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### Township Committee names 1996 board members

The Springfield Township Board of Supervisors today named the members of the 1996 board. The board will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at 8 p.m. in the township office.

The board members are: Gregory Clark, Joseph A. Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark, Gregory Clark.

### Brooks case referred to Attorney General

The Springfield Township Board of Supervisors today referred the case of Gregory Clark to the Attorney General. The case involves a dispute over the township's financial records.

### Board presents 1996 budget

The Springfield Township Board of Supervisors today presented the 1996 budget to the township residents. The budget includes a 2% increase in the property tax rate.

### Civic Calendar

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| Jan. 25 | Board of Supervisors Meeting |
| Jan. 26 | Board of Supervisors Meeting |
| Jan. 27 | Board of Supervisors Meeting |
| Jan. 28 | Board of Supervisors Meeting |
| Jan. 29 | Board of Supervisors Meeting |

### Springfield Recreation Department announces coming events

The Springfield Recreation Department is pleased to announce the following events for the month of January: Ice skating, ice hockey, and ice fishing.

### Severage Authority building

The Springfield Sewerage Authority is planning to build a new sewage treatment plant. The plant will be located on the north side of the township.

### Care Station food drive a success

The Care Station food drive was a great success. The drive collected over 10,000 pounds of food for the needy.

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STUDENT UPDATE

Deerfield student receives musical honors
Kristin Johans, a seventh-grade student at Deerfield School in Mountaineer, was honored as one of the top music students in the Manhattan School of Music Preparatory Division during a recent awards ceremony.

Awards were presented to students who obtained straight A's in all courses during the 1995-96 school year. Johans plays French horn in the Symphony Orchestra under the direction of James Sadevick of New York and sings with the Festival Choir directed by Christine Jankowski of Pittsburgh. She also attends courses in theory and ear-training as part of the Manhattan School of Music Saturday curriculum.

The Festival Choir will be singing Mahler's Symphony No. 8 with the MSM University Orchestra at the Riverside Church in New York on March 24. They will also be performing at the Hart School of Music in Hartford, Ct. on March 9, the Brooklyn Plymouth Church on March 23 and will present their annual Spring Concert on May 18 at MSM. The Symphony Orchestra will be featured in concert in Boston Auditorium at MSM on March 10 and 11.

During the 1995 school year, Johans was accepted into the Central New Jersey Region II Intermediate Orchestra on French horn and the Region II Intermediate Chorus. She also performed with the Union-Morris County Joineur Band and was a member of the Deerfield musical cast. Since 1993, Johans has been chosen as a scholarship student for an eight-week program at the National Art Camp in Interlachen, Mt. where she is a French horn and voice major.

Local scholars earn Oak Knoll honors

The Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child announced two Springfield students have earned the Summit school's top honors for the first trimester.

Seventh grader Christine Curran earned first honors by receiving grades no lower than A.

Eleventh grader Jennifer Sanyal has been named to the honor roll for receiving grades no lower than B.

Quinnipiac honors Mountaineer scholar

Matthew Gardella of 321 Partridge Run joins the ranks of Quinnipiac College's best scholars. The physical therapy major is a member of the dean's honor list for the 1995 fall semester.

Quinnipiac, a coeducational nonsectarian institution, offers more than 47 undergraduate and graduate-level degree programs leading to careers in health sciences, business, liberal arts, education, communications and law.

Dayton alum receives doctorate, honors

Eric Laper, an '88 graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, was presented with two awards when he received a doctorate of chiropractic at the New York Chiropractic College Commencement Ceremonies held Dec. 3, 1995. Laper was presented with the Ernest J. Napollitano Memorial Award for his role as an exceptional communicator and leader. He also received the alumni class president award. Finally, he graduated as a member of the chiropractic profession's national honor society, Phi Chi Omega, for maintaining an academic average of 3.5 or above for at least three consecutive semesters. The son of Lewis and Sybil Laper of Springfield, Laper earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from Rutgers College in 1992.

Walton plans kindergarten registration

Registration dates for the Springfield public schools pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs have been set.

Registration for pre-kindergarten classes and children eligible for kindergarten in September, who are not enrolled in the Walton School Early Childhood Center pre-kindergarten program, may be registered Tuesday from 10-11 a.m. or 1-2 p.m. for students whose last names begin with letters A-E, Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. or 1-2 p.m. for students whose last names begin with letters F-K, Feb. 1 from 10-11 a.m. or 1-2 p.m. for students whose last names begin with letters L-Q, Feb. 8 from 11 a.m. or 1-2 p.m. for students whose last names begin with letters R-Z.

Registration will be held at Walton. Parents are requested to call the school at 376-1304 to confirm a date and time of, if necessary, to schedule an alternative registration session.

To be eligible, a child must be a resident of Springfield and be four years old on or before Dec. 1, 1996. Children entering kindergarten must reach their fifth birthday by this date.

Deerfield schedules 1996-97 registration

Deerfield School announced its registration for 1996-97 kindergarten classes. Registration and screening will be held by appointment Feb. 12, Feb. 13 and Feb. 15. Appointments for registration and screening will begin at 8:45 a.m.

Parents are requested to call Susan Nugent to make an appointment for the screening that will be conducted by kindergarten teachers, a speech therapist and an occupational therapist. Barbara Komoroski, Deerfield's guidance counselor, will assist with screening.

Parents should call Deerfield School at 272-8928 to receive forms that should be completed and returned at registration. Children being registered should be five years of age by Oct. 1, 1996. A birth certificate and proof of residency need to be presented to Nugent at the time of the appointment.

Dinner/dance benefits aid program

The 42nd annual Delbarton dinner dance, sponsored by the Fathers and Friends of Delbarton, will be held Feb. 3 at the Madison Hotel in Convent Station. The Red and Regina Keller Scholarship Fund, which benefits Delbarton School financial-aid programs, will receive all proceeds from the black-tie affair.

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The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a cocktail reception in the conservatory to be followed at 7 p.m. by dinner and dancing. There will be full valets of table games such as blackjack, roulette, poker, and Big Wheel, with all players' winnings being converted into chances on an array of big-ticket Chinese auction prizes.

Culinary arts major participates in co-op

Brian Asch of Mountaineer, a culinary arts major at Johnson & Wales University, is participating in the school's cooperative education program, this semester at Breakers Country Club, West Palm Beach, Fla. He is the son of Mark and Lisa Asch of 302 Meeting House Lane, Mountaineer and is a graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

Students are chosen for this program on the basis of classroom performance, cumulative grade average, faculty recommendations and personal interviews. Selected students become salaried staff members in prestigious, university-approved establishments for one trimester. They work 40 hours per week, earn university credits and experience a variety of work assignments with their co-employers.

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Students thank special people during brunch

Seventh-graders at Summit Middle School took time out during the busy holiday season to say "thank you" to some very special people in their lives.

In a project sponsored by the seventh-grade Language Arts Department, students wrote essays honoring a person who they felt has made a positive impact on their lives.

The project culminated with a "Special People" brunch held in the middle school cafeteria to which honorees were invited to hear some of the complimentary essays read by students and to enjoy a buffet brunch.

"This is a great opportunity for the students to give a pat on the back and a special hug to people who are important to them," said English teacher Downs-Marlane, who coordinated the project.

Martino credited Emil George, middle school vice principal, with ideas to develop the writing project to include the brunch.

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Summit Middle School seventh-grader Miles Moriarty is joined by his grandfather, James Moriarty of Manalapan, during the recent special People brunch held at the middle school cafeteria.

Mario also credited Emil George, middle school vice principal, with ideas to develop the writing project to include the brunch.

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Blizzard has no vacation for school staff

A decision to close schools or to delay the opening because of the blizzard is not a decision made in haste.

According to Superintendent of Schools Michael Knowlton, a 9:45 a.m. snow day was called at 4:45 a.m. when he begins receiving calls from Roger Jarman, the district's supervisor of buildings and grounds,

who keeps him apprised of weather conditions in the city, particularly around school buildings.

Knowlton is also in touch with the Summit Police Department, and by 5:30 a.m. he has contacted other area school superintendents to trade thoughts on what decisions should be made.

"The decision to close schools or to delay the opening by two hours must be made by 5:45 a.m.," said Knowlton, who begins the district's intricate telephone chain by informing staff and students that they can enjoy some extra sleep.

"School closing decisions are based upon the best information and weather predictions that we have available early that morning," said Knowlton.

Oak Knoll holds seasonal open house

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, 44 Blackburn Road, Summit, will hold its annual Spring Open House on Feb. 4 at 2 p.m.

Parents and prospective students from the area are invited to attend Open House to learn more about the academic and religious programs, sports and extracurricular activities. Guests will meet the faculty and tour the campus.

Oak Knoll School, an independent, Catholic day school, currently enjoys a record enrollment of 500 students from Essex, Morris and Somerset counties.

Oak Knoll is operated by the Sisters of the Holy Child, who this year are celebrating the 150th anniversary of International Holy Child education.

Oak Knoll is part of a network of 25 Holy Child schools in the United States, England, and Africa. The school offers scholastic, tuition grants and financial aid to many of its students.

Mary Jo Driscoll, director of admissions, said "Open House provides a wonderful opportunity for prospective students and their parents to meet our students and faculty, tour our facilities, and get a firsthand look at all that we have to offer."

For more information on Oak Knoll, call the Admissions Office at 523-8109.

Hours are by appointment only: Monday, 3 p.m.-8 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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Danielle Abbey and Michael Ashley Klein

Ekin-Klein to wed

Mr. and Mrs. David Ekin of Springfield have announced the engagement of their daughter Danielle Abbey to Michael Ashley Klein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Klein of Hatfield, Penn.

Danielle and Michael are attending Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla. They will graduate in December and will set a wedding date at that time.

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Professional Directory listing various professionals such as Accountants, Midwives, Chiropractors, and Psychologists with their contact information.

RELIGION

Preschool workshops teach about holidays

Congregation Beth Haim will continue the preschool program it initiated last year with a series of holiday workshops.

Programs will be available for children aged three and up who have not yet entered kindergarten. Through stories, crafts, and special foods and activities, each workshop will help children understand and enjoy a different holiday.

All sessions will be held at Beth Haim's facilities in the Friends Meeting House, 158 Southern Blvd. in Chatham.

In addition to programs for preschoolers, the temple offers weekly religious instruction for children from kindergarten age through Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

For more information concerning holiday workshops, or religious school, call religious school committee members Jill Morav of Berkeley Heights at 464-1678, Joan Brody of Morristown at (201) 984-6564, or Debbie Kalfowitz of New Providence at 665-0765.

Hadassah hears about Medicare, seniors issues. The next meeting of the Springfield Chapter of Hadassah will be held today at Temple Beth Ahim.

Service postponed. The joint service between members of Temple She'arey Shalom and Anshin Synagogue will take place 8 p.m.-Friday at the temple at 78 South Springfield Road.

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Roderick M. Bohi... Roderick M. Bohi, 89, of Charlotte, N.C., formerly of Springfield, died Jan. 14 in his home in Charlotte.

OBITUARIES

Barbara A. Dworin... Barbara Ann Dworin, 48, of Springfield, died Jan. 16 in her home in Springfield.

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Cleo Johns... Cleo Johns, 81, of Springfield, who catering clients, died Jan. 15 in his home in Springfield.

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LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Dayton's Bruder continuing track success... Dayton Regional High School track and field standout Jodi Bruder continues to excel during this winter season.

