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# Springfield Leads

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**Library lists**  
 Springfield Public Library will be available in the children's department of the public library, located at 66 Mountain Ave. The list will include titles and summaries of stories about reading, writing, drawing, painting, and having a party. These bibliographies are being made available during the Children's Book Week, starting Nov. 17. For more information, call the library at (201) 376-4930.

**Knights dance**  
 The Knights of Columbus will hold a dinner-dance on Nov. 32 to support the Washington Rock Girl Scout camp. The dinner-dance will be held at the Washington Rock Club. The cost is \$25 per person. For more information, call (201) 912-9260.

**Young at heart**  
 The Springfield Senior Citizens Center will hold a "Young at Heart" party on Nov. 14. The party will be held at the Springfield Senior Citizens Center. For more information, call 913-2227.

**Family karate**  
 Hwang Karate will hold a Family Karate day. This event can serve as an introduction for anyone interested in the martial arts. The class is free of charge and will take place on Saturday at 11 p.m. in the Hwang Karate studio, located at 20 Milliken Ave. For further information, call 467-9930.

**Sisterhood boutique**  
 The Sisterhood of Congregation Israel of Springfield will sponsor a boutique on Wednesday, at 8 p.m. There will be a large collection of items available. For more information call the office at (201) 467-9666.

**Books and bags**  
 The Friends of the Springfield Public Library are seeking donations of used paperback novels. The Friends are also selling tote bags which are obtainable at the Circulation Desk in the Library. The bags are \$8 each. The design is a copy of the Library's logo in white on a burgundy background, and is 100 percent cotton.

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## Mullman will return to Township Committee

**By Mike Singer**  
 Managing Editor  
 In a continuation of a nationwide Democratic sweep, Township Committee candidate John Mullman defeated Republican John Holmes Tuesday.  
 Mullman's election ensures that Democrats will retain control of the Township Committee with a new majority.  
 Both candidates ran races in which they touted their intentions to vote with independent minds, despite the fact that both had served on the Township Committee in the past. With 3,482 votes as compared to 2,793 votes that John Holmes received in the Township Committee, Deputy Mayor Herbert Shaw will leave the committee Dec. 31.  
 This election showed that the people still wanted a more progressive leadership.

## Police unions file complaint against Chisholm, township

**By Mike Singer**  
 Managing Editor  
 The Police Officers' Association and the Police Association of Springfield have filed a grievance with the Township of Chisholm and the Township of Springfield. The complaint, which was filed with the State Public Employee Relations Commission, charges that the township failed to follow proper procedures in terminating several officers.  
 The township said it would not consent to the arbitration process.

## AFT delays dissolution, Tiss says

**By Mike Singer**  
 Staff Writer  
 The Board of Education is displeased with the decision of Union County Superintendent of Schools Francis Lohman to allow an abatement on the posting of available positions at the local districts.  
 This decision came after the American Federation of Teachers voiced strong concerns about the hiring process, which the Board of Education said had been addressed.  
 "The commissioner right now is investigating some AFT points of interest that they have. The AFT has called on the commissioner to look at these issues that they have raised and to order to do that, the commissioner has taken this time of abatement," said Gary Tiss, president of the Board of Education.  
 The Board of Education is anxious to get underway with the transition process of taking over the local high school and its members are frustrated with the delay due to the actions of the AFT. "We have responded to the commissioner's decision, and we feel that the commissioner will be what he has to do in a very short period of time," said Tiss.  
 The Board of Education is ready to go with their transition plan but with this most recent delay it does present some logistical problems for the board. "What is most critical, and what we have made the commissioner aware of is that we are trying to get all of our budget together, and this year our budget takes to the high school as well as the elementary schools. In order for us to complete our budget in time we need to know what teachers are posting for what positions. Depending upon what teachers express interest in teaching at our high school will have a bearing on what kind of teacher salaries we will need. Without this information there is no way of us coming near completion of the budget," said Tiss.  
 The board is not afraid this recent decision will have change the outcome of the May referendum, but it does see it as an inconvenience that will cost money.  
 "We do not see this latest development as something that will reverse the dissolution process, we understand that he will address the issues put forth by the AFT. Basically, we see this as taking money from both the regional board and local board, all of which comes from the taxpayers," said Tiss.  
 For now the issue is in the hands of the commissioner and the board will await the decision."

## Gets out tough stains



Students and teachers at Sandmeyer School dress to impress for Halloween. From left are Principal Maria Corso, Ilana Gutman, Ruth Balluch, Linda Ciccolino, Bianca Rhodes, Aaliyah Marmble, Julia Buban, Stephanie Luciano, Sally Powers, Jaime Rutkowski, and Stephen Frota.

## Art teacher rates an A+ with award

**By Harley Pagette**  
 Correspondent  
 A local art teacher is to be honored on national television. In December, Marilyn Schneider, art teacher at the Caldwell and Sandmeyer schools, will receive the A+ Teacher For Kids Award during the Salute to Great Teachers special broadcast on WOR. Schneider said a draft for the broadcast has not yet been sent.  
 Approximately 60 teachers throughout New Jersey receive the award annually. Of those 60, five are chosen to be profiled on the television special. Schneider had been awarded the A+ award in 1994, but was not chosen to be a profile subject.  
 The A+ award is given by the A+ For Kids Teacher Network of Princeton. The award is based upon grant proposals from teachers around New Jersey. Teachers with the best and most creative proposals are given the award and a \$300 grant to implement the proposal. Community involvement, home life, and professional history are also considered when evaluating who will be profiled on television.  
 Schneider won for her grant proposal "Creative Artwork with Tempera Paint." The proposal involves using students' "vivid memory" and stress perseverance in art.  
 "Children love to continue a project. Just as they love watching programs, like serials, all the way through they love to paint that way," said Schneider. "If you give children enough time they will create masterpieces."  
 Schneider's record in the community was another factor in the selection process. She stated that she and a group of friends saved the Houdellie Quarry from development in 1989. The 160-acre quarry is now used for open space and for a grass composting facility.  
 Schneider's family life is also representative of A+ winners. Her husband is a police officer.  
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Marilyn Schneider

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared each week by the Springfield Leader to inform residents of various community activities and governmental meetings.

Friday: The Summit Folk Dancers will meet tomorrow at the Summit Area YMCA, corner of Morris Avenue and Maple Street in Summit.

Saturday: Take Good Care will sponsor a free "Treatment Awareness Day" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The seminar will focus on vacuum therapy for impotence and how it works.

Sunday: Trailside Nature and Science Center's botanical show will feature instruction in the use of binoculars, telescopes, and star charts to enhance backyard observing.

Monday: Veterans of Foreign Wars Battle Hill Post 7683 of Springfield and other veteran organizations will hold a service for all veterans at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Park.

Tuesday: The Lions Club of Westfield will sponsor a Toy, Train, and Doll Show from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the South Hills Country Club.

Wednesday: Springfield Elks 2044 will hold a handicapped children's Christmas party from 4 to 6 p.m. All children are invited to this party.

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PBA, SOA file complaint

(Continued from Page 1) elected PBA president, was brought up on charges by the chief. The PBA president who was brought up on charges was only the president for five months, so they did not have much to say.

The charges that we do at this point is that anything that happens to us as a union, we union officials will go straight into the charge against the chief and the township. We can use any evidence that shows harassment toward anyone in the union," said Vioelund.

The charges that the officers have been just with by Chisholm are insanity, which the officers feel is another way that Chisholm and the township are trying to hurt the officers.

"If you look at all the charges, there is not a serious disciplinary problem in the job. They are all very minor infractions for which they give a five day off. Which will probably cost his family around \$1,000," said Vioelund.

Schneider receives A+ award. (Continued from Page 1) last year, Schneider gave a workshop at the New Jersey Art Education Conventions in New Brunswick.

Schneider gives most of the credit for this success to her students and her parents. "A graduate by hobby, I am an avid collector of books. The parents plant the seeds of knowledge. The teachers nurture the saplings. And I get to pick the blooms. Every day is a joy."

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Patrons enjoy the music and refreshments offered at the Springfield Library's new Music Cafe.

Cafe offers library alternative

By Douglas William Metz. Sunday marked the grand opening of the Music Box Cafe in the Donald Palmer Museum of the Springfield Public Library.

The Springfield Library is the first library in New Jersey to incorporate a cafe setting into its facilities. Concomitant with the cafe is a new reading room, the library is taking its lead from book stores such as Barnes & Noble.

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### Springfield resident makes her musical mark

By Joseph McCarthy  
Associate Editor

Anyone trying to succeed in the performing arts should agree that making it to Carnegie Hall at any age is a great honor. Local pianist Christine Chang of Springfield feels especially gratified. This talented 22-year-old from Westminster Choir College of Rider University will appear for the third consecutive year with the New York Philharmonic at Carnegie Hall in December.

Chang, who studies both piano and organ, came by her vocation naturally, as both of her parents are musicians.

"Actually, I had no choice," she laughed.

Chang was born in Korea into a long line of dedicated musicians. Her parents, Young and OK Chang, are pianists, as are all the uncles and aunts Chang can name. Chang began studying piano at the age of three, and continued for years at her parents' insistence.

Midway through adolescence, she took a six-year sabbatical from her lessons to consider other artistic pursuits. The music that she had come to love over the years, however, called her back to her keyboard, and Chang took up the instrument with new zeal when she returned to piano. She studied with her aunt, Eun Hye Kim, until moving to Springfield 7 years ago.

Chang said her family "felt the United States would provide more educational opportunities for the young pianist, and they were not wrong. After graduating from Dayton Regional High School, Chang auditioned and was accepted to Westminster, beginning in the Chapel Choir as a freshman and moving into the mandatory Symphonic Choir in her sophomore year. She immediately began winning awards in school competitions as a freshman, and in both the NY and NJ Teachers Association Competitions the following year.

But there were still more opportunities to come. Chang was accepted to the Westminster Choir, a professional group based at the college. In the last two years, the group has toured France, Asia, Korea and Taiwan, and performs yearly in Charleston, S.C. at the Spoleto Arts Festival. Through the Choir, Chang has twice appeared at Carnegie Hall, and, as a soloist, will perform there again in December.

Chang says that she is not easily grateful for chances to compete and perform, but also for the education the college and the Choir have provided.

"I love music so much. Since there are so many opportunities to observe other people performing, I think that place is really great to observe and perform."

She said she is thankful to be a member of the Choir, as it allows her to learn to perform on a professional level.

"Musically, even if I'm a piano major, you just learn so many things from being in a choir," Chang expressed special gratitude to Westminster Choir conductor Dr. Joseph Plummerhoff, whom she feels has contributed greatly to her education.

Chang plans to pursue her musical education further. She intends to obtain a Master's degree in accompanying and chamber music, and possibly go on to complete her doctorate.

So what does the college student do in her spare time? Except for occasional outings with friends, Chang studies and practices, constantly determined to achieve her goals.

"Actually, I don't have any spare time right now," she said with a smile in her voice.

