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Fall programs

The Mountainside Public Library has begun new fall programs for children.

Through Oct. 24, the library will hold "Storytime Theaters for Kindergartners" sessions on Tuesdays from 2-2:45 p.m. The program will resume in November.

On Wednesday afternoons until Nov. 1, the library will hold "Storytime for 3's and 4's," a program of 45-minute storytime and craft periods, starting at 2 p.m.

Registration is required and may be done by phone. Call 233-0115. A parent or care-giver must accompany each child during the session. It is recommended that children arrive early in order to receive nametags.

League needs pennies

A boroughwide "Penny Harvest" will be carried out through door-to-door canvassing by the boys and girls of the Youth Baseball League on Saturday morning. The money raised will be used to finance the construction of a new fieldhouse, to replace the one at Deerfield School.

College Night

Area high school students will have a chance to investigate opportunities in higher education when the Union County Regional High School District conducts its annual College Night on Oct. 19, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School.

Representatives from more than 150 four-year colleges and universities, two-year colleges and other post-secondary schools will provide information and answer questions.

All Union County Regional High School students and their parents are encouraged to attend. For more information on College Night, call 376-6300, Ext. 272 or 280.

Clean Communities Day

The borough will hold its annual Clean Communities Day on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Volunteers are needed to collect litter and debris from borough streets. Those interested should call Ruth at 232-2409.

Board to meet

The Union County Regional High School Board of Education will meet for a work session Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the library of Jonathan Dayton High School.

The board will discuss a report on the district's Affirmative Action Program, including employment and classroom practices.

A second report of the district's compliance with state Quality Assurance Requirements will be presented.

The public is invited to attend and listen, but may not comment.

Supporting the team



Sarah Slifer Orthopedic Relief Fund Vice President Sara Irwin and Treasurer Lillian Pepper present checks to Andy Chasanoff of Children's Specialized Hospital. Chasanoff, CSH's director of Recreational Therapy and coach of its wheelchair sports team, the Lightning Wheels, will use the money to purchase a new racing chair for the team.

Residents critique state education plan

Union County Superintendent of Schools Leonard Fitts met borough residents Tuesday night to hear comments on changes the state will make in school-district funding.

The hearing was held in Deerfield School's cafeteria for an hour before a meeting of the Board of Education. Five residents spoke to the superintendent, who represents the state Department of Education in Union County, and gave their opinions on elements in a conceptual plan distributed by the state.

That proposal, titled the "Comprehensive Plan for Educational Improvement and Financing," was issued earlier this year after the state Supreme Court ruled the current system of school-district funding unconstitutional.

The state plan would not only redistribute tax dollars around New Jersey but also would use those dollars to create statewide programs — regarding education, administration and staff — to which each school system would have to conform in order to provide what it calls a "thorough and efficient" education.

Fitts said he was soliciting residents' ideas to present to the state Department of Education.

Borough resident Laura Kaplan said she opposed the plan, objecting to what she called the state's intent to deprive local school boards of the ability to foster a competitive atmosphere in order to stay at "the lowest common denominator" set by other districts.

Another resident agreed, saying the

goal should be raising academic standards, by funding state-mandated curricula with state aid, and allowing individual school boards to finance its own programs with local tax dollars.

Board of Education member Pat Knodel also spoke to Fitts, recommending he ask Commissioner of Education Leo Klagholz to reconsider the plan's provisions for establishing enrollment quotas for schools and classrooms.

Diane McCurdy told Fitts she thought the state plan caters to failing districts, while it "ignores the lessons of thorough and efficient districts."

The Department of Education must have a new statewide funding and curricula scheme in place for the 1997-98 academic year.

State will review public referendum

By Jay Hochberg
Associate Editor

The state Department of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed deregionalization of the high school district on Oct. 24 in the auditorium of the Cranford campus of Union County College.

Members of the public will have the opportunity to address the board of review, convened by the Department of Education, to investigate the feasibility of holding a public referendum to decide the fate of the Regional High School District. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The board is expected to announce its decision by Nov. 8. If allowed, the referendum may be held in January or February, according to attorney Vito Gagliardi, who represented state Senate President Donald DiFrancesco, R-Union, during a meeting of the Mountainside Board of Education Tuesday night.

All members of the public, who want to speak to the board, are expected to be able to do so, if each first registers with the county superintendent's office and submits a written copy of his remarks. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes.

To register, contact Union County Superintendent of Schools Leonard Fitts at his Westfield office at 654-9860 by 4 p.m. Oct. 20. Written copies of remarks will be submitted the night of the hearing.

Written testimony also will be accepted — before 4 p.m. Oct. 24 — from anyone unable to attend the hearing. Those statements may be sent to Melvin Wynn at the state Department of Education's Division of Finance, 225 East State St., CN 500, Trenton, NJ 08625.

The board of review was assembled in response to protests by four of the district's six constituent municipalities regarding a report issued by Fitts. That report recommended changes in administrative and budgetary matters but said the district should remain intact.

The board of review is composed of state Commissioner of Education Leo

Klagholz, a representative from both the state departments of Treasury and Community Affairs and the state Board of Education.

Responding to those municipalities' protests, the Regional High School Board of Education passed a resolution in August that keeps the board from voicing either support of or opposition to a public referendum. That resolution accelerated the legal process, said Mountainside Board of Education member Richard Kress.

"All of a sudden, things are happening very quickly," he added. "It's no longer a back-burner topic."

While the regional board cannot comment as a governing body, Regional High School District Superintendent of Schools Donald Merachnik said he thought individual members of the board may attend the hearing and speak as residents of the district.

Kenilworth Board of Education Secretary Vincent Gonella said representatives of that school district also plan to attend and speak.

"At least now we are going to be able to present our case before the board of review," he added. "Hopefully, the board, in their wisdom, will see the feasibility of what we're proposing, and allow the populace of the communities to decide on deregionalization by referendum."

Kenilworth board member Janet Glynos said the dissolution committee, representing Clark, Kenilworth, Mountainside and Springfield, already has been planning for the hearing and she expects a large turnout.

The Kenilworth school board and Borough Council have been leaders in the effort to dissolve the high school district, since David Brearley Regional High School was closed by the regional board in 1993.

If the board allows the referendum, both a majority of all votes cast within the district and individual majorities in at least four member-towns would be required to dissolve the district.

The Cranford campus of Union County College is located at 1033 Springfield Ave.

Congressman endorses Bagger, Augustine

Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, recently announced his endorsement of the candidacies of Assemblymen Richard Bagger and Alan Augustine, both seeking re-election to the Legislature, representing District 22.

"Rich Bagger and Alan Augustine are dedicated to lowering taxes for the residents of New Jersey," Franks said of his fellow Republicans. "They have consistently supported Gov. Whitman's pledge to decrease taxes, and

they are dedicated to doing whatever is necessary to continue giving the taxpayers back more."

Franks also told of the assemblymen's work with the governor to streamline state government and "put money where it belongs — in the taxpayers' pocket" by repealing former Gov. Jim Florio's sales tax increase cutting taxes by \$600 million.

"Assemblymen Bagger and Augustine understand the dilemma that

many families are facing when living on a tight budget, and they both believe that government should be on a budget as well," Franks also said. "The assemblymen are working to help the towns and school boards in the 22nd District save money by eliminating state mandates, easing burdensome state laws and encouraging voluntary sharing of services."

According to Franks, the assemblymen worked overtime for the residents in their district, including Clark, where residents wanted to save their reservoir. Both Bagger and Augustine fought for the community, resulting in legislation allowing municipalities to be active in decisions regarding the decommissioning of local dams and reservoirs.

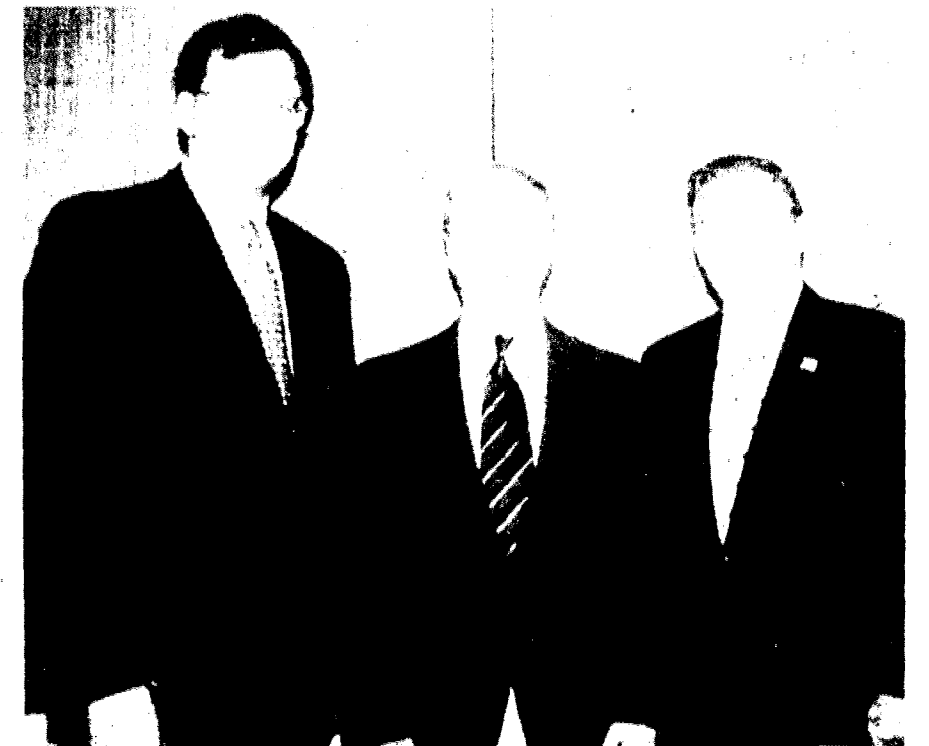
In addition, they also secured state assistance so Clark's reservoir can be preserved as open space.

Bagger and Augustine said that they understand the residents whom they represent, because they have the same concerns. Bagger is a lifelong resident of Westfield and served as mayor and as a councilman. His parents live in Mountainside.

He has been a member of the New Jersey Assembly since 1992 and was elected Assembly majority conference leader by his colleagues.

Bagger has sponsored measures concerning economic development, energy policy, civil justice reform, education and state budgeting.

Augustine's record includes serving on the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders for six years and as an honorary member of the Union County Police Chiefs Association. He



Assemblyman Richard Bagger, Rep. Bob Franks and Assemblyman Alan Augustine gather following Franks' endorsement of the two incumbent Assembly candidates. Franks cited the assemblymen's support of Gov. Christine Todd Whitman's cuts in spending and taxes as a reason for his endorsement. Bagger and Augustine represent the 22nd District, which includes Mountainside.

also has served as a member of the Scotch Plains Township Council for 16 years, including two terms as mayor. He is currently a member of the Assembly Appropriations and Regulatory Oversight Committee and the Assembly Appropriations Subcommittee on State Aid.

"Assemblymen Bagger and Augustine are dedicated to serving the residents of their district and they have

the records to prove it," Franks said. "I stand behind both Assemblymen Bagger and Augustine 100 percent. If they are elected to serve you once again, I know they will continue to show the dedication and commitment to the residents of District 22 they've shown since being first elected. In November when you go to cast your vote, I recommend that you vote for Bagger and Augustine."

Local GOP names campaign officers

The Republican candidates for municipal office have named their campaign chairman and coordinators.

Pat Debbie has accepted the chairmanship position, leading the reelection efforts of Mayor Robert Vigilanti and Borough Council members Werner Schon and David Hart.

The campaign coordinators are Councilman Tex Jackson, who will handle campaign finance; and Marilyn Hart, who will arrange the candidates' publicity.

William Van Biercom, chairman of the Mountainside Republicans, issued an invitation to anyone interested either in meeting the candidates or assisting in the election on Nov. 7, saying borough residents may call Marilyn Hart at 233-4036, or their elected local district committee member.

