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# Springfield Leader

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## Community Update

### Golf anyone?

The Springfield Fire Department's Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 57 has scheduled a fund-raiser golf outing for Nov. 13 at Baltusrol Country Club.

The FMBA is aiming to raise funds for its smoke detector distribution and Tot-Finder programs, as well as local youth sporting organizations and the St. Barnabas Burn Center.

Springfield residents and merchants wishing to participate in the outing may do so at a cost of \$250 per golfer. Availability is restricted to 120 golfers on a first-come, first-served basis.

In addition, merchants may sponsor either a hole or a tee at a cost of \$150. Sponsors will have a sign featuring their company's name displayed at the hole or tee.

All players will be eligible to win a Ford truck in the hole-in-one contest. Thus, all golfers will receive a tournament golf shirt, driving and putting green privileges, buffet brunch, use of a golf cart or caddy, invitation to the locker room and a post-tournament cocktail reception.

To obtain a registration form, call the Fire Department at 376-8558 or visit the department's headquarters in the rear of the Municipal Building.

### A clean sweep

The township's third annual Clean Communities Week has been scheduled for next month. Recycling Coordinator Molly Adams announced.

Individuals and organizations may volunteer for the cleanup effort, scheduled for the weekend of Sept. 30. Parks, playgrounds and streets will be swept of trash.

The township will supply gloves, trash bags, tools and refreshments, and everyone who lends a hand will receive a free souvenir T-shirt. For more information, or to sign up, call Adams at 912-2222.

### Police story

The Public Library invites the township's children to attend a talk by Police Officer Steven Stockl on Tuesday at 1 p.m.

Stockl will describe the nature of police work — including the role of a detective — and ways to prevent crime. There also will be a question-and-answer session.

For more information or to register, call the Children's Department of the library at 376-4930.

### Not at the video store

A 15-minute video depicting composting techniques is available for viewing at the Public Library.

The tape shows gardening and lawn-care methods that use leaves, weeds and grass clippings as organic alternatives for chemical fertilizers.

### Regional meeting

The Union County Regional High School Board of Education will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the library of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School.

## Slattery tears Democrat ticket

Candidate cites differences in style as reason for split from Hirschfeld.

By Jay Hochberg  
Managing Editor

The Democratic ticket in the election for this district's pair of General Assembly seats ended earlier this month, when candidate Kay Slattery split from running-mate Roy Hirschfeld.

Slattery, citing what she called a difference in campaigning methods, said she ended the partnership after she realized the pair couldn't agree on the content and style of campaign literature.

She also attributed her departure from the ticket to weeks of unsuccessfully trying to communicate with Hirschfeld.

"After the primaries, we agreed to pool our resources," she said. "But as time went on, it became more difficult to communicate. I had to leave messages on his answering machine, asking him to turn on his fax machine. I was frustrated."

The split has left the candidates competing against a unified Republican ticket, and, according to Hirschfeld, has created tensions between Slattery's campaign and the Springfield Democratic Party.

During an interview Tuesday, Hirschfeld said he is interested in dividing the funds raised during their partnership, and then fulfilling the legal campaign-finance reporting requirements.

"I was concerned about how it's to be distributed to two separate accounts," he added.

Both candidates said they want to avoid the appearance of hostility between them, but in commenting on their split, each has expressed displeasure with the other.

Slattery told of a meeting the two were to have with a group of Reston, saying Hirschfeld changed the meeting time without informing her.

She also said Hirschfeld failed to inform one of her supporters that breakfast fund-raiser had been canceled, due to lack of interest.

Slattery said she left the decision to cancel that breakfast up to Hirschfeld, while she was out of town. While she wouldn't fault him for calling off the event, Slattery said her running-mate "got panicky."

"You can push me to the wall, but once you push me to the wall, I'll fight back," she said.

"He has created the hostility 100 percent," she added. "From my point of view, it was not a hostile breakup. We live quite a distance from each other. I couldn't get him on the phone, and I was living with that inconvenience. In the end, I said, 'Let's be friends, but let's part ways.'"

Hirschfeld, who on Aug. 22 described Slattery's departure from the ticket as "a cardinal sin," said he was notified of the split upon receiving a fax from Slattery.

According to Hirschfeld, Slattery's decision was based not on differing campaign styles, but on "bad press" of which he has been the subject.

In recent weeks, the Springfield Leader has published a series of editorials critical of Hirschfeld, who also is a member of Springfield's Township Committee.

## Recall Committee misses deadline

By Jay Hochberg  
Managing Editor

Citing a looming deadline, the Recall Committee failed to organize a recall election of Deputy Mayor Herbert Soto abandoned its efforts last week.

Township Committee member JoAnn Holmes; her husband, Planning Board Chairman William Holmes and Local Assistance Board Secretary James Elekes said they hadn't enough time to collect the 2,185 signatures needed to put Soto's Township Committee seat on the November ballot.

The deadline for submitting the petition to the township passed Aug. 23.

"I never should have been done in the first place," Soto said Tuesday. "It was doomed to fail. It's over, finished and done with, and that's all I have to say about it."

In a prepared statement, JoAnn Holmes said a misunderstanding of the deadline date was the reason the Recall Committee failed.

"Originally, the Recall Committee was advised that our deadline would be Sept. 8, however, we were later advised it was Aug. 23," she said in the statement. "The loss of 16 full days would have put a great deal of pressure on our volunteers."

That statement is printed in its entirety on Page 6.

Referring to another option the committee may pursue, Holmes told the Springfield Leader a special election, rather than a recall vote, may be held either in November or December.

"The option to submit another letter of intent to call for a special election was discussed," she said. "However, it was quickly rejected, simply because it would have cost our residents some \$10,000 — and we were not about to let that happen. On the other hand, I am sure that we could raise the \$10,000 through donations, because there are that many residents who are fed up with the current leadership on our Township Committee."

