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Community

Mended Hearts
 The Voice-Best chapter meeting of Mended Hearts will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Springfield First Aid Squad Building, located on Third Avenue. The guest speaker will be Chapter Advisor Dr. Barry M. Cohen, a cardiologist on the staff of Drexel, Newark. Dr. Cohen, St. Michael's, Morristown Memorial and Union hospitals. He also teaches at Columbia University and UMNJ. He has published many articles on cardiology. His subject will be "What's New With the Heart." Mended Hearts is a support group designed to help those with heart problems, as well as their families. For more information, call (201) 576-0582.

Prepare for emergencies
 The Springfield Volunteer Fire Aid Squad reminds residents that they are an important link in providing emergency medical services to the community. These four simple steps can make all the difference in the world:
 • Remember to post emergency numbers on each phone.
 • Learn First Aid and CPR.
 • Support your emergency First Aid Squad.

Roll with it



Trudy Kennedy, right, president-elect of Senior Group 2, gives her ball a good toss in a game of bocce with fellow Springfield seniors James McCord, left, Group 6 president, Bob Reiner of Group 2, and Raymond K. Oake of Group 2 at the Municipal Pool.

Board to tap residents to help shape Dayton

The Springfield Board of Education will hold a special meeting Monday to begin the process of establishing an involved relationship with the residents of the township. The board will be looking for members of the community who would like to take part in shaping the educational future of the town as it prepares to take over Jonathan Dayton High School next fall.

The purpose of the special meeting will be to introduce several committees that will play a big part in the decision-making process of the district in the year to come. Residents are encouraged to attend and sign up for whatever committees they feel they should like to be a part of or which they may be able to lead their expertise. "This is an opportunity for the people who live in the community to come outside and have some input into the type of education and sports programs they would like to see in the school."

The board is looking to put in the past all of the divisions that resulted from the organizational quarrels, and begin to bring a new solidarity into the entire school district. "This is a point in time where whether you were for or against the organizational change of the high school district, it is now a time for everybody to come together and work with one another to see that we have a great school district tomorrow. The forming of the committees is the first step for us to be able to receive a reputation that we can come outside and have some input into the type of education and sports programs they would like to see in the school."

The board is looking to the future of the township as a whole as it considers the task of making a quality kindergarten through 12th-grade program. "The forming of the committees is the first step for us to be able to receive a reputation that we can come outside and have some input into the type of education and sports programs they would like to see in the school."

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Recreation will get an overhaul

Organizational changes set to improve department

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
 Managing Editor

The Recreation Department is due for some sweeping changes, according to Township Committee Roy Hirschfeld, that will prevent the department from being a disorganized mess with no management controls.

There was also the organization concerning recreation staffing, including a lack of job descriptions and a clear delineation of functions. Some of the major problems Hirschfeld reports to have occurred include the absence of Recreation Director duties, the director's ineffectiveness in establishing an efficient framework for the department, and the absence of a clear chain of command.

As a result of this lack of planning in 1995, Recreation Committee members wound up taking over the supervisory position in many recreation programs, including baseball, softball, basketball, and tennis. "It is testimony to the failure to maintain the parks, one has to only go to any town park and look at the dismal condition of the fields, playgrounds and grassy areas."

In addition, the majority of the programs, which include soccer, baseball and professional tennis seasons, were poorly run, with the exception of "State Flag" tennis, which produced good results and good management. Hirschfeld continued, "Tennis is a sport provided by a private vendor, with no controls or contract to manage the township, provided to the Recreation Department. This is a great profit for the vendor on Springfield tennis courts. Other new sports programs for Springfield were presented to the Recreation Department, but Hirschfeld expects that a new recreation director will be named to manage the department."

See REPAIRS, Page 2

Candidate cries set-up in pool check mix-up

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
 Managing Editor

As the Municipal Pool closes for the fall, more problems surfaced. JoAnn Holmes, Democratic candidate for pool membership payment, has been set up by an effort to discredit her during her campaign for the vacant seat on the committee this year. Township Committee Roy Hirschfeld denies that this has been political, but is instead ethical.

During a press conference Monday afternoon, Holmes issued the statement, "I am calling this press conference today to express my disdain. For the next part, I find politics distasteful, especially when it may be used to discredit someone up for political endorsement. I believe that this recently took place in our community of Springfield and I would like every resident to judge the facts for themselves."

"On June 5, I issued my personal check number 1036 to the Township of Springfield for my family pool membership in the amount of \$220, which was applied to my registration form."

