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Council scheduled to OK municipal budget

By SUZETTE STALKER
The Mountainside Borough Council is expected to adopt its \$4.9 million municipal budget on Tuesday, March 20, local officials announced this week, pending state review and approval of the borough's tentative budget.

The proposed 1990 budget represents a \$278,630, or 5.95 percent, increase over last year's figure. Of the total budget, \$2.9 million falls inside the state-allowed "cap," which covers the borough's normal operating expenses.

The remaining \$2 million has been allocated outside the "cap," for additional expenditures, and includes such items as borough insurance coverage, Construction Code expenses, some street repair and snow removal costs, plus a state-mandated 15 percent annual increase to the Mountainside Public Library.

A 1990 budget summary and analysis approved by the council on Feb. 26 indicates that residents with a property value of \$151,000, the average for Mountainside, will face an estimated total tax increase of \$256.70 in 1990.

The 1990 budget's overall effect on local taxes is reflected by increases in the municipal, local school, regional school and county budgets. Municipal taxes alone will increase by five points this year, costing residents with a property value of \$151,000 an additional \$75.50.

Each tax point equals \$48,900, according to Roberts.

The effect of the local and regional school budgets is expected to be determined soon, through approval or rejection of the budgets during school elections on April 24. The county budget, predicted to go up by \$20 million this year, is not expected to be adopted for several weeks.

Roberts maintained that the 1990 municipal budget represents one of the lowest percent increases for municipal budgets in Union County this year.

He emphasized that borough officials were able to accomplish this while still providing several new services to local residents, such as the leaf composting and expanded recycling programs which were begun last year.

Roberts explained that municipalities are faced with certain fixed costs, however, which contribute to annual budget hikes. These include salary increases, health benefits, which have risen 20 percent for all full-time municipal employees; pension plans, utilities, and state-mandated expenditures.

He noted that Mountainside utilities cover not only gas and electric costs for the borough's municipal buildings, but street lights and service from the Elizabethtown Water Company to local fire hydrants.

The borough administrator credited local department heads with helping to keep budget increases minimal by restraining expenses in their respective divisions. He added that the various departments were able to be

funded during the past year "at a level that is reasonable."

Roberts stated that other factors which contributed to a low budget increase included the recent expansion of the Mountainside Department of Public Works, which eliminated the need for several outside contractors; a reduction in fees to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority, and broadening of the borough's investment program.

"It's really a change in what's been happening," the borough administrator explained. "We were very stringent with our expenditures in 1989," Roberts said. "A lot of things we've been doing over the years have all come together this year to produce a lower budget and more revenue to support that budget."

"I'm very happy about the budget," echoed Mountainside Mayor Robert Vigilanti on Tuesday. "More communities are raising their taxes and being forced to reduce services. Mountainside is raising its taxes at a minimal and increasing services."

He added that a number of area municipalities "have been forced to dip into their surplus to dangerously low levels, where Mountainside has been able to maintain a level of surplus we feel comfortable with."

The mayor also emphasized that Mountainside officials were able to keep budget increases low despite the borough's being 97 percent developed and without having the advantage of new tax rates being introduced into the community each year.

District BOE hears public views on 1990-91 budget

By DAVE WISE
The Board of Education of Union County Regional High School District 1 heard public comments on its tentative \$33.5 million school budget for 1990-91 Tuesday at Governor Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights.

The district includes Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth, Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark and Governor Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights.

Jonathan Dayton enrolls students from both Mountainside and Springfield.

Parents, teachers and other district residents voiced their concerns over the board's proposal to reduce the number of district staff positions by 35 in order to achieve a zero percent

increase in this year's school budget.

A number of them stated that they feared that staff cutbacks might affect the quality of education currently offered to district students.

"I don't believe that not increasing the budget while sacrificing quality is the answer," stated Alan Schwarz, a law student and Berkeley Heights resident. "I think they (residents) would rather have an increase in taxes than lose in the quality of education."

The Union County Regional Federation of Teachers has stated that it supports the proposed 1990-91 school budget as a way to "balance education needs with cost containment necessities."

Despite signs of public disapproval over the tentative school budget, the board has not abandoned its plan to cut "up to 35 staff positions" within the four high schools in the regional

district. The board has not determined where, however, these reductions would be made.

Declining student enrollment is primarily responsible for the possible teacher layoffs, according to regional school district spokesman Thomas Long. District officials project that enrollment will decline in the regional district by 108 students this year.

"We have a decrease in enrollment," Board of Education President Natalie Waldt remarked at Tuesday's meeting. "We can't have teachers without kids."

One concerned parent, Vivian Levy, suggested that the board adopt an earlier budget proposal which called for a 2.6 percent increase in school spending. According to Levy, this increase would only cost county

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LINDA SCHNEIDER



PATRICIA KNODEL



JOSEPHINE COLICELLI

Three candidates vie for seats on borough BOE

By SUZETTE STALKER
Three candidates, including two incumbents and one newcomer, will be vying for two seats on the Mountainside Board of Education on April 24, Superintendent of Schools Leonard A. Bacarro's office has confirmed.

JOSEPHINE COLICELLI
Poplar Avenue resident Josephine Colicelli is making her first bid for a seat on the board. A native of Newark, Colicelli is vice principal of the Deron School in Plainfield, a private facility for handicapped children. The mother of three has two children enrolled at Deerfield School in Mountainside.

the past eight years has been a member of the Legislative Committee of the New Jersey School Boards Association. She was also recently appointed to the Federal Relations Network of the National School Boards Association.

PATRICIA KNODEL
Patricia Knodel, who has served on the board for 17 years, is running for her seventh term. She served as vice president of the board for five years, and has chaired all board committees except for Public Relations. She is presently a member of the Building and Grounds Committee.

A Knollcrest Road resident, Knodel, who is originally from Union, earned a bachelor of arts degree in biology and physical science from Caldwell College, and received her elementary school teacher's certification from Newark State College, now Kean College.

Knodel taught fourth grade in Mountainside, Irvington and Edison, and for the past 16 years has been a Sunday School teacher at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Mountainside. She has also been a substitute teacher at the school. Her eight children have all graduated from the Mountainside school district.

Knodel presently serves as third vice president of the Union County School Boards Association, and for

"I feel that as the parent of three children and as an educator, I can contribute my experience and knowledge from a parent's point of view as well as someone who is involved in education," the board candidate remarked.

"I feel my education background has stood me in good stead for the job," explained Knodel of her decision to seek re-election. "and I do believe in giving public service."

She stated that her overall goal, if re-elected, is to help guide the Mountainside school system toward becoming a model district for all small school districts throughout the state.

She added that she would also like to see, in addition to the programs for gifted and handicapped children, increased focus upon the needs of the mainstream student population, particularly youngsters who are classified as underachievers.

LINDA SCHNEIDER
Board President Linda Schneider, who has led the seven-member body for five years, is seeking her fourth term on the board. A South Fork Road

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Mountainside resident to perform in comedy show

By SUZETTE STALKER
Borough resident Eddie Gambino, a local businessman and volunteer firefighter, will show audiences his comic side next Wednesday, March 14, when he appears at The Ground Round on Route 22 East in Springfield.



EDDIE GAMBINO

A veteran of comedy clubs throughout the metropolitan area, Gambino, 47, who owns Tire Connection in Mountainside, has performed at such establishments as Rascals in West Orange, and Dangerfield's and Rags to Riches in Manhattan.

Gambino has also displayed his talents with guest spots on "Geraldo," where he appeared with Jackie Mason, and three appearances on "The Joe Franklin Show."

The Jersey City native has also been a member of the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department since moving to the borough from Springfield with his family 14 years ago. He and his wife, Marie, live on Foothill Way and have three children, John, 24, Stephen, 20, and Tanya, 16.

Gambino began dabbling in comedy in the early 1970s, doing over-the-telephone impersonations of Howard Cosell and Henry Kissinger for the Don Imus radio show on WNBC.

This was followed by a stint on WABC with disc jockeys Ross Britton and Brian Wilson, who are now the co-hosts of the popular Z100 "Morning Zoo."

In 1980, Gambino began doing stand-up comedy. In his current act, Gambino does impersonations on various personalities and TV characters, as well as some unique creations of his own.

Gambino frequently impersonates

"Wise Guys," with Joe Piscopo and Danny DeVito. Gambino will also play the principal in the upcoming movie "Ghoul School," scheduled for release in May.

Gambino garnered third place in the National Lampoon Comedy Play-offs for 1989, which took place on Long Island, and was named as a runner-up in the Tropicana Comedy Play-offs in Atlantic City last November.

He has also done several cable TV commercials for Rascals and recently did an opening act for comic Judy Tenuta at the Club Bene Dinner Theater in Sayreville.

Gambino will share the bill at The Ground Round next week with comic Dave Street. One can call AR-Jae Entertainment at 376-7815 to make reservations for the show.

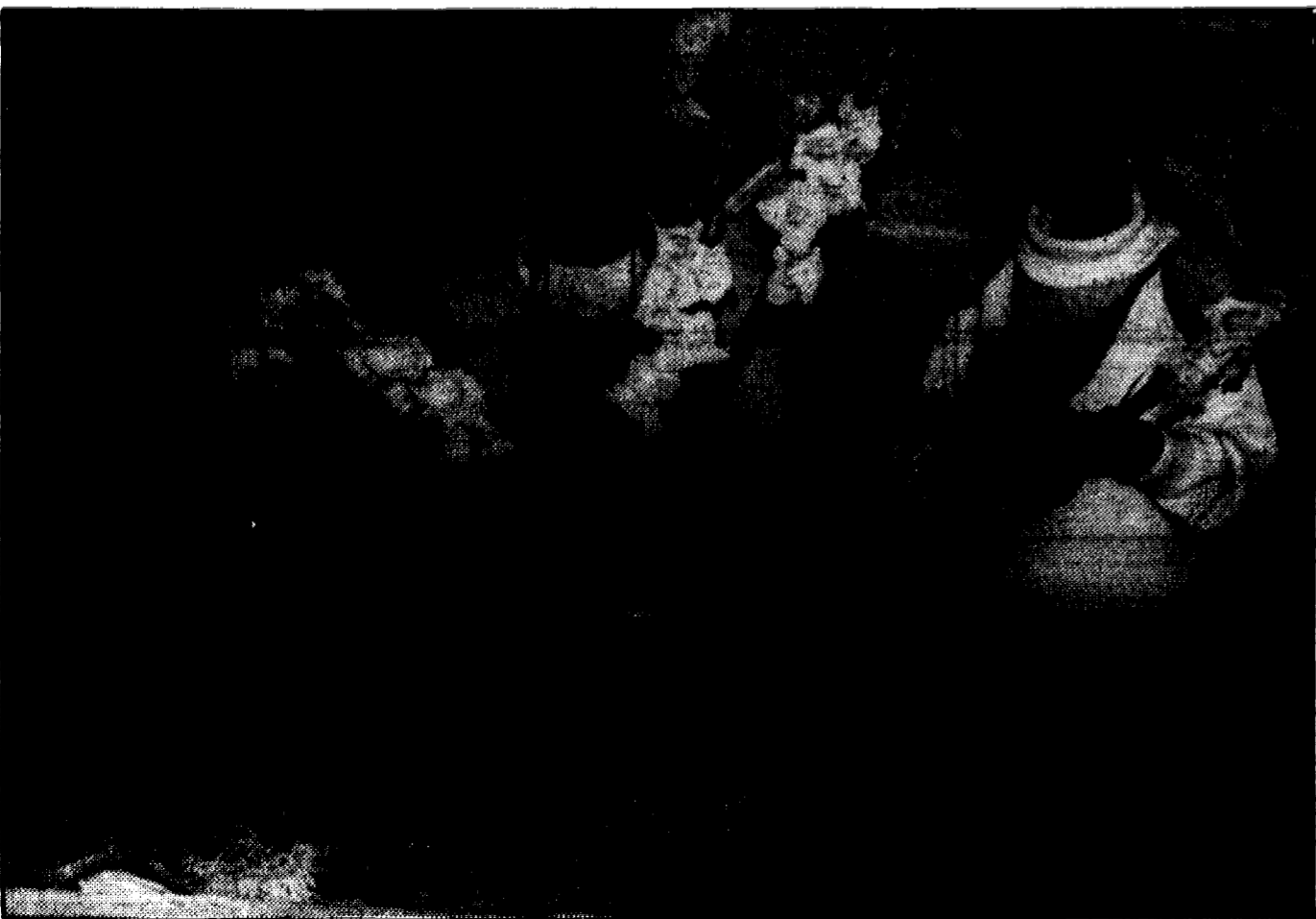


Photo By Tom Picard

FLORAL BEAUTY — The Mountainside Foothill Club held its monthly luncheon at the Tower Steak House in Mountainside on March 1, during which members were also treated to a floral demonstration by Ruth Goense, a member and employee of the Springfield Florist. From left are Vera Cocchia, Foothill Club vice president; Goense, and Foothill Club President Mabel Conner.

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Three vie for BOE

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resident, Schneider is an area high school special education teacher and her three children have been educated through the Mountainside school system.
Originally from Union, Schneider earned her bachelor of arts and master's degrees in education from Kean College and has done post-graduate work at both Seton Hall and Rutgers universities. In addition to being board president, Schneider has served on various board committees.
"I think I have been a positive, productive member of the board for the past nine years," Schneider commented. "I feel I have the experience and the expertise in the area of education, and being on the board allows

me to do community service."
The educator stated that her principal goals, if re-elected, are "to ensure that the Board of Education is providing the best education it can for all students, and to be responsive to the needs of the community on educational issues and board management of the school district."

