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## Borough Highlights

### Handyman program

The Summer Home Handyman Program for 1996 is now in its 14th year at the Red Cross. Through a grant from the Westfield Foundation, the program is open to all elderly and disabled Mountainside residents who are unable to perform minor home repairs and maintenance.

Grant Gordon, this year's high school youth, is working in the area at 19 locations to perform many jobs, including lawn cutting, minor home repairs, cleaning garages and basements, just to name a few. The service is on a first-come, first-served basis, so if you need the extra help, call the chapter at 232-7090 to schedule an appointment for his services. Gordon will be working through Aug. 30.

### Antiques show planned

October marks the 41st New Providence Methodist Church Antique Show and Sale. The dates are Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Oct. 16 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Lunch will be served both days and will feature homemade soup, salad bar and sandwiches, plus a choice of beverages and desserts. On Wednesday, the lunch will be available to senior citizens at a reduced rate.

A hot buffet featuring turkey will be served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. On Wednesday, an Italian buffet will be served from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Antique Show features jewelry, ceramics and furniture from more than 30 dealers. A Country Store will feature many hand-crafted items suitable for gift giving. On Tuesday evening, the hand quilted wall hanging, which is being made by the United Methodist Women, will be auctioned.

Last year, the event raised almost \$10,000 for church outreach projects, including homeless and campus ministries, Methodist homes and hospitals, and world-wide missions.

For more information, call the church office at (908) 464-5535.

### Food drive begins

Share New Jersey has begun its annual Holiday Food Package Campaign. Share New Jersey is offering holiday food packages to church groups, charitable groups, civic organizations, private companies and fraternal organizations dedicated to creating hunger-free holidays this Thanksgiving and Christmas. Food packages can be bought in 25-unit blocks for \$350. The menu consists of turkey, trimmings, fresh vegetables, fruits, cornbread and more.

The closing date for Thanksgiving orders is Oct. 31. The closing date for Christmas orders is Dec. 3. There is no limit to the number of packages each organization can purchase for holiday distribution. For more information or to place an order, call Janette Carroll at Share New Jersey (888) SHARE NJ or (201) 344-2400.

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## Let it rain



Kids get caught in the sprinkle from Mountainside Fire Department hoses at their wetdown at Deerfield School on July 27. The firefighters used their fire engine to shoot water in the air to 'wet down' the children. For more on the Wetdown, turn to Page 10.

## Mountainside humanitarian helps senior citizens, ailing

By Bea Smith  
Staff Writer

At the age of 70, Herbert Ross of Mountainside, chairman of B'nai B'rith Housing in Springfield, has been active in his community, has written articles for the Newhouse papers, writes poetry and has written a book, gave his son and daughter the family business — Menorah Chapels in Millburn, Union, and currently is fighting for a senior citizens' housing project in Springfield. The benevolent humanitarian has diabetes and kidney disorders, and disregards his ailments in his zeal for "keeping people alive and to be able to live in an environment that will give them an opportunity for life and continued life."

Ross explained over lunch that "a resolution to initiate B'nai B'rith Senior Citizen Housing was passed by the executive board of the Springfield B'nai B'rith, a wonderful lodge. The resolution calls for B'nai B'rith National Senior Citizens Housing Committee to develop a program for



Herbert Ross

senior citizens in Springfield."

The property, he said, "must be located near shopping and transportation, especially buses, and it must be adequate to accommodate a large complex." The government sponsored program provides initial monies to start construction; B'nai B'rith will run the project.

## Recreation Commission readies for fall season

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

The Recreation Commission held its regular meeting last week at which they discussed the present status of the department and how they are coming up on a quiet period for the recreation department.

"August is really a slow month for us, so now we can take a deep breath until September when things get crazy again. We do have the soccer camp running at Deerfield and the playground will be open for another two weeks," said Recreation Director Sue Winans.

Upcoming events for the children that are scheduled at the playground at Borough Hall include a mini-nok hockey tournament, home run derby, and on the last day of the playground season, Aug. 9, the Recreation Department will hold an awards ceremony at which many of the children will be honored.

The Recreation Department also announced that there will be continuing concerts at Echo Lake Park, held free of charge for all Union County residents. On Wednesday, the New Jersey Symphony will return to Echo Lake Park, thanks to Chase Bank and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

"The public is invited to attend this wonderful evening of classical music, free of charge," said Freeholder Chairman Edwin Force. "We are so pleased to once again be presenting this critically acclaimed orchestra as part of our Summer Arts series. This is an opportunity we hope everyone will take advantage of."

"Our sincerest thanks go out to Chase for their support of this evening," added County Manager Ann M. Baran. "Last year's concert was a treat for both the eyes and the ears. I am sure this year will be just as spectacular."

The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra is one of the oldest orchestras in the United States, founded in 1922. It performs more than 150 concerts each season across the state and the nation.

Assistant Conductor Miariusz Smolij will be conducting the evening's program titled "Myths and Legends." Selections will include "Overture to William See CONCERT, Page 2

## Joint venture

# Merger of boards to combine duties

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

Mountainside is still looking into the merits of combining its Planning and Zoning boards now that the Legislature has passed legislation which would allow small municipalities to make the change if they so desire. Mayor Robert Vigilanti and the Borough Council will have the final say as to whether or not the change would be best for the borough.

How the two would be combined and the overall operations changed as a result of the merger of the boards is still not fully known as far as Mountainside is concerned. "The obvious change will be that there will be one board, but what configuration that will take will be up to the council to determine," said John Tomaine, head of the Planning Board. "We could have an absorption of the Planning Board into the Board of Adjustment or vice versa, or the creation of an entirely new board, but it will ultimately be up to the council."

The services the boards provide will still have to be done for the borough. The question then becomes whether or not it is more efficient to combine the boards into one or to continue with the status quo. "With one board or the other no longer in existence, the new board would undertake the function of both," said Tomaine. "In theory, certainly the emphasis of the Planning Board is to look toward the long range development of the community, and the Board of Adjustment is in place to carry out the edicts of the Planning Board plus the edicts of the Land Use Ordinances passed by the council. This would now all come under the reign of the one board if the council decides that that is what they want to do."

