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Borough Highlights

Invention Convention

Deerfield School's annual Science Fair and Invention Convention will be held on March 9 in the school's gymnasium. Students will display their projects for their fellow students in the afternoon, and the public is welcome from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Teen arts festival

The 1995 Local Teen Arts Festival will be held this weekend in Governor Livingston Regional High School. Performances and displays by this year's participants will be viewed from 7:30 to 10 p.m. on Friday and from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

About 600 students, who either reside or attend school in Berkeley Heights, New Providence, or Summit, are expected to participate. This year marks the first time Deerfield students will take part.

Admission is free, but donations to benefit this annual program for area teen-agers are welcome. For more information call the high school at 464-3100.

An early St. Pat's Day

The Mountainside Woman's Club will observe St. Patrick's Day a little early with a luncheon at L'Affaire on March 15. The Peter Smith Dancers will entertain the audience with demonstrations of Irish dances.

The club is a member of the New Jersey State Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Spring Stories

Beginning today and continuing every Thursday of the month, the Mountainside Public Library will offer a story program for children aged 3 through 5. Librarian Anne Lycan will lead the storytime programs, which will begin at 2 p.m. and will last about 45 minutes.

Registration is required and may be done by phone.

Tuesday tax times

Beginning this week, every Tuesday until April 11 will be income tax assistance day at the Springfield Public Library. The counseling, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be by appointment only. For more information call (201) 376-4930.

Sundays at Trailside

Super Science Discovery Days, a unique award-winning program designed to encourage adults and children to explore the realms of science, will be offered March 5 and 12 at the Trailside Nature and Science Center.

Session times are as follows: 1 to 2 p.m. and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for 3- and 4-year-olds; 4 to 5 p.m. for first- and second-graders.

Pre-registration is required. Call Trailside at 789-3670 for information.

Support groups

The Meridian Nursing Center in Westfield will host the Alzheimer's Support Group March 13 at 1:30 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. The meeting is open to the public, and may prove helpful to caregivers and those with loved ones suffering from Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia. For details call (908) 233-9700. This group meets on the second Monday of each month.

Drum-rolling thunder



U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Jim Niereshner plays timpani drums with the Combat Heritage of America Band. The group will perform in the auditorium of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, but tickets are required and may be reserved by phoning the school.

Bill on high schools is still in committee

By Cynthia B. Gordon
Staff Writer

The bill before the state Senate, pertaining to the proposed deregionalization of the county's high school district, remains unheard by the Senate Education Committee.

In May, Senate President Donald DiFrancesco, who represents the 22nd District, introduced the bill, which specifically deals with the Union County Regional High School District and the sharing of assets among the constituent districts if the district is dissolved.

According to Renee Trabert, spokesperson for DiFrancesco, the bill was referred to the Education Committee; while it has been amended since its introduction, no further action has been taken.

According to Trabert, DiFrancesco said that some of the issues involved in deregionalization should not be addressed through legislation.

The amended bill takes into account the titles and control of school grounds and buildings, and the furnishings and equipment inside the buildings.

"The withdrawing district and the remaining districts, or each constituent district in the event of a dissolution, shall take title to and control of all school grounds and buildings, and the furnishings and equipment therein, other than those which had been rotated or shared among the regional schools, situated in their respective districts on the effective date of withdrawal or dissolution as established by the commissioner," according to the bill, known as S-1080.

The bill also delegates authority to the county superintendent to distribute any assets. "The county superintendent shall allot a fair proportion of the shared or rotated furnishings and equipment to the withdrawing district or to each of the constituent districts in the event of a dissolution," the bill states.

The bill further discusses payment of debts. "Upon the assumption of title, each board shall also assume such amount of the indebtedness of the original regional school district as shall have been determined by the

board of review. In the event of a withdrawal, the withdrawing district shall pay to the regional board of education, at least five days before it becomes due, the amount of the principle and interest of the assumed indebtedness," it states.

The bill goes further into detail regarding debt, stating that "such principle and interest shall be paid by the regional board, together with such amount due."

On taxation, the bill states that "the county superintendent and board of review shall also calculate the proportionate share of taxes paid by each constituent district during the regional district's existence. For each property conveyed to the constituent district in which the buildings and grounds are located, the county superintendent and board of review shall require payment by that district to the other constituent districts of that portion of the value of the property that is proportionate to each of the other constituent district's share of taxes paid during the regional district's ownership of the property."

The bill also deals with bonds being issued to pay the taxes, saying that "constituent districts may issue bonds for that amount, or any portion of that amount, pursuant to chapter 24 of Title 18A of the New Jersey statutes. Payment of that amount shall be made in full on or before the effective date of withdrawal or dissolution. This act shall take effect immediately."

The amended bill states, "The amount of payments to be made or to be received by the withdrawing district, or by each of the constituent districts, and the amount of indebtedness to be assumed by the withdrawing district or by each of the constituent districts in the event of a dissolution and the effect of such indebtedness upon the borrowing margin of the municipality, the withdrawing district, the remaining districts, and the remaining municipalities within the regional district, or by each of the constituent districts and municipalities within the regional district in the event of a dissolution, shall be stated in the notices and advertisements of the special school election and in the ballots to be used therein."

Charges against suspended cop downgraded to official misconduct

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

The suspended Mountainside police officer, who had been charged with four cases of coercing women to engage in sexual acts, last week succeeded in having offenses downgraded in Superior Court.

Thomas McCartney, a seven-year veteran of the borough's Police Department, on Feb. 24 pleaded guilty to two counts of official misconduct — one involving a 15-year-old girl, another, a 23-year-old woman — stemming from an internal investigation jointly conducted by the Union County Prosecutor's Office and Mountainside police.

In exchange for the guilty plea, the state will seek two seven-year prison sentences to run concurrently, when McCartney is sentenced on April 21. The state dismissed charges of sexual assault, criminal coercion, aggravated criminal sexual contact and bribery.

The indictment had originally included 16 counts, resulting from four separate alleged incidents. The charges in two cases were dropped.

"Plea bargains are a fact of life," said Thomas Isenhour, supervisor of the county's Special Prosecution Unit. "It's something both sides discuss. Both sides gain something from it."

"Any time you look at a multi-count indictment, a defendant isn't going to plea bargain on everything. He'll take his chances in court," Isenhour said about the charges from two of the alleged incidents being dropped. "This is a guarantee that justice is done."

The terms of the plea bargain were discussed with the victims prior to the deal; because there will be no trial,

none will have to testify. The victims' support of the plea bargain was a factor in its acceptability, Isenhour added.

So far, neither the Prosecutor's Office nor the Mountainside Police Department are aware of any civil litigation filed in relation to the matter.

McCartney, 28, has been suspended without pay since May. He will be dismissed upon being sentenced, according to Police Chief William Alder.

"Technically we must wait until the sentencing date," he said of the impending termination of McCartney.

During the final incident investigated by authorities, McCartney was photographed by a passenger in a car he had stopped, according to Isenhour.

The harassment was uncovered when one woman told a judge, who was presiding over the annulment of her marriage, of an incident involving the officer.

According to the indictment, McCartney "acting with a purpose to obtain a benefit for himself" committed an act "relating to his office, but constituting an unauthorized exercise of his official function."

McCartney had planned on fighting the original 16 charges, and had requested he be tried four separate times, once for each alleged incident. He was denied the motion to be tried four times, and on Feb. 8, the New Jersey Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal of the matter.

The pretrial hearing held Feb. 24 was to schedule a trial date; it was McCartney's final opportunity to accept a plea bargain.

During the April 21 hearing, further details of the officer's crimes will be heard by the judge before determining McCartney's sentence.



Thomas McCartney
To be sentenced April 21



County officials bring in one of the 25 deer that were shot by sharpshooters this week in the Watchung Reservation. Photo By Joe Long

Sharpshooter hunt halfway over

By Mark Devaney
Staff Writer

Within four days of sharpshooting in the Watchung Reservation, 25 deer had been killed by county agents, which is exactly the halfway point for this year's deer hunt. Once 50 deer have been taken, the controversial practice of gunplay in the county park will be over.

According to Dan Bernier, chief of Park Operations, of the 25 dead deer, 18 were does, and of those 18 does, 15 were pregnant. The sharpshooters have been instructed to aim at female deer in an effort to further reduce the park's deer population.

Although it is too early to tell, Bernier speculated that most of the pregnant does were carrying twins, and at least one may have been carrying triplets. He added that the exact conditions of the deer will not be known until pathologists from Fish, Game and Wildlife complete their examinations of the Union County deer.

"When a deer comes in, we remove its entrails and in the process, the

reproductive tract is removed. Even if the female is not pregnant, the tract is removed because there is information that can be gathered," explained Bernier.

"We then weigh the deer, which is a standard practice, that way Fish, Game and Wildlife can compare our deer to others to see if our deer are as healthy as other populations of deer in the state," said Bernier.

The age of the deer is also determined by removing its lower jaw. The extracted jaw is then tagged with a number that matches the seal that gets tagged onto the deer itself. From the jaw, Fish, Game and Wildlife officials can determine the deer's age by virtue of the number of teeth the deer had and the wear and tear of those teeth, Bernier pointed out.

Bernier also outlined how the venison harvested from the deer is to be divvied.

"The meat is sent to a butcher to be processed. Fawns and immature males can yield from 40 to 50 pounds of meat, while adult deer have ranged

from 80 to 100 pounds. Each shooter will receive 100 pounds of venison, roughly the equivalent of one adult deer, but the bulk of the deer meat is headed elsewhere.

"The meat is going to the Community Foodbank of New Jersey for distribution to its member agencies throughout the state. In other words, it's going to be used to feed the homeless and needy," stated Bernier.

Although the operation appears to be running smoothly and quietly compared to last year's three-day hunt, which killed 91 deer and encountered vociferous protests, this year's effort has encountered a handful of complaints from an ever-vigilant contingent of wood watchers.

Patty Briden of Mountainside claims that there is a lot of blood on the trails of the Reservation.

"Nobody ever promised one shot kills. There is no guarantee that even if you put a shot right through the heart of a deer that the deer is going to drop," said Bernier, who mentioned

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Photo By Mark Deveney

This deer stood still long enough for me to fumble with my camera. It was part of small herd made of about 12. In less than two days, at least that many deer would be dead.

Deer population lowered by county sharpshooters

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That 18 of the 25 deer had, in fact, been killed with one shot.

He explained that deer tend to "get a sudden burst of adrenalin" once they are shot, which causes them to move about. "Usually they drop dead after one shot; if not, then you have to take a second shot to finish it off," said Bernier, adding that the sharpshooters are generally getting shots off from between 30 and 50 yards of each deer. "Hunters, by and large, are very conscientious about tracking deer. They don't want to see the animal suffer," Bernier said. "We stressed tracking to our sharpshooters because we did not want to see a wounded deer wander into a yard, a recreation area or into a roadway."

When pressed about the complaints about blood in the park, Bernier explained that no matter how professional a job the county does, killing deer invariably involves some bloodletting.

"We understand the sensitivity of park users and our agents have been asked to cover up blood as much as possible. We provided them with tarps to cover any deer they might shoot. It's an unfortunate part of what we're doing, but once a deer is shot, it does bleed; that blood can be seen, particularly when it gets into snow," Bernier stated.

Another complaint lodged against the county operation came from Lois Russell of Scotch Plains who demanded why schools were not informed that there was going to be sharpshooting in the Reservation. Bernier admitted that schools were not notified.

"We informed the mayors of every town and sent press releases to all responsible media. We would expect parents to inform their children about

what's going on in the world. Children are going to hear gunshots in their backyard as well as getting off of school buses. It's the responsibility of parents to explain the situation," said Bernier.

Yet another incident that was brought to Bernier's attention involved the discovery of an illegal deer-blind within the Reservation, an indication that poaching may be taking place.

Bernier claimed that that was exactly what such a structure may have been used for. He said that the county was looking into the deer-blind, but that the man who found it, Vincent Lehotsky of Linden, had actually dismantled it.

"I would have preferred that he reported it so it could have been documented. Now we have no record that it ever existed," Bernier said.

Lehotsky later claimed that there are "still pieces of it and one whole wall" visible.

As for the 10 law enforcement officials who are taking part in the sharpshooting project, Bernier had words of high praise.

"They have conducted themselves in a highly professional manner. Not only because they are law enforcement officials. We would have expected the same behavior from any hunters who have been licensed by the state. New Jersey has one of the best hunting safety records in the country," stated Bernier.

Fired cop pleads case before council

By Jay Hochberg
Managing Editor

A former member of the Mountain-side Police Department, who was fired last year, appeared before the Borough Council Feb. 21 asking that he be reinstated.

Samuel Cucciniello of Bridgewater was dismissed from the force on Nov. 10 for what he said was his behavior while off duty.

"You still have the opportunity to be the good guys," he told the Borough Council, asking its members to reinstate him. "As it appears now, my termination is nothing more than an evil, unfeeling, malicious act."

"I'm asking you to do the right thing by putting a patrolman, who took such pride in his work, in the department and in the borough, back to work," he added.

On Monday, Police Chief William Alder said there had been no change in Cucciniello's status.

Because he was still in the probationary stage of his employment — the officer had been in his 10th month

on the job — the Police Department was able to terminate his employment for any reason, according to the former officer.

Cucciniello's difficulties with the department allegedly stem from an incident in a bank where he had opened two accounts in 1992.

He filed a lawsuit last month against a Somerville branch of Berkeley Federal Bank and Trust and against three employees, including its manager.

According to the suit, Cucciniello's checking account was overdrawn because of an error made by the bank.

Other alleged mistakes made by the bank, including the delayed clearing of a payroll check, resulted in Cucciniello complaining to bank management and saying he would contact state banking authorities and file suit in small claims court to recoup penalty fees he had been charged.

According to Cucciniello, employees of the bank then contacted his superiors and misrepresented the facts of his conflict with the bank, prompt-

ing the department to fire him. Cucciniello said bank employees told Mountain-side police officials that he had told other bank customers that he was glad he was off duty and that he did not have his gun.

In his suit, the former policeman claimed the bank defamed him and invaded his privacy.

The borough challenged his claim to unemployment insurance, but the state Department of Labor ruled in his favor, a sign Cucciniello said was indicative of the injustice of his dismissal.

"It's a ridiculous situation to use a non-work-related incident," he said following the council meeting. "It isn't fair, and it's not fair to the borough."

The former police officer remains optimistic that he will be able to continue his career. After his dismissal, he had gone as far as to testify in traffic court on behalf of the borough.

"I believe people are basically good," he said of those who have the power to reinstate him. "I think they will do the right thing."

Open hearts



Courtesy of Kitty Lentini

Students in Ann Gerdling's kindergarten class at Deerfield School open their many Valentine's Day cards during a party last month.

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Regional school district joins recognition program

The Union County Regional High School District for the 10th straight year will participate in the Governor's Teacher Recognition Program.

One "outstanding teacher" from each of the three Union County regional high schools — Jonathan Dayton, Arthur L. Johnson and Governor Livingston — will be selected by a panel comprised of teachers, administrators, Regional Board of Education members and other community residents.

Nominations for the designation of outstanding teacher may be submitted by parents, students, faculty members and all other residents of the district, which includes Springfield, Moun-

tainside, Berkeley Heights, Clark, Garwood and Kenilworth.

Residents wishing to nominate a teacher for the award may obtain a form in any regional high school main office or instructional media center, or in the town halls and public libraries of any of the six communities in the district. All residents are invited to consider nominating teachers for this honor.

Completed nomination forms are to be returned by 3 p.m. on March 13 to Kenneth Mattfield, Office of Curriculum Services, c/o Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Mountain Avenue, Springfield 07081.

For more information, call (201) 376-6300, Ext. 272.

Two local artists to judge posters

Mountainside artists Harry and Wendy Devlin, the best-selling husband and wife team who have authored more than 30 children's books, will judge Union County entries from fourth-grade students in the third annual New Jersey County Officers Association Poster Contest.

The association is comprised of the four constitutional officers in each of New Jersey's 21 counties.

