Quartet, 478, Debussy Premiere, Rhapsody, Ravel Introduction and Chopin Beethoven String Quartet, Opus 155.

Glassen speaks in Trenton

Summit Attorney Jim Glassen, a partner in the law firm of Roth & Glassen testified this week before the Environmental Affairs Committee of the New Jersey Senate in Trenton. Glassen's testimony will provide certain protections to companies which conduct audits of the environmental conditions at properties which they operate. Glassen's testimony gave the "commonsense" approach of the bill an endorsement, and was well received by members of the committee along with representatives of business in the gallery. Glassen also provided the committee with a written statement.

"The beauty of this bill is that it is both pro-environment and pro-business," Committee Chairman Robert Torres said. "It is a fair and reasonable approach to the problem of environmental law, since leaving that part last year. His testimony regarding environmental audits appeared in the New Jersey Law Journal last year, and he was one of the commentators on earlier drafts of the bill."

Maccarin speaks on families

An informal presentation and discussion titled "The Family Bed and Other Parenting Practices for a Better World" will be held on April 5, at 7:30 a.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit. Child rearing practices in the United States put a high premium on fostering independence at a young age while other cultures often place a greater emphasis on relatedness. Chatham psychologist and occupational therapist Talle Maccarin, Ph.D., will lead the discussion focusing on the underlying values of different cultural practices, as well as on alternative concepts such as the "family bed" and how they relate to larger issues in our society.

Garage sale held at church

More than 150 volunteers are busy sorting, marking and pricing thousands of items for sale at the 18th annual Garage Sale of the Unitarian Church in Summit, set for Saturday and Sunday will take place at Unitarian House, 165 Summit Ave. in Summit, at the corner of Whittridge Road, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Merchandise to be featured in over 10,000 square feet of display space includes clothing for men, women, children and infants, as well as home-ware, electrical appliances, TVs, radios and clocks. Also available will be books, records, toys, games, sports equipment, tapes, puzzles, luggage, linens, fabrics, jewelry, costumes and furniture. Finer merchandise included in the Boutique.

The sale traditionally provides a low-cost source of useful items for families on tight budgets, as well as many things for those interested in the unusual and collectible. Among the merchandise offered for sale this year are a handmade electronic organ with three giant speakers; a vintage 1961 sewing machine in operating condition; and an electric two-speed exercise machine.

Homemade soups and sandwiches and vegetable stir-fry will be available to shoppers for purchase at lunchtime on both days at the Garage Sale Cafe.

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SPORTS

All-Area Boys' Team special unit

Elizabeth won the UCT and Linden, Roselle conf. titles

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

One year school captured the Union County Tournament championship and also a sectional playoff crown, two others won conference championships and, in all, eight area teams represent "recess" this year.

Not a bad winter for the local squads.

The top players from those teams and others are honored today for their efforts on our 1994-95 All-Area Boys' Basketball Team.

ELIZABETH, WHICH FINISHED 25-4 and recorded a 10-1 record for the 12th consecutive season under head coach, Ken Candelino, captured its first UCT title in three years and won its initial North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 championship in four years. The Minutemen defeated St. Patrick's 59-49 for the UCT crown and Linden 58-53 for the their sectional championship.

Since Candelino took over in 1983-84, Elizabeth has won nine UCT crowns and has been in the championship game 11 times. The Minutemen have also appeared in 11 consecutive sectional championship games, winning six.

LINDEN, WHICH FINISHED 22-3, captured the Watchung Conference American Division championship. The Tigers got also say that they defeated the teams they lost to Linden split two games with Shabazz and won one of three games against Elizabeth. The Tigers finished unbeaten in conference play and at home.

Shabazz, like Elizabeth, went on to win a sectional title. Shabazz eventually won Group 3 and Elizabeth lost the Group 4 final to Shabazz.

Other 1994-95 records include: St. Mary's (17-6), Rahway (16-9), Union



(15-8), Hillside (13-8), Roselle Park (9-13), Dayton Regional (6-14), Summit (6-15), Roselle Catholic (3-16) and Johnson Regional (0-20).

The following high school boys' basketball teams covered by Worrall Community Newspapers include: Elizabeth, St. Patrick's (Elizabeth), Summit, Linden, Rahway, Roselle Catholic, Johnson Regional, Union, Dayton Regional, Hillside and Roselle Park. Other schools include St. Mary's (Elizabeth) and Oratory Prep (Summit).