With the two-board system, there is "a checks and balance situation with the existence of two separate boards," Tomaine pointed out. "If the job then comes under the control of one board, there may be some concern, but I'm sure that that is something that will be considered by the council."

Another issue surrounding the combining of the boards is the fact that most of the useable land in Mountainside has already been developed so the need for long range planning passed. "I think there are a few parcels which are currently owned and a few others which could be subject to subdivision. But it is correct that there

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—John Tomaine  
Planning Board

aren't that many left in the borough," Tomaine said.

There is also a monetary consideration to be considered by the move to combine the boards which is also being looked into. "One of the questions we have to ask ourselves is what is to be gained by eliminating one board or the other," Tomaine said. "Certainly from a financial standpoint, there doesn't seem a lot to be gained in terms of savings by combining boards."

The potential savings, if any, would come from a lessening of legal fees since the only people who receive any money from their work on the boards are the lawyers who attend the meetings and hearings and give legal counsel for board decisions. "Basically, we are talking about the legal fees from having legal representation. As of now, the fees are under \$10,000 per year, and there would still be one board that requires representation," said Tomaine. "Depending upon the number of meetings which are held by the current boards, the fee may be well under \$10,000 for the year. So if the one new board has to meet more frequently, there may or may not be savings of legal fees. But I think on the whole that if we just stand back and look at it from a fiscal standpoint, we probably do not stand to save very much relative to the overall borough budget."

There is also the question of whether or not there would be any organizational benefits to merging the two boards. "One of the other factors that would be a priority for consideration is whether or not any efficiencies would be attained for the borough and for applicants," Tomaine said, adding that "as an applicant, most will go to either one board or the other. It is very rare that an applicant would go before both. Somebody will have to look into this and see if there will be any savings of time involved."

## Nok on wood



Photo By Barbara Kokkala

Aniello Dellavalle, left, and Tom Weakley, right, battle it out on the nok hockey court while Jamie Zawislak, second from left, Geoff Talis and Andrew Jackubowski watch and wait for their turn. Located next to Borough Hall, the playground is open from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on weekdays. For more information, call the Recreation Office at 232-0015.

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**Borough humanitarian shows importance of helping others**

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pendence Way, but it's not nearly enough. We've had 90 applications in a couple of weeks from senior citizens in Springfield. They are coming in thick and fast. Joe Tenenbaum got four calls in one day.  
"They passed the law," he declared. "A lot of senior citizens would be provided with a marvelous place for them to live. We've had 40,000 votes in the Northern New Jersey B'nai Brith; 600 from the Springfield B'nai Brith alone. It's a good chapter. We will meet with the legislators to either rescind the law or work out some arrangement. You know," Ross smiled generously, "if you don't put the pressures on, nothing will happen. There is nothing better than doing something that will have a permanent effect."

Ross, who moved to Mountainside from Bayonne 35 years ago, had "seen a need for a swimming pool in Mountainside. I started petitions. I had so much fun! It was built 25 years ago and it's still in existence over on Mountain Avenue in Mountainside."

Ross, who was born in New York City, graduated from Bayonne High School, Bayonne Junior College and New York University, where he received a bachelor of arts degree in 1947. He had been associated with the Newhouse Newspapers, advertising agencies, and in 1953, opened his own advertising agency, Ross Advertising Inc. He was "responsible for creating several homesite developments including 'Pleasant Valley Lake' in Sussex County and 'Lake Tranquility' in Dover."

In 1975, he opened Menorah Chapels at Millburn. His grandfather, Jacob Sklar, was a member of the Chevra Kadisher, Holy Society, and today, both children, Mark Ross and

Karen Kerstein are carrying out the tradition. His wife, Selma, who helped her husband in both advertising and the funeral home, even designed monuments. Ross "started to collect and write stories," and his column, "Through a Jewish Looking Glass" appeared in *The Jewish News*, *The Jewish Horizon* and several other Anglo-Jewish papers. He even wrote a book recently, called "Jewish Humor Is No Laughing Matter!" which was published by the Foundation for Jewish Arts & Heritage Inc. in Vauxhall. It sells for \$7.50 a copy.

Additionally, Ross, who spends about four hours every other day in the Dialysis Clinic in Union Hospital, has provided the patients in that department "with an audio book library. There are so many young people who are afflicted with this disease, and I thought, rather than watch the boob tube for four hours at a time, they might be interested in our Audio Book Club, located out of Morristown."

"Actually," he explained, "I founded the Ross Kidney Foundation at 2970 Vauxhall Road in Union. It is a foundation of Jewish Art & Heritage, and there are about 200 plays with Jewish themes that I'd like to produce. I used to develop Jewish plays."

Not only did he establish the Audio Book Club, "but I've also been trying to get kidneys for people. That could be the last gift of life — donating a kidney. A lot of hospitals should do a little more work on this. It's very important."

Ross stressed the importance of helping people in every way possible. Back to the senior citizen site, he said that "we have been looking for two or three months. There are a lot of guidelines you have to work out, including making sure that the property is not a flood zone. You know, 80 acres of

land is more than sufficient, and you can find that on Mountainview and Route 78. We met with Jerry Pecaro two weeks ago. He talked about the possibilities. He's very happy to have B'nai Brith a part of it. There are so many complications, however," Ross sighed.

"I said very simply what you have to do. You have to put some pressure on the Legislature. People are more important than agricultural clippings," he pointed out. "Let's make the most of it — keeping people alive. I want people to be able to live in an environment that will give them an opportunity for life and continued life."

He said enthusiastically, "we're considering putting all kinds of facilities into the senior citizen housing — such as nursing facilities, swimming pool, even stage shows. The senior citizens' site on Independence Way is obviously not enough, especially if you can get 90 applications including letters from people all over the country who have families from Springfield."