Among the Devlins' best-known works as authors and illustrators are the nine books in the best-selling "Cranbury" series.

Harry Devlin, meanwhile, has designed five stamps for the U.S. Postal Service and is the author/illustrator of the best-selling "Portraits of American Architecture."

The NJCOA, made up of county sheriffs, clerks, surrogates and registers of deeds and mortgages, initiated

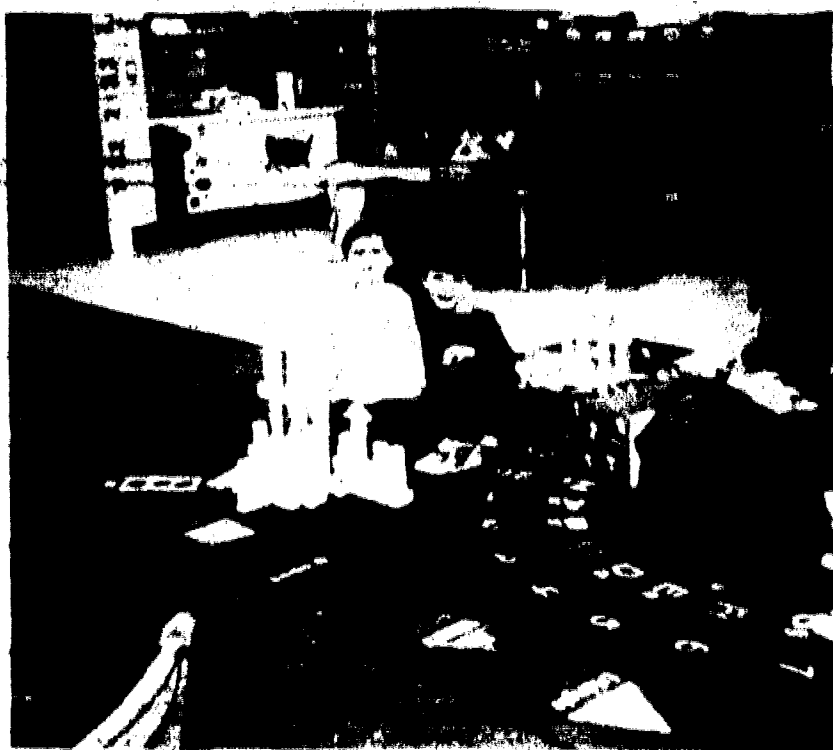
this contest for fourth-grade students three years ago, allowing for the winning children in all counties to be awarded prizes along with a trip to Trenton for a visit with the governor.

All fourth-grade teachers and principals at every public, private and parochial school have been sent kits inviting them to participate.

Since most fourth-grade curriculums include an overview of county government, the contest affords students an opportunity to be involved in the learning process.

The four officers include County Clerk Walter C. Halpin; County Sheriff Ralph G. Frochlich; County Register of Deeds and Mortgages Joanne Rajoppi, and County Surrogate Ann P. Conti.

Team work



Courtesy of Walton School

Roberto Guerci and Geoffrey Shupe from Mrs. Cannell's class in Walton School team up to cooperatively build their dream palace and kingdom. They planned it using architectural methods before constructing it.

Repairs offered for county seniors

The Catholic Community Services Minor Home Repair Program is offering home repairs free of charge to senior citizens who reside in Union County. Some volunteers will be available to work on minor repairs including fixtures, faucets, caulking, spackling and light carpentry.

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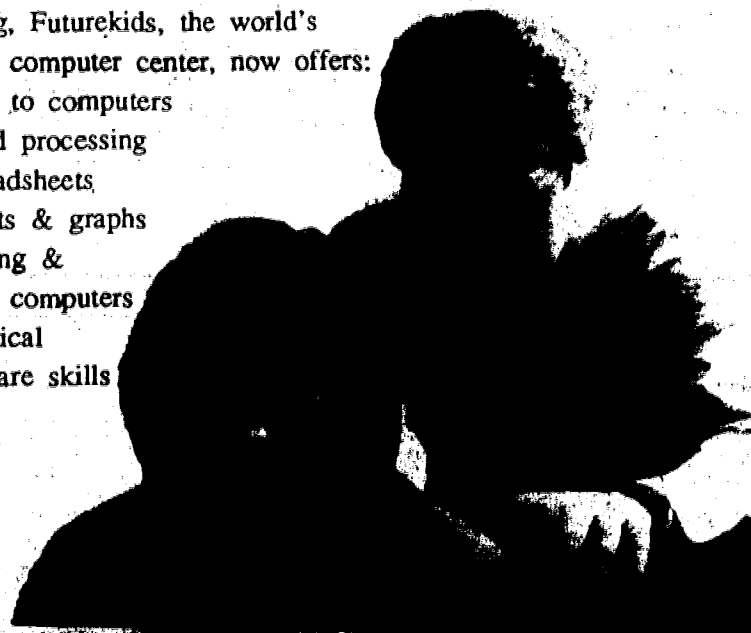
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Petitions filed for board seats

Three seats on the nine-member Union County Regional Board of Education are scheduled to be contested this year: one seat each representing the municipalities of Berkeley Heights, Clark and Springfield.

For Berkeley Heights, Burton Zitomer will be running for his third term on the board; he was first elected in 1989. In addition, Zitomer has served as president of the board since 1991.

Thomas Foregger also submitted a nominating petition.

In Clark, F. Donald Paris will seek a second term on the board; he was first elected in 1992.

No one else submitted a nominating petition.

In Springfield, Luigi Monaco, who was appointed to the board on Jan. 17 to replace Margaret Hough, will run for his first full three-year term.

Ned E. Sambur too submitted a nominating petition.

Sell it with a classified ad. 1-800-564-8911.

Regional Board to meet at Dayton

The Union County Regional High School District Board of Education will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Instructional Media Center of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield.

The anticipated agenda is as follows: superintendent's report, board secretary's report, payment of bills, approval of purchase orders, approval of minutes of the Feb. 7 meeting and board counsel's report.

The district will review, with the Board of Education, various plans, programs and ideas for future consideration which relate to educational and school matters.

Board members are expected to discuss a proposed memorandum of agreement between the Union County Prosecutor's Office, local police departments and the Regional Board of Education. The prosecutor has been

invited to speak about the proposal. Public comments are invited.

District residents, parents of students attending district programs, students and teaching staff members of the three high schools are invited.

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clubs in the news

The Springfield Chapter of Hadasah will sponsor a performance of "Der Yiddisher Mikado," based on Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado." There will be a mixture of English and Yiddish. The melodies will be sung in Yiddish and the dialogue will be in English. This is a presentation of the Gilbert and Sullivan Light Opera Company of Long Island. The performance will be held at the Wilkins Theater of Kean College of New Jersey, Union, March 26 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available and may be obtained by calling (201) 379-1363.

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stork club

Sarah Jane Meisel

A daughter, Sarah Jane, was born Jan. 29 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Meisel of West Orange. Mrs. Meisel, the former Rachel Auslander, is the daughter of Herman and Florence Auslander of Livingston. Her husband is the son of Herbert and Ruth Meisel of Springfield. Paternal great-grandfather is Philip M. Scholder of Teaneck.

Hicks' twins

Twins, Bryan Joseph and David Jr., were born Feb. 16 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. David Hicks of Bloomfield. Bryan weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and David weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces. Mrs. Hicks, the former Donna Heady, is the daughter of Fay and Harry Heady of Springfield. Her husband is the son of Anna and John Hicks of Passaic.

obituaries

Harold Dennis

Harold Dennis, 70, of Springfield died Feb. 20 in the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Research Center, New York City. Born in Paterson, Mr. Dennis lived in Newark before moving to Springfield 37 years ago. He had owned Pamela Dennis Inc., a clothing manufacturing company, for many years before his retirement. Mr. Dennis was a member of the Friars Club of New York City and past president of Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield. Surviving are his wife, June; two sons; Alan and Marion; a daughter, Pamela Rothstein; a sister, Sally Klein, and four grandchildren.

Isabel M. Eye

Isabel M. Eye, 82, of Springfield died Feb. 5 in her home. Born in East Rutherford, Miss Eye lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield many years ago. She had been a librarian's assistant in the Springfield Public Library for many years before her retirement. Surviving is a sister, Mabel Theobald.

Gertrude Ferreira

Gertrude Ferreira, 81, of Springfield died Feb. 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Newark, Mrs. Ferreira lived in Springfield for two years. She was a cutter for the Glacobbie Clothing Co., Newark, for many years before retiring 25 years ago. Earlier, Mrs. Ferreira worked for Walter Kidde in Belleville. Surviving are a son, John, and a sister, Alba Pasquarosa.

George M. Schaefer

George M. Schaefer, 85, of Springfield died Feb. 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Union City, Mr. Schaefer

lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield 44 years ago. He had been a tool and die maker with the Otis Elevator Co., Harrison, for 34 years before retiring in 1974. Mr. Schaefer

zens Group I of Springfield for two years.

Surviving are his wife, Alberta; a son, Lloyd M.; a sister, Fay Ruyment, and two grandchildren.

death notices

CHMANN- Walter E. Sr., of Brick, N.J., formerly of Irvington, on Monday, Feb. 20, 1995, husband of the late Gertrude (nee Schaefer) and the late Emily (nee Bayley), father of Walter E. Bechmann Jr. and Dorothy Otto, brother of Harold Bechmann, also survived by his companion of 18 years, Muriel Darcy, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Interment Hollywood Memorial Park, Union.

EVE- Isabel M., of Springfield, on Feb. 5, 1995, sister of Mabel Theobald and the late Alice Schmitt. Burial was private in Hollywood Memorial Park, Union. A Memorial Service was held in The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union, in lieu of flowers. Please make memorial donations to the charity of your choice.

FALDUTI- On Feb. 25, 1995, Lucille (Conzolo), of Union, N.J., wife of the late Frank Falduti, devoted mother of Rosemarie Harrop and John Falduti, sister of Jerry, Frank and George Conzolo, also survived by five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. The funeral will be conducted from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union, N.J., on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. with a Funeral Mass at St. Joseph the Carpenter Church, Roselle, N.J., Interment St. Theresa Cemetery.

FRETZ- Viola M. (nee Hickey), of Union, on Friday, Feb. 24, 1995, wife of the late Frederick A. Fretz who passed away Jan. 8, 1995, mother of Frederick A. Fretz, sister of Dorothy Cook, also survived by two grandchildren. Funeral services were held at The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Interment Rosedale Cemetery, Linden. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Center for Hope Hospice, 176 Husse St., Linden, N.J. 07036, in her memory would be appreciated.

GROTE- On Feb. 26, 1995, Judith Lynn (Schorner), of Union, N.J., beloved wife of William P. Grote, devoted mother of Steven W. and Michael W. Grote, sister of Pal Schwarz. Funeral was conducted from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Funeral Mass was at St. Michael Church, Interment Hollywood Memorial Park.

LARUSSO- Stephen, of Niceville, Fla. (formerly of Colonia, N.J.), on Monday, Feb. 20, 1995, beloved husband of Judy (nee Kamers) Larusso, father of Edward S. Larusso, son of Benjamin and the late Josephine (nee Santchando) Larusso, brother of Marilyn Dickson. Funeral services were from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth, N.J.

MURPHONE- On Feb. 24, 1995, Lillian J. (DePalma), of Cranbury, N.J., wife of the late Samuel Murphone, devoted mother of Frank S.

Murphone, Rosemarie A. Blood, Lillian L. Miceil, Dino Murphone and the late Victoria M. Barileon, sister of Alfred, Charles and Anthony DePalma, Mildred DePasquale, Pearl Ball and Rosa Luzzi, also survived by 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral service was held at the Evangelical Church, Terrell Road, Scotch Plains, N.J. Interment will take place in California. Funeral was from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. In lieu of flowers, those so desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society.

ONOSZKO- Saly Nerwinski, of Dover, Del., formerly of Irvington, N.J., wife of Anthony Onoszko, mother of Evelyn Kozlik, Cynthia Richards of Dover, Del., sister of Mary Depulita, Anne Krohn, also survived by five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral was from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Mass was at Holy Spirit Church, Union. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Arthritis Foundation, New Jersey Chapter, 200 Middlesex Turnpike, Iselin, N.J. 08830.

PETIACH- Anna, 84, of Union, on Feb. 25, 1995, beloved widow of Mikotaj Petiach, dear mother of Elsie Masterson, sister of Olga Murelio and Jenny Horsch, grandmother of two and great-grandmother of three. Funeral was at The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Interment Hollywood Memorial Park.

RICHTER- Adelina (Holbein), of Union, on Feb. 22, 1995, beloved wife of the late Albert Peter Richter, mother of Linda Loboda, mother-in-law of Henry Loboda, sister of Sophie Herzog, Madia Reed and John Holbein, grandmother of Andrew and Cori Loboda. Funeral was conducted at The CROWNEY FUNERAL HOME, 1070 N. Broad St., Hillside. Private Cremation.

STOSKUS- John J., 47, of Edison, formerly of Warren and Hillside, on Feb. 18, 1995, son of the late Joseph and Mary Stoskus, husband of Gail Stoskus, stepfather of the late Duane Drabik, brother of Joseph Stoskus and Ann Janowski. Services were private under the direction of The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union.

TIANO- Frank, on Feb. 24, 1995, beloved husband of the late Antonette Sinato, devoted father of Antonette McCloskey, dear brother of Gilda Viziari, Tessa Riccardi, Vera Bove, Lucile Barbotta, Bella Mustacchio and Eleanor Maddaloni, Daniel Metro and the late George Tiano, loving grandfather of five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were from The MC CRACKEN FUNERAL HOME, 1500 Morris Ave., Union. Funeral Mass was at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Maplewood. Interment Hollywood Cemetery.

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Three cheers for the new guys

JoAnn Holmes, often the lone voice of reason lately on the Springfield Township Committee, had some company recently when Committeemen Roy Hirschfeld and Gregory Clarke dropped the Democratic Party line to side with her on a Police Department personnel matter.

That personnel matter was listed among the items on the agenda of the Township Committee meeting on Feb. 14 as a resolution on the "Scope Petition." This would have allowed the current Township Committee to unilaterally renegotiate a point in the labor contract between the PBA and the township that had been settled by the previous committee in 1994.

That point is known as the minimum manning clause, which stipulates that no fewer than four police officers will be on duty at any time. It is a clause that also has been included in every contract the township has entered into with the PBA for at least the past 25 years.

Mayor Marcia Forman and Deputy Mayor Herbert Slotc — both of whom had agreed to the minimum manning clause during contract negotiations last year — sought to have that clause removed from the latest contract.

This clumsy maneuver in contract negotiations was recommended by Mark Ruderman, the attorney retained by the township to handle labor issues.

Ruderman's recommendation to the committee prompted more than two dozen PBA members to attend the Feb. 14 meeting. Their appearance prevented what would have been a St. Valentine's Day massacre of Springfield's public safety.

Removal of this clause could have been used as a cost-cutting measure. Although Forman assured the public that the township never would want to take advantage of such an option, she could not explain why the Township Committee would bother to pass such a resolution.

As part of the PBA's protest, Mitch Fenton, president of the PBA local, asked the Township Committee if Ruderman would be dismissed from his post for suggesting an unseemly tactic.

Fat chance, Officer Fenton.

What makes this so important to the safety of every resident is the fact that Springfield's finest are already thinly deployed. If only four officers are in the field after midnight, for example, their time easily could be monopolized by only a few emergency calls.

Domestic disturbances must be responded to by at least two officers. Traffic accidents too require more than one officer. In medical emergencies, police officers are almost always the first on the scene.

If a Police Department administrator decides to schedule fewer than four officers one night, how will simultaneous emergencies be handled?

While it is true that Springfield still enjoys suburban tranquility, that good fortune will not hold forever. The nearby highways often serve as veins bringing social poisons into the suburbs of Union County. And if the court-mandated affordable housing units are ever constructed, it is possible that some of those same elements will bring their attitudes, values and behavior to this township. Those two scenarios alone pose a challenge to any police department; a force that serves with one hand tied behind its back will fail.