Worrall Community Newspapers include the *Elizabeth Gazette*, *Summit Observer*, *Linden Leader*, *Rahway Progress*, *Roselle Spectator*, *Clark Eagle*, *Union Leader*, *Springfield Leader*, *Mountaintop Echo*, *Hillside Leader*, *Roselle Park Leader* and *Kenilworth Leader*.

These performers stood tall

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Some of the best talent in the state resided right here in Union County. The top players in the area this year helped their teams to successful seasons, some more successful than others.

Here is Worrall Community Newspapers' 1994-95 All-Area Boys' Basketball Team:

FIRST-TEAM

RASHION MICKENS, Elizabeth: One of the top players in North Jersey, the senior point guard was selected to play in the North-South All-Star Game and played in the Union County All-Star Game Monday night.

Mickens averaged a team-leading 17 points and was at his best in the Union County Tournament final where he scored a game-high 20 points in lead Elizabeth past St. Patrick's 59-49 for the championship.

AL HAWKINS, Elizabeth: Also a first-team All-Area selection in basketball and football, the junior forward has the ability to score, rebound and dish the ball off.

Hawkins averaged 15 points and leading games in the UCT final against St. Patrick's and the North Jersey Section 2 Group 4 final, Wayne Hills. He scored 13 points against St. Patrick's, including Elizabeth's final six points on two free throws, and poured in a game-high 24 to help the Minutemen rout Wayne Hills 64-42, competing on six three-pointers.

SHIAJHEN HOLLOWAY, St. Patrick's: The best point guard in the state and one of the top players in the country, the junior averaged a team-high 24 points, nine assists and seven steals.

"Shabazz is one of the best young guards I've ever seen," said Tom Konchalski of *East Coast Top 100*.

"He's the best guard I've seen since Bobby (this son)," St. Anthony head coach Bob Hurley said.

WINFORD SMITH, St. Patrick's: This talented junior forward, rated (along with Holloway) as one of the top 100 players by *Blue Chip Illustrated*, averaged 15 points, 8.5 rebounds and three assists.

Smith is a genuine Division I recruit. He can shoot the 3 and can put it on the floor and put up or take it hard to the basket. The honor student is also an excellent defensive player.

SEAN PERKINS, Union: The senior point guard averaged eight points and seven assists.

"Perkins was our leader on the floor," Union head coach Ted Zawacki said. In addition to Mickens, Hawkins, Holloway and Smith, Perkins was selected to work Union County's "Top 15 team." He also played in Monday night's Union County All-Star Game. Features: Andre Lee was also selected to the coaches' team and played with Perkins in the All-Star Game.

JOHNNY JOHNSON, Rahway: This senior forward was a three-year starter for John Peter's Minutemen and the team's go-to player this year.

"Johnny played big at big game for us," Perka said. "He was solid in the middle and a good rebounder for us."

Johnson averaged 14 points and nine rebounds. One of those captains, his

1994-95 All-Area Boys' Basketball

Richard Mickens	6-1	F	Senior	Elizabeth
Al Hawkins	6-2	F	Junior	Elizabeth
Shabazz Holloway	5-11	G	Junior	St. Patrick's
Winston Smith	6-5	F	Junior	St. Patrick's
Andre Lee	6-6	G	Senior	Linden
Nate Johnson	6-2	F	Senior	Union
Sean Perkins	5-7	O	Senior	Rahway
Johnny Johnson	6-2	F	Senior	Roselle
Rahim Alexander	6-4	G	Senior	Roselle
Malcolm Smith	6-1	F	Senior	Roselle

Tommy Showers	6-2	F	Senior	Elizabeth
Sara Fernandez	5-9	G	Senior	Elizabeth
Tavon Judd	6-3	G	Senior	St. Patrick's
Kevin Pearson	6-3	F	Senior	St. Patrick's
Dequan Griffin	6-2	F	Senior	St. Patrick's
Darius Skeete	6-5	F	Senior	Union
Andre Lee	6-3	F	Senior	Union
Kirt Derrico	6-1	G	Senior	Hillside
Damon Dunn	6-2	F	Senior	Hillside
Demond Wilson	6-3	F	Senior	Rahway