SPORTS

Who will be the best this year? Dayton Regional Junior... Dayton Regional Junior's Eric Fandler, right, defeated Vin Guillano of Roselle Park 7-4 during last Saturday's bout in Springfield.

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1995 Year in Review. Call 686-9898. A list of events and news from 1995, including 'The Year in Politics' and 'The Year in Entertainment'.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD 953 W. Clinton St. Worship 10:00 AM. Sunday School 9:30 AM. Tuesday 7:30 AM. Wednesday 7:30 AM.

BAPTIST

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EPISCOPALIAN

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JEWISH

TEMPLE SHARON SYRACHA 78 Temple St. Shabbat Services at 8:00 AM on Wednesdays and 8:00 AM on Saturdays.

LUTHERAN

GOSPEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 415 Central St. Sunday School 9:00 AM. Morning Prayer 10:00 AM.

METHODIST

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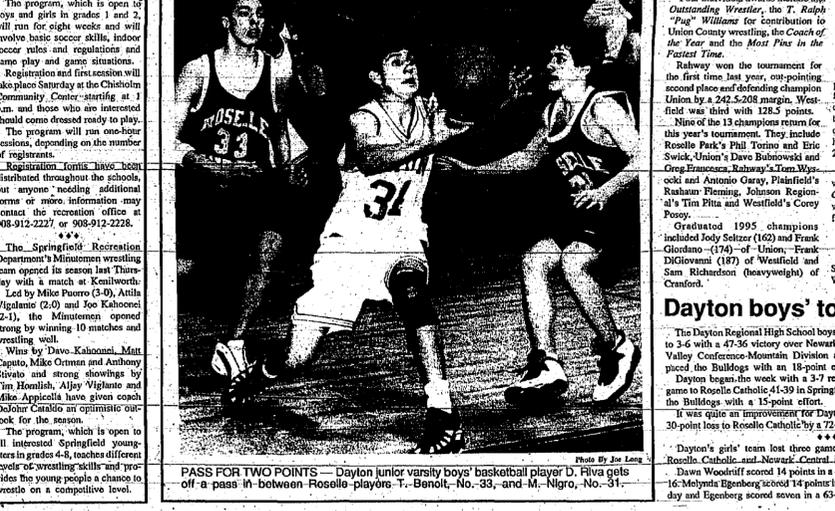
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Dayton's Bruder continuing track success... Dayton Regional Junior's Eric Fandler, right, defeated Vin Guillano of Roselle Park 7-4 during last Saturday's bout in Springfield.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Playhouse Porter



Michael O'Brien, Stephanie Douglas and John Scherer perform a scene from Cole Porter's 'You Never Know' which will run through Feb. 4 at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

Law Project uses the arts for advocacy, service program

Art and advocacy will join hands at the Baird Center in South Orange today from 6:30-9 p.m. The work of Fran Wilmer and Emily Hebl, will be exhibited and a lecture will be presented by Wilmer.

New volunteers are being sought for the Friend Advocate program. Volunteers receive valuable training and orientation to health and human services systems in that communities are linked voluntarily with elderly residents in their own or neighboring communities.

In addition to receiving training and supervision, Friend Advocate can draw upon the advocacy and legal staff of the Community Health Law Project when they cannot resolve matters for their friends.

Advertisement for Chen's restaurant, featuring 'It's Time To Give Thanks' and 'Is Now Open In Springfield'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at Echo Plaza, Route 22 West, and its phone number: 201-258-1922.

Playhouse offers spoiled brat, via Fitzgerald

"Spoiled" is how most would describe Josephine Perry. "Other words would be entitled, selfish and thoughtless, but she is also young, beautiful and wealthy — the three things she considers most important in life."

Chorus adds its voice to Valentine's Day

The Jerseyaires Chorus is dedicated to the preservation of four-part harmony in the Valley. The chorus was formed in the town of the century, Spitznagel added.

The barbershop quartet will serenade couples, performing two-hour shows featuring such favorites as 'I've Got a Crush on You' and 'Heart of My Heart'.

The chorus is 65 strong, with a membership that includes men from all walks of life, from students to retired citizens. "We have singers from Roselle Park, Linden, Westfield, Cranford, Edison, Montclair, Princeton, Bayonne, Stun Island and points south," Spitznagel said.

Theater View

By Ricardo Bayar-Spittel Staff Writer

Hernandez takes us through the many men in young Josephine's life, and shows a young woman desperate to feel something — anything. Josephine is a young woman brought up in fashionable Chicago society around 1915 by doing and wealthy parents. She seduces men and claims innocence to her parents who readily believe her, especially her father, played by the charming Alan Benson.

Grand Opening Celebration! Liberty Pub

Corner of Liberty & Harvard Ave, Hillside, NJ 07205. SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY featuring D.J. James. SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3, 1996 8:00 P.M. Till Closing. FREE BUFFET \$1.00 DRINKS FOR LADIES.

The Jerseyaires Chorus is a representative of the Valley. The chorus was formed in the town of the century, Spitznagel added. The Jerseyaires Chorus sponsors two shows annually: spring show at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway in April, featuring a concert style performance in the afternoon.

The barbershop quartet will serenade couples, performing two-hour shows featuring such favorites as 'I've Got a Crush on You' and 'Heart of My Heart'. In recent years, the singing group has been successful throughout Union County and nearby areas, entertaining residents and at business functions during the Valentine's season.

Advertisement for Liberty Pub, featuring a 'Grand Opening Celebration!' and 'Saturday Night Dance Party'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at the corner of Liberty & Harvard Ave, Hillside, NJ 07205, and lists the date of the dance party as Saturday, February 3, 1996.

Ballet to perform at Kean

New Jersey Ballet will perform at Kean College in February for two performances. The play also features some beautiful goons and a good game by stage manager Marjorie Anderson.

Arts center shows mixed media exhibit

'Remembrance: Loss, Warming' as an exhibit about Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, will be on view in the Members Gallery of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts through Feb. 15.

'Lion' cast, show dates set

Carnival Productions of Rahway has announced the cast of its upcoming presentation of the James Goldman play, 'The Lion in Winter'.

Medieval Times

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Advertisement for Infocourse, featuring 'FREE Information!' and 'CALL 686-9898'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at 149 Polio Ave, Lyndhurst, NJ, and lists the phone number: (908) 686-9898.

Glee Club rehearsals to resume Monday nights

The Westfield Glee Club will resume rehearsals for male singers Monday from 8:40 p.m. in the choir room of the Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

Advertisement for 24 Oz. N.Y. Sirloin Steak, featuring '24 Oz. N.Y. Sirloin Steak \$10.95'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at 1200 Route 22 West, Mountaintop, NJ, and lists the phone number: 908-282-5000.

Advertisement for Worrall Community Newspapers Dining Out, featuring 'A Weekly Feature Appearing in 12 Newspapers'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at 149 Polio Ave, Lyndhurst, NJ, and lists the phone number: (908) 686-7700.

Advertisement for Garden Buffet Restaurant, featuring 'Grand Opening • Grand Opening • Grand Opening'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at 11881 Morris Ave, Union, NJ, and lists the phone number: (908) 688-8998.

Advertisement for Double Dragon restaurant, featuring 'Dining Review January 25, 1996'. The ad includes the restaurant's address at 11881 Morris Ave, Union, NJ, and lists the phone number: (908) 688-8998.

Advertisement for 'Reserved For Your Dining Pleasure' featuring a graphic of a dining table and chairs.

### Hospital showcases local artists' works

Four artists will present "Landscapes" through Monday. The exhibit shows the works of Don Burmeister, Valeri Larko, Barbara Neuling and Emily Stewart.

Every landscape is different; each captures the essence of a unique place. But when four artists paint their own landscapes, they infuse each scene with an individual vision, a distinctive touch, and a selected medium of expression.

Don Burmeister is the photographer of the quartet, with 10 shows in 1995. This New Yorker is not an ordinary landscape painter; his works most photographically so the world in slices of a second and are obsessed with stopping time, freezing it.

Brooklyn resident Barbara Neuling has gravitated to using natural light, traveling in places she loves to capture on canvas. "I am attempting to convey the sometimes dizzying fullness of simply walking on the surface of the earth," she said.

Valeri Larko also paints on location, commuting from her Summit studio. The result is a body of work that justifies as many as eight exhibits in a year. Her work also shows the pages of publications on both sides of the Atlantic.

The exhibit is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, with the exception of Monday when it is open from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

### Arts Calendar

The Arts Calendar, prepared by Worrall Community Newspapers, is a list of upcoming theatrical and musical performances, art exhibitions and other cultural events in the area.

At William Paterson College in Wayne, the Verderer Trio will perform. The performance will begin at 8:30 p.m. For tickets, call 766-7555.

At Chatham High School, the Colonial Symphony will perform Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4" among other pieces. The performance will begin at 8:30 p.m.

At the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit will host a slide-show and lecture presented by Luis Coux Azacosta, a painter whose work is on exhibit there.

Through Feb. 11, the Elizabeth Playhouse in Elizabeth presents "F. Scott Fitzgerald's 'The Young and the Beautiful.'" Performances are scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Through Feb. 18, the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts presents an exhibition of Luis Coux Azacosta's paintings, titled "A Painter's Passage."

Through Feb. 15, the Los Alamitos Art Gallery in the Union Library presents "Across America," an exhibition of black and white photographs by Art Carlton.

### UCC Cranford campus to show Hoboken artist's steel-and-foam sculptures

Enrico Lasky of Hoboken, an artist who adds a touch of stretch lace to her steel sculptures, will have her works displayed in a solo exhibit at the UCC Cranford campus.

The show will run Feb. 2 through March 8 at UCC's Tommaso Art Gallery in the Mackay Library, and will open with a reception from 7-9 p.m. on Feb. 2 at the gallery.

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### Flea Market

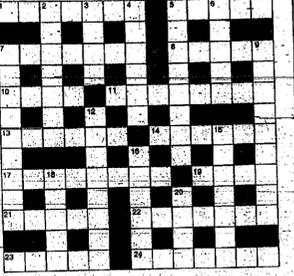
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 2, 1996  
EVENT: Flea Market (now daily Feb. 2-7)  
PLACE: Redwood Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Ave., Irvington, NJ.  
TIME: 10AM-1PM  
PRICE: Now and used items. Great variety.  
ORGANIZATION: Redwood Lutheran Church.

### THEATRE-PLAY

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY  
JANUARY 18, 21, 24, 27, 28, 1996  
EVENT: "Blues on a Green Horn" a new play by Jim Moore.  
PLACE: Stony Hill University, The Theatre-in-the-Round, 400 South Orange Avenue, South Orange, NJ.  
TIME: Friday and Saturday, 8PM; Sunday, 2PM.  
PRICE: Tickets - \$10.00-\$7.00 for Seniors and Students. Call 201-791-9790 for reservations.  
ORGANIZATION: The Celtic Theatre Company.

What's Going On is a paid directory of events for non-profit organizations in the area. It is published in the Worrall newspapers.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- CLUES ACROSS: 1. Exit aircraft; 2. Dash, style; 3. Adrenal hormone; 4. Worked for, deserved; 5. Play; 6. Member of Congress; 7. Shave language; 8. Channel, designer; 9. Land acquired by settlement and cultivation; 10. Anterior portion of the brain; 11. Levated; 12. Mental giants; 13. Levated; 14. Compositions; 15. Ill from flying; 16. Possible restraint; 17. Clandestine scheme; 18. Ill from flying; 19. Popular song; 20. Goodbye, it; 21. "Red" in the Sunset; 22. Instructed and caliginous; 23. Biotech; 24. Underwater swimmer's equipment.