The Recall Committee formed earlier this month in order to add Soto's seat to the November ballot. A sitting member of a municipal governing body may become the subject of a recall movement while serving his second of a three-year term. Soto's third year on the Township Committee begins Jan. 1, 1996.

The legal basis for the Recall Committee's actions stems from the recently enacted Uniform Recall Election Law. Springfield's Recall Committee was the first formed in the state. A similar movement now is active in Plainfield.

The municipal 1995 election involves two seats on the Township Committee. The Springfield Democratic Party's candidates are Mayor Maria Fortman and newcomer Arlene Newman. The Republicans are running former Mayor William Recco and Judith Blitzer.

## School district prepares for day one

By Cindy Gordon  
Staff Writer

While Springfield's children start the first day of school on Wednesday, they will face some changes in the school district.

One change this year is the revised schedule. The new school hours are as follows: Cassidown, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.; Caldwell, 8:35 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.; Sandmeier, 8:35 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.; Walton, 8:45 a.m. to 3:05 p.m.

The elementary schools will be a little quieter this year as kindergartners now will attend the Watson Early Childhood School. "The biggest change is the reorganization of the school district," said Ken Bernabe, principal of Caldwell School.

According to Bernabe, the elementary schools now will include grades 1-4, instead of K-4.

That's going to be an interesting change," said Bernabe. "Iaving had kindergartners in my building, that's a departure."

Another change for the upcoming school year will be the introduction of a new reading program for grades 1-6 in the elementary schools.

The new program is a mix of the traditional text with supplemental literary texts, to help teach vocabulary, writing skills and phonics.

The district technology plan will also be implemented this year, according to Bernabe. The computer will be used to "supplement and enrich instruction." Teachers will incorporate use of the Internet and America's On-Line into their classrooms to supplement the lessons.

"The professional staff and teachers have been taught computer operation, applications and software so that they can become proficient in teaching our students," said Bernabe.

Also according to Bernabe, Caldwell School is ready for the first day of school.

"Our building is prepared and we're ready to begin operations for See SCHOOLS, Page 2

## Board wants voters to decide future

By Mark Crudele  
Staff Writer

A majority of the members of the Union County Regional High School District Board of Education want to let the public decide the future of the district.

The board voted 5-4 Tuesday night to tell the state Department of Education that they don't want to take an official position on desegregation, which is the attempt to break up the six-town regional district, and would rather see the voters make the decision in a public referendum.

"The district was formed by the agreement of the residents of the six sending districts and the democratic process requires a referendum by the residents to dissolve it," said Berkeley Heights representative Thomas Foregger, reading the board's official statement.

"The best interests of the students of the district requires that we public participation and input on this important decision about the future structure of education in the six sending districts," he added.

The vote is a monumental shift in the position of the board regarding desegregation. Ever since the push to dissolve the district began, the board has been strongly supportive of the regional and has stood in the way of efforts, mainly by four sending towns, to dissolve.

But with new member Alok Chakrabarti announcing on Tuesday night that he has decided to also support a public vote, a faction that has been confined to the minority of the board's opinion is now in the majority.

"I believe that the people at large in these communities should have the final say in terms of how their high school will be governed," said Chakrabarti in telling the board his decision.

"As a board member would like to defer to my fellow voters in these townships to decide on this very important political question," he continued. "I therefore urge everybody to put this question to referendum and get an answer from the voters so that we can get on with our task of educating our children. That is the sole purpose of this board."

Superintendent Donald Merichuk, who has publicly defended the district in the past, refused comment after the meeting.

"The vote is very disappointing," said board President Jon Tob. "I feel as board members we should be supporting the regional. It has always been the position of the board to take into consideration the concerns of all students."

"You have people here who ran for the board strictly to derogationalize the district," said Springfield representative Theresa Licassi. "They are not here to do anything but that."

Kenilworth representative Robert Jeans said the split was especially gratifying for him. At one point the only member on the board who supported a public vote on dissolution, Jeans said he has repeatedly contested during his two years on the body that the district is wasting "time, effort and money" defuncting the regional when the public could be allowed to vote on its future.

"This view was not supported by the administration and some board members and every effort was made to block, hinder, and delay this issue while utilizing the full political, educational, legal and financial resources of the entire district," said Jeans.

"It is this representative's opinion that the time and effort used and the useless expenditure of tax dollars can no longer be tolerated," Jeans added.

The timing of Tuesday's events was based on a decision made by the commissioners of education, Jeans and three other board members had claimed that a document written by three board members who served on an ad hoc committee did not represent the opinion of the full board.

Joan Foregger, Carmine Vones of Mountainside and Ned E. Samburg of Springfield told Education Commissioner Leo Klagholz that the full board did not vote on the document and it should not be considered to represent the body.

In a letter to the board, Klagholz said the ad hoc committee's response was "defective in that no formal board action was taken to assure that it reflects the position of the board as a whole."



Kay Slattery  
Committed 'cardinal sin'



Roy Hirschfeld  
'Negative' campaigner

## Fire lane



Springfield and Summit firefighters extinguish the flames of a burning van on Route 78 East Tuesday morning. Upon seeing the fire in the back of her van while she was driving, Ingrid Noonan of Middlesex County pulled the vehicle onto the shoulder and fled with her toddler son. The blaze almost spread to the bush next to the highway, prompting concerns of a bigger danger. Traffic on the highway was backed up for miles as firefighters closed all eastbound lanes. Smoke from the van was visible from surrounding towns.





True lies

It almost seems like the Springfield Leader has some competition.

Earlier this month, the Democratic candidates for Township Committee mailed a flier to each household in town. Titled "The Truthful Times," this newsletter was intended to "set the record straight," according to its headline.