"I will do the best that I can," Ross said. "All my life I have done these things. I make things happen. I go about it assiduously. And you'll see. We'll do it. You have to motivate people to think in this direction. This is how things get done. When you see a need, you don't sit on your hands; you do something about it."

"I made the resolution a month ago to motivate the Senior Citizen Housing. 'It's a good idea,' everyone said. So now we'll get them floating around with petitions. How can we go wrong, with about 600 votes from Springfield, and a total of 40,000 from the Northern New Jersey B'nai Brith. No sir," he grinned. "We can't go wrong."

**Rape Crisis Center seeks volunteers**

Interviews are being conducted for potential volunteers for the Union County Rape Crisis Center.

The center's directors are interviewing prospective candidates for training in October and November to support efforts in assisting sexual assault survivors, their families and significant others.

Individuals interested in working with sexual assault survivors will receive more than 40 hours of training

in many areas of sexual assault, reactions of survivors and their family members, legal and medical aspects and other related areas. Training will be held from Oct. 1 through Nov. 21, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

For more information on becoming a volunteer at the Rape Crisis Center located at 300 North Ave. E. in West-

field or to schedule an interview, call (908) 233-7273 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Concert series continues as NJ Symphony returns**

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Tell," "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" and the ever-popular "1812 Overture." Echo Lake Park, site of all the Summer Arts Festivals concerts, is located off Route 22 East in Mountainside. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Patrons should bring lawn chairs or blankets. A refreshment stand is available beginning at 6:30 p.m.  
In case of rain, the concert will move indoors to Cranford High School, West End Place, Cranford. Rain information is available after 2 p.m. the day of the concert by calling (908) 527-4900 during business hours, or the Division of Parks and Recreation 24-hour hotline, (908) 352-8410.

**Trailside offers shows, programs for families**

**Planetarium Shows**  
Admission to this matinee on Wednesday is \$3 per person. No children under 4 years will be admitted.

**Summer Celestial Showcase** — Come and learn about the summer skies and easy ways to remember the constellations. Each family will receive a summer star chart to take home. This show, slated for Sundays in July and August, begins at 2 p.m. and costs \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors. No children under 6 will be admitted.

**Falling Stars** — Many people have seen flashes of light across the night sky and called them "falling" or "shooting" stars. Learn what they really are and when you can see more in the sky. This show for children 6 and over begins at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday and Aug. 11 and costs \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors.

**Evening Star & Meteor Watch** — Bring a blanket and enjoy a relaxing family evening as you scan the sky for summer constellations and the Perseid meteors. Bring binoculars or a telescope if you have them. This show for ages 6 and up with an adult takes place Aug. 13 from 8:30-10:30 p.m. and costs \$4 per person. An Aug. 14 raindate is scheduled. Pre-registration is required.

**Cuddly Creatures**  
Marty Stouffer's Cuddly Creatures offers a video of cottontails, chip-

munks and squirrels. Admission to this matinee on Wednesday is \$3 per person. No children under 4 years will be admitted.

**Our Feathered Friends**  
Steve Jodzio, the Birdman, will introduce you to the world of tropical birds. This Aug. 14 show starts at 1:30 p.m. and stars a blue and gold macaw, an African gray parrot and other colorful creatures. Admission is \$4 per person; children younger than 4 will not be admitted to this Wednesday Matinee.

**Volunteers needed**  
Trailside Nature & Science Center is still in need of volunteers to assist staff naturalists with summer weekly nature and astronomy programs. Volunteers are needed to work with first and second-graders during week-long day camp sessions.

Anyone wishing to volunteer should be reliable, have some experience working with children and enjoy working in the outdoors. By volunteering your time, you can meet new people and gain valuable skills and experience while working at a Union County facility, located in the Watchung Reservation.

To volunteer your time or for more information, call Betty Ann Kelly, Tuesday through Friday at 789-3670.

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# Civic Calendar

The Civic Calendar is prepared each week by the *Springfield Leader* and *Mountainside Echo*. It is a listing of government meetings open to the public.

- Aug. 5**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its monthly workshop meeting in the Planning Board room of the Municipal Building at 8 p.m.
- Aug. 7**  
• The Springfield Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.
- Aug. 12**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board room in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 13**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m. with its regular meeting following at 8 p.m.  
• The Borough Council of Mountainside will hold its work session in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.
- Aug. 20**  
• The Borough Council of Mountainside will hold its regular meeting in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.
- Aug. 26**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board Room in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 27**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m. with its regular meeting following at 8 p.m.  
• The Springfield Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.  
• The Springfield Board of Health will meet at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.
- Sept. 4**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board room in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 9**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Planning Board room in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 10**  
• The Township Committee of Springfield will hold its executive meeting in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m. with its regular meeting following at 8 p.m.  
• The Borough Council of Mountainside will hold its work session in Borough Hall at 8 p.m.

# Dayton graduate earns Young Citizens Award

By Andrew Scott  
Staff Writer

Society always has valued those who help others, and a graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School was honored July 23 by the Union Township Committee for having such quality.

Sharod Wright, 20, got a chance in the spotlight when Union Mayor Jerome Petti presented him with the New York Times Young Citizens Award.

Every year, a number of people from each town in New York and New Jersey is nominated by local residents who view those people as eligible for the Young Citizens Award. The residents send their nominations to the *New York Times*, which then invites all the nominees to a dinner where they are presented with cer-

tificates of achievement. This year, the dinner was held May 20 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick. After the dinner, the *Times* then selects which nominees from each town will receive the Young Citizens Award. A notice is then sent to each of those selected nominees, telling them they will be honored with the award by their towns.

"I had no idea the township was going to honor me," said Wright, a 1993 graduate of Dayton High School in Springfield. "My mom knew. She just said to keep Tuesday night open because we had somewhere to go. She wouldn't say where or why. It feels good to be recognized for the work you do. That doesn't happen everyday."

Wright was nominated for the award by the director of the Boys' and Girls' Club in Union, where he volunteers time coaching the basketball league he helped organize. Having coached younger players for three years, Wright recently formed his own travelling summer basketball team which plays at various tournaments. He gathered a group of interested players and then went around asking for donations and sponsorship from different companies.