"On Aug. 27, almost three months later, I received a certified letter, return receipt requested, from Theresa Hordick, Acting Director of Springfield's Recreation Department, advising me on non-payment of my pool membership. This letter, addressed to me personally, to the Holmes family or to my husband William, advised that an 'audit' was conducted and that I had not paid my membership. In addition, I had until Sept. 15 to pay, which is a full 13 days after the Municipal Pool is closed for the season."

"Somewhat confused by it all, I contacted Mrs. Hordick, whom I have known and worked with for a number of years. I asked her why she chose to go through the trouble, time and expense to send a certified letter as opposed to calling me. In addition, I questioned why she didn't mention the matter to my daughter, who worked with her on a daily basis and why he letter was addressed directly to me rather than my husband, Bill. It became very clear to me that there was more to this than perhaps I was aware of."

"The information that I was received was enlightening. I was surprised to find out that of the thousands of checks and registration forms for the pool, only one was not recorded. I was surprised to find out that I was the only person who had not paid for the pool membership. I was surprised to find out that I was the only person who had not paid for the pool membership. I was surprised to find out that I was the only person who had not paid for the pool membership."

See MISSING, Page 2

Popeye to bring muscles to FoodBank hunger drive

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
 Managing Editor

Popeye will bring his muscles to the FoodBank hunger drive, which is being held at the FoodBank of New Jersey's Check-Out Hunger program, which is kicking off its sixth year. Supermarket shoppers will once again be seeing Community FoodBank of New Jersey posters near the check-out which ask them to add \$1, \$2 or \$5 to their grocery order to be donated to the FoodBank.

In addition to Kings Features, which gives the rights to the Popeye characters for FoodBank is joined by two other new sponsors - VISA and radio station Mix 105.


"I asked Mix 105 if they would like to give and they responded almost immediately," said Meera Nigro, director of Kings Features for the FoodBank. "They said they were excited to be a part of the program."

She said Mix 105, which is also involved in the Costs for Kids program, will do everything from public service announcements on the air to sending their party van with the

In fact, the first appearance by Popeye, Olive Oyl and the gang will start this month with an appearance at the Short-Hill Kings on Sept. 28. Locally, Popeye will appear at the ASP in Scotch Plains on Oct. 3 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. and later that same day at the ShopRite in Nutley from 9:30 to 5:30 p.m.

See CHECK-OUT, Page 4

All around the clock tower



As the school year begins, repairs to Jonathan Dayton Regional High School continue. The clock tower and the roof of the school are receiving some much needed refurbishing and repairs.

Rec needs refs

The Recreation Department is looking for people to referee soccer games. The games are played on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

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Raises membership check raises problems at pool

(Continued from Page 1) received by the recreation department over the years, since was the only one that was ever lost, misplaced or perhaps thrown out on purpose because it was a goodie for the Township Committee.

Repairs to pool, fields expected this year

(Continued from Page 1) pool. "I'm interviewing a lot of people along with Judy Bilizec and we've narrowed it to two people and one person in particular whom we've offered the job to, but we're hoping to see if she's interested in it. We hope to have it in the middle of the month to least by the end of the month.

Board to seek input from citizenry

(Continued from Page 1) can be filled out by the residents which can be used to choose which planning committee, performing and fine arts committee, student leadership committee, technology committee, sports committee, booster club committee, cultural committee, publications committee, and facilities committee.

Check Out program starts 6th year

The program originally started in New Jersey last year and spread to other areas of the country, Nigro said, and has been a successful fundraiser.