This committed artist is a far cry from the little girl who sat grudgingly through piano lessons. With her tiny affected face of music, Chang has more than made up for her six years of idleness.

The Westminster Choir of Westminster Choir College at Rider University will perform with the New York Philharmonic on Tuesday, December 10 at Carnegie Hall.

### Museum will feature cooking and quilting

The Miller Cory House Museum will feature a talk on quilting and open-hearth cooking on Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. The Museum is located at 614 Mountain Ave. in Westfield.

Ellen Hess of Cranford will explain and demonstrate various quilting methods such as patchwork and applique to visitors to the Museum. Hess is an accomplished weaver. She taught textile design at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City and weaving at the Newark Museum. Many of New Jersey's early settlers made patchwork bedcovers from salvaged scraps of woven fabrics. Two layers of cloth were filled with wool or cotton and held in place by stitched designs.

Janet Murphy of Kenilworth and Sherry Lingo of Cranford will prepare seasonal foods over the open hearth using authentic techniques and cooking methods. Visitors will be able to sample some tasty treats as prepared by the cooks.

Tours of the restored farmhouse by costumed docents are available throughout the afternoon with the last tour beginning at 4 p.m. The Museum shop, managed by Deborah Bailey of Westfield, has a wide variety of items such as educational books, colonial reproductions, crafts and cookbooks. The cookbook contains many unique and delicious recipes that are just perfect for Thanksgiving dinner.

Admission to the museum and its grounds is free for children under six years of age, 50 cents for students and \$2 for adults. On Sunday, Nov. 11, the museum will feature basket weaving by Ellen O'Shea of Summit. For information about the Museum and its schedule of events, call the Museum office at (908) 232-1776.

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When sending a picture with the announcement, a check for \$10 is required. Black and white or light color pictures are acceptable. Pictures of the couple sitting or standing together are preferred. Pictures of one person standing and the other seated present design problems, so, if possible, side by side is better.

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Who's Who

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The honored teachers were selected by former students who are currently listed in Who's Who Among American High School Seniors...

From the public schools, Ottawans Saunders Anderson, Thelma Sandmeier School; Sandy Manes Elnhom, James Caldwell School; Leonard Ferraris, Janice Komarek Metzger, and Mary Griffin Shanahan, Jonathan Dayton Regional High School.

From St. James School, Bernadette Danilewicz Damato, and Annette Acquaviva De Corte.

Too often, those who do good deeds go unnoticed. While some might say that these teachers are merely doing their jobs, this is simply not the case.

It is inspirational to see that successful students took time to honor the people who gave them their start.

People are always thankful to someone being there for them, whether it is a doctor who made them healthy again, a firefighter who risked his or her life to save someone...

Teachers perform heroic feats every day. They teach a future. Politicians prize winners how to write his name, and the discoverer of a cancer cure may be struggling through her first biology test.

The men and women of education indirectly affect our world by molding the leaders of tomorrow.

Again we congratulate all teachers named to the Who's Who list. And we would like to give all our teachers who continue to work hard for our children, a much deserved thank.

Honoring veterans

For the past 50 years, America has had a turbulent relationship with the veterans of its armed forces.

During World War II, when nearly every able-bodied young man, and many women, protected this country from Hitler and Tojo, they were considered heroes. The fact that almost every person, know someone in the armed forces, evidenced the public's respect for the military.

However, the Korean and Vietnam conflicts caused a shift in the relationship between the military and civilian worlds. Vietnam especially contributed to a public distrust for men and women in uniform.

Today, the situation has improved significantly. The growth in the defense budget under the Reagan administration resurrected the status and morale of America's armed forces.

While it is important to note the significance of a strong national foreign policy; that is not the focus of Veterans Day.

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OPINION

All you can eat



Donald Cherry, Michael Mannarino, and Steven Teftamanni chow down on hot dogs and hamburgers at the Caldwell School Festival.

Don't be a wimp, it's only weather

Of all the seasons Mother Nature provides us with, this time of year is the most dramatic.

However, autumn, which naturally leads to winter, can be a dangerous time. The days grow shorter, darkness descends sooner and visibility becomes more and more difficult for many.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Aim for the puppet and puppeteer

To the Editor: I was pleased to read that Richard Jewell, the now non-suspect in the Olympic bombing case, is going to see Tom Brokaw and NBC News.

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Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone.

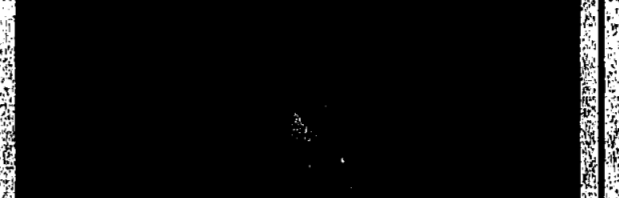
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Mr. Pannullo graduated from Jonathan Dayton Regional High School and soon after enlisted in the United States Navy.

Mr. Pannullo is currently employed as an office manager in Montclair. Mr. Pannullo is a law enforcement officer with the South Orange Police Department.

A spring wedding is planned.

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### Reeves-Reed Arboretum to celebrate the holidays

The Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit will sponsor the Karydis Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 23 to Dec. 5, and an annual Holiday House tour on Dec. 5, with advance tickets available through Nov. 22. Both events will benefit the environmental education programs of the arboretum, a national and state historic site.

More than 100 artisans joined by Kathleen Fenz will display their original folk art, ornaments, antiques, wreaths, Santas and accessories at Karydis Bazaar.

Exclusive this year is a full wardrobe from riding outfit to roller blades for the American Girl doll. Also featured are storybook ornaments signed by NY artist Gladys Boari with personalities from "Alice in Wonderland" and "The Wizard of Oz" to "A Christmas Carol" and "The Nutcracker." Up to 40 theme trees will reflect Victorian, Americana, rustic, nautical, seashore, angelic and celestial concepts along with pets, babies, teachers, and many more. Free personalizing is available on the ornaments.

A sampling of Santas will range from Old World to Father Christmas, Jolly St. Nick and contemporary renditions in red suits. From toys to toppers, Karydis offers a wide range of prices.

Holiday House Tours

Advance tickets may be purchased through Nov. 22 to visit seven private homes featured in holiday frenzy for the annual Holiday House tour on Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Included on the tour is the 1800s Weiser Home featuring the Karydis Bazaar and the Summit Historical Society's Currier House with its annual Holiday Fair featuring members' handcrafted gifts. The Garden Shop at the Reeves-Reed also offers holiday trinkets tucked between botanical peonies and ceramic, handcrafted wood and metal images of nature, coffee-table books and state-of-the-art gardening equipment.

Tour tickets are \$16 in advance by mail, \$20 thereafter at the arboretum. Optional lunch at Beacon Hill Club, across from the arboretum, is \$20 additional per person. Checks should be made payable to Reeves-Reed Arboretum and mailed to Cindy Heintz/Arboretum Tour, 1108 Concord Drive, Bridgewater, N.J. 08807.

The Reeves-Reed is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit, near Route 24. For information, call (908) 273-8787. To reach Karydis as of opening day, call (908) 273-1770. For the Garden Shop, call (908) 277-1190.

### Local artist to display interactive collages

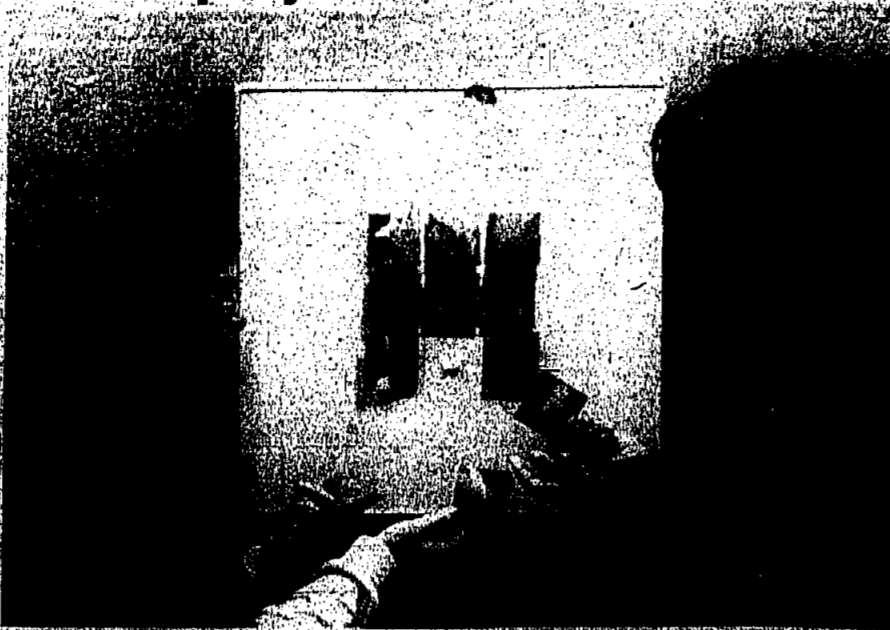
Abstract ink paintings and interactive collages by Florence Weisz, will be on display in the Kent Place Gallery through December 6. A reception for the artist will be held Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Admission is free.

Art compositions are the common denominator in the various media of Weisz's art. Her exhibition includes a series of new alcohol-based ink paintings on paper. Both the form of these works and the process of their creation represent the interplay of opposite organic and geometric, spontaneous and predetermined, intuitive and analytical. Weisz has also prepared two new interactive collages similar to her other exhibited work. Believing that participation promotes a greater understanding and enjoyment of abstract art, Weisz invites gallery visitors to create their own grid compositions by choosing among the small, square, abstract images provided.

Florence Weisz was born in New York and maintains a studio and residence in South Orange, New Jersey. She holds a degree in Fine Arts from Douglass College, Rutgers University and has studied in Paris and Jerusalem where she also taught for eight years.

A recipient of New Jersey Council on the Arts Fellowship Award, Weisz has exhibited in solo and group exhibitions in the United States and abroad. Her paintings are in the collections of the New Jersey State Museum, IBM, the Port Authority of NY and NJ, Citibank, Warner Lambert, Schering-Plough, Glaxo-Wellcome, Nike, Inc., Ciba-Geigy, Marriott Hotels, the University of Pennsylvania Hospital and E.I. DuPont de Nemours.

The Kent Place Gallery is located on the campus of Kent Place School, 42 Norwood Ave., Summit. Under the direction of artist and teacher Judy



Kent Place students Lindsay Goward of Bernardsville and Dana L'Acosta of Newark create their own abstract compositions as they participate in an interactive collage by artist Florence Weisz, whose work is on display in the Kent Place Gallery.

Lapides, the Kent Place Gallery is a pleasant and pleasant work. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment with the gallery director.

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### Agency to expand annual holiday clothing/toy drive

Discarded cold-weather clothing in good condition, outdoor toys and baby equipment can make some needy local families happy this winter if donated to the Heart of Summit Clothing/Toy Drive.