Because Forman, Holmes and Slotc had agreed to the manning clause last year, the only votes in favor of dropping the manning clause should have been Hirschfeld's and Clarke's, but they both recognized Ruderman's trickery and refused to soil themselves with it.

"I greatly appreciate your concern on the issue," Hirschfeld told the PBA members. "It shows you care about the town."

"I haven't had time to discuss it properly with Township Committee members," Clarke said, indicating he was not going to support Forman and Slotc. "I don't see an immediate need to" reverse the existing decision on the contract.

Because Hirschfeld and Clarke joined Holmes in opposing the measure, it was never introduced as a resolution, let alone put to a vote.

Take a bow, gentlemen. You may have saved someone's life.

Synchronize watches

On the lighter side of municipal governing bodies, Mountainside Borough Councilman Ronald Romak recently settled a dispute between himself and the president of the local Democratic Club.

The feud dated back to the campaign last fall, during which some verbal nastiness, in excess of common campaign rhetoric, was used.

The issue, a perennial point in politics, was taxation.

The Democrats alleged that the municipal portion of property taxes increased by more than 40 percent since 1991.

Romak countered, calling the Democrats liars and claiming that the tax increase was closer to 1 percent.

To prove his point, Romak presented a comparison of tax rates for the borough which reflects an increase of 10 percent. While those figures support his argument more so than the Democrats', Romak used 1990 — not 1991 — as a base year. Taxes in 1991 were cut 2.5 percent from 1990.

Have the Democrats been accurate in their statements that the tax rate was higher than 1 percent? Yes.

Did Romak come clean by proving himself wrong about the 1 percent increase? Yes, but by selecting a base year at his convenience, Romak demonstrated that either the facts were in the way of his arguments, or that he was lying.

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OPINION PAGE



WHO KILLED BAMBI? — Several does walk through the snow-covered Watching Reservation. The plan to thin the deer population by 50, which involves using food to lure female deer to several locations to be shot, began Feb. 22. In addition to several protests organized by residents of Mountainside and neighboring communities, opponents of the shootings have alleged that riflemen have violated the terms set by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. Several protestors have claimed that deer, wounded by gunfire, have been chased into the woods, leaving trails of blood before being killed. Several anti-shooting activists also have said that local children have not been warned to avoid the park by either their schools or through parental notification. Others had alleged that the corn used as bait has attracted rodents to the area.

Springfield school board misleading public

On Feb. 13, Springfield Board of Education member Ruth Brinen and Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland addressed a small group of parents in Walton School regarding the dissolution of the Regional High School District. As I listened to the presentation, I noted numerous inaccuracies and untruthful comments which deserve to be corrected.

It is one thing to discuss an issue objectively and truthfully, but quite another to have residents believe false information, which could influence how they feel and vote on the impending deregionalization matter.

Some of the comments which deserve correction are as follows:

- The excess support service penalty which certain school districts were assessed — the Regional District, Livingston, Madison, Millburn, Princeton, Scotch Plains, etc. — was not for excessive administration costs. The costs assessed were also for guidance counselors, nurses, doctors, librarians, books and library equipment, our substance abuse counselor and child study team staff which work with handicapped students. These top flight school districts are being told they spend more on support services for students than the state would have liked. Even though, the state mandates that these positions be staffed and their services for students must be provided. The Regional District is in good company with these other light-house school districts. Be this as it may, our students deserve the services of these people in order to be successful in their educational and individual development. Success in life may well depend upon these.

- Allegations were made at the meeting that are not based on facts.

It was said that teachers at Jonathan Dayton can do what they want; that is, they are under little supervision.

It was alleged that there is little curriculum development; that students are not provided with adequate guidance services; that students cannot pass advanced placement tests and, therefore, take the course but decide not to take the test.

These allegations are not so. No doubt these were said only to try to influence parents of elementary-aged students and to put the high school program in a poor light.

After being superintendent in Springfield for many years, it was only in January that Dr. Friedland chose to tour Dayton High School.

For one who knows so little about the Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, he certainly has much to say. Has the issue of deregionalization, clouded his judgment?

Although Dr. Friedland maintains that the Springfield Board of Education can be awarded the high school without making substantial equity payments to Garwood and Mountainside, Senate bill S-1080, introduced by state Sen. Donald DiFrancesco, R-Union, would provide for these payments. Passage of this bill by the Legislature would provide for such payments.

So, if this bill is passed, the residents of Springfield would have to pay a substantial sum for equity payments, increase their taxes by 1.8 percent, pay almost \$200,000 to offset their share of the mandatory payments for bonded indebtedness and then have a high school for only about 400 to 430 students.

Are the residents of Springfield willing to pay these costs to support their own small high school and, if so,

Be Our Guest

By Theresa LiCausi

will their students be getting a better education?

How can 400 to 430 students be receiving the same educational opportunities which the Springfield students currently receive by being part of a student body of more than 700 students?

Do our residents want inadequate educational opportunities at the high school level?

Residents beware! Before you agree to increase your own tax burdens, be sure of what you will be getting for those increased costs. Examine any other educational plan carefully.

- There is no move or thought to close another high school in the Regional District. And, I would not advocate this as a board member representing Springfield. It is our plan to continue with three high schools so that by the school year 1999-2000, our three high schools will educate about 2,400 students. The sizes of our student body will be large enough to provide extensive educational offerings and yet small enough so that students will be able to know each other and to interact with their teachers. It represents the best of both worlds: neither too small nor too large.
- Residents of Springfield also should be aware of the opportunity for high school students to register for an early morning program in September which will enable them to take an extra course during the school day. This opportunity encourages the taking of additional courses for those who desire this option.

Hopefully, students entering Jonathan Dayton will also wish to join a marching band program or our new concert band. Heretofore, Springfield students have opted for more academic courses, athletics or other co-curricular activities. They have not chosen to continue their Gaudineer School band activities at high school.

Perhaps this may change with our early-morning program. But, students should have the right to decide whether they wish to continue with a band experience or some other course at high school.

Despite Dr. Friedland's promise that there will be a band, if and when he takes control of the high school, students have every right to determine the courses and activities they wish to pursue, with their parents' guidance. No administrator should dictate what courses students should take in high school. If a band experience is desired, it should be pursued; if other experiences are covered, they should be taken.

Individual differences dictate individual choices.

Hopefully, that small group of parents from the Walton School which listened to the misinformation presented by Ruth Brinen and Gary Friedland will have the opportunity to read this letter.

They should learn the truth about Jonathan Dayton, as should all residents, before they decide to be in favor or opposed to dissolution of the Regional District. They should contact our principal and find out more about how good the high school is for our students.

I am proud of Jonathan Dayton and what it has meant to thousands of students from Springfield. It has provided an excellent education with our graduates being accepted to the finest colleges and universities.

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letter to the editor

Thomas only visible at election time

To the Editor:

This is in reply to Lou Thomas' letter to the editor of Feb. 23. I've searched high and I've searched low and what comes to mind is a phrase I remember from my Catholic upbringing, and I use it in all due respect and seriousness: "Forgive them for they know not what they do!" And in your case, Lou, that applies two-fold, for you know not what you do and you know not what you say!

How could you read my letter to the editor of Feb. 16 and go off on a tangent the way you did? I did not question your political ambitions or abilities, for I could care less about them. I questioned the pure fact that Karen MacQueen, Lou Thomas and Eli Hoffman are like a trio of turtles who only come out of their shell when they feel like it.

It's wonderful that you have your name plastered in the newspapers three months before election time, year after year after year, but where are you the other nine months of the year? I believe you're taking advantage of that turtle shell during those other months.

You run off at the mouth about increased taxes and Council President Romak's promise, while neither I nor my article addressed those issues. Whatever problem you have with the council president is no concern of mine.

Certainly, you've addressed it enough that no one can escape it. If you felt it necessary to respond and make reference to my article, you should stay within the text of my message instead of your attempt to avoid the issue.

The question that was posed was, What do you all do besides becoming verbal in and around election time? Are you aware that Mountainside has an active Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, one which every resident of Mountainside should support and become active in? The limited amount of people assisting that DARE program work extremely hard to educate our kids as to the dangers of drugs. The small part I render each year is rewarding beyond imagination.

Are you aware that there is an active campaign to have better and up-to-date facilities at the Little League fields?

Are you aware of the time and energy that is going into the town's hundredth birthday celebration? As I reiterated, I am chairman of the Centennial Fund-Raising Committee and the sole purpose of this committee is to raise enough funds to cover the expenses of the Gala Ball, Parade and Heritage Day Fair, in order that not one single resident in Mountainside should have to bear any cost relating to the borough's centennial.

Are you out there day and night working as a volunteer on any committee or activity that the town has to offer? I'll answer for you: no!

But guess what, Lou Thomas is a Democrat. My oh my, I for one will sleep better at night knowing that Lou Thomas is a Democrat.

Are you aware that an active member of your own party, whether officially or unofficially, suggested to me at lunch on Feb. 20, whether I would consider running as a candidate for mayor of Mountainside as either a Democrat or Independent? I must admit I was flattered, but I have no political ambitions or intentions at this time.

My concern for Mountainside remains as I have stated previously, volunteers are an essential and vital part of this borough. A fly-by voice as seen by your many displays, comes a dime a dozen. Be there where your deeds and actions are rewarding and beneficial. Your agenda has been going nowhere for quite sometime now and in my opinion is getting quite boring.

In closing, I would just like to add that since I consider your reference to me so off-base, it's no wonder you're missing the plate time after time.

Gary W. Whyte
Mountainside

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Language skills lacking in letters to editor

By trade I am not a newspaperman, but a teacher of high school English and history. I am moved to comment by a former student — now a newspaperman — who has shown me a number of "letters to the editor" in the form in which they were originally received.

The lot of the average editor must be sorry indeed when it comes to dealing with missives from the semi-literate who buy and, perhaps, even read the papers in this, the best of all possible worlds. During the early years of a sojourn in printed media, the fledgling editor discovers to his chagrin a fact that has been common knowledge to virtually every secondary English teacher in America for years. Horrors! Most of the folks writing "letters to the editor" are little more than unlettered clods whose literary skills are mediocre at best. Concise, well-written pieces cross editors' desks as the rare exception — certainly not as the rule. These sad collections of harangue and kvetch, decorated as they frequently are with multiple exclamation points or question marks, whole lines composed of capital letters, vast fields of underlining or italics — in short, the full range of excrement with which literary efforts are often tarted-up, serve to provoke mirth or disgust before the harried editor can begin to hammer them into intelligible prose.

And why should the editor even bother in the first place to "fix" the

Be Our Guest

By Eugene S. Pollioni

letters? Wouldn't it be far better, to say nothing of a good deal more amusing, to publish them just as they are and let the writer look like the witless dolt that he or she often is? Well, even though a good many of the people who write are dumbbells of the first order, they sometimes do have something to say that just might be interesting or valid. Letters are "repaired" by conscientious editors so that the average reader can avail himself of a differing point of view that just might be worthwhile — even if the original writer has worded his or her ideas in such a way that he or she looks like a babbling moron. It is the editor's art that the original intent of the writer is preserved to the greatest extent possible, while his or her excrecences in grammar or style — a term I use lightly — are expunged.

There are two important points here. First, those authoring letters to newspapers, far from being incensed by the paper's editorial license, ought to be appreciative when an editor has taken the time to alter their prose so that the meaning is clear. Secondly, letters that are to become public ought

to be proofread before being sent and, consequently, altered by more knowing hands. The fewer changes an editor has to make in what one has written, the better: If the work is decent in the first place, it will be less altered when it appears in print.

Far more distressing, however, than my bellyaching about badly written letters is the fact that the existence of such points out a serious weakness in an educational system that has allowed people to consider themselves literate, when their writing betrays them as being anything but. It is hard to know where to begin in assessing the full extent of the literacy problem this nation now faces. Average people cannot write with any depth or persuasiveness at all, not the kids in the classroom or the adults either for the most part. Except in isolated cases, there is rarely any finesse or beauty or even the slightest modicum of style whatsoever, to judge by what passes as writing on the part of either America's adults or its children. Finding a single letter written by a hand that has even a decent grasp of basic grammar is a challenge faced by both editors and teachers on a daily basis. It is as if doing the absolute minimum necessary to "get by" has been institutionalized as a local — or, worse, perhaps even national — standard. One can hear the thoughtless scribbler, sealing his letter and saying, "Well, it'll do: I know what it says and so'll everybody else." Sad to say, "it'll do" seems to

have become the rallying cry of the brainless masses.

Contributing to this continuing crisis is the fact that we produce people — many of them high school and even, to the collective horror of the well-read and the knowing, college graduates — who are not only just barely literate, but utterly ignorant, credulous and naive. Only a small fraction of the American populace reads anything of substance at all — and of our youth, far less than that.

The results of this condition are an all-encompassing superficiality that manifests itself in written discourse that rarely if ever delves beneath the surface and in a selfishly arrogant attitude of studied indifference.

Such a lackadaisical approach is not, one hopes, typical of our best and brightest, but certainly typifies almost everyone else. On top of this is the fact that, as a nation, we are willing to settle for "what will do" from ourselves, rather than aiming to do our utmost all the time. This "what will do-ism" in America explains why we glorify the mediocre and are unable to recognize the better when we are fortunate enough to actually encounter it. It also, to some extent, tells why letters sent to the editor must be edited.

Eugene S. Pollioni, a Union County resident, is a high school teacher in Middlesex County.

letters to the editor

Attorneys should study law in school

To the Editor:

I read with great concern the letter to the editor in a recent edition of the *Springfield Leader* submitted by Bill and Beatrice Levidow.

On the subject they raised regarding what is, or what is not considered a legal contribution, it is very clear that they really have no idea what they are talking about.

What bothers me is the fact that Beatrice Levidow has been an attorney in New Jersey since 1973, and one would think a lawyer would know the laws that govern our state.

For their information and files, "an offer to paint your house, fit you for dentures, or teach 'Never on Sunday' at a dinner dance," as stated in her letter, does add up to more than one penny in contributions. In fact, it totals many dollars, especially when you add to it a gift or service rendered to a political fundraising event to raise money on behalf of candidates. This was the case in this matter.

The laws of the State of New Jersey are very clear on this point, and Beatrice Levidow, Esq., should know this. There is no gray area in the law.

May I suggest that Ms. Levidow spend a moment to look up N.J.S.A. 19:4-A-3, section D. She will agree with me that the law covering this activity is plain vanilla.

Perhaps, had they bid and won the \$125 certificate for free legal advice donated by Bruce Bergen, Esq., perhaps, just perhaps, he would have remembered the law from law school. Politics and the way money appears to have been handled in this matter, can't mix as one no matter how hard you try to explain it. Either you do it the correct way or you pay a price.

I would ask both Bill and Beatrice to please check their facts before attempting to question my facts or statements. If they were told to write their letter, they were made fools of. If it was their letter, they goofed big time.

Harry Pappas
Springfield

Dangerous drivers make safe roads unsafe

The way some people drive a car makes me wonder if they obtained their licenses from a highway mall shop. Many do not have the slightest perception of road rules, common courtesy or the fact that a car is an awesome weapon in the hands of the incompetent.

That there are already too many cars on the roads goes without saying without the crackpot drivers making a bad situation even worse.

One of the more dangerous problems we have is that many bad drivers compound their incompetence by ignoring laws. They will drive 50 mph in a 25 mph area, weave in and out of traffic, pass on the right and make jack rabbit starts from a full stop. Of course, there are the traffic light runners who'll go past a red signal. It never occurs to them that someone could jump a green light and both cars could meet in the intersection and splatter each other all over the place.

Then there are the over-cautious drivers who are as dangerous as the hell-bent-to-get-there operators. The overly cautious hug the middle of the road, put on their indicators four or five blocks before they make a turn and drive so slowly as to cause traffic backups and grid locks. Others make an overly big deal by almost coming to a complete stop to make a turn at one or 2 mph.