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**TAURUS** April 21-May 21  
Pay close attention to spending this week—with a little care, you could save big on household work. If you get your spirits a little better, you could even feel inspired to greater things.

**GEMINI** May 22-June 21  
Work-related activities will produce the best results. You'll gain valuable information, but it's vital that you don't reveal too much. Small talk is a valuable skill for you to employ, even though it's not much fun.

**CANCER** June 22-July 22  
Pressure at work may be causing you to feel stressed. Try to focus on something relaxing without sacrificing your responsibilities. Looking at the big picture will help you gain valuable perspective.

**LEO** July 23-August 23  
Choose the right partner or team to accomplish more than any one person could do alone. Effective.

**SCORPIO** October 24-November 22  
Add a new skill to your collection. If a great way to make friends and your lover closer, what would you like to do? Now, just be sure to say the right thing.

**SAGITTARIUS** November 23-December 21  
Seek additional income in an unexpected way. It's a great way to add to your spending power without sacrificing precious personal time. Showcase your particular expertise for even better results.

### Folk art show to begin tomorrow

The Country Folk Art Show and Sale will return to the Raritan Center in Edison tomorrow. Hailed as the nation's leading folk art and crafts show, the event will be held in the Raritan Center's New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center.

Admission is \$6 Friday from 5-10 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Children under 10 will be admitted for \$2.

The public is encouraged to attend Friday for the early buying privileges. Since colonial times, Americans have valued quality and tradition. Country Folk Art Shows, Inc. carries on these values and traditions of quality, handcrafted folk art, indicative of the best craftsmanship, materials and techniques.

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For more information on either the Raritan Center Art Shows or Long Publications, write: 8393 E. Holly Rd., MI 48442 or call (800) 634-4151. Shows are scheduled for March 29-31 and Nov. 21-24.

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### Angelou to read at Kean

Maya Angelou, author of "Sister" and "The Heart of a Woman," will read at the Kean Theatre on Wednesday, February 22, at 8 p.m. Single ticket prices for the general public are \$15 for faculty/staff, senior citizens, and alumni \$9, and students \$6. Angelou, the author of 11 books, including "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" and "Wouldn't You Take Nothing for My Journey Now," is hailed as one of the great voices of contemporary literature.

For further information, contact the box office at 527-2337.

### Arts center shows mixed exhibit

"Remembrance Loss Warning," an art exhibit about Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, will be on view in the Members Gallery of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts through Feb. 15.

The exhibition will feature an installation piece of "memory bricks" and other mixed media works by SK Duff and Chuck Miloy.

NJCV is located at 68 Elm St. Members Gallery hours are Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m. For more information call 273-9121.

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At Speedy Car Wash, an exterior wash goes for about \$2 less than the average car wash. At a competitive price in a business where customers can be charged \$7 simply for extra amenities such as hot wax.

Rooney, though, at his totally "bright" operation, provides more than just a lower price, while providing personalized service in what can be a very impersonal, high volume business.

In addition, the Speedy Car Wash offers a great service — washing equipment, something many other car washes dispense only for an extra charge. Speedy also offers coin-operated, self-service vacuum cleaners.

At Speedy Car Wash, Rooney's employees take time to wash off excess dirt from every vehicle before it even enters the conveyor — and the workers must get each customer's name because it is his job to do so.

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Med Center, 187 doctors form county-wide health-care outfit

Elizabeth General Medical Center and 187 Union County physicians have formed an enterprise called Elizabeth General Medical Center Physicians Health Care Organization...

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Advertisement for nasal surgery by Dr. Bergamo, M.D., Director of the Center for Nasal Surgery, including a photo of a patient and contact information.

HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

Blue Cross offers eye-care program

In observance of National Eye Care Month, the Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Center at 16 Commerce Dr. in Cranford will offer a free program titled "Eye Care and Diseases of the Eye" today from 10 to 11 a.m.

Planned Parenthood aims to fight HIV and AIDS

Planned Parenthood of Greater Northern New Jersey's Center for Family Life Education has been awarded a grant by the New Jersey Department of Health for approximately \$680,000 to combat the spread of HIV/AIDS in Plainfield.

Doctor recommends vision check-ups

January is National Eye Care Month, and Jordan Burke, of the Summit Eye Group, recommends starting the year right with a medical eye examination.

Overlook offers program to help kids lose weight

Losing weight is a challenge for obese children. There are four programs to help them with excess weight gain, but Overlook Hospital's Shape-Ups is a family-oriented program that stresses the adoption of healthy eating and exercise habits.

Westfield Vacuum Has The Answer For Allergy And Asthma Sufferers

"Anyone who has experienced the symptoms of allergies—itchy, watery eyes, runny nose, sore throat, and skin rashes, just to name the most common—knows how aggravating they can be. And asthma sufferers, as well as the parents of children with asthma, know that this respiratory disorder can be not only debilitating, but deadly."

Attention health-care providers

This newspaper encourages hospital, health-care providers, area doctors and nurses to inform their patients about programs, scheduled events and activities. Releasees should be typed, double-spaced, and include a phone number where a representative may be reached during the day.

Millions of Americans fight asthma each year

For some people, running up a flight of stairs or taking a jog around the block is a breeze. But for someone with uncontrolled asthma, just a few minutes of vigorous activity can mean big breathing problems.

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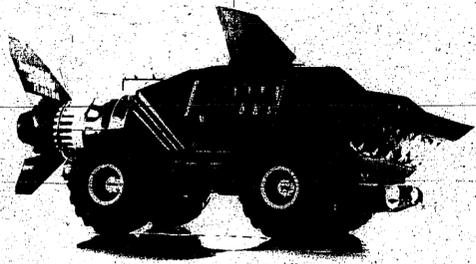
ANYONE who suffers from allergies or asthma, or who has infants or young children in the home, will want to investigate the options at Westfield Vacuum.







### Jaws Landshark Is on the prowl



Auto Expo '96, the northern NJ Auto Show, opened at the Meadowlands Exposition Center last Saturday and will run through Sunday, Jan. 28. More than 20 auto manufacturers will launch their all-new 1996 models which will be on display for the first time... all under one roof, in northern NJ. Other attractions include world-class race cars, sports stars signing autographs, the Amazing Spiderman and the New Jersey... about of the all-new 1996 BMW Z3 Roadster, the car driven by James Bond in the new MGM flick "GoldenEye". Show hours are Saturdays 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Sundays 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Thursday 5-10 p.m., Friday 5-11 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. There are areas of free parking. For more information, call 330-7773. Pictured is the Universal Studios Florida's Jaws Landshark cruiser.

### Buick Riviera for 1996 now offers a supercharged V6 Will be on display at the NJ Auto Expo

Buick's Riviera, dramatically redesigned for the 1996 model year, has a more powerful optional supercharged engine among a number of significant improvements for 1996. New for 1996, the optional supercharged 3800 Series II V6 delivers 240 horsepower and 280 lb-ft. of torque compared with 225 horsepower and 275 lb-ft. of torque for last year's supercharged 3600 V6. Riviera with the new engine has been clocked from zero to 60 mph in 8 seconds.

EPA fuel economy ratings are 18 mpg city, 27 mpg highway. Standard with both engines is an electronically controlled, four-speed automatic transmission, which provides smooth, consistent shifting under a wide variety of driving conditions. The 1995 Riviera was honored as "Best Luxury Coupe" — Driver's Choice Awards by the national TV show MotorWeek and received a design and engineering award from Popular Mechanics. The Robb Report named Riviera as an "Exceptional Merit Award Winner" and the Chicago Sun-Times placed it among its "Ten Best 1995 Vehicles."

New for 1996 is Personal Choice, a group of features activated by the standard remote keyless entry fob. These Personal Choice convenience and security features may be personalized for two drivers: memory door locks, delayed locking, security feedback, perimeter lighting and memory driver's seat and mirrors. The available memory door locks feature allow the driver to choose whether both doors automatically lock or unlock — or only the driver's door unlocks — when the car is shifted into "Park." In those cases the doors automatically lock when the car is shifted out of "Park." Another choice: No automatic lock or unlock.

Delayed locking allows the driver to open any door to retrieve articles within five seconds after the power door lock has been activated. This can be overridden by pressing the driver's door lock button twice. Security feedback provides the remote keyless entry used with a horn "chirp" or exterior lamp flash to signal that the lock command — or an exterior lamp flash for the unlock command — has been received. The user can also choose no feedback.

Perimeter lighting provides personal security by turning on headlamps, parking lamps and back-up lamps for 15 seconds when the remote keyless entry unlock button is pushed. With Twilight Sentinel lighting, this feature will activate only if it is dark outside. This feature can also be deactivated. With available memory driver's seat and mirrors, when the driver seats

New for 1996, the optional supercharged 3800 Series II V6 delivers 240 horsepower and 280 lb-ft. of torque compared with 225 horsepower and 275 lb-ft. of torque for last year's supercharged 3600 V6. Riviera with the new engine has been clocked from zero to 60 mph in 8 seconds.

the keyless fob to unlock the car, the driver's seat and outside rear-view mirrors are automatically adjusted to that driver's programmed preference. Riviera's updated instrument panel has real wood accents. Other real wood accents dress the console. Riviera features Buick's new climate controls and a radio which is one of Buick's new family of radios. Both have large, back-lit controls and easy-to-read graphics and displays. A new dual-playback system, which includes both a cassette deck and a convenient in-dash CD player, is standard. Also standard are Concert Sound II speakers, a power antenna and steering-wheel mounted controls for key radio and temperature functions.

Riviera's four-wheel independent suspension, with MacPherson struts in the front and semi-trailing arms in the rear, provides a comfortable ride and excellent control. For example, there is a delayed entry and delayed exit lighting feature. The interior lights remain on for 25 seconds after a door is closed, making it easier to enter the car. The interior lights turn off when the key is inserted into the ignition. When exiting the car, the interior lights will remain on for about 25 seconds after the ignition key is removed. The interior lights also have "hibernate dimming." The lights fade down over about five seconds instead of switching off all at once.

New for 1996 is a battery rundown protection feature. If an interior or trunk light is accidentally left on for more than 10 minutes after the ignition is turned off, the car shuts down the electrical system automatically to keep from draining the battery. To reactivate the electrical system, the driver need only turn on the ignition, turn the light switch on and off, or open a front door.

A new lockout protection feature prevents the power door lock from activating while the key is in the ignition. So the driver doesn't become locked out. Convenience Plus also features warning chimes for leaving on the parking brake, turn signal or headlamps and for leaving keys in the ignition while exiting. On the subject of durability, Riviera, like all '96 Buicks, is equipped with such long-life features as a new engine coolant with a recommended change interval of five years or 100,000 miles, platinum-tipped spark plugs with the first recommended service at 100,000 miles and transmission fluid that requires no change under normal operating conditions. Also new is a sophisticated new on-board diagnostic system called OBD-II, designed to reduce exhaust emis-

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25, 1996 UNION COUNTY

## City development pivotal for county

By Ramona Bayer-Spittel  
Staff Writer

Elizabeth continues to spiral upward as the progress on its two large redevelopment plans move steadily forward.

Mayor J. Christian Bollwage said he sees 1996 as a year of economic improvement for the city, both because of the large projects underway and the smaller things the city is doing to attract business.

"In the past two or three years, we have set the table for economic improvement in this city," he said. "Now, what we have to do is to tie up loose ends and get past any challenges that the projects face."