Family Service of Summit, a non-profit counseling agency that is now a division of Overlook Hospital, works with Summit Municipal Welfare to collect items each year. They shortly before Christmas, they invite area families to pick out the items that suit their needs. Everything is, of course, free.

For Years Family Service and Summit Welfare have conducted these collection drives because they lacked sufficient storage space to handle a very large volume of donated items. This year the sponsors received a generous offer from Jennifer Cognoli, property manager of the Summit Mall, for Ladies' Compagnie. Montclair. She offered to let the Heart of Summit Drive use a vacant store in the Summit Mall, 447 Springfield Ave., rent-free until the new tenant takes over in late December.

This space, which is located on the mall's ground floor just behind Perkinsey Interior Decoration, is now open to accept items and will continue until Dec. 18. Volunteers will staff the store for donations Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Special thanks also goes to Chris Hodza of Morris Sign Company in East Hanover. He made and donated a large sign for the Woodland Avenue window of the store.

Anyone who would like more information about the collection can call Albi Dones-Gornat, Family Service's outreach program coordinator, at (908) 273-1844 or (908) 273-1414, or Ethel Weir, Summit Municipal Welfare director at (908) 273-2950.

The Heart of Summit Drive is for used items in good condition. Later this month the Holiday Food Drive, which is also sponsored by Family Service and Summit Municipal Welfare, will begin collecting new items for Hanukkah and Christmas gifts for needy families.

Articles should be typed and include a telephone number where write-ups may be reached. Mail to Mary, Editor, Kevin, Singer, 1031 Suptaven Ave., Union, 07083.

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TV36 crew members Jim Boyle, Jerry Roche and Ginger MacMahon prepare for taping a new season of "Community Connections."

### "Community Connections" seeks non-profits

In an effort to help other non-profit organizations reach the public with their message, TV36, Community on Cable, begins a new season of "Community Connections", a one hour program featuring local non-profits. Five non-profits will be featured per month, each group taping a ten minute segment informing viewers about its programs, events, needs and mission. There is no cost to the non-profit. Interviews may include video of the group's activities, slides, photographs and brochures.

Area non-profits are invited to sign up immediately with the station for scheduling. The first taping will be Tuesday, Nov. 19. Each "Community Connection" program will air on TV36 twice each week for one month. TV36 is offering this opportunity as a community service to inform its 24,000 viewers about local non-profit and service organizations. If your group can benefit from this service, call TV36 in Summit at (908) 277-6310 and ask about "Community Connections".

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## Oratory Prep to host fall luncheon

On Saturday, Oratory Prep School will be hosting its annual fall luncheon and fashion show at the Short Hills Hills, Short Hills. This year's theme is "Heralding in the Holidays." Macy's New York will be sponsoring the fashion show. The luncheon is Oratory Prep Parents Guild major fund-raiser of the school year and is highlighted by a social fund-raising event. Some of the items donated by merchants so far are an Oriental carpet donated by Bedouin's Carpet of Summit, valued at more than \$800, and a Short Hills Hilton Spa/Therapist/Day package worth more than \$450. Oratory Prep, now in its 89th year, is an independent college preparatory school for boys, grades 7 through 12. The school prides itself in educating young men in the pursuit of truth through knowledge, understanding and faith. Students are drawn from coast-to-coast throughout New Jersey. For further information about the luncheon, contact Joanne Cuccifield at (908) 464-3056, Katherine Steiduk at (201) 539-7081, or contact the school directly at (908) 273-1048.

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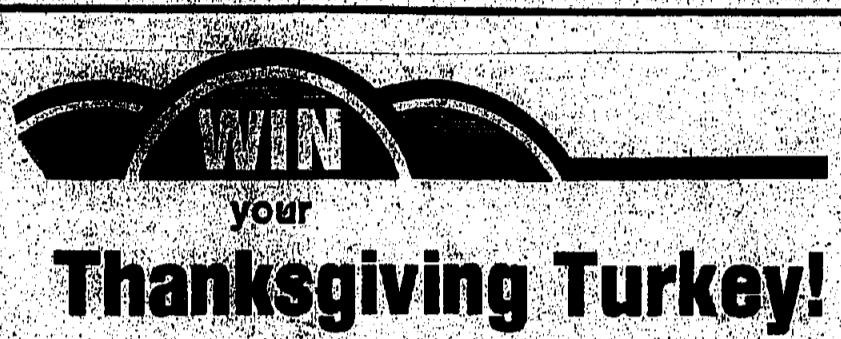
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# Young at Heart Singers seek to carry on tradition

By Ben Smith  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Senior Citizens, extremely active folks, have a group called the Young at Heart Singers, who entertain everywhere, particularly at nursing homes. But the Young at Heart Singers are a dilemma. They need a piano player. The group has been practicing on the first Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. at the Sarah Bulley Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield.

"We would like anyone who is interested to call (201) 912-2227," said Theresa Herkalo, senior citizen coordinator. "It's not easy to rehearse without a piano player. The senior citizen center here has approximately 500 members but has been open since 1962. We started out with one group, and just kept expanding. There are now more members. There are six groups, and each group meets weekly on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Each group has its own president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. I meet with the presidents on a morning, and we plan out programs, which include holiday parties. They bring their problems to me, and I try to solve them."

"And one of the problems is the piano player. This Young at Heart seniors—there are about 30 to

35 members—are looking for a piano accompanist. They don't want to break up. Originally, the group had a wonderful piano player. Her name is Madeline Lancaster, and she was with the Young at Heart group for about 10 years. She had put it together one day when she decided the seniors should have a piano. She moved away, and someone took over. But he passed away recently.

Herkalo said that "Madeline" will still visit to the center. She still runs trips to Canada, Atlantic City, day trips. She's really still involved. She won't give it up, but she doesn't play the piano for anyone.

"The group sings hymns and all kinds of songs," said Wilma Schenck, president and director of the group at Heart. Most of our members are in their 80s and they are constantly on the go."

The most active of them, she mentioned, are Rod Strom, Helen Atgough, Sal Ghilardi, Mildred Guesner, Claire Horowitz, Helen Hryciw, Mary Hoffman and Ann Frances, who does all our arrangements for us. She takes care of that.



Springfield Senior Citizens dress up on Halloween. The Young at Heart Singers are seeking a volunteer pianist to accompany them in their musical programs for nursing homes. Front row, from left, are Helen Hryciw, Josephine Lenz, Libby Patton, Mary Rybkiewicz, Tami Siles and Ann Frances; back row, from left, Theresa Machover, Fred Haggarty and Theresa Dreher.

# Meals on Wheels celebrates 30th anniversary

By Harley Poyate  
Correspondent

In 1966, the Summit College Club thought of an idea for its annual community project. They would bring hot meals to elderly residents who were too ill to get out of the house. Sixteen volunteers from the Junior Service League and the Summit Area Association for Gerontological Services and began on the first of New Jersey's first Meals on Wheels program. In that first year, 2469 meals were delivered to elderly residents in Summit.

Today this program delivers over 36,000 meals a year to nine municipalities, according to Donnie Snyder, director of Meals on Wheels and Volunteer Services for SAGE, which now runs the program exclusively. Residents in Summit, Springfield, Mountaineers, New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Millburn, Short Hills, Chatham and Harding all benefit from "Meals."

"We serve about 130 meals per day, Monday through Friday and 60 on Saturdays, 25-30 meals on Sundays," said Snyder. She added that the program does not operate on Sunday.

Participants receive a hot meal in the afternoon. An additional cold meal is available at night upon request. Snyder said that meals contain protein, fruit and a drink.

"It's a wonderful thing to do. Some of the people live in a nursing home but can't get out. They're frail. They're not just 'low income' people who get meals on Wheels," said Snyder, noting that there is no income eligibility for the program.

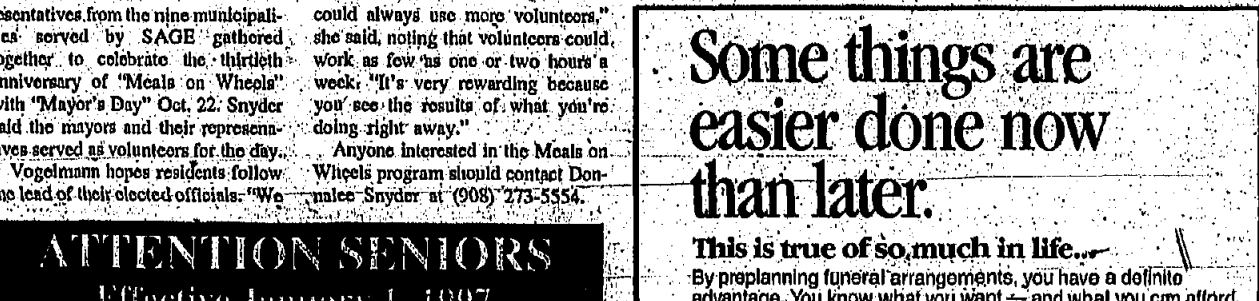
In fact, the only eligibility requirements are that participants be 60 or older, and then participants must be with SAGE representatives in their homes to assess their status and specific needs.

SAGE Executive Director Jackie Vogelmann stated that the program is financed through donations, grants and an annual fundraiser called "Meals on Wheels" held in New Jersey's first Meals on Wheels program. In that first year, 2469 meals were delivered to elderly residents in Summit.

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# New area codes to compensate for added numbers

By Ben Smith  
Staff Writer

It had to happen eventually, according to Jennifer Salvo of the Board of Public Utilities.

New Jersey was simply running out of phone numbers because of all the new faxes, modems and cellular phones that were being installed in New Jersey. The 908 area code would have run out of numbers in a year; the 201 area code by the summer.

It is now the P.U.C. has decided to solve this that has some local officials angry.

The P.U.C. approved a plan by AT&T last month to save two new area codes—732 and 973—out of the old 908 and 201 area codes. This method, the "geographical split option" as it is called, divides the area codes at geographical areas of New Jersey and is to be implemented in May.

The numbers that these two area codes will provide are projected to last for approximately four or five years, said Salvo.

The two areas will remain in the 908 area code are the Princeton area and the area by Cecile Church from Summit Drive to Shipfield and Linden borders. Neither of these places follows the other.

"It's foolish. They could have and they should have done something different," he said.

According to Salvo, this would mean that the businesses along the area code change will have to change their packaging, stationery, even their

advertisements in the Yellow Pages. "I think it's disruptive to the citizens and expensive to the business," he said. "I mean, I've just learned a direction that we won't buy any new stationery, and business cards until we know what the new area codes will be."

The Linden government was less than pleased with the new area codes on the city. City employees in city clerk's office who did not want to be identified said, "I don't think we would like to have our phone numbers don't think they community would like to be split."

As to what happens of Linden would be included in the new area code, Salvo said, "I've heard about it, but the effect on Linden, we didn't receive anything about it."

According to Salvo, the geographical split was considered the "least intrusive" of the two implementation for new area codes in New Jersey.

"One of the reasons that the board made this decision now was to give businesses a year to adjust the ordering of their supplies," she said.