The overly cautious can be dangerous during ice and snow storms when they are so petrified of driving that they hardly move, again causing backups. In west Summit at the New Providence border on Springfield Avenue, there is a moderate incline to cross the railroad bridge. Many overly cautious drivers come to a near halt because they are afraid to make the snowy ascent, thus causing backups because the cars behind lose their traction and can barely move.

Then there are the so-called "cowboys" who will drive the same in good or bad weather. It never ceases to amaze me to see a car in a snowstorm swerve in and out of traffic, pass other cars like a bat out of hell and take curves the same way as professional drivers do at the Indy 500.

For reasons good and sufficient, many towns have designated certain

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

intersections as places where a right turn on red is prohibited. Does this stop some drivers? Nah. I've seen

drivers stop, look around for a policeman and seeing none, make the turn. What's even worse is when there is a right turn on red permitted, and the driver fails to take a second or two to see if a pedestrian or a car on its left, which has the right of way, is crossing in front of their car. I've seen at least one person get hit and two other cars creamed because of this lapse in driver care.

Of course, there are the tailgaters who get to within two or three feet of you and blow their horn to get you moving. If the car ahead had to suddenly stop, can you imagine the rear-end calamity that would cause?

Norman Rauscher, a former newspaper publisher in Summit, is an active member of the Summit community.

Why can't taxes come down once?

To the Editor:

I'm a little confused about Mayor Vigilanti's budget announcement. First, no change over last year; when has that happened anywhere before, or does it mean last year's budget was too high?

Secondly, funds were taken from an insurance reserve to meet other expenses, does that mean the insurance reserve is now deficient?

Why do government officials resort to esoteric or fancy bookkeeping to balance budgets, are lessons being taken from Christie Whitman and Bill Clinton?

Joseph Chieppa
Mountainside

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Saturday and Sunday
 • **Inspirations While-You-Wait:** The State of the Art of Screen Printing. Barbara Schachman will demonstrate how a photocopier and Japanese screen printer can be used in transforming drawings, photographs, and collages into silk-screen prints or original greeting cards. Request materials list when registering. Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$70; materials \$10.

Saturday
 • **Kimono Art:** Willner and Shapiro will lead attendees on a brief and knowledgeable illustrated survey of the kimono in art, then apply your own spectrum of creativity and chosen materials to hangable kimono-based works of art. Clothe the wall with your creativity and wear the art on your sleeve. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$45; materials fee \$10.

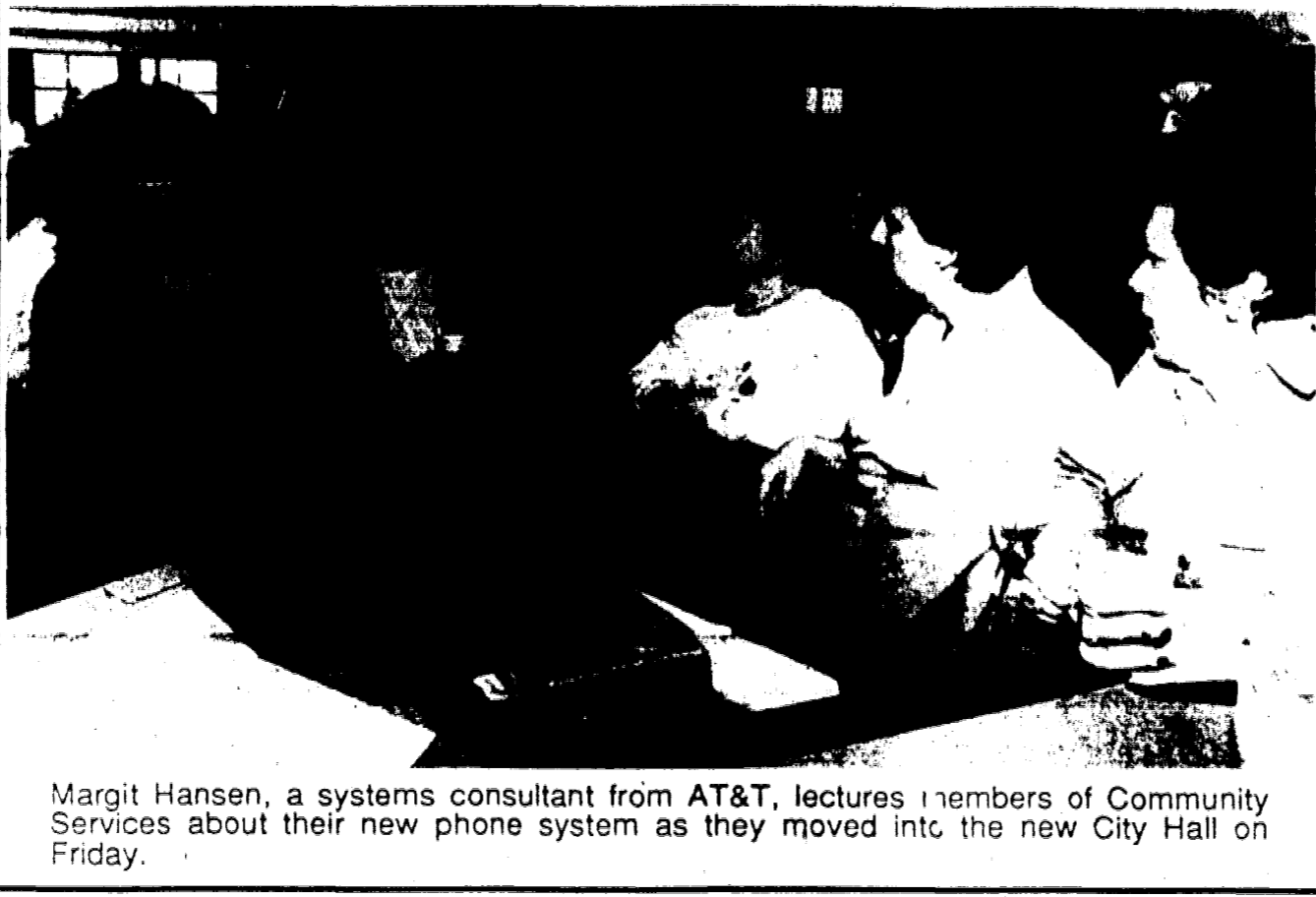
Saturday and March 11
 • **Face Value: People Photographing People.** Helen Strummer, a celebrated leader in portraying people will address ways to approach and photograph people. Students must be familiar with their cameras and the dark-room procedures. Two Saturdays. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$50; materials fee \$10.

Mar. 9
 • **Chinese Brush Painting:** Pu Willis, popular brush painting authority will show how to compose spontaneously in a process of balancing elements and space in the oriental way. Request materials list when registering. Six weeks starting March 9. From 12:30 to 3 p.m., \$105 fee.

Mar. 10
 • **Caricature:** Drew Willard. Six week course that encourages students to become both active artists and simply people on the lookout for beauty and distinctiveness in anybody. Starting March 10. From 9:30 a.m. to noon, \$75.

Mar. 12
 • **Opening New Jersey Center for Visual Arts 1995 annual international juried show** — 64 artists from around the world. Juror, Lowery Sims, associate curator 20th century art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City. Preview reception and awarding of prizes 2 to 5 p.m. at the center, 68 Elm St.

Phone talk



Margit Hansen, a systems consultant from AT&T, lectures members of Community Services about their new phone system as they moved into the new City Hall on Friday.

New Jersey theatre is focused

The Prudential Foundation's Talking Stages series of free symposia exploring the issues that inspire the plays on New Jersey's professional stages will look back at America's theatrical, journalistic and political history in three events presented by the New Jersey Theatre Group in March.

On Sunday at 5 p.m., the American Stage Company will host a panel discussion on "The American Musical Revue...Past and Future?" Peter Filichia, *The Star Ledger's* theatre reviewer, *TheatreWeek* columnist and musical theatre aficionado, will moderate the discussion, following a matinee performance of the musical revue "I Love You, You're Perfect — Now Change."

Though admission to the symposium is free and symposium audiences are not required to attend the preceding performance, tickets for all performances of "I Love You, You're Perfect...Now Change" are available through the American Stage box office. Both the symposium and show are at American Stage on the campus of Fairleigh Dickinson University at River Road and Route 4 in Teaneck.

On March 12 at 3 p.m., Stageworks/Summit will present a

staged reading of "Hauptmann: The Lindbergh Crime," about the kidnapping/murder trial that first drew headlines as the "trial of the century." Afterwards, members of the legal profession and media will engage in a discussion on journalistic responsibility in covering sensational crimes. The program entitled "Crime, Justice and the Media" will be held at Stageworks/Summit on the campus of Kent Place School, 42 Norwood Ave., Summit. Admission to both the reading and discussion is free.

Looking back to the late 1800s, the East Lynne Company will present "Women Suffrage: Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment" at the Williams/Meadowlands Center located at One Williams Plaza in Rutherford on March 25 from 2 to 5 p.m. Authorities on the issues and people involved with America's 19th century suffrage movement will preface a performance of "An Anti-Suffrage Monologue," a period pastiche that jabbed the move-

ment's opposition. Admission to both sessions is free.

For a free brochure that describes these and future Talking Stages programs scheduled through July, call the New Jersey Theatre Group, the association of New Jersey's professional theatres, at (201) 593-0189 or write to P.O. Box 21-TS, Florham Park 07932.

Talking Stages is funded by the Prudential Foundation with additional funding provided by the New Jersey Council for the Humanities. Funding for the New Jersey Theatre Group is provided in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State.

Garage sale

The City Hall garage sale at 14 Beekman Terrace is Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

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1 Pet. 4:11

THE TRUTH ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY

God created them MALE and FEMALE, thus the natural and proper sexual relationship is a man and woman joined together as husband and wife in marriage (Gen. 1:27-28; 2:18-24; Psa. 127:3-5).

It is unnatural for a MAN to have sexual relations with another MAN. It is unnatural for a WOMAN to have sexual relations with another WOMAN. God DID NOT make them homosexuals. Their actions are a result of their own lust and evil desires. (Ja. 1:13-14).

What does God's word say about homosexuality? Abomination and SIN against God (1 Cor. 6:9-10; Rom. 1:26-27). However, "Homosexual can be changed" (1 Cor. 6:11; Rom. 1:16; Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38).

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Huddled near the kitchen door at Calvary Episcopal Church at 6:15 a.m. on a cold winter's morning are some people waiting for a hot breakfast and an amiable atmosphere. Without this meal and the accompanying sack lunch, these men, women, children and elderly would have no food.

The Summit Homeless Intervention Program, a non-profit organization that provides meals to the homeless, at-risk homeless, and elderly, has recently received grants from the Family Service Fund of the Overlook Hospital Foundation and the Central Presbyterian Church/Mission Fund. This funding will enable the program to extend its services from breakfast

four weekdays to include Fridays at Calvary, plus continue the weekend fellowship dinners at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center.

At this time of the year especially, more people come in from the cold in search of food or shelter. Those people identified through the Summit Welfare Office are eligible for help. "Most do have a roof over their heads but not much else. They may not have the funds to pay the rent and to eat," said Richard Nelson, SHIP's program director. "Their situations are tenuous. They are at-risk of being homeless."

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Tennis championship set

The 1995 National Platform Tennis Championship is coming to New Jersey.

According to Laurence Chapin of Mountainside, chairman of the championship, more than 380 men and women will compete in the four-day event which will benefit Children's Specialized Hospital.

The 61st annual championship will be played at local country clubs including the Short Hills Club and the Montclair Gold Club on March 22-26.

"Since the championship is being held in New Jersey, we felt the event should benefit a local charity and what better cause than Children's Specialized Hospital?" said Charles J. Stevens, Jr. of Cranford, president of the American Platform Tennis Association and Championship Committee member. Money will be raised through sponsorships of the championship and donations received during the event.

"We're extremely grateful to the members of the American Platform Tennis Association for choosing Children's Specialized Hospital as the beneficiary of the 1995 championship. With their support the hospital can continue to provide rehabilitation care for children and adolescents throughout New Jersey and neighboring states," said Philip Salerno III, vice president for Development at the hospital.

The Championship Committee has been organizing the event and registering players from throughout the

country. Besides Chapin and Stevens, other committee members include Bobo Delaney of Chatham, racquets professional for the Montclair Golf Club; Jerome J. Graham of Morristown, chairman of the Men's tournament; APTA Treasurer, Nancy Mangano of Chatham, chairman of the Women's Tournament; Ginna Ohlmuller of Upper Montclair, APTA executive director; Prue Reynolds of Chatham, chairman of the Women's tournament, and Carol York of Verona, chairman of President's Cup Activities.

Platform Tennis, more commonly known as "Paddle," is a unique outdoor tennis-like game that is generally played in cold weather. The court is one quarter the size of a conventional tennis court and is situated on a raised platform surrounded by 12-foot high fencing. It is primarily a doubles game and the equipment consists of a short, hard-surfaced racquet and a ball made of solid sponge-rubber.

Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's only comprehensive pediatric rehabilitation hospital, treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years of age. The hospital maintains an 85-bed facility in Mountainside, and Outpatient Center in Fanwood and a 30-bed Toms River location.

For information regarding sponsorship opportunities, call Stevens at (201) 276-3250. For general information about the event, contact Ohlmuller at (201) 744-1190.

Stop the shooting!



Photo by Jay Hochberg

About 12 Mountainside residents and neighboring municipalities gathered at the Trailside Nature and Science Center on the evening of Feb. 21 to protest the county's policy regarding the thinning of the deer population in the Watchung Reservation. The group included residents who have been active for years in the deer-shooting debate. A similar protest was held Feb. 24 at the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

MadJazz has upcoming concert

MadJazz, a locally popular a cappella ensemble, will be in concert on Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside. Joining MadJazz will be the Gentleman of the College, a 14-member, all-male student a cappella group from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

MadJazz, formed in 1991, is under the direction of Jim Little of Plainfield. Members of the group include Mountainside residents Laurie Weeks Thomas, Kristy Weeks Boyce, Andrew Hoydich, Robin Gillman, and Warren and Julie Fristensky. Scotch Plains residents Jim Flath and Brenda Kay-Kucin also join Little and his wife, Nancy, to round out the group. Formerly the organist/choirmaster at Community Presbyterian, Little now serves in the same capacity at Calvary

Episcopal Church in Summit. MadJazz has performed to enthusiastic audiences during First Night Summit celebrations in 1994 and 1995 in addition to as many other local appearances as schedules allow.

This will be the first area appearance of the Gentleman of the College, founded in 1990 at William and Mary, the second oldest college in the Nation. Most of the group hail from Virginia with representatives from Missouri, Georgia, Delaware, Connecticut and New York. The Gentlemen have recorded two albums and are currently at work on their third, tentatively titled "Gentlemen, Start Your Engines."

Music styles at the March 7 event will range from madrigals to vocal jazz, including spirituals, barbershop, doo-wop and an old sacred motet or two. Suggested donations of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for seniors and students will be accepted at the door. The church is located at the corner of Meeting House Lane and Deer Path in Mountainside. For further information, call Kay Lark at (908) 273-3190.

Fortnightly auction held

The 16th annual Travel and Service Auction, the major fund-raiser of the GFWC Summit Jr. Fortnightly Club will be held March 10 at 7 p.m. at The Grand Summit Hotel, Springfield Avenue, Summit.

The evening will include a preview of the collection of more than 80 trips, services and hotel accommodations, ranging from such items as a three day/two night stay in Orlando or a jaunt to the Boca Raton Resort & Club to brunches or dinners for two and trips to San Juan, Acapulco, Bermuda or New York City getaways at award-winning hotels. The evening also will feature a door prizes, a dinner buffet, dessert and cash bar.

A \$35 donation entitles a person to admission, buffet and door prize drawings. The cost is \$75 per couple. The preview will begin at 7 p.m.