In "The Truthful Times," the Democrats say the Springfield Leader is the propaganda arm of the local Republican Party. In person, Mayor Marcia Forman has told our managing editor that she's sorry the Leader is the only newspaper in town.

This mentality is visible when one notices a pattern set by the local Democrats:

• In April, when the party was slapped with a 14-count indictment by the state Election Law Enforcement Commission, the Democrats blamed the Springfield Leader.

• When the ELEC expanded its inquiry, examining the campaign fund-raising techniques of Deputy Mayor Herb Slovic and Committee members Greg Clarke and Roy Hirschfeld, the party blamed the Springfield Leader.

• When the ELEC, in a unanimous vote, convicted the party of the first charges and levied fines in July, the Democrats blamed the Springfield Leader.

• In June, when the vote of the Democratic-controlled Township Committee to pay party official Planning Board Attorney Gary Nissenbaum an extra \$85-an-hour was exposed, they blamed the Springfield Leader.

• When the Democrats were caught illegally naming one of their major contributors to the Planning Board in July, the party blamed the Springfield Leader.

• Earlier this month, when the Democrats were caught attempting to oust William Holmes from the Planning Board chairmanship, the party blamed the Springfield Leader.

In "The Truthful Times," Forman and her running-mate, Arlene Newman, say the Leader relies on muckracking to boost circulation. It seems they are unaware that in this business, being called a muckraker is a welcome compliment. If they have that much of a problem with the political coverage in the Leader, they should at least make the attempt to stop generating quite so much muck. This edition of "The Truthful Times" likely will not be the last. That's fine with us: there's no shortage of space in the marketplace for ideas. If the Democrats want to get into the media business, we say "come on in, the water's fine."

It might even be a lucrative enterprise for the party. A Democrat Township Committee would be free to funnel township money into party coffers, by pushing the legal notices from the Leader and publishing them in the party's paper.

Total recall

The committee formed to organize a recall election in November of Herb Slovic has failed in its effort to oust the deputy mayor, but it was very successful in raising a bipartisan-street-cleaning committee. Slovic and his colleagues in the Democratic Party celebrate the committee's failure, but what remains unmentioned among polite Democrats is the resulting, persistent murmurs around town.

The Township Committee is expected to elect Herb Slovic mayor on Jan. 1, 1996. The opposition in town to such a move is so strong, there's already talk of starting a recall committee to remove Councilmen Greg Clarke and Roy Hirschfeld next year, should they support Slovic.

The ultimate recall occurs when voters tell their government to change direction. Whatever the outcome of the November elections, we predict the voter turnout will be unusually high.

The terminator

In politics, it is becoming increasingly difficult to shock people. Doing so requires unprecedented action — the Slovic recall movement, for example.

Even more surprising than that is the recent decision of General Assembly candidate Kay Slattery to abandon her running-mate, Township Committee member Roy Hirschfeld, terminating their Democratic committee-to-elect in the process.

According to Hirschfeld, she based her decision on some unflattering press he'd attracted. If Kay Slattery is going to panic and make rash decisions whenever something unpleasant happens, what in the world does she expect to accomplish in Trenton? One must wonder how Assemblywoman Slattery would function when she'll be the one scrutinized by newspapers or political foes.

This candidate unfamiliar with the notion that two heads are better than one? Has she heard of strength in numbers? Loyalty? Did she realize she would be pitting herself against three candidates instead of only the two Republicans?

If the continuing investigation of Hirschfeld by the state Election Law Enforcement Commission also played a part in her decision, we remind Slattery that in the United States, a suspect's innocence is presumed until guilt is established beyond a reasonable doubt. Hirschfeld has not been convicted; this mistreatment is as unwarranted as it is unprecedented.

Even the manner in which she informed Hirschfeld of her decision was tactless: She faxed him a letter. In addition, she said she wanted to split the money she'd raised so far. Remembering the ELEC probe of Hirschfeld's 1994 fund-raising activities, we urge Hirschfeld to be cautious on this one.

Keep your chin up, Roy. With running-mates like Kay Slattery, who needs opponents?

Springfield Leader advertisement with contact information and subscription details.

OPINION PAGE



A clean record helps, divisive tactics don't

I used to be a science teacher. I was a Little League volunteer. I have a lot of experience dealing with children. It is a good thing that I don't have a criminal record. It is not a good thing that I have a record of being a muckraker. It is not a good thing that I have a record of being a muckraker. It is not a good thing that I have a record of being a muckraker.

Be Our Guest

By Arlene Newman
show. Only these aren't little rascals. These are the men and women who want to govern us.

Recallers missed deadline, but did not fail

Be Our Guest

The decision to stop the recall effort against Deputy Mayor Herb Slovic was made Aug. 18 due to the slowness of the process to collect the 2,185 signatures required to place the question on the ballot.

Be Our Guest

The naming of Bruce Bergen as township attorney. What a mistake when they can't even handle their own affairs. Adding to this is the Public Library which has been closed for a year.

letters to the editor

Put the politicians to work

To the Editor:
Angry about that poll that hasn't been fixed? If you are, and live near the Delaware River in Pennsylvania, then you would call your mayor, who'd then go back home but he to that inflected road mark.

Bradley is a deserter

To the Editor:
On "Meet the Press" on Aug. 30, Sen. Bill Bradley paraded a line from an old TV show titled "You Asked For It." He asked those listening to give him "ideas how to help make a better America."

Will Arlene Newman ever address an issue?

Be Our Guest

By William Ruocco and Judy Blitzer
about her displeasure with affordable housing in Springfield. How about the total lack of planning over the "Library's" air-conditioning and the fact that Springfield has spent more than \$85,000 in 1995 for air-conditioning.

Thanks for all your help

To the Editor:
The National Association of Letter Carriers, branch 1492 and the United States Postal Service would like to thank all the residents and businesses of Mountainide and Westfield, the students of Deerfield School, and the Holy Trinity School in Westfield for their charitable donations during our 1995 food local carrier.