Each of the nominees filed their petitions before the original state deadline of Feb. 8, which was extended last month to March 1. The date for school elections, when voters will choose Board of Education candidates and cast their ballots for or against the school budget, was also postponed at that time from April 3 until April 24.

BOE hears budget views

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residents between \$20 to \$80 tax dollars more a year.
"The board has to become creative to keep our quality in tact," noted Joe Cerchiaro, a Governor Livingston teacher. Cerchiaro also recommended that a 2.6 percent be included in the

budget to avoid cuts in the teaching staff.
District residents will have another opportunity to review and comment on the proposed budget at an April 3 public meeting at Arthur L. Johnson. The budget is expected to be adopted on that date, and will come before the voters on April 24.

Tax help noted

Free tax assistance will be provided by Internal Revenue Service-trained volunteers to elderly and handicapped residents, along with those having low income, at the Mountainside Public Library, located on Watchung Avenue in Mountainside.
The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs will be offered at the library on Tuesdays, from 1 to 5 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling 233-0115.

Club events announced

The Mountainside Newcomers Club has announced that the following activities have been scheduled:
March 10 — Gourmet, Inc. "I'm Not Cooking." Participants will meet at Repettis in Kenilworth at 7:30 p.m. with their husbands.
March 14 — Breakfast at the Short Hills Hilton, with a speaker from Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside. The topic is "The First Five Minutes of an Emergency." The cost is \$12.
One can contact Sandy at 233-9017 for more information.
March 15 — Kiddie Bowling at the Garden State Lanes in Union. Cost is \$5 per child. Reservations are a must as space is limited to 30 children, ages two to four. One can call Lorraine DeJianne at 233-6294 for information.
March 17 — St. Patrick's Day Party, at 8 p.m. One can contact Diane McCurdy at 654-9231 for more information.
March 20 — Lunch Theater Production, "The Pajama Game" at the Palisadium in Cliffside Park at noon.
April 2, 9 — Infant/Child CPR at

the Mountainside Library. Three spaces are left in the class. One can call Kristy at 654-5413 if interested.
The club's Scholarship Committee has printed a cookbook containing recipes from Mountainside residents and their friends and relatives. The proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will go to the scholarship fund.
The books cost \$8 and are available from the club. One can call Kathi Clark, president, at 232-8834, for more information on how to purchase the Mountainside Cookbook.
The board of the Newcomers Club has voted to participate in the book buying program at the Mountainside Library. A new juvenile book will be purchased for the library, to be donated in the name of each new baby born to a member of the Newcomers Club.
The Mountainside Active Retirees will meet on Tuesday, March 13, at 10 a.m. at Mountainside Borough Hall. The speaker will be Karen Smith, a member of New Jersey Bell Speakers' Society.
Smith will present a film/lecture program entitled "Reflections On New Jersey," highlighting the many diversities and attractions of New Jersey.
The chapter will also meet March

Retirees group to meet

The film, produced by the state Chamber of Commerce, profiles New Jerseyans from Cape May Point to High Point and from the Atlantic Ocean to the Delaware River, presenting many aspects of New Jersey, including industry, community life, education, the arts and various historical sites.
The lecture portion of the program will highlight people and events of early New Jersey.
A discussion will be held concerning problems in the calculation of tax liability as computed for senior citizens age 65 or older. Chris Hondru will give a presentation on the current taxes and Social Security.

Lunch to be held today

A Mountainside chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will have a luncheon today, March 8, at 2 p.m. at Scarpellino's, located at 168 Mt. Bethel Rd., Warren. All members and guests are invited to attend. For further information, one can call 654-8684.
The chapter will also meet March


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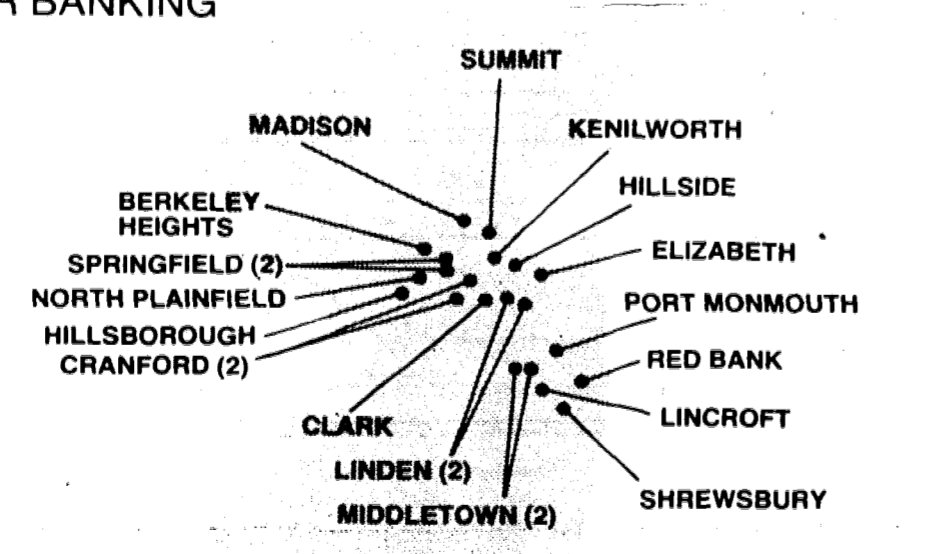
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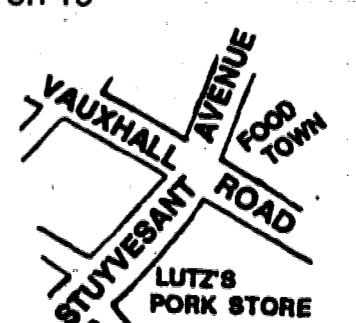
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MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union for the Fiscal Year 1990. Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 1990;

Certified by me, this 20th day of February, 1990 Kathleen Toland, Clerk Municipal Building Mountainside, New Jersey 07092 201-232-2400

It is hereby certified that the approved Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part is an exact copy of the original on file with the Clerk of the Governing Body, that all additions are correct, all statements contained herein are in proof and the total of anticipated revenues equals the total of appropriations. Certified by me, this 20th day of February, 1990

Frank E. Suplee Registered Municipal Accountant 151 Jefferson Avenue Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201 201-354-8048

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1. Municipal Budget of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union for the Fiscal Year 1990. Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 1990;

RECORDED VOTE Councilman Barre Abstained Councilwoman Hart Ayes Councilman Jackson Nays Councilman Meas Councilman Schon Absent Councilman Wyckoff

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, on February 20, 1990.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Municipal Building, on March 20, 1990 at 8:00 o'clock (P.M.) at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 1990 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET

Table with 2 columns: Description and YEAR 1990. Includes rows for General Appropriations for 1990, Reserve for Uncollected Taxes, Total General Appropriations, and Difference Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget.

SUMMARY OF 1989 APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDED AND CANCELED

Table with 4 columns: Description, General Budget, Swimming Pool Utility, and Expended. Includes rows for Budget Appropriations - Adopted Budget, Total Appropriations, and Expenditures.

The amounts appropriated under the title of "Other Expenses" are for operating costs other than "Salaries & Wages". Some of the items included in "Other Expenses" are: Materials, supplies and non-bondable equipment; Repairs and maintenance of buildings, equipment, roads, etc.

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT "CAPS" CALCULATIONS

Chapter 68, Public Laws of 1976, places limits on municipal expenditures. Commonly referred to as a "CAP", it is actually calculated by a method established by the law. The actual calculation is somewhat complex but, in general, it works as follows. Starting with the figure in the 1989 budget for Total General Appropriations, certain 1989 budget figures are subtracted;

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT "CAP" CALCULATIONS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes rows for Total General Appropriations for 1989, Exclusions (Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS", Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS", etc.), and Total Additions.

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE RECAP OF SPLIT FUNCTIONS

In order to comply with statutory and regulation requirements, the amounts appropriated for certain departments or functions have been split and their parts appear in several places. Those appropriations which have been split add up as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Description, WITHIN "CAPS", EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS", and TOTAL. Lists various departments and their respective budget amounts.

Table with 4 columns: Description, Anticipated 1990, Anticipated 1989, and Realized in Cash in 1989. Provides a detailed breakdown of revenues including Surplus Anticipated, Miscellaneous Revenues, Receipts from Delinquent Taxes, and Total General Revenues.

PUBLIC NOTICE

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

Large multi-column table showing current fund appropriations for 1990 and 1989. Columns include: for 1990, for 1989, for 1989 By Emergency Appropriation, Total for 1989 As Modified By All Transfers, Expended 1989, and Reserved. Lists numerous categories such as General Government, Administration, Police, Fire, and Street Lighting.

DEDICATED SWIMMING POOL UTILITY BUDGET

Table showing dedicated revenues from swimming pool utility. Columns include: Description, Anticipated 1990, Anticipated 1989, and Realized in Cash in 1989. Includes rows for Operating Surplus Anticipated, Membership Fees, and Total Swimming Pool Utility Revenues.

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College entry sessions slated

Kean College of New Jersey's Adult Advisory Services will offer six free entry/re-entry-into-college workshops for adults with questions about how to get started.

The workshops will be held at the college in Union on April 18, and May 16, at 10 a.m., and March 14, April 4 and May 2 at 5 p.m. Registration through Adult Advisory Services at 527-2210 is required.

Adult Advisory Services also administers a college entry/re-entry program for adults. It is called Entry Program into College (EPIC).

Some benefits of the EPIC program

include special orientation for admission and registration procedures, special admission criteria, and help with academic and career planning.

EPIC also guides adults through the College Level Examination Program, which offers college credits by testing. Additionally, EPIC provides understanding, reassurance and encouragement.

Drop-in hours at Adult Advisory Services on the second floor of the Administration Building are 9 a.m. to noon from Monday through Thursday. Evening appointments can be made by phoning the office.

Kean phonathon starts Monday

The Kean College of New Jersey Alumni Association's annual fundraising phonathon will be held Mondays through Thursdays, March 12 to March 29, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on Sunday, March 18, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Alumni, students, employees, and friends of the college, based in Union, are encouraged to participate in the event.

Proceeds will benefit scholarships, grants for special equipment, special programs and college projects.

Alumni Association Director Caroline Jolly of Linden said that volunteers will receive training, a light supper and refreshments, and can compete for prizes. Information on phonathon participation may be obtained through the alumni office at 527-2526.

The association's executive board members include Edward Esposito of Linden, Julie Gentile of Mountaintop, Charles Dzuba of Springfield and Estelle Novak of Union.

English institute sets registration

Testing and registration for those whose native language is not English and who seek to enroll in the second spring cycle for Union County College's Institute for Intensive English will be conducted on Monday, March 12, and Thursday, March 15.

New students may be tested for placement in one of six proficiency levels at the institute, with locations at the college's Elizabeth campus and its Plainfield Center. The testing will be conducted at noon and again at 6 p.m. on March 12 at both sites.

Registration will be conducted on March 15 at both locations, based on determined levels of proficiency from

the placement tests. Registration will be held for new students only on that date from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Students should bring their Social Security numbers, alien registration cards, visas or U.S. citizenship papers to the registration session.

Classes will begin on Monday, March 26, with sessions either from 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. or from 6:30 p.m. to 9:20 p.m. The eight-week program will end on Thursday, May 17.

Those interested in further information may call 965-6031. Counselors are bilingual in English and Spanish.

Nurses' league to meet Monday

The League for Educational Advancement for Registered Nurses (LEARN) will meet on Monday, March 12, at 7:45 p.m. at the All Saints Episcopal Church Hall, 559 Park Ave., Scotch Plains.

The topic, "Childhood Leukemia" will be presented by Alice Renick-Ettinger, a pediatric nurse practitioner/clinical specialist in

pediatric oncology/hematology.

This LEARN program is open to registered nurses and those in allied health fields.

For membership or program information, interested persons may write LEARN, P. O. Box 6, Scotch Plains 07076 or call 232-4190. Yearly membership to LEARN is \$25 with a \$6 guest fee.

JCC to host speaker on Middle East

The Jewish Community Center (JCC) of Central New Jersey, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, will present Avshalom Hurvitz, an Israeli shaliach and a kibbutz representative, who will speak on "Prospects for Peace in the Middle East" today, March 8, at 7:30 p.m.

There is no fee, but pre-registration is mandatory. Interested persons may

contact the JCC at 889-8800 for further information and to register.

GOP women to meet

Professional journalists will address questions surrounding the media's coverage of political campaigns at the Wednesday, March 14, meeting of the Republican Women of Union County.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the First Atlantic Savings Bank, 206 South Ave., Fanwood. Guests are invited.

ARC slates speaker

Attorney Lawrence Meyerson will speak on wills and estate planning for people with developmental disabilities at the monthly meeting of the parent support group of the Association for Retarded Citizens/Union County (ARC).

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m., at Roselle Park Industries, 220 West Westfield Ave., Roselle Park, and is open to all concerned individuals. For more information, interested persons may call Lois Goldberg at the ARC office, 754-5910.

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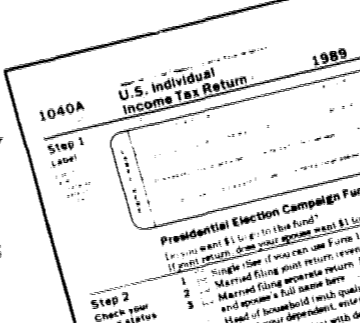
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The New Jersey Health Products Council (NJHPC), headquartered in Union, is offering a revised public service folder entitled "A New Jersey Directory for Senior Citizens."

The 1990 edition lists more than 125 verified telephone numbers that provide a direct link between senior citizens and those state and county agencies offering information helpful in solving financial, legal, health and welfare problems.

Since 1979, when the NJHPC Senior Citizens Directory was first published, more than 500,000 copies have been distributed.