Civic Calendar

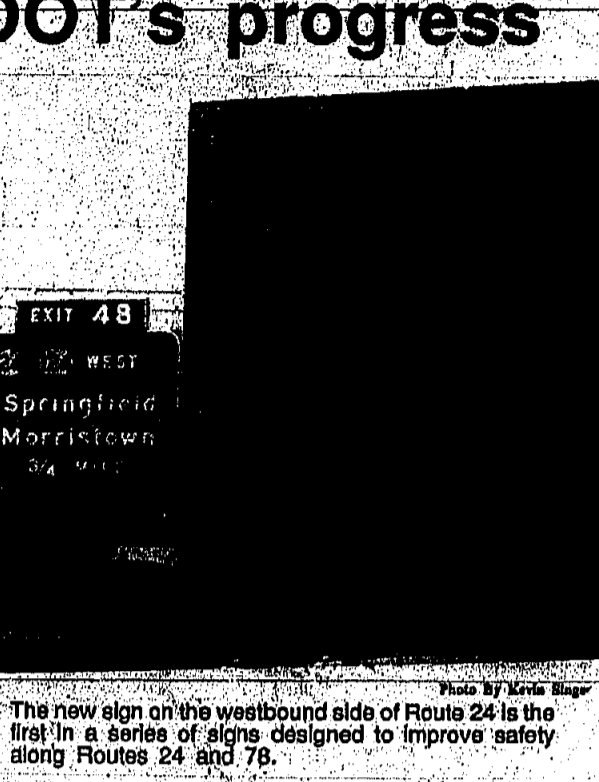
- The Civic Calendar is prepared each week by the Springfield Leader and Mountaineer Echo. It is a listing of government meetings open to the public.
Monday
The Springfield Environmental Commission will hold its monthly meeting in the Planning Board Room of the Municipal Building at 8 p.m.
Tuesday
The Borough Council of Mountaineer will hold its regular meeting in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.
Sept. 23
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, followed by its regular meeting at 8 p.m.
Sept. 30
The Local Assistance Board of Springfield will meet in the Welfare Director's Office on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 2
The Springfield Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.
The Springfield Board of Health will meet at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.
Oct. 7
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board Room of the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m. with its regular meeting following at 8 p.m.
The Borough Council of Mountaineer will hold its work session in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.
Oct. 15
The Borough Council of Mountaineer will hold its regular session in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.
Oct. 21
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board Room of the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
The Springfield Environmental Commission will hold its monthly meeting in the Planning Board Room of the Municipal Building at 8 p.m.
Oct. 22
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m. with its regular meeting following at 8 p.m.
Nov. 4
The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its monthly work session at 8 p.m. in the Planning Board Room of the Municipal Building.

New sign shows DOT's progress

(By Kevin Singer Staff Writer) The installation of a warning sign on Route 24 under the firm sign is the implementation of a New Jersey State Department of Transportation project to improve safety on Route 24 and 76.

Legislators hold informal meeting

(By Kevin Singer Staff Writer) Assemblymen Kevin O'Toole and Kevin Wengertian held a press conference at the site of the new sign along with O'Toole, Bassano and DOT representatives.



The new sign on the westbound side of Route 24 is the first in a series of signs designed to improve safety along Routes 24 and 76.

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Temple preschool gets new director

By Christine Eng, Correspondent
Temple's Sharon has a new addition to its preschool program: Holly Newley, who has more than 20 years of experience in early childhood education...

Newley is also introducing a program called 'Mommay and Me' to start in October for children between the ages of 14 and 24 months...

County will hold Harvest Festival

Trinitate Nature and Science Center in Mountaintop will provide a day of living history when it hosts its 15th annual Harvest Festival on Sept. 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Give and Take Jugglers will perform at 2 and 3:15 p.m. also. American Indian music and dance will be demonstrated at 1:15 and 3:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed to staff Harvest Festival attractions

Volunteers are being sought for Trinitate Nature and Science Center's Harvest Festival, scheduled for Sept. 29. Volunteers are needed to help prepare for the festival in the weeks prior to the event...

Volunteers are needed to help prepare for the festival in the weeks prior to the event, to set up on the event day for food and craft sales, children's face painting and crafts, and corn grinding...

Firemen tee off for autumn outing

The Springfield Fire Department's Firemen's Mutual Association Local 57 is again sponsoring a fundraiser golf tournament on Nov. 12 at the Ballantyne Golf Club...

All golfers will be eligible to win a new Ford Mustang Coupe in the hole-in-one contest. The vehicle is being sponsored by the Firemen's C&T Truck Country Dealership...

Women's Club luncheon

The Mountaintop Women's Club will hold its luncheon Wednesday at L'Affaire on Route 22 at 7:30 p.m. Entertainment will be by Fanny Gills with Phyllis 'Phuett' Vinkler, Rogers' chairwoman.

For information about the College Women's Club of Mountaintop on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Deerfield School on Central Avenue and School Drive to hear Judy Goldman...

Clubs in the News

Bus Trip on Oct. 16-16 Contact Rose Slight at 232-4043 for reservations or more information. The seniors meet at the Community Presbyterian Church on Deer Path and Washington Streets in Mountaintop...

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The Union County Regional High School District offers low-cost, nutritious lunches and milk to all youngsters enrolled in its high schools...

Application forms for free or reduced-price meals were mailed in August to all parents of regional district students...

Education

reduced price to children from households whose gross income are at or below federally established standards. Application forms for free or reduced-price meals were mailed in August to all parents of regional district students...

Special services. The schools of the Union County Regional High School District maintain programs and services for handicapped students in grades 9-12...

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OBITUARIES

Ralph Bigliaco, 79, of Mountaintop died Sept. 3 in his home. Surviving are two sisters, Rose and Mildred.

Audrey R. Staehle, 69, of Temple Terrace, Fla., formerly of Springfield, died Aug. 4 in the Arbor in Tampa, Fla.