Chairing the event is Karen Hadley of Summit. Lois Schneider Realtor and Aircast Inc. have made donations to the planned auction as has Reed Reference Publishing, Chubb & Son Inc., Reheis, Summit Bank and CIBA, Coldwell Banker/Schott and Hudson City Savings Bank. Proceeds will benefit Operation Smile International, an organization founded in 1892 providing medical and surgical care, as well as health and educational-related assistance, to those who need it most throughout the world.

GFWC Summit Jr. Fortnightly Club is a non-profit women's service organization. Anyone interested in obtaining tickets, should call (908) 277-3135. Seating is limited and tickets will not be available at the door.

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Female rage is explored

An informal discussion on the recent book titled "Female Rage: Unlocking Its Secrets, Claiming Its Power," will be held on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Eleanor Haugh, chairwoman of the English Department at Summit High School, the discussion will provide an opportunity to discuss the book and solicit reactions to it.

The book explores the issue of women's rage and why women need to acknowledge it and learn to use it, drawing on examples for myth, literature, film and psychotherapy. Authors

Mary Valentis and Anne Devane describe the physical and emotional problems that can arise from rage turned inward.

The fee is \$10, or \$5 for center members, and the registration deadline is March 17. For more information call the office at (908) 273-7253.

The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a non-profit, non-denominational organization offering programs and services to area women.

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A 2-week series titled "Intensive Self-defense for Women" will begin on March 25 from 9 to 4 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Ruth Goldsmith, a certified instructor with Chimera Self-defense for Women, the 12-hour intensive course will teach participants practical, easy-to-learn psychological and physical self-defense techniques.

Sessions will focus on body language, assertiveness, street and home safety, acquaintance vs. stranger assault, defending against weapons, and how to block, kick, strike and break holds efficiently. Adult women and girls age 14 and older are welcome.

The fee is \$70, or \$60 for center members, and the registration deadline is March 20. For more information call the office at (908) 273-7253.

The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodland and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a non-profit, non-denominational organization offering programs and services to all area women.

Little leads Choral

A musical tour de force is in store at the Calvary Choral and Orchestra concert on March 12 at 4 p.m.

The choral, under the direction of James L. Little, will present Durufle's "Requiem" and the orchestra will perform Hindemith's "Trauermusik" and the "Viola Concerto in G" by Telemann, both featuring 16-year-old violinist Tony Devroye of Summit. The concert will be held at Calvary Church, 31 Woodland Ave., Summit.

The "Requiem," composed in 1947 by Frenchman Maurice Durufle in memory of his father, is a lineal descendant of the works of Faure, Ravel and Debussy. It is a piece which is by turns haunting, exhilarating, joyous and ineffably sad.

The concert is free; an offering to support the on-going Calvary Choral series will be accepted. There is wheelchair access to the church. For more information, call (908) 277-1814.

CPR and first aid

The Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross has scheduled the following first aid and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation courses for the month of March:

On Monday and Wednesday, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. a seven-hour Standard First Aid course will be given, which includes first aid and adult CPR training.

On March 20 and 22, from 6 to 10:30 p.m. a nine-hour Community First Aid and Safety course will be given, which includes first aid, adult CPR and infant and child CPR.

Presented at the chapter house, 695 Springfield Ave., the fee is \$40 per course. For registration call (908) 273-2076.

Job skills taught

A workshop titled "Presentation Skills for Women" will be held on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, Summit.

Combining lecture, small group practice and individual coaching, management consultant Jo Ann Jocko will provide an upbeat and supportive

skill-building session that will focus on controlling anxiety, enhancing one's message through effective physical delivery and handling a question-and-answer period effectively.

The fee is \$25, or \$20 for center members. Registration is limited. For more information call (908) 273-7253.

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Keeping in STEP

A seven-week "Pre-School STEP" program will be held tonight from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, Summit.

STEP, or Systematic Training for Effective Parenting, is a practical approach to helping parents relate more effectively to their children, based on the concepts of mutual respect, encouragement, and natural and logical consequences. Led by Linda Deegan, the series is intended for pre-school children aged 2-5. The fee is \$85, or \$70 for center

members, plus \$12 for the STEP manual. Registration is limited. For more information call (908) 273-7253.

Learn to lifeguard

An all-new lifeguarding course from the American Red Cross is being offered by the Summit YWCA for qualified participants. This course teaches skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies and includes certification in first aid, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and lifeguard training.

Interested participants must be at least 15 years old and pass a swim test. The test includes treading water for two minutes using only the legs, swimming 500 yards continuously using freestyle, breaststroke and sidestroke for at least 100 yards each, and submerging to a minimum depth of seven feet to retrieve a 10-pound brick and returning to the surface.

The course is being offered on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. from March 1 through May 18. The fee is \$100.

Anyone interested should register as soon as possible by calling the YWCA at (908) 273-4242. The Y is located at 79 Maple St., two blocks from the train station.

Percussionists three



Ensembles from the New Jersey Youth Symphony will appear at the Unitarian Church in Summit on Sunday at 4 p.m. as part of an afternoon music series. Shown here are members of the percussion ensemble: Aaron Beim of Belle Mead, John Busard of Ringoes and Timothy Zolanz of Somerville. Also appearing will be string, brass and woodwind ensembles. Admission is free.

Giacobello becomes president

Michael J. Giacobello has been promoted to regional president at the Summit office of Summit Bank.

In this capacity, Giacobello serves as the bank's key representative and decision maker within its northern regional markets which include Essex, Morris and Union counties. He also oversees a team of market managers, a regional staff of lenders and regional support staff. Giacobello's office is located at 367 Springfield Ave.

"Summit Bank is committed to providing local decision making and accessibility to our customers," said Paul Lalamaras, executive vice president in charge of business banking and the branch system. "As regional president, Mike Giacobello's extensive banking and lending experience, along with his knowledge of Northern New Jersey's business and residential communities, will play an integral role in reinforcing our banking relationships in the areas that we serve."

Giacobello joined Summit Bank in 1981 as an assistant vice president with its executive administration department. He was promoted to vice president with its corporate banking department in 1987, to team leader of its corporate banking department in 1989 and to regional vice president of business banking in 1993. Giacobello was previously asso-



Michael Giacobello

ciated with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in New York as a bank examiner.

Raised in Newtown Square, Pa., he is a graduate of Marple Newtown High School. Giacobello received a bachelor of accounting degree from Pennsylvania State University in State College, Pa.

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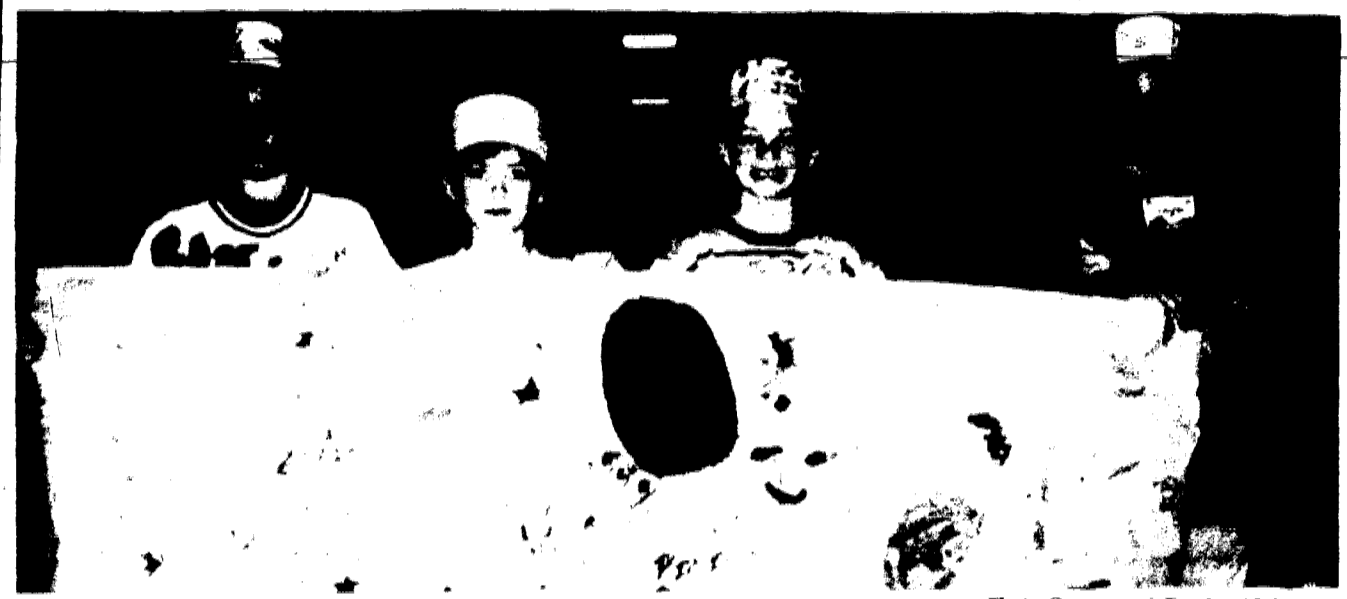


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Franklin School first-graders Mark Garcia, Alison Dionne, Scott Garibaldi and Lauren Magness greet their first-grade friends from Jefferson School with a homemade banner and poem proclaiming Feb. 10 as the 100th day of school. The event gave the Franklin and Jefferson kids a chance to meet each other since they are already pen pals.

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JEWISH - TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM Affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, Vauxhall Road and Pine Street, Union, 686-6773. Harold Gottesman, Cantor, David Gelband, President. Congregation Beth Shalom is an affiliated Traditional Conservative Synagogue. Daily Services - Mon. & Thurs 6:45 A.M. Tues., Wed. & Fri 7:30 A.M. Civil holidays and Sunday morning Services - 8:30 A.M. Shabbat Services - Friday - 8:30 PM, Saturday, 9:15 AM. The new creative Elementary Hebrew School meets Sundays 9:30 AM - 12:00 Noon.

TEMPLE ISRAEL OF UNION 2372 Morris Avenue, Union, 687-2120. Meyer Korban, Rabbi; Hillel Sadovitz, Cantor; Esther Avlet, President; Hadassah Goldfischer, Principal. Temple Israel of Union is a traditional Conservative Congregation with programs for all ages. Friday Services 8:30 PM. Saturday Services 9:00 AM Minchah 5:30 PM. Sunday Tallis and Tefillin 9:00 AM. Religious School with a full time Principal. Grades Three through Seven meet Sundays 9:10-10:30 AM and Mondays & Wednesdays 4-5:30 PM. Primer Class for Grades One and Two, Sundays 9-10:30 AM. Adult Hebrew Classes including Bar and Bat Mitzvah Preparation - Thursdays - 8-10 PM.

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LUTHERAN

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METHODIST

BETHIEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 241 Hilton Avenue Vauxhall, 964-1282. Sunday Church School 9:30 a.m., Church Worship 10:45 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Rev. Gladwin A. Fubler-Pastor.

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SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 40 Church Mall, Springfield. Rev. J. Paul Griffith, Pastor. SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH SERVICE 10:30 A.M., CHURCH SCHOOL RECONVENES 9:15 A.M. Church is equipped with a chair lift to Sanctuary for Handicapped and Elderly.

MORAVIAN

BATTLE HILL COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH 777 Liberty Avenue, Union, 686-5262. Pastor John Jackman, Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Service of Worship, 10:30 a.m., Nursery provided. First Sunday every month Fellowship Hour after Worship. Prayer Group every Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Bible Study every Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Women's groups meet first Tuesday 7:30 p.m. and first Thursday 1:30 p.m. monthly. New Jersey Christiansium Society second Friday of month 8:00 p.m. (except Jan., Jul., & Aug.) For more information call the Church Office.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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MOUNTAINSIDE CHAPEL 1180 Spruce Drive, Mountainside, 232-3456. Dr. Gregory Hagg, Pastor. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: SUNDAY 9:45 AM - Sunday School for all ages! 11:00 AM - MORNING WORSHIP - with Dr. Hagg. Nursery is provided for newborn to 2-year-olds, Children's Churches for 2-year-olds through third grade. 6:00 PM Evening Service (First and third Sundays Care Groups meet). MONDAY 7:00 PM - Junior and Senior High Youth Groups. WEDNESDAY: 7:00 PM - MID-WEEK SERVICE - Family Night Bible Study with Dr. Hagg Christian Service Brigade STOCKADE for boys in third through sixth grades. PIONEER GIRLS Program for girls in first through ninth grades. 7:45 PM Prayer meeting; Choir Rehearsal.

PRESBYTERIAN

CONNECTICUT FARMS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH East 1730, Stuyvesant Ave. and Rt. 22, Union. Sunday Church School for all ages; Bible Study and Current Issues Forums at 9:30 A.M. Sunday Worship Services at

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THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081 201-376-3044. SUNDAY EUCHARIST: Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am., 12:00 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Masses: 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

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Seniors group takes members for a ride

By Cynthia B. Gordon
Staff Writer

Many who know Rose Siejk could say that she's the kind of person who would take you for a ride.

A bus ride that is. She's the woman who's been running the bus trips for the Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside for about 10 years.

In addition she served as the president of the senior citizens club during 1982 and 1986-87.

According to Siejk, she has planned one-day trips to luncheons, shows and more.

Some of the events that Siejk has planned include a trip to Huntington Playhouse, where they saw a performance. Another trip Siejk planned was to the Evergreen Dinner Theater in Mountain Lakes, which used to be Neil's Yorker.

Not all of the outings have benefited from her planning. Once, upon a return from Madison Square Garden, the bus the group had chartered was caught in traffic for 14 hours.

There was a snowstorm, she said, recalling the evening, and an accident on Route 22 in Hillside tied up traffic all night long.

Luckily, the bus had enough gasoline to remain running the entire time, keeping the heat turned on and the passengers reasonable comfortable. However, when they returned to their point of departure, many of the travelers were unable to retrieve their cars from the snow-covered parking lot.

Before their return, police at the scene of the accident contacted the

Mountainside Police Department to report the bus was stuck in traffic, and not missing because of a more unfortunate circumstance. Rather than leave the snowbound seniors stuck in their cars, the police officers ferried them home in groups of three, Siejk said.

In addition to the day trips, she plans mystery trips once a year. "They like it," said Siejk of her club members.

One "very interesting place" that the group went to was Mt. Haven in Milford, Pa. They had something for everyone there, she said, including a buffet breakfast and luncheon, dancing, entertainment, a show and a four-hour open bar. And if that's not enough they also could see movies and go shopping at the gift shop.

Siejk was born in Elizabeth and graduated from Battin High School of Elizabeth. She has been a resident of Mountainside for 37 years.

Siejk is married to Joseph Siejk, and they have one son Leonard and two lovely blue-eyed, blonde-haired grandchildren, Brittany Lynn and Erin Christine.

In addition to being a member of the Senior Citizens Center, Rose Siejk was a member of the Polish National Alliance Club.

She is also a member of the Foothill Club, a women's social club in Mountainside that raises money for a variety of charities in Mountainside.

Does Siejk have any words of wisdom for the youth of today?

"Get a good education. Have respect for parents and elders, and stay away from alcohol and drugs," said Siejk.



Photo By Jay Hochberg

Rose Siejk spends a rainy morning in her home on Willow Road. Siejk, who coordinates travel plans for the Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside, resides with her husband, Joseph. They have lived in the borough for 37 years.

Seniors can find work

Senior citizens 55 years of age or older who need work can get assistance from the New Jersey Division on Aging's Employment Resource Specialist. The Employment Resource Specialist can provide paid job training to program eligible and free placement services.

For more details, call Ruth Watson or Irene Bell at (201) 678-9700.

File more easily

Seniors can file a claim from their home without having to visit the local Social Security office. The office will arrange a date and time to call seniors at home to take their application for benefits. For more information, call 1-800-772-1213.

Seniors can enroll in Medicare program

If seniors are eligible for Medicare Medical Insurance Part B but for some reason they have not enrolled, they will have a chance to sign up during the annual general enrollment period that runs through March 31.

This three-month period will give seniors another opportunity to enroll if they did not do so when they were first eligible or if they dropped their coverage in the interim. If seniors enroll during the current sign-up period, their coverage will begin July 1.