The other plan, which was advocated by Ellersport as the "easier of two evils" was an "overlay" plan. This would have added another 10 digits to 64 digit for every phone call inside the 201 and 908 area codes, the said, even if the call was in a next-door neighbor.

But according to Salvo, this will still be necessary in towns such as Clark and Linden, which will be split up by the geographical split option. "I would add that the residents who opposed to the geographical split option and advocated the overlay plan for just this reason."

He added, "We also wanted people who lived for years and years in this state not to have to change numbers."

# Entrepreneurs to sell T-shirts

The Entrepreneurship Class at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield is compiling last year's T-shirt business. The young entrepreneurs are selling shirts for the senior and freshmen classes and are seeking orders from sports teams, clubs and local businesses.

"We have a custom to suit the customer's needs and most shirts will cost between \$10-\$15."

The class members include the Springfield FBA, Springfield Sports Alliance, St. Theresa's Spirituality and many of the Jonathan Dayton sports teams.

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# Go speed racer



Eric Brickman, far left, of Springfield, and Tara Reynolds of Union, second from left, were both drivers of the Prudential Insurance Company of America race cars which recently competed in the Arthritis Foundation Mini Grand Prix in Hackensack. The Prudential "Team ROCK" won 1st prize in the costume competition during the "Pit" Race Party. Along with Brickman and Reynolds, Prudential team members included from left, Susan Strasser, behind the wheel, Rebecca O'Toole, and Kella Saville. The Mini Grand Prix, which raised \$25,000 included drivers who drove Indy-style cars on a challenging course through the city streets at maximum speeds of 25 miles per hour.

# Newark Academy names scholars

Fifty-five students at Newark Academy have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their achievement on the college level Advanced Placement examinations. Approximately 54 percent of graduating seniors have taken one or more AP examinations. Only about 12 percent of the more than 537,000 students who took the exams in May 1996 performed at a level sufficient to merit AP Scholar status.

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OBITUARIES

Loretta M. Mason
Loretta M. Mason of Springfield, formerly of Union, died Oct. 22.

Ethel E. Lalovee
Ethel E. Lalovee, 80, of Springfield, formerly of Union, died Oct. 21 in her home.

Cow eats boy



Laura Bopp, Corinne Wajnone, and Matthew Lofa, first graders at James Caldwell School in Springfield, team firsthand about animals at Green Meadows Farm. The trip enhanced their study of living creatures.

AMY POWELL

Amy Powell, 94, of Plainfield, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 29 in Mulhensberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield.

Surviving are two sons, Ross I. and William T.; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

WALTER W. KIMMERLE

Walter W. Kimmerle, 86, of Springfield, a World War II hero, who was blinded in action, died Nov. 2 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Surviving are two sons, Ross I. and William T.; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

employed as a compositor with Baker Printing Co., Newark, for 18 years. He was the founder and charter member of the New Jersey Blind Veterans Association and a charter member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the New Jersey Federation for the Blind.

ROBERT E. KELLER

Robert Edward Keller, 40, of Mountlake died Oct. 31 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Bayonet, Mr. Keller lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Mountlake last year. He was an executive for Sealand Service, a shipping company in Port Elizabeth, for 28 years.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth C. Allen; three daughters, Sharon, Susan and Andrea; his father, Leonard Keller; a brother, John, and two sisters, Patricia, McEldeed and Dorothy Cunniff.

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H.S. Football Saturday at 1:00 Manville at Dayton

SPORTS

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Dayton dominates for third straight

First 3-game win streak since '91

Dayton's three-game winning streak that year came during weeks five and seven... Dayton won three consecutive games in 1991 when the Bulldogs won 6-3 and won a share of the Mountain Division title with Immaculata.

High School Football

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Dayton frosh football team back on the winning track

Bulldogs best Middlesex for fifth victory

The Dayton Regional High School freshmen football team bounced back from its only loss of the season by handing Middlesex a 14-6 defeat last Friday at Mount Field in Springfield.



Dayton Regional defensive tackle Anthony Vignarolo, No. 45 (left), Brian Berger, No. 38, chase down a Middlesex running back during last Friday's freshman football game at Springfield's Mount Field.

At Manville tomorrow afternoon

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Dayton Freshman FB

- (R) Dayton 36, Gov. Liv. 8
(A) Dayton 20, New Prov. 0
(C) Dayton 38, R. Park 18
(G) Dayton 34, Bound Brook 0
(H) Immaculata 26, Dayton 6
(I) Dayton 14, Middlesex 6
(T) Dayton 33, 330
Nov. 15 Johnson, 3:30
Nov. 22 at Ridge, 3:30
Home: 3-1
Road: 2-0
Points for: 148
Points against: 58



SNACK BAR BUDDIES — Brian Birch, Ashley King, Lisa Di Nicola and Steve King help out at the snack bar at the Springfield home youth football games.



SPRINGFIELD GRID STANDOUTS — Springfield youth football players will be promoting their teams Saturday in town. The Springfield G Team is led by the efforts of Ross Rahman, Eric Decker, Andre Beter, Steve Bernkopf, Matt Spigliano, Brian Birch, Jay Washburn, Joey Cava, Frank Carbone, Justin Woodruff, Chase Fraunich, Yuri Portugal, Steli Sarrachio and Joe Alizio. The C Team is sparked by Bryan Still, Ken Suarez, Matt Farley, Lee Silverman, Michael Luciano, Sean Frank, Ted Young, Tim Homish, Jesse Weatherston, Sean Apollonia and Leo Ferraris.

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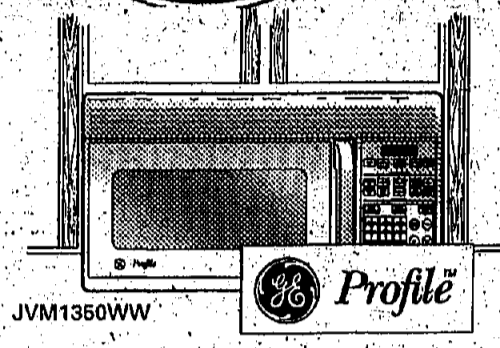
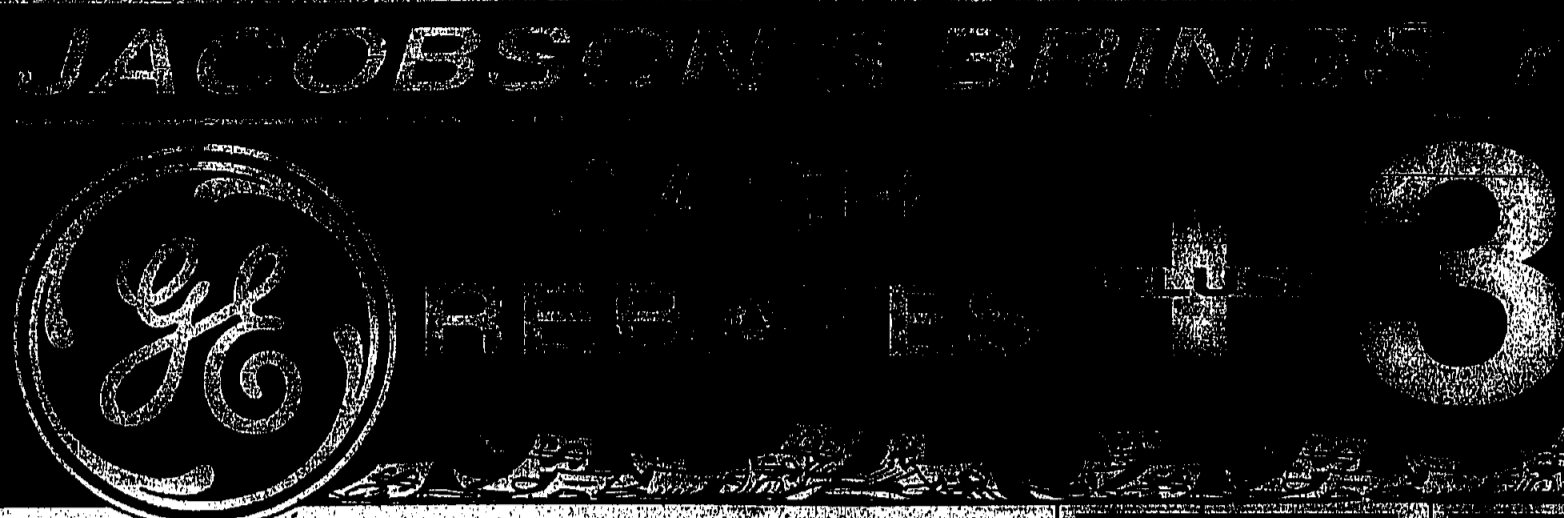
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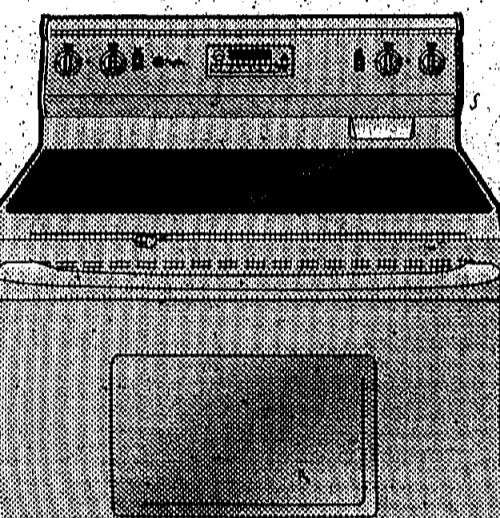


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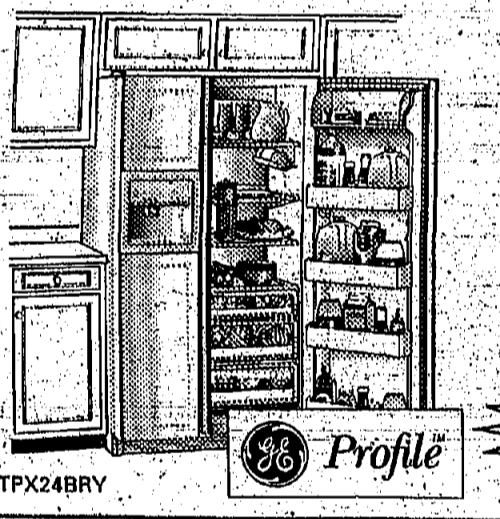


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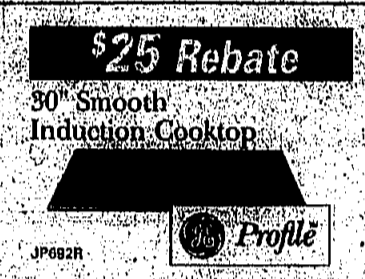
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# UNION COUNTY NEWS

WOODRILL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1996 SECTION B

## County is as county does

Every November, many of us at Woodrill Community Newspapers get excited and philosophical as we address about the abolition of county government. In fact, during the interviews we conduct to select the candidates before making our endorsements, a stock question we ask regards the freeholder candidates' plan to eliminate county government.

## Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg  
Regional Editor

When I posed the question to Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly last month, she looked at me as if I had suggested the stoning of her children, and proceeded to convince me that our way of life would collapse. If the freeholders abolished the county, she said, the conversation toward the role county government should play in our lives should range from "Should we privatize?" to "Should we enforce common agencies by common law?" What can the county government do to reduce costs and spend money in the manner seen in the private sector?

Necessity to say, the consensus among the two major political freeholder candidates was support for county government.

The conversation looks as if it is the era of big county government is over. I have to disagree where Linda-Lee Kelly is concerned. It reduces the number of workers' compensation claims seems to be working.

Union County's Workers' Compensation Loss Prevention Program has been cited by the National Association of Counties as one of the best county government programs in the nation. It is one of the reasons the county manager has taken in this work so far.

In 1995, something called Division of Risk Management began auditing workers' compensation claims. This division has been reporting such claims according to type of accident and injury.

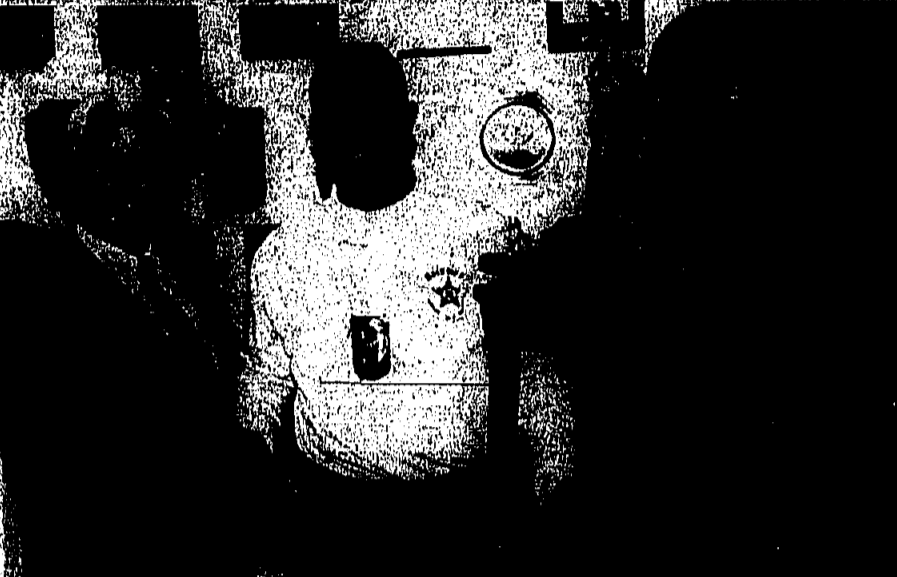
After classifying the compensation claims, the county can identify those employees still able to work for their pay.

Logic dictates that that be accomplished before trying to improve health and safety, and that seems to be working.

According to County Manager Ann Baran, the county now can assign high-duty tasks to employees who, after physical examinations, are considered able-bodied. "If they effort is made so that employees can work in temporary assignments within their job titles," she said, "Money is saved, and health benefits become productivity continuing."

According to the 1996 county government budget, last year the number of compensation claims dropped by 20 percent and the average cost per claim has been reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,200.

## Softball the hard way



Sherril Reich, Frohlich, Bill Sharkey and Gary Weingarten of the Union County Police Softball League champion trophy their team won earlier this month. The sheriff's team defeated the Elizabethton Police team in two straight championship games at Warminster Park on Oct. 31. Sharkey and Weingarten led the team through its 16-0-1 season. The coaches said they'll give the team a rest, but expect a tough season in '97.

## Democrats take freeholder seats

### Weingarten wins in 21st

By Jay Hochberg  
Regional Editor

For the second consecutive year, the county Democrats have swept the three contested seats on the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Incumbent Linda Stender and newcomers Nick Scutari and Don Gonzalez defeated their GOP rivals, incumbents Linda DiGiovanni and Linda-Lee Kelly, and Mountaineer Mayor Bob Vigilante.

By the time this newspaper went to press Tuesday night, final totals were not available. Nineteen of the county's 21 municipalities had reported their election results. Union and Plainfield were the two stragglers.

In the 21st Legislative District, which includes Kenilworth, Roselle Park, Springfield, Summit and Union, Republican Joel Weingarten won election to a full year in the Assembly.

Appointed earlier this year to complete the term of the late Monroe Lushenko, Weingarten defeated Democrat Bob Pasco.

The three Republicans carried the Township of Berkeley Heights by a 2-1 majority, with the GOP candidates averaging 3,400 votes to the Democrats' 1,600.

Clark

DiGiovanni, Kelly and Vigilante won the Township of Clark, where the GOP candidate for mayor lost by 156 votes.

Conard

The Republicans also carried the Township of Cranford, where Freeholder Chairman Ed Force had been mayor.

Fremont

Voters in the Borough of Fremont backed former Mayor Stender, splitting their vote to support both Kelly and Vigilante.

Garwood

The two Republican incumbents won over Garwood's voters, but that borough's electorate rejected Vigilante. That candidate was at odds with that borough's voters in May, when the referendum on dissolving the Regional High School District was held.

Hillside

All three Democrats carried the Township of Hillside by a margin of almost 2-1. The incumbent county Democratic Party boss Charles DeFilippo delivered an average of 4,400 votes to the Democrats, as compared to the GOP's 3,600.

Kenilworth

In the Borough of Kenilworth, the GOP won, but the race was tight. Forty-four votes separated third-place Republican Vigilante from first-place Democrat Scutari.

Linden

The City of Linden supported one of its own: Mayor Ed Education named Mike Scutari and running mate Scutari and Gonzalez each garnered more than 8,000 votes. None of the Republicans polled more than 3,300 votes.

Mountaineer

Mayor Vigilante polled the fewest votes among the GOP candidates in the Borough of Mountaineer, where three Republican incumbents won election, including the 101-year GOP domination of the government: Kelly and DiGiovanni garnered more than 2,100 votes each, none of the Democrats broke 1,000.

New Providence

In the Borough of New Providence, incumbent Rep. Bob Franks, the GOP, dominated by a margin of more than 2-1.

Roselle

Voters in the City of Roselle favored the Democratic candidates. Stender polled the most votes — 4,770 — and her running mate garnered more than 4,500 each.

Roselle Park

In the Borough of Roselle Park, the GOP freeholder candidates won. Forty-two votes separated the two parties. Republican Vigilante polled 2,158 votes, Democrat Stender polled 2,066.

Scott's Plains

In the Township of Scott's Plains, the Republicans won another tight race. Vigilante, who placed third, beat fourth-place Stender by 66 votes — 4,552 to 4,486.

Springfield

In the Township of Springfield, the Democrats won, joining fellow Democrats at the local, state and national levels.

Summit

Voters in the City of Summit supported the Republicans by almost 2-1.

Westfield

Voters in the Township of Westfield, traditionally a Republican stronghold, the GOP freeholder candidates won, while the Democrats won the majority and control of the Township Council.

Winfield

The Democrats carried this small township by a margin of almost 2-1.

## UCUA wins national award for solid waste incinerator

The Union County Utilities Authority and Open Waste Systems, the owners and operators of the county's solid waste disposal facility in Rahway, have received the Gold Award for Excellence from the Solid Waste Association of North America.

The award was presented at SWANA's 34th International Solid Waste Exposition held in Portland, Ore. last week.

The award recognizes a wide variety of technical and administrative categories including general operations, regulatory compliance, emissions, siting process, air quality, pollution control, siting and technology of facility design, permitting process, ambient monitoring, environmental assessment, facility integration with overall solid waste systems, public information, and operational and safety training.

Receiving the award were UCUA Chairman William Russo and Executive Director Jeffrey Callahan. In a statement made at the presentation, Russo said that the award "is a tribute to the UCUA and Open Waste staffs who have worked tirelessly to make the Union County facility a national standard for waste disposal efficiency and environmental safety."

"Union County as a whole, and the designers, builders, operators and managers of this facility are proud of credit for having established a high standard of waste disposal system," said Russo.

Callahan said that he had been contacted by the SWANA representatives who presented the trophy in person from the award recipient. "We were honored and proud to receive this important national recognition of our facility," said Callahan.

The SWANA award is the second national recognition received by the Rahway-based facility this year. In March, the Solid Waste Processing Division of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers presented its "Facility Recognition Award for Exemplary Process" to the UCUA plant.

As 1996 began, the UCUA passed the \$1 million mark in waste processed at the facility, which began operations in February of 1994. Now in its 11th year, the UCUA was created by the Board of Chosen Freeholders in 1986.

## Snow money falls from FEMA

### County, 21 towns receive more than \$1.5 million

Less than two months before the onset of winter, Union County and 21 municipalities have been allocated for most of the costs incurred during last January's record-breaking snowfall. Freeholder Vice Chairman Henry Kurz announced:

"Coordinated by the county's Division of Emergency Management, the \$1,462,134 in Disaster Assistance Funds came through the state from the Federal Emergency Management Agency."

The money — \$1.2 million to the towns and \$259,511 to the county — represents 75 percent of the costs for overtime, equipment, contractors, snow hauling and vehicle removal required during the approximately 32 inches of snowfall on Jan. 14. During that time, Gov. Christine Whitman declared a state of emergency, and President Clinton authorized the Disaster Assistance Funds.

The reimbursement will enable the towns and county to prepare for winter emergencies.

"The money came at the financial breck on the county and municipalities," said Kurz, liaison to the Union County Emergency Management Council. "We will be better able to handle whatever nature throws at us over the next several months."

The reimbursements are as follows:

Union County: \$259,511	Wayne: \$32,396
Clark: \$4,070	Roselle: \$29,623
Elizabeth: \$331,708	Roselle Park: \$14,562
Hillside: \$22,715	Springfield: \$35,602
Kenilworth: \$17,766	Summit: \$39,492
Linden: \$160,224	Union: \$75,211
Mountaineer: \$54,707	

## County TV show addresses parks

The new "Union County Update" cable television program features capital improvements in the parks system, and the first of two shows celebrating the 75th anniversary of the county Parks System.

They will air at various times on the county's four cable providers through Nov. 16.

Program guests include Freeholder Chairman Edwin Fisco, Freeholder Daniel Sullivan, Division of Parks and Recreation Director Chuck Sigmond, and Diane Kurz, chairman of the Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

The focus of the show is to provide a brief snapshot of how tax dollars are used on universal capital improvement projects that are underway or in the initial planning stages, such as the Gallop Hill Golf Course renovation, rebuilding various playgrounds and restoring the county's waterways, such as Surritt Lake in the Washington Reservation. The projects will ensure that county parks continue to benefit the whole population, the motto of the county Parks System since its creation in 1921.

The schedule:

TV 36 in Summit, channel 36, at noon today, on Tuesday and Nov. 14. Comcast Cablevision's "Unity" channel 37, at 9:35 p.m. on Monday.