Lillian Tasher, 69, of Springfield died Sept. 7 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Tasher moved to Springfield 30 years ago...

PEOPLE IN THE SERVICE

Navy warrant officer returns from Mediterranean tour. Group forward deployed around the world, these amphibious ships maintain a U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis...

The 22nd MEU began preparing for the deployment in August 1995 when they conducted specialized training that resulted in a Special Operations capable rating.

RELIGION

St. James picnic scheduled. On Sept. 22, St. James Church located at 45 South Springfield Ave. will hold its third annual parish picnic. The event will take place rain or shine following a noon outdoor Mass...

Motorcycle run may affect traffic

The National Ford-Mot Association for POW/MIA and the Rolling Thunder Inc. will conduct a motorcycle ride for POW/MIA Recognition Day on Sunday.

Author will read from thriller

Steven Merrill Cohen, author, inventor and engineer, will read passages from his medical-tech thriller 'Doctor, King' at 7:30 p.m. on Route 22 in Springfield on Sept. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

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Junior League to sponsor coloring contest

Young artists age two to eight are encouraged to enter a coloring contest, starting Monday through Sept. 30, at the Summit Public Library. The Junior League of Summit which is sponsoring the revival of Mable Memorial Playground on the Village Green.

YWCA pool reopened

The Summit YWCA pool reopened on Tuesday, Sept. 3, after major renovation work. The YWCA completely replaced the wooden pool decking, the pool of the pool, and the ventilation system. All projects are being funded by donations.

The YWCA pool is open to children's swim classes, water exercise for adults, rehabilitation for senior patients and the aquatic senior swim, adult swim classes, classes for the physically and mentally challenged, recreational swim and lap swim times for adults.

Fire bell to ring for Constitution

September 17, 1996 marks the 206th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States. As a way to honor this living document, the Beacon Fire Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is holding a week of fire safety and fire prevention programs in the town of Summit. All civic groups, churches, schools and anyone else who is invited to participate.

Artful accessories



Joyce Feldman of Summit models necklaces at the Visual Arts annual Visual Market. The market was held to raise money for NJCVA's various activities.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

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CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 300 W. Clinton St., Union, 964-1153. Pastor: Rev. J. R. Hackett. Sunday 9:30 AM. Weekly Service 10:45 AM. Sunday Evening Service 8:00 PM. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7:30 PM.

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TV-36 offers production training

TV-36, a non-profit public access television station in Summit, is offering a training course for anyone interested in learning about television production. The course will be given in three parts on two consecutive Mondays, Sept. 30, Oct. 7, and Oct. 14, from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. All sessions must be attended. The fee is \$75 for adults and \$45 for students and seniors with identification, and includes a one-year membership to TV-36. To register, call David Hawksworth, station manager, at 277-6310, or stop by the station at 70 Maple St. in Summit as soon as possible; space is limited.

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Incinerator protesters put Christy Whitman 'on trial'

Christy Whitman, New Jersey's Governor, was accused of being involved in the construction of a hazardous waste incinerator. The incinerator, located in the township of Millersburg, was built by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the state of New Jersey. The incinerator is used to dispose of hazardous waste from various industries. The incinerator has been the subject of a long and bitter legal battle, with protesters claiming that the incinerator is unsafe and poses a threat to the health of the surrounding community. Whitman's involvement in the construction of the incinerator has been the subject of a book, "The Incinerator: A Story of Greed and Greed," which was published in 1995. The book details the political and financial interests that led to the construction of the incinerator and the impact it has had on the community. Whitman's involvement in the construction of the incinerator has been the subject of a book, "The Incinerator: A Story of Greed and Greed," which was published in 1995.

Christy Whitman 'on trial'

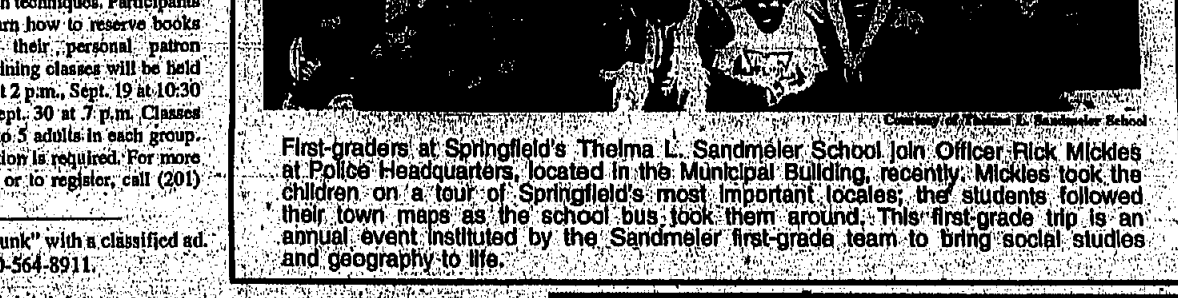
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Visiting Nurse services awarded state grant