Committee members by district are:

- District 1: Annemarie Betyeman and Don Carpency;
- District 2: Fred Gerkin;
- District 3: Patricia Salvato and Timothy Benford;
- District 4: Barbara Knierim and William Van Biercom;
- District 5: Joan Nemick and Richard O'Neill;
- District 6: Helen Fitz Gibbon and Keith Turner;
- District 7: Pat Debbie and James Kellerk;
- District 8: Marilyn Hart and Robert Vigilanti;
- District 9: Dona Osieja and Norman Hobbis.

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Eugene Rau, Councilman
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- OPEN HOUSE** - Public Invited

Courtesy of Mountainside Historic Preservation Committee

A FIRST CLASS ACT — The souvenir program from the dedication of the Mountainside post office, held Sept. 9, 1961, lists the many borough residents and civic groups involved in welcoming the Postal Service to Mountainside and those who participated in the ceremony. Mail service in Mountainside began with a one-man/one-room operation called the Baltusrol Post Office, near the present site of Trailside Nature and Science Center. It later was relocated to the Blivise General Store. From 1912-58, the mail was processed from Westfield under Rural Free Delivery. In 1948, the post office requested borough residents and merchants number their properties to ensure efficient delivery. In 1958 a post office was opened on Route 22. In 1960 the U.S. Post Office Department accepted a bid to provide a building for the Mountainside Post Office, located on Sherwood Parkway. Among the items on display at the Hetfield House is a first-day mailing from the Mountainside Post Office, dated Nov. 1, 1958.

Sen. DiFrancesco honored by health advocacy group

State Senate President Donald DiFrancesco, R-22, was honored as the "Friend of the Year" by RESOLVE, a non-profit mental health agency, at that group's 20th anniversary dinner recently.

DiFrancesco, of Scotch Plains, was cited for his concern for the quality-of-life of New Jersey residents, and for his legislative leadership on issues of importance to RESOLVE, an agency spokesman said.

"I'm honored to receive such an award and I'm proud to be associated with RESOLVE and all the counseling, advocacy and educational work they do so well," said DiFrancesco, who represents Mountainside. "It's difficult to truly measure all the good work the people from RESOLVE have contributed to our state and our society. They certainly deserve the Legislature's support."

RESOLVE is a community counseling center that runs advocacy and educational programs for children, adolescents and adults. Their accredited staff works with schools, families and employers, and runs intervention programs.

"RESOLVE has a lot to be proud of as they enter their 20th year," DiFrancesco also said. "For here, success is measured in people and their mental well-being. I and my colleagues in Trenton admire that success, and we remain sensitive to the needs of advocacy groups throughout New Jersey and to the many citizens they serve."

DiFrancesco, who has served as president of the Senate since 1992, has represented District 22 for 19 years.

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Women's club hosts talk on 'car smarts'

The College Women's Club of Mountainside will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Deerfield School's library.

Daniel Hill, the writer of a report on motor vehicle repair-reform for the National Association of Attorneys General, will speak.

His talk, titled "Car Smarts," will tell, in laymen's terms, about the strategies, financial and legal aspects of being in control when dealing with salespeople and mechanics.

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An All Aboard Party On October 14

We've got lots of reasons to celebrate and we want you to be a part of the fun. We're having a big party on Saturday, October 14. It all begins at 9 AM. It's going to be an old-fashioned fall festival, with hot dogs, cider and donuts — and gifts for everyone.

As part of our celebration some lucky person will win a fabulous trip for two to the Bahamas. For 3 nights our winner will enjoy the luxurious comforts of the beautiful Nordic Empress of Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd. Of course, airfare for two to and from Miami is included. YOU could be that winner, so fill out the attached coupon and bring it to our new office at 733 Mountain Avenue, Springfield TODAY!

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Civic calendar

The Civic Calendar, prepared by the *Springfield Leader* and the *Mountainside Echo*, is a list of local and county government meetings.

Today

- The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 7 p.m. on the sixth floor of the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza. The board is expected to vote on the Division of Parks and Recreation proposal to thin the Watchung Reservation deer population.

Monday

- The Mountainside Zoning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall.

Tuesday

- The Mountainside Borough Council will meet at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall.
- The Springfield Board of Adjustment will meet at 7 p.m. on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 100 Mountain Ave.

Wednesday

- The Springfield Development Review Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 100 Mountain Ave.
- The Union County Consumer Affairs Advisory Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.
- The Union County Community Development Block Grant and Revenue Sharing Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.

Oct. 23

- The Springfield Township Committee will meet in executive session at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 100 Mountain Ave.
- The Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board will meet at 7 p.m. at 300 North Avenue East in Westfield.
- The Union County Mental Health Advisory Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.

Oct. 24

- The Springfield Township Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 100 Mountain Ave.
- The Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet at 6 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.
- The Union County Advisory Board on the Disabled will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.

Oct. 25

- The Union County Solid Waste Advisory Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the Administration Building at Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth.

Oct. 26

- The Mountainside Recreation Commission will meet at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall.

Oct. 31

- The Watchung Reservation Deer Management Subcommittee will meet at 8 p.m. at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

Children's hospital to host black tie affair

The "Golden Age of the Roaring '20s" is the theme for the eighth annual Umbrella Ball, the black tie gala to benefit Children's Specialized Hospital. The ball will be on Oct. 21 at the Westfield Armory.

A group of area business leaders and residents have formed the advancement committee for the Umbrella Ball, chaired this year by Duke Parker of Basking Ridge.

"There has always been an interest in holding the Umbrella Ball at the Westfield Armory, which is a fully accessible space, adaptable to a theme event. We hope to have more than 600 people attend this year's ball," said Parker, who is treasurer for C.R. Bard in Murray Hill.

In keeping with this year's theme, the armory will be transformed into a speakeasy complete with "gangsters" and other period characters. Guests are welcome to dress in formal wear from the period and dance the Charleston to the band Uptown Swing.

"Guests will enjoy a fun-filled evening while they are enabling the hospital to continue to care for hundreds of children and adolescents each year," said Parker.

The Umbrella Ball, which is held

annually, has raised more than \$1 million since its inception in 1988. New this year is the opportunity for companies and individuals to sponsor tables for \$15,000. These sponsors are designated as humanitarians and already include the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies, Warren, and the Connel Company, Westfield. Sponsors of \$10,000 tables, known as founders, include C.R. Bard, Inc.; Michael Harrison, Esq., of Chatham; Johnson and Johnson; Lynn Kolterjahn of Westfield, a member of the CSH auxiliary and hospital board; Schering Corporation; Schering-Plough Research Institute; and Warner Lambert.

This year's advancement committee members, their hometowns and companies, include: CSH president Richard Ahlfeld of Mountainside; foundation board member J. Robert Arthur of Mountainside, Johnson and Johnson; chairman emeritus of the CSH foundation board and former chairman of the hospital board Paul Bosland of Convent Station; Nicholas Bradshaw of Mountainside, First Fidelity Bank in Newark, and his wife, Majory; Ross Clark of West Caldwell; foundation board member

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Also serving on the committee are CSH auxiliary and hospital board member Lynn Kolterjahn of Westfield; Umbrella Ball co-chairwoman Sueanne Korn of Westfield; foundation board member John Mariano, Esq., of Chatham, Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, Celso and Kessler in Livingston; Ray Martino of Manahawkin, Horizon Business Forms, Inc. in Fairfield; Richard Oscar of Montclair, Oscar and Associates in West Caldwell; James Moran of Paterson, Paine Webber; Umbrella Ball chairwoman Barbara Rotham of Westfield; foundation board chairman James Rutherford of Chatham, Barrett and Associates in Manhattan; and CSH medical director and executive vice president Dr. Ilana Zarafu of South Orange.

The ad journal committee and

Umbrella Ball committee are also hard at work ensuring the success of the event. Chairing the ad journal committee is Gary Whyte of Mountainside, Ecuadorian Lines in Newark. Assisting him are Anthony Barbera of Berkeley Heights, Barbera and Barbera Associates in Berkeley Heights; Allison Braen of Cedar Grove, Chemical Bank in Westfield; Donna Habrack of Toms River; and CSH auxiliary member Hillary Weldon of Westfield.

Ellie Farber of Martinsville and Carol Graham of Summit, Summit/Short Hills Twig member, are serving on the Umbrella Ball committee along with Rothman and Korn.

For more information about the Umbrella Ball, contact Barry Haber, director of development for Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, at (908) 233-3720, ext. 276.

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Borough native joins in NATO operations

Navy Chief Warrant Officer Paul H. Bredlau, son of Howard C. Bredlau of 213 Evergreen Ct., is serving in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia aboard the USS America, which is conducting NATO air strikes in support of efforts to compel Bosnian Serb compliance with United Nations resolutions.

Bredlau is one of 5,000 Navy and Marine Corps personnel aboard the ship who have been working in support of "Operation Deliberate Force," the NATO operation in support of UN forces in Bosnia.

Bredlau's ship is stationed in the Adriatic near the former Yugoslav republic along with other units in its battle group, including the guided missile cruiser USS Normandy, which recently launched 13 Tomahawk cruise missiles against Bosnian Serb military targets.

After three days of air strikes following their arrival in the Adriatic, Bredlau's ship and its more than 70 aircraft have flown 365 missions over Bosnia, which have included suppression of enemy air defenses, close air

support, combat air patrol, search and rescue, and airborne command and control. The air strikes have targeted storage and ammunition depots, anti-aircraft missile defense systems, command and control facilities, and military communications systems.

Bredlau is part of an operation that includes other NATO aircraft flying from Italy and a multi-national rapid reaction force stationed on the ground in Bosnia. The NATO air strikes began Aug. 30, with the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt completing more than 600 missions over Bosnia before being replaced by Bredlau's ship.

Bredlau is currently on a six-month overseas deployment with USS America, which began in late August after leaving from Norfolk, Va. This mission is the carrier's final deployment.

The 1977 graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield joined the Navy in June 1977.

Membership meeting

Springfield Hadassah will hold its 24th annual Paid-Up Membership Supper Oct. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in Temple Beth Ahm. The evening will be chaired by Fran Golden, membership vice president and her committee.

A delicious dinner will be served

consisting of kosher Chinese food, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, and cake for dessert.

Entertainment will be provided by Cantor Mark Biddleman of Temple Emanuel in Woodcliff Lake.

There is no charge for paid-up members. There will be a contribution asked of \$10 for each guest.

Fire Department to visit schools

The Springfield Fire Department has been visiting schools and houses of worship to promote fire safety awareness during Fire Prevention Week.

Members of the Fire Department give fire safety and prevention talks to local children. They also take their pumper trucks to nursery schools and temples for fire safety talks and demonstrations.

Fire Prevention Week is only one of the fire education programs sponsored by the Springfield Fire Department throughout the year.

In the past, they have spoken with civics and senior citizen groups and have performed fire safety and prevention demonstrations with St. Barnabas Medical Center's trailer-house.

County Cancer Unit seeks volunteers

The Union County unit of the American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers for its Road to Recovery Program.

Road to Recovery is a free patient service program whereby volunteer drivers escort individuals to and from cancer treatments. It is a flexible volunteer opportunity for anyone who has a car and some spare time to help someone in need.

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County honors local as top employee

Elizabeth Ann Kelly of Summit received a resolution awarded by the Freeholder Board and a county manager's Certificate of Appreciation for successfully conceiving, designing and implementing a new summer camp service.

Freeholder Chairwoman Linda DiGiovanni noted that this new service, which addresses an ongoing need of the public by having the longer program times parents requested, at the same time generated increased revenue for Trailside. Indeed, the summer programs mentioned realized an increase of \$3,018 more than 1994's revenue.

Children 4 to 8 are now able to spend the whole morning in summer-time nature studies. Parents have the option of selecting two classes, separated by a supervised free activities period with a snack. This extended session option proved popular; there was a two-fold increase in summer enrollment for this age group, with a total of 450 enrollees.

First- through ninth-graders now have a day-long camp option. Included in the tuition cost is a morning and afternoon nature program and a supervised lunch, complete with abbreviated nature activities. Parents were able to choose sessions by the



Freeholder Vice Chairman Edwin H. Force, left, and Freeholder Chairwoman Linda DiGiovanni, right, congratulate Elizabeth Ann Kelly of Summit, assistant director of the Trailside Nature and Science Center in the Watchung Reservation after Kelly was named Employee of the Month for July.

week for a limit of eight weeks. Eighty-four slots were filled during the summer.