"It's been a struggle to start the team and keep it playing," Wright said. "It's hard getting help and financial support. But I want these guys to get recognized for their abilities and have the chance to play for a college team and even professionally if they

want to. Despite the difficulties we're having, all these guys want to do is play. I'm trying to make sure that's exactly what they do. We'd greatly appreciate any help we can get."

The team seeks a gym for games and practice. Wright also wants to enter the team into a summer league. The players range in age from 15 to 17 and have played 10 games this summer, three of which they lost. Wright plans to coach high school basketball. Besides coaching, he also has a job at Chubb Insurance, handling claims. He plans to make enough money to return to college. He was attending Upsala College in East Orange when it closed. He plans to continue majoring in business management and psychology.

# Report offers alternatives for Route 24

By Kevin Singer  
Staff Writer

The Essex Regional Health Commission has released a report detailing the problems with the Route 24 noise barriers, which has prompted state representatives to seek action.

The report follows an on-site inspection by commission officials held on July 5. The effectiveness of the barriers was evaluated based on the construction of the walls and the roadway surface and grade.

The report noted the fact that the existing barriers are constructed of smooth side panels which are conducive to reflected noise, creating a "ping-pong" effect.

In addition, breaks in the barrier at the Hobart Gap, Union Way and Summit Avenue crossovers in Summit allow for leaks of direct and reflected noise into the surrounding neighborhoods.

The walls also double the noise generated from service roads which run along the exterior of the barriers. The noise from a two lane service road is, in effect, equivalent to that of a four lane road.

The assessment of the roadway surface concluded that noise problems result from the type of surface — concrete paving with joints every 60 to 75 feet.

This is the hardest surface and reflects nearly all the noise produced on it. The expansion joints cause the tires from heavier vehicles to thump across the spaces.

Inspectors also determined that the variance in grades on the highway causes vehicles to accelerate, which increases noise levels.

The report offered options for improvement of the situation. They include a geometric refacing of part of the barriers, sealing the Lakeside Overpass leaks, lengthening barriers

at the intersections, resurfacing the roadway to eliminate the joints, use of an experimental "novachip" type of resurfacing, and the use of landscaping on the marginal highway side of the walls.

It also advised that the New Jersey Department of Transportation Environmental office be requested to conduct an on-site visit.

This report prompted Assemblyman Joel M. Weingarten, R-Union, along with Assemblyman Kevin O'Toole and State Senator C. Louis Bassano, to request a meeting with Commissioner Frank J. Wilson of the Department of Transportation.

"This is a major concern in the community. If we don't do something about this, it would be a terrible disservice to the residents," said Weingarten.

Summit resident Jerry F. Stone Jr., who lives half a mile from the roadway, describes the din as an "amazing, penetrating noise which is definitely affecting property values."

Stone couldn't comprehend how this situation was allowed to exist in the first place. "It was well observed during construction that they were creating a noise problem. They simply accentuated the noise by creating a canyonlike effect," he added.

Summit Mayor Walter D. Long said the city is working in conjunction with Weingarten to rectify the situation. "Obviously, it's a problem, and we're working through Weingarten," he said.

Weingarten plans to meet with DOT officials this summer. "We have asked department representatives to meet with us in the district to walk Routes 24 and 78," he continued. "We are of one mind on this."



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## PEOPLE IN THE SERVICE

### Springfield lieutenant returns from Middle East tour of duty

Army First Lieutenant Jason Yee, son of Fong and Joseph Yee of Springfield, recently returned from a five-month rotation in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Yee was temporarily attached to Patriot Air Defense Artillery from February through July. He and his platoon supported ADA in a security role mission.

Yee was the officer in charge of Force Protection and Site Security of an American compound which houses the Army Central Command — Saudi Arabia and Patriot Task Force headquarters. Yee had over 50 soldiers under his supervision in support of his mission. Yee and his platoon lived at Khobar Towers, the site of the June 25 terrorist bombing.

Yee is assigned to ADA in Bamberg, Germany. His duty assignment is leader of a 16-man platoon. Yee is now preparing for deployment to Tazsar Airbase in Hungary. He will help support the redeployment of the Implementation Force from Bosnia in Operation Joint Endeavor.

Yee is a 1990 graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant. Yee's military schooling includes the Officer Basic Course at Ft. Bliss, Texas and the Army Infantry Airborne Course at Ft. Benning, Ga.

### Rensselaer graduate

John Schiano, Jr. of Springfield was one of more than 6,000 graduates of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute who received degrees during the recent commencement ceremony in Troy, New York.

Schiano graduated summa cum laude with a 4.0 cumulative grade point average and received a bachelor of science degree in mathematics.

Schiano is the son of John and Anna Schiano of Springfield. He graduated valedictorian of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School's class of 1992.

### Springfield co-op

Steven Prezimirski of Springfield is participating in the nationally renowned Cooperative Education Program at Montclair State University.

Prezimirski, a recreation and tourism major, is employed at Springfield Recreation in Springfield.

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For more information, call the Mountainside Public Library at 233-0115.

#### Trustees meeting

The Mountainside Public Library Trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 16 in the Meeting Room at the library. The public is welcome to attend.

## STUDENT UPDATE



John Schiano, Jr.

School announces the members of its honor roll for the fourth marking period of 1996.