Visiting Nurse and Health Services has been awarded a state grant from the New Jersey Department of Human Services Family Prevention and Support Services. The grant is for a program called "Healthy Families," which is designed to help low-income families improve the health and well-being of their children. The program provides home visits by nurses and other health care professionals to assess the needs of the family and provide support and resources. The grant is for a two-year period and is valued at \$1.2 million.

Library offers training courses in its computers

The Springfield Free Public Library is offering training courses in computer use. The courses are designed to help people learn the basics of computer use, including how to use the internet, how to use email, and how to use word processing software. The courses are held at the library and are free of charge. The library also has a computer lab where people can use the library's computers and printers.



First-graders at Springfield's Thelma L. Sandmeier School join Officer Rick Mickles at Police Headquarters, located in the Municipal Building, recently. Mickles took the children on a tour of Springfield's most important locations. The first-grade trip is an annual event instituted by the Sandmeier first-grade team to bring social studies and geography to life.

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WATCHING CONFERENCE American Division (6) Livingston (Group 4) Union (Group 4) Plainfield (Group 4) Elizabeth (Group 4) Kean (Group 4) Linden (Group 4)

Oratory Prep soccer opens with Rahway Saturday
The following are the fall sports schedules for Oratory Prep High School:

Soccer
Sept. 14 Rahway, 10 a.m.
Sept. 17 at Roselle Cath., 3:45 p.m.

Summit's run in Iron Hills gets going at Parsippany Sept. 27

Summit and Gov. Livingston open with each other
By J.R. Parachini
Summit and Gov. Livingston open with each other.

Master Local 1996 H.S. Football Schedule
WEEK ZERO: FRIDAY, SEPT. 27, Linden at Union, 7:00; East Side at Elizabeth, 7:00.

Oak Knoll gets Holy Fam. today in second game, tennis at Morris. Beard today

The following are the fall sports schedules for Oak Knoll High School:
Tennis
Sept. 12 at Morris, Beard, 4 p.m.

Dayton Regional
Sept. 28 at Gov. Livingston, 1:00
Oct. 5 New Providence, 1:00
Oct. 12 Roselle Park, 1:00

COUNTY NEWS

Union way of caring



County officials present Union Way of Union County... from left: Norma Sheid, volunteer coordinator for county government; County Chairman Ed Force.

Freeholders to vote on audit of UCUA

When the Board of Chosen Freeholders meets tonight, it could decide to audit the Union County Utilities Authority.

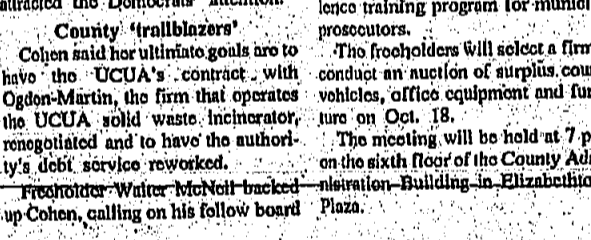
Averting confrontation, court rules for Conservative Party

By Andrew Hochberg and Jay Stolberg
A Conservative Party candidate for the Board of Chosen Freeholders won a court fight Tuesday, gaining a spot for himself and his running mate.

The audit will provide an outside assessment of the Utilities Authority to determine what has worked wrong in the past.

Public or private?
If the freeholders pass the resolution, the county would enter into an agreement with the state Office of the Treasurer to examine the UCUA's internal operating policies and procedures.

Different drummers



Members of the Westfield Five and Drum Corps pose with the trophies they'd won at a girls-wide compulsion.

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Sept. 28 at Gov. Livingston, 1:00
Oct. 5 New Providence, 1:00
Oct. 12 Roselle Park, 1:00

Summit

Summit
Sept. 27 at Parsippany, 7:00
Oct. 5 Morris Hills, 1:30
Oct. 11 at Boonton, 7:30