The Metro Mall, also known as the Orion project, tops the list of current development in the city, with the \$118 million mall expected to bring in 5,200 new permanent jobs and millions in taxes to the city's coffers.

The project broke ground in November and land remediation at the site, a former landfill, is currently going on, according to George Devinsky, director of Policy and Planning for Elizabeth. The work will continue through the spring, he said.

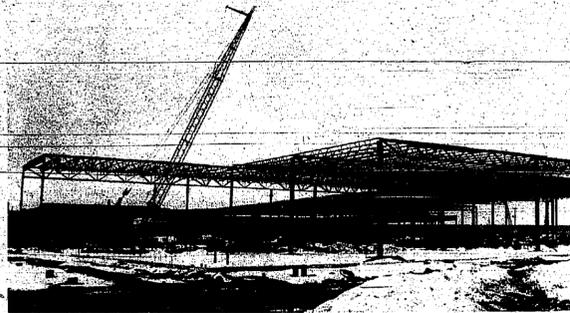
The 1.5-million-square-foot super mall is often cited by city officials as the crowning of a new day for the city. The mall already has some hefty names attached to the project with announcements that an outlet for Saks Fifth Avenue, Anne Taylor, Dilly's, Modell's and Kids' Town will be among the anchor stores at the mall. Robert Sonnenblick of Metropolitan said that while the company cannot give out the names of any more stores, the company is hopeful that it will have leased 13 of the 14 40,000-square-foot anchor stores by the end of February. He also said that the company is in "active lease negotiations" with businesses that would fill 50 percent of the 250 smaller retail shops in the mall. Sonnenblick said he is impressed with the response so far, leases have been signed long before the first brick has ever been laid.

"The response we have gotten for the Elizabeth mall has been tremendous," he said. "This project has really taken off."

The mall, which will be located at 1000 Kapkowski Road, just off the New Jersey Turnpike near IKEA, is scheduled to open on Sept. 15, 1997, Sonnenblick said.

Although Metro Mall poses a great new place to shop to most county residents, to those in Elizabeth it means an expected \$6.5 million in tax revenues when the project is finished. In the meantime, there will be 1,700 construction jobs created by the mall's construction.

The city is also looking forward to the completion of the Incredible Universe store, to be built on part of the IKEA land. The Texas-based interactive retailer will occupy



Construction continues on the Incredible Universe store, to be built on part of the IKEA land. The Texas-based interactive retailer will occupy 185,000 square feet.



Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, left, and state Sen. Raymond Lesniak, D-Union, toast the groundbreaking of the Metro Mall slated for Kapkowski Road.

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### County awaits fruits of its labor; Elizabeth holds key

By Chris Gatto  
Regional Editor

Economic development has been a priority for Union County government during the past few years, and in 1995 some of the projects have come into fruition, while others soon will begin to.

Being looked upon as a major accomplishment of county freeholders and others in the public and private sectors is the 1.5 million-square-foot MetroMart now under construction in Elizabeth.

"Beside bringing a regional mall to Union County, this project will generate thousands of construction and permanent jobs, as well as hundreds of thousands of tax dollars in revenues," said Freeholder Chairman Edwin Force during the board's reorganization meeting earlier this month.

In March, construction of the Karpowick Road project was begun. It will be located in the vicinity of I-76, which also is located in that same vicinity. MetroMart is expected to be completed in 1997.

Along with freeholders, the Union County Alliance—a partnership of local, county and state government officials, labor, education, industry and religious leaders—has played a pivotal role in luring business into Union County since its creation in 1993. The alliance currently is conducting a series of roundtables from which information will be gained to create a Master Plan and economic plan for Union County.

"These plans will provide vigorous support for the efforts of existing organizations

force of scientists to come up with alternative solutions," said Force. "The brilliant idea is that we're ready to do whatever it takes to open up our gateway."

If the port is not dredged, officials said it would make it difficult to lure new business to the area, and also may make it difficult to maintain some of those which already are located in Elizabeth.

While Elizabeth may be the focus of several high-profile projects slated for the county, there are other proposals being eyed for municipalities countywide.

In Union Township, officials are optimistic that a new train station in the municipality's Township section may help reduce traffic during peak hours in the Morris Avenue area. The alliance in 1995 entered into a partnership with Schering Plough Corp. (Elizabeth) and Keen College, the New Jersey Transportation Authority, Union Township and Union County to evaluate Morris Avenue from Springfield to Elizabeth for traffic flow improvements.

The county also foresees Port Elizabeth as a key to its economic future, with a host of local, county and state officials pushing Gov. Christine Todd Whitman to sign off on a port-dredging proposal. Whitman has been expressed opposition to the idea of dumping dredged materials, which may contain contaminants, in the ocean.

"If the governor remains adamant against dumping dredged material into the ocean, perhaps we should consider funding a task

associated with development. "This program will guarantee that the increase in tax revenue generated by new development will not be used to correct problems created by these new developments," said Force.

In order to spur economic growth in municipalities countywide, freeholders are considering listing a Union County Improvement Authority director who would create state shared services and work with municipalities to make our county more responsive to our citizens' needs, more creative in our solution and more cost-effective," said Force.

While attempting to attract more business, county officials also have a plan to protect the area's ecosystem. The Union County Conservancy will be met with the task of the restoration and preservation of the Watchung Reservation.

"This program is particularly important to Union County when you consider the Watchung Reservation is the largest part of the Union County park system and contains more than 2,000 acres of mature woodlands. Just 20 miles from New York City, the forest's health has started to suffer and some plant ecology problems have begun to develop as a result of intensive surrounding development, strong popularity with park users, intensive herbivory by animals and aggressive invasion by foreign plant species," said Freeholder Linda Lee Kelly, liaison to the Union County Restoration Program.

With these projects and others slated for 1996, county officials say they are optimistic about the road ahead.

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— Edwin Force  
Freeholder Chairman

### Business outlook looking bright for Linden

By Douglas Miller  
Staff Writer

Thanks to a commercial triple play, the outlook for Linden's businesses in 1996 has brightened.

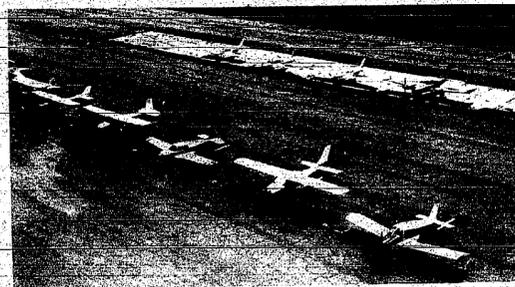
Considered crucial by local residents and merchants is the \$1 million city plans to invest in the downtown shopping area.

Wood Avenue, home to many small businesses, from flower shops to law firms, will be given a facelift to attract consumers. Emphasis will be placed on the extension of sidewalks, curbs and street lights also planned.

"I think it is going to help our downtown area," said Councilman Robert Bunk, the City Council's liaison to the Special Improvement District. "We are doing something no other SID project has ever tried to do, and I think it is a great idea. The people will look at it when they come into our town and say 'Wow, nice place!' Then they will stop and shop."

Planning the SID began when council members consulted regarding urban blight rampant throughout downtown's commercial future.

"For Linden has just gone down and decayed since a year ago," said Councilman William Niemeck. "My family has been here since 1894, and I have seen the gradual decay and the relative neglect of the downtown area. I would like to see it beautified and commercialized and have the type of stores and shop people will want to come back to."



The Federal Aviation Commission recently approved the plan to redevelop Linden Airport, releasing about 100 acres of city-owned airport land which the city has wanted to sell. The real estate then will be developed for commercial and industrial uses.

What else can Linden bid? "I am all for it," said Linden Mayor James J. Niemeck. "The Federal Aviation Commission recently approved the plan to redevelop Linden Airport, enabling the City Council to continue its efforts to attract retailers to the industrial corridor near Route 1.

Under the plan, the FAA will release about 100 acres of city-owned airport land, which the city has wanted to sell. The real estate then will be developed for commercial and industrial uses.

Among those businesses that have announced plans to lease the developed land are: Home Depot, the home-improvement store; a restaurant chain, which would open an eatery featuring World War II-era memorabilia and music, in keeping with the airport's history.

In addition, city officials have contacted hotel chains, regarding construction and goods retailers. Nobody Beats the Wiz, the

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## Union targets areas for special attention in '96

By Kevin O'Rourke  
Staff Writer

Three areas in Union, known to have been in economic decline, have been targeted for special attention in 1996 by the township's spokesman for commercial growth.

The Special Improvement District in Union Center, the commercial-industrial zone along Route 22, and other industrial areas throughout the township will become testing grounds where the public and private sectors together will try to foster growth.

Created two years ago, the SID is expected to show results this year, when new stores move into vacant buildings in the neighborhood surrounding the intersection of Morris and Stuyvesant avenues.

According to Michael Minitelli, Union's director of economic development and SID executive director, almost all capital improvements have been completed. New brick sidewalks, illuminated street signs, gas-lamp-style street lights and park benches have been added throughout the area, in an effort to provide a consumer-friendly atmosphere.

During the spring and summer, the township will resume making renovations, continuing the work along Morris Avenue, between Grandview Avenue and Johnson Place.

Despite the efforts of the local government, storefronts in the district remain empty, but Minitelli said that is changing.

"We have two new stores coming in. We have Pasta By the Pound, in the old Stan Summers building at 985 Stuyvesant Ave.,"

he said. "And we have Pyramid Paging coming in, next to the taxidermy shop on Stuyvesant Avenue."

Filling the vacancy created by the closing of McCroery's has continued to pose a problem, but Minitelli said he is working toward solving it.

"We are working on bringing in a major retailer," he added. "It is still active; it is not a done deal. We have one that is interested, and we're pursuing every possibility. I've sent out probably 20 letters to various retailers for interest in that particular site."

"Of course, we continue to work with national, local and individual retailers to try to fill in the rest of the vacancies," he also said. "The effort we are obviously strongly continuing is the effort to have a better retail mix — and the McCroery's site is a key."

Despite store closures and a slow Christmas season, merchants have continued to support the SID, Minitelli said.

"They are still unified behind the Special Improvement District. They feel if it wasn't for the SID, the center would be in much more difficult shape," he added. "Most retailers did not have a good Christmas season, including most major retailers, but they actually feel that it would have been worse."

An director of economic development, Minitelli also is responsible for attracting businesses to the township's scattered industrial areas, which have been losing momentum with much of the county's manufacturing base.

He said that the industrial area near Route 22 is still a key area for the township.

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Local officials have high expectations for Union Center, and are hopeful that in 1996 they can turn back the clock to a time when the central business district was a community meeting place. Union High School students Lina Beltran, 16, and Suelair Singh, 15, take a moment to check out the clock which marks the gateway to the Center.

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## Blizzard slows project, but Aldi nears completion

By Melodie Warner  
Staff Writer

After the biggest blizzard on record, the St. George Avenue Redevelopment Agency's Aldi Foodstore project continues toward completion.

"We're in the deep freeze" on some construction, but other work is going ahead, said Gary Goodman, the agency's attorney.

During the winter, contractors will concentrate on the interior of the building, of which the superstructure is up and is enclosed with plastic.

According to Councilman-at-Large Joseph Coresca, space heaters inside the building keep the temperature at a level conducive to working with sheetrock and cement.

Site work, such as sidewalks and the parking lot, will wait until spring, due to snow and ice, Goodman said. The 150-car parking lot will extend along Harrison Avenue to Newnan Place.