TRR, Elizabeth, channel 12, at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The Board of Chosen Freeholders and the County Manager's Office invite feedback. To reach them, call (908) 327-4100.

## 2 score & 10 years ago



State Senate President Gordon D'Amico visits the Union campus of Lincoln Technical Institute on the occasion of its 50th anniversary. From left: D'Amico, LTI President Pat Santangelo and LTI Union campus executive director Fred Parcells. (Photo by Jay Hochberg)

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# County employees to join ITV classes

Union County College will conduct four two-hour classes for county employees to attend at a nearby location, rather than travel to a single location, throughout the month.

The Union County TV Network consists of broadcast and receiver sites at the County Administration Building, in Elizabethtown; the John H. Stupler Police Academy in Scotch Plains and the UCC campuses in Cranford, Elizabethtown and Plainfield.

Each is equipped to enable students at remote locations from the site where the instructor is delivering a lesson to not only listen in on the program, but also participate.

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## Public Notice

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
The United American Law & Recovery Corp. has the following items for sale:

**CALL DATE:** November 22, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at the New Jersey State House, 2nd Floor, 200 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08646.

**ALL DATE:** November 23, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at the New Jersey State House, 2nd Floor, 200 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08646.

# COUNTY NEWS

## Craft fair

On Nov. 30, Union Catholic Regional High School is sponsoring an indoor craft fair and holiday gift market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school, located at 1600 Marina Ave. in Scotch Plains.

More than 100 vendors will display a variety of seasonal, decorative and functional crafted and new gift items.

There is ample parking, and refreshments will be available throughout the day. Refreshments will be available between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

For additional information, call (908) 889-9475.

## Home repair training

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County will hold a full training series for the volunteer-based Master Home Repair Program.

Participants receive technical training in simple home repair and air quality. After training, volunteers are asked to donate 40 hours of community service.

Each training session consists of a lecture and hands-on experience. Classes are from 7 to 9 p.m. at 300 North Ave. East in Westfield on the following dates: Nov. 18, 25, Dec. 2, 9, and Jan. 6, 13, and 21, 1997.

The cost is \$40, which includes the cost of supplies and a manual. Registration is required. For more information, call Elizabeth Levin at (908) 654-8554.

## Teen Arts

The Union County National Bank, at 2455 Morris Ave. and 2008 Morris Ave. in Union, will host the Union County Teen Arts Touring Exhibit through Nov. 29.

The exhibit consists of 26 pieces of art selected from the 513 visual artworks shown at the 1996 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

## Service offers help

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

To reach this service, call 800-ACS-2345, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Upscale garage sale

The Art of Union County will hold its 21st annual upscale garage sale in the Lincoln Municipal Complex on Academy St. in New Providence on Saturday.

The doors will open at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. Everything from books and baby items to antiques, tools and electronic equipment will be sold.

Advance tickets may call (908) 558-2550.

## Pirates of Panzance

"The Pirates of Panzance" one of the most popular Gilbert and Sullivan works, will be presented by the Ridgewood Gilbert and Sullivan Open Company under the sponsorship of the Lincoln Cultural and Heritage Affairs Division on Nov. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Lincoln High School auditorium for one performance only.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For more information and ticket reservations, call 925-3516.

## Police lobby supports gun bill

In a prepared statement released to the Statehouse, New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association President James Leary commended state senators Louis Bassano and Louis Kosko for introducing legislation concerning guns in the state.

The Senate bill would establish a new office concerning the illegal sale or transfer of a firearm to an individual under the age of 18, providing that the seller is liable if the youth uses that firearm in the commission of a crime.

"I am very pleased to be here today to congratulate senators Bassano and Kosko for introducing this bill and to join with them in the steadfast support of this measure," Leary said. "On behalf of the membership of the New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association, we applaud their efforts for this much needed legislation."

The bill establishes a chain of accountability in cases where a juvenile commits a crime with a firearm. "Adults who engage in the practice of providing firearms to minors can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. At present, the penalty is not strong enough to serve as a deterrent to such actions," said Leary. "Each day and every day we hear of tragedies occurring in our neighborhoods, malls and schools. It seems unthinkable that these children are able to return to the very same supplier for more and more weapons.

## County holds contest

The state of the arts gift certificates for parks offered in honor of the Park System's 75th anniversary, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is sponsoring a contest for gift certificates available to the general public.

Through Nov. 20, with each paid admission, patrons will receive an entry form for the contest which will be held Nov. 21, the anniversary of the founding of the original Union County Park Commission. The winning contest tickets will be from each of the following facilities:

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All contest entries will close on Nov. 20. Prizes are not valid on merchandise, professional services, recreation fees, and are not transferable. All prizes must be used between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 1997.

Local-Aid Centers grants are awarded for non-traditional transportation improvements in municipalities that are designated as "urban, regional, town or village centers" under the State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

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## UCC appoints new head

Elsie LaMonica, former director of business development for the Union County Economic Development Corp., has been appointed director of Union County College's Industry-Business Institute.

The Industry-Business Institute provides customized business management, computer, office systems, and technical training, as well as basic skills and workplace literacy instruction at many campuses throughout northern New Jersey, primarily Union County. It offers both credit and non-credit courses on-site or at a UCC campus to employees of participating companies.

Among the firms that have contracted with the Industry-Business Institute for employee training are AT&T, Ciba-Geigy, Schering-Plough, Allied Signal, General Electric, Bell Atlantic, and Merck & Co.

In her new role, LaMonica oversees all customized training contracts in which the college engages with large corporations, small businesses, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. This includes every aspect of contract development, from a needs assessment for selecting the right types of instructional services for a particular firm, to execution of a customized program that suits the company's needs and interests.

Among her responsibilities will be to help implement a workforce development/economic development plan for the college to carry out community economic development. She also represents the administration of a training consortium for 13 participating companies under a \$500,000 grant.

LaMonica holds a bachelor's degree in business administration, with a marketing concentration, from Montclair State University. She is a member of the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners, Union County Chapter, the Union County Chamber of Commerce, and many other professional affiliations.

## County could manage welfare reform locally

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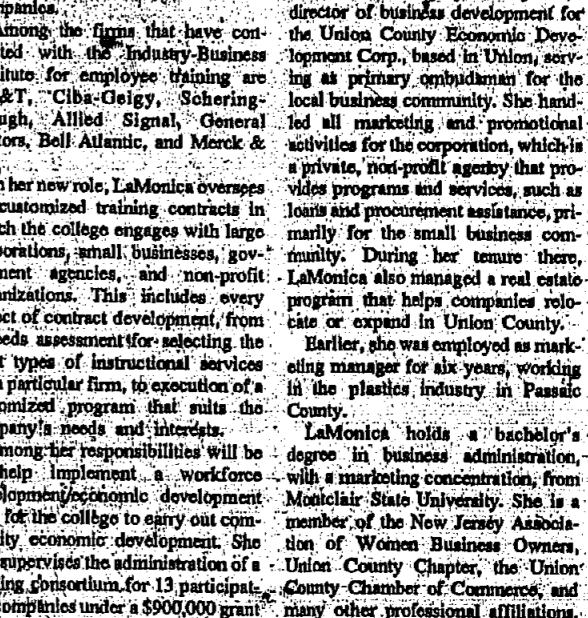
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

You can believe the 'Rumors' about Union High School

By Bea Smith, Staff Writer
Something utterly new is taking place in the auditorium of Union High School.

Neil Simon's "Rumors," for the first time in its history. Known and renowned for their surreal, fabulous musicals, the students and their award-winning director and teacher, Yvonne Rago, are attempting to add to their repertoire a straight play in the fall and a large scale musical in the spring.

Rago and a few of her principal cast members, Nicole Martone, Diane Foster and Greg Salovey, took time out of a hectic rehearsal period to visit this newspaper and boast about the marvels of doing a comedy - particularly one by Simon.

"We have a large musical every year," explained Rago, "and a lot of schools do juke shows a year, one in the fall and one in the spring. So, we wanted to do the same. I chose 'Rumors' because it is a side-splitting comedy. I saw 'Rumors' on the news about five or six years ago, and I was so much fun that when the script became available, I had my students read it in my musical theater class. And when I saw how well they adapted to the script, I knew it would be a good play to do."

"Rumors" which will be presented Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Union High School auditorium, was much different to prepare. "We only had six weeks to put it together," said Rago. "But we have a very professional way of doing things, and in the same professional way there is the same concentration. There are a lot of lines to

memorize. Concentration is tough. The lines and timing are everything. Our musicals take three months to prepare. We want the community to be aware that now there are two shows to look forward to, as opposed to one. We had been very successful with our musicals, particularly "Leader of the Pack," "Fiddler on the Roof," "The Wizard of Oz," "Grease" and "My Fair Lady." And I must admit, the first year is always the hardest."

Because of the complexities of the script, there will be two groups, Cast 1 will perform Friday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m., and Cast 2 will perform Friday at 10 a.m. and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Solomon, who will play Lemmy Gans in both Cast 1 and 2, mentioned that "in my case, it's very cool. Lots of the kids are good actors who may not be comfortable with musicals. This is a good time for them to take a chance to do straight theater."

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Cast 2; Everett Lippell will play Emile Cusack in Cast 1; and John Madrigal will play Cusack in Cast 2; Marietta Minors will play Cookie Cusack in Cast 1, and Robin Rabin will play the role in Cast 2; Ruth Caplanov will play Gloria Cooper in Cast 1, and Jacob Clavelov in Cast 2; Debbie Lipkin will play Cassie Cooper in Cast 1; Terrence Norman in Cast 2; Kristy Rodriguez will play Officer Welch in Cast 1; Christina Kovacs in Cast 2; and Jackie Laddy will play Officer Pinsky in Cast 1 and Roseanne Torres in Cast 2.

Scenic and light design are by Peter Avagliano, Amy and Roman Mignit are in charge of costumes, props and scenery construction, with Ron Rago, husband of the director, also in charge of scenery and lights. The assistant director is Laura Monte, who graduated from Union High School last year.

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Thank heaven for Paper Mill's 'Gigi'

The songs "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" and "I Remember It Well" will forever be associated with the late Marlene Dietrich, who, in her inimitable style, sang them for propriety in the memorable and charming movie, "Gigi."

So, when Gavin MacLeod, well known for his "Love Boat" and "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" on TV, sings both "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" and "I Remember It Well" in the musical, "Gigi," it is a wonderful sight to see the role of Honore Lachaille in "Gigi" at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, the audience at first does a double-take. "It's no Marlene Dietrich," murmured members of the audience during Sunday matinee's performance. No, there will never be another Marlene Dietrich, but MacLeod gives his all to the role, and adds his own charm and style and an acceptable French accent. The veteran actor grows on an audience and by story's end, he has not only changed the lovely Gigi, his nephew, Gaston, his former lover, Minnie, and Gigi's fanciful Aunt Alicia, but the entire Paper Mill crowd.

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Theater View

By Bob Smith, Staff Writer
The captivating Liliane Montevideo, and her grandmother, Minnie, played by the versatile Anne Rogers.