#### Freshman

Jose Araya, Valeriya Biryuzova, Robin Bluestone, Sheryl Bronstein, Lauren Brownstein, Lucia Carbajal, Lina Chertas, Nicole Defino, Jessica Eger, Maria Ferguson, Debbie Gill, Elizabeth Gurtov, Vyacheslav Khoroshevskiy, Nathaniel Maslow, Peter Meiler, Miharu Morimoto, Nadia Pacifico, Chelsea Page, Rafael Polinski, Joshua Ravitz, Scott Sambur, Jennifer Sarracino, Maria Atravato, Jared Weiss, Steven Weiss, Russell Werner

#### Sophomore

Mark Armento, Mitchell Bernstein, Charles Calabrese, Samantha Cappuccino, Joann Cypcar, Daryl Daniels, Leah Denberger, Kevin Fay, Anthony Ferraioli, Joseph Gonnella, Anna Kheyman, Kristen LoForte,

Theresa Lyle, Katerina Moulinos, Marybeth Orcher, Tara Ortiz, Vinodhbhai Patel, Joseph Rizzo, Keesha Simmons, Jessica Stapfer, Melissa Tratenberg, Ralph Trentacosta, Lindsey Tyne, Kathryn Vacula, Roseline Vadakethalakeel, Katherine Vogler, Tamara Young, Andrea Zaweczuk

#### Junior

Ann Battinelli, Adam Becker, Chris Cariello, Anna Colosimo, Lucy Cucciniello, Ofer Gill, Josh Goldfarb, Jennifer Jannett, Malgorzata Janowska, Julie Kessel, Adam Kornfeld, Adam Michael Lieb, Marni Luciani, Michelle Lyle, Rachel Max, Robert Mitchell, Jamie L. Moskowitz, Jill Palais, Stephanie Peters, Anetta Puszyński, Yana Rashap, Scott Reino, Gayle Rozan, Jonathan Santos, Melissa Savin, Jodi Stark, John Sukurlu, Jacqueline Sweigart, Lauren Tuma, David Yablonsky, Jacqueline Zika

#### Senior

Denise Amiano, Angela Apicella, Jocelyn Bazydlo, Lorraine Braun, Jodi Bruder, Antoinette Campanelli, Annmarie Comeri, Christopher Culleton, Jeffrey Cummings, Charlene Damato, Veronica Escalona, Jessica Esemplare, Christopher Filipis, Jamie Friedman, Stephanie Geiger, Jennifer Gurtov, Lesley Beth Harris, Samantha Holmes, Christine Johansen, Jessica Johnson, Julia Keller, David Kessler, Adam Kestler, Sun Young Ko, Yevgeny Kolovynsky, Jenine Lam, Deonna Manies, Gregory Marx, Gina Ottenstein, Joseph Ragsdale, Jessica Redding, Vincent Salvato, Laura Schachman, Mairav Shlich-

korn, Jessica Stafford, Robert Stein, Christine Stracey, David Weiss, Joshua Zaitz.

### UCC President's List

Five Mountainside residents and six Springfield residents are among 404 full-time and part-time students named to the President's List at Union County College for the Spring semester 1996.

Mountainside students named to the President's List are: Sarah Jane Jackson, criminal justice; Eva Escalona, human services/gerontology; Cecilia Thomas, cooperative program in professional nursing, Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center; Michael Gunn and Maciej Wendland, physical therapist assistant.

Springfield residents named to the President's List include: Ann Nolan, business management; Michelle Afflitto, interpreters for the deaf; Jeffrey Zappulla, liberal arts/communications; Katherine Spirito, liberal arts; Sabrina Nathaniel, marketing advertising design; Deborah Steitz, dental hygiene.

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### Jared Daniel Gollin

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Mrs. Gollin is the daughter of Hyman and Sandra Tasch of Hillside. Her husband is the son of Sheldon and Shirley Gollin of Parsippany. Paternal grandparents are Helen Berger of Clark and Miriam Lieberman of New York City.

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## OPINION

## Talking trash

The recent appointment of Kathy Dahay as new recycling coordinator may be the trick to tackling some of Springfield's environmental problems.

Vowing to take on illegal dumping and teach the proper way to recycle, Dahay will be seeking to educate the township about the proper way to dispose of refuse and keep the community clean. She will also stand ready to enforce local recycling rules, dispensing reminders and citations when necessary.

This is much-needed relief for Springfield. With recent problems such as rampant dumping of grass clippings at the side of many roads and an increase in garbage dumping at the Public Works recycling depot, the township seems to be up to its eyeballs in refuse that could be and most definitely should be disposed of properly.

The depot is a big bone of contention for many, particularly those in the Department of Public Works, which must operate in what amounts to a large garbage dump. Aside from the obvious health concerns, this recycling center-turned-public dumping ground is a prime example of the kind of apathy and disregard for a community that can lead to its decline. Granted, these problems are only one example, but is Springfield willing to let its community conscience lapse?

Every year, Springfield, like many other communities, makes a big deal out of Clean Communities Day and Earth Day and other environment-oriented activities, and it should. These events represent not only an effort to straighten up the collective neighborhood, but a chance for residents to get together and make a difference. But, as we have pointed out before, it takes more than one day to keep a community clean.

By learning the proper way to dispose of the many different categories of refuse a household can produce, from recyclables and appliances to organic material, residents of Springfield can take an important first step toward environmental consciousness and a truly healthy community.

Sunny side(walk)  
of the street

As most Mountainside residents know, Central Avenue is getting a much-needed make-over. The repaving effort is making its way toward Route 22 and in this procession will pass Deerfield School.

While the remainder of the project is waiting for an \$80,000 grant from the Department of Transportation — paperwork is in its last stages — the Board of Education has requested that a stretch of sidewalk from Central Avenue to the school's entrance be included in the repairs. According to Superintendent of Schools Leonard Baccaro, the board forwarded this idea to the Borough Council to help keep the Deerfield students safely out of the way of traffic.

Mountainside Mayor Robert Vigilanti pointed out that this may be a lengthy procedure, including easements, condemning and purchasing property, all of which will take time. While this addition would not take place any time soon — Vigilanti estimates approximately six months of paperwork is involved — it sounds like something worth investigating.

We urge the Borough Council to give this idea serious consideration. Protecting the children of Mountainside is as important as repaving one of the borough's popular roadways. By providing a continuous sidewalk for Deerfield students, the council will be putting some distance between them and traffic, ensuring them a safer trip to school.

The Board of Education should be commended for recognizing this safety measure. While the quality of their education is indeed important, the assurance of their safety when traveling to and from school is just as, if not more, important.