Kelly took the initiative to establish a new program that has an educational benefit for the children of

the county," said Union County Manager Ann Baran. "It's a unique educational opportunity to acquaint them with the Watchung Reservation."

Kelly also was recognized for her work with the Watchung Reservation

Volunteer Trail Workers. Devised and coordinated by Kelly, this program utilizes volunteers from all walks of life who donate their time and energy to help maintain more than 13 miles of hiking trails in the reservation.

Overlook holds Medicare seminar

Seminar will have questions regarding Medicare coverage and health insurance may find out answers Wednesday when Overlook Hospital hosts the forum "National HealthCare and Medicare" at 10 a.m.

The seminar will be held at the hospital and admission is free. Dan Kalem, Consulting on Health Insurance for Medicare beneficiaries coordinator, will be the featured speaker.

Registration is required. Attendees will receive answers to the following questions: Will Medicare pay for nursing home care? What to do if Medicare denies payment for a claim? Participants also will receive counsel on how to decipher the most Medicare policy for individuals and help in clarifying confusing Medicare issues so as to enable them to make their own informed decisions.

CHIME is a statewide program sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division on Aging, in cooperation with the state Department of Insurance.

Dine with NJSO conductor

Residents are invited to meet Zdenek Macal, artistic director and conductor of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, on Oct. 22 during a Victorian Evening with Cocktails in Summit sponsored by the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra League.

The reception will follow the Sunday afternoon performance in Newark's Symphony Hall of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 in B-flat Minor with Alexander Tor-

alza as soloist and Gliere's Symphony No. 2 in C Minor.

Macal has promised some of the brightest and most stimulating pieces of music for the Symphony's 73rd season. He will discuss his vision for the orchestra and opening of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in 1997. Attendees may mingle with orchestra members, enjoy a light dinner and a glass of wine, and relax with some music in a Victorian setting.

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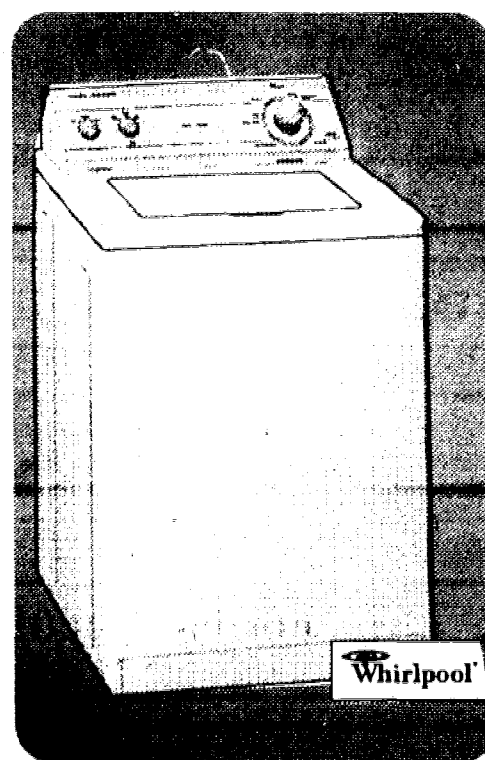
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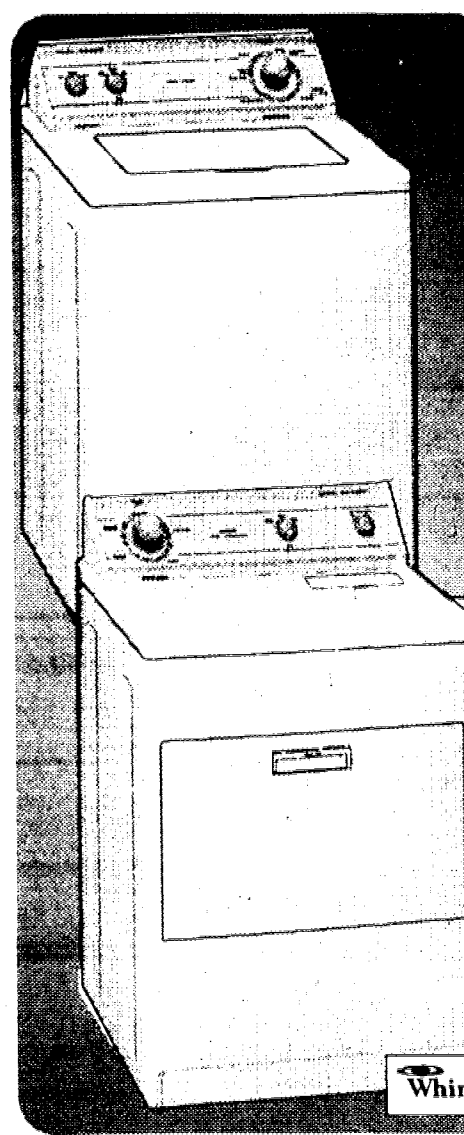
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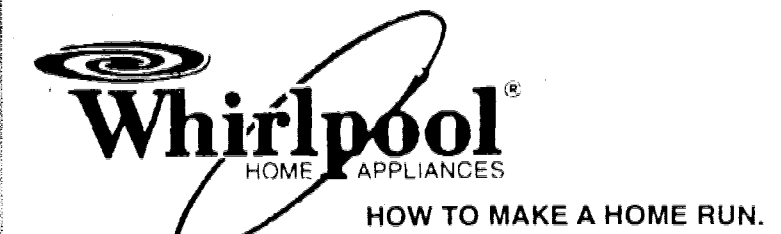
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OPINION PAGE

Pass the plan

Tonight, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will vote on the Bureau of Park Operations' proposal to reduce the size of the Watchung Reservation's deer population by 80 percent during the next five years. We urge them to pass the plan.

On Sept. 26, the proposal passed the first hurdle when it was approved by the Watchung Reservation Deer Management Subcommittee. We commend the subcommittee members for passing the plan.

Among the many reasons the county should adopt the Bureau of Park Operations' plan are the provisions that may lessen the scope of or even preclude the need for future hunts.

- Upon reaching its goal, the county Division of Parks and Recreation would seek permission to use "one-shot immunocontraception vaccines" to maintain the reduced size of the deer herd.

That was a reasonable goal of those opposed to earlier hunts.

- To attain its goal of reducing the herd to one-fifth of its present level, more female than male deer would be shot.

- The subcommittee also would plan for years beyond the five-year plan by studying new methods of deer management. If the need arises, the subcommittee would reassess its target of a 20 deer-per-square-mile density and could recommend changes.

- The subcommittee would meet in May of each of the next five years to learn the results and study the effectiveness of the previous year's program. Those meetings would include counting deer-related motor vehicle accidents, studying new developments in deer-management technology, and, if necessary, recommending changes to the plan.

- The state Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife would supply data on deer-population changes to help the county calculate the number of animals to be killed each year. If the Bureau of Park Operations is successful in the attempt to reduce the present herd by 50 percent in the first hunt, then fewer animals would have to be killed.

- The county would perform a "community attitude survey," enabling the subcommittee to assess public opinion on the deer situation and methods used to deal with it.

- The county would continue its study of the impact of deer on native plants and any loss of biodiversity in the reservation. The county would expand programs "to remove invasive exotic plants" from the park and to propagate and reintroduce native plants. In addition, mowed fields would be allowed to grow to "managed meadows."

Local environmentalists long have alleged neglect on the part of the county toward these issues.

There are other points, as reported in this newspaper in the past month, that we favor; conversely, we hope the freeholders will consider amending and adding other language to the plan.

- As presently worded, one-third of the hunters would be recruited from police departments — as was done earlier this year — and two-thirds would be private citizens able to demonstrate marksmanship skills.

We prefer only police officers be trusted with the job of discharging firearms near residential area.

- Similarly, as another effort to protect the residents near the reservation, we ask the freeholders to respect the sovereignty of the Borough of Mountainside by informing — well in advance — the local governing body, Board of Education and police of the times hunters will be present.

- The plan also calls for the establishment of a Watchung Reservation Management Committee that would deal with "other complementary issues through addition of subcommittees."

If the drafting and adoption of the above-mentioned plan is any indication of the ability of the county to manage properly the Watchung Reservation, then there is no need to enlarge the government of Union County.

In recent months, this newspaper has chronicled the decision-making process involved in this issue, starting when the county chose to make public the research materials cited by and the correspondence exchanged among subcommittee members.

We said then that the move was an important step toward diffusing — if not altogether pre-empting — the misleading hysteria sounded by several animal-rights activists from around the county.

Disclosing the subcommittee's paperwork is a sign of good faith, showing foes to the hunts that although the subcommittee meetings are closed to the public, its work is not done in secret.

We're in agreement with much of the Bureau of Park Operations' proposal; we thank the subcommittee for approving it; and we're confident of the abilities of those involved to handle the deer population issue in the future.



CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN COMRADES — Assemblyman Richard Bagger, Freeholder Ed Force and Assemblyman Alan Augustine announce the appointments of Force and Somerset County Freeholder Rose McConnell as the managers of the two incumbent Republicans' campaign. Bagger and Augustine represent District 22, which includes Mountainside, in the Legislature. Force, a former mayor of Cranford, is the vice chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. McConnell is a former councilwoman of North Plainfield and former director of the Somerset County Board of Freeholders.

Education is not on bureaucrats' agenda

Be Our Guest

By Sue Washuta

I read with interest your recent editorial "Success should be measured, praised."

It might interest you to know that under the "Goals 2000 — Educate America Act" such scary things as eliminating ranking or grades and moving "benchmarks" would be part of its paradigm, which is implemented under the educational "theory" known as Outcome Based Education.

Under this theory, Goals 2000 mandates that all students demonstrate proficiency in federally unfunded, mandated "outcomes" which are affective based (feelings/values) rather than cognitive based (academic) in nature. Tell me, how do you assess one's feelings? And by whose standards will "values" be assessed?

OBE's theory essentially states that "all students will achieve success." Now, you might be thinking, "What's wrong with that?" We would, of course, want all of our students to achieve to their individual level of success. However, under OBE, all children are to achieve at the same level, so the "not so bright" student would have to be remediated over and over and over again until they meet the outcome. What then happens to the "brighter student" who has met the outcome the first time? That student is not allowed to move forward, eliminating competition, but is "kept busy" with computer assisted instruction.

OBE's theory not only requires us to move "benchmarks" so that all children can achieve the outcome, but it could prove to be an extremely costly method of "raising standards."

- OBE Teacher Training Costs.

- Computers. If each child is to have an Individual Education Plan, it would only make sense that we would require more computers. Add this cost along with the cost of servicing these computers plus the cost to go "on line" with America. Some pretty hefty sums of money would have to be spent here.

Other federal mandates for Goals 2000:

- Pre-pre-pre kindergarten classes so that our children will start school "ready to learn." Megabucks for teachers and new classrooms.

- Breakfast programs for the lower income children so that they do not have to start their school day on an empty stomach. Cafeteria expansion? I'm all for feeding the less fortunate, but at what cost to the district?

- The federal government does allot some money for these programs, but as Governor Allen from Virginia stated, "It only amounts to pennies per student."

Although the state of New Jersey has not yet implemented Goals 2000, it is currently in the process of revising its draft of "Core Curriculum Standards." For those who have never heard the word, a "Core Curriculum Standard" is a state-mandated adoption of a particular standard for a particular subject area which is being implemented under Goals 2000. A hypothetical standard, for example in the area of Family Life/Health, might state that "all students in fourth grade know how to behave in a sexually responsible manner." This is actually more real than hypothetical. Another example actually states that children

in the primary grades be taught foreign language. Again, megabucks. What is disturbing to me is very few people know what a "Core Curriculum Standard" is or the burden that it will place on taxpayers. These standards, which were drafted one year ago, are in their final revision for October/November of this year and will be submitted by Commissioner Klagholz as of January 1996. I was led to understand that the state Department of Education wanted input from "thousands" of educators, business people and, most of all, parents, but I'm feeling that very few people know what I'm talking about or that it's too late to do anything about it. My question is "Why?"