The revised directory, which is available on request, provides an additional toll-free number and a space for any state or community organization using the pamphlet to stamp its name and address.

Copies of the Senior Citizens Directory may be obtained by writing to the New Jersey Health Products Council, 1609 Vauxhall Road, Union 07083.

Health insurance probe sought

Petitions to Gov. James Florio and the New Jersey Legislature, asking for an investigation into the increase in the cost of health insurance and urging them to enact legislation to reduce the cost, are being distributed by the Committee For Consumer Protection, Inc., 1531 Stuyvesant Ave., Union.

"With the recent unconscionable 40 percent increase in health insurance premiums by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey, families find the annual cost of \$5,600 per year is more devastating than the escalating cost of auto insurance," Herbert Ross of Mountainside, president of the committee, said.

"At the present time, all health insurance providers in the state of New Jersey must reimburse the hospitals and the state for their provision of health-care services to the indigent and those unable to pay," Mark Ross, counsel for the committee, said.

"This has shifted the burden from the doctors and the hospitals to the consumers of health insurance in New Jersey. The citizens and employers who have acted responsibly by obtaining such insurance now find that the cost to provide health care to those who have not obtained such health insurance is included in their bill, and the insured are paying for themselves as well as the uninsured. Properly, such costs belong in the welfare system or the courts (through collection actions) and not placed on the backs of those who are acting responsibly," Ross said.

The Committee For Consumer Protection, Inc., is a New Jersey non-profit corporation. It is a membership-based organization with a \$5 annual membership fee. Its phone number is 686-5151.

Scholarships offered

The Johanna Wilk Foundation of Union has announced it will award four scholarships of \$2,500 each in 1990.

Three of the scholarships will be awarded to high school students in the 1990 graduating class. One scholarship will be awarded to a medical school student who will specialize in allergies, asthma and respiratory diseases.

High school students who reside in Union County are eligible to receive the scholarship grants.

The grants, known as the Johanna Wilk Memorial Scholarships, are the fourth annual awards made by the foundation. The scholarships recognize academic excellence and achievement and provide financial assistance to students in need of such assistance to pursue higher education.

Application forms for the scholarships are available from high school guidance counselors, or by writing to the Johanna Wilk Foundation, 1945 Route 22 West, Union 07083.

The applications must be submitted by April 15. The recipients of the scholarship awards will be notified by May 20.

Johanna Wilk was a wife, mother and grandmother who lived in Scotch Plains for more than 20 years and, in her desire to help children, she served as a teacher's aide for a number of years. As an adult, she developed allergies and asthma which claimed her life in 1985.

The Johanna Wilk Foundation was established in her name and memory to provide funds for research into allergies, asthma and respiratory diseases and for scholarships for academic excellence and achievement.

BUNIONS and BONE ENLARGEMENTS

By Dr. Michael Eglow



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Sons of St. Patrick to meet

The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Union County will hold their annual heritage dinner and awards night on Wednesday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the Town and Campus Banquet Center, 1040 Morris Ave., Union.

Rev. Charles Hudson, co-founder of the Center For Hope Hospice, has been named the organization's "Irishman Of The Year." The hospice, located in Roselle, provides both physical and spiritual support to the terminally ill and their families.

The featured speaker will be Robert E. Mulcahy III, chief executive officer of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority. Louis Browne, noted Irish television and radio personality, will provide entertainment.

As has been their tradition for many years, the Friendly Sons will award a college scholarship to an outstanding high school senior of Irish ancestry. In addition, the Project Children organization will receive a contribution for its work in bringing school children from Northern Ireland to the United States each summer.

Further information and tickets can be obtained from Mike Walsh or Jim Keefe at 276-1100.

Four road construction projects funded

Four proposed construction projects on local roads are among those which received grants for fiscal year 1990 from the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund's municipal aid program recently.

The grants included \$95,000 for Market Street, Kenilworth; \$110,000 for Dill Avenue, Linden; \$118,000 for Walnut Street, Roselle; and \$106,700 for Colonial Avenue, Section 2, Union.

According to Acting Transportation Commissioner Robert Innocenzi, there was \$26.25 million available for fiscal year 1990 under the renewed fund, and his department received requests for projects worth more than \$125 million.

Union County municipalities alone submitted 38 applications for projects totalling \$5.89 million in value. Funding for 13 of those projects, worth \$1.42 million, was approved.

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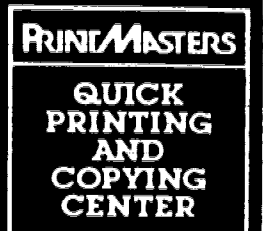
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LORI JEAN DRAGON
VICTOR MARK POZSONYI

Dragon-Pozsonyi troth

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edward Dragon of Roselle Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lori Jean, to Victor Mark Pozsonyi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pozsonyi of Roselle Park.

The announcement was made Dec. 24, and a part was held at the home of the prospective bride on Feb. 18.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Kean College of New Jersey,

Union, is employed by the Roselle Park Board of Education as a third grade teacher at the Aldene School.

Her fiance, who was graduated from Roselle Park High School, is employed by Union County Court House.

An August 1991 wedding is planned in the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.



LISA ANN JANISH
WILLIAM F. LESIAK

Janish-Lesiak betrothal

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Janish of Cranford have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to William F. Lesiak of Linden, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Lesiak of Linden.

The announcement was made on Dec. 15.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Union Catholic High School, Scotch Plains, and Kean College of New Jersey, Union, where she

received a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education and English, is employed as an elementary teacher in Cranford.

Her fiance, who was graduated from Union Catholic High School, is employed as a sales representative by New Jersey Bell in Scotch Plains.

A June 1991 wedding is planned in St. Michael's Church, Cranford, and a reception will follow at the Chanticleer in Short Hills.

Photo charge

There is a \$10 charge for wedding and engagement pictures. Glossy photos suggested. Black and white preferred. Story and photo must be submitted within eight weeks of the wedding date. Photos cannot be returned by mail and must be picked up at Union Leader office, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., within three months of publication. Call 686-7700 before picking up photo.

SOCIAL



MR. AND MRS. EDWARD OESTERLE

Brown-Oesterle wedding

Rita Sue Brown of Dover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown of Convent Station, was married recently to Edward Oesterle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Oesterle of Mountainside.

Rabbi Bruce Goldman and the Rev. Henry Fehrenbacher officiated at the ceremony in World Yacht "Princess" in New York Harbor, where a reception followed.

The bride was escorted by her father. Christine McLaughlin served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Patricia Brown, sister-in-law of the bride; Anne Howard, Lydia Wood

and Mary Ellen Annis, all sisters of the groom.

Keith Mirto served as best man. Ushers were Ross Brown, brother of the bride, and Jeffrey Howard, Thomas Wood and Todd Annis, all brothers-in-law of the groom.

Mrs. Oesterle, who was graduated from Rutgers University, is employed by Norman, Lawrence, Patterson and Farrell Inc., New York.

Her husband, who was graduated from the University of Rhode Island, is employed by Midlantic Bank, Ridgewood.

The newlyweds, who took a honeymoon trip to Hawaii, reside in Dover.



DOREEN NOGUERA
FRANK VILLEGAS

Noguera-Villegas troth

Mrs. Laura Uhrig of Irvington, formerly of Union, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Doreen Noguera, to Frank Villegas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francisco J. Villegas of Elizabeth.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Union High School and the Academy of Business Careers, Wood-

bridge, is a staff assistant at the Universal Valve Co., Elizabeth.

Her fiance, who was graduated from St. Patrick High School, Elizabeth, is employed by Concordia International Forwarding Freight in Elizabeth.

A September 1991 wedding is planned.

Engagements

Bertelson-Zavodny

Mr. Richard E. Bertelson of Rowley, Mass., formerly of Chatham, has announced the engagement of his daughter, Laura Lynn of Summit, to Lawrence Anthony Zavodny Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Zavodny of Mountainside. Miss Bertelson also is the daughter of the late Mrs. Rosemary Bertelson.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Chatham Boro High School and Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., where she received a bachelor of arts degree in economics and business, is employed as an actuarial supervisor by Noble Lowndes, East Orange.

Her fiance, who was graduated from Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Springfield, and Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison, where he received a bachelor of arts degree in English and history, is employed as a sales representative by Midstate Lumber Corp.

A December wedding is planned in the Chatham United Methodist Church, and a reception will follow at the Somerset Hills Hotel.

Henkel-Diehl troth

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kosnick of Union have announced the engagement of their daughter, Janet G. Henkel of Union, to Henry T. Diehl Jr. of Union, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bernarkt of Union.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Union High School and Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison, where she received a bachelor of science degree in marketing, is a sales representative with Century 21 Ray Bell & Associates, Union. She is on the board of directors of the Kenilworth Rotary Club.

Her fiance, who was graduated from Union High School and Union County Technical School, Scotch Plains, where he received a journeyman's degree in tool and die, was employed by Accurate Machine and Tool Co., Roselle Park.

Secretaries' benefit set

Professional Secretaries International, PSI, Union County Chapter, has announced that plans are under way for an annual fashion show and luncheon to benefit the scholarship fund at the Westwood, Garwood, Saturday.

"Through the scholarship fund, PSI has been privileged to help many

deserving high school graduates continue their education at secretarial schools."

For more information, one can call Piazza.

Professional Secretaries International is a member of the Union County Chamber of Commerce.

STORK CLUB

Crista Ann Vizzoni

A daughter, Crista Ann, was born Feb. 9 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Vizzoni of Belle Mead. She is the couple's first child.

Mrs. Vizzoni, the former Lisa Christadore, is the daughter of Mrs. Maria Christadore of Kenilworth and the late Mr. John Christadore. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Vizzoni of Cranford.

Jason Barone Liotta

A 7-pound, 8-ounce son, Jason Barone, was born Jan. 26 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Lenny Liotta of Florham Park, formerly of Union. He joins a brother, Lindsay, 3½.

Mrs. Liotta is the former Lisa Barone of Mountainside.

Scott Jordan Cohen

A 7-pound, 3-ounce son, Scott Jordan, was born Feb. 20 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Alan Cohen of Springfield. He joins a sister, Jennifer, 8, and a brother, Steven Justin, 5.

Mrs. Cohen, the former Susan Williamson, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Angelo of Union. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Cohen of Union. Maternal great-grandmother is Mary Gwoosh of Irvington.

Rachel Anna Soo Lipstein

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lipstein of Union have announced the adoption of their daughter, Rachel Anna Soo, who was born on Sept. 19, 1989, and arrived from Korea on Jan. 8. She joins a brother, Sam, 7.

Mrs. Lipstein, the former Susan Jacobson, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Jacobson of Plainfield. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lipstein of Maplewood.

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OBITUARIES

Irving Levy of Union died Feb. 22 in Beth Israel Medical Center, Newark.

Mr. Levy was vice president of Local 464 of the Meat Cutter Union, for whom he worked for 45 years before retiring 12 years ago. He was a member of B'nai B'rith of West Orange.

Surviving are his wife, Rose; a daughter, Paula; a son, Edward, two sisters, Esther Drimmer and Jean Haron, and two grandchildren.

Sidney Fruchter, of Union died Feb. 28 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Poland, he lived in Newark before moving to Union 24 years ago. Mr. Fruchter had been the owner and operator for 35 years of Sidney Fruchter Kosher Butcher, Newark, and retired many years ago. He was a member of the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and Workmen's Circle, all of Newark.

Surviving are his wife, Jeanette; a son, Harvey; two daughters, Beatrice Gold and Marsha Rosenstein, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mimmie Seaberg, 92, of Union died March 1 in Cornell Hall Convalescent Center, Union.

Born in Sweden, she lived in Union for 60 years.

Edward Monte, 79, of Union died Friday in Elizabeth General Medical Center.

Born in Orange, he lived in East Orange, before moving to Union 34 years ago. He had been a equipment operator in the Cedar Grove Store House for 25 years ago. After his retirement, he was a crossing guard in Union Township for 12 years until 1989. Mr. Monte served in the Army during World War II and was a member of the Michael A. Kelly Post 2433, Veterans of Foreign War, Union.

Surviving are his wife, Wanda, and a sister, Elizabeth Barrett.

David Ostrofsky, of Union died Friday at home.

Born in Newark, he lived in Irvington and Bradley Beach before moving to Union 31 years. He had been a letter carrier in Springfield for the past 11 years. Mr. Ostrofsky served in the Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the B'nai B'rith of Union, the Workmen's Circle Branch 47 of Elizabeth and the Irvington Campowners and was an associate member of the Hadassah.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn; six children, a brother, Leo; a sister, Frances, and five grandchildren.

Armond Joseph Torcivia, 67, of Union died March 1 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in New York City, he lived in Union for 40 years. Mr. Torcivia had been an electrical engineer who owned Byram Laboratories in Plainfield for 45 years. He was graduated from New York University with a bachelor of science degree in engineering. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Michele M.; two daughters, Valerie Prince and Linda Polisen; a son, Steven J.; two sisters, Rose Ferlauto and Dr. Violet Auteri; a brother, Joseph, and four grandchildren.

Walter Wattstein, of Union died Friday in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Orange, he lived in Union for 40 years. Mr. Wattstein had been a collector and salesman in the dry foods industry in the Union area for more than 40 years, then became semi-retired four years ago. He was a member of the B'nai B'rith of Irvington. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Surviving are a son, Jack; a sister, Bettie Grossman, and his mother, Kate.

Helene Lopata, 92, of Maplewood, formerly of Union, died Sunday in the Ward Homestead, Maplewood.

Born in Germany, she lived in Union before moving to Maplewood 10 years ago.

Isabel Miskewitz, 79, of Kenilworth died Feb. 27 in the home of her daughter, Joanne Jenson, in Bricktown.