ARTLAB for Kids advertisement: Where imagination leads to discovery. Fall art classes now forming. Pre-K - Children 5-14 - Adult Drawing and Painting. Fall Session Begins September 6.

What's in a name? advertisement listing various luxury watch brands: DAVID BURMAN, BAUME & MERCIER, Cartier, MIKIMOTO, EBEL, Henery, DUNOY, MOVADO, OMEGA, Piaget, TIFFANY & CO, RADO.

Great values at Marsh advertisement: 260 Millbrook Ave., Westbury, NY 11591. Open Mon thru Sat 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Tel: 516-334-1800. Fax: 516-334-1801.

Witty's advertisement for liquor and cordials, featuring "HAPPY LABOR DAY" specials. Includes prices for various liquors like Labatt's, Heineken, Miller, etc., and cordials like Amaretto, Triple Orange, etc.







### Boffa and Voorhees to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Boffa of New Providence, formerly of Springfield, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Marianna Boffa to Donald Joseph Voorhees, son of Joanne Zarelli Voorhees of Springfield and Donald R. Voorhees of Alpha, formerly of Springfield.

### Temple's pre-school to open next month

Temple Sha'aray Shalom pre-school, located at 78 South Springfield Ave. in Springfield, has openings available in its fall programs. The programs offer young children a nurturing and secure school atmosphere where physical and social growth are encouraged through creative, "hands-on" activities.

### Congregation Israel schedules lecture

On Sept. 17 at 8:30 p.m., Congregation Israel will offer its annual Teshuva lecture in preparation for the High Holy Days. It is the practice for Jews to reflect on their actions and activities to prepare for the New Year.

### Stop for buses

Some motorists may be unaware of the law regarding school buses. Following are guidelines provided by the Division of Motor Vehicles:

## obituaries

**Joseph F. Varga**  
Joseph F. Varga, 73, of Mountside died Aug. 22 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.  
Born in Nutley, Mr. Varga lived in Bloomfield and Roselle Park for 22 years before moving to Mountside.

**Herbert Haase**  
Herbert Haase, 73, of Mountside died Aug. 22 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.  
Born in Greiz, Germany, Mr. Haase lived in Irvington before moving to Mountside 45 years ago.

**Max Horwitz**  
Max Horwitz, 66, of Springfield died Aug. 27 in Morristown Memorial Hospital.  
Born in Newark, Mr. Horwitz lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield 20 years ago.

**Mary Jo Priest**  
Mary Jo Priest, 34, of Springfield died Aug. 20 in her home.  
Born in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Miss Priest lived in Ohio and moved to Springfield 10 years ago.



### Klein-Zignoli marry in July

Susan Jill Klein, daughter of Louis and Judith Klein of Springfield, and James S. Zignoli II of Springfield, son of Elaine and James Zignoli of Irvington, were married July 23 at the Richmond Regency in Verona.

# UNION COUNTY NEWS

WORRALL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1995 SECTION B

## County Seat Is the ocean the best route for planes?

By Mark Crudele Staff Writer  
Eight years ago, Glenn Bales devised a flight plan for the entire eastern seaboard. Now, he regrets it.

In my 40 years with the FAA, I never looked at what was on the ground when I was making flight plans. Bales said, "I only looked at the airspace."  
Bales' plan is the one that most legislators cite when they talk about excessive airplane noise over Union County. And as a consultant for state citizens groups, he says it's time to change that.

Unless you go over the ocean, you'll affect someone at some time. — Glenn Bales, Federal Aviation Administration  
After the meeting, Ogden and she...  
"There were to be an honest disagreement, but there is too much at stake here," Ogden said.

## Council reaches out to unite diversity

By Chris Gatto Regional Editor  
A bipartisan citizen group has announced its plans to serve as a vehicle for the implementation of the governor's diversity agenda in Union County.

The Inclusion Council of Union County's formation was announced during a press conference last week when Secretary of State Lonna Hoodles chaired the group under the state's "Many Faces, One Family" program umbrella.  
Hoodles, who said the council was the first of its kind, told attendees that people may become involved in order to address "stressors" which exist between various groups of the state's population.



The Inclusion Council of Union County formed last week during a press conference. From left: Sophie Kauchak, Mary Patricia Keefe, Secretary of State Lonna Hoodles, Chairman Veronica Desmond and Vice Chair...

The council's regional goals will not stop in Union County, said Desmond, who oversees three boundary groups: one each in the south, north and central portions of New Jersey. The council will work to change the name of the building in Union County.

## College's acting chief is looking for higher standards

By Chris Gatto Regional Editor  
When he stepped into the Kean College campus last week, Hank Ross was greeted by a warm welcome. There were a lot of hugs.



Hank Ross, acting president of Kean College of New Jersey, looks over papers in his Townsend Hall office.

Ross' plan is to restore leadership to the college, reduce some of the tensions which have existed between assorted groups and refocus energies on campus by strengthening some of the college's programs.  
"The 50-year-old acting president says he thinks it is a pivotal time for the college, and welcomes the task which lies ahead."

Photo by Barbara Koblitz  
Hank Ross, acting president of Kean College of New Jersey, looks over papers in his Townsend Hall office.