On a brighter note, while most of the states are adopting standards that are "affective" in nature, I understand that Commissioner Klagholz is pushing for "academic" based standards, but it's certainly something to keep a close watch on. He has also appointed a "Sensitivity Group" — the only one in the nation — to review our assessment testing to ensure that they are not "too" affective in nature. However, this still does not relieve local monetary obligations.

One more point of concern. If for some reason a school district cannot, whether because of monetary or moral reasons, meet with the state requirements in implementing these standards, the state has a right to take over that school district.

I can only hope that I have opened a few eyes.

Sue Washuta is a resident of Kenilworth.

Of murder trials and rollercoaster rides

O's Zone

By Kevin O'Rourke
Staff Writer

I remember reliving the scene again and again.

I was in the restaurant looking up at the television screen, staring, my jaw open, unbelieving, as the verdicts were announced.

"This court finds the defendant, Orenthal J. Simpson, guilty of murder in the second degree on both counts."

I can remember watching O.J. break down and put his head in his hands as Johnnie Cochran turned away from his client more concerned with his own reputation than the fate of his client. The Simpson family crying and sobbing, O.J.'s mother fainting, as bailiffs come to her rescue.

I can see the reporters outside the Los Angeles Criminal Courts Building being pounded by rocks from angry Simpson supporters. A gaggle of LAPD officers struggle to hold back an angry crowd.

It was at that point when one of my lunchmates broke my concentration as he slams his hand on the table saying, "I can't believe they acquitted him."

Acquitted. Acquitted. They acquitted him. It had secretly been what I had hoped since the man was arrested more than a year ago.

Those were the good old days — the days after the bodies of Nicole Brown and Ron Goldman were found. The arrest, the slow speed chase, the rumors, the speculation, the hope that they had really had the wrong man. In those days, I was sure the police had the wrong man, and I was letting myself believe the most outlandish stories of who might have committed the murders. Anything to make me believe that it was not O.J. Simpson.

It was the mob. It was drug dealers. It was Kato. It was A.C. Cowlings. It was a burglar. It was an enemy of Ron Goldman. It was a crazy fan. It was a jealous former teammate of O.J. It was space men. It was Regis Philbin.

It was Pat Sajak. It was Martha Stewart. Anyone but O.J. Simpson. Then the trial started. I watched as best I could, with work and all. Then I got sick of it. As the prosecution presented its case, I began to see that it could have been O.J. Simpson who committed the murders. Then I got really sick of it. I could not watch the All-American hero be persecuted in such a way. Perhaps I could not face myself for being so naive and defending him so, to no one but myself. I resigned myself to the fact that the man was guilty.

Then my gut feelings were overwhelmingly set on a conviction. This man killed two humans. He should be sent away for a long time and the only thing that would get him off of the murder rap was his high-priced, silver-tongued, criminal defense team which was making a mockery of the judicial system. I was disgusted with in four weeks and stopped watching or caring about the trial. I think it was right after the Kato Kalin testimony, when he guest hosted "Talk Soup."

I had kept that promise as best I could. I'd turn off reports about the trial, avoid other O.J. Junkies around the office like a recovering alcoholic avoids his drinking buddies so I would not get sucked back into a life filled with allusions to F. Lee Bailey and Barry Scheck. I was on the proverbial "Juice Wagon," and I had control of my life.

Then, the downfall came when someone in the office told me that closing arguments were going to start. I got weak in the knees and I could

feel myself slipping. I would have to start watching and become part of the trial now. Since I'm only in the office a few hours on Wednesdays, I sat on my couch with a bag of potato chips and watched the closing arguments like a junkie going back to the crack-pipe. The trial called to me.

Being in the newspaper business, I always get a good chuckle out of the *New York Post's* creative and unique headlines. But, every daily newspaper headline sang a sweet song, reminding me of the viceral, voyeuristic, vicarious thrills the trial gave me. I sank to those depths and got hooked on "The Juice" again.

As I listened to Johnnie Cochran's closing argument, the optimist in me began to take over. I began talking to the screen and rooting for O.J. He had convinced me that O.J. must be set free. I watched Marcia Clark's rebuttal with hatred in my heart.

Then, I and the rest of the world were forced to wait a weekend before the jury would begin deliberations. When they had reached a quick verdict, I feared the worst. "He's gonna fry," I said to a co-worker. Judge Lance Ito forced the entire world to wait another day before we'd hear the fate of an American icon.

It would be announced on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 1 p.m. EST. Perfect. I would be able to watch it during lunch. I and few of my colleagues left the office at 12:40 p.m. in search of a restaurant with televisions. We were late. All the tables with views of the TV were taken already, in two places. We were forced to sit around the bar and watch the verdict. The restaurant was filled. You could feel the sense of urgency in

the air. The expectations were electrifying. Then it began when the judge took the bench.

All conversations stopped. It was like being strapped into a roller coaster. It was that same feeling of impending fear and danger as the heavy bar fell across your lap.

The jury foreman told the judge they had reached a verdict. Here we go. The roller coaster car began clicking and clacking up the first gigantic hill. Ktick, chug, chug. Ktick chug chug. No one spoke. Then in the seconds before the verdicts were read, it felt like the entire country was on the top of the roller coaster hill and was not sure whether to keep their eyes open as we zoomed down the other side. Everyone seemed to shudder with excitement and fear.

"Not guilty." There was a gasp. A loud, audible, collective gasp. "I don't believe it," I said. Nothing else was said. Everyone seemed to feel the same way. There was no cheering from the mostly professional people in the restaurant eating lunch. The court camera panned to the Goldman family. The sobs of Ronald Goldman's sister. Then I began to feel guilty, and all I'd done was order lunch, watch television and quietly hope he'd be acquitted. "That man just got away with murder," I overheard someone say.

Then I could feel myself becoming depressed. Everyone just sat quietly and ate lunch. There was little discussion. Then one of my colleagues sarcastically said, "Is this a great country, or what?"

Or what?

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OP-ED PAGE

I've talked the talk, now I'm walking the walk

As a member of the House Budget Committee, I have spent the past nine months scrutinizing how tax dollars are spent. Every federal program and agency has been placed under a microscope as we have searched for ways to cut costs, improve the delivery of services and reorder the nation's spending priorities.

Driving this process has been our goal of ending the nightmare of deficit spending. The Republican majority in the House is committed to delivering to the American people a balanced budget for the first time in 27 years.

This year's process has been exhaustive and intense. It's involved making some very tough choices. Because we are forcing Washington to live within its means, some well-intended but inefficient programs had to be eliminated. Other government services needed to be scaled back. Even some of our most popular and important programs had to undergo changes to keep costs under control.

As I travel around Central New Jersey, I find that people are willing to accept change, to live with less government in order to reach a more important goal — building a better, more prosperous future for America. They recognize that decades of reckless deficit spending are stealing the American Dream from their children and grandchildren. They want the next generation to enjoy a future filled with hope and opportunity — not one where their standard of living declines because of the crushing burden of the national debt.

As the new federal fiscal year begins this week, we are moving closer to our goal of placing government spending on a glide path to a balanced budget. There are still some important details, however, that must be worked out before we can present to the American people a complete fiscal roadmap that leads to a balanced budget in seven years.

After decades of reckless spending and exploding budget deficits, balancing the budget by reigning in government spending will require sacrifices by all Americans. Although the basic safety net of services that our neediest

Be Our Guest

By Bob Franks

citizens rely on must remain in place, other non-essential services will be consolidated, reduced, and, in some cases, eliminated.

As a member of the committee that has the responsibility to scrutinize all federal spending, my constituents need to know that I have subjected my own office budget to this same rigorous process.

Before asking the people I represent to make do with less, they should know that I've set the same standards of fiscal restraint for my Congressional office.

I have taken a number of steps in my offices here in New Jersey and in Washington to cut costs, impose fiscal discipline and guard against the undue influence of special interests.

First, starting this month, I will be cutting my take-home pay as a member of Congress by 5 percent. I will be returning that money to the federal treasury and directing that it be dedicated to retiring the national debt. I already have made my first installment toward reducing the national debt by sending a check to the U.S. Treasury for \$327.75. During the next 12 months, I will be returning more than \$3,700 of my salary to the federal treasury.

Next, we are changing the way we deal with frequent flier miles. Right now members of Congress are entitled to use the frequent flier miles they accumulate traveling back and forth between their congressional district and Washington for their own personal use. I have abandoned that practice. As of last May, all frequent flier miles I have accumulated on official government travel have been donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Make-A-Wish will put these mileage awards to use for a far more worthwhile purpose — helping fulfill

the dreams of seriously ill children.

Next, I am cutting the budget for my offices and staff in both New Jersey and Washington by 5 percent. At the end of the year, I intend to return to the Treasury \$45,000, which represents more than 5 percent of the \$846,803 our office has been allocated as its "Members' Representational Allowance" for this year. My staff recognizes that we all need to make a contribution toward balancing the budget.

As you may know, I have been an ardent supporter of term limits for members of Congress. Earlier this year, I voted for a series of term limits bills that came before the House. Even before those proposed constitutional amendments went down to defeat, I announced that I am voluntarily limiting my service in the House to no more than 12 years. By voluntarily imposing a term limit on my own service, I want my constituents to know that I stand firm in my resolve to fundamentally change Congress and make it more responsive to the people it was created to serve.

For the past several years, the American people have become increasingly concerned about the power of special interests in Washington. They believe, sometimes correctly, that the day-to-day relationship lobbyists and members of Congress is simply too cozy. This has caused many Americans to wonder whose agenda is being pursued in Washington, the public's interest or the special interests?

For that reason, our office no longer accepts any gifts from either constituents or special interests. All gifts that I or members of my staff receive are being returned or donated to a local charity.

Hopefully, the initiatives I have undertaken will strengthen the bond of confidence that is essential if we are to bring about the most fundamental and important change our nation has seen in a generation.

Bob Franks is representative for the 7th Congressional District of the United States.

letters to the editor

What do candidates stand for?

To the Editor:

The mudslinging has not abated. Your newspaper has kept the winds of discontent howling about our town.

Why have you not demanded from the candidates a detailed program of what each of them stands for? I, for one, am tired of reading of alleged improprieties of our elected officials.

If they broke a law, our laws see to it that they are indicted.

Who will or which party will have a platform that ensures elections less frequently than once yearly?

Who will or which party will have a platform that establishes a commission to investigate a change in the form of our local government? There is no doubt that the present form of government does not and cannot work.

The elected officials cannot be both the legislative branch and the executive branch of government. There is not enough time to do both. With our present form of government, who actually manages the day-to-day affairs of Springfield?

Who will or which party will have a platform that ensures a full-time business manager or township administrator who will see to it that the interests of the citizenry are best protected?

Who will or which party will have a platform that not only analyzes what is identifiably wrong with Springfield, but what steps need be taken to improve our lot?

Who will or which party will explore the possibilities of shared services with our neighbors?

The time has come for leadership. Leadership means taking the bull by the horns and wrestling with those problems in order to solve them. Leadership is not limited to castigation of the opposition.

Simply put, each candidate must answer the question, what do you stand for? What do you offer that the opposition does not offer? Those are the questions that need to be answered so that the electorate can make a well-informed decision as to whom they should vote for.

I would hope that, in the spirit of fairness and non-partisanship, the *Leader* will foster an environment where the candidates can exchange their ideas and not engage in meaningless mudslinging.

As a Republican, I refuse to blindly follow a party line or blindly endorse or vote for candidates that the local party puts up for election. I am a Republican, but first I am a responsible citizen of Springfield who wants the best elected officials that Springfield can produce.

Philip Feintuch
Former Committeeman and Mayor,
Springfield

Leader is biased in coverage

To the Editor:

I expect a newspaper to present balanced factual information in news coverage of an election campaign. That is particularly important when the newspaper has a virtual monopoly of the news coverage in a particular locality.