Born in Bayonne, she lived in Elizabeth and Roselle before moving to Kenilworth 41 years ago. Mrs. Miskewitz had been an assembler with the American Home Products Co., Cranford, for 15 years before retiring 22 years ago. She was a member of the

Senior Citizens of Kenilworth.

Also surviving are a son, Henry J., and a grandchild.

Fred N. Biello, 76, of Springfield died Feb. 26 in the Glenside Nursing Home, New Providence.

Born in Newark, he lived in Springfield for 27 years. Mr. Biello had been a color mixer with Lewis Roberts Inc., Newark, for many years before his retirement 14 years ago. He was a member of the National Turner Club in Irvington.

Surviving are his wife, Janet; a son, Fred; a daughter, Barbara Russo; a brother, Anthony; a sister, Rose Maglio, and six grandchildren.

Marle Nargi, 85, of Springfield died Feb. 28 in the Glenside Nursing Home, New Providence.

Born in Munson, Mass., Mrs. Nargi lived in Newark before moving to Springfield 20 years ago. Mrs. Nargi had been a legal stenographer with Judge Edwin Caffrey in Newark for 10 years until 1935. She was past secretary of the Springfield Senior Citizens Group 4.

Surviving are her husband, Louis M.; a daughter, Kathleen M. McCabe; a son, Louis E., and four grandchildren.

Mary Lambert, 77, of Kenilworth died Saturday.

Born in Elizabeth, she lived in Kenilworth for 35 years. Mrs. Lambert was a licensed practical nurse at Union Hospital for seven years and retired in 1975. She was a communicant in St. Theresa's Church, Kenilworth, and a member of the church's Rosary Society. She also taught Sunday School.

Surviving are one son, William H.; a daughter, Mary Johnson; and four grandchildren.

Anna McEvoy, 86, of Springfield died Sunday in the Quakertown General Hospital, Quakertown, Pa.

Born in Newark, she lived in East Orange before moving to Springfield 50 years ago. Mrs. McEvoy was a bookkeeper for the Beacon Hill stationers, Springfield, for 20 years before retiring in 1970. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the St. Rose of Lima Church, Short Hills, and the church's Care and Share group. She also belonged to the Springfield Senior citizens and served

as a Girl Scouts leader with the St. Rose of Lima Girl Scouts Council of Greater Essex County.

Surviving are two daughters, Ann Marie Glackin and Geraldine McEvoy; a sister, Louise Schenck; a brother Anton Murn, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Sadie LoBello, of Roselle, died Feb. 28 in Elizabeth General Medical Center-West.

Born in Italy, she came to this country and Brooklyn, N.Y. She lived in Elizabeth for many years before moving to Roselle Park 10 years ago. Mrs. LoBello was a communicant of the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.

Surviving are a son, Anthony, seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Maurice Jerome Toney, 3 months old, of Roselle died Feb. 25 at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

He was born in Rahway. Surviving are his parents, Nathaniel J. and Cordelia Campbell Toney Sr.; a brother, Nathaniel Jr.; his paternal grandparents, James and Ethel Toney; his maternal grandparents, Ernest and Betty Campbell; his paternal great-grandparents, Izziah and Carean Dixon, and his great-grandmothers, Ola Mae Settle and Sissie Williams.

Mae Fasulka, 73, of Roselle died Feb. 28 at Elizabeth General Medical Center.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., she lived in Roselle the past 32 years. Mrs. Fasulka was employed as a caretaker by the Abraham Clark Memorial House, Roselle, for 23 years. She was a communicant of St. Joseph the Carpenter Church, Roselle. Mrs. Fasulka was a member of Retired Men's Club of Roselle Park, the 50th Club of Roselle and the Senior Citizens Club of Roselle.

Surviving are a son, Roselle Police Officer William Gabello, and two grandsons.

Julia M. Mock, 89, of Roselle died Feb. 27 in St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Surviving are two sons, Russell R. and Henry W.; a daughter, Betty

Stinmire; a sister, Elizabeth McCormick, 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Joseph N. DeMarco, 82, of Roselle Park died Feb. 28 in the Ashbrook Nursing and Convalescent Center, Scotch Plains.

Mr. DeMarco had been a pipefitter with the former Central Jersey Railroad in Jersey City for 53 years before retiring. He was a member of the West End Club of Roselle Park.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph A. and Anthony J.; a brother, Anthony; three sisters, Lena Rosa, Angie Pingor and Ann Pingor, and four grandchildren.

Mary M. Sapsa, 80, of Roselle died Saturday in Union Hospital.

Born in South River, she lived in Elizabeth and Linden before moving to Roselle three years ago. Mrs. Sapsa

was a seamstress for Holiday Cleaners, Elizabeth, for 39 years before retiring 17 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Peter; a daughter, Jean Bonjavanni, and four grandchildren.

Anna Appello, 75, of Roselle Park died Monday in St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Born in Jersey City, she lived in Roselle Park for 42 years. Mrs. Appello was employed as a cafeteria worker by Roselle Park High School for 10 years and retired many years ago. She was a communicant of the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.

Surviving are three sons, Joseph F., Frank, and Patrick; two daughters, Grace Conti and Margaret Ortizio, 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

death notices

BIELLO-Fred N., of Springfield, husband of Janet (nee Calabro), father of Fred of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Mrs. Barbara Russo of Springfield, brother of Anthony and Mrs. Rose Maglio, also survived by six grandchildren. Funeral was Friday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union, Mass. St. James Church, Springfield. Entombment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth.

CURCIO-Philomena (nee DePasquale), of Nutley, on February 26, 1990, beloved wife of the late Frank, devoted sister of Mrs. Jo Marcelliano, Mr. Giro DePasquale, Mrs. Anna Dyde and Mrs. Gerry Merlo, also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral was Saturday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

FASULKA-Mae of Roselle on Tuesday, February 27, 1990. Beloved wife of the late John Fasulka. Devoted mother of William Gabello of Roselle, dear grandmother of Troy and William. Relatives and friends attended the funeral held at the SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 146 East Second Avenue, Roselle. Thence to St. Joseph Church, Roselle where a funeral mass was also offered. Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth.

LUEDDEKE-Joseph C. Sr. of Hillside, New Jersey on March 5, 1990 beloved husband of Mary Agnes (Murphy) Lued-

deke and father of Patricia M. O'Neill, Joseph C. Lueddeke Jr. and Barbara Ford, brother of Mildred Clancy and Alma Piotrowski. Funeral was Wednesday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union. Interment Graceland Memorial Park.

MONTE-Edward W., of Union, New Jersey, formerly of East Orange, beloved husband of Wanda A. (Zack) Monte, and brother of Elizabeth Barrett. Funeral services were Monday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union. Interment Graceland Memorial Park.

SEABERG-Mimmie (nee Ohman), on Thursday, March 1, 1990, beloved wife of the late Carl G. Seaberg, also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were Monday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union. Interment Hollywood Memorial Park, Union.

ZOLLO-On February 25, 1990, Anna (Palovchik), of Fords, New Jersey, wife of the late Frank Zollo, sister of Helen Carelli, Margaret Bachant, Madelyn Bolbrock, Elizabeth Dickerman and Katherine McLoughlin. The funeral service was Thursday, conducted by The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union.

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OPINION

Deserved honors

Rick Iacono is intense and demanding, quite witty, and sometimes even a bit brash. He won't always tell you what you want to hear, but he'll always tell it like it is.

He also happens to be one heck of a wrestling coach. That's why the veteran Jonathan Dayton Regional High School coach was selected as both the District 10 and the Region 3 Wrestling Coach of the Year last weekend. And three weeks earlier, he was named Union County's co-coach of the year as well.

Over the past two years, the Springfield school has had one of the finest Group 2 teams in the state. And its combined 25-4 dual-meet record during that time can't be attributed to just talent alone — although there's been plenty of that on Dayton's mat squads. It's also because of things such as motivation, knowledge and strong leadership — things for which Iacono, also the school's head baseball coach, is best known.

It is worth noting that one young man who had never wrestled before went on to win a total of 40 matches in two years under Iacono.

We couldn't agree more with the triple honors accorded Iacono. His time for recognition has finally arrived, and deservedly so.

Think About It

'Play ball,' or is that 'Pay ball'?

By JOHN TARTAGLINO

Ah, the first sign of spring. Baseball is back, weaving its magic on us all. How I missed the sounds of modern baseball:

The "crack" of the law books as they hit the attorneys' desks.

The excited murmur of the crowd, as they await the arbitrator's latest ruling.

And let's not forget the clouds of dust raised by players sliding into substance-abuse treatment centers.

We even have an extra bonus this year. The traditional players' strike gave way to an owners' lockout.

Who says baseball lacks innovation? It's a funny thing — first the owners want to play, but the players don't; then the players want to play, but the owners won't.

It kind of reminds me of my 6-year-old son and the kid upstairs.

Never mind, "Kill the umpire." The key phrase for modern baseball is: "We'll see if it holds up in court!"

Players sue owners. Owners sue players. Baseball is still a family game, but only if your family name is Rehnquist.

Being a baseball fan is now a lot like being a brokerage-house groupie. Contracts are negotiated. Salaries are structured. The books now list "RBI" as "Residual Base Income."

I've been a baseball fan for 30 or so years. In fact, I've been a Yankee fan, so I've learned to live with almost anything, but even I'm starting to get tired of corporate baseball.

Here's an example. Remember a while ago when the American League gave a thought to eliminating the designated hitter? Well, they decided to keep it.

Why? For one thing, the players' union protested that getting rid of it would hurt their members. Their position was that without the DH, lots of 40-year-olds with bad knees would be out on the street, replaced by 20-year-olds who'd be paid less money, and that would be bad for the pension fund.

The pension fund? Is this baseball, or the longshoremen's union?

While they're at it, why don't they hold out for the addition of a short centerfielder. That one extra job per team might help the national unem-

ployment figures as well as the pension fund.

Hey, I'm not just picking on the players. The owners are no prizes, either. Every time I hear some owner gripe about "guys who hit .220 and get paid a million dollars," two things occur to me:

- Well, just *who* offered them the contacts in the first place?

- I don't see the guys who own teams that finish last giving *their* money back either.

Baseball is a business, a billion-dollar business, but the key here is for the participants to at least *pretend* that it's a game. That shouldn't be so hard. After all, say you go to a concert, the star attraction doesn't take the stage and say:

"I'm awfully glad you're here... I have a percentage deal with the promoter, and you folks mean an additional 10 grand to my bottom line. Now, I'd like to sing a little song about current interest rates..."

Player "A"'s agent holds a news conference to announce that management's offer of \$3.2 million for the next two weeks is an insult to the player's manhood, and a form of indentured servitude.

Owner "B"'s media relations representative counters with a statement that the eventual realized profit from the team's new \$80 million TV contract is overestimated, and besides, last year's hot dog sales were off 4 percent.

The wild thing is that I'm supposed to take sides: \$2.50 for a hot dog, and they expect me to care how it's split up?

All I know is that I have to arrange for a loan just to go to a ball game, and even then I have to find a seat that some corporation hasn't reserved for the season. Am I at a sports event, or a General Motors stockholders' meeting?

Who'd have ever predicted that the only difference between *The Sporting News* and *The Wall Street Journal* would be that *The Wall Street Journal* has a correspondent in Warsaw?

Tartaglino is a Roselle native who writes occasional columns for the Mountainside Echo.



A CAKE FOR LINCOLN — Fourth-grade students in Christine Kazal's class at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Mountainside recently celebrated President Abraham Lincoln's Birthday by eating a cake shaped like a log cabin. Joining Kazal, at far left, are students; from left, Sonia Mazzilli, James Her-tan and Michael Holzbach.

ANIMAL LIFE — Michele Del Campo, left, recently visited her son's first-grade class at Deerfield School in Mountainside to speak to students about various types of animals, including a ferret and a garden snake. Here, she shows a ferret to youngsters, from left, Bradley Gillin, Olivia Baniuszenicz, Lauren Whritenour, Steven Berge-ski and Michael Del Cam-po. The students were also able to hold and observe these animals. The teacher of the class is Mary-Jo Nicholson.



letters to the editor

Budget indicates concern for students

I have been a teacher in Union County Regional High School District 1, which includes Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, for nearly 25 years.

In that time, I have taken great pride in the quality of education that the students of my district have received.

Because of the fine teachers, programs, administrators and Board of Education members, many district students have gone on to college, or to specialized schools, or directly into jobs of all kinds.

Many return to visit their teachers after college or their first jobs and express appreciation for learning many things — how to do mathematics, prepare a mechanical drawing or write a letter. Many recall small favors a teacher did for them, favors the instructors themselves had long since forgotten.

That is why it bothers me that the quality of education, relationships and affection that many students have come to expect and appreciate from the district may be in jeopardy.

If the district's proposed budget is not supported by parents and others concerned about the education of our children, what will happen to them in the future? Will they have the same opportunities as students have had in the past? My greatest fear as a teacher and a resident of this area is that they may not.

There are many who look at educational budgets only in terms of dollars and cents. Many look at budgets solely in terms of their local property taxes.

I cannot do that. I look at the school budget as an indicator of the seriousness of our communities to educate our children. I pay my taxes, and I can see the value they deliver.

I urge everyone who cares about the future of our children to inform themselves on the budget and to vote to support the maximum opportunity for the young in the April elections.

HARVEY GOLDBERG
Clark

Lock out baseball players for season

Although there are more serious issues to discuss, I would like to address the current major league baseball "lockout."

How ridiculous is it when there is a management-and-labor dispute, despite both sides earning more money than ever before in their respective histories!

Many people I've spoken with feel that because the owners are supposedly earning millions of dollars each year, they should yield to the players' demands. My opinion is the exact opposite.