Newnan Place, which used to end at Harrison Avenue, will be extended through to Chandler Avenue. The borough and Aldi are working to extend the street, which will remain a public road, to receive truck traffic for the new food store.

Coresca said the purpose of the Aldi project is to bring in a tax-ratable and to revitalize the St. George Avenue area. From the redevelopment plan, Roselle is expected to earn \$500,000.

"Everything there was dormant," he added. "The revitalization makes it look better, and it's a tax credit to the town. I think it's the best thing to happen there in a while."

Second Ward Councilwoman Hazel Walker said she is pleased with the progress of the Aldi project.

"I think it's going along very nicely. It looks good and it's improving the appearance of St. George Avenue already," she added.

The two-family homes at 1120 and 1122 Harrison Ave. were intended for demolition for the Aldi parking lot. The homeowners, Edward Abdessalam and Willie Jones, were offered two new houses across the street in exchange for these homes.

The new houses were constructed by the Albright construction company for \$234,000. According to Goodman, the houses are 95 percent complete. After the houses are inspected and a temporary certificate of occupancy is granted, the residents will be able to move in.

The Peter Jones Excavating Co., Inc. was contracted to demolish both houses at a cost of \$19,200. The removal of Abdessalam's house had been delayed due to the weather; its owner has been living at the Swan Motel in Linden.

Completion of the foodstore was scheduled for March, but Goodman said a "comfortable" prediction for the store's opening would be April.

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## Optimism prevalent when it comes to Rahway's growth

By Donna Segal  
 Staff Writer

The City of Rahway has seen some economic growth in 1995, but as far as the future is concerned, one word describes the feelings of retailers and city officials: Optimism. Some are very optimistic, while others are cautiously optimistic.

"As far as existing businesses, we are always optimistic in looking forward to a good year, it would have to say that previous year, in terms of realities, was a decent year. It was better than the previous year, and it had a bit of coastal growth through out the year. It was not a record-breaking year as in the late 1980s, but at least we saw some growth, which was lacking for some time," said Rahway Mayor James Kennedy.

"As far as the future goes, the indication is that since there was a bit of an upswing, we are hoping to see that continue through 1996."

"I'm not very optimistic, but we are optimistic," Kennedy said. "The realities are very difficult years, so I don't know that anybody is very optimistic. I think we are cautiously optimistic."

Kennedy added that as far as economic development, the city already is looking into these sites for possible developments. "We are trying to develop a site behind City Hall and we hope to get the project in line within the first nine months of the year," he said.

"There is no space to develop now, other than these three sites," Kennedy said. "They are all adjacent to each other: the site behind City Hall, a site on the other side of the river on Essex Street, and the area on Hazelwood Avenue."

Kennedy said that although there are no definite plans for the sites yet, the administration is looking to develop them. "We are in the early planning stages," he said. "We talked to a group that is interested in putting a family entertainment center on the site and another group is interested in putting retail in another site."

Rahway Chamber of Commerce President Joe Rema said he is very optimistic about the future of the city. "I've seen a lot of changes, especially in the downtown area," Rema said. "There was a lot of work done in the past three years to improve the downtown, and I can see the results of the three years work by the end of 1996." Rema said that in the past three years he has seen many changes in recruitment for businesses, especially in the downtown. Security and maintenance of the downtown has improved and renovation of the New Jersey Transit train station has begun, Rema said. He added that the vacancy rate for new businesses has dropped in downtown Rahway over the past year.

"I expect this year to be better than the previous years," Rema said. Rema said that although there are not many plans for development this year, developments that took place in 1995 will impact 1996.

Rema referred to Sakaliba Restaurant, located on Irwin Street in downtown Rahway as an example of new opportunities. "Not only did they renovate the building into a beautiful restaurant building, but they also renovated the office-in-the-building that now attracts new businesses," he said. "That impacts the area."

"Our biggest asset downtown is that we have space and the opportunity for businesses to move in," Rema said, adding that real estate costs for businesses who are looking to move in are much lower in Rahway than in many other towns.

Rema added that he also expects the city will retain businesses located on Routes 1&9 during the upcoming year.

"In terms of the chamber, we have united a lot of organizations and businesses together under one banner, in marketing the city as a whole outside our boundaries," Rema said.

Throughout the county," Rema said. He added that the chamber was able to do that through cooperative advertising and the chamber's newsletter as well as the city's third business directory.

"I think '96 would mark the results of the partnerships that were formed in previous years," Rema said. "Between the chamber, Rahway Center Partnership, a very supportive political government, Merck, Rahway Hospital and others." He added that these partnerships are very strong unlike in the past. "All of the partnerships in Rahway are past," he said.

"I think that partnerships are the key to development in this city," Rema said.

## City re-emerging as place to live, conduct business

Rahway is a familiar name to those who work in their daily destinations. Busily at work to make the city even more familiar to more people and also make it more of an ultimate destination is a public-private partnership with a definitive vision of Rahway as a re-emerging center in which to live and do business.

Downtown Rahway is the historic heart of a proud community, long home to generations with a strong work ethic and to one of America's pharmaceutical giants — Merck & Company, Inc. Capitalizing upon these resources, the city and other past and present stakeholders are working to create an "excellent location, affordable rents and amenities, good parking and a skilled labor force," Rema said.

Rahway is quietly reshaping its image, its vision of itself as a city rich in history and old world ambience meshed with a modern, pro-business attitude which encourages entrepreneurial opportunities.

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## Small business feels the heat in Springfield; Mountainside predicts steady business for 1996

By Kathryn Fitzgerald  
 Staff Writer

Retail-oriented businesses are feeling the heat in Springfield, as customers take their business out of town, the result, partially, of a big business invasion. A few miles down the road, Mountainside establishments fare the same, feeling only the effects of recent inclement weather.

The small, family-owned establishments that were once the defining characteristic of Springfield's business community are being suppressed and eliminated by the bigger stores that have cropped up nearby. According to Mayor Gregory Clarke, this presents "a big problem," one that shows little sign of reversal.

Springfield's small businesses, Clarke explained, are experiencing a problem of "too many stores." Many older stores are reflecting the effect large-scale outlet stores can have on small-town business.

"I don't think you can buy a suit or a pair of shoes in Springfield any more," Clarke lamented, adding that the town seems to be losing business to surrounding communities. "If you look to Cranford's downtown area, those stores appear to be thriving." Although retail stores are feeling a drop in business, restaurants have been able to keep their businesses in the black. Clarke pointed out that food service establishments in Springfield, such as the Pull Room Chinese

Restaurant in Echo Plaza, Stanley's Springfield Restaurant on Morris Avenue and the numerous other eateries in town, are doing "as well as can be expected." Considering how other businesses are faring.

Attempting to lure local consumers back to Springfield businesses, the township has plans to remodel the downtown area.

There was once written a Master Plan, drafted to invigorate local business, according to Clarke, but its main focus was primarily the modification and change in parking alignment in the township. Currently, there are plans to remodel the parking lot behind Duffy's Corner.

Although there is great merit to improving the appearance of the downtown area, with more attractive storefronts, Clarke will be hard to help town businesses "if the money supply does not come in."

Much local business is torn away, in part, thanks to large outlet stores and malls. "When small, local businesses have to compete with the malls," Clarke said, "they don't see the same kind of business they used to. There is no way to compete with the malls."

Springfield has changed significantly in 15 years, Clarke noted, where new businesses like Dominos Pizza now stand those used to be shoe stores and pork stores. With the possible addition of a Stop & Shop super-

## Attempting to lure local consumers back to Springfield businesses, the township has planned renovations and beautification projects to remodel the downtown area.

market to the township's business landscape, Clarke said he believes more small business will suffer.

"There's no change in the near future for many of these businesses," Clarke said. "People often feel that bigger is better, but I don't subscribe to that." He cites stores that have been a part of the Springfield environment for years like Kay's Hardware.

"I like to see the same owners year after year. For many stores are changing hands," Clarke commented, adding that proprietors like Leo Krevin, owner of Kay's Hardware, "represents the form of older business I prefer," displaying expertise and atmosphere often lost in younger, large-scale businesses.

In contrast to Springfield's woes, small business in Mountainside has not felt any loss in business, but rather have kept businesses as usual.

According to Administrator Kathleen Toland, restaurants, such as L'Affaire, and small businesses like Christopher's Flowers have shown to have the most business. In general, however, the downtown area has not shown any marked improvement or

decline in commerce. "A few businesses have closed down," Toland said, noting that the vacancy rate has risen slightly. "The snow didn't help business, either."

As brought out in Mayor Robert Vigilante's address to the borough during the Jan. 2 reorganization meeting, businesses also have given back to the community, especially during the Centennial celebration. This year, Toland commented, there is not yet a need for local establishments to donate their time and products, especially not at last year's scale.

The improvements being made to the downtown area, according to Toland, can only attract business. "Hopefully," Toland offered, "officials from other towns will come to see what we've done and, from our example, make improvements to their own communities."

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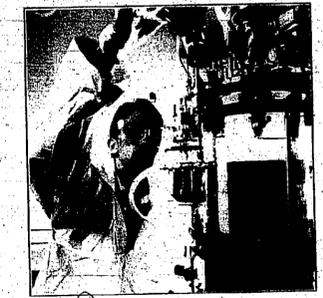
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### Elizabeth's development pivotal for Union County

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The midtown project includes plans for a 100,000-square-foot condominium complex at Broad and West Grand streets, where New Jersey Transit will take space. There also are plans for a senior housing complex, which will be built on the site of the former Lord Sterling Hotel, which was a magnet for criminal activity. The three-story structure, which will include 150 units, has a tentative June start date.

In addition to the housing, the city is looking to draw in business with incentives that its Urban Enterprise Zone offers and enhance existing businesses in the zone.

The city also is using a number of smaller methods to draw businesses and consumers to the city, one way is to renovate the historic station along the Routes 1&9 corridor. The highway will now sport international banners along its Elizabeth section, creating an international drive.

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### Kenilworth to take aggressive approach to spur growth

By Sandra Ormebe Staff Writer

The future looks bright — and busy — for economic development in Kenilworth. Mayor Michael Tripodi says the Kenilworth business district will receive much attention in 1996.

"We recognize the need for mechanisms to spur economic growth and stability," Tripodi said. "I want to explore and implement as many programs to help our business district as possible."

The biggest and most recent addition in the borough is the A&P supermarket, slated to open this spring on the former Victor Elias and Copper property on Boulevard. A car wash and Jiffy Lube also will be part of the A&P complex.

"That's a big plus for us that a developer was able to redesign an environmentally contaminated area and turn it around," Tripodi said. Although the closing on the property brought in \$22,937.04 in back taxes, Tripodi said, it is too early to determine how much money the borough will receive from the new rental.

Another project that may come into fruition this year is a strip mall proposed by Pignarino Construction Inc. Currently being deliberated by the Planning Board, the mall would be located at Boulevard and North 31st Street and would house no more than 10 retail stores.

Although the project won't be approved until plans comply with the borough's Site Plan Ordinance, Tripodi said "it's a proposal that will be decided on this year unless it is withdrawn."

The mayor also said he hopes to continue working with businesses through the Economic Advisory Council, which he began in 1994 to improve the business climate in the borough, and a new Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce.



Photo By Barbara Brabant

Construction continues on the A&P complex in Kenilworth, which is a major score on the economic front for the borough.

If the Borough Council decides to set up a Chamber of Commerce, Tripodi hopes to unify the downtown through street fairs and other organized events that will promote commerce and attract customers.