I expect the editors of that newspaper to have an opinion because they are, or should be, among the most knowledgeable individuals concerning local political happenings. However, that opinion should be labeled as such and should appear on the opinion page, not reflected on the news pages.

Your coverage of the current campaign has been strongly biased in favor of the Republican Party. The photograph on the front page of the Sept. 28 issue is particularly unacceptable. It is a political campaign advertisement, but it is not marked as paid for by the Republican campaign committee. If it technically is not in violation of New Jersey election laws, it should be. At the very least, it is an in-kind contribution to the Republican Party.

I am not politically active and have never written to the *Leader* before but I am upset at your lack of professionalism.

So that you will not have to look it up, I am a registered Democrat.

Julius Shrensell

Springfield

Editor's note: We would extend the same courtesy to the Springfield Democratic Party, but their candidates have not been available to the *Springfield Leader*.

Time to cut California in two

I believe it's time that the state of California be divided in two, as already suggested. The high electoral voting power of one state is dangerous to the country. The alternative is to have presidents elected strictly by popular vote.

States like Texas and Florida are hosting many illegal aliens that have some negative impact and also frequently have a political impact.

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student update

Lehigh announces spring '95 list

Commencement ceremonies were held at Lehigh University. Students who were named to the dean's list for the spring semester. The names were announced by John W. Smith, vice president for student affairs and dean of students. The graduates on the dean's list:

earned a grade-point average of 3.5 or better, on a 4.0 scale, and carried at least 12 hours of courses graded A, B, C, D and F.

Students named to the dean's list from Summit are Susan Divietro IV, Amir Khan and Samuel Sivartsen IV.

BU awards academic degrees

Boston University awarded academic degrees to 1,007 students this fall.

Among the graduates was Summit resident Monica Fienemann, who received an master's degree in childhood, elementary, education.

Boston University is the third largest independent university in the United States, with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students in its 15 schools and colleges.

WPC names spring dean's list

Summit High School's WPC (Westfield Preparatory Center) has named its dean's list for the spring semester. The graduates on the dean's list must have a minimum of 12 credits

for the semester and earn a grade-point average of 3.4 or better.

Students named to the list include Matthew A. Dowd of Summit.

Open house scheduled for Oak Knoll School

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child Education Center will hold an open house on Oct. 22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for boys and girls in grades K-6 and girls only in grades 7-12.

Parents and prospective students from the area are invited to attend open house to learn more about the school's academic programs, sports and extracurricular activities. Classes include the faculty and our facilities.

Oak Knoll School, an independent, Catholic school, currently enrolls 1,500 students in 100 classes. Oak Knoll is operated by the Sisters of the Holy Child, who have been educating the 150th

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

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

For more information on Oak Knoll, call the Admissions Office at 522-8109.

Save your newspaper for recycling.

Kent Place seniors receive honors

Three Kent Place School seniors have been named semifinalists and six seniors have been named Commended Students in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

More than a million students entered the 1994 Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Only 15,000 semifinalists and 35,000 Commended Students were selected nationwide. In addition to the merit scholars, Kent Place School senior Jeanette Ponder of East Orange was named a semifinalist in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students. She

was also one of the six Commended Students.

Kent Place seniors named semifinalists included Jenna Alden of Washington, Anne Kennan of Verona, and Meredith Zeitlin of South Orange. Seniors named Commended Students included, in addition to Ponder, Katherine Barrett of Boonton, Sarah Garman of Madison, Meghan Hewitt of Chatham, Marisa Wiker of Mendham and Katherine Worden of Summit.

Beginning its second century as a leader in women's education, Kent Place School is New Jersey's largest nonsectarian, college preparatory school for girls.

\$1 million bequest for Kent Place School

Kent Place School has received a \$1 million bequest from the estate of longtime Summit resident Evelyn Welsh. The bequest endows the Beverly Jeanne Welsh Scholarship Fund honoring the memory of Mrs. Welsh's daughter Beverly Jeanne, a 1952 graduate of Kent Place School.

The fund will provide financial aid to Kent Place students and scholarships for higher education to young women who live in Summit and who attended one of Summit's high schools — Kent Place, Summit High School or Oak Knoll.

Kent Place expects to award three scholarships annually to young women demonstrating, in addition to financial need, the qualities valued by Kent Place School — academic excellence, leadership, service to the community, citizenship and character.

In acknowledging this bequest, Headmistress Arlene Gibson said "Kent Place School depends on the generous support of its family and friends to sustain its 100-year-old tradition of excellence. We are especially honored that Mrs. Welsh selected Kent Place School to establish the Beverly Jeanne Welsh Scholarship Fund. Summit is filled with

many bright and talented young women. I am delighted to help fulfill Mrs. Welsh's wish of providing higher education to some of these very capable young women."

The Welsh bequest also included funds for capital improvements to the Kent Place Gallery, the purchase of applied and fine art books for the library, and annual commencement prizes in English and French. The first Beverly Jeanne Welsh '52 Prize in English, and Melissa Todd of Union received the Beverly Jeanne Welsh '52 Prize in French.

Requests to Kent Place School, throughout the years, have provided critical resources, enabling the school to provide scholarships to students, construct new buildings and build a superior faculty. The last time Kent Place received a bequest the size of the Welsh gift was in 1993 when Kent Place received more than \$1 million from the estate of alumna Natalie Penrose Swetland.

Summit High School searches for long lost alumni

For anyone who may be looking for an old high school buddy or sweetheart or wondering what the old gang is up to, Summit Senior High School may provide the answers.

The school is announcing a project that will list all Summit Senior High School alumni. It's the school's first directory of alumni and will include the current names and addresses of all alumni of the school from all over the country.

Summit Senior High School is sending out a call for help to all its past students, families and friends. If you have a list of alumni from any class year, any updated names and addresses or you know someone who has either, call 1-800-653-7154, or fax to Richard Bradley at 1-800-238-8332.

Updates may also be mailed to Summit Senior High School, Bernard C. Harris Publishing Co., Inc., Attn:

Richard Bradley, 313 East Anderson Lane, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78752.

Here's a chance to get back in touch with some old friends, make new friends, plan social gatherings

and see how everyone is doing. But the school needs your help. They are looking for lists and updates of current names and addresses from all class years so that as many alumni as possible can be listed in the directory.

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Paul O'Keefe, center, meets with his campaign advisers, from left, Council candidate Mattie Holloway of Hillside, Mayor Janet Whitman of Summit, Freeholder Chairwoman Linda Di Giovanni of Union and Councilwoman Joan Papan of Scotch Plains. Acting County Clerk O'Keefe selected these four women as his campaign committee because he has run with each one of them for freeholder in the past.

Clerk candidate seeks friendly advice

In developing his campaign strategy for the county clerk's election, O'Keefe called upon his former freeholder running mates for advice.

"In the past I have been on the ballot with four of the most outstanding women in Union County," said O'Keefe, "and their knowledge of the county and its people will be essential to me in this election."

Mayor Janet Whitman of Summit; Councilwoman Joan Papan of Scotch Plains; Mattie Holloway, a candidate

for Township Committee in Hillside; and Freeholder Chairwoman Linda Di Giovanni of Union have all agreed to help O'Keefe in his campaign.

In discussing O'Keefe's qualifications, Whitman said that "as a fellow mayor, I have always appreciated his service-oriented approach to government."

Di Giovanni indicated that "Paul has brought many new ideas to the Clerk's Office and has always been open to the Freeholders' agenda."

Holloway said, "Paul is a true public servant who is humble and always willing to lend a helping hand."

Papan called O'Keefe "a hands-on administrator whose diversified business background and experience makes him uniquely qualified to be Union County clerk."

O'Keefe said he believes the expertise and advice that his team provides him, based on their varied experience, will prove to be invaluable in the upcoming election.

Newcomers have entertaining opportunities

Newcomers Club of Summit, Berkeley Heights, and New Providence will hold a coffee get-together for prospective members on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

The club provides many opportunities for socializing. Special October activities include Moms and Tots outings to a petting zoo, and a day of

apple picking at Hillview Farm. For the young and the young at heart, there are plenty of Halloween activities planned.

On Oct. 14, couples can test their polka skills when the group oompahs the night away in celebration of Oktoberfest. Day trips, tennis, Ladies' Night Out, running club, bridge, and

gourmet dinner groups are also offered. For location information, call Beth Ann Conaghan, Summit, at 273-6689; Susan Nycum, Berkeley Heights, at 508-0214; and Linda Littlejohn, New Providence, at 464-7617.

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Annual luncheon offers homemade treats

The Summit Chapter of the National Christ Child Society will hold its Annual Luncheon, Boutique, and Fashion Show at Canoe Brook Country Club in Summit on Wednesday, Oct. 23.

The boutique will open at 10 a.m. and will offer hand-knit items for children and babies. The Gourmet Shop will have on sale home-made jellies, jams and chutneys, as well as

home-baked cakes, cookies, and a variety of breads.

Luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m., followed by a Fashion Show given by Peter Duffy Furs, whose shop is located in New York City. The festivities will close with the awarding of prizes, some of which are a \$500 gift certificate for Nordstrom's at the Short Hills Mall, six Waterford tumblers valued at \$300, and Majorca pearls valued at \$125.

Proceeds of this event are used to purchase materials for items which are made by Christ Child members and distributed to needy babies and their members by local agencies. Donations are also made to local children's institutions such as children's specialized hospitals — Birthright of Essex, St. Joseph's Home for Blind Babies, and many others.

For reservations, call Mrs. Krause, (201) 467-0144.

Democratic Party endorses Torricelli

The Union County Democratic Party will throw its support behind Rep. Bob Torricelli in his campaign for the United States Senate.

In giving Torricelli their endorsement, the elected officials and party leaders in Union County cited Torricelli's moderate views, his history of activism on problems particular to New Jersey and the need to avoid a fractious primary.

"Bob Torricelli is a proven leader who represents the moderate views of the Union County Democratic Party. In the next 14 months, we will do what it takes to elect him to the U.S. Senate," said Charlotte DeFilippo, chairperson of the Democratic Party in Union County, which is one of the largest Democratic organizations in the state.

State Sen. Raymond Lesniak, a leading Democrat in the state Legislature and a former chairman of the Democratic State Committee, stressed the need for the party to avoid an expensive and fractious primary.

"The Democratic Party needs to be united if we are going to defeat the rising tide of the Republican Right in next year's elections," Lesniak said. "As a member of the state Legislature, I always have appreciated Bob Torricelli's support on the issues that matter most to New Jersey: clean air, clean water, mass transportation and gun control. Dick Zimmer, who has voted with America 94 percent of the time, has voted against New Jersey's interest on all of these issues. We need a senator who puts New Jersey first, not Newt Gingrich."

Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich said he has been particularly

impressed with Torricelli's steadfast support for gun control. Since 1982, Torricelli has been a leader in the House in the fight to ban military-style assault weapons and has introduced numerous gun control bills including one to limit handgun purchases to one gun per person per month.

"Bob Torricelli has been a special friend to law enforcement by putting more cops on the street and keeping assault weapons out of our neighborhoods," said Froehlich, a career law enforcement official. "If you care about law enforcement, you should care about having Bob Torricelli as your next senator. We need someone who puts crime prevention on the same level as giving criminals stiffer penalties."

In giving Torricelli his endorsement, Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage pointed to Torricelli's environmental record.

"Bob Torricelli understands that preserving the quality of our drinking water and the air we breathe is paramount. Because of Bob's efforts to save Sterling Forest, cities like Elizabeth may not have to spend millions

of dollars to purify our drinking water," added Bollwage. "Bob Torricelli has listened to us every time we've called for advice or assistance. I know I speak for Democratic leadership in Elizabeth by giving Congressman Torricelli our full support."

The endorsement was decided by vote during a recent meeting of the Union County Democratic Party.