It's time managed care companies start saving lives, not just money

What does drug abuse mean to our society? For me, it means death. Money. The cost of substances abuse to our society is far reaching. The cost to which I refer is not always measured in dollars. The cost does not only include the clear-cut costs of treatment, incarceration, and health care, but it extends to the cost to the criminal justice system, the workplace and the lives of the millions of Americans who are affected every day. Consider the following statistics: A 1993 update, based on the Consumer Price Index, indicated the cost of substance abuse in New Jersey to be more than \$4.2 billion in addition to treatment costs. These figures exclude such hospital care, related social costs of criminality and incarceration, injuries and accidents, and related illnesses such as Alcohol Abuse Syndrome and AIDS. One study found that for every \$1 spent on treatment services, more than \$11 is saved on social costs. Each year drugs and alcohol trigger up to \$75 billion in health care costs. These costs cover drug-related medical conditions such as cardiac complications and sexually transmitted diseases, drug-prompted child and spouse abuse, victims of crime, AIDS and tuberculosis. As an untreated addict costs society approximately \$43,200 annually. The cost of treatment is more than \$16,000 for residential to \$3,000 for outpatient programs. The Rand Corporation reports that providing treatment to all addicts would save more than \$150 billion in social costs over the next 15 years. In all areas of medicine, if a problem is diagnosed early, it will be cheaper to treat and more successful. Given that, it seems amazing that physicians today have been reported to receive less than one hour of illegal drug and alcohol training during their medical education. If physicians were properly trained to identify addiction in its early stages, these high costs surely would be reduced. In 1969, there were fewer than 30,000 cases for drug offenses in 30 years, that number has soared beyond 1 million. This increase is taxing the

Making A Difference

By Diane Littauer

entire system from jail overpopulation, to court room back-ups to overloaded parole and probation officers. With prison costs estimated at \$20,000 per prisoner per year, treatment becomes a very economical alternative. 71 percent of regular drug users — 8 million people — are employed, 15 percent have reported going to work under the influence. Treatment must

be an option to the employee. Managed care, in its effort to save money, is cutting back on benefits in this area. This appears to be short-term gain for long-term costs. The statistics show that drug-free workplace prevention programs cost \$22 to \$50 per employee, compared to \$640 in annual work force costs incurred by untreated drug abuse. Prevention is the trend in all health care. Managed care companies need to wake up and recognize the long-term savings of prevention and early treatment of drug abuse as well as other health problems. This article has shown billions of dollars being spent as a result of drug and alcohol use. We need to prevent the start of any substance abuse. Drug education programs can reduce drug use by half, and save the public good to work together to work toward a solution. Let's stop using our resources at the end of the road. A dollar spent now will save four in the future. On Oct. 5, the Union County Coalition will hold a health care symposium, "From Managed Care to Managed Health" from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This forum will further discuss the issues of behavioral health, prevention and policy development. The cost benefits of prevention in health care will be discussed. Through panels, group discussions and exhibits, participants will receive the latest information and have an opportunity to share their ideas. The instructor, Christopher Gibbs, received his master's degree in history from the University of Northern Colorado and his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. He is the author of "The Great Silent Majority," and co-author of "Great Roots Politics." Gibbs also has published numerous articles in the field of American history.

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Section titled 'For Your Free Information CALL 908-686-9898' with contact details for Infosource.

Advertisement for 'AMERICAN PHOTO' featuring a coupon for a 10% discount.

Free history class offered

The Westfield Senior Citizens Housing development is offering a free history class on Friday from 10 a.m. to noon, beginning tomorrow and extending through Dec. 13.

Editor to address Chamber

George Taber, editor of "Business News New Jersey" and radio-TV commentator will address the Union County Chamber's Small Business Forum Monday at the Holiday Inn in Clark.