Jason Smith	6-6	C	Senior	Elizabeth
Rich Rivera	6-3	F	Junior	Elizabeth
Quinn Spoto	5-11	G	Junior	Elizabeth
Quinn Mickens	6-1	F	Senior	St. Patrick's
James Allen	6-1	F	Senior	Summit
Mike Rottman	6-3	C	Senior	Roselle Park
Matt Pazzo	6-5	F	Senior	Roselle Catholic
Jason Geon	6-4	C	Senior	Rahway
Shawn Allen	6-0	G	Junior	Roselle
Roberto Tarantino	5-10	G	Junior	Dayton Regional
Matt Babian	5-1	F	Senior	Johnson Regional

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UNION COUNTY NEWS

From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

Leonard Weiss addresses the Union Township Committee and asks the governing body to consider his *Union Post* as an official newspaper to publish legal notices. He has, after all, a second class mailing permit and meets the U.S. Postal Service's requirements to publish legal notices.

That was in 1992. Under then-Mayor Anthony Russo and with the consent of the entire Township Committee, the *Union Post* is granted official status. During his presentation, Weiss makes some potentially slanderous statements against the Union Leader and Worrall Community Newspapers, owners of the *Leader*, claiming that the *Leader* and its sister newspapers in Essex and Union counties have "raped" the taxpayers of those communities to the tune of hundreds of thousands of dollars. According to Weiss, we coerced town and boards of education on the coast to publish the legal notices. He then follows with potentially libelous statements in his publication that we again have "raped" the taxpayers.

Last month, the Union Board of Education, at the request of our political wonderboy board member Dominick Fargoli, invited Weiss to address the board because he is now seeking to publish the board's legal notices. Again, Weiss makes the same potentially slanderous statements about Worrall Newspapers and follows with potentially libelous statements in his publication about our act of "rape."

In both instances, Executive Editor Raymond Worrall received a letter from the governing bodies and defend his company against those charges. Worrall addressed the Township Committee, but has yet to appear before the Board of Education. I hope he tells them to go to hell.

Between 1992 and last month, Weiss appeared before the Borough Council in Roselle Park and the Township Committee in Springfield.

In Roselle Park, then-Borough Attorney Neil Cohen advised the council that Weiss' address should be made in closed session. "Unethical litigation," Cohen cited as the reason for the "closed" session.

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A full-day's golf tournament package will include golfing, a luncheon buffet, cocktail reception, dinner, awards ceremony and obligatory for various prizes, most notably several low-in-one contests.

The event will be attended by college community representatives, as well as business and industry, providing an effective networking opportunity for participants amid the camaraderie of fellow golf enthusiasts. It originally was established in memory of Richard O. Laster, a deceased member of the college's Board of Governors and his Buildings and Grounds Committee. Laster was an avid golfer. One of the prizes; the Dick Laster Memorial Trophy, will be awarded to the player having the lowest gross score.

Proceeds will benefit UCC students and programs.

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The Union County Committee on the Status of Libraries discusses its plans to introduce residents to Internet. From left are Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly, liaison to the Status of Libraries; Seth P. Metzger, committee member who also serves on the New Providence Library's Board of Trustees; Sharon Katz, committee chairperson, and Joseph Keenan, committee vice chair and Elizabeth Library director.

County libraries entering cyberspace

Union County is preparing to surf "The Net." The county's Committee on the Status of Libraries will hold a conference on Internet's informational role in the county's libraries next month.

The session will be held on April 1 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Roy Smith Theater at Union County College, Cranford, says Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly, committee vice chair and Elizabeth Library director.

"This program will describe the Internet, how it is developed, how to access it and how to navigate it," said Kelly. "It will be especially useful to librarians, but it is open to anyone interested. We will also walk participants through an actual Internet session."

In addition, there will be a discussion of Microsoft's Internet system that is operating in Morris County, and how it may be a model for Internet service in Union County.

There is no fee, but registration is required. To register, call Marie Gray of the Elizabeth Public Library at (908) 354-6060 by Friday.

Grant to provide elderly job training

The Jewish Vocational Service of Metro West has received a grant from the National Council on the Aging, Inc. to provide job training and placement to low-income adults, 55 and older, residing in Union County.

This non-career program, the Senior Employment Program, is funded by the U.S. Department of Labor Program, and authorized by Title V of the Older Americans Act.

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For more information on the Senior Employment Program, contact Loretta Shepler, employment specialist, at (908) 676-4830.

Two times for golf journey tee-time

A double tee-off has been scheduled to accommodate golfers expected to participate in the Union County College Foundation's third annual Golf Tournament, which will be held on April 24 at suburban Golf Club, Union.