If seniors did not enroll when they first were eligible, their Medicare Part B premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic monthly premium for each 12-month period they were eligible but not enrolled. For 1995, the basic monthly Medicare Part B premium is \$46.10. There are special premium rules and enrollment periods — generally with no penalty for delayed enrollment — for workers age 65 or older and for people under age 65 with disabilities who have group health coverage based on their own or their spouse's current employment.

If seniors are age 65 or older and not eligible for Medicare's premium-free Hospital Insurance Part A coverage, they can buy this coverage with Part B coverage during the annual enrollment period. People entitled to Medical Hospital Insurance through the Social Security or Railroad Retirement systems or through government employment do not pay this premium.

In 1995, the basic monthly premium for Part A coverage will be \$261. For individuals with 30 credits or more of work covered by Social

Security but not enough to qualify for benefits, the amount is reduced to \$183. Their monthly premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic amount if they delayed their enrollment for 12 months or more after they were first eligible to enroll.

For individuals whose income is about \$600 a month and whose resources, like a bank account, are limited, the state may pay some or all of their Medicare expenses, including buying Part A coverage under the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program. Under the QMB provision, Medicare hospital and medical premiums and the deductible and coinsurance amounts may be paid by the state government. Individuals whose income is slightly above the level to qualify for the QMB program — more than \$600 a month but less than \$700 — may qualify for state help in paying their Part B Medical Insurance premium under the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary program. Only the state can decide if seniors qualify for help under either program. Seniors may contact their state or local medical assistance Medicare agency, Social Security office, or welfare office if they think they qualify.

If seniors think they qualify but haven't filed for Medicare Part A, they may contact Social Security to find out if they need to file an application. Further information about filing for Medicare is available from the local Social Security office or from Social Security's toll-free number, (800) 772-1213, any business day between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Group receives funding to use for job training

The Jewish Vocational Service of Metro West has received a grant from the National Council on the Aging, Inc. Washington, D.C. to provide job training and placement to low-income adults, 55 and older, residing in Union County.

This non-sectarian program, the Senior Employment Program, is funded by the U.S. Department of Labor Program, and authorized by Title V of the Older Americans Act.

Working in partnership with non-profit and government agencies, older job seekers are placed at host agency training sites to assist them with entry to re-entry into the labor market, placement at a training site is not designed to provide long-term employment, rather, as the trainee sharpens his/her skills, permanent employment at either the host agency or within local industry is the goal of the program, the project staff will assist him/her in finding permanent employment. In addition to the paid traineeship and employment assistance, participants are offered ongoing vocational counseling and classroom training opportunities.

JVS, established in 1939, offers educational and career counseling, job placement, emigre resettlement services, English-as-a-second-language instruction, vocational rehabilitation services to the severely disabled, and programs for the aging and special needs populations through government and private partnerships.

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National platform tennis championship comes to NJ

The 1995 National Platform Tennis Championship is coming to New Jersey.

According to Laurence Chapin of Mountainside, chairman of the championship, more than 380 men and women will compete in the four-day event which will benefit Children's Specialized Hospital.

The 61st annual championship will be played at local country clubs including the Short Hills Club and the Montclair Golf Club on March 22-26. "Since the championship is being held in New Jersey, we felt the event should benefit a local charity and what better cause than Children's Specialized Hospital?" said Charles J. Stevens, Jr. of Cranford, president of the American Platform Tennis Association and Championship Committee member. Money will be raised through sponsorships of the championship and donations received during the event.

"We're extremely grateful to the members of the American Platform Tennis Association for choosing Children's Specialized Hospital as the beneficiary of the 1995 champion-

ship. With their support the hospital can continue to provide rehabilitation care for children and adolescents throughout New Jersey and neighboring states," said Philip Salerno III, vice president for Development at the hospital.

The Championship Committee has been organizing the event and registering players from throughout the country. Besides Chapin and Stevens, other committee members include Bobo Delaney of Chatham, racquets professional for the Montclair Golf Club; Jerome J. Graham of Morris-town, chairman of the Men's tournament, APTA Treasurer; Nancy Mangano of Chatham, chairman of the Women's Tournament; Gimna Ohlmüller of Upper Montclair, APTA executive director; Prue Reynolds of Chatham, chairman of the Women's tournament, and Carol York of Verona, chairman of President's Cup Activities.

Platform Tennis, more commonly known as "Paddle," is a unique outdoor tennis-like game that is generally played in cold weather. The court is one quarter the size of a conventional

tennis court and is situated on a raised platform surrounded by 12-foot high fencing. It is primarily a doubles game and the equipment consists of a short, hard-surfaced racket and a ball made of solid sponge-rubber.

Children's Specialized Hospital, New Jersey's only comprehensive pediatric rehabilitation hospital, treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years of age. The hospital maintains an 85-bed facility in Mountainside, and Outpatient Center in Fanwood and a 30-bed Toms River location.

For information regarding sponsorship opportunities, call Stevens at (201) 276-3250. For general information about the event, contact Ohlmüller at (201) 744-1190.

Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone. Obituary notices must be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For additional information, call 686-7700.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF BID
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Mountainside for:

"TENNIS COURT LIGHTS"

Bids will be opened and read in public at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on March 17, 1995, at 10:30 A.M., prevailing time.
Bids shall be in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Borough Engineer. Proposal blanks, specifications and instructions to bidders may be obtained at the office of the Borough Clerk at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, 1st floor, Mountainside, New Jersey.
Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Plans and Specifications by the Engineer, upon proper notice and payment of a check for twenty-five dollars (\$25) payable to the Borough of Mountainside, said cost being the reproduction price of the documents and is not returnable.
Bids must be made on the Borough's form of bid and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Borough Clerk, Borough of Mountainside, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey and hand delivered at the place and hour named. Bids shall be endorsed on the outside of the envelope with the name and address of bidder and "Bid Proposal for Tennis Court Lights".
Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check or cashier's check or bid bond equal to ten percent (10%) of the full amount of the bid, not to exceed \$20,000.

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and made payable to the Borough of Mountainside as a Proposal Guaranty.
Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127. (NJAC 17:27)
The Borough of Mountainside hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the contract to any bidder whose proposal, in the Borough's judgment, best serves its interest.
Judith E. Osty, Borough Clerk
U4732 Mountainside Echo,
March 2, 1995 (Fee: \$19.50)

PASSED ORDINANCE NO. 927-95
BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following Ordinance was passed and adopted on second and final hearing duly held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, Union County, New Jersey at a Regular Meeting held in the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, Union County, New Jersey on the 21st day of February, 1995.
Judith E. Osty
Borough Clerk

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN INFLOW AND INFILTRATION REMEDIATION PROGRAM, REQUIRING EVERY APPLICANT FOR A CONNECTION TO THE MOUNTAINSIDE SEWERAGE SYSTEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INFLOW AND INFILTRATION REMEDIATION PROGRAM THROUGH THE PAYMENT OF A PROGRAM REMEDIATION CHARGE OR THE SUBMISSION

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OF AN APPROVED INFLOW AND INFILTRATION REMEDIATION PLAN, CREATING AN INFLOW AND INFILTRATION FUND AND OTHERWISE AMENDING CHAPTER XI OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE, NEW JERSEY.
U4582 Mountainside Echo,
March 2, 1995 (Fee: \$14.00)

ORDINANCE 929-95
ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE "CAP" FOR THE 1995 BUDGET FROM 2.5% TO 4%
WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 4% or the index rate, whichever is less, over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and
WHEREAS, P.L. 1986, c.203 amended the Local Government Cap Law, to provide that a municipality may, in any year in which the index rate is less than 4%, increase its final appropriations by a percentage rate as defined in the amendatory law, when authorized by ordinance; and
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside in the County of Union, find it advisable and necessary to increase its 1995 budget by more than 2.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that a 4% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to

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\$62,136.52 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, a majority of the full authorized membership of this Governing Body affirmatively concur, and it is the intent of the Governing Body, that the final appropriations of the Borough of Mountainside shall, in accordance with this ordinance, be increased by 4%, amounting to \$62,136.52 and that the 1995 municipal budget for the Borough of Mountainside be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.
ROBERT F. VIGLIANTI, MAYOR
JUDITH E. OSTY, BOROUGH CLERK
U4707 Mountainside Echo,
March 2, 1995 (Fee: \$22.50)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinances were introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, held on the 21st day of February, 1995, and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at the meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on the 21st day of March, 1995, at 8:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.
JUDITH E. OSTY
BOROUGH CLERK

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
COUNTY OF UNION
MOUNTAINSIDE, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 928-95
AN ORDINANCE WITHDRAWING REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY ("RVSA") WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE BOROUGH'S RIGHT UNDER THE RVSA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO ENACT A NEW ORDINANCE SEEKING MEMBERSHIP IN THE RVSA.
WHEREAS, the Borough has entered into a Settlement Agreement dated April 1, 1994, with the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("RVSA") (the "RVSA Agreement") the Township of Cranford, the Boroughs of Garwood, Kinnelon and Rosette Park, the City of Rahway, the Town of Westfield and the Townships of Clark, Springfield and Woodbridge, in settlement of litigation concerning the RVSA and additional regional flow into the RVSA system, which litigation was commenced by Mountainside in or about January of 1987; and
WHEREAS, on January 11, 1995 ("the Ordinance") the Council of Edward W. Beglin, Jr., A.J.S.C. of Union County, executed a Consent Settlement Order approving the RVSA Agreement and the terms embodied therein; and
WHEREAS, the RVSA Agreement requires that Mountainside withdraw its pending application for membership in the RVSA; and
WHEREAS, the RVSA Agreement requires that Mountainside enact an ordinance repealing the original ordinance by which Mountainside sought membership in the RVSA; and
WHEREAS, the original ordinance seeking membership in the RVSA, ORDINANCE #675-84, "AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING THAT THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE BE A PART OF THE

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RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY DISTRICT AND THAT A PERSON APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE BE A MEMBER OF THE RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY," was passed by the Governing Body on December 18, 1984; and
WHEREAS, the RVSA Agreement provides that Mountainside may adopt a new ordinance seeking membership in the RVSA at such time Mountainside's actual peak flow is computed in accordance with Article 6 of the RVSA Agreement; and
WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to expressly provide that its withdrawal of request for RVSA membership is without prejudice to its right under the RVSA Agreement to seek membership in the RVSA in accordance with Article 4 of that Agreement.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby repeals ORDINANCE NO.675-84, "AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING THAT THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE BE A PART OF THE RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY DISTRICT AND THAT A PERSON APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE BE A MEMBER OF THE RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY," passed by the Governing Body on December 18, 1984.
2. The repeal of ORDINANCE NO.675-84 is without prejudice to, and should not otherwise be deemed to impair, the Borough of Mountainside's right, at some future time, to enact a new ordinance seeking membership in the RVSA as permitted under Article Four (4) of the RVSA Agreement.
This Ordinance shall become effective upon final adoption.
U4581 Mountainside Echo
March 2, 1995 (Fee: \$43.25)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinances were introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, held on the 21st day of February, 1995, and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at the meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on the 21st day of March, 1995, at 8:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.
JUDITH E. OSTY
BOROUGH CLERK

ORDINANCE 930-95
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 773-88, AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF HEALTH OR ITS DESIGNATED OFFICIAL TO MANDATE THE HEAD OF A HOUSEHOLD, PROPERTY OWNER OR OWNER OF ANY BUSINESS IN MOUNTAINSIDE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THE MANNER IN WHICH THE HOUSEHOLD OR BUSINESS GARBAGE IS BEING LEGALLY DISPOSED AND THE IMPOSITION OF MANDATORY PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE.
The purpose of this ordinance is to control and prohibit the disposal of garbage in a manner that is detrimental to the health and welfare of the community and is not in violation of the Union County District Solid Waste Management regulations and N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.1 et seq.
BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Health of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey that:
SECTION 1. Prohibited disposition of household or business garbage includes, but is not limited to: dumping garbage in

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public or private collection bins which are not owned or rented by the household or business generating the garbage; disposing of household or business garbage by causing it to be collected at a household or place of business which did not generate the garbage; disposing of garbage by dumping it on public or private property within the Borough; or transporting garbage generated in Mountainside to a dumpsite or garbage located in another town.
SECTION 2. If the Board of Health has reasonable grounds to believe that a residential or commercial property may not have proper services for the removal of garbage from the household or business or any other structure that generates garbage or is otherwise in violation of this ordinance, the Board shall:

A. Request, by hand or certified mail (return receipt requested), that the head of any household, property owner or owner of any business in Mountainside provide evidence to the Board that said location does have a legal method of garbage disposal as provided by Union County District Solid Waste Management regulations and N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.1 et seq.
B. The head of household, property owner or owner of any business in Mountainside must provide said information within fourteen (14) days from receipt of the Board letter. If a penalty of \$200 is assessed, a proper arrangement for the removal of garbage must be delivered by hand or mail to the Board of Health.
C. FAILURE TO COMPLY: If the head of household, property owner or owner of any business in Mountainside fails to reply within the fourteen (14) day period, the Board of Health shall then file a complaint with a Court in Health's jurisdiction alleging the violation of this ordinance.

C. All homes, businesses or any other properties that generate garbage of any nature must have a garbage disposal program that complies with the Union County District Solid Waste Management regulations and N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.1 et seq.
D. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3-70, if the Court finds that a head of household, property owner or owner of any business in Mountainside fails to have a proper and legal method of garbage disposal or is otherwise in violation of this ordinance, the Court must impose a penalty of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for every month, or a pro-rata share of such penalty for any part of a month (up to a maximum of three (3) months), that said property does not employ a legal method of garbage disposal or is otherwise in violation of this ordinance. For each month of non-compliance, the Court must impose a penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month, or a pro-rata share of such penalty for any part of a month.

If any head of household, property owner or owner of any business in Mountainside, or any other person, company or organization obtains a legal garbage removal program in order to comply with the ordinance and then for any reason discontinues such service and does not obtain a new disposal program immediately, the Court shall impose a penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month, or a pro-rata share of such penalty for any part of a month, for every month that said property does not employ a legal method of garbage disposal.
SECTION 3. In the event that any section, sentence or clause of this ordinance or code shall be declared unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not in any manner prejudice the enforcement of the remaining provisions and such remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
SECTION 4. This Ordinance and the code herein established shall take effect immediately after public hearing and final adoption, and after publication as required by law.
U4580 Mountainside Echo,
March 2, 1995 (Fee: \$53.75)

1995 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
MUNICIPALITY: BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE COUNTY: UNION
Mayor's Name: Robert F. Vigilanti Term Expires 1995
Governing Body Members:

Robert K. Beattie	Term Expires 12-31-97
David M. Hart	Term Expires 12-31-95
William T. Jackson	Term Expires 12-31-96
Ronald W. Romak	Term Expires 12-31-97
Warner C. Schon	Term Expires 12-31-95
Kath C. Turner	Term Expires 12-31-96

Municipal Clerk: Judith E. Osty
Date of Orig. Appl: 5/29/91
Certificate #83
Tax Collector: Patricia Scherer
Chief Financial Officer: Michelle Swisher
Registered Municipal Accountant: Robert B. Cagnassola
Municipal Attorney: John N. Post
License #50

Official Mailing Address of Municipality
Borough of Mountainside
1385 Route 22
Mountainside, New Jersey 07092
Fax #: 908-232-6531

1995 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
Municipal Budget of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union for the Fiscal year 1995.
It is hereby certified that the Budget and Capital Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof is a true copy of the Budget and Capital Budget approved by resolution of the Governing Body on the 21st day of February, 1995 and that public advertisement will be made in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4(d).
Certified by me, this 21st day of February, 1995
Judith E. Osty, Clerk
Municipal Building
Mountainside, New Jersey 07092
908-232-2400
908-232-2400
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 21st day of February, 1995
Robert B. Cagnassola
Registered Municipal Accountant
Suplex, Clooney and Company
151 Jefferson Avenue
Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201
908-354-8248
Certified by me, this 21st day of February, 1995
Michelle Swisher
Chief Financial Officer

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE
Section 1.
Municipal Budget of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union for the Fiscal Year 1995.
Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 1995.
Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the Mountainside Echo in the issue of March 2, 1995.
The Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 1995:

RECORDED VOTE

Ayes	Hart Jackson Romak Schon Turner	Nays	Beattie
		Absent	

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 21, 1995.
A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Municipal Building, on March 21, 1995 at 8:00 o'clock p.m. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 1995 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT
SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET

	YEAR 1995
General Appropriations For:	
1. Appropriations within "CAPS"	
(a) Municipal Purposes (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.2)	4,246,126.00
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS"	
(a) Municipal Purposes (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.3 AS AMENDED)	1,474,152.55
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget	6,326,279.55
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS"	8,000,558.10
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes - Based on Estimated 94.71 Percent of Tax Collections	816,200.00
4. Total General Appropriations	6,526,279.55
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (i.e. Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)	3,054,777.18
6. Difference Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)	3,481,502.37
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	3,481,502.37
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax	

SUMMARY OF 1994 APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDED AND CANCELED

	General Budget	Swimming Pool Fund
Budget Appropriations - Adopted Budget	8,371,108.15	164,525.00
Budget Appropriations Adopted by N.J.S. 40A:4-87	6,045.63	15,750.00
Emergency Appropriations	0.00	
Total Appropriations	6,377,154.78	180,275.00
Expenditures:		
Paid of Charged (Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes)	6,000,677.82	170,199.92
Reserved	350,827.77	10,075.08
Unexpended Balances Canceled	25,649.19	
Total Expenditures and Unexpended Balances Canceled	6,377,154.78	180,275.00
Overexpenditures		
*See Budget Appropriation Items so marked to the right of column "Expended 1994 Reserved".		
Explanations of Appropriations for "Other Expenses"		
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.; Contractual services for garbage and trash removal, fire hydrant service, aid to volunteer fire companies, etc.; Printing and advertising, utility services, insurance and many other items essential to the services rendered by municipal government.		