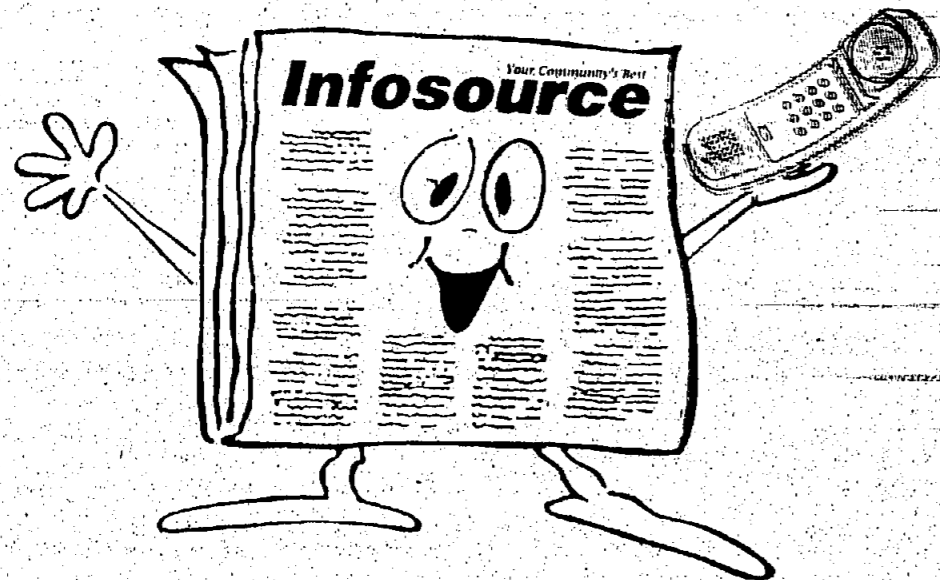
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<b>ParentCraft / Childbirth Classes</b> <b>On-going Lamaze</b> <i>Preparation for Childbirth, taught by R.N.s certified as Childbirth Instructors</i> Call for times; Fee: \$85; Preregistration Required 908-522-2946	<b>Here's To Your Health, Seniors</b> <b>September 12</b> Cooking Demonstration 9:00-11:00AM; No Charge <b>Senior Aerobic Class</b> <i>Low-impact aerobic</i> Summit Housing Authority (Community Room) 100-12-45PM; 12-50-1-55PM; Every Tues.; Monthly fee: \$12
<b>September 6</b> <b>Lamaze Review</b> <i>Lamaze technique refresher for parents</i> 7:30PM; Fee: \$65; Preregistration Required 908-522-2946	<b>Health Courses</b> <b>September 12</b> <b>Weight Management &amp; Exercise</b> <i>Individualized 12-week program; taught by Registered Dietitian &amp; Exercise Physiologist</i> Adult 21 yrs & older 7:30-7:30PM; Fee: \$295 (\$195 without exercise)
<b>September 9 &amp; September 16</b> <b>Infant Care/Breast Feeding</b> <i>Diagnosis, film &amp; exercises</i> focus on city of newborn 7:30PM Fee: \$30; Infant Care: \$20; Breast Feeding: \$20 Preregistration Required 908-522-2946	<b>Living Well With Diabetes - Foot Care</b> Speaker: Hollington Y. Tong, M.D., Podiatrist Berkeley Heights Community Center 10:00-11:00AM; Fee: \$10
<b>September 14</b> <b>Sibling Class</b> <i>Help your children to welcome their new sibling; visit Overlook's Mother-Baby Unit</i> 5:00PM; Fee: \$25 for 1 Child & \$7 per additional Preregistration Required 908-522-2946	<b>Personal Nutrition Counseling and Weight Control</b> <i>One-on-one counseling sessions with a Registered Dietitian</i>
<b>September 16</b> <b>VBAC</b> <i>Options for Pregnant Woman and Partner who plan vaginal birth after a Cesarean</i> 9:00AM-1PM; Fee: \$60 Preregistration Required 908-522-2946	<b>Individualized Programs</b> <b>Personal Fitness Counseling</b> <i>One-on-one counseling sessions with an Exercise Physiologist</i>
<b>Health Screenings</b> <b>September 11</b> <b>Cholesterol</b> 6:00-8:00PM; Fee: \$9	<b>September 14</b> <b>Living Well with Diabetes</b> Speaker: Nancy Wilderent, WYCA Exercise Instructor; 1:00-2:30PM; Fee: \$10
<b>September 23</b> <b>Cholesterol</b> 9:00-11:00AM; Fee: \$9	<b>Pounds Aweigh</b> <i>Weekly weight loss program; begin anytime</i> Multiple Regional Dietitians 100-10-45AM; Fee: \$25; Registration: \$7 per week
<b>September 19 &amp; September 21</b> <b>Prostate</b> <i>Prostate exam plus PSA Blood Test</i> Medical Arts Ctr.; Rm: L01 6:00-9:30PM; Fee: \$10	<b>Health Forums</b> <b>September 12</b> <b>"What Does The Hospital's Consultation Mean to Me?"</b> Speaker: Michael J. Sniffen, Overlook Hospital's President & CEO 7:30-8:30PM; Free Admission
<b>Support Groups*</b> Alcohol & Drug Therapy • Alcoholic Anonymous • Alzheimers • Cancer • Better Breathing • Brain Tumors • Breast Cancer • Congestive Heart Failure • Diabetes • 12 Step Coping (American Cancer Society) • Immune Deficiency Syndromes (Chronic Fatigue) • Lyme Disease • Multiple Sclerosis • Orton Dyslexia Society • Ostomy • Parents of children with Cancer • Resolve Through Sharing • Stroke	<b>Children &amp; Adolescents</b> <b>September 14</b> <b>Step (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting)</b> <i>Practical approach to parent/child relationship</i> 7:30PM; Fee: \$75; Preregistration Required 908-522-2946
	<b>September 25 &amp; 26</b> <b>Pediatric Orientation</b> <i>Kindergarten Classes visit Overlook</i> Schools call: 908-522-5353; No Charge
	<b>September 19</b> <b>"Employment in the 90's - Job Uncertainty"</b> Speaker: Charles Sachs, Overlook Hospital's Director of Psychiatric Services 7:30-9:00PM; Free Admission
	<b>September 20</b> <b>"Compulsive Gambling, The Addiction of the 90's"</b> <i>An overview of compulsive gambling and its effect on the gambler and the family</i> Speakers: Arnie & Sheila Weber Wallace Auditorium; 7:00PM; Fee: \$10