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Stroke recovery program launched as co-op effort

A post-stroke exercise program will be offered to the public through the cooperative efforts of two Union County government agencies, the Division of Parks and Recreation and Runnels Specialized Hospital.

In making the announcement, Freeholder Vice Chairman Edwin Force expressed content regarding the manner in which the program is progressing.

"This unique program of exercise has been offered many times in the past and keeps growing in popularity. The reason is obvious: by utilizing grant funds made available by the State of New Jersey, and combining the expertise of two agencies within county government, this valuable community service will be continued this spring," said Force.

"People of all physical abilities can benefit from exercise," said Freeholder Frank Lutz, liaison to the Runnels Specialized Hospital Board of Managers. "I understand the class is designed to improve participants' general fitness level. It extends the benefits of exercise to a portion of the population which needs an approach that is unique to their needs."

County Manager Ann M. Baran, who joined Force and Lutz in announcing the program, noted "It is gratifying to see two county agencies working together on this project. Their spirit of cooperation and combination of resources will enable us to provide a community service which otherwise might not have been offered."

The post-stroke class is scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 4 through May 23 from noon to 1 p.m. at Runnels, 40 Watchung Way, Berkeley Heights.

First-come, first-served registration is underway. Early registration is suggested. People with physical disabilities other than those related to a stroke will be accommodated as space permits. There is a \$5 fee.

For more information contact the Division of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4930.

If disaster strikes, authority will adjust

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

Looking ahead to a matter that potentially could create fiscal chaos, the Union County Utilities Authority revealed this week that it is devising a plan to remain competitive should waste flow drop off.

Officials at the authority, which oversees operations at the county's Resource Recovery Facility in Rahway, Monday night expressed confidence that either legislation or the courts will ease their concerns, but just in case are crafting a contingency plan.

While UCUA officials, who left most of the speculation up to UCUA attorney John Coley, were vague in disclosing specifics of the avenues they intend to explore for RRF to remain a competitive source for waste disposal, they admitted their plan may involve buying, some "fines."

During the press conference held at the UCUA's administrative offices just off Route 1 North, UCUA commissioners and Executive Director Jeffrey Callahan didn't hesitate to tout their own horn a little, claiming to have among the lowest tipping fees in the state.

The UCUA took yet another crack at attempting to justify a proposed rate increase, which is awaiting state Department of Environmental Protection approval. It was the same message Callahan had taken before freeholders just more than a week earlier.

Under the UCUA proposal, Union County tipping fees would rise to \$76.12 per ton for 1995, about \$5 more than what the rate had been during the most of the previous year, when RRF went on line.

The reasons for the UCUA's press conference: A lawsuit pending in U.S. District Court in New Jersey involving Atlantic Coast Demolition Co., which is challenging the state's waste flow regulations, could pose a problem for the authority if the system is ruled invalid.

Pending legislation in Congress, however, could render the lawsuit "fossil" if the bills become law prior to a court ruling, according to Coley. UCUA representatives are expected to be in Washington, D.C. on March 30 and 31 to lobby representatives to support regulations.

Several members of the Concerned Citizens of Union County, a group which is opposed to incineration, have stated their support for these legislative endeavors is not what the UCUA would have county residents believe. They say Congress is prepared to squash the initiative.

But have been taken to the hopper by Rep. Frank Pallone, D-N.J., and Chris other Smith, R-N.J., according to Coley. Although Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., reportedly has expressed his opposition to pending legislation, Coley said supporters in New Jersey and across the country appear to outnumber opponents to regulating waste flow.

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Composting ins and outs to be laid out by UCUA

Increased in learning about backyard composting. Now, have some chance to learn from the experts this spring as the Union County Utilities Authority gears up to hold eight composting instruction classes.

Each course is two hours and covers all aspects of backyard composting. A \$10 registration fee entitles each person to a composting bin, valued at \$40 and a composting hand book. Backyard composting: Your Complete Guide to Recycling Yard Clippings.

"Learning how to compost yard waste will certainly help in the long run, saving people a lot of money on their lawn and gardens," stated UCUA Chairwoman Blanche Banasiak.

"There is also a financial benefit to composting yard waste, since the materials can no longer be disposed of with household garbage and residents would otherwise have to pay to have it disposed."