## Handled it well

Gov. Christine Whitman did the right thing by asking the chairman of the Sports and Exposition Authority to resign after the man's name turned up on a mob wiretap taping.

He is not guilty until anything is proven, and the resignation should not be interpreted as an admission of any guilt. New Jersey, however, has become glutted with public officials who function under investigation with immunity until officially indicted. The reputation of the state has suffered from this.

Whitman wanted to send a healthy signal, that even the hint of wrong cannot be tolerated. This is to be admired, and imitated by others in power.

## Hitting the high mark



Union County College students Michael Gunn of Mountainside, left, and Angie Magro of Staten Island, NY, second right, receive Allied Health Awards for excellence in their respective majors of physical therapist assistant and occupational therapy assistant. Presenting the awards are Professor Doreen Stiskal of Union, second left, coordinator of the college's physical therapist assistant program, and Professor Carol Keating of Summit, right, coordinator of the college's occupational therapy assistant program.

## Columnist needs facts in essay

I read Blaine Dillport's essay titled "Do not fix what ain't broken" in your July 18, issue. My response to that column is "Do not write what you don't know anything about."

To begin with, the local government is not contemplating changing the form of government. What I would hope the Township Committee will do is, by ordinance, offer the electorate the opportunity to vote as to whether the question is of such importance of interest to warrant a study of the possibility of such a change.

It is patently obvious that Mr. Dillport did not familiarize himself with the report of the ad hoc committee, and as a consequence, he could not understand its import.

Mr. Dillport relates that he urges residents to think about how they would like the township to be governed and not just accept what the local politicians or government study committees say is best for the town. He implies that the citizenry of our township should listen to him, who is no one more than a hand hired to sell newspapers.

It is obvious that Mr. Dillport is more than a little confused about the issues presented in the report of the Study Committee.

Let me help you, Mr. Dillport. To begin with, the committee was charged to study a possible change in the present form of government. This committee had no authority other than to recommend to the Township Committee. During their study of this charge, the issue of a township administrator entered the discussions. Every ex-mayor invited to address his/her views, opined that there was a definite need for a true town administrator or manager to oversee the everyday operation of the town.

Let me further explain, Mr. Dillport. You see, under the present form of government, there is no one in charge of the operations of the town. To use the vernacular, there is no one

## Be Our Guest

By Philip Feintuch

watching the store. However many departments there are in the township, is how many directions the township is going.

The Township Committee, regardless of its motivation, agenda or capabilities, finds it impossible to legislate, administrate, discipline and do all those things that a chief operating officer does. You must look to the Township Committee as the board of directors. It establishes policy. What is needed is an operating office to implement that policy on a daily basis. That was not the consensus of the committee, but the unanimous opinion, of not only the committee, but all who testified before the committee.

What is and has been missing from the operation of our government is foresight. We have been reactive. We do what is needed to be done when a crisis presents itself. What views do our elected officials have for the future? In what condition will Springfield be five or 10 years down the road? These are the incredibly important concerns that our Township Committee should be addressing. But it does not have the time to do so. It is busy micro-managing our township, so that the "other" political party doesn't get a leg up for the November election. Let's be honest with ourselves. We elect officials to govern, not campaign.

We have a \$16 million corporation with another several million dollars in debt to conceal ourselves about. Who is responsible to see that the citizenry gets what it is entitled to? Certainly, the Township Committee has the ultimate responsibility, but they cannot

legislate and manage at the same time.

I hope you now understand at least that portion of the committee's comments.

We now have the other issue, the actual issue with which the ad hoc committee was charged to study. Again, Mr. Dillport, let me explain. You see, we in Springfield have a municipal election every year. Understandably those folks who are elected to office try to stay in office. That means they must campaign. Accordingly, in order to protect their majority or seek the majority, the Township Committee becomes embroiled in the election process for a considerable portion of each year. This further distracts from the role that the Township Committee is supposed to accomplish. It is impossible to govern and campaign at the same time. Regardless of the individual's best efforts, there is often a major conflict between what is best for the township and what is best for the political party of one's choice.

Our elected leaders cannot lead and chance the possibility of sometimes upsetting their constituency and hope to get elected again. So they take the easy way out. They do, or say, nothing that can be at all controversial, even if that controversial issue may in the long run be in the best interests of our township.

Accordingly, by removing the election process from the demands of annual campaigns, we will allow the Township Committee to govern for at least one year without worrying about the November election.

We now address Mr. Dillport's absolute lack of knowledge regarding the local election process. Mr. Dillport, our school elections are held in the spring months of the year, usually in April. Our municipal elections are held in November. One has nothing to do with the other. Even if the form of government were to change, there could be no circumstance where these elections would conflict with one another. Mr. Dillport you should have done a little more research before putting both of your feet in your mouth.

I repeat, as I have addressed these issues in earlier letters to your publication, that the ad hoc committee recommended that the Township Committee pass an ordinance to allow the electorate of Springfield to determine, by popular vote, whether or not they wanted a charter study commission to study the possibility of changing our form of government. The vote is ours, the residents of Springfield. The electorate would determine who the commission members would be.

One further comment: The unbiased committee was indeed unbiased. A telephone call to each of us who served on the committee would have given you the answer as to whether or not the report was a representation of all members of the committee. The majority did not rule. The determinations of the committee were unanimous.

Mr. Dillport, study, understand and investigate the issues before you express your views. A good reporter would have done so.

Philip Feintuch, a Republican former mayor of Springfield, is a member of the Government Study Committee.

## 'Views' raises boos

I see that my recent column on the proposed changes to Springfield's form of government has evoked quite a response from members of the Government Study Committee. All I have to say is, "Hey guys, why so touchy?"

If one were to read carefully the column which was published July 18, I think many of the concerns raised by Philip Feintuch and others would be found invalid.

Views  
On The  
News

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

In Mr. Feintuch's column — published in this issue — he states that the local government is not contemplating a change in the form of government but by ordinance will offer the voters a chance to vote as to whether or not such a question should be pursued. If you read my previous column, I state if and when changes come up for a public vote, I urge residents to think about how they would like the township governed. And, yes, I did familiarize myself with the report, and in addition, attended Township Committee meetings at which the report was discussed — meetings at which I have never seen any of the Government Study Committee members.