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

BUDGET MESSAGE
"CAPS" CALCULATIONS
N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq. "The Local Government Cap Law" places limits on municipal expenditures. Commonly referred to as the "CAPS", it is actually calculated by a method established by the law.
In general, the actual calculation works as follows: Starting with the figure in the 1994 budget for Total General Appropriations certain 1994 budget figures are subtracted, including the reserve for uncollected taxes, debt service, State and Federal aid, etc. Take the resulting figure and multiply by 2.5% and this gives you "the basic CAPS" or the amount of appropriations increase allowed over the 1994 Total General Appropriations. The Total General Appropriations may also be increased by 50%, if prior to the introduction of the 1995 budget an index rate ordinance is approved by the governing body.
In addition to the increase allowed above, any increase funded by increased valuations from new construction or improvements is also allowed.
Also, the "CAPS" may be exceeded if approved by referendum. The actual "CAPS" for this municipality will be reviewed and approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the State Department of Community Affairs, but the calculations upon which this budget was prepared are as follows:

Total General Appropriations for 1994	\$6,371,109.15
Cap Base Adjustment	37,826.60
Less Exceptions:	
Municipal Court	\$ 83,950.00
Total Public & Private Programs-Excluded from "CAPS"	107,444.15
Maintenance of Free Public Library, Joint Library or Private Library	348,275.00
Public Employees' Occupational Safety & Health Act	5,000.00
Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	280,000.00
Total Municipal Debt Service-Excluded from "CAPS"	209,000.00
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Unfunded Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	320.00
Other:	786,000.00
Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority Maintenance of 911	338,556.00
Additional Snow and Ice Related Costs	6,000.00
	165,000.00
Total Exceptions	2,329,545.15
Amount on which 4.0% "CAP" is Applied	\$4,079,390.60
4.0% "CAP"	163,175.82
Allowable Operating Appropriations Before Additional Exceptions Per (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3)	\$4,242,566.22
Add:	
Increased Valuations From New Construction or Improvements	5,452.38
Cap Bank	9.70
Maximum Allowable Appropriations After Modifications	\$4,248,028.30

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

	WITHIN CAPS	EXCLUDED FROM CAPS	TOTAL
BOARD OF HEALTH: Other Expenses	37,875.00	5,000.00	42,875.00
CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES			
GENERAL REVENUES			
	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 1994
1. Surplus Anticipated	1,230,200.00		424,200.00
2. Surplus Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services			424,200.00
Total Surplus Anticipated	1,230,200.00		424,200.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section A: Local Revenues			
Licenses:			
Alcoholic Beverages	22,000.00		22,150.00
Other	10,000.00		14,720.50
Fees and Permits:	5,000.00		7,337.99
Fines and Costs:			
Municipal Court	125,000.00		126,410.55
Other			
Interest and Costs on Taxes	35,000.00		82,258.55
Interest on Investments and Deposits	140,000.00		161,811.37
Search Fees	700.00		788.00
Sewer Use Charge	35,000.00		75,591.32
Cable T.V. Franchise Fee	9,414.87		
Total Section A: Local Revenues	382,114.87		490,848.28
Miscellaneous Revenues - Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations			
Replacement Revenue - Business Personal Property (N.J.S.A. 54:11D)		253,331.10	253,330.64
Franchise and Gross Receipts Taxes (N.J.S.A. 54:30A-24.1 et seq.)	630,549.00	623,020.00	630,549.00
Supplemental Municipal Property Tax Relief Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-118.34)		160,959.00	160,959.00
Municipal Purpose Tax Assistance Act of 1980 - Current Year		4,466.25	4,466.25
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Act 1993 Supplemental Gross Receipts and Franchise Taxes	407,811.00		
Supplemental Gross Receipts and Franchise Taxes	36,381.00		
State Health Benefit Rebate	78,243.31	70,530.00	70,530.00
Additional MPTA-ATT Revenue		50,933.00	50,933.00
		80.90	80.90
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	1,152,964.31	1,163,320.15	1,170,848.79
Miscellaneous Revenues - Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees offset with Appropriations (N.J.S. 40A:4-36 and N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17): Uniform Construction Code Fees	60,000.00	60,000.00	135,076.18
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations	60,000.00	60,000.00	135,076.18
Miscellaneous Revenues - Section D: Department of Community Affairs Revenues Offset with Appropriations		15,982.00	15,982.00
Supplemental Sale Neighborhoods Program		3,386.00	3,386.00
Supplemental Fire Services Program			
Total Section D: Department of Community Affairs Revenues Offset With Appropriations	0.00	19,368.00	19,368.00
Miscellaneous Revenues - Section E: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:			
Recycling Tonnage Grant		2,448.28	2,448.28
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund		9,771.80	9,771.80
Clean Communities Program	8,830.00	7,284.00	14,284.00
Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	14,848.00	16,285.00	14,285.00
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund		1,278.26	1,278.26
Sale and Secure Communities Program-P.L. 1993, Chapter 220		20,000.00	20,000.00
Emergency Road and Bridge Repair Program-1994		7,863.74	7,863.74

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Utility Operating Surplus of Prior Year	43,104.80	43,104.80	43,104.80	43,104.80
Payment in Lieu of Taxes:				
Children's Specialized Hospital	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Sale of Municipal Assets	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Prepaid Regional High School Taxes	805,801.08	805,801.08	805,801.08	805,801.08
Cable T.V. Franchise Fee	10,054.81	10,054.81	10,054.81	10,054.81
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services-Other Special Items	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES				
GENERAL REVENUES	Anticipated	1994	Realized in Cash in 1994	
Summary of Revenues:	1995	1994	1994	
1. Surplus Anticipated	1,230,000.00	424,200.00	424,200.00	
2. Surplus Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services				
3. Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Total Section A: Local Revenue	382,114.87	332,900.00	490,848.28	
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	1,182,984.31	1,189,320.15	1,170,848.79	
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations	60,000.00	60,000.00	135,076.18	
Total Section D: Department of Community Affairs Revenue Offset with Appropriations	0.00	19,338.00	19,338.00	
Total Section E: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services-Public and Private Revenues	21,878.00	65,589.18	64,274.87	
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services-Other Special Items	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	1,624,777.18	2,508,003.20	2,748,348.39	
4. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	200,000.00	200,000.00	340,573.93	
5. Statutory General Revenues	3,054,777.18	3,130,203.20	3,513,120.32	
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:				
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	3,481,501.37	3,248,951.58	3,591,498.30	
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	3,481,501.37	3,248,951.58	3,591,498.30	
7. Total General Revenues	6,538,278.55	6,377,154.78	7,104,818.62	
CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS				
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	for 1995	for 1994	Total for 1994 As Modified By All Transfers	Expended 1994
(A) Operations - within "CAPS"				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Administrative and Executive:				
Salaries and Wages	112,000.00	90,000.00	99,500.00	99,232.01
Other Expenses	194,150.00	198,115.00	198,815.00	155,121.95
Elections:				
Other Expenses	4,750.00	4,850.00	4,850.00	2,604.87
Financial Administration:				
Salaries & Wages	79,000.00	71,000.00	83,000.00	81,954.06
Other Expenses	1,980.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,478.07
Assessment of Taxes:				
Salaries and Wages	12,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,050.20
Other Expenses	38,900.00	33,420.00	37,320.00	34,857.62
Legal Services and Costs:				
Salaries & Wages	32,000.00	30,000.00	30,800.00	30,785.79
Other Expenses	88,200.00	90,000.00	108,000.00	94,320.32
Public Buildings and Grounds:				
Other Expenses	95,848.00	97,900.00	97,500.00	70,585.62
Municipal Land Use Law (N.J.S. 40:55D-1):				
Planning Board:				
Salaries and Wages	5,700.00	4,950.00	5,100.00	5,075.00
Other Expenses	5,170.00	3,800.00	3,800.00	1,290.22
Zoning:				
Other Expenses	710.00	725.00	725.00	487.50
Board of Adjustment:				
Other Expenses	7,700.00	7,825.00	8,325.00	7,978.40
Shade Tree Commission:				
Other Expenses	14,181.00	14,450.00	14,450.00	10,879.75
INSURANCE:				
Group Insurance Plan for Employees	390,000.00	350,000.00	350,000.00	297,811.13
Surety Bond Premiums	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,487.00
Other Insurance	253,500.00	193,000.00	193,000.00	185,957.48
PUBLIC SAFETY:				
FIRE:				
Other Expenses:				
Fire Hydrant	140,000.00	141,000.00	141,000.00	125,891.50
Miscellaneous	83,520.00	77,950.00	77,950.00	61,119.59
POLICE:				
Salaries and Wages	1,384,102.00	1,270,000.00	1,344,568.00	1,331,805.20
Other Expenses	136,220.00	135,900.00	133,974.58	124,766.61
FIRST AID ORGANIZATION:				
Contribution:	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE:				
Other Expenses	1,421.00	1,450.00	2,550.00	1,273.32
STREETS AND ROADS:				
PUBLIC WORKS:				
Salaries & Wages	210,000.00	201,000.00	213,000.00	207,451.90
Other Expenses	129,170.00	129,885.00	129,885.00	119,203.48
SNOW REMOVAL:				
Other Expenses	141,000.00	135,000.00	135,000.00	135,000.00
STREET LIGHTING:				
SAWYER:				
Brewer System	13,800.00	13,800.00	13,800.00	6,471.88
Other Expenses				
HEALTH AND WELFARE:				
Board of Health:				
Salaries & Wages	3,400.00	3,200.00	3,250.00	3,237.12
Other Expenses	37,875.00	35,588.00	35,588.00	31,928.10
Dog Regulation:				
Other Expenses	8,360.00	8,360.00	8,360.00	8,360.00
Administration of Public Assistance:				
Salaries & Wages	3,900.00	3,700.00	3,900.00	3,852.48
Other Expenses	1,470.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,138.69
RECREATION AND EDUCATION:				
Board of Recreation Commissioners:				
Salaries & Wages	50,100.00	50,100.00	56,100.00	55,347.99
Other Expenses	27,500.00	25,285.00	25,365.00	25,087.89
SENIOR CITIZENS COORDINATOR:				
Salaries & Wages	8,000.00	7,300.00	7,300.00	6,701.64
Other Expenses	682.00	675.00	675.00	533.98
Uniform Construction Code-Appropriations Offset by Dedicated Revenues (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)				
STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE:				
Construction Office:				
Salaries & Wages	113,000.00	109,700.00	113,200.00	109,252.39
Other Expenses	3,871.00	3,950.00	4,850.00	3,756.37
Plumbing Inspector:				
Salaries and Wages	4,800.00	4,300.00	4,300.00	4,433.38
UNCLASSIFIED:				
Retirement and Sick Pay Benefits	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Salary Adjustment	84,000.00	180,888.00	180,888.00	180,888.00
Total Operations (Items (A) within "CAPS" B Contingent)	3,983,220.00	3,803,514.00	3,785,188.58	3,518,414.11
Total Operations including Contingent within "CAPS"	3,984,220.00	3,803,914.00	3,785,588.58	3,518,414.11
Detail:				
Salaries & Wages	2,101,802.00	2,018,918.00	1,975,318.00	1,949,959.14
Other Expenses (including Contingent)	1,882,418.00	1,784,996.00	1,810,270.58	1,568,454.97
(E) DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES-Municipal within "CAPS"				
(1) DEFERRED CHARGES:				
Emergency Authorizations				
(2) STATUTORY EXPENDITURES:				
Contribution:				
Public Employees' Retirement System	10,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	26,577.00
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	83,000.00	65,000.00	77,400.00	70,197.04
Consolidated Police and Firemen's Pension Fund	13,908.00	6,850.00	6,850.00	6,830.32
Police & Firemen's Retirement System of N.J.	145,000.00	138,000.00	138,000.00	136,921.00
Total Deferred Charge and Statutory Expenditures-Municipal within "CAPS"	251,908.00	237,850.00	250,250.00	240,325.36
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	4,246,128.00	4,041,564.00	4,035,838.58	3,758,739.47
(A) Operations - Excluded From "CAPS"				
Municipal Court:				
Salaries & Wages	83,000.00	78,000.00	78,000.00	71,217.33
Other Expenses	7,790.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,831.79
Maintenance of Free Public Library (P.L. 1985 Ch. 282 and 541)	348,889.00	348,275.00	348,275.00	348,274.98
Railway Valley Sewerage Authority	300,000.00	338,558.00	338,558.00	338,558.00
Maintenance of 911	8,000.00	8,000.00	10,000.00	7,837.50
Additional Snow and Ice Related Costs Pursuant to (N.J.S. 440A-4-45.3D)		165,000.00	165,000.00	104,808.74
Blood Borne Pathogens Per (N.J.A.C. 12:100-4.1)				
Board of Health:				
Other Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues				
Driving While Intoxicated Grant - State Aid		9,771.90	9,771.90	9,771.90
Supplemental Safe Neighborhoods:				
State		15,952.00	15,952.00	15,952.00
Borough Match		18,150.00	18,150.00	18,150.00
Matching Funds for Grants	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Clean Communities Act:				
Alcohol, Education and Rehabilitation - State Aid		1,278.28	1,278.28	1,278.28
Supplemental Fire Services Program:				
State Share		3,386.00	3,386.00	3,386.00
Borough Match		338.80	338.80	338.80
Recycling Tonnage Grant		2,448.28	2,448.28	2,448.28
Sale and Secure Community Grant				
State Aid		20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Borough Match		6,925.44	6,925.44	6,925.44
Emergency Road and Bridge Repair Grant		7,883.74	7,883.74	7,883.74
Municipal Alliance Grant				
County Aid	14,848.00	16,295.00	16,295.00	16,295.00
Borough Match	3,621.00	4,074.00	4,074.00	4,074.00
Total Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	778,778.00	1,080,270.78	1,088,198.22	982,287.54
Detail:				
Salaries & Wages	83,000.00	78,000.00	78,000.00	71,217.33
Other Expenses	695,778.00	1,002,270.78	1,010,198.22	911,070.21
(C) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - Excluded from "CAPS"				
Down Payment on Improvements	75,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00
Capital Improvement Fund				
Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	75,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00
(D) MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE-Excluded from "CAPS"				
Payment of Bond Principal	280,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes		40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Interest on Bonds	280,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	28,420.00
Interest on Notes		43,000.00	43,000.00	17,930.81
Green Trust Loan Program:				
Loan Repayments for Principal & Interest				
Total Municipal Debt Service-Excluded from "CAPS"	570,000.00	211,000.00	211,000.00	186,350.81
(E) DEFERRED CHARGES - Municipal - Excluded from "CAPS"				
(1) DEFERRED CHARGES:				
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Unclassified:				
Ordinance #784 Purchase of Fire Equipment	910.48	320.00	320.00	320.00

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance Acquisition of Computer System	700.00			
Ordinance #798 Improvement to Rescue Squad	414.08			
Ordinance #922 Repair to Sewer System	50,000.00			
Ordinance #908 Multi Purpose Ordinance	100.00			
Ordinance #908 Purchase of Sewer Rights	250.00			
Total Deferred Charges-Municipal-Excluded from "CAPS"	52,374.55	320.00	320.00	320.00
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"	1,474,152.56	1,549,590.78	1,565,516.22	1,455,938.35
(O) Total General Appropriations - Excluded from "CAPS"	1,474,152.56	1,549,590.78	1,565,516.22	1,455,938.35
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations (Items (H-1) and (O))	5,720,278.55	5,591,184.78	0.00	5,591,184.78
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	818,000.00	786,000.00	786,000.00	786,000.00
9. Total General Appropriations	6,538,278.55	6,377,154.78	6,377,154.78	6,000,877.82
DEDICATED SWIMMING POOL UTILITY BUDGET				
10. DEDICATED REVENUES FROM SWIMMING POOL UTILITY Operating Surplus Anticipated			Anticipated	Realized in Cash in 1994
Total Operating Surplus Anticipated			42,220.00	30,000.00
Membership Fees			150,000.00	118,525.00
Miscellaneous				

SPORTS

Dayton's Reino captures 217-pound championship

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Roselle Park and Millburn had four champions and two-time defending champion Union three, but it was host Millburn who captured last weekend's District 10 title in the final team competition of the high school wrestling season.