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BAPTIST

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH 640 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, Rev. Clarence Alston, Pastor. Church phone (201) 379-1465. **SUNDAY SERVICES:** 9:30 A.M. Family Bible School, 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. **TUESDAY:** 7:00 P.M. Bible Class (Where The Bible Comes Alive). **WEDNESDAY:** 7:30 P.M. Prayer Service. Holy Communion every First Sunday. Nursery Care available every Sunday. If transportation is needed call the church office. Everyone is Welcome at Antioch.

CLINTON HILL BAPTIST CHURCH "Where the Bible Comes Alive" 2815 Morris Ave., Union, NJ phone: (908) 687-9440 fax: (908) 687-9440 Reverend Tom Sigley, Pastor-Teacher. **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:** Sunday: 9:45 AM - Sunday Bible School for all ages, multiple adult electives are offered each quarter on relevant life topics, nursery care & a children's department. 11:00 AM - Celebration Worship Service. We offer a celebration service which combines a blend of contemporary and traditional worship style; weekly children's service, 6:00 PM - Family Gospel Hour, nursery care provided; Monday: 6:30 AM - Early Morning Prayer Meeting; 7:00 PM Boy's Battalion (grades 7-12) Tues-Sat.: 5:00 AM Early Morning prayer; Wednesday: 10:00 AM Keenager Bible Study for senior adults, meets every 1st & 3rd Wednesday; 7:30 PM Prayer & Praise, Bible Study; Thursday: 10:00 AM Women's Faithful Workers meets every 2nd Thursday; Friday: 7:00 PM Girl's Club for girls in K-7th grades; 7:00 PM Boy's Christian Service Brigade for boys 2nd - 6th grades; Saturday: 7:00 PM Youth Group for students in 7th-12th grades. There are numerous F.O.U.N.D. Groups (home Bible Studies) meet during the week in Union and surrounding communities, call for information. For FREE information packet please call 687-9440.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF VAUXHALL 5 Hilton Ave., Vauxhall, N.J. Church office, (908) 687-3414. Pastor: Dr. Marion J. Franklin, Jr., Pastor. Sunday School - All ages - 9:30 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service including Nursery room facilities and Mother's Room - 11:00 am; Weekly Events: Mondays - Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7:30 pm. Tuesdays - Tuesday Evening Fellowship of Prayer & Pastor's Bible Class 7:30 P.M. Wednesdays - Voices of First Baptist Rehearsal - 6:00 pm - Tutorial Program from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - First Baptist Inspirational Rehearsal - 7:30 pm Thursdays - Thursday Morning Prayer 6:30 am - 7:45 am; Saturdays - Every 2nd & 4th Saturday Youth Choir Rehearsal - 11:00 am. First Sunday of each month - Holy Communion. Call the church office if transportation is needed. (908) 687-3414.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Colonial Avenue and Thoreau Terrace, Union. Rev. Robert S. Damrau, Pastor. Church phone: (908) 688-4975. Sunday services: 9:45 AM - Sunday School for ages, multiple adult electives offered each quarter. 11:00 AM - Morning Worship (Nursery care provided for infants through kindergarten, Primary church for grades 1-4). Holy Communion - first Sunday of the month; 7:00 PM - Evening Praise/Informal Bible Study. Wednesday: 7:00-8:30 PM - Middle School/Senior High Youth Fellowship at the Church; 7:00 PM - Prayer Meeting and Bible Study; 8:15 PM - Chancel Choir rehearsal. Thursday: 9:30 - 11:15 AM Women's Bible Study and

Craft Class, free child care provided (meets bimonthly, October through May). Monthly meetings include: Couples' Bible Study, Women's Missionary and Service League, Men's Fellowship Breakfast every third Saturday (7:30 AM). Wide range of musical opportunities for children, youth and adults in choirs, hand bell choirs, orchestra and instrumental ensembles. This church provides barrier free accessibility to all services and activities. A personal sound amplification system for the hearing impaired is available for use during the Sunday Morning Worship Service. A cordial welcome awaits all visitors at all of our services and programs.

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH "Christ Our Hope and Peace" 242 Shunpike Rd., Springfield, (201) 379-4351. Reverend Frederick R. Mackey, Senior Pastor. Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible School, 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery Care. D.V.B.S. Sundays 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM June 27 - August 27: 6:00 PM Evening Service, Nursery Care. Wednesday: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Bible Study, Junior/Senior High Koinonia, Active Youth Ministry, Women's Prayer Watch, Wide-Range Music Program. Ample Parking. Church is equipped with chair lift. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship. For further information contact church office (201) 379-4351.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2933 Vauxhall Road, Vauxhall, Millburn Mall Suite 6, Meets Sunday 10:00am Bible Study, 11:00am Worship Service, 6:00 pm Evening Service. Wed. 7:30 pm Bible Study. We are offering a FREE Bible Correspondence course with no obligation, or private Bible Study in your own home at your convenience. Free for the asking. Harry Persaud, Evangelist. 908-964-6356.

EPISCOPAL

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JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH AHM 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, 376-0539. Perry Raphael Rank, Rabbi. Richard Nadel, Cantor. Jack Goldman, President. Beth Ahm is an egalitarian, Conservative temple, with programming for all ages. Weekly services (including Sunday evening and Friday morning) are conducted at 7:00 AM & 7:45 PM; Shabbat (Friday) evening: 8:30 PM; Shabbat day: 9:30 AM & sunset; Sunday, festival & holiday mornings: 9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesdays. There are formal classes for both High School and pre-Religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Nursery School, Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for fifth through twelfth graders, and a busy Adult Education program. A Seniors' League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

JEWISH - ORTHODOX

CONGREGATION ISRAEL 339 Mountain Avenue, Springfield 467-9666. Daily services 6:30, 7:15 A.M.; 7:15 P.M. or at sunset. During the summer, evening services at sunset. During the winter, evening services at 7:15 P.M. Classes are held in Maimonides, Sunday, 8:30 A.M. During the winter months, we offer Torah study between mincha and ma'ariv, and during the summer months we offer a session in Jewish ethics, 45 minutes before mincha, after which we join for seuda shelishit fellowship. On Wednesday evenings after 8:00 P.M., or ma'ariv services, our Talmud study group meets. Sisterhood meets the second Tuesday evening of every month, and our Boy Scout Troop meets on Wednesday evenings. Please call our office for information concerning our NCSY youth group, nursery school, summer day camp, eruv and our special programs at 201-467-9666. Office hours, Monday thru Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M., Friday, 9:00 - 2:00 P.M.; summer hours, 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Rabbi Alan J. Yuter and Rabbi Israel E. Turner, Emeritus.

JEWISH - REFORM

TEMPLE SH'A'REY SHALOM 78 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-5387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Daniels, Cantor; Irene Bolton, Education Director; Debbie Berger, Pre-School Director; William Moesch, President. Temple Sh'a'rey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM, with monthly Family Services at 8:00 PM. Saturday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-3, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday evenings for post-bar/bat mitzvah students. Pre-school, classes are available for children ages 2½ through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

JEWISH - TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM Affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, Vauxhall Road and Plane Street, Union, 686-6773. Harold Gottesman, Rabbi; 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 Korbman, Rabbi; Hillel Sadovitch, Cantor; Esther Ansel, 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 9-10:30 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. Temple Israel sponsors programs and activities for Youth Groups Grades Seven through Twelve. We also have a very active Sisterhood and Men's Club.

LUTHERAN

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOLS 2222 Vauxhall Road, Union, Rev. Donald L. Brand, Pastor, (908) 686-3965. Family Sunday School 9:15; Family Worship 10:30; Visitors Expected; Barrier-free; Various Choirs, Bible Studies, Youth Groups; Nightly Dial-A-Meditation; Call church office for more information or free packet.

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HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 301 Tucker Ave., Union 688-0714. Slovak Worship 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., English Worship 11:00 a.m. Communion on first and third Sunday of every month.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHRIST CHURCH

CHRIST CHURCH, 561 Springfield Ave. Summit, NJ (908) 273-5549. Dr. Charles T. Rush, Senior Minister; Wayne Bradford, Minister of Music. Although affiliated with the American Baptist Churches, USA, and the United Church of Christ, our members come from various religious backgrounds. Sunday school: 10 am. Infant-2 child care: Sunday School Ages 3 - Jr. High, 10:00-11:15. Sr. High Youth Fellowship, Sunday evening. Weekly events include Children's Choirs and Bell Choirs; Adult Bible Study, Choir, Women's and Men's groups. Periodically, the Illuminators perform drama within the worship service. Various community outreach programs include: Habitat for Humanity; Bridges (Friday night food runs to New York City homeless); Interfaith Hospitality Network; Inner City ministries.

METHODIST

BETHEL 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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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 Chrysantheum Society second Friday of month 8:00 p.m. (except Jan., Jul., & Aug.). For more information call the Church Office.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

WORD OF GRACE FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES, INC. YMCA, 68 Maple Street, Executive Meeting Room - 3rd Floor, Summit. Sunday Service, 10:30 am. A Non-Denominational Fellowship which adheres to the Grace and Righteousness of Jesus Christ! Pastor John N. Hogan. For more information call (908) 245-6650. Visitors are welcome. **ASSOCIATED BIBLE STUDENTS**, meetings held at Masonic Lodge, 1912 Morris Avenue Union, NJ. God has a plan and you're in it! We encourage dialog on all scriptural matters. Sunday 1:30 pm-Sermon/Topical Study, 3:00 pm - Bible Study/Topical Study. Sunday School available for children. For more information call (908)686-1923.

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.

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CONNECTICUT FARMS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH established 1730, Stuyvesant Avenue and Route 22, Union. Regular schedule September 10 to June 2: Sunday worship at 10:45 a.m. Child care provided during the Worship Service. Sunday School and Adult Forum 9:30 a.m. We have an Adult Chancel Choir. Sound System for the hearing impaired. Coffee hour follows the service. Ample parking is provided. Presbyterian Women Circles meet Monthly. Bible study group meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:30 p.m. The Living Room, a support group for those coping with aged persons, meets 4th Thursday of the month. Full program of Scouting provided. Everyone welcome. Weekday Nursery School for 2½, 3, and 4 yr. olds available, 964-8544. For additional information, please call the Church Office at 688-3164. Serving Church Community for 265 years. Rev. R. Sidney Pinch, Pastor, 688-3164.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Morris Ave. and Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4329. Sunday Church School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m., Sunday morning Worship Service 10:15 a.m. with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through Worship, Christian education, youth groups, choir, church activities and fellowship. Sundays-Church School - 9:00 a.m., Worship - 10:15 a.m.-Communion first Sunday of each month; Ladies Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.; Ladies Evening Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kaffeeklatsch - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Day - 2nd Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.; Jr High Fellowship - 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Confirmation Class every Friday at 3:15 p.m. Rev. Jeffrey A. Curtis, Pastor.

TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Salem Road at Huguenot Avenue, Union. Worship and Church School Sundays at 10:00 A.M. Nursery Care during all services. Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month. We offer opportunities for personal growth and development for children, youth, and adults. We have three children's choirs and an adult Chancel Choir. Our Presbyterian Women are divided into six circles which meet monthly. Worship with friends and neighbors this Sunday. Townley Church is a growing congregation of caring people. For information about upcoming events and programs, please call the Church Office, 686-1028. Dr. Brian Luckhoff, Minister.

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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 a.m., 12:00 Noon. Reconciliation Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Masses 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.

ST. THERESA'S CHURCH 541 Washington Ave., Kenilworth, 272-4444. Rev. Joseph S. Begrowicz, Pastor. Sunday Masses: Sat. 5:30 pm, Sun. 7:30 - 9:00 - 10:30 am - 12 Noon. Weekday Masses 7:00 - 9:00 am. Miraculous Medal Novena following 7:30 pm Mass. ST. JUDE PERPETUAL NOVENA - Wednesdays, 12 Noon and 7:30 pm. Holy Hour for vocations and special intentions. Share His powerful intercessions.

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Students from St. James School in Springfield gather at the bus that will take them to Newark Airport to greet Pope John Paul II. The students, in the sixth, seventh and eighth-grades, were among the few students chosen from the diocese to see the pontiff during his visit to the United States. At far right are teacher Ann Boyle and Sister Marie Anna, the principal.

student update

Johnson named to list

Robert D. Johnson of Springfield, a 1992 graduate of Johnathon Dayton Regional High School, was one of 452 students at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va., named to the college's dean's list.