As you state, Mr. Feintuch, I did urge residents to think about how they would like the township governed, but I do not see how this implies that I feel the residents should listen to me. I didn't offer any opinions as to which form of government or internal management of the town I would like to see. I feel strongly that the residents should think about and investigate all options, not just the ones presented in the study or by the Township Committee.

Next, let me point out that if my previous column was read carefully, there were two groups mentioned — the Township Committee or local government, and the Government Study Committee. Not everything in the column is attributed to one group or the other, but a combination of the two. This brings us to the discussion of the township administrator. Maybe the township does need a stronger township administrator. As I stated before, this is something I feel the residents should consider. The fact that the Township Committee is building upon the recommendations of the study and is looking into creating a separate administrator position has nothing to do with me. And you are right, Mr. Feintuch, the township is a multi-million dollar corporation which is several million dollars in debt. Being a former mayor, aren't you partially responsible for the state of the debt in Springfield, along with the other former mayors you cited in the study?

Moving on to the fact that the Township Committee elections become so petty that those running have to spend so much time on the election process as opposed to running the local government that a change should be considered, again may or may not be a good idea. As far as my lack of understanding of the local election process, I would beg to differ. In my previous column, I did not say that the Township Committee elections and the school board elections were held at the same time. What I said was "where does this leave the other elections in town," which is to say should school board elections be changed as well to be held every two years so that members don't get bogged down in campaigning. So few people actually vote in Springfield that I don't really think anyone cares about the frequency of the elections to begin with, except those who are presently holding office, or former local politicians who can't help but throw in their two cents.

My last point is that you say the decisions of the committee were unanimous. Allow me to quote directly from your study. "It is the majority opinion of the GSC that sufficient evidence is present to justify placing the question of convening a charter study commission before a referendum." "The decisions of the committee were unanimous, perhaps that information should have been put in the study to avoid confusion.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Children deserve more recreation

To the Editor:

I was pleased to see someone has taken the lead in mentioning the poor condition of our recreation areas. Your column only mentions the physical problems our Recreation Department has. The "plethora of beneficial and stellar programs" are what I am addressing. Compared to surrounding communities, our Recreation Department is an embarrassment. We are now without a director and our soccer, basketball and football programs are in jeopardy. In a town with limited recreation programs, this would be devastating.

When will our Township Committee hire a competent individual and give him the support, primarily financial, that this department needs? As a parent, taxpayer and coach, I have proven my willingness to do whatever is necessary to improve my community. I would like the same from the Township Committee. The children of this town deserve better.

Joe Mitarotonda  
Springfield

## Commission deserves the credit

To the Editor:

It was unfortunate that the *Springfield Leader* chose to change the title of the piece I submitted for the opinion pages in the July 25 issue. By substituting "Springfield's Human Rights Commission and the Bias Incident" with "Town needs to learn tolerance, sensitivity," the impression was given that the substance of the article reflected my personal judgments. The truth, however, is that the article's contents were approved by Springfield's Human Rights Commission, made up of many of our clergy, of which I simply serve as its chairman.

Rabbi Joshua Goldstein  
Springfield

"The signing away of First Amendment rights continues unabated."

—Angus Mackenzie  
journalism professor  
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Overlook Bicycle Paramedics assisting at the Chatham Borough Fourth of July parade are, from left, Ted Cerra, Chris DeWire and Eric Martin.

### Paramedics enjoy biking to to emergencies

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

The paramedics of the Overlook Hospital Mobile Intensive Care Unit have created a Bicycle Paramedic Team to assist paramedic units in treating patients at special events in the area.

The new unit, which is only a few weeks old, has already covered two events and attended to eight people.

"The program officially started at the Chatham Fourth of July celebration, but we have been at a lot of events in the past few weeks," said Eric Martin, who runs the bike paramedic unit.

The main advantage to the bike unit is that it has more maneuverability in crowds than the vehicle units, and can provide much faster service to those who are injured.

"Large crowds at a community event often inhibit the ability of

vehicle-based ambulance crews and paramedics to respond to emergencies. The bicycle team can reach those ill and injured members of the crowd and begin treatment before the crews of the vehicle based units can," said Jeanne Kerwin, director of the Mobile Intensive Care Unit.

The program is available for any special events that will involve crowds. They will attend the events upon request from the local rescue squads.

"Word is getting out that we have an organized agency right now, and we are starting to be requested for a lot of events. Anybody can request us to come to their events. Usually the rescue squads or the township asks us, and we are more than happy to come. All of the rescue squads have worked well together," said Martin.

The bike unit is a volunteer unit for

the paramedics and the emergency medical technicians, and everyone in the unit provides their own bikes and equipment.

The unit enjoys their work at the local events and is doing more than just paramedic-work at the gatherings.

"We have prevented a lot of incidents from happening by watching for potential hazards. It's also nice to be on the bikes because we get an opportunity to talk to the citizens and the kids. That's been the best part of the whole thing," said Martin.

The unit is now operating in full swing and is looking forward to attending more public events in the near future.

"We will be expanding in the coming year to cover even more, and we look forward to bigger and better things" said Martin.

### Overlook prepares for 90th anniversary

Will present awards honoring achievement

"The Wonderful World of Medicine and Magic" is the theme for the Overlook Hospital 90th anniversary gala to be held Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Liberty Science Center in Jersey City.

The evening will feature the presentation of the Overlook Hospital Lifetime Achievement Awards, with Edward T. Kenyon receiving the Community Award; William H. Longfield and C.R. Bard Inc. receiving the Corporate Award; Kassandra Romas, outgoing president of the Overlook Auxiliary, receiving the Volunteer Award, and Dr. Henry R. Liss, Overlook's retired vice president for Medical Services and Education, receiving the Medical Award.

The Overlook Philanthropic Leadership award, to be presented for the first time this year, will be presented to Nancy Deane Kreitter.