People enter business to earn money. An owner of a baseball team is in business to do just that. Why should he be expected to share the revenue from his successful business?

Salary arbitration is a joke, in my opinion. Why should a third party be able to require an owner to pay a higher salary? It's the owner's team, isn't it? He should decide what salary is paid.

The player is only an employee. If he doesn't like the rules, then he should go sell insurance for \$30,000 a year.

On the other hand, people will argue that it's the players who fill the seats. That I will agree with. But aren't they being compensated to do just that? The average major league salary is \$600,000 per year. Not bad compensation, huh?

The players argue that they need a greater pension plan. Are they kidding? Is anyone going to tell me that someone earning the bucks that are being paid today can't put a few quitas away for retirement? Haven't they heard of an Individual Retirement Account?

The owners should, in my opinion, lock out for the entire season. Let some of these thankless players go for a season without their mega-paychecks. Maybe they can get a job for \$7 an hour to tide them over.

Maybe then, the players will realize that they are some of the luckiest people in the world. Actually, a group of only 650 lucky people.

If they can't realize that, bring up another 650 and tell the current players, "Adios."

BOB MILICI
Roselle Park

Dolphin population being threatened

I'm very concerned about the dolphin population in the United States and the world.

I don't eat tuna because I don't like how the tuna boats are catching dolphins along with the tuna, instead of using special nets which trap tuna while letting dolphins get out. Instead of letting the dolphins go peacefully, they have to kill them.

I like dolphins. I think they are very loving creatures. They save lives and they are social animals. They are very smart. You don't see them killing something for profit.

Congress has passed a law that the tuna industry has to use the special tuna net. If tuna fishermen don't use this net, they should be arrested and fined.

I understand that even though our Congress has adopted such a law, other countries refuse to honor it.

If something is not done, we will not see these loving creatures again. We will not see them entertaining in shows or attacking sharks or following ships.

JOAN FASZCZEWSKI
Union

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Letters to the editor must be received no later than noon on the Monday preceding the date of the issue in which they are to appear. They should be typed, with double spacing between lines, and not in all capital letters.

All letters must include a written signature, a complete address and a phone number where the writer may be reached during daytime hours, for verification purposes.

This newspaper reserves the right to edit or reject letters and to publish only one letter from any one person within any four-week period.

Home and Garden

How to grow sprouts at home

By JAMES NICHNADOWICZ

Sprouting bean seeds is a fun project for adults and children to do together. It's an activity that will show you and them the magic of how such seeds grow into plants. Sprouts are also a nutritious snack.

Sprouting seeds is surprisingly easy. All that's needed is to gather up the following supplies:

- 1 quart-size clean plastic or glass container.
- 1 6-inch by 6-inch square of cheese cloth or a nylon stocking.
- 1 rubber band, large enough to go around the jar's mouth.

- 1 tablespoon-sized measuring spoon.
- 1 cup of water.
- 2 tablespoons of lentil beans.

Uncooked, dried beans from your local supermarket work well.

Once you've gathered your supplies, you can start the sprouting process.

First, put two tablespoons of seeds in your container. Cover them with water and let them sit overnight. Also, cover the mouth of the container with the cheesecloth or stocking and secure with a rubber band.

The next day, empty the water from the container and place it on its side — this allows air to circulate around the seeds — in a dark area that is at room temperature.

From now until the seeds sprout, four to seven days, be certain to rinse the sprouts with water twice a day and return the container to a dark place. You can leave the cheesecloth on the container and the sprouts in the container when you rinse them.

The sprouts are ready to eat when they are about one inch long. They should be refrigerated in a plastic bag at that point to preserve them.

Sprouts can be eaten in salads or used on sandwiches in place of lettuce. They can also be stir-fried with other vegetables.

Nichnadowicz is 4-H youth development agent at Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County.

Guest columns

Readers are invited to submit guest columns of community interest which we will consider publishing. Columns must be typed, double-spaced and no more than three pages in length.

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COUNTY NEWS

County gets \$25M grant for highway map system

Union County has been awarded a \$25,000 federal highway safety grant to purchase a computerized mapping information system to be used in Union County and other participating counties, New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety Director William T. Taylor announced recently.

The system included a desktop mapping program, digital county maps, capabilities for transferring graphics data between files and software support.

Currently, county and municipal traffic engineers lack the capability of depicting roadway data in a graphic format, which is crucial for evaluating roadways and prioritizing improvement projects.

With the computerized system, traffic engineers will be able to plot

high accident locations, hazardous roadway segments, sign locations, speed limits, no passing and school zone locations, volume counts and other necessary data.

"There is a strong link between a given roadway segment and the operating characteristics of that roadway segment," said Taylor. He noted that examining the area in a geographic context will enable engineers to effectively examine problem roadway segments and plan appropriate improvements.

The New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, a part of the state Department of Law and Public Safety, administers the grant funds, which come from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, federal Department of Transportation.

Three computer courses offered

The Kean College of New Jersey Center for Continuing Professional Education in Union is offering three computer courses.

"Lotus 1-2-3 Intermediate" will be taught at 5:30 p.m. on six Wednesdays, starting April 25.

"Principles of Computers" will be

taught at 5:30 p.m. on six Thursdays, starting March 8, and on six Tuesdays, starting June 26.

"Computer Literacy for Trainers" will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on four Saturdays, starting March 10.

Interested persons may obtain more information by contacting the center at 527-3089.

Ellis Island slide show set

The YM-YWHA of Union County, Green Lane, Union, will present a slide presentation on Ellis Island today at 12:30 p.m. for older adults.

Participants will also be encouraged to join the senior nutrition program for a hot meal at 11:45 a.m.

The donation requested for lunch is \$1. The program costs \$3 for non-members and is free for members.

For further information, interested persons may contact Myrna Friedman, the Y's senior director, at 289-8112.

Businesswomen's group to meet Saturday

The spring meeting of District IV of the New Jersey Federation of Business and Professional Women, Inc.

(BPW) will be held on Saturday, March 10, at 9 a.m. at the Town and Campus, 1040 Morris Ave., Union.

Freeholders oppose bill, claiming it will cost county \$1.7M annually

By SHARON CATES

Union County officials have joined their peers in Essex, Morris and Passaic counties in opposing State Senate Bill S-145, which is presently being discussed in the Legislature.

If the proposal is signed into law, Union County officials claim the county would lose \$1.7 million in revenues that it presently receives from motor vehicle fines annually. Under the legislation, that money would be turned over to the county's municipalities.

Two mayor-legislators — State Sen. Frank X. Graves Jr., D-35, mayor of Paterson, and State Sen. John A. Lynch, D-17, mayor of New Bruns-

wick — co-sponsored the bill. Graves, however, will never see what will become of the proposal. He died unexpectedly on Sunday at the age of 66.

The bill has not yet been presented to the Senate, according to Union County Freeholder and Assemblyman Neil Cohen, D-21.

"Most of the mayors in the Legislature will probably support it, and most of the freeholders in the Legislature will probably reject it," Cohen said.

Historically, Cohen noted, the monies raised through such fines has been split almost equally between the municipalities in a county and the county itself.

"The bill would direct monies that are now provided to the town and county and give it just to the towns," Cohen said. "The county can ill-afford to lose the \$1.7 million in revenue it presently receives from those fines."

"One party conducts the arrests, and another party conducts the incarceration and the probation. Therefore, the distribution of funds should be shared," Cohen explained.

"The county bears the expense of incarceration, the monitoring of probation, the monitoring of first offenders, the building of a jail and the employment of corrections officers to work in the jail," Cohen added.

Cohen cautioned that if the county lost the \$1.7 million, then county services would have to be reduced or taxes would have to be raised.

"It's a catch-22," Cohen said. "Unless, or until, the state picks up the court costs, there has to be a partnership between the towns and the county."

The bill is presently in committee in the Senate, and it would have to be voted on in the full Senate before it is sent to the Assembly. Approval of both houses in the Legislature is necessary before it would be presented to the governor for his signature.

Funding is available for history projects

Grant money for community history projects is now available through the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, from funds supplied by the County Block Grants Program of the New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of the Department of State.

A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Union County Administration Annex, 300 North Ave. East, Westfield, for

representatives of organizations interested in applying for grants.

While historical organizations are the usual recipients of the grants, any non-profit agency, institution or organization interested in doing a project reflecting some aspect of local history

may be eligible and is welcome to inquire.

Application guidelines and procedures will be discussed at the meeting. Applications are available for projects to be carried out in 1991.

Applications must be received at the Office of Cultural and Heritage

Affairs by Friday, June 1, at 4:30 p.m.

To attend the meeting, or for further information, interested persons may contact Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth 07202, phone number 558-2550.

Business forms topic of workshop

"Forms of Business Ownership: Sole Proprietorships, Partnerships, Corporations," will be the topic of a Kean College of New Jersey Small Business Development Center (SBDC) workshop tomorrow, March 9, at 9 a.m. on the East Campus in Hillside.

Stephen A. Timoni, Esq., of the Galfy and Timoni legal firm of Clark, will be the instructor.

The fee is \$15 per company. Additional information is available from Dallas Everett, an assistant at the center, at 527-2946.

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County to lease two buildings to house employees

By SHARON CATES
 In an interesting twist to almost two years of negotiations to find a better place to house the Union County Department of Social Services, the county Board of Freeholders opted to lease both of the buildings being considered.
 Last Thursday, county Freeholder Chairman Gerald Green announced the board's intention to rent space in both the Albender building and Alfieri's Westminster Plaza building, both in Elizabeth.
 "We haven't voted on it yet," Green said. "We have directed Coun-

ty Counsel Jeremiah O'Dwyer to finalize the leases."
 Green noted that once a vote is taken and the leases are finalized, the Department of Social Services will occupy the Alfieri building. The Probation Department and members from the county Prosecutor's Office will occupy the Albender building, according to Green.
 Although the freeholders said they are aware that the Probation Department and Prosecutor's Office had been in need of more adequate facilities, they chose not to make that information public. Green said that the

board members opted to keep that information confidential so they would have better bargaining power during the negotiations.
 The Department of Social Services has been located at 80 East Broad St., Elizabeth, for approximately 10 years. Over that time, employees have consistently complained about the deteriorating condition of the building.
 That building is located in Elizabeth's central business district, where the Elizabeth City Council had said it preferred to keep the social services employees. The council was concerned about the potential loss of

business by downtown merchants.
 Green said that the freeholder board took the City Council's preference into consideration, but that the board opted to move the department to the Alfieri building, which is on the outskirts of the business district.
 "We had to be concerned with what is good for the 21 municipalities in the county and what was good for government," Green said. "We tried to make sure the Elizabeth merchants would not be hurt by the move."
 "It wasn't that we were ignoring the city of Elizabeth, but we had to address the concerns of the county as

a whole," Green added.
 Joan Hartsfield, president of Communication Workers of America Local 1080, the union representing the department's employees, noted that the workers were not concerned about moving outside of the business district.
 "We are really not that far outside of the business district, so I do not see that as a problem at all," Hartsfield said. "Our main concern was moving out of this building."
 Employees from the Social Services Department are not expected to begin moving into their new location

until the late spring or early summer, according to Green.
 In the Albender building, the Probation Department and Prosecutor's Office employees will remain close to the county courthouse. That move is expected to take approximately six months to complete.
 Green explained that major renovations to the Albender building had to be completed before the employees could be moved. The Probation Department and Prosecutor's Office staff is expected to be moved in phases as the renovations are completed.

Anti-delinquency grant received

A \$60,981 State Law Enforcement Planning Agency grant has been awarded to Union County for delinquency prevention.
 The grant involves federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act funds.
 The grant to Union County will enable the Urban League to begin the Juvenile Aftercare Alternative Program. This project will provide after-care services to probationers, male and female, ages 10 to 17, returning to the community from the Department of Corrections field programs. Referrals will also be accepted from the state Parole Board.
 The program will facilitate readjustment to the community for 53 youths by assisting with school re-entry, job placement and family stability through family and individual counseling and life skills training.

Stamler feted for anti-child abuse efforts

Union County Prosecutor John H. Stamler, co-chairman of the New Jersey Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect, has been named recipient of the federal Department of Health and Human Services Commissioner's Award for his efforts on behalf of child abuse prevention.
 The award is given annually by the department's Office of Human Development Services Administration for Children, Youth and Families at its

National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect.
 Stamler is chairperson of the protection subcommittee and co-chairman of the New Jersey Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect.
 Under Stamler's direction, the task force has heightened public awareness of the problem of child abuse and neglect and developed child abuse prevention programs throughout the state.

Stamler was instrumental in putting into place training programs for the New Jersey Department of Human Services' Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS) protective services workers, law enforcement officials, physicians, lawyers, mental health clinicians and educators.
 He developed a guide titled, "Child Abuse and Neglect: A Professional's Guide to Identification, Reporting, Investigation and Treatment."
 Stamler also played a major role in

creation of the New Jersey Child Sexual Abuse Training Institute, which provides training and technical assistance on the multidisciplinary team approach to investigation and treatment of child sexual abuse.
 He was also instrumental in establishing the child-abuse diagnostic centers in Newark and Camden and in developing a child-abuse awareness campaign with an emphasis on educating physicians and educators on child-abuse awareness and reporting.

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SECTION B



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BATTLING IT OUT — Scott Adderty of Dayton, left, and Madison's Roshone Richardson go at it in this quarterfinal-round heavyweight bout in the Region 3 Tournament last Friday night in Union. Adderty prevailed by a 7-4 score, but just missed out on qualifying for next week's state tournament in Princeton, when he lost, 8-5, to Pete Lue of Parsippany Hills in the regional consolation on Saturday.