"To my knowledge, Kenilworth is one of only a few towns in the county that doesn't have a Chamber of Commerce," Tripodi said. "It's a good way to organize the business and market business in Kenilworth effectively."

In addition to focusing on economics and industry, beautification will continue to be a priority as well.

Last year, the Beautification Committee began installing back seats along Boulevard "to take away untidy maccadam," Tripodi said. This year, those efforts will continue as the council strives to spruce up the downtown area.



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## Rahway refocuses its efforts on revitalization of downtown

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In order to position itself as much in the public's eye, Rahway has joined many other New Jersey cities in engaging in a variety of measures to return the luster to downtown business districts. In 1993, the sense of discomfit over a stable but stagnant downtown prompted a group of public and private sector leaders to organize and attack this problem. The strategy employed by the private-public partnership focuses upon the three major components viewed as having the most substantial economic development impact upon the city's revitalization: the re-energization of Rahway as a commercial center, transportation hub and cultural community. This strategy is beginning to yield dividends, as is evidenced by new spurts of commercial, residential and cultural re-development and infrastructure improvements.

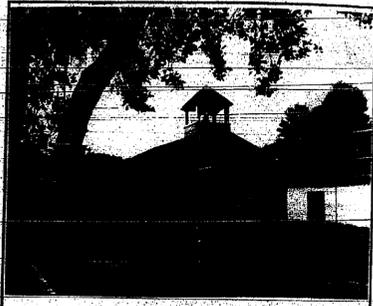
**Re-energizing commerce**

Many market forces are simultaneously at work today serving as factors in the gradual, but noticeable upswing in reinvestment in the city. In 1993, the city in cooperation with the Rahway Chamber of Commerce and Merck & Company, Inc., established and funded the Rahway Task Force. A year later, Rahway's elected officials, acting upon the recommendation of the task force unanimously voted to create a Special Improvement District, to be used as a one-tool-to-guide-renewal-efforts-and-re-energize the city's image. Guiding these efforts is the Rahway Center Partnership, a 30-member board of public and private sector members.

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Bob Markey of Saig & Markey Realty who serves as president of the RCP, was one of the prime-movers in the creation of the SID. Viewed in this way, "We knew something had to be done to begin to reverse the cycle of decline which the downtown had been experiencing for so long. There were many people interested in this same goal, but we needed to bring all these different interests together to be effective. The SID was the one single entity to accomplish this." Markey is a Realtor in downtown as well as a downtown property owner.

The RCP's philosophy is committed to three principles — consensus decision-making, leadership by example and private-sector leadership. They are organized into four committees of concentration which reflect the areas of greatest concern to their members: transportation, maintenance and



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## Airport high on Linden's agenda for '96

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operation of a luxury hotel to serve travelers and businessmen in the area. Several companies have expressed interest.

Other parts of the land will be used for light industry, such as office buildings, and south of the airport, K-Mart will open a store this week on Route 1.

Another sign of Linden's commercial health is the AA rating assigned to its municipal bonds.

In December, Standard & Poor's Corp. gave the city the AA rating — the investment firm's second highest designation — making Linden more competitive for private investment.

S&P based its judgment on the history and strength of Linden's heavy industry sector, its accessibility to New York City, the declining unemployment rate, and its per capita income level, that is 90 percent of the state's average and 114 percent of the country's.

In addition, Moody's Investor's Service, Inc. also gave the city a high rating, calling Linden's outlook "strongly stable."

"I am very pleased with these very positive reports on our financial position," said City Finance Director Joseph Soligo, who also represents Linden and the 20th Legislative District in the General Assembly. "Getting the AA bond rating is equivalent to getting an A in school."

## Union foresees progress coming with new year

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Minnelli said he also has hopes for the Lehigh Avenue industrial sector.

"We are making some progress there. A couple of companies have filled in vacant space. A lot of vacant lots have been created, and we are making progress," he also said.

"We are still doing with some of the bigger areas. There is an offer on the table for mixed-use housing in one area. It is going to be a long road to recovery."

"We have a lot of interest, because Union has some very interesting assets, such as the major highways, our population, our workforce," he said. "With the efforts we are making, we are going to see changes — changes for the positive."

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### Borough's center undergoing major revitalization in '96

By Sandra Ormbeck  
Managing Editor

By the end of 1996, residents will barely be able to recognize Roselle Park's central business district.

The downtown revitalization project, which began last year with the installation of antique-style street lamps, will come into fruition this year.

Groundbreaking for the \$176,267 project, which calls for new sidewalks, curbs and trees along Chestnut Street and Westfield Avenue between Robert and Locust streets, will take place in the spring. After lengthy debate, the project was approved in December and will include regular concrete sidewalks designed with a three-inch-by-two-inch block pattern. But, according to Mayor Joseph DeLoria, that's only the beginning.

During preliminary meetings for the 1996-97 budget, the Borough Council has been discussing taking the downtown revitalization project a step further with benches, flags and trees.

Once these elements are in place, DeLoria hopes to establish a special improvement district that would assess businesses a small amount to fund and maintain projects in the downtown area, as well as to promote business in Roselle Park.

"I really believe a special improvement district will be established this year," DeLoria said. "We're going to try to keep the cost minimal to get started, but if the businesses are going to benefit from the improvements they should be involved in maintaining them."

Westfield Avenue also will receive a facelift this spring when residents gather for Clean Communities Day to paint the lines along the thoroughfare and weed the center island.

"Hopefully council will agree to do something with the center island," DeLoria said, "so when people ride down Westfield Avenue they'll know they are in Roselle Park."

According to DeLoria, 1996 will be the "Year of the Master Plan," which will be revised to focus on prospective economic development, zoning and ordinances.

DeLoria said the idea he'd like to see emphasized in the plan is reorganizing residential areas to create professional districts.

"This would allow homeowners near the central business district on Westfield Avenue and Chestnut Street to sell or rent their homes to professionals such as lawyers, accountants, doctors or architects," DeLoria explained.

The mayor said this option would make the homes more marketable if residents chose to sell them.

"It would also help the borough in increased revenues," he added, "because once a house is used for a business use the tax assessment increases, and an increase in assessments means stabilized property taxes."

DeLoria said this process would be similar to what is taking place on Chestnut Street with homes being converted into professional practices. "It doesn't have to mean major demolition and construction," he said, "just using a room within a home for a business."

DeLoria said professional districts also would be advantageous to the borough because there would be fewer homes to utilize services. Since businesses don't use the schools or health and recreation services, the borough would not need to expand its services, but instead may be able to reduce them, he said.

"The whole crux of economic development in Roselle Park has to focus on not only Chestnut Street, but also Westfield Avenue," DeLoria added. "We have to pull all the pieces together and the Master Plan will do it."

The Master Plan, which will be revised based on data from the 1990 Census, will serve as an outline to attract business and customers to the area, maximize effective tax spending and improve the borough's appearance.

"Roselle Park has all the key elements for economic development," DeLoria said. "We have the Garden State Parkway, we have mass transit with our train station and we have state and county roads."

**"I really believe a special improvement district will be established this year."**

— Mayor Joe DeLoria

### Clark foresees boost coming with settlement

By Christopher Tooley  
Staff Writer

With litigation related to the Railway Valley Sewerage Authority settled, Mayor Robert Ellenport said Clark can expect a burst of commercial growth in the township through 1997.

Under an authority directive, Clark had been restrained from issuing construction permits because the township did not have sufficient sewer capacity, from the Borough of Garwood to settle the nine-year debate.

"Clark was losing a lot of commercial development activity to neighboring towns that weren't under the ban," said Ellenport, who has made ending the dispute a hallmark of his mayoralty, but described its resolution as a "bittersweet accomplishment."

"I'm disappointed that our lining was off," he added. "But I'm certain that, when two prior administrations weren't able to achieve, we were able to complete it."

The township had hoped to settle the dispute with the R.V.S.A. in time for construction to begin last year, but plans have been postponed, in some cases, up to a year. In addition to the commercial stagnation, between 300 to 400 homeowners had been denied permits to renovate houses.

"A lot of the activity will now go through the permitting process in '96, and we probably won't see completion until 1997. We're seeing the pent-up demand for construction and renovation."

Ellenport also said he thinks highly of Clark's retailers.

Upcoming development will include the building of two townhouses, on Warren Road and Featherbed Lane; development of the new and former ShopRite locations; completion of a 4,000-square-foot office building on Barton Road, and the start of another on Westfield Avenue.

Another project that Ellenport said could be a source of income for the township is the proposed redevelopment of the General Motors land, for a nine-hole championship golf course and driving range.

Clark collects approximately \$36,000 in property taxes for that land — about one-half of a 1995 tax point — which would increase to approximately \$400,000 — or six tax points — each year if the golf proposal is approved by the Township Council.

"That's a significant amount of cash to be realized," the mayor said. "You're talking a 10-fold increase from one piece of property."

Ellenport also said he thinks highly of Clark's retailers.

### Many changes in its 43 years noted by Clarke

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## Union SID hopes to restore Center's lost pride

The decline of a community's central business district can have a devastating effect on property values, and an even more drastic effect on community pride. For more than a decade, the declining Union Center has sapped the spirit of local residents. Many residents may remember when the Center was a source of a bustling retail scene, and a gathering place for friends to meet, shop and share life experiences.

The Union Center Special Improvement District's plan to restore both property values and local pride took a major step forward in 1995. The almost completed "access-ramp" of Shawmont Avenue has transformed the Center into a "modern-marketplace." The brick pavers, decorative lamp posts, trees and benches are substantial improvements designed to attract both customers and new retail/business businesses.

The first year of the SID's facade program produced nine new store fronts. Private investment of nearly \$2 million, combined with \$25,000 in matching federal grants, brought visual improvements to the Center, stabilizing commercial property values, and pumping up community pride.

Perhaps the most exciting development is the Center's 1995 year-end immensely successful promotions coordinated by the SID. Thousands of people flocked to the Center to enjoy the many special events, Heritage Day, the Street Fair, Cruisers Night,

and the big winner of the year, the Re-lux Feast of St. Michael's, made strides toward restoring the Center as the "winning place" of the community. A more attractive physical appearance at the Center, and promotions helped restore community pride. With new plans in the ready for 1996, officials are optimistic the future looks bright for Union Center—and the township.

The physical improvements of the Center, and the SID's calendar of special events has a dual purpose: improving community pride, and encouraging new real estate to locate in the Center. Eight new residential projects, including Heri's the Story, Cortina, Sun Kings, the Union Center Jean Oudet, Deloitte, Amazing Hiccup, Union Center Bagel and Deli, Country English Gardens and Security Pacific Financial Services moved into the Center, while other established businesses, including the Oak Furniture Warehouse and Scherer's Pharmacy, expanded their facilities. The SID remains optimistic about reestablishing the Center as a vibrant, active

community, and is currently working with a major retailer to fill this property.

"The Special Improvement District is very proud of its accomplishments in 1995, but realizes that this is only the beginning," said SID Executive Director Michael Minicelli. "There is much to be done. Decades of neglect cannot be overcome in a few years. The township and the SID's Board of Trustees will continue the long and arduous work of bringing retail and service businesses to fill the existing vacancies. Existing projects will be awarded, and new

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## Delaire on cutting edge when it comes to elderly

More often, managed care payers are realizing the cost savings in transferring patients from the acute care setting to an alternate level of care. In order to remain on the cutting edge, Delaire Nursing and Convalescent Center helps reduce the average length of stay in acute care, by providing short-term intensive medical care and short-term comprehensive rehabilitation services.