Johnson is a senior at Mary Washington College, has been on the dean's list for three years and is currently maintaining a 3.5 cumulative average as a pre-med student.

The dean's list recognizes outstanding academic achievement at the college by those who are full-time students and who attain a minimum grade point average of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0.

Mary Washington College is a coeducational public institution, with an enrollment of approximately 3,700 students. It is located in Fredericksburg, Va., 50 miles south of Washington, D.C.

The college is known for its strong undergraduate liberal arts degree programs and is ranked for academic

selectivity in the top ten percent of colleges and universities in the nation.

Sempepos earns award

Christina Sempepos, a junior psychology major, received a university-wide service award at the opening convocation of Salve Regina University Sept. 15.

The award is given to students recognized by their peers, faculty and administration as outstanding contributors to the cohesiveness of the university community.

Christina participates in chorus, field hockey, Opheus, and the student life senate. During Christina's sophomore year, she was the sophomore class vice president and student life

senate treasurer. Christina was also named to Sigma Phi Sigma as a sophomore.

During this academic year, Christina is serving as the president of the student life senate and on the executive board of Sigma Phi Sigma.

Activities such as Spring Weekend, the Haunted House, Fall Family Day, Feed-A-Friend, and Hunger Concerts are a few examples of Christina's involvement. "Christina has made many positive contributions to the Salve Community by giving so freely of her time and energy," said Jon Rok, vice president of student development.

A resident of Mountainside, Christina is the daughter of Carolyn and the late Phillip Sempepos.

obituaries

Barbara A. Sedlak

Barbara A. Sedlak, 55, of Springfield died Oct. 7 in Medbridge, Mountainside.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Sedlak lived in Maplewood before moving to Springfield in 1968. She was the head teller with the Summit Trust, Summit, for 10 years. Earlier, Mrs. Sedlak had worked for the Cresmont Savings. She was a member of the Rosary Society of St. James Church, Springfield.

Surviving are two daughters, Elizabeth Crawford and Susan M., and two brothers, George E. and Charles F. Gallagher.

Helen French

Helen French of Springfield, who turned 102 years old on March 13, died Oct. 6 in Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center.

Born in Orange, Mrs. French lived in South Orange and Maplewood before moving to Springfield in 1961. She was a companion for many years before her retirement. Mrs. French was a member of the Rosary Altar Society of St. James Church, Springfield.

Harold Alper

Harold Alper, 86, of Springfield, who had helped prosecute Japanese war criminals after World War II, died Oct. 8 in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Born in Newark, Mr. Alper lived in Union before moving to Springfield 38 years ago. He served in the Army during World War II and again from 1946 to 1948, completing his service as a lieutenant colonel. Mr. Alper was a war crimes prosecutor in Tokyo. He was an attorney specializing in immigration law. In 1935, Mr. Alper started a private practice in Irvington, and in 1991, he joined his son, Michael F. Alper, in Union. He was honored in 1985 by the Essex County

Bar Association for 50 years of practice.

Mr. Alper was a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the Federal Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Essex County Bar Association and the Union County Bar Association. He served as the attorney for the mayor's council on drug abuse in Springfield during the 1960s.

Mr. Alper was a 1933 graduate of New Jersey Law School and in 1950, he received a doctorate from Rutgers School of Law. He was a member of the Springfield Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

Also surviving are his wife, Anne, and two sisters, Pearl Kaufman and Cecile Weltzman.

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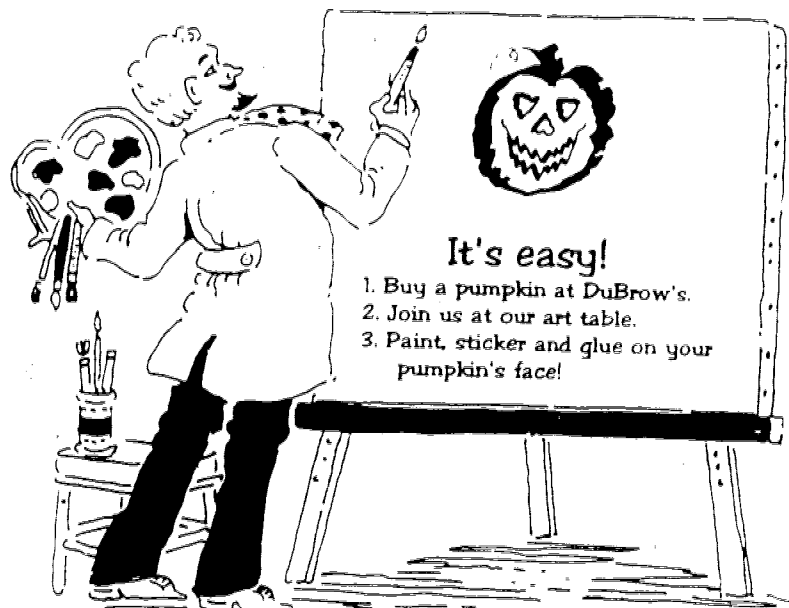
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Participants in the 50th anniversary reunion of the Jonathan Dayton Regional High School class of '45, held Sept. 30, gather to hear Principal Charles Serson talk of the technological changes in the school's library. Automation and computerized research are among those changes evident since the days when Miss Demarest was the librarian. Even the name has changed — the library now is called the Instructional Media Center. Summing up his feelings on seeing Dayton again, one reunion-goer said "It was a great day when I left. I'm not sure who was happier — them or me."

New year of scouting begins with canoe trip

Boy Scout Troop 73 Springfield has started the new scout year and is looking to have more boys join. The troop participates in many outdoor activities during the year, including camping, hiking and canoeing. Recently, the scouts of Troop 73 went on a canoe trip on the Delaware River. Ten scouts and five adults enjoyed a bright autumn day starting at 9 a.m.

excitement to the trip and, although it did not rain, several scouts and leaders managed to get wet. The scouts who went on the trip were Ian Cardoni, Ryan Farrell, Adam Gebauer, Mike Quick, Gary Steitz, Chris Steitz, Chris Phillips, Ryan Yospin, Mark Yospin and Sean Cardoni. Mark and Ryan Yospin's birthday was celebrated on an island in the Delaware. Service projects are also performed

by the troop, including visiting Veterans Hospitals and helping to clean up the town. Scouting teaches a scout to be a leader of his patrol or the whole troop and builds the boys' character. Any boy who has graduated fifth grade or is at least 11 years old and is interested in scouting is welcome to come to Troop 73's meeting on Mondays in the gymnasium of St. James Church.

Girl Scouts recruiting for chorus

The Washington Rock Girl Scout Council is seeking new members to join its 1995-96 chorus. Girl Scouts of all ages, from Daisy Girl Scout to adult, are encouraged to participate. Adult volunteers are also needed to assist at rehearsals. Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays

at Edison Intermediate School on Rahway Avenue in Westfield at 7 p.m. Subsequent chorus rehearsals are scheduled for: Oct. 25, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, Jan. 17, Jan. 31, Feb. 14, Feb. 28, March 13, and April dates to be announced.

Girls who attend at least eight rehearsals will receive a participation patch. For more information on the chorus, or for membership information, please call Karen Haber at the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council Service Center at 232-3236.

Merit scholars reach semifinals

National Merit Scholarship Corp. announced the names of some 15,000 high school seniors who are semifinalists in the 41st National Merit Scholarship Program. Students representing Governor Livingston Regional High School, Mountainside, are seniors Benjamin Mayer, Jeffrey Biddick and Shipra Dingare. These academically talented students have an opportunity to continue in the competition for approximately 6,900 Merit Scholarship awards, worth about \$26 million, to be offered next spring.

NMSC is a privately financed, not-for-profit corporation whose scholarship activities are supported by about 600 independent sponsor organizations and institutions. By publicly honoring semifinalists, NMSC seeks to broaden educational opportunities for these students and to encourage the pursuit of scholastic excellence at all academic levels. Juniors in about 19,000 United States high schools entered the 1994 Merit Program by taking the 1994 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which served as an initial screen of more than one million program entrants.

The highest scorers in each state were designated semifinalists in numbers representing about one-half of one percent of the state's high school graduating class. Before they can be considered for Merit Scholarship awards, semifinalists must advance to the finalist level of the competition by fulfilling additional requirements that include having an outstanding academic record, being endorsed and recommended by the high school principal, and submitting SAT I scores that confirm the student's earlier PSAT/NMSQT performance.

Other important information about the student's educational interests and goals as well as participation and

leadership in school and community activities is provided in the detailed scholarship application that the semifinalist and an official of the high school must complete. About 90 percent of the semifinalists are expected to become finalists, and all Merit Scholarship winners will be chosen from this group of exceptionally able students. Merit Scholar designees will be the finalist candidates judged to have the greatest potential for success in rigorous college studies, based on professional evaluations of their academic abilities, skills, and accomplishments — without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference.

Three types of scholarships will be awarded in 1996. Every finalist will be considered for one of 2,000 National Merit \$2,000 scholarships to be offered on a state representational basis. NMSC's own funds will underwrite 80 percent of these awards, and

grants from corporate sponsors will finance about 20 percent. About 400 corporations, company foundations and other business organizations will support approximately 1,100 Merit Scholarship awards for finalists who meet the award sponsor's preferential criteria. Most corporate-sponsored scholarships will be offered for children of employees of the grantor organization, but some will be provided for residents of communities a company serves or finalists whose career goals a sponsor wishes to encourage. About 200 colleges and universities are expected to sponsor more than 3,800 Merit Scholarship awards.

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Any youngsters who register after Nov. 18 will pay a late fee of \$30.

The league format will be determined by registration. Teams and practice times/dates will also be determined after registration.

A clinic will be held on Saturdays Nov. 4, 11 and 18 for grades 3-6 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Gaudineer School.

Registration for the Springfield Recreation Department's Girls Softball Program will be held at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center on the following dates: Oct. 28 from 10-1 p.m., Oct. 29 from noon to 3 and Oct. 30 from 6-8 p.m.

Any girls who register after Nov. 5 will be put on a waiting list until there are enough girls to form another team. There will be approximately 12-13 girls per team.

If a girl signs up after the uniforms have been ordered, she will have to pay \$20 more for her uniform.

All girls in grades 2-8 are eligible to participate. The registration fee is \$30. Uniforms will be available to try on at the registration.

The league format will be as follows: grades 2-3 Instructional League, grades 4-5 Lower League and grades 6-8 Upper League.

Mountainside residents are urged to save their pennies to help build a new fieldhouse for the town's Youth Baseball League.

The community's first Penny Harvest will be carried out through door-to-door canvassing by the league's boys and girls participants Saturday and Sunday in front of The Deli in downtown Mountainside.

"Youth baseball has traditionally been a big part of life in Mountainside and the new fieldhouse will help the sport flourish even more," Mountainside Youth Baseball League president Sandy Burdge said.

The fieldhouse will replace the present one located on the Deerfield School property.