Rams hope for advancement

By MARK YABLONSKY

Whatever did happen in Tuesday's North Jersey, Group 2, Section 2 title game between Abraham Clark High of Roselle and Hillside at Madison Boro High School, it's safe to say that whoever lost, didn't deserve to be sent home so early in post-season play. And whoever won, has, as Ram coach Stan Kokie feels, "an excellent chance of going all the way," meaning to the entire Group 2 championship.

Roselle and Hillside this season have both been outstanding and as of now, one of them is going to be facing the North Jersey, Group 2, Section 1 champion tonight at 8 p.m. at Becton Regional in East Rutherford.

And the whole ball of wax — that is, the Group 2 title and entrance into

the second annual Tournament of Champions — is up for grabs on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. at the Louis Brown Athletic Center in Piscataway.

The question posed to Kokie on Monday was simple: since his team had defeated Hillside, 90-60, in the only clash between the two back on Feb. 3 in Somerville, was he worried that a proud, 24-2 Comet team would be thinking of revenge?

"I don't think you'll look at revenge," answered Kokie, whose team, at 23-1, received a first-round bye in the section and then ousted a 21-6 Jefferson Township squad, 96-50, this past Saturday in Roselle in the sectional semifinal. "I think both teams are on a mission. Personally, I wish this was the third time because when you play them once, you don't

know what to expect a second time." This time of year, there is no second chance. If you win, you're back in action just two nights later, a fact that neither Kokie nor a lot of other coaches seem to appreciate.

Led by 6-5 senior wing Craig Martin, the Rams entered Tuesday's game with Hillside in search of a 13th sectional championship. Martin averages 21 points, 11.3 rebounds, 6.3 assists and 6.5 steals a game.

Others, such as Eugene Brown and Jon Johnson, to name a few, are also putting up good numbers. Brown and Johnson combined for 39 points in the win over Jefferson, with Brown getting 22 of them, including 12 in the first period alone. Johnson also had 12 points in the opening quarter.

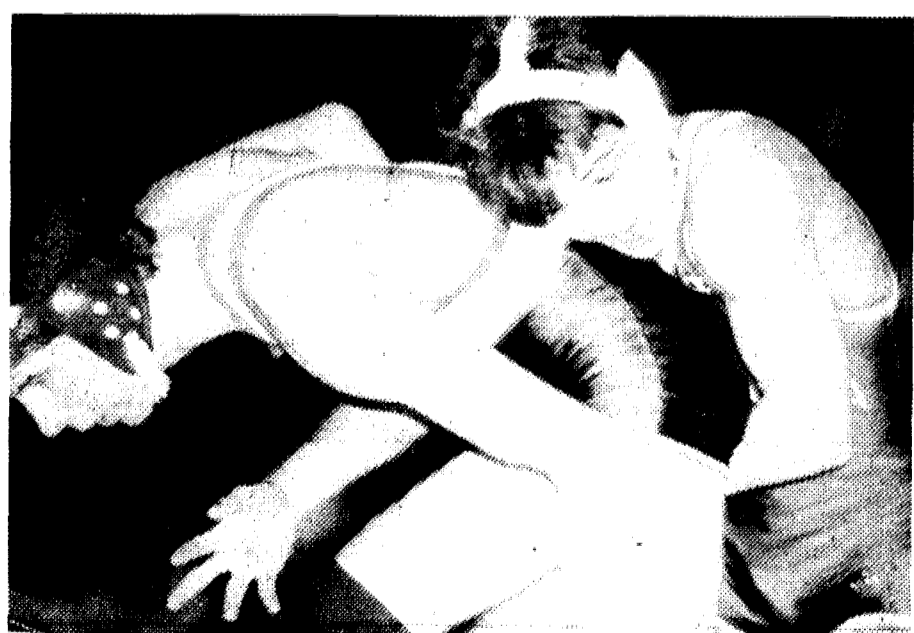


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BEARING DOWN — Peter Carpenter of Dayton, right, puts pressure on Boonton's Charlie Guilshan during Region 3 action last Friday night in Union. Carpenter won, 4-0, for his 22nd victory of the season.

Iacono awarded twice, as seven make states

By MARK YABLONSKY

Dayton Regional head wrestling coach Rick Iacono, who saw two of his Bulldog combatants qualify for the upcoming state tournament, received Coach of the Year citations for both District 10 and Region 3 at the regional tournament this past Saturday in Union.

In all, seven wrestlers from the County Leader coverage area, including the two from Dayton, placed high enough in region competition to reach the states, scheduled to begin this Wednesday, March 14, at Jadwin Gym in Princeton.

"The thrill of getting Coach of the Year of the Region is a thrill not only because our region has gotten so tough," Iacono said, "but because there are a lot of fine coaches in the region. I was elated.

"I won it in 1979, and who knows, maybe I can win it again in 2001," he added jokingly in reference to a possible 11-year cycle.

Already an earlier choice as co-Union County Coach of the Year, Iacono watched as 103-pounder Dante Puorro and 130-pounder Chris Moreno won state tournament slots. The five other CLN-area wrestlers to qualify were Dan Lilley, Mike

Francesca, Earl Finney and Bob Kuldanek, all of Union; and John Ranieri of Roselle Park. Lilley and Francesca won Region 3 titles at 125 and 140 pounds, respectively, while Finney, Kuldanek and Ranieri all came up with consolation-round wins to nail down the third and final state berth in each of their respective weight classes.

Puorro also finished third by defeating Dennis Mulrooney of Parsippany, 11-2, and Moreno placed second after dropping a 7-5 decision to Madison's Mike Delduca in the 130-pound title bout.

Ranieri won his trip to Princeton with a well-fought 4-2 victory over James Hallick of Parsippany in the 145-pound consolation bout.

Moreno was involved in a real battle from beginning to end, and tried within the final 17 seconds to make up the two-point deficit with a "kamikaze" move — which in Dayton terms, is a move designed to counter an opponent who is in control.

Moreno did indeed get himself out of trouble with the move, but he failed to gain the necessary tying points. For Puorro, gaining entry to state competition is a fine culmination of a 25-5 season that has produced both a Union



RICK IACONO

County Tournament title and a second-place finish to Irvington's Terrance Paul in District 10.

"I felt a little bad for Chris," said Iacono. "I felt he wrestled well enough to win...but I was pleased with the way he wrestled. And I was glad he was relaxed. I think both of those kids are going to do something in Princeton."

Paul, incidentally, was voted as the region tournament's Outstanding Wrestler.

Linden defeated in final

By DAVE WISE

The Lady Tigers of Linden High advanced all the way to the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 girl's basketball state tournament finals by beating Cranford, 28-18, on Feb. 28 and Clifford Scott, 72-52, last Friday. But Linden's hopes of capturing a state sectional title were sadly crushed when the team, now 20-8, fell to Randolph High, 53-49, on Monday night in Cranford.

In last week's action, the Lady Tigers easily put away Cranford in a quarterfinal-round game in Linden, and this victory advanced Linden to the semifinals.

"They were holding the ball and it was a very low-scoring game," remarked Eng. "Their game strategy was to hold the ball, but Linden prevailed."

And prevailed they did: Linden took an early lead in the first quarter with two three-pointers from juniors Joann Hall and Erica Reed. This was a morale-booster because after these two shots fell into the basket, Linden "did not trail" in any quarters, said Eng.

"We did the things we had to do in order to advance in the tournament," noted Eng.

Hall, who was able to occasionally grab the ball from the overly cautious Lady Cougars, had the team-high score of 10 points. Her teammate, senior Shamon Marable, finished with nine points in what Eng described as a slow-moving game.

Reed and Sharmone Koonce combined for nine points.

When Linden played second-seed Clifford Scott at East Orange in the semifinals last Friday, however, it was not a game of passing the ball. It was a game of shoot first and ask questions later.

The first half belonged to Marable, who scored 21 of her 27 points in the first two quarters. Because of her accurate shooting, the Lady Tigers took a 37-32 lead in the first half.

Linden increased its point-spread to 20-9 in the third quarter as it continued to dominate Clifford Scott. Helping Linden to maintain its competitive edge over their rivals, Knooco scored 13 points and Hall finished with 11.

The win against Clifford Scott then put Linden against Randolph in the sectional final. Linden began the game with a 13-12 lead in the first quarter, and outscored their foes by the exact same margin in the second period to take a 26-24 halftime lead.

It was a very slender lead, that kind which doesn't allow for mistakes — but unfortunately, Linden made some costly mistakes. After leading, 37-36, at the end of the third quarter, Linden blew two lay-ups and missed six foul shots. These errors gave Randolph a chance to make "their big run" in the fourth quarter, according to Eng.

Mary Carnathan of Randolph added to her team's lead by scoring three 18-foot jumpers and "Randolph never trailed after that," said Eng.

"They cashed in on easy opportunities," Eng further noted.

One advantage which Randolph quickly seized was their shooting strength on the foul line. Randolph was shooting 62 percent from the foul line, as opposed to Linden's 27 percent rating.

Hall finished with 19 points, Knooco scored 10 points, and Marable ended the game with nine.

This was the first Linden girl's basketball team to win 20 games in one season, and also the first team to reach the state sectional finals.

In summing up his team's performance this season, Eng said, "I'm very pleased with the progress of our team. We feel confident that we'll be able to compete (next year) for the county, state and conference titles."

Siragusa cited

Kenilworth's Tony Siragusa, the All-American defensive lineman for the University of Pittsburgh, has been named as the 1989 Outstanding Collegiate Athlete Award winner by the Brearley Regional high football program. The former Brearley football and wrestling standout will be honored at the school's annual football dinner next Thursday, March 15, at the Westwood Restaurant in Garwood.

Siragusa will also speak at the dinner. A reception is planned for him at 4 p.m. that afternoon at the Kenilworth P.B.A. Hall on Lafayette Avenue.

More information is available from Brearley football coach Bob Taylor at 272-7500.

Croce becomes All-American

Roselle Park's Frank Croce, who is a member of the Kean College wrestling team, capped off a brilliant 37-4-2 record by placing sixth in the Division 3 national tournament as a 142-pound contestant this past weekend in Ithaca, N.Y., making him an All-American wrestler for the third straight year. The top eight wrestlers in each weight class earn All-American status.

Prior to transferring to Kean at the start of the current 1989-90 school year, Croce had been an All-American for John Sacchi at Middlesex County College for each of the past two seasons.

Croce was still recovering from the effects of a rib cartilage tear sustained

in the New Jersey Athletic Conference championships on Feb. 18 when he took part in the nationals. He was the only Kean wrestler placing high enough to become an All-American this year.

"I'm very happy that he got it," said Kean coach Craig Spencer, whose Kean team finished the season with a 20-7-1 dual-meet record and a final No. 17 nationwide ranking. "He had a very tough road."

Softball registration set

Registration for the upcoming 1990 Kenilworth girl's recreational softball league, ages 6-14, will take place this Tuesday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Harding School gymnasium.

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'89-90 All-County Girl's Basketball team

About our '89-90 picks

By MARK YABLONSKY

For the third straight year, County Leader Newspapers is presenting its All-County Girl's Basketball Team, consisting of players from the towns within our coverage area: Springfield, Mountainside, Kenilworth, Roselle, Roselle Park, Linden and Union.

Since basketball has many less players than do other sports, we are offering an 11-member First Team, as well as Honorable Mention selections. Our choices are based on statistics, importance of a player to her team, personal observation, and also on comments and observations from each of the coaches with whom we spoke.

Our selections were not made by position, largely because a certain amount of our choices either play more than one position, or play under varying kinds of offenses.

CLN's All-County team

Kim Eagan.....	Brearley Regional
Lauren Meixner.....	Dayton Reg.
Jennifer Francis.....	Dayton Reg.
Joann Hall.....	Linden
Shamona Marable.....	Linden
Jenny Fullman.....	Roselle
Shalonda Tanner.....	Roselle
Patty Kelleher.....	Roselle Catholic
Wendy Kinal.....	Roselle Catholic
Andrea Labonia.....	Union
Michelle Piech.....	Union

Honorable Mention

Michelle Londino.....	Brearley Regional
Colleen Drummond.....	Dayton Regional
Sharmaine Koonce.....	Linden
Shalandia Felton.....	Roselle
Carolyn Augustyn.....	Roselle Catholic
Maureen Kelleher.....	Roselle Catholic
Michelle Brady.....	Roselle Park
Maura Geoghegan.....	Roselle Park
Dawn Skebeck.....	Roselle Park
Tashana Brown.....	Union
Sue Detjan.....	Union



SHALONDA TANNER
ROSELLE

After being a CLN honorable mention last year, Shalonda Tanner took big strides in this, her senior year, for Roselle.

First on the team in rebounds and steals, at respective averages of 10.1 and 4.2, Tanner was also the second-leading scorer behind Fullman, with 220 points in 19 games for an 11.6 points-per-game mark.

Her finest game of the season was a 19-point performance during Roselle's big win over Arthur L. Johnson Regional in the final home game of the season.

"She is probably our most improved player from last year," Giannotti said. "She helped break the press. She and Jenny were our dynamic duo."



PATTY KELLEHER
ROSELLE CATHOLIC

With aggressiveness being her chief asset, Patty Kelleher of Roselle Catholic was a dominant force for the Lady Lions this winter. The 5-10 junior forward led the team in rebounds, while coming in second in scoring with 173 points in 20 games for an 8.7 average.

Actually, two scoreless games near the end of the season dropped her average somewhat, but on two different occasions — once against Roselle and again vs. Central of Newark — Kelleher netted 19 points. Her 13-point effort sparked Roselle Catholic to a 40-30 win over Plainfield in a Union County Tournament game on Feb. 10.

"Most of her points, I would say, were off of rebounds," said R.C. coach John Halpin. "She was aggressive inside and she always gave it 100 percent."