The classes are scheduled to be held at the authority's offices, 1499 Route 1 and 9 North, Rahway, unless otherwise noted:

March 30 — 2 p.m., Westfield Town Hall

April 11 — 6 p.m., UCUA office

May 3 — 2 p.m., Scotch Plains Municipal Building

May 16 — 6 p.m., Cranford Municipal Building

June 6 — 2 p.m., UCUA office

June 16 — 2 p.m., UCUA office

and June 29 — 6 p.m., UCUA office

Classes are open to all residents. Pre-registration is required. Class size is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information or to register, call (908) 382-9400, Ext. 15.

Boost of confidence



About 40 inmates at the Union County Jail this month graduated from The American Academy, Inc., an educational program founded by National Football League Hall-of-Famer Jim Brown, that aids ex-convicts in overcoming a general lack of self-esteem. Brown, a one-time star running back for the NFL's Cleveland Browns, founded the academy in 1988. From left are freeholders Henry Kutz, Ed Force and Linda-Lee Kelly, Ameri-Care Chief Executive Officer Shahid Adino S. Watson, R-Union, Brown, Freeholder Chairman Donald D. Francese, R-Union, Brown, Freeholder Chairman Linda Di Giovanni, Union County Manager Ann-Baran and Freeholder Waller-McLeod.

COUNTY NEWS

Authority planning for chaos

Should the bottom fall out on both the legal and congressional fronts, Colby said it may then be time to put a new plan in motion. Those plans, which Colby said UCUA officials are "finalizing," would involve reorganizing its contract with Ogden Martin Systems, the firm which operates the facility. When the contract was negotiated it was based upon the amount of waste... Colby said Colby and if incoming materials diminish, then it would make a case for reorganization. Officials declined to release specifics of the plan, fearing it would hurt the UCUA. "We're dealing with confidential areas," they explained, "reluctant that information would probably be a detriment to the authority."

Historic moment



Union County Freeholders Linda-Lee Kelly, left, and Frank Lohr, present a resolution to Susan Coon, administrator of the Department of Operational Services' Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs in honor of being selected to receive the Award of Recognition by the New Jersey State Historical Commission.

From the Editor's Notebook

Continued from Page B1) requested of its directors that they ask Weiss who owns the Post and to investigate the financial number of audits the Post has been forced to undergo by the U.S. Postal Service. No one in Union Township has uttered a word, and based on questions I have informally asked council members in Roselle Park throughout the last two years, I know none of them know anything about the audits of course. ... Where does this all lead? Last week the U.S. Postal Service ended a three-year "sanctioning" and revoked the Post's second class mailing permit. As of this week, the Post cannot mail at second class rates and is forbidden to publish legal notices. The publication does not meet the legal requirements to do so. For those who don't know, the Union Post is a non-affiliated sized publication based in Union Township but which is circulated among several towns in Union County. Depending on which year we're in, which audits was just completed, the circulation is either 14,000, 12,000, 6,000, 3,000 or 2,000. Although much has been written here about the Post, the potholes of the Union Township Committee will tell their constituents that they are among their best interests, yet play political games in terms of their eyes. Union Township Committee members know all along what was happening. How can they say they did not know when Raymond Worrall provided them with enough direction — on the record — for the Township Committee to begin its own investigation? How can they say they did not know when a columnist for the Post was the secretary of one of the committee members? Knowing how political and rotten Union Township government has become, we'd be too naïve to give any of these officials the benefit of the doubt. Yes, they'll be the first to say, "I had no idea," and the games will not have stopped. "To former Union Mayor Anthony Russo, what is your answer?" To former Union Mayor Jerome Pettit, what is your answer? To Commissioner John Paragono, what is your answer? To Mayor Greg Muller and Committee member Michael Calton and Rich McMillan, what is your answer? To former Committee member E. James Gray, Muller and Committee member Dominick Fargnoli, what is your answer? To Joe Rosette Park Borough Council, what is your answer? Your constituents have the right to know why you close to mislead your voters and officials. Help me help one person and use the people who contacted you with that power. It's time the answers started coming.

New program cuts toxins by recycling

Fluorescent bulbs and other mercury-containing lamps are being collected from area businesses and recycled under the Union County Utilities Authority's pilot program. The program has not only reduced recycling costs for county businesses, but the amount of mercury in the waste systems. "Recycling used and other types of industrial lamps, along with recycling batteries will greatly reduce mercury levels in the waste system," said Blanche Beneski, UCUA chairwoman. "Through this program, we will be able to recover 99.9 percent of the mercury from these lamps. Participating businesses can cut their costs and help the environment at the same time."