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Outstanding as such members as Paris is Paris Again," with Honore and Company, "She's Not Thinking of Me," "Gaston, Live and Co.," and wonderful "The Night They Invented Champagne," sung by Gaston, Gigi and Minnie. The end of the first act, when Honore and Minnie, coinciding with a younger couple, who "stare" Young Honore and Young Minnie, those in search of a price of admission.

In the second act, when Gaston introduces a verse before he sings the delightful "Gigi," it is a reminder of the Lerner and Loewe musical "Annie Get Your Gun," which was first performed by the Paper Mill Playhouse in 1961. The story of "Gigi" is brought to life in the era of the early-1900s, called "La Belle Epoque," meaning the Beautiful Era, and the center of high society in Paris, the world of art, Toulouse-Lautrec, where marriage was often a financial transaction, and romantically accepted.

And thanks to Anania, the famous Paper Mill prop, the automobile, which is the centerpiece of the show. In the first act, the "Belle de Boislognon," is performed by the company, and that brings a musical adventure

Two of the leading cast, Gavin MacLeod and Clary Cameron, are seen in a scene from the musical, 'Gigi', which will continue its run at the Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, through Dec. 15. Performances are Wednesday through Sunday at 8 p.m. with matinees on Thursdays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m. For ticket information, call (201) 376-4343.

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Performer gains renown with a little help from her friends

By Jacqueline McCarthy
Associate Editor
Many aspiring artists would agree that having faith in yourself and knowing what you do is the key to making it to the top.

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# It's no folly to see 'Crazy For You'

The titles of popular Broadway productions smartly reflect the content of these, blinding as the entertainment to come — "Showboat," "Cats," "Guys and Dolls" — just to name a few. Union County Arts Center's latest endeavor could have been sportingly titled "Hicks & Chicks," revealing the potential for playful dance numbers

## Theater View

By Jacquie McCarthy  
Associate Editor

and silly one-liners. But when it is said and done it boils down to boy meets girl, and to the content, will remain a pleasant surprise and great entertainment for audiences fortunate enough to see this wonderful production of "Crazy For You."

This new production is an old-fashioned musical comedy with scenes reminiscent of vaudeville. Thom Christopher Warren in the lead role of Bobby Child has a smile that shines brighter than the spotlight as he portrays the poor-little-rich-kid stung by the dancing boy. He can't get a break at the Zangler Ballroom in New York City, however, and when his mother gives him an opportunity to get away from his long-suffering fiancée, he heads off to Deadrock, Nevada to force her on a building. Of course, the building is a theater and the long-suffering fiancée is the impresario who falls head over heels for them both, hoping to land on his feet, Bobby's friends from the Zangler Theater join him in his "Mad About the Boy" act, and he attempts to convince the good-little-boys from town that it is time to stop away from their tractors and into the choice line.

Assemble dance numbers, are impressively flawless and giddily comical. Special notice is warranted for ensemble numbers "Embrace to Nowhere," when the Zangler dancers stir up the dust in downtown Deadrock, and "Slap That Bass" inside the Colony Theatre. Individual scenes are no less impressive. "What Causes That?" is delightfully jocular, with staging based on Susan Stroman's original Broadway choreography and performed effortlessly by Warren and Bill Pelech as Bela Zangler, Bobby's forgetful fiancée from "Both less her



"Crazy For You" at the Union County Arts Center stars Thom Christopher Warren as Bobby Child and features Alison Brunton-Dooley, Susie O. Ellis and Brenda Novillo in the ensemble. The show runs weekdays through Nov. 16. For information, contact the box office at (908) 499-8226.

frustration out in "Naughty Baby," as Sandy Munmano proves that she can do a lot more with her voice than whine. Lastly, no-one will have to hold to keep their attention on Steacy L. Sander as Bobby's love interest, Billy Baker. Time seemed to stand still during her absolutely entrancing rendition of "Someone to Watch Over Me."

Warren and Sander do some terrific singing and dancing. The audience is as likely to fall in love with Warren's "Bobby" as Pelech, and Sander pulls off an incredibly intense Midwestern drawl. Joanne Wilhelm as Mrs. Child keeps us giggling with an endearing interpretation of another's dry sense of humor. All the dances outdo themselves, and Alison Brunton-Dooley, who is also the choreographer, and Maureen K. McFallon as Zangler dancers Tess and Miri absolutely max out on the cute scale. No matter what you call it, audiences for "Crazy For You" are guaranteed to have the theater smiling. Having undergone recent refurbishing, watching the play in Union County

## Stay tuned for Part II

Continuing its commitment to New Jersey talent, New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will be featuring Part Two of the exhibition "Sculpture From New Jersey" in the Palmier Gallery Nov. 17-Jan. 5. An opening reception will be held Sunday, Nov. 17 from 2-5 p.m. Friday night eight cast-lead and emerging New Jersey artists will be featured. A special discussion with the artists will be held Thursday, Dec. 5 from 7:30-9 p.m. as part of NJCVA's "Just About Art" discussion series.

Incorporating a variety of found and fabricated elements, each sculpture conveys its own experience. Artist Nancy Cohen of Jersey City makes references to human expressions and relationships in her sculpture "Con- of it as archeological ethnographic Data." Other NJ artists who will be featured include Richard Dobra of Westfield; Betty Meehan of Chatham; Carol Korman of California; Janet Taylor Tackett of Montclair; Tyler Smith of Hoboken and Elaine Lorenz of Cliffside Park. Doctored notes are available by appointment; receipts, discussions and exhibitors are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m., and weekends from 2-4 p.m. The Center is located at 89 Elm St. Funding for this exhibition has been made possible in part by the NJ State Council on the Arts/OP, of State.

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Slow your busy wheels and take the time to observe this week. You may learn more by watching than doing. Plan a weekend excursion. This is definitely the time to be some reflecting and soul-searching.

**TAURUS** April 21-May 21  
Take a friend up on an offer. It's time to do something special for yourself. A family gathering will fill your spirits and present a new way of looking at an old problem. Don't take your relatives for granted.

**GEMINI** May 22-June 21  
Get a head start this week at work. Working ahead will prevent falling behind later in the week. You may receive an enticing invitation that's too good to refuse. Listen to your heart.

**CANCER** June 22-July 23  
You may have to clean up after someone else. Don't complain; it will pay off later. An artistic talent will pay off later.

**LIBRA** September 23-October 23  
A big project has been put off long enough. Your spirits will be lifted when it is behind you. You may be in for a real learning experience in the next month. Be more aware of what is beneath the surface.

**SCORPIO** October 24-November 22  
Keep your guard up when dealing with strangers. They may want to know what you're up to, and it's none of their business. An old friend may come back into your life, and this time for more than friendship. Take things slow.

**SAGITTARIUS** November 23-December 21  
Don't ignore your mutual instincts. You know right from wrong. Don't let someone talk you out of telling the truth. Romance will take off toward the end of the week. It may be just what you need.

**CAPRICORN** December 22-January 20  
Your hard work is finally paying off. Don't allow your ego to get in the way.

**AQUARIUS** January 21-February 18  
Either do what you told today or have a very good reason for not doing so. Stalling on a tedious project may be to your advantage. Think of a more efficient way to achieve the same result. You could save yourself many long hours.

**PISCES** February 19-March 20  
Someone else's quarrel may teach you a valuable lesson. It's not good to cavendish, but you may not have a choice. Keep what you've learned to yourself.

## Singer shares her gift with the world

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Her way of giving back was to found the Random Act of Kindness Foundation in 1994, described as the first humanitarian foundation to provide charity dedicated to single parents worldwide. Family and friends work as volunteers to provide gifts of clothing, toys, and school supplies to children in households with a yearly income of \$27,000 or less.

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Take a shot at preventing the flu virus

If last year is any indication, physicians can expect to see patients with the flu as early as this fall. According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, influenza activity occurred in moderately severe levels during October 1995 and lasted through March 1996. Flu activity peaked during late December 1995, just in time for the holidays. Last year, for the first time since the 1991-92 season, influenza viruses were associated with epidemics in several countries, including the United States.

Flu is often called a respiratory disease, but it affects the whole body. The virus causes fever, chills, weakness, loss of appetite and an aching body. Dry cough, sneezing and burning eyes may also occur. Fever mounts quickly, but usually subsides after two to three days, leaving the patient feeling exhausted. While most people with the flu recover in about a week, the elderly often suffer complications from the flu which can be fatal.

"The flu is a contagious type of virus that can cause serious illness as well as complications and even death in certain people," says Alvin Goldstein, D.O., clinical consultant for the Department of Family Practice for Saint Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston. "Those over 65 or those who have ailments such as diabetes, kidney disease, chronic heart or lung disease or HIV should be among the first to receive the vaccine. The present vaccine is very effective."

Those who could be most helped by flu vaccines include seniors age 65 and older, health care workers, and those with chronic health conditions. However, many people in high-risk categories do not receive flu shots because of doubts about their effectiveness and fear of side effects. An article in the Archives of Internal Medicine in 1994, described the flu shot as "effective, reducing serious complications of influenza by about one-half." The American Lung Association finds the vaccine to be 75 percent effective in preventing illness. According to safety testing, influenza vaccine is made from highly purified egg-grown viruses that have been rendered non-infectious.

"It is very important that the vaccine be given at such a time so that the body can produce antibodies from the vaccine," says Dr. Goldstein. "This generally takes two to three weeks, so the ideal time to receive the vaccine is early October through November. People who get the vaccine in January or in the middle of a flu season should wonder how much protection they are going to get."

Since the flu virus is passed by "droplet infection," when the organism becomes airborne after a sneeze or cough, Dr. Goldstein offers some suggestions for avoiding the flu germ this season. These include avoiding crowds, washing hands frequently, and avoiding those in the throes of the flu. Should you need a referral to a physician, call (888) 588-6222 for the name of a Saint Barnabas Medical Center physician to fit your needs.

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Westfield resident clings to life, awaits transplant

Maureen Forester, a 30-year-old resident of Westfield, is in desperate need of a kidney transplant. She has been waiting three-and-a-half years to receive this transplant and her condition has become critical.

The victim of a childhood kidney disease called Medullary Cystic Disease, Forester received a kidney transplant 11 years ago which her body rejected seven years later. She has been receiving hemodialysis ever since to perform the function of her diseased kidney.

Maureen, her husband, Mike, and her parents, Mr. Jack Colony and Mrs. Peggy Colony, are desperate as to the reason why it has taken so long for a kidney to become available. Maureen is registered at four transplant centers nationally and has not received a single phone call in three years.

Recently, Maureen's condition worsened. Her inability to fight off infection and the debilitating nature of the dialysis has meant frequent visits

to the hospital and extended periods of bed rest. Maureen has the same dreams as any other 30-year-old woman, but unless a kidney becomes available for transplant immediately, she will never have the opportunity to see them come true.