First-time Union County Tournament champion Rahway won its second District 11 crown in three years at Westfield. The Indians had eight wrestlers in the finals, two champions and 11 Region 3 qualifiers.

District 10 and 11 qualifiers are pending in Region 3 competition.

The top three place winners in each weight class advanced to Region 3 competition, which was scheduled to commence last night at Union. From there, the top three finishers at each weight will gain a berth in the NJSLA-A Tournament, which will begin at four sites with preliminary rounds and pre-quarterfinals scheduled to begin Wednesday, March 7.

The venue will then shift to Atlantic City's Convention Center for quarterfinals and semifinals on Friday, March 11. The semifinals, finals and consolation will be wrestled on Saturday, March 12.

Region 3 competition was scheduled to continue tomorrow and conclude Saturday.

Millburn, behind champions Jon Weinbach (128), Dom DiGirola (136), John Qualter (162) and Anthony Braca (187), snapped Union's two-year reign as champions.

Here's a look at the wrestlers from area schools Union, Roselle Park and Dayton Regional who qualified for and are competing in Region 3.

Union (8): Dave Bubnowski (121), Joe Bertolotti (136), Dan Zuena (144), Greg Francesca (153), Jody Seltzer (162), Frank Giordano (174), Steve Almerico (187), Jayson Washington (HWT).

Roselle Park (5): Phil Torino (102), Justin Meadows (108), Eric Swick (114), Bill Crecca (121), Steve Karlik (217).

Dayton Regional (5): Pat Moelik (136), Brian Harms (153), Joe Rizzo (187), Chris Reino (217), Scott Reino (HWT).

Union's Bubnowski, a district champ at 103 the past two seasons, was beaten by Crecca 3-1 in the 121 final after posting a 5-4 win over him to win the UCT title. Bubnowski entered Region 3 competition with a 17-4 record.

Bertolotti earned a third place finish for Union and Zuena was second, losing the 144 final by pin to Kyle Steele of Irvington in 2:50.

Francesca, who won titles at 139 in 1993 and 140 in 1994, captured his third district crown by winning the 154 title. He pinned Nate Hill of Seton

District 10

Hill Prep in 1:38 in the final to improve to 17-1.

Seltzer, a district champ at 135 last year, finished second at 162, losing in the final to John Qualter of Millburn 5-2. Seltzer took a 16-6 record into last night's competition.

Washington repeated as the heavy-weight champ. Giordano won his first district title and Almerico took second at 187, getting pinned by Anthony Braca of Millburn in 1:21 of their final bout.

Giordano, second in the district at 160 last year, bested Tony Fernandes of Millburn 16-7 in the 174 final. Union's only unbeaten wrestler, Giordano took a 21-0 record into the regions.

Washington improved to 19-1 by pinning Rafael Rosado of Irvington in 2:46 to win his second straight heavy-weight crown.

Roselle Park had the first four champions, three of them freshman and one a sophomore.

Torino, a freshman, added to his UCT title by edging John Hill of Seton Hall Prep 9-8 in the 192 final to win his first district championship. Torino entered the regions at 22-3.

Meadows, a freshman, earned the only shutout of the finals by blanking Naveed Khawaja of Columbia 12-0 to win the 108 title.

Swick, a freshman, added to his UCT crown by pinning Rich Shackleford of Irvington in 1:23 of their 114 final. Swick entered the regions perfect at 25-0.

Crecca, a sophomore, avenged his UCT final loss to Bubnowski by beating the junior this time 3-1 in the 121 final. Crecca had lost to Bubnowski by one point last year when the two wrestled at 103 and by one point in this year's UCT final. Crecca, like Torino, entered the regions with a 22-3 record.

Karlik, a sophomore, reached the 217 final where he was beaten by Dayton Regional senior and defending district champion Chris Reino. Karlik, who clinched two wins this season for the Panthers by winning matches at heavyweight, was pinned in 1:51.

Dayton Regional's only winner was Reino at 217 (he won at 171 last year), but the Bulldogs did advance four other wrestlers into the regions.

Reino's 3-0 record in the districts improved his season mark to 22-2.

Moelik, a senior, reached the 136 final where he was beaten by Dom DiGirola of Millburn by pin in 1:48.

Harms, a senior at 153, Scott Reino, a sophomore at heavyweight, and Rizzo, a freshman at 187, each qualified by placing third in their weight classes.

TEAMS

1-Millburn 178.5, 2-Union 155, 3-Roselle Park 108, 4-Dayton Regional 88, 5-Irvington 78, 6-Seton Hall Prep 71, 7-Columbia 38, 8-Newark Central 18, 9-Barringer 6.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

102 — Phil Torino, Roselle Park, dec. John Hill, Seton Hall Prep, 9-8.

108 — Justin Meadows, Roselle Park, dec. Naveed Khawaja, Columbia, 12-0.

114 — Eric Swick, Roselle Park, pinned Rich Shackleford, Irvington, 1:23.

121 — Bill Crecca, Roselle Park, dec. Dave Bubnowski, 3-1.

128 — Jon Weinbach, Millburn, dec. James Fonte, Columbia, 5-1.

136 — Dom DiGirola, Millburn, dec. Pat Moelik, Dayton Regional, 1:48.

144 — Kyle Steele, Irvington, pinned Dan Zuena, Union, 2:50.

153 — Greg Francesca, Union, pinned Nate Hill, Seton Hall Prep, 1:38.

162 — John Qualter, Millburn, dec. Jody Seltzer, Union, 5-2.

174 — Frank Giordano, Union, dec. Tony Fernandes, Millburn, 10-7.

187 — Anthony Braca, Millburn, pinned Steve Almerico, Union, 1:21.

217 — Chris Reino, Dayton Regional, pinned Steve Karlik, Roselle Park, 1:51.

HWT — Jayson Washington, Union, pinned Rafael Rosado, Irvington, 2:46.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS

102-Fred Udell, Millburn, 108-Steve Adelman, Millburn, 114-Jude Faccidomo, Seton Hall Prep, 121-Mike Priore, Millburn, 128-Tom Maulone, Seton Hall Prep, 136-Joe Bertolotti, Union, 144-John Ott, Millburn, 153-Brian Harms, Dayton Regional, 162-Osee Pierre, Seton Hall Prep, 174-Sher Lewis, Irvington, 187-Joe Rizzo, Dayton Regional, 217-Raheem Holloway, Newark Central, HWT-Scott Reino, Dayton Regional.



The Deerfield School of Mountainside girls' basketball team completed the 1994-95 season with a winning record of 7-2 and received instruction from NBA Hall of Famer and Mountainside resident Earl "The Pearl" Monroe. Sitting in bottom row, from left, are Marisa Rivieccio, Sarah Drake, Femke Van Beek, Gina DeCastro, Shannon Moore and Robyn Juba. Sitting in top row, from left, are Maya Monroe, Alison Kobel, Tracey Saladino, Jesse Orenczak, Lauren Kobel, Stephanie Scasso and Keri Ciasulli.

Deerfield girls' basketball fashions winning 7-2 mark

The Deerfield School of Mountainside girls' basketball team completed the 1994-95 season with a winning record of 7-2.

Coached by Patrice DeCastro, the team was led by Lauren Kobel (113 points), Alison Kobel (103), Jesse Orenczak (61) and Sarah Drake (53).

The squad also learned some defensive drills from Mountainside resident and NBA Hall of Famer Earl "The Pearl" Monroe, who attended one of its practices. Monroe was a starting guard on the last New York

Knicks team to win an NBA championship, that the 1972-73 club.

The girls concluded their season by attending a clinic at Governor Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights.

Team members include Marisa Rivieccio, Sarah Drake, Femke Van Beek, Gina DeCastro, Shannon Moore, Robyn Juba, Maya Monroe, Alison Kobel, Tracey Saladino, Jesse Orenczak, Lauren Kobel, Stephanie Scasso and Keri Ciasulli.

Johnson grapplers qualify for this week's Region 3

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Although host Westfield and Elizabeth had the most champions with three each, last weekend's District 11 title went to Rahway, which placed eight grapplers in the finals and produced two champions in the final team competition of the high school wrestling season.

The Indians, who two weeks ago captured their first Union County Tournament crown, won their second District 11 championship in three years and advanced 11 wrestlers into Region 3. Westfield has won five of past seven titles, with Rahway winning the other two (1993 and 1995).

Here's a look at the wrestlers from area schools Rahway, Linden, Johnson Regional and Elizabeth who qualified for and are competing in Region 3.

Rahway (11): Jim Campenelli (102), Chris Truncale (114), Andy Hsu (121), Tom Wysocki (128), Luis Torres (136), Chuck Ott (144), Alex Rodriguez (153), Tyrone Crutchfield (162), Javier Gonzalez (174), Ryan McGuire (187), Antonio Garay (217), Linden (6): Austin Hay (162), Allen Hay (174), Michael Miller (187), Abdul Moses (108), Charles Florio (121), Waclaw Zelazny (HWT).

Johnson Regional (3): Willy Corbisiero (108), Tim Pitta (136), Ray Redziniak (HWT).

Elizabeth (3): Keenan Stockling

(102), Kimo Geter (114), Terry Smith (153).

A Kenilworth resident, Corbisiero won his second straight district title, this year besting Nick Cilento of Colonia in the 108 final by a 13-7 score. Corbisiero, one of two Johnson Regional wrestlers to win district

District 11

crowns, captured the 103 title last year.

Pitta was Johnson Regional's other champion, improving to 17-4 by beating Torres 5-1 in the 136 final. Pitta was also the UCT champ at 136.

Redziniak (20-3) lost the heavy-weight final to Cranford's returning champion Sam Richardson 9-3.

Elizabeth's Geter, also a UCT finalist, earned the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler award. He won a 12-6 decision over Truncale in the 114 final to improve to 18-2.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS

1-Rahway 167, 2-Westfield 127, 3-Linden 97.5, 4-Cranford 69, 5-Colonia 63, 6-Johnson Regional 62, 7-Elizabeth 61.5, 8-Roselle Catholic 8.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

102 — Keenan Stockling, Elizabeth, dec. Jim Campenelli, Rahway, 5-4.

108 — Willy Corbisiero, Johnson

Regional, dec. Nick Cilento, Colonia, 13-7.

114 — Kimo Geter, Elizabeth, dec. Chris Truncale, Rahway, 12-6.

121 — Kevin Sullivan, Westfield, pinned Andy Hsu, Rahway, 4:35.

128 — Tom Wysocki, Rahway, dec. Steve Crosby, Cranford, 9-6.

136 — Tim Pitta, Johnson Regional, dec. Luis Torres, Rahway, 5-1.

144 — Cory Posey, Westfield, dec. Chuck Ott, Rahway, 9-2.

153 — Terry Smith, Elizabeth, pinned Mike Baly, Westfield, 1:06.

162 — Austin Hay, Linden, dec. Tyrone Crutchfield, Rahway, 8-7.

174 — Allen Hay, Linden, dec. Dan Quinones, Colonia, 16-4.

187 — Frank DiGiovanni, Westfield, dec. Michael Miller, Linden, 4-2 (OT).

217 — Antonio Garay, Rahway, pinned Shawn Sanguin, Westfield, 1:53.

HWT — Sam Richardson, Cranford, dec. Ray Redziniak, Johnson Regional, 9-3.

THIRD-PLACE QUALIFIERS

102-Dan Todd, Westfield, 108-Abdul Moses, Linden, 114-Joe Herits, Colonia, 121-Charles Florio, Linden, 128-Paul Boudreau, Westfield, 136 — Dave Lettieri, Cranford, 144-Scott Friedman, Cranford, 153-Alex Rodriguez, Rahway, 162-Mike Liggera, Westfield, 174-Javier Gonzalez, Rahway, 187-Ryan McGuire, Rahway, 217-Jamif Johnson, Colonia, HWT-Waclaw Zelazny, Linden.

Dayton girls' faced Mendham Tuesday

The Dayton Regional High School girls' basketball team played at Mendham Tuesday night in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs. The Bulldogs needed to win to advance to tonight's quarterfinal round.

Dayton entered the contest with a 10-11 record and off the heels of a 41-38 non-conference win over Chatham Feb. 22. Seniors Michelle Saunders and Linda Rapczynski scored 23 and 19 points respectively to lead the Bulldogs.

Dayton boys' win finale

The Dayton Regional High School boys' basketball team finished its 1994-95 campaign on a winning note by defeating Oratory Prep of Summit 57-55 in Mountain Valley Conference-interdivision play last Friday.

The Bulldogs finished 6-14 and closed by winning two of their final three games.

Dayton outscored Oratory 10-6 in the fourth quarter to post the victory. Roberto Tarantino paced the Bulldogs with a 15-point effort.

Ryan Nelson scored 14 points and Brad Mullman 11 in Dayton's 59-51 loss to non-conference foe Hanover Park Feb. 22.

All-Area teams this month
Worrall Community Newspapers will publish their

1994-95 All-Area Teams this month.

All-Area Girls' Basketball will run first on Thursday, March 16.

All-Area Boys' Basketball will run on Thursday, March 23.

All-Area Wrestling will run on Thursday, March 30, concluding the coverage of the winter sports season.

Jersey Girls seeking talent

Jersey Girls, Union County's premier softball team, is looking for talented high school players interested in playing 16-and-under or 18-and-under fast-pitch softball this summer. Experienced coaches for a 16-and-under team are also sought. Interested players and coaches may contact Rich McDonald at 908-964-0123.

Senior softball players sought

The Union County Senior Softball League is seeking additional players to fill its rosters for the upcoming season. One eight-team division is for men age 50 and older. The other four-team division is for men age 60 and older. Interested individuals seeking additional information may contact Tony Muccia at 908-272-3140 or Dom Deo at 908-654-5088.

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