Planning yard work this fall? Be careful around the trees

A tree is a tree, it's not Maye — maybe not. Some trees look better than others. Some look better than others. And there's a reason why it's all in the way the tree was cared for over the years. With the first day of autumn daily days, you go in a good time to examine a tree's foliage and trunk, before the leaves fall and temperatures drop. The foliage test? Is the trunk strong, straight and upright? Those trunks don't just happen; someone made it happen. In years past, it was a landscape professional or a tree care expert who handled such tasks as planting, staking, pruning and the like. These days, however, more homeowners than ever before are becoming do-it-yourself gardeners and tending yard and garden chores themselves. As a result, companies that manufacture lawn and garden equipment are developing new products to make yard care quick, easy, efficient, and, of course, as effective as possible. In the case of tree care, the result is a wide range of newly introduced and useful products found at hardware stores and home and garden centers. Slaking Freshly planted trees, as well as relatively young trees, are ideal for staking. Simply put, staking lets a tree firmly establish roots by holding them steady and upright despite the elements. For example, a properly staked tree is unlikely to be damaged by strong winds that can bend it and cause it to grow misshapen. A new product called TreeWrap is a complete staking package that features 21 feet of rope made of 3/16 inch diameter in diameter, a simple process. Remember there are a variety of ways to stake a tree, so asking a local garden center's assistance in choosing the right method for you and your tree would be a good idea. Tree experts note that a young tree benefits most from being staked for about two years, whatever the method of staking selected. After two years, most trees are ready to stand tall on their own. Bark Protection What's the single most prevalent cause of young tree death? Believe it or not, the answer is the damage inflicted by eating treatment and lawn mowers. Trees just a year or two old or those freshly planted in the fall, simply do not have a thick enough layer of bark to protect them. As a result, a gash caused by a mower blade sliding into it, or a cut made by a trimmer and slashing into it, can leave a tree extremely susceptible to the often deadly onset of fungal diseases and unwanted insects. One solution is about as simple as it gets: A new product called Bark Guard is a plastic shield, approximately eight inches high, that can be installed in seconds by just cutting it around the base of a tree. The result is a physical barrier that will get your tree off to the start they need to lead a healthy life. For example, landscape fabric placed over the soil in a tree bed and covered with a layer of mulch will moderate soil temperatures and help retain moisture. Pruning products, such as clippers and retractable saw blades, help bring out the lush foliage possible and make shaping the tree easier. Take time on a weekend for a visit to the local garden center, where cutting new tree care products such as the ones referred to above are available. Gardeners who trim a tree and their trees will reap the benefits.

NEWS CLIPS

Association, at (908) 654-9854 to register for this program. 4-H is starting a Fall Club for 10-12 year olds. These youngsters need an adult who, with the children's parents, will do arts and crafts, play games, sing, read and do show-and-tell with them about peas. The club will meet at the Union County 4-H office, 300 North Ave. East in Westfield, every other Friday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. from September to June 1997.

Elks host benefit

The Elks Club will host a benefit luncheon for Camp Moore for handicapped children on Oct. 6. The luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Elks Club, 300 North Ave. East in Westfield. Call Karen Cole, 4-H Program, 395-0800.

Damage to tree bark, caused by trimmers and mowers during fall clean-up, is the most common cause of young tree death. Thinned bark leaves a tree susceptible to fungal diseases and insect infestation, but it can be prevented.

Water company gets rebate

Elizabeth Water Company received its first monthly rebate check from Public Service Electric and Gas for its participation in a power conservation program. The rebate is the result of the company's water treatment plant.

Advertisement for HOME IMPROVEMENT featuring a variety of services like kitchen remodeling, bathroom updates, and home inspections.

Advertisement for DELTA FENCE CO. featuring custom wood chain-link fences and vinyl fences.

Advertisement for HANNON'S Floor Covering Warehouse Outlet featuring Karastan Carpet and other major brands.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Celebrity opens to sound of 'Applause'

By Ben Smith Staff Writer
It's nice to be here at the Paper Mill Playhouse...

Stefanie Powers
These people, you see, I know the well-known Mankiewicz family...

Stefanie Powers
This is a very special occasion for me...

Stefanie Powers
I'm looking forward to a happy run...

Stefanie Powers
We want to go on tour for five months...

Stefanie Powers
We are all in rehearsal...

Stefanie Powers
It's a perfect way to start the season...

Stefanie Powers
It's an irresistible opportunity...

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Museum Guide

The Museum Guide is compiled by Worral Community Newspapers...

Dr. William Robinson Plantation Museum at 593 Madison Hill Road...

Woodruff House/Eaton Store Museum at 111 Conant St. in Hillsdale...

Drake House Museum at 602 W. Front St. in Plainfield...

Merchants and Druggists Tavern at 1632 St. Georges Ave. in Rahway...

Abraham Clark House at 101 West Ninth Ave. in Roselle...

Osborn Cannonsell House at 1840 Front St. in Scotch Plains...

Benjamin Carter House at 90 Butler Parkway in Summit...

Reeves-Reed Arboretum at 165 Hobart Ave. in Summit...

Caldwell Parsonage at 909 Caldwell Ave. in Union...

Ballet school registration open for fall

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Documentary tells secrets of the 'Hollywood Madam'

A few years ago Heidi Pitlor, a high school dropout in just her 20s, was arrested in California for "padding" the legal way of staying in the U.S. without a permanent ring...

This news caused a major shake-up among the Hollywood elite...

Documentary filmmaker Nicki Lopez, who most recently had directed a film about a female serial killer...

She next went with Ivan Nagy, a 55-year-old filmmaker...

Traveling Ten Arts exhibit pays a visit to Roselle Library

The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs...

Viewers should 'pencil' in time to see hospital gallery display

An exhibit of partial drawings by Jerry Wittek of West Paterson will be on display at Children's Specialized Hospital...