Workshop aids actors in finding employment

Would you like to participate in community theater? Do you know what kind of music to prepare or how to control your nerves? Would you like to be confident in conveying your talents to directors and producers? Well, there's help. On April 8 from 9 to 1 p.m., the Saturday Series for Success workshops will continue with "Marketing Yourself: A Workshop for Individuals in the Performing Arts" at Kean College, Union, in the Vaughn James Building, room 118.

Presented by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs in conjunction with Kean College of New Jersey, the workshop designed for both the professional and amateur performer, will teach the individual artist how to prepare for a musical theater audition. Freeholder Linda Lee Kelly, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, stated, "This workshop is designed to strengthen the skills of Union County's many wonderfully talented individual performing artists who must vie for that opportunity to be in the spotlight."

High school students can 'go to health'

Union County College will be participating in the program for public and private Union County high school students from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday at the college's Cranford campus. The youth health awareness conference will be conducted during the college's spring break. It will be cosponsored by the college's Department of Continuing Education and Community Services and the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Union County, Inc. About 400 attendees are expected.

College students 'stepping out' for babies

Members of the Kean College of New Jersey community will be stepping out" in Union County on April 30 to raise money for the March of Dimes' Campaign for Healthier Babies. This marks the fifth year the college has participated in the campaign. The March of Dimes Walk/America's event, its largest fund-raising, takes place annually nationwide the 18th week in April. The Union County walk begins at Union County College in Cranford, one of several locations in New Jersey.

COUNTY NEWS

Valerie Fund recognized for efforts

"Recognizing a New Jersey organization's long battle against cancer and blood disorders in children, Gov. Christine Whitman designated March as Valerie Fund Month. Valerie Fund and the five hospital-based Valerie Centers across the state for enabling New Jersey children to remain close to home while receiving first-class treatment."



Gov. Christine Whitman declares March as The Valerie Fund Month. In recognition of the organization's role in fighting cancer and blood disorders in children, with the governor's Jessica Viverito, seven months of Bedford, a Valerie Fund patient.

Valerie Fund recognized for efforts

The Valerie Fund is named after Valerie Goldstein, who died of cancer at age nine. While she was being treated in New York City, her family and friends made the daily trek back and forth from New Jersey. Following her death in 1976, they followed to make available the same level of care within their state, so other children could receive treatment without making frequent, exhaustive trips out of state. The next year, Valerie's friends and family created The Valerie Fund to provide accessible, comprehensive care for New Jersey children with cancer and blood disorders.

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Advertisement for "Interested in learning BACKYARD COMPOSTING?" Text: "Now is your chance to learn from the experts. Seven classes will be held for Union County residents this Spring." Includes dates from March 30 to June 6, 1995, and contact information for registration.

Large advertisement for "Salute to Local Business & Industry" featuring several local businesses. Includes: MAPLEWOOD NURSERIES (100 Springfield Ave., Springfield, NJ 201-376-7898), REMANUFACTURED ENGINES (BUILT & INSTALLED IN OUR SHOP), MACK BORING & PARTS COMPANY (2365 Route 22, Union, New Jersey 908-964-0700), and SPEEDY CAR WASH (Personalized Hand Detailing, 515 Lehigh Ave., Union).

Advertisement for "Interested in learning BACKYARD COMPOSTING?" (continued from above) and "REGISTRATION FEE-\$10.00". Text: "Each seminar includes a video presentation, a question and answer session and a 'hands on' composting demonstration." Includes contact information for Union County Utilities Authority.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Hettenbach pursues career in art after raising a family

By Bob Smith
Lifestyle Editor
Springfield artist Rosalie Hettenbach, who introduced her own style, DYNASTIC ART, during a month-long exhibition at the Springfield Public Library, is realizing her ambitions in her middle years.



Rosalie Hettenbach

"After being busy working in my husband's business and raising three children," she said, during a visit to the newspaper with her representative, "I finally had time to pursue my artistic career. I do wish, the school, that I had started 30 years ago, just."

'Oliver' will be staged



Kavanaugh Middle School students rehearse a scene from the musical 'Oliver'...

'Brigadoon' slated at Paper Mill

The Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, will present 'Brigadoon' from April 5 through May 28. Written by the same team that created 'My Fair Lady' and 'Camelot,' 'Brigadoon' is the story of two 20th Century Americans vacationing in the Scottish highlands.