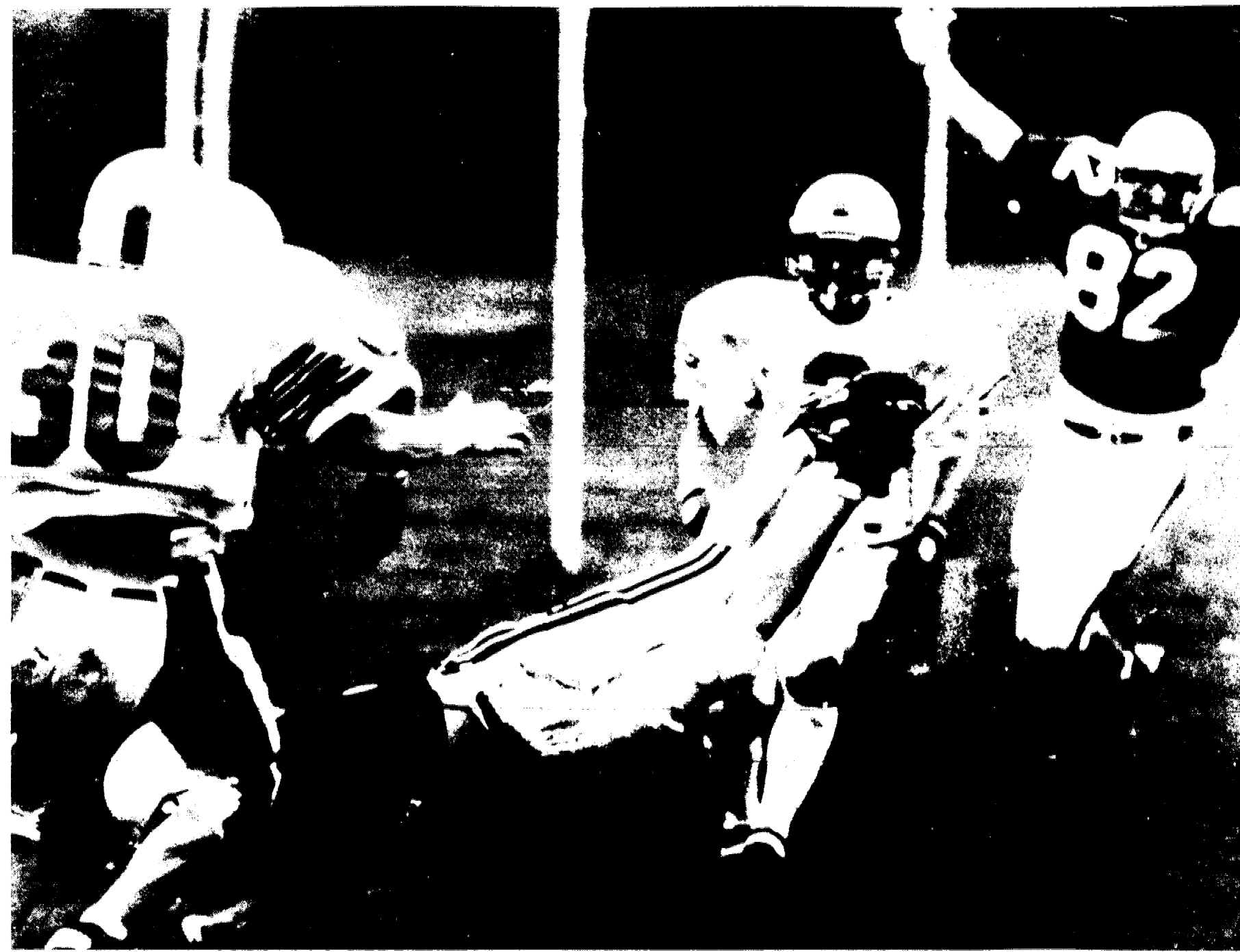
Springfield Junior Baseball League registration will take place Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 21 from 10:30 to 1 p.m. at the Chisholm School. This is the only in-person registration for the year.

All Springfield students from kindergarten through the age of 14 are eligible to participate. Each youngster must bring with them a copy of their birth certificate.

Youngsters may register in person or mail their registration form to: Springfield Junior Baseball Leagues, Inc., P.O. Box 444, Springfield, NJ 07081.

The All County Basketball Pre-Season Camp for Boys and Girls will take place Nov. 15, 16, 17, 20 and 21 at the South Plainfield Grand Siam. More information may be obtained by calling Steve Cianci at 908-756-4446.

Dayton, GL will try again



The Dayton Regional High School football team will have to regroup following last Saturday's loss to Johnson Regional in Clark. Photo By Joe Long

Both coming off tough road losses

Last weekend was not the prettiest for Dayton Regional and Governor Livingston. The two high school football teams suffered tough losses in the Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division.

Dayton fell to 0-3 by losing 52-0 to Johnson Regional in Clark and GL lost its second straight to slip to 1-2 by losing 33-15 to Roselle in Roselle.

One of the two will come out a winner this weekend (barring a tie after three overtimes) as the Bulldogs and Highlanders will hook up in Springfield at Meisel Field Saturday in a 1 p.m. start.

H.S. Football

"We're striving to be competitive and looking for our young players to gain as much experience as possible," first-year Dayton head coach Ed Ryscavage said.

Dayton has a very young team and will take its lumps this year. However, the sophomore and junior classes will have gain much-needed repetitions and that will help make them better, resulting in more favorable outcomes in 1996 and 1997.

GL, with several Mountainside residents in its football program, is also on the young and inexperienced side.

Two Mountainside residents that should see playing time for GL this weekend include senior two-way lineman Andy Mattie and junior Brian Cantagallo (special teams).

Dayton boys' soccer playing well

The Dayton Regional High School boys' soccer team is on a roll.

Entering Tuesday, the Bulldogs had a 4-2-2 record 4-0-1 mark over its last five games.

Dayton defeated Oratory Prep of Summit 5-2 in Springfield last Friday as Witold Szkutnicki scored four goals to remain as the Bulldogs' leading scorer.

Szkutnicki also scored Dayton's only goal in a 1-1 tie against Immaculata in Somerville Oct. 3. His unassisted goal tied the game in the second half for the Bulldogs.

Dayton began the week with a 2-2-2 record in the Mountain Division of the Mountain Valley Conference.

Dayton's defense includes junior goalkeeper Robert Turner, sophomore left fullback Dave Abrantes, right fullback Josh Diamant, junior sweeper James Lehnhoff, freshman fullback Louie Lerant, junior stopper Jonathan Santos and senior defender Stan Zlotzky.

Dayton's midfield consists of senior Keya Denner, junior Timothy Kaulfers, senior Thomas Kubicz, sophomore Fernando Machado, senior James Porter and junior Brian VanBuskirk.

Dayton's look up front includes sophomore center forward Robert Bieljeski, junior forward Yoni Hershon, senior center forward Witold Szkutnicki, senior forward Thijs VanBeek and senior forward David Weiss.

Denner, Diamant and Porter are the captains.

Abrantes, Bieljeski, Kaulfers, Kubicz, Lehnhoff, Lerant, Machado, Santos, Turner and VanBuskirk are Kenilworth residents.

Witold began the week with a team-leading nine goals.

It was a complete sweep

All 3 Springfield youth grid teams triumph

It was a complete sweep.

All three Springfield Minutemen football teams were victorious over Chatham last Sunday in Chatham.

The three programs are off to their best start ever and are hopeful of a big crowd at this Sunday's home-opener.

All three teams will be in action at Meisel Field as Springfield will host Hanover.

The A Team is 2-1 with two consecutive shutouts, the B Team is undefeated at 2-0 and the C Team won its first game of the season over the weekend.

Against host Chatham last Sunday, the A Team posted another shutout, winning 19-0; the B Team rolled to a 24-16 triumph and the C Team managed to sneak past Chatham by a score of 12-6.

Here's a look at all three games:

Springfield's A team has not allowed a point now in two consecutive games after dropping its season-opener.

Against Chatham, the Minutemen were led by the play of Brian Berger, who had an outstanding game on both offense and defense.

He caught two touchdown passes, had six total catches, recovered a fumble and had one interception.

David Woodruff also played well at receiver.

Quarterback Richard Shanley led Springfield to two touchdown drives in the first quarter.

Running backs B.J. Jones, Jeff Stapler and Matt Fisher were tough to bring down.

Fisher also excelled on defense and Michael Kessel had one interception and two sacks.

Springfield's B Team was led by the play of Ross Rahamani and Steve Silverman.

Rahamani had three interceptions of which two were returned for touchdowns of 40 and 20 yards.

Silverman returned a punt 70 yards for a touchdown and also had a 25-yard run.

The offensive line of Mohamed

Abdelaziz, Brian Birch, Russell Haywood, Mike Ortman and Justin Stefanelli paved the way for quarterback Mike Puorro, who had another steady game at quarterback.

Making big hits on defense for the Minutemen were Justin Hunter and Mike Colandrea.

Springfield's C Team received two rushing touchdowns from Leo Ferrine on its way to its initial win.

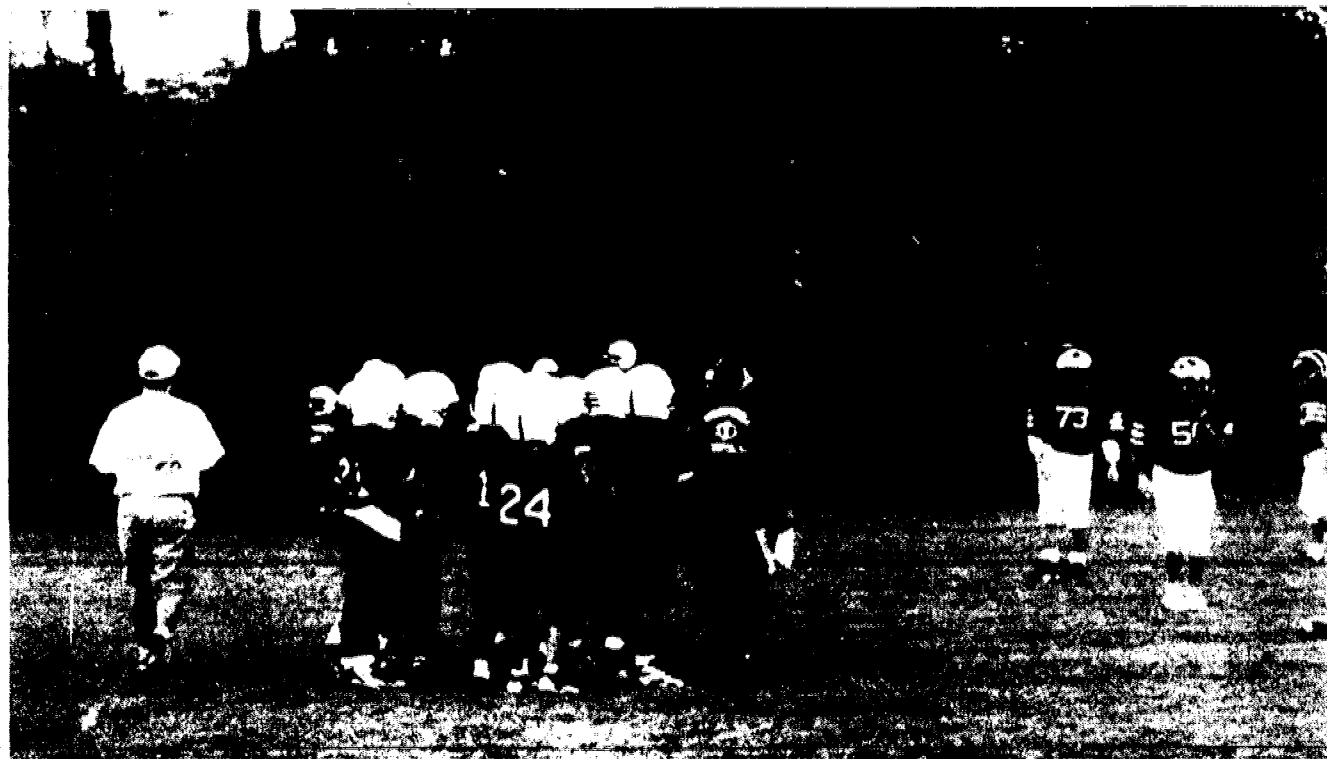
So now all three teams can look forward to playing a home game in

front of a home crowd this weekend.

After facing Hanover, the Minutemen will go back on the road to face Perth Amboy and then return home for consecutive games against Westfield, Millburn and Chatham.

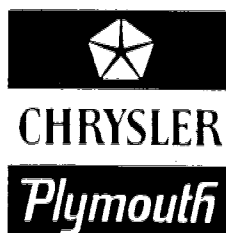
Springfield will play at Hanover next month in its final regular season contest.

Remaining Schedule: Hanover Sunday, at Perth Amboy Oct. 22, Westfield Oct. 29, Millburn Nov. 5, Chatham Nov. 12, at Hanover 11-19.



Springfield's B Team huddles on offense under the guidance of head coach Steve Florio during a game against Summit.

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