Festival committee seeking artists

Applications from artists, writers, and photographers who would like to participate in the 23rd Annual "Festival On The Green"...

Reading Worral Newspapers can be music to the ears

By Joseph McCarthy
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HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

Grant allows center to collaborate on cancer cure

The Garden State Cancer Center, the clinical unit of the Center for Molecular Medicine and Immunology, in Newark, New Jersey, today announced the receipt of a five-year grant from the National Center for Human Genome Research...

Colorectal cancer affects about 134,000 Americans annually, killing about 55,000 while pancreatic cancer, accounting for 26,000 new cases in the U.S. annually, kills almost 28,000 Americans.

Frank R. Lautenberg, senator from New Jersey, said: "These are terrible diseases causing considerable pain and loss of lives, and I am proud that our Garden State Cancer Center is taking important strides to control these and other cancers."

Replication of Cancer Research

"Efforts to develop methods to improve the delivery of therapeutic agents to human tumors and pancreatic cancer growing in laboratory animals will comprise a major focus of this work," Dr. Gold commented.

on cancer cure

The major grant from the National Cancer Institute will further strengthen our efforts to spread new cancer research and treatment activities throughout our region, from southern New Jersey and adjacent Philadelphia to northern New Jersey and Staten Island."

Lupus support group

The Union County Health Department, in partnership with the Marriot Unit Award of Excellence, is sponsoring a support group for lupus patients.

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Making a clean sweep



The Union County Health Department is sponsoring a support group for lupus patients. The group will meet on Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Union Hospital, 1000 Gallatin Hill Rd., Union, in Classroom 'A'.

Lingering heat still threatens motorists

It's still summertime and with an increased number of people driving to vacation getaways and other leisure spots, the physicians and staff at the Sleep Disorder Clinic at Morristown Memorial Hospital urge motorists to avoid getting behind the wheel when the sun is shining.

"According to estimates from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, approximately 56,000 accidents each year—more than 1,200 of which are fatal—are caused by drivers who are drowsy or fall asleep while driving," says Robert Capone, M.D., FCCP, medical director of the Sleep Center.

Dr. Capone offers these suggestions from the National Sleep Foundation to help avoid driving drowsily: Make sure to get plenty of sleep the night before leaving on a trip.

HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

Diabetes, if untreated, can cause blindness

Diabetes is a disease of abnormal sugar regulation in the body. Insulin, a hormone that processes sugar in our bodies, either decreases in production by the pancreas gland or decreases in its place of action.

Insight Into Eyesight

By Dr. Farid F. Shaikh

When blood sugar is increased, enzymatic processes are dysfunctional, and different processes are utilized by the body. In the lens of the eye, this is manifested by swelling. This lens has the effect of changing the refractive power of the lens, that is, a change in the strength of an eye's prescription.

Free prostate cancer screenings scheduled at Rahway Hospital

Rahway Hospital, in conjunction with the Prostate Cancer Education Council, will offer members two free prostate cancer screenings. The screenings will be held Saturday, Sept. 22, between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon and Tuesday, Sept. 24, between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. at the Rahway Regional Cancer Center, located at 892 Tinsler Place, adjacent to Rahway Hospital.

Having a Problem with Relationships?

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Park Avenue's robust architecture delivers a wealth of tangible customer benefits: a quiet, solid ride for the life of the vehicle, superior road manners and responsive handling, safety-cage construction for outstanding crashworthiness and superior comfort.

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Airbags are proven to save lives

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For adults, a 1991 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study showed the driver deaths in frontal crashes were 28 percent lower in air bag-equipped cars which only had lap-shoulder safety belts. The study also said that drivers of cars with air bags were 25 to 28 percent less likely to have moderate to severe injuries and 24 percent less likely to be hospitalized.

Air bags provide a high degree of protection for the head, neck, and chest in front-end crashes and have been so effective that some automotive companies are starting to make side air bags. Volvo has already implemented side air bags in some models of their cars and Ford is in the process of doing the same. Other car manufacturers are expected to follow this trend.

Most cars today are equipped with front-end driver-side and passenger-side air bags. Problems occur when children are sitting in the passenger seat, whether they are in a child safety seat or not. Unfortunately, many parents who are driving with only their child and no other adult, prefer to have their child, especially an infant, sit close to them in the front seat.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board both say that infants in rear-facing safety seats may be injured if struck by a deployed passenger air bag. The bags deploy at an average speed of 130 mph to nearly 200 mph. Air bags can exert 1,100 to 2,000 pounds of pressure on the chest of a crash test dummy. Rear-facing child safety seats position an infant head within inches of the dashboard and the exploding air

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