The term used to describe these programs is "Subacute Care."

Subacute care patients are admitted to no longer require acute care services, but are too complex for treatment in a traditional nursing center.

Subacute care programs treat patients who are medically complex and require physical rehabilitation, wound care, neurological rehabilitation, intravenous therapy, and pre- and post-operative care.

Subacute care requires the coordinated services of an interdisciplinary team, including physicians, therapists, nurses and other relevant professional disciplines.

Delaire Nursing and Convalescent Center has developed a special unit to accommodate patients in need of subacute services. The separate unit enables the patients to socialize and enjoy a normal routine in foster rehabilitation and recovery.

Subacute care is gaining recognition as a level of care offering cost savings and more focused patient care. Delaire Nursing and Convalescent Center is a provider of this new trend in the healthcare delivery system.

## Gechtman opens Union office

Attorney Jeffrey M. Gechtman has opened a new law office at 1379 Morris Ave., Union. He also has offices in Springfield and Fanwood.

The phone number for his Union office is (908) 366-8310. The Springfield office, located at 1200 Morris Ave., can be reached by calling (201) 467-8488, and the Fanwood office, 90 North Martine Ave., can be reached by calling (908) 322-0494.

Gechtman has been a practicing attorney for 23 years. He has been practicing throughout the state and mostly in Union County. He handles a wide range of legal matters including real estate, refinancing mortgages, preparation of wills and estates, negligence, personal injury and automobile accidents.

## New Rahway Hospital chief carrying out new mission

Rahway Hospital underwent a transformation in leadership late in 1994 with the appointment of Kirk C. Tico as its president and chief executive officer.

During the past year at the 79-year-old community hospital, Tico has made planning and budgeting a highly interactive process which includes its community-based board, medical staff and managers at the senior and middle levels.

"We needed to revisit the mission," said Tico. "What we found was that the founding fathers' vision is viable today — comprehensive services meeting the day-to-day health care needs of 95 percent of our community members. We just need to define those services in today's terms."

Tico's first move was affiliation with Robert Wood Johnson Health System — a contractual network of six member hospitals — for purposes of regionalized planning, enhanced patient services, educational programs for professionals and joint managed care efforts. The affiliation makes Rahway the only Union County connection to this system which raised a half-million individuals in 1995.

Looking to 1996, Rahway Hospital anticipates strengthening partnerships within the community, with other provider institutions and agencies as well as physicians and groups of physicians leading to the provision of services that foster wellness and prevention, early diagnosis of disease processes, early intervention, acute care, tertiary

care, subacute care, home care, and care for the terminally ill.

"Strategic planning for the future is an extremely complicated process," Tico said. "The politicization of health care works to the detriment of all involved. We could once plan on a three- to five-year basis, we now find ourselves planning from month-to-month. As we do so, our focus never waivers from the goals set forth in the mission."

As a hospital that sees more than a 50 percent Medicare patient group, Tico says the debates over the fate of this entitlement at the end of 1995 were of particular interest.

"The introduction of the state's only in-hospital Subacute Care Unit in 1995 made way for increased efficiency of time and resources while improving services and reducing costs to patients and their families. It made it possible for many who had suffered a serious illness to be discharged to their own homes without the need for long-term home care."

In 1996, the hospital expects significant growth, perhaps 10 percent, in ambulatory services. Through funding by its foundation, the hospital operates a free handicapped-accessible van to and from outpatient therapy and diagnostic services.

The Same Day Surgery Unit, which was relocated to larger facilities mid-year 1995, experienced a 5 percent increase in admissions, a trend which is expected to grow and expand in 1996.

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### UEZ key to Hillside's economic growth

By Ryan Vaaral  
Staff Writer

1996 started off on the right foot for Hillside, economically speaking. On Jan. 9, Gov. Christine Whitman signed a bill authorizing part of the township to become an Urban Enterprise Zone.

"That's super, that's great news," said Township Committee member Ralph Milner, who co-chairs the township Finance Committee.

He was overjoyed that the governor had signed the bill, pointing out that the 3 percent sales tax was sure to draw both new businesses, and new customers for those businesses.

"That will definitely help our economy," Milner said. "People will want to come here for the 3 percent sales tax, and that's the kind of thing that can add up after a while, especially on big-ticket items."

Mayor Frank Deo was equally enthusiastic about the development.

"I think the enterprise zone will help our town immensely," Deo said. "It will be a great draw for new businesses."

The bill establishes Hillside as one of seven new UEZs, the others being Irvington, East Orange, Pomerton, West New York, North Bergen and Guttenberg.

Adam Samiec, township engineer, handled the process of filing for consideration as a UEZ. He said that most of the details as to what areas of the township

will be included in the UEZ will be provided by the state government in the near future.

"We do not know if they will use the Hospital out that the enterprise zone's boundaries are not set in stone.

"If the state gives us what we asked for, we can also expand on that at a later date," he said.

What is known is that the UEZ designation will provide tax credits to qualified businesses when they hire a new employee, as well as a one-time corporate tax credit, reduced utility rates, unemployment tax credits and sales tax exemptions on building supplies.

Consumers that patronize businesses in the UEZ will benefit from the area's 3 percent sales tax.

"At this point, the township is looking at April 1 as a target date for putting the UEZ into effect.

In an effort to help prospective businesses get off to a good start in Hillside, the township is instituting a system that will allow the owners of the businesses to get through the application process faster.

In the past, prospective owners had to go through the application process in a very piecemeal fashion. They had to go from office to office, in the township Municipal Building, seeking out information and application forms from vari-

### Rahway bidding for a rebirth

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commercial districts such as with competition from several sprawling regional suburban and local highway strip malls. Says Markey: "There's been an erosion of the commercial base which provided the goods and services that previously attracted shoppers, however, we believe there are many more pluses and the partnership has built its strategy around capitalizing upon them."

**Business retention**

John Bowen, president of Axis Federal Savings Bank and partnership's co-chairperson, said that the mission of the group is the revitalization of downtown Rahway, with the emphasis on business retention and attraction. Toward the goal of retention, they act as an advocate for the business community by communicating its needs to the appropriate governmental entities, by improving the delivery of services and by programs which run the gamut from downtown special events to the distribution of timers to encourage merchants to leave shop lights on until 11 p.m.

The partnership is approaching new business attraction in a combination of ways. "Our first step was to follow through on the implementation of outside consultant studies commissioned years ago by Merck, the Chamber of Commerce and the City of Rahway. To accomplish this, we hired a professional downtown manager who provides technical assistance to our administrative

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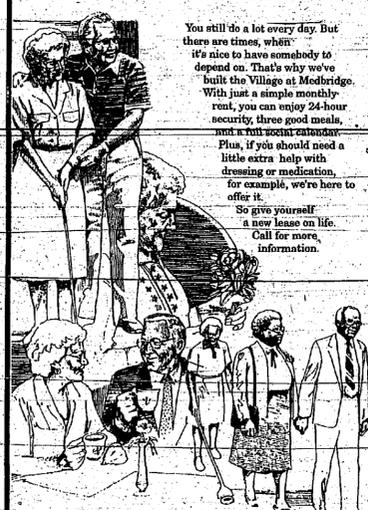
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**City hopes to retain businesses**

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We also established a presence in the downtown by renting a storefront on Main Street to enhance communication with the business community," said Bowen.

Among "Smart" first initiatives were activities to attract more people to the downtown. This has been accomplished by restoring the construction of specialty markets on Saturday, Discovery Day which was a spot festival celebrating community strength, obtaining the agreement of

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Achievements: "Elementary School Program" during the current school year. Every one of the 407 students attending Winfield Scott will participate in the program, which teaches personal and social values by building an awareness in the children of themselves, their families and communities, as well as other factors in their lives.

In association with the Union County prosecutor, Bayway co-sponsored the "Run for the Children" in Warminster Park, which has several hundred people come out to walk or jog through the park. Proceeds went to furnish a center for abused children that the prosecutor's staff is developing in Elizabeth.

In addition, the company purchased 10 new seats for the hall, which was dedicated on July 18, 1995.

Beginning in the summer, the auditorium will be used for plays and other cultural events. The company also contributed to other programs in local schools, including drug and alcohol-free graduation parties for students attending Linden and Elizabeth high schools.

Through these and other community initiatives, the employees of Tosco's Bayway Refining Company are showing their support for Linden and Union County.



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**Quest for Summit movie theater continues**

By Sheila Patrode Staff Writer

The quest for bringing the movies to Summit is complete, but the cost of a set has stalled production.

For years, the Chamber of Commerce wanted to build a movie theater on Springfield Avenue in the vacant Kress Building. The goal seemed realistic when Clearview Cinema, the company which owns theaters in Barnardville, Chester, Madison, and Mansfield, expressed interest in expanding in Summit.

It was a done deal, until the rent put a damper on things.

Clearview Cinema needs one floor of the two-story building for the theater. No single occupant has taken the other floor, due to the cost of the lease, so the theater chain has been on hold until a second-floor tenant can be found.

The same class of one public utility bookstores showed interest in the space, but the store backed out of the deal at the last minute.

"We're not discouraged," Clearview Cinema partner Mike Rush said. "It's just going to be a while. Money's in short supply, and it's a tough time in the retail industry."

Opening in Summit remains a priority.

Rush said, adding that he thinks he has a good shot at doing it because he considers his city to be a great location for a theater. Cinema representatives and toured the building. "I'll do everything I can to help," President Joseph Steiner and Mayor Walter

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This sign is posted outside the city's vacant Kress Building where officials remain hopeful a movie theater will someday be housed.

Long said they support a theater downtown. "Everybody wants a movie theater," Steiner added. "It's just has to be economical, viable."

"I think a movie theater would be good for the town, it's a real good service for the community," said Long, who runs Clearview Cinema representatives and toured the building. "I'll do everything I can to help."

The Special Improvement District, which

**City's parking plan to solve problems**

Finding a place to park has proven to be as daunting for the city government as for motorists looking to shop downtown, but a plan for solving Summit's parking problem has been set for implementation March 6.

The plan will limit the number of parking permits issued to non-resident commuters, and will monitor the length of time vehicles are left by the Park & Shop lots.

Suburban Chamber of Commerce President Joseph Steiner said details for the new permits have arrived. A letter explaining the details will be sent to 11,000 permit holders by the end of January.

Those employed by downtown businesses also will be eligible for permits. Letters will be sent to employees to verify the number of permits needed.

Meanwhile, Steiner and city administrators are looking for ways to monitor vehicles which use the downtown Park & Shop lots. The city has had a problem with motorists leaving and returning to the lots several times a day, in order to pay lower parking fees.

Recording license plates, city officials said, would prevent the use of the lots for long-term parking.

The city also is working with Overlook Hospital regarding the possible use of one of the hospital's lots for non-resident commuters.

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### Officials look at incentives as way to lure business to city

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In an attempt to encourage business growth, the City Council is currently creating a package of business incentives. One of these is an ordinance currently before the council to create livable work space arrangements in the downtown district.

"Having a downtown which is so accessible to public transportation is an incentive for people to have their residences and workplaces here. These spaces would also be conducive to shared office space for business people who require a small office space and want to share facilities with other companies. We see a lot of these arrangements in Woodbridge and Linden and believe we can offer space along the same rail lines at much more competitive rates," said Ted Sauer, vice chairman of the RCP.

Sony Laniado, Souderton's executive vice president, hopes praise upon the city and local officials.