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### COUNTY NEWS

## Ross to target university status for Kean

(Continued from Page B1)  
 If Ross inevitably gets the nod, he would make among his priorities whether Kean should move to university status. A number of other state colleges recently have gone that route. This has been a desire expressed by many people. I think that's feasible, but that's something that has to be decided by the campus community. Ross said: "He noted that it would involve some strengthening of the graduate area, not that modest, but it would involve some strengthening of programs. Another item Ross sees as vital, or restoring the college's funding base. Kean College is among the eight state colleges that receive the lowest level of state funding, said Ross. It receives about \$1,000 per full-time student below the state average. The state's system of funding colleges and universities changed about 12 years ago, and Kean has been negatively affected, Ross said. Funding used to be based on enrollment, but now funds are awarded based on a college's previous year's budget. When the state changed this system, Ross said it allowed colleges to do what they wished in terms of enrollment. "A lot of schools took the opportunity to cut their enrollments. What it did," he said, "was to increase their funding on a per-student basis." But Kean remained "committed to providing opportunities, and we are an institution which really is a college of opportunity. With standards of excellence," he said. After a certain point, the impact on funding becomes cumulative, said Ross, who noted there had been a deleterious impact on programs. "We enroll about 7,500 students. That's a \$7.5 million annual shortfall against the state average," he said.

On the subject of speakers, with student leaders, with administrators, with different ethnic groups, with all kinds of committees — the union, the faculty senate, executive committee and so on — and basically what I shared with them was an approach that I had outlined when I initially met with the board of trustees in June when I was first appointed," he said. "I said, in my mind, there were three major priorities the college would have to face in the years ahead. They're basic, they're fundamental, and they go to the heart of what we need to do as an institution in my judgment and I certainly invited input in response to these priorities." While only time will tell if those wounds can be mended, one thing's for sure: If Ross does become college president, neighbors' complaints of having to dodge baseballs will be short-lived.

## Ocean cited as best route

(Continued from Page B1)  
 said Barry Valentino, FAA's assistant administrator for Policy, Planning and International Aviation, when announcing the results last month. The FAA expects its new routes, which they should have in place by 1996, to provide jet noise relief for 18,755 Union County residents. But Bales argued that ocean routing would reduce jet noise for far greater numbers of residents. He said it would be close to 703,000 residents, while the Port Authority claim it would only help 420,000. Daily projects ocean routing would cost airlines \$72 million in increased travel time and delays. Bales said it would only be \$15 million more. The FAA is accepting public comment until Sept. 11, when it will finalize its decision.

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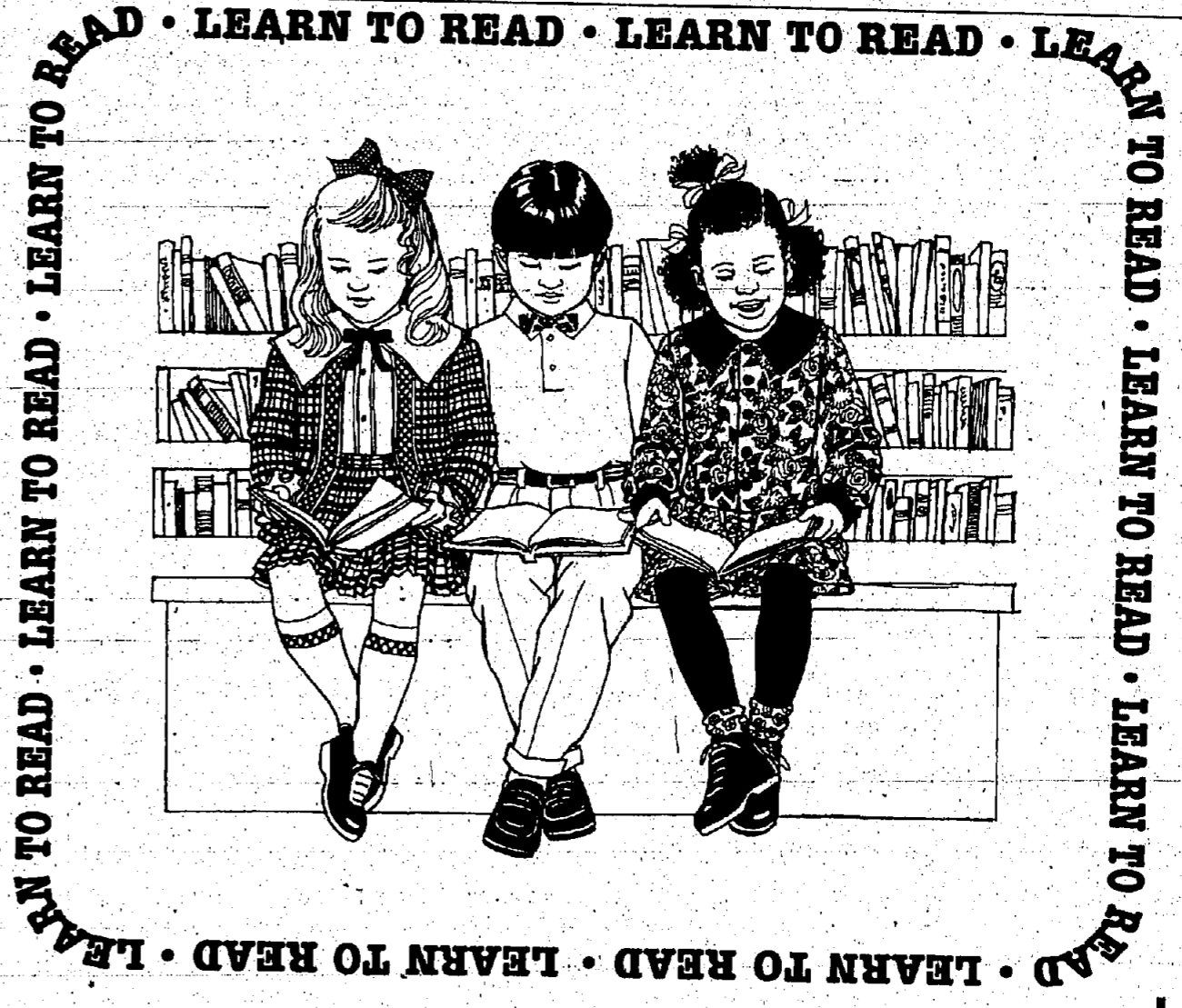
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Conrad puts an audience under his hypnotic spell