WENDY KINAL
ROSELLE CATHOLIC

Wendy Kinal was quite helpful for Roselle Catholic in the backcourt this season. So helpful, in fact, that she spent a lot of time playing at both guard positions.

And her numbers were impressive. Averaging a team-leading 8.8 points a game, Kinal was the team leader in assists at both the point and shooting guard spots, and often was the catalyst for R.C.'s scoring attack.

Her best effort of the season was a 22-point showing during a 50-40 win over Arthur L. Johnson Regional on Feb. 6. She also connected for three baskets from three-point range and 15 points overall in a 59-38 defeat to Immaculata on Feb. 9.

"She was a team leader," Halpin said. "She really was. She was the leader for us."



KIM EAGAN
BREARLEY

For the second straight year, Jennifer Francis proved to be the perfect complement to Meixner up front for Dayton.

Raising her scoring average from 12.6 to 14.7 points a game this winter, the 5-9 strong forward also averaged better than four assists and two steals per game. Her presence inside made Meixner all that more effective, and her hard work was a major reason why the Lady Bulldogs made it to the North Jersey, Group 2, Section 2 playoffs for the first time in six years.

Her two best games of the year resulted in a 25-point showing in a 58-39 win over Roselle on Jan. 26, and 23 points in a 39-33 loss to Ridge on Jan. 19.

"She developed into a much improved passer this year," Krupp said. "And she had a good knack for steals."



JOANN HALL
LINDEN



JENNIFER FRANCIS
DAYTON

This season, Joann Hall started at wing and moved more and more to point guard as the season wore on. And if she's at shooting guard by the time next season rolls around, it won't matter anymore. She'll hurt you no matter she plays.

Averaging 17.7 points a game with a total of 499 in all this year, Miss Hall is some 300 points shy of becoming only the second player in Linden girl's basketball history to reach 1,000 points. Her 60 three-point baskets this season are definitely a school record, and may well be a county record, too.

And don't forget her 62 assists and 48 steals, either.

"This is a kid that is what Linden girl's basketball is all about," said Eng without hesitation. "She is the epitome of our program with her dedication and desire to make herself the best basketball player she can be."



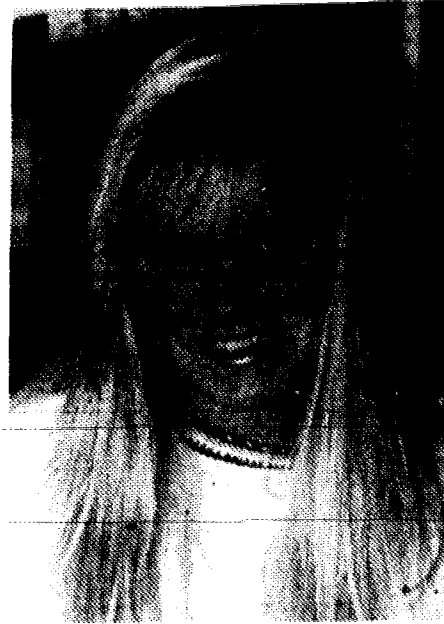
ANDREA LABONIA
UNION

It's been one heck of a year for Andrea Labonia, Union's senior center who is a repeat selection for All-CLN honors.

For one thing, her 445 points in 25 games represents a team-leading 17.8 scoring average, a significant increase even from last season's 16.0 mark. She started in every one of Union's 25 played games, and in eight of those contests she scored 20 points or more — including her record-setting 38-point effort in an 80-48 win over Kearny on Feb. 3, in which Nancy Foster's old mark of 37 for one game was broken.

Only once all season did Labonia fail to hit double figures, that coming on Jan. 23 when Union Catholic limited her to just four points.

"She's a very team-oriented player, very unselfish," Union coach Joe DeStephan explained. "She's also a very good shooter, plus she was one of our co-captains."



LAUREN MEIXNER
DAYTON

The first of this year's three-time All-CLN players, Kim Eagan continues doing what she does best for Brearley, and that, of course, is scoring points.

Bettering the 400-point mark for the second straight year, Eagan netted a total of 432 points in all 21 of Brearley's played games for a team-leading 20.6 average. She now has a total of 1,056 points in three years, and she should become Brearley's all-time leading scorer — including boy's and girl's competition — before the half-way point of next season.

"She's a very consistent player," Brearley coach Marge Egan said. "Consistency I would say is the key word for her. She's always composed under pressure, and her head is always in the game."

Shamona Marable is amazing. That's one of the reasons why the senior standout wing/guard, who is leaning toward attending FDU-Teaneck next season, is one of four All-CLN three-time repeaters on this year's team.

After averaging 14.1 points and five blocks a game as mostly a front-line/wing player last year, Marable, having already moved back to the point, did even better this time. All she did was average 15.7 points a game in 1989-90, while dishing out 62 assists and blocking 81 shots. And she also recorded a total of 425 rebounds, an average of 15.2 per contest.

And all that from the point. But how?

"She goes in and crashes the boards, it's that simple," replied Linden coach Andrew Eng. "Offensively, she's the biggest kid on the court. And she gets a lot of rebounds because of her athletic ability."



JENNY FULLMAN
ROSELLE

For the third straight year, Lauren Meixner is a resounding choice for All-CLN honors — just as her grades have already made her a member of the National Honor Society.

As gifted in the classroom as she was competitive on the hardwood, Meixner leaves the Dayton girl's basketball program as one of just four players to reach 1,000 career points. That came about when the 5-11 center netted 18 points in Dayton's season-ending 39-37 defeat to Hanover Park, leaving her with a four-year total of 1,017.

Her team-leading 16.9 points and 14.7 rebounds a game illustrate quite clearly what she was for Dayton this year — one of Union County's most dominant inside players.

"I'll tell you, Dayton's going to miss her competitiveness and her aggressiveness," Dayton coach Arthur Krupp said. "She was by far our most valuable player. When she isn't on the floor, we're hurting."



SHAMONA MARABLE
LINDEN

Another third-time member of the CLN All-County squad, Jenny Fullman had another strong year for the Lady Rams, scoring 300 points in all 19 of Roselle's games for a 15.9 scoring average. While that is down from last year's 20.1 average, Fullman did score 20 points or more in six games, and in two more contests, she had 19 — despite frequently being double-teamed.

Add on an average of 4.1 assists and just under three steals a game, and you have a better idea of Fullman's true worth. She also sank 29 baskets from three-point range, five of which came during a loss to Immaculata — the same game in which the senior guard recorded a season-high total of 28 points.

"She's our point guard and a four-year varsity starter," Roselle coach Bob Giannotti said. "She was the best ball handler we had."



MICHELLE PIECH
UNION

Some coaches may have plums for players, but Joe DeStephan is quite happy to have a peach on his team — or in this case, junior Michelle Piech, who is also a repeater for All-CLN kudos.

While her point total of 243 was down from her 285 of last season, Piech still averaged 13.5 rebounds per game.

"She's a good, strong rebounder inside and we hope to see more point production from her next year," DeStephan said. "She's strong inside and she should be a dominant force in rebounding again."

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By MILT HAMMER
Ear-pleaser: "The Voices," MCA Records.

The unrelenting sound of The Voices comes through clear and strong on the self-titled MCA debut release. This San Diego-based quintet combines a muscular rock approach with a compelling touch of melodicism and lyric insight. Produced by Andrew Slater and Niko Bolas, "The Voices" showcases a band that stands out from the pack by virtue of its musical honesty and sheer visceral impact.

Bandmates Peter Kevin, lead vocals, guitar; Tommy Andrews, lead guitars, vocals, piano; Randy Willert, drums, vocals; David English, keyboards; and Todd Hoffman, bass, have avoided pretenses and gimmicks during their rise on the Southern California club scene. "When we're on stage, we don't pose or dress up in spandex," says Kevin. "It's just a real show with a lot of heart and intense energy. And that's what we went for in making this record."

The Voices' first album achieves the band's goal of capturing their galvanizing sound in the grooves. Much of the recording was done live with few overdubs — and the results can be heard on such fiery tracks as

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"War," "Fallen Idol" and "Midnight Train." Other cuts have a more more textured approach without sacrificing emotional impact — "Sound of the Rain" and "China Walls," two yearning midtempo numbers, stand out among them.

"Kick It In," the LP's opening track, is an explosive war cry with a churning rhythmic thrust. "Let It Fall," an ominous, propulsive modern rocker, and "All I Wanted," melodic with a dark edge, reveal further sides of The Voices' musical vision.

The Voices speak with confidence that comes from years of seasoning from live performance. Yet the members of the group have retained the enthusiasm and integrity which have sustained them through the rigors of playing the Southern California club circuit.

While the band formally came together six years ago, its members had been working on and off in bands around San Diego since their junior high school days. Several had worked with major acts — bassist Todd Hoffman, for instance, did a stint with

Lions and Ghosts, and guitarist Tommy Andrews played with Steve Jones. But, as drummer Randy Willert says, "We never really came of age in any band until The Voices."

Concert is held

Michael Shapiro of Mountainside performed with the Brass Ensemble Sunday at the Afternoon Music, the chamber series at the Unitarian Church in Summit. He is part of the New Jersey Youth Symphony.

The NJYS in cooperation with the New Jersey Symphony, was founded in 1979. It provides professional training for 250 young musicians from 63 communities.

For more information one can call 273-3245 or 277-3327.

Tryouts slated

"The Boys Next Door" by Tom Griffin will be the spring production of the Summit Playhouse. It will open May 4 and continue on weekends through May 19. The director, Joann Churchill, will hold tryouts Sunday and Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Playhouse, 10 New England Ave.

For further information, one can call Churchill at 635-6043.

Our House benefit set

A tea brunch and dance will be held Sunday from 12:30 to 4:40 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel, Short Hills, to benefit programs serving men and women in Union, Morris, and Essex counties who have developmental disabilities.

Sponsored by the Our House Foundation, the tea brunch and dance will feature dining and dancing. Cathy Moldave, co-chairman of the benefit with Margaret Timony, says "The Our House Foundation recognizes the need to provide a more continuous, secure base of funding for these vital programs, particularly in light of recent cutbacks in state funding. The Our House Foundation is to be admired for its commitment to seeing that those people who need these services are getting the quality programs they need."

Tickets for the event are available through tea brunch and dance committee members, headed by Judy and Al Corney of Berkeley Heights and Jack and Barbara Feeley of Roselle Park, or by calling the Our House Foundation at 464-8008.

Reservations can be made by contacting Our House Foundation Director of Development Karen Feinblatt at the same number.

Graphic show slated Sunday

The Westfield Art Association's 69th annual watercolor and graphic show and sale will be held Sunday through March 18 at the Westfield Municipal Building in the Wateunk Room, 425 East Broad St.

Serving as judge for the show is William J. Senior, artist and instructor, who teaches on the faculty of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts and the DuCret School of Arts.

The opening reception is from 2 to 5 p.m. Admission is free to the public.

A critique by Senior will be presented March 18 from 4 to 6 p.m. More than 100 local artists will participate.

ENTERTAINMENT

Christian is set for role

The New Jersey Public Theater, NJPT, 1052-A Plainfield Ave., Berkeley Heights, on the grounds of John E. Runnells Hospital, is presenting the New Jersey premiere of Lanford Wilson's comic play, "Burn This. Burn This."

Harry Patrick Christian of Roselle Park is featured.

"Burn This" also marks the first production produced by NJPT's resident company, The Sidestep Theater, under the direction of NJPT's artistic director, Robert Vaccaro.

The play will run through March 31 on Friday and Saturday evenings at 8. Reservations can be made by calling 322-3808.