'Pirates of Penzance' due



The Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, 44 Blackburn Road, Summit, will present the musical, 'The Pirates of Penzance,' March 23, 24 and 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Holmes will perform in benefit

Clin Holmes of Summit, entertainer of local arts events and winner of the Entertainer of the Year Award in Atlantic City, will be featured at a special benefit performance for the Westfield Symphony April 1 at the Hilton, Short Hills.

NJPAC introduces dance project

NJPAC Dance Academy, a pilot arts education project created by the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, will introduce the wonders of dance and the genius of Alvin Ailey to about 800 third-grade children in nine public schools in Union and Essex counties during the next 10 weeks.

Scholarship concert set

Kean College of New Jersey's music department will present its scholarship concert Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the college's Wilkie Theater. The department also will showcase 'The Women's Chorus' Chamber Ensemble April 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the East Campus Theater.

Music event

Phillip Levine, violinist, Thomas Vastoff, baritone, and Molly Serbin, pianist, will create 'A Musical Portrait,' a program, which they will present March 26 at 2:30 a.m. for the benefit of Temple Beth El of Elizabeth.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Youths' Art Festival set

The annual Union County Teen Arts Festival will take place on March 23 and 24, 1995, on the Cranford campus of Union County College.

Show set in Westfield

The Westfield Hadassah Chapter's 37th Annual Art Show and Sale will feature the pastel work of Jacqueline Chesley's Victorian paintings.

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Dining Review March 23, 1995
By Mark Hefernan

The Loading Dock
The look of a New York City bistro without the expense.
If there's one restaurant in Union County that's appropriately titled it's The Loading Dock in Garwood.
The Loading Dock, 78 North Ave., is designed for those who love to eat rich food and the menu itself, according to general manager Gregory Lind, has been tailored to satisfy the most often requested food combinations and flavors.
The Loading Dock, located at 78 North Ave., Garwood, features rich foods that won't lighten the wallet.

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The Loading Dock, located at 78 North Ave., Garwood, features rich foods that won't lighten the wallet.
As for the dining area, The Loading Dock has a unique art-deco style with tall walls and a high ceiling, the likes of which are usually found in posh Manhattan bistros.
But fear not, Nothing like New York City can be found in the prices of The Loading Dock's main courses.
Before I could go to my dinner, though, I found myself in the predicament of not being able to finish my wonderfully filling appetizer, ravioli stuffed with a meaty beef.
For the dining, there's a stuffed jalapeno pepper, while the conventional have plenty to choose from a selection of appetizers, including scallops, crab and clams. Other noteworthy options are chicken Alfredo and ravioli pasta florentine.
If you think you can squeeze in a dessert after all of that, you're a healthier eater than me! However, I was convinced to make my way through a caramel-apple gummy pie. You can't need to be a grumpy kid who the ingredients in that one!
Meanwhile, while you're loading up with food, the beer and wine opportunities in the area.

Real Estate

Weichert worker joins top sellers

Kathleen Gwaldis, a sales associate with Weichert Realtors' Union office, has won three regional listing awards for 1994 and qualified for the New Jersey State Million Dollar Club at the silver level for the third consecutive year.

Gwaldis, who has been listing and selling homes for nine years, also earned membership in Weichert's prestigious President's Club, which comprises the top one percent of the company's 7,000 sales associates.

Gwaldis, a consistent top producer, is a member of the Greater Eastern Union County Board of Realtors. She has earned numerous office, regional and company sales awards. Her 1994 achievements include membership in Weichert's Million Dollar Sales and Marketed Clubs and 2000 Marketed Club. She was also the recipient of Weichert Realtors' MVP Award.

Gwaldis may be reached for real estate transactions at Weichert Union office, 1307 Stuyvesant Ave., by calling (908) 687-4800.



James M. Weichert, left, president, congratulates Kathleen Gwaldis, a sales associate with Weichert Realtors' Union office, for her 1994 sales achievements.

Takeover by large company favored

Many owners of real estate firms are receptive to being acquired by a large company according to Bob Becker, president and chief operating officer of Coldwell Banker Schlotz.

Since January 1994, Coldwell Banker Schlotz has completed 13 such acquisitions. Six of the newly acquired firms are in New Jersey, two are in Connecticut, two are in Staten Island, and three are in Westchester County, N.Y.

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