Maureen Forester is the administrator of Theo Hosse, a residential hospice facility in Elizabeth. Theo Hosse is owned by the Center for Hope Hospice. Margaret Colony, Maureen's mother, is the president and co-founder of The Center for Hope Hospice.

The Center for Hope Hospice has cared for over 4,000 terminally ill individuals and their families since its genesis in the late 1970's. As the administrator at Theo Hosse, Maureen uses her skills as a social worker to help terminally ill individuals and their families through the most important time of their lives — their final days.

Maureen was diagnosed by the age

of one year but retained no memory until age 19 when she began experiencing fevers. Further evaluation led to impending renal failure and hemodialysis. After 7 months of hemodialysis in March of '86, Maureen was fortunate enough to receive a donor for transplantation. Six months following a successful transplant, Maureen developed meningitis which was thought to be secondary to her suppressed immune system. She received six weeks of treatment for her meningitis and was discharged with continued intravenous treatment. This transplanted kidney lasted for 7 years, although Maureen had to be hospitalized several times for infections, viruses and to have her spleen removed. In March of '93, six weeks prior to the wedding, Maureen experienced rejection of the transplanted kidney. Hemodialysis was started, 2 times per week for 3 hour intervals. This made it necessary for Maureen to receive hemodialysis even while on her honeymoon. By the end of July,

one month later, her condition worsened to such a point that she required hemodialysis 3 times per week for 3 hour intervals. Maureen is registered at four transplant centers, however over the last three years she has not received one phone call regarding a potential donor.

Maureen's condition has continued to deteriorate over the last three years as the weeks extend for transplant. In the last two months she has required hospitalization twice, once for a surgical procedure to re-open her clogged dialysis and the second time due to a life-threatening infection. She was discharged last Friday and has resumed outpatient hemodialysis 3 times per week. These last few hospitalizations, and the rapid decline in her condition have left her physically and emotionally exhausted.

The Center for Hope Hospice would like to increase public awareness as to the importance of organ donation. Anyone with questions or information on organ donation can call the hospice at (908) 486-0700.

Drug abuse series begins in Westfield

"Prozac and Beyond" and "Depression, Anxiety and Panic Attacks in Adolescents" are among the topics to be explored in the seven-part different courses being offered by the NCADD of Union County's 1996-97 Alcohol and Drug Training Series which begins tomorrow. All classes are being held at NCADD's offices at 300 North Ave. East in Westfield. Each class will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays and are \$45 in advance, \$50 at the door.

All courses have been submitted to The Certification Board for CADC certification and recertification credits.

For further information on the courses or scholarships, call NCADD of Union County at (908) 233-8310.

HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

A little folic acid goes a long, long way

Each month, about 12,500 babies will be born in this county with birth defects. Scurfies, those birth defects just happen regardless. But some of these birth defects, serious birth defects of the brain and spine called neural tube defects, can be prevented if a woman consumes 0.4 milligrams of folic acid prior to and during pregnancy.

In September, 1992, the United States Public Health Service recommended that all women of childbearing age take folic acid to prevent spina bifida and other neural tube defects. During 1991, the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation had already begun a national health education effort about the importance of consuming folic acid. More than four years later, these recommendations have gone largely unheeded.

It wasn't developed in a laboratory and it's not a miracle drug. But what folic acid does is a miracle. Folic acid is a simple B vitamin found in many types of foods which Godfrey Oakley, board of the Birth Defects Foundation of the Center for Disease Control Prevention referred to in September, 1995 as the "salt" vaccine of the 90's. Since 1988, the March of Dimes has urged all women of childbearing age that are capable of becoming pregnant to start consuming folic acid daily — prior to and during pregnancy. In a recent study by the Georgia Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta indicated that only 20 percent of women surveyed were taking folic acid supplements. Only 29 percent knew folic acid prevents spina bifida. 77 percent of the women surveyed did not know that folic acid can prevent birth defects.

In addition to providing to the public the knowledge that "Think Ahead! Pre-pregnancy planning packet containing folic acid information," the public can call the March of Dimes at (202) 892-0700 and request folic acid information. Folic acid can be found in green leafy vegetables, fortified cereals and whole grain foods, oranges, citrus fruits and juices, navy and pinto beans, and many other food products. In addition to multivitamin supplements, women are encouraged to eat a diet of the B vitamin folic acid each day. Preventing birth defects starts before becoming pregnant.

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Indulge in good health at the fair

On Sunday, the '96 'WVHA' of Union County, 501 Green Lane, will host over 25 health professionals in the 10th Annual Health Fair, done in conjunction with the Union Township Board of Health. The doors open at noon. In addition to a full array of cancer screenings, there will also be free flu shots, diabetes screenings — must fast hours prior — and cholesterol testing/diabetes profiles. There is a nominal fee for the cholesterol and cardiac profiles. Other participants include dentists, pediatricians, nurses, various Senior Programs, and a Fire Safety Trailer for the children. Fruit, mental health, Jewish yogurt pops, and low-fat bagels are just among some of the refreshments that will be available.

The "Spasor" program will consist of the following lineup: • 12:30 p.m., Dr. Ernest Fedotki will talk about "Questions and Answers About Your Heart" • 1:30 p.m., a professional representative from the American Red Cross will discuss "Myths and Realities About HIV and AIDS." • 2:30 p.m., Dr. Glen DeVivore will present a seminar entitled, "Oh, My Aching Feet."

• 3:30 there will be a workshop on "Cancer, Detection, Prevention and Cure." • Sample Yoga classes will be offered by Paula Bonaventura at 1:30 p.m. for adults, and at 2 p.m. for children age 12 and under. All 2:30 p.m. there will present a special program on "Relaxation and Pain Relief." • The Healing Circle "All these programs are free of charge." • For more information or directions to the Y, call Jani Kovacs-Jones at (908) 289-8112.

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# Automotive

## Saab automobiles have been synonymous with safety

Saab automobiles have long been synonymous with innovative technology and advanced engineering since 1900. The Swedish automaker has continued to pioneer a long line of safety, comfort and performance features, many of which have been adopted by other manufacturers. The following are Saab world innovations, and all of these features — small or large — are available on today's Saab 900 and/or 9000 models.

Although 1972 federal safety standards did not require specific side-impact reinforcement, Saab added steel beams to the side door structure of the Saab 900 model in the fall of 1972. Saab's real-world accident investigator team had found that many collisions involved side impacts. As a result, Saab engineers integrated longitudinally reinforced beams into the doors, at a height to provide maximum protection for passengers. These type of welded steel beams were an industry first, and are now used in some form by most carmakers.

Side-impact protection is an integrated part of the energy-absorbing Saab safety cage design. Saab was one of the first carmakers to design a car with integrated safety cage construction. Sturdy steel reinforcements surround the passenger compartment, diverting collision forces away from the occupants, regardless of whether the impact comes from the front, rear or side. In addition, the front and rear seats of the car are designed to absorb much of the kinetic energy generated in a collision. These so-called "crumple zones" take the brunt of a crash.

Saab was the first carmaker to introduce impact-absorbing, self-retracting front and rear bumpers in the U.S. The new bumpers debuted on the 1973 Saab 900, one year ahead of the 1973 Federal bumper standard that required all cars be capable of sustaining a 5 mph front and 2.5 mph rear bumper collision without damage to the safety systems of the car. The 1973 Saab 900 was the first car that not only met, but exceeded the regulation by suffering no damage at all in the low-speed impacts.

Today, Saab 900 and 9000's foam-core bumpers are still designed to restore to their original shape following a low-speed impact. Each year, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, IIHS, subjects new cars to a series of low-speed crash tests to check the strength of their bumpers. In the latest round of tests, the 1994 Saab 900 was the only 4-door midsize car to drive away from the 3-mph

front and rear test barrier impacts without damage. In fact, the 900 is one of only four cars tested since 1990 that suffered zero damage in the flat barrier tests.

Saab is synonymous with state-of-the-art turbocharging. Prior to 1977, other manufacturers used turbos only as limited production or very expensive sports car reliability was low and speed was high. Saab revolutionized turbocharging by turbocharging family cars by applying an adjustable boost turbo to a small displacement engine with the introduction of the 1977 Saab 92 Turbo, followed by the new Saab 900 Turbo a year later. Saab's turbo engines were engineered to achieve high torque at low speeds — a desirable characteristic for everyday driving.

The 1980 Saab 900 offered the award-winning Automatic Performance Control APC, which electronically monitored and adjusted the turbo engine for maximum efficiency under low conditions, and was now used in some form by most carmakers.

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Today's turbos are as reliable as a normally aspirated engine.

The use of daytime running lights (DRL) has been proven to be an effective, low-cost method of reducing car-to-car crashes. DRL came on automatically when the car's ignition is on, and turn off when the key is switched off. For the 1993 model year, Saab was one of the first carmakers to debut this proven safety feature as standard equipment on all its new cars sold in the United States.

DRLs are now the U.S. standard, but Saab offered a DRL alternative since 1968 — a full 25 years ahead of NHTSA's new regulation that made DRLs possible nationwide. Every Saab 900 and 900 includes an automatic lock system that automatically jogs the headlights through the ignition key. Consequently, drivers of earlier model Saab cars simply leave their headlights switched in the "on" position.

Saab's next "first" was the 16-valve turbo engine, introduced as the third generation turbo in 1985. This engine was also equipped with an intercooler to lower the temperature of the intake charge generated by the engine's compression ratio and power output.

In 1992, Saab's remarkable Traction Control System, which further improved the efficiency of Saab turbo engines. Electronically, the anti-wheeling system constantly adjusts the engine's fuel mixture, the ignition timing and turbo charge. Saab is still a leader in the production of advanced turbo engines. All of today's Saab turbo engines are water-cooled, use four valves per cylinder, direct ignition and dual overhead camshafts. Over the years, refinements have reduced the feeling of "turbo lag" to virtually nil, and

with inertia post systems for maximum protection. Another full-width crossbeam is located in the lower seat cushion to add protection against side impacts, plus serving as part of an anti-submarining design to prevent occupants from sliding under the safety belts in a collision.

In addition, a pair of optional integrated child booster seats is available as part of the Saab 900 4-door's safety equipment. Saab also pioneered the use of dual seat belts. In 1971, the Swedish Automobile Association awarded Saab a gold medal for this feature, which later became required by law for all cars in Sweden.

There's much more to the rear seat. The Saab 900 now meets the eyes. Called the Saab "SafeSeat", the seat incorporates a full-width upper crossbar that serves both as a load restraint and anchorage point for all three rear headrests and safety belts. All three positions use shoulder bolts.

A driver's comfort is "entirely" to safe and enjoyable driving. If a car is thoroughly cold on a winter's day, it may take 20 minutes or more for the occupant's body heat to warm the seat. This can be particularly troubling for people who are susceptible to backaches or rheumatism. Saab, built in the land of Scandinavia, offers a welcome solution to a cold seat: heating elements built into the front seat lower cushion and seatback. Again, Saab was a pioneer by being first to offer this feature on the 1971 Saab 90. Now, heated front seats are standard on every new Saab.

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