"It seems that often Rahway is overlooked when it comes to choosing a business location in favor of cities such as Jersey City or Hoboken. I opted for Rahway because of its strategic location with accessibility from the Garden State Parkway and the New Jersey Turnpike and its excellent rail connections. But even more than those obvious factors was the overwhelming cooperation I received from local officials who went out of their way to assist me during the renovation process. Everyone from the Building Department to the

Department of Economic Development acted expeditiously to help me obtain the approvals I needed and to minimize the interruptions to my business. It was their way of showing appreciation for my business as a valuable corporate citizen," said Laniado.

Souderton, with 100 employees is headquartered in a six-year-old building which was previously owned by a bank. The 40,000-square-foot building underwent a renovation to accommodate their consumer electronics business.

"Our choice of the property was based on its downtown location with immediate proximity to City Hall's regional police, police and fire services and a wide choice of excellent restaurants where my sales people can take customers for a wonderful lunch, and my employees can feel comfortable walking to the parking lot at night," said Laniado.

"We've seen over the last two years a gradual resurgence in the downtown and encouraged by this and the efforts of the partnership, felt that we too should play a major role in the revitalization process. Our faith in this city has also been demonstrated by the lease we have made for the city's business and residential properties," he said.

Acta has had a continued presence in Rahway for 70 years and Bowen believes that the right mix of tenants will go a long way toward stimulating development in the downtown. The

group's efforts are focused on an 11-acre vacant site directly behind City Hall which they plan to develop as a mid-sized mall. They say they believe that the right mix of tenants will go a long way toward stimulating development in the downtown. The

### Union County Savings Bank marks all-time high in assets

Assets increased to an all-time high of more than \$200 million as of Dec. 31. It was announced by Donald C. Sims, president of the financial community to show substantial growth, we are particularly proud of this achievement," Sims said.

"What is remarkable is that the bank's growth has always been driven not by takeovers and mergers, but by the loyalty and confidence of our 40,000 depositors. At the turn of the century, the bank's assets stood at a half-million dollars; today they stand at over a half-billion," Sims remarked.

"Each of our offices continues to attract new customers, some perhaps dissatisfied with the size and services from their present bank, or maybe they are aware that Union County Savings Bank offers them the highest interest rates and the lowest fees of any bank in the county," he said.

Today, as the only bank headquartered in Elizabethtown, Union County Savings Bank plays an important financial role in the community — first as a reliable and stable depository which has never missed a dividend payment in its 112-year history, and second as a source of real estate mortgage loans. "Every cent of the bank's mortgage portfolio is invested in New Jersey properties with at least 80 percent of those monies reinvested to home ownership in Union County," he said.

"We take pride in being a neighborhood bank with a long history of good customer relationships, some of which go back three generations," Sims said. "People are always pleased — and surprised — to learn that Union County Savings Bank has never merged with another bank or even changed its name since it was founded in 1883.

"Safety and soundness, also, still seem to be foremost in the minds of the public, and we are pleased to report net income of almost \$9 million," Sims said. "This amount was transferred to the bank's surplus and reserve account which now stands at over \$90 million. This represents 17 percent of assets — a position that ranks among the best in the industry."

The capital to assets ratio is considered a benchmark for determining the health of a financial institution. Since 1988, Union County Savings Bank's capital ratio has been more than double the minimum requirement of 6 percent set by the FDIC in 1990 as a safeguard for depositors.



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# Care Station

Workers at the Care Station in Linden recently conducted a food drive to feed the needy. Displaying some of the food collected are, from left, Camilla Robertson, x-ray technician, Carilo Sanford, food drive coordinator, and Dr. Richard Bezozo.

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His paying attention surely paid off.

"La Pastaria's goal was to let young families come with their children to a fun atmosphere, get great food at a reasonable price and be in an upscale ambience," he said.

The owners of this restaurant surely understand that desire because they have small children themselves. Many of the children have pizzas named after them.

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When he's not painting oils or sculpting in metal, Joe Weiss sings from the heart. Page B4.

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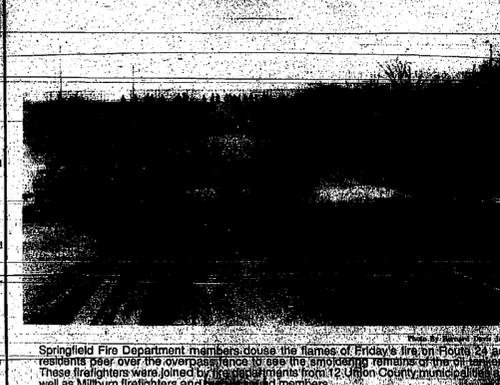
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## Oil truck crashes, burns; fuel flows into brook



Springfield Fire Department members douse the flames of Friday's fire on Route 24 as rain pours over the scene. These firefighters were joined by firefighters from 12 Union County municipalities as well as Millburn firefighters and members.

**By Kathryn Fitzgerald**  
**Staff Writer**

When was supposed to be a routine test of a fire truck turned into another test of the Millburn Fire Department and the Springfield Fire Department on Friday night.

At about 3 p.m. Friday, a tanker holding approximately 7,000 gallons of home heating oil overturned and slid down the westbound side of Route 24 in the township.

According to Springfield Fire Chief William Cras, the driver failed to negotiate a turn at the site of many accidents.

That week, Cras was on the left side of the road in the right lane and its rear in the middle lane, then burst into flames. The blast and the heat of the resulting fire obliterated the name of the oil company painted on the tank.

"There were two tank operators — one after the other," said a Millburn resident who lives three houses from Shingles Road and spotted "billowing dense black smoke."

The stretch of molten metal, burnt rubber and flame-retardant chemicals washed into the brook as a sludge of black smoke billowed over the site and could be seen for miles.

"I've been waiting a half-hour to cross the bridge. They said the smoke was too thick and I have to wait until the fire's out," said Irvington resident Phyllis Teteranti of her efforts to cross the Shingles Road overpass to reach a bus stop.

The State Police arrived before any fire departments and took the driver, who had escaped the accident early on, to Overlook Hospital in Summit to be treated. The Springfield Fire Department was delayed from arriving at the scene due to a back-up of traffic. According to Cras, people were slowing down to view the scene and driving the wrong way on Route 24 to escape the smoke and flames.

The westbound portion of the four-lane highway was closed to traffic, as emergency vehicles from Springfield, Union, Millburn and Summit were positioned on each side of the accident.

Twelve fire departments from around the county, plus the Millburn Fire Department and First Aid Squad, arrived. Springfield's Fire Department and First Aid Squad.

When the blaze was extinguished, the fire department's roof was not done.

Run-off had carried several thousand gallons of oil into a culvert, near storm sewers, and into a brook near Mohel Field, which would then deposit it into Rehrway's supply of drinking water.

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Because of the heat, the cab collapsed and the trailer rolled. All that remained were the two tires and the frame.

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## Regional board approves new 'equity plan' for high schools

**By Kathryn Fitzgerald**  
**Staff Writer**

High school students will continue to receive fairness and equality in their education, according to a new plan introduced to the Regional Board of Education last month.

Though before the board by Tom Long, superintendent of schools for personnel and public relations, and Kenneth Mansfield, supervisor of instructional media and curriculum, the Multi-Year Equity Plan for the 1996-97 through 1998-99 school years was designed to reaffirm the district's "ongoing commitment to equality in educational programs, as indicated in its existing policies dealing with Affirmative Action, equal education opportunity and related issues" as well as provide a foundation to identify and remediate or assess and prevent all bias, discrimination and impermissible isolation found in district programs, practices and facilities.

The board also appointed Mansfield as Affirmative Action officer for the district effective Jan. 17, noting he would serve as the chief equity officer for the regional district.

The plan outlines many measures that will be implemented by the board pertaining to the fair and equitable treatment of district students, as well as staff.

- Discrimination based on race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status or handicapping condition is prohibited in an educational program or activity unless it is necessary to accomplish a "specific purpose that does not impinge upon, essential equality or fundamental fairness in the treatment of pupils or employees."
- When selection for an athletic team is based upon competitive skill, separate teams will be provided or, in the event that no such team is or will be created, members of the excluded sex must be allowed to try out for the existing team. Comparable equipment, supplies, coaching, facilities, services and publicity will be provided along with comparable athletic opportunities shall be provided to members of both sexes.
- Courses and instructional materials will promote "understanding and mutual respect between students of different races, colors, creeds, religions, sexes, ancestral, national origin, social or economic status or handicapping conditions." Should material and courses not be designed as such, they will be supplemented.
- Employment opportunities will be provided to students regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status or handicapping condition. Employers who practice such discrimination will not be permitted to participate in the district's student employment program.
- Separate housing provided for students on field trips or other school-related activities must be comparable in quality and availability. Separate toilet, locker and shower facilities provided on the basis of sex must be comparable to the facilities provided for students of the other sex. No rule on marital, family or parental status that treats one sex differently from the other shall be applied or enforced.
- District employment opportunities, including testing, recruitment, compensation, advertising, job classification, process of application for employment, fringe benefits, promotion, granting of tenure, termination, layoffs, wages, job assignment, all leaves of absence, training programs, employer-sponsored programs and any other term, condition, or privilege of employment shall not show preference unless sex is a bona fide occupational qualification for the job in question.
- Under this policy, the superintendent has the responsibility to coordinate district efforts to comply with the policy, develop a record-keeping system for all records required, serve as a referral for all violations, develop an appropriate grievance procedure and develop affirmative action programs as appropriate. The superintendent also is responsible for providing the publication of this policy to all "ongoing basis to students, parents/guardians, employees, prospective employees and district employee unions or organizations" including the EQUITY, Page 2.

### Community Update

**Seats available**  
The deadline for filing nominating petitions to run for positions on the Board of Education is 2 p.m., Feb. 26. The election is scheduled for April 16.

Prospective school board candidates can obtain a School Board Candidate Kit at the local school district office. Published by the New Jersey School Boards Association, the kit includes information about legal qualifications for school board candidacy, campaign procedures, and the role of the school board member.

Information about the New Jersey School Boards Act, important dates in the school election process, and helpful sessions for school board candidates is also included in the kit.

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Mike J. Pirkofski, NJSEA president.

**Child health clinics**  
The Springfield Board of Health will sponsor child health clinics on a monthly basis in conjunction with the Westfield Board of Health and the Visiting Nurse Association.

Infants and children who are residents of Springfield are eligible to receive free immunizations and well baby check-ups at the Westfield Municipal Building on 425 East Broad St. on the second and third Wednesday of the month.

Appointments are mandatory and can be made by calling the Westfield nurse at the Visiting Nurse Association at 330-5694. For general questions about the clinics, residents can call the Westfield Board of Health at 769-4070.

**Hearing dates**  
The Board of Adjustment will convene Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School on Mountain Avenue to discuss Stop & Shop's application. The supermarket company plans to build a 73,000 square foot store on the former site of Saks Fifth Avenue.

**Inviting Rumors**  
The Department of Parks & Recreation is sponsoring a Feb. 24 trip to the Garden State Art Center for dinner and Neil Simon's "Rumors" at the Robert Meyer Reception Center, located at the Art Center grounds. The trip will leave from South Valley Civic Center at 5 p.m. and return at approximately 11 p.m. and costs is \$58.50 per person, including roundtrip bus transportation, dinner, theater and gratuity.

For reservations or more information, call the Department at 912-2227 or 912-2228.

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Eighth-grader Marci Schultz shows off her cat, which she made in home economics class at Gaudin School.