By Lisa Ann Ballito
Arts and Entertainment Editor
Performer Gary Conrad has a successful show when members of his audience fall asleep.



Gary Conrad

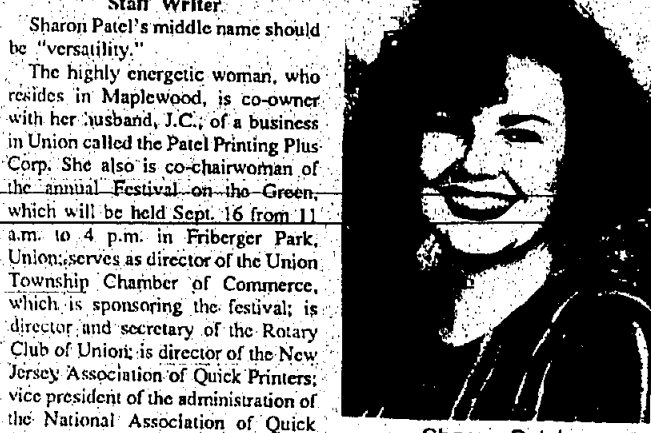
think they are Chippendale's dancers and most of them will take their shirts off. However, if a person is uncomfortable with his body or if he doesn't like this kind of thing, he won't do it. You can't make people do anything they find repugnant or reprehensible," he said.



Hypnotist Gary Conrad puts them under during a recent performance.

sleeping, and people in this frame of mind're not controlled by him. "At any time they can leave," he said. "This can get a scary time if they want if they think it's not to their liking. It is the job of a skilled performer to make them want to stay."

Woman is a force behind Union's Festival on the Green



Sharon Patel

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer
Sharon Patel's middle name should be "versatility."

She said she loves the festival and she loves being busy. "I was honored to be asked to be co-chairwoman, and my duties include overseeing the committee, coordinating all the sub-committees and holding regular meetings from April through September, plan, follow up plan, follow up."

Encouraged by the success of the recent five venture into performing arts education — "SummerStage" — the Union County Arts Center has scheduled a full week of weekly dance and vocal classes. The program begins on Monday, August 28, at 10 a.m. in the center's dance studio.

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Center slates variety of classes

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Worrall Community Newspapers Dining Review August 31, 1995

By Robin Wallace
Staff Writer
For Chinese food lovers looking for a premium quality meal at a reasonable price, the Union Chinese Restaurant at 1725 Morris Ave. in Union offers a delightful dining experience.

Advertisement for Union Chinese restaurant featuring photos of staff and menu items.

Residents pull together for festival

A group of 23 local residents combined talents to produce this year's Festival on the Green, Union Township's 22nd annual arts and crafts show.

Worrall Community Newspapers Dining Out

Advertisement for Dining Out feature in Worrall Community Newspapers.

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Advertisement for Chestnut Tavern & Restaurant featuring 46 years in Union and various menu items.

Greek Festival

Advertisement for Greek Festival at St. Demetrios Church, featuring food, music, and dance.

Advertisement for The Broadway Diner featuring a complete dinner for \$7.95 and \$8.95.

Advertisement for Union Chinese Restaurant featuring a special buffet for \$4.95 to \$6.50.

Advertisement for Benihana Japanese Steakhouse featuring a chef's special dinner for two for \$27.00.

End of the Summer Dining

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Paper Mill opens season with musical 'Nine'

The musical 'Nine' winner of five Tony Awards including Best Musical, opens Paper Mill's 1995-96 season on Wednesday and runs through Oct. 15. Written by Maury Yeston, music and lyrics by Arthur Kopit, book 'Nine' is based on Italian film director Federico Fellini's autobiographical musical 'Satyricon'.

Thursday matinees at 2 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. All seats performance has been added on Oct. 10 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$31 to \$46. Visa and Mastercard are accepted; \$10 student rush tickets are available 15 minutes before curtain.



The Paper Mill Playhouse opens the new season with the five-time Tony Award-winning musical 'Nine', Wednesday through Oct. 15. Playwright Arthur Kopit, left, and composer/lyricist Maury Yeston, right foreground, are working with the Paper Mill's scenic designer Michael Anania, center, and artistic director Robert Johanson on a new staging concept.

Dealing with cancer

The New Jersey Division of the American Cancer Society has a toll-free 800 number. The service provides information for patients, families and the general public on all aspects related to cancer, including causes, prevention, detection, treatment and patient services.

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Slots remain open for county vo-tech courses

There is still room for more students in the 126 full- and part-time, day and evening courses being offered by the Union County Vocational-Technical School as they begin their operational year. The fall semester will get underway with the opening of the day session on Wednesday, the Division of Continuing Education's evening classes start on Sept. 18 with the exception of Manicuring/Nails Technology and Cosmetology which open on Sept. 13.

Welcome back



St. Mary's High School in Elizabeth is nearly open for freshmen on Wednesday. Mike Lewicki and Wilfredo Martinez of St. Mary's staff put the finishing touches on the new gymnasium floor.