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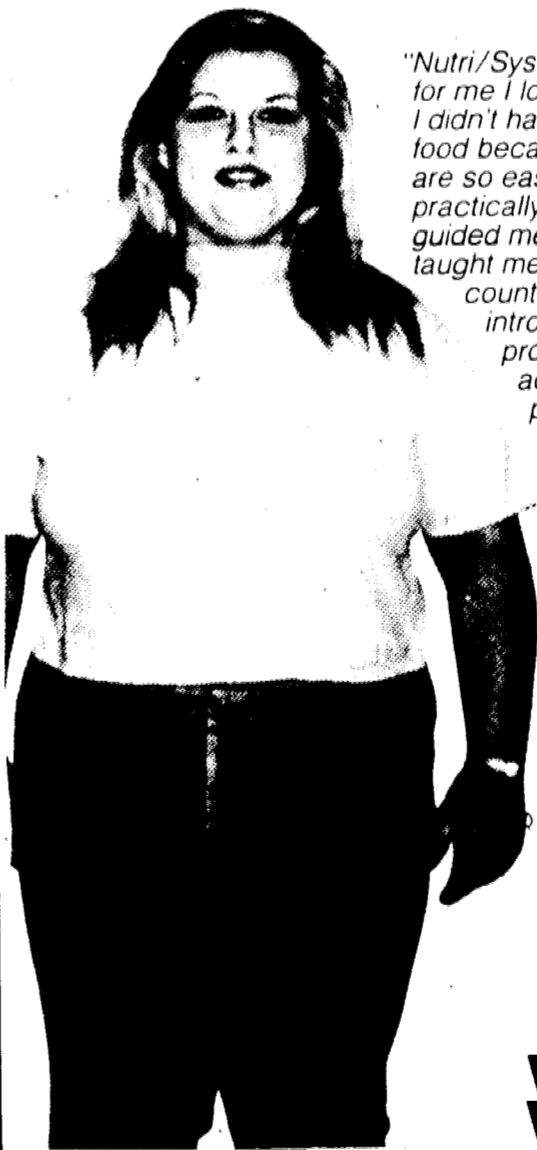
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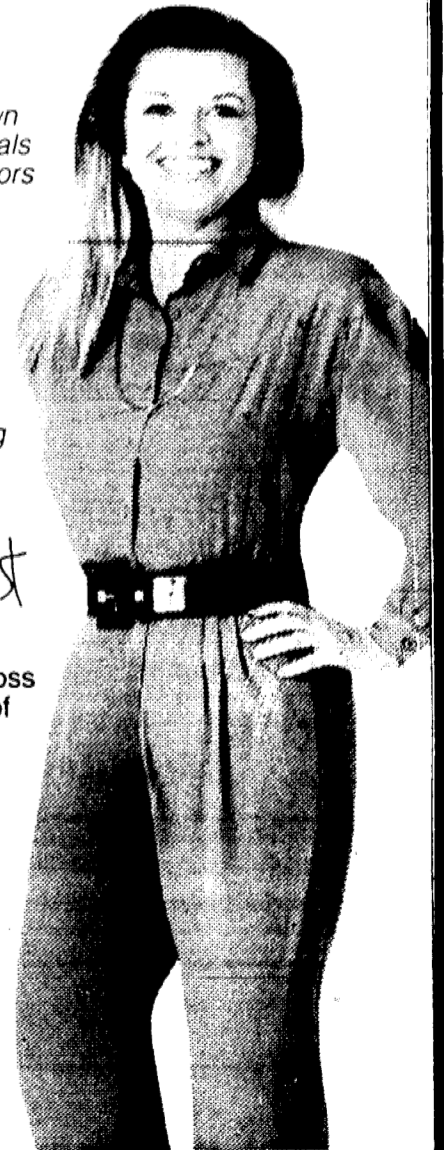
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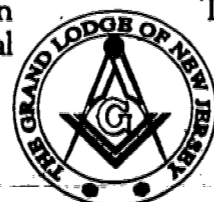
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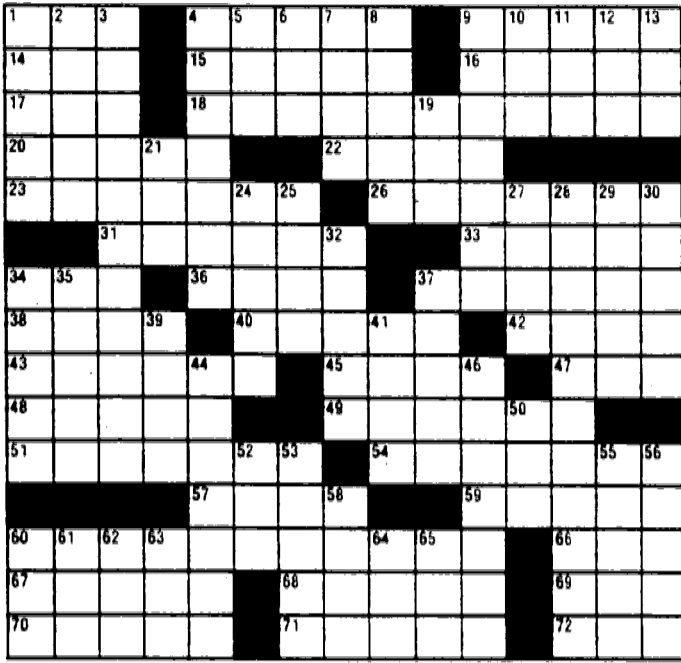
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horoscope

For week of Mar. 11-Mar. 17

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Let go of the anger you are feeling. Compromise in your relationships could be the answer to future happiness.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You are the one everyone else depends on. Tie up loose ends for others and pitch in where you are needed. The rewards will be worth it.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) There is more than one way to solve a problem. Be creative in your approach. Try angles you might not have considered before.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Let the people in charge know what you can do. This could be the opportunity for advancement that you have been waiting for.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Campaign for what you believe. Have the courage to boycott, demonstrate and/or write letters. Your actions will make a difference.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Spend some time with the senior citizens in your life. The small acts of kindness you extend to them will be appreciated.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Demonstrate your leadership qualities to help your organization get more done. Run for office or volunteer your services.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Maintain your sense of humor, even when coping with a tense situation. Use the insight you gain in creative ways.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take the initiative. Only you can make the changes necessary to achieve the goals you are pursuing. Waiting for others to notice what you need is a waste of time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Find the time for a conversation with someone close to you. The information you obtain will lead to the understanding of a difficult situation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Throw caution to the winds. Do something outrageous and wait for the happy outcome.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Circumstances are finally in your favor. There are no more obstacles to the opportunity you have been waiting for.

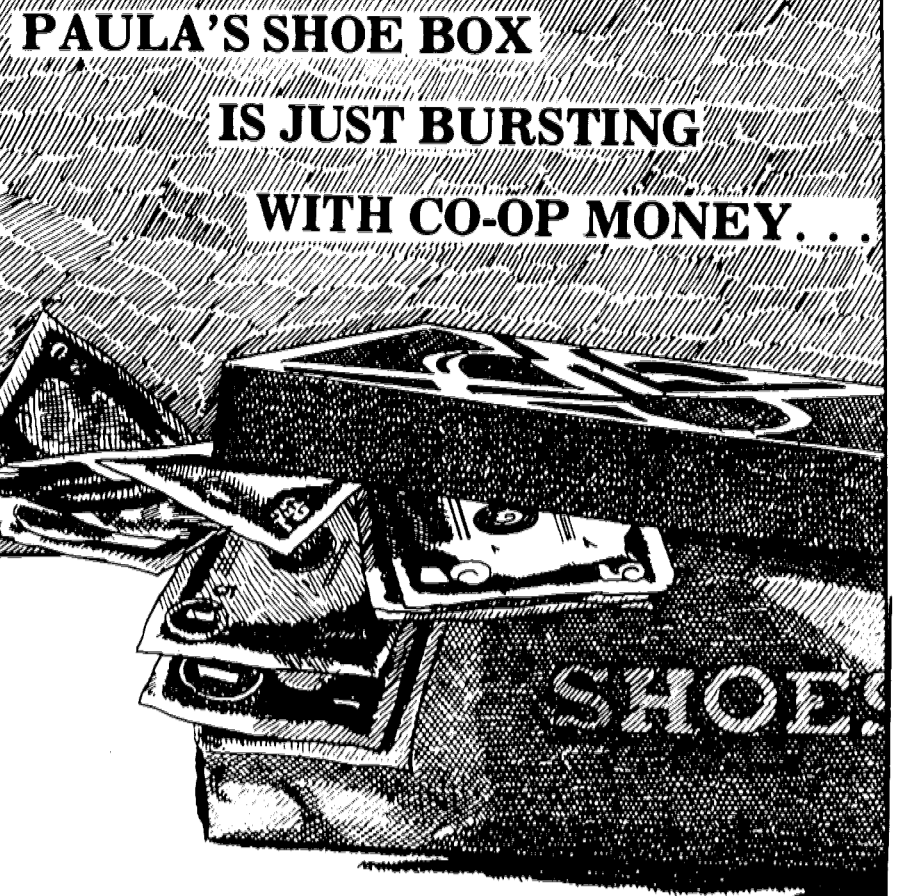
Professional leaders sought for festival

Professional artists and performers interested in serving as workshop leaders or critiquers at the 21st annual New Jersey State Teen Arts Festival to be held May 29, 30, and 31, on the Douglass Campus of Rutgers, the State University, New Brunswick, can send a resume with a brief biography and a description of the proposed workshop to the New Jersey State Teen Arts Program, State Festival Coordinator, 841 Georges Road, North Brunswick, 08902.

A resume is required before April 30.

The New Jersey State Teen Arts Program is a year-round arts-in-education program which supports 21 county festivals, the Visual Art Traveling Exhibit, the Community Performance Project, the annual Illustrated Calendar, the Media Arts Project, and Young Playwrights Program. The objectives of the Teen Arts Program are "to strengthen arts curricula in the schools, to heighten understanding of the role of the arts in our daily lives, and to encourage the artistic endeavors of talented teen-agers." Funding for the New Jersey State

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Admission to the gallery is free and open to the public Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., and by appointment.

The exhibition, organized by the Museum Training Class, "allows stu-

dents to experience their work in a more formal setting and in relation to other students' work."

Works exhibited by Union County students include, from Union, Carolyn Soltyz, oil paintings; Don Volpe, pine sculpture; Mark Daloia, black and white photography; and Alvin E. Quinones, mixed media on canvas; and from Linden, paintings by Jean C. Guzzi and Kathleen B. Williams.

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dividends

The board of directors at Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. has declared a quarterly dividend of 52 cents per share of common stock for the first quarter of 1990.

In a related matter, the board of directors of Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G) has declared a regular quarterly dividend on all series of PSE&G preferred stock. PSE&G is the principal subsidiary of Enterprise.

PSE&G provides electric power to most of Union County except Berkeley Heights, New Providence, Springfield and a part of Mountainside. It supplies gas service only to those municipalities, as well as to Plainfield and Summit in the county.

All dividends for the quarter are payable on or before March 31 to stockholders of record on March 7.

Harmonia Bancorp Inc. has declared an annual cash dividend of 30 cents per share, payable in the form of a regular quarterly dividend of 7½ cents, on the company's common stock.

The first-quarter dividend is payable March 30 to shareholders of record on Feb. 28.

Harmonia, parent of Harmonia Savings Bank, based in Elizabeth, operates 21 offices in five counties, including local offices in Cranford, Linden, Roselle, Scotch Plains and Union.

Constellation Bancorp has dec-

lared a dividend on its common stock of 36 cents per share, payable March 15 to shareholders of record Feb. 28.

Constellation Bancorp is a \$3.1 billion asset financial holding company headquartered in Elizabeth. The company's major subsidiaries include The National State Bank, which has local offices in Cranford, Elizabeth, Hillside, Kenilworth, Rahway and Roselle Park.

The board of directors of UJB Financial Corp. has declared the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of 29 cents per common share, payable May 1 to shareholders of record April 5.

UJB Financial's board also declared a quarterly dividend of 84 cents per share on its Series B adjustable-rate cumulative preferred stock, based on a rate of 6.7 percent per annum, for the quarter ending April 30. This dividend is also payable May 1 to shareholders of record April 5.

UJB Financial is a \$12 billion financial services organization with over 250 offices.

The directors of Center Bancorp Inc. have declared a quarterly dividend for the quarter ended March 31, at the rate of 40 cents per share, payable April 2 to holders of record March 19.

Center Bancorp is the parent firm of the Union Center National Bank, which has four offices in Union and one in Springfield.

In-plant training helpful

General Magnaplate Corporation of Linden recently completed a state-sponsored program designed to help solve a local labor problem.

While thousands of residents continue to suffer long-term unemployment due to the reduced need for unskilled labor in modern industry, many New Jersey companies are suffering from the lack of employees with the skills needed to meet the demands of today's technology.

Nine employees of General Magnaplate have finished a unique, in-plant training program and were upgraded from their semi-skilled positions to become hi-tech metal finishers — electroplaters, maskers, and anodizers. They are now able to process the most critical jobs that come into the factory.

According to Candida Aversenti, General Magnaplate president, the plan was worked out with Al Gallagher of the Newark Office of Customized Training (OCT), of the New Jersey Employment Service.

"The skill of electroplating and anodizing metal parts seems to be a dying craft," said Aversenti. "It's no longer taught or even mentioned in vocational or trade schools. We've been in New Jersey for 37 years, serving clients such as NASA, Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, IBM, Nabisco, Quaker Oats, and many more."

The state certified the program and contributed a portion of the salaries of the selected employees during the training period.

Trainees include Douglas Fortuna and Ricardo Gass from Linden and Manuel Concina from Roselle.

on the job



DOMINICK CRINCOLI SR.

Dominick A. Crincoli Sr. of Livingston has joined Inter Community Bank in Springfield as vice president of sales and new business development.

Crincoli comes to the bank with more than 30 years of banking and financial experience. He has served on the Livingston Town Council for 12 years and as mayor for three of those years.

Michael Banks has been appointed vice president-treasurer of Atlantic Mutual Companies.

Prior to joining Atlantic Mutual last October, Banks was vice president and assistant controller with Ambac Indemnity Corporation, a wholly owned insurance subsidiary of Citibank. Before that he was a senior manager-audit with Peat Marwick Main & Company, specializing in insurance industry practice.

Banks is a graduate of the University of Delaware with a bachelor of science degree in accounting, and is a designated CPA. He lives in Springfield.

Glen Dempsey has been appointed

tank-coating marketing manager for International's U.S. marine coatings operation. Dempsey is headquartered in Union.

His appointment is part of International's expansion in the maritime tank coatings field in the United States. In his new position, Dempsey is responsible for operations in the United States and its territories in his specialized area.



SUSAN COHEN

Suzanne J. Cohen of Springfield was recently promoted to assistant director of public relations at Union Hospital in Union.

As assistant director, Cohen will assist in overseeing the day-to-day public relations functions of the hospital and its related health-care business.

In her new position, Cohen will help guide the public relations department towards the traditions and goals of the innovative health-care facility through support in areas such as patient care, nursing, educational programs, development and volunteerism.

Fred Mesbah, director of operations of the Union office of Diagnostic Engineering Inc. (DEI), announced that Barbara Gamble has been named regional marketing coordinator.

DEI is an environmental assessment firm with offices nationwide. The firm specializes in the diagnoses of potential hazards associated with soil and ground water contamination, underground storage tanks, asbestos and PCBs.

As regional marketing coordinator, Gamble oversees the sales and marketing efforts for the office, which includes East Coast territories from Maine to South Carolina.

Gamble received her bachelor of science degree in international environmental studies from Rutgers University. She is a resident of Edison.



LAURA A. WEINBERG

Laura A. Weinberg of Elizabeth has been promoted to vice president/account supervisor on the Foodtown Supermarket account at Reichenstein Advertising in Mountainside.

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