Legal research taught at Horizon

The Horizon Institute of Paralegal Studies, with day and evening classes in Linden and evening sessions in Madison, offers a unique and enjoyable educational experience. The institute, which has operated since 1979, is approved by the State of New Jersey Department of Vocational Education and all of its teachers are practicing attorneys.

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## Quality of education impacts on property values

Children returning to school this fall may not be thinking about real estate, but the quality of the education they receive will have a profound impact on the value of their parents' homes.

According to Bob Becker, president and chief operating officer of Coldwell Banker Scholtz, Realtors, school quality tops the list of home shoppers' considerations in assessing the desirability of a community. Homebuyer interest in schools is borne out by more than 200 calls per month to Coldwell Banker Scholtz's HomeMatch consulting program.

HomeMatch is a program by which real estate consultants provide free information to home-shoppers over the telephone regarding the characteristics of specific communities and markets.

"According to our consultants, callers ask about school quality more than any other factor," Becker said. "This has remained remarkably consistent since HomeMatch began taking calls a year ago."

HomeMatch consultants draw upon a customized computer database to answer telephone inquiries regarding a broad range of issues. The database contains detailed profiles of communities, including information on schools, religious institutions, restaurants, recreational facilities, commuting distances, zoning ordinances, average home prices, taxes, economic climate, day-care centers, cultural opportunities, shopping and other factors.

Becker says questions about schools are fairly specific and pertain to a number of areas:

"People have questions regarding class size, student-teacher ratio, high school on-site offerings and special services such as programs for the gifted or handicapped," he said. "HomeMatch consultants can address all of these areas by accessing the school profiles in our databases."

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Classes begin on Sept. 18 at the Raritan Road campus of the Union County Vocational-Technical School.

According to John Crowley, supervisor, the purpose of the program is to encourage recent high school dropouts to pursue a high school diploma in a setting geared to their specific needs. Credit may be awarded for both academic achievement and life experience.

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Dania Aguero, Katherine Logan and Juliana Johnson of the Westfield Dance Company.

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According to a recent study from the University of Michigan, teenagers growing up in the '90s face more "adult" stress than any previous generation. The mental and physical pitfalls that can befall a youth have been multiplied by the damage that divorce, drugs and disease have caused. For this reason, problems that may affect a teen's identity are often ignored as parents focus more on their child's safety than self-image.

Yet, it's important to note that "minor" problems such as acne can also seriously affect a teen-ager's life. Acne can damage a teen's self-image and lead to both emotional and physical scarring. Understanding the causes and treatment of acne will help teens control additional problems.

The exact cause of acne is unknown. Nonetheless, many factors play a role, including physical and emotional stress, heredity, environment, hormones and some cosmetics and skin-care products. As a result, there is no instant solution for the problem, and the degree to which it can be controlled is individual. However, treatments are available to manage the disease by reducing its severity.

Rated in grades from 1 to 4, acne can range from a few pimples to nodular cystic acne. In most cases, teen-agers with grades 3 or 4 should be under dermatologic care. Teens with grade 1 or 2 can often treat their problem with products that can be purchased at the drugstore. Whether a teen has grade 1 or 4, the treatment of acne must include a gentle and preventive skin-care regimen.

Although "teen-agers" with resistant grades of any kind, it's important for those with acne-prone skin to cleanse conscientiously. While acne is not caused by dirt, washing the face twice a day helps remove excess oil, bacteria and dead cells from the skin's surface. Acne cannot be "cured" by a single big event, but it can be managed with proper care and gentle cleansers like Neutrogena Oil-Free Acne Wash, a gentle, alcohol-free facial cleanser that deep-cleanses without irritation.

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TEEN ART COLLECTION MOVES TO FANWOOD: The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation, announced the Fanwood Memorial Library at North Avenue and Tillison Road in Fanwood will host the Union County Teen Art Touring Exhibit for the month of September.

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Rosalind Minlman of Springfield poses with one of her works.

Trio will exhibit at library: The work of three artists will be exhibited at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Library through Oct. 2. Rosalind Minlman, a resident of Springfield, will be exhibiting paintings. She received a "Best in Show" award at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit, as well as honorable mentions in Union County and South Orange. Minlman likes to paint not only what she sees but what she feels when she sees a flower, a figure, a landscape or whatever it is that captures her interest and imagination.

What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1995. EVENT: Flea Market. PLACE: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 124 Prospect St., Irvington, 374-9377. TIME: 10 AM to 1 PM. PRICE: Free and used items. ORGANIZATION: Redeemer Lutheran Church. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1995. EVENT: Flea Market. PLACE: First Congregational Christian Church, 1240 Clinton Avenue, Irvington, NJ. TIME: 10 AM to 1 PM. PRICE: Free and used items. ORGANIZATION: First Congregational Christian Church, Fund Committee.

Consumer info: Some of the most important information never reaches the people for whom it is intended because they are unaware of where to find it. Tax and charity dollars go to support many state and county activities. The information they provide is invaluable. Residents who want to report any problems with vehicles can call (609) 292-7172 for air and water pollution complaints. Federal agency information is available by calling (201) 645-3600.

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ARE YOU OLDER? Single white male, age 58, 5'11" and weight 185 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes. I am divorced and looking for a single female age 45 to 55, who is ready to settle down. I am looking for a long-term relationship. I am looking for a man who is ready to settle down.

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ARE YOU INTERESTED? Attractive, professional female, age 35, 5'6", 125 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes. I am a single mom who loves to travel and enjoy my free time. I am looking for a nice, successful, professional single male who is ready to settle down. I am looking for a long-term relationship. I am looking for a man who is ready to settle down.

ARE YOU THE ONE? Single white male, age 45, 5'10", 175 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes. I am a single dad who loves to travel and enjoy my free time. I am looking for a nice, successful, professional single female who is ready to settle down. I am looking for a long-term relationship. I am looking for a woman who is ready to settle down.

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