Individuals and businesses that would like to support the hospital and the gala can contact the Overlook Hospital Foundation at (908) 522-2840.



From left are Overlook Hospital's 90th Anniversary Gala Chairperson Barbara Lozner, Journal Co-Chairperson Ronnie Hodosh and Gala Vice Chairperson Diane Fischl of Summit. Proceeds from the gala will benefit the John Reeves Ambulatory Surgery Center at Overlook, which recently received approval from the New Jersey State Health Department.

### Harvest festival volunteers to meet

Reeves-Reed volunteers will meet throughout the summer to prepare for fall's Family Harvest Festival scheduled for Oct. 19 on the Reeves-Reed grounds in Summit.

Serving on the committee with Co-Chairs Susan Hellman of New Providence and Louisa Renn of Short Hills are Sharon Brosnan and Josette Luciano of New Providence, and from Summit, Laura Coburn, Mary Eckert, Deirdre Hatfield, Jeannie Lawler, Rebecca Michalopoulos, Caroline Maidonado, Laura Park, Tara Smith, Teri Taggart and Janet Thomasson.

Among the entertainment and activities planned for all ages will be pony rides, petting zoo, haybale maze, pumpkin sculptor and patch, magi-

cian, storyteller, Nifty Heeler seeing-eye puppies, children's crafts and games and more.

Craft and hobby demonstrations will include a beekeeper, spinner, wood carver, basketweaver, candle maker, jewelry crafter, doll maker, lace maker and more.

The festival will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. rain or shine and The Garden Shop will feature a children's table.

Admissions are \$4 adults; \$1.50, children under 12; free, children under 3. Some events may include additional fees. Lunch and snacks will be available for purchase.

For more details, call the office, (908) 273-8787 or stop at the Reeves-Reed, a national and state historic site located at 165 Hobart Ave., near Route 24.

### Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, please write Tom Canavan, editor in chief, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700 Ext. 329 on weekdays before 5 p.m.

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# SENIOR LIFESTYLE

## Freeholders honor Older Workers

Businesses seeking experienced, reliable employees with a better-than-average attitude are encouraged to take advantage of the resource pool of trained individuals offered by the County of Union, announced Freeholder Chairman Edwin H. Force, in presenting a resolution with Freeholder Linda Di Giovanni, honoring Older Workers Week.

"This pool of potential employees comes from varied industries and career areas, including administration, finance, clerical, maintenance, engineering and health care," Force said. "The format to interview each individual to assess their job skills, presentation, personality and overall employability has proven successful and has already resulted in 54 well-matched employees and employers since the program's inception in November 1994," Force added.

Two programs specifically assist individuals age 55 and older in a job search which has employment as its ultimate goal.

The Union County Older Workers Program, which provides this service at no charge to employers or employees, is administered by the Union County Division on Aging, in cooperation with the Division of PIC/ Employment and Training.

The Senior Employment Program is administered by the Jewish Vocational Service in East Orange, which assists income-eligible participants from Union, Bergen, Essex and Morris counties.

"Union County recently declared an Older Worker Week to acknowledge the values we place on our older workers," said Force, "but these priceless resources should never be overlooked. They represent a tremendous potential in productivity, and the freeholder board is dedicated to supporting programs that help the older worker show that he or she is a valuable, not-to-be missed opportunity."

"Despite excellent job qualifications and years of experience, the search for employment all too often becomes more difficult as individuals grow older," said Freeholder Linda Di Giovanni. "Many older workers experience serious problems finding employment if they lose a job or desire a new position.

The majority of Americans 55 and older are active, vital and in good health. More than 70 percent actively contribute to society, their families and communities by working, volunteering or caring for sick and disabled spouses, friends and neighbors. Many have talents that are an untapped opportunity for employers. Union County government is determined that these missed opportunities for older workers and prospective employers are in the 'not so good old days,'" Di Giovanni added.

Considering the aging population of this country, with fewer young people entering the workforce, businesses can gain a competitive edge by re-assessing their hiring practices to utilize the skills and strong work ethic that older adults have to offer.

"Studies have shown that in addition to many years of work and life experiences, older people possess loyalty, dedication, low absenteeism and turnover rates and flexibility, to list just a few qualities," said Freeholder Walter McNeil Jr., liaison to the Advisory Board on Aging. "Everyone wants and needs to have a meaningful and productive role to fill, both in the workforce and in society at large. Age doesn't and shouldn't make a difference."

"I believe that the worth of any employee is based on what that individual can contribute to their job — not the year on their birth certificate," said Union County Manager Ann Baran. "Because of this, I took great pride in joining the Board of Chosen Freeholders in declaring an 'Employ The Older Worker Week' in Union County to focus attention on this often overlooked resource base. We urge all employers to consider the skills and other qualifications of men and women 55 and older when they hire new workers."

Potential employers and employees interested in more information about Union County's employment programs for older workers should call Donna Farrell, program coordinator for the Union County Older Worker Program in the Union County Division on Aging at 527-4858.

For more information about the Jewish Vocational Service's Senior Employment Program, call Joyce Reciniello at (201) 674-4830.

For information about other Union County programs or services, call the Customer Information Line at 518-9000 or, for the hearing impaired, 654-9390. County residents can visit the county's new Customer Information Center, located at the County Complex in Westfield at 300 North Avenue East, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday. Citizens can pick up applications for passports or tax appeals, or choose from a variety of literature on wills, personal estate planning, recreational and leisure activities, consumer affairs, personal health and safety and many other topics.

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## Income determines SSI eligibility

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To get SSI, you must be age 65 or older, or be blind, or have a disability. And, your income and the value of the things you own must be below certain limits.

Income refers to the money you have coming in — earnings, Social Security benefits, other government checks, pensions, etc. Non-cash items you receive such as food, clothing and shelter are also considered income. The amount of income you can have and still get SSI depends on whether you work or not, and where you live. The basic national payment rate in 1996 is \$470 per month for one person and \$705 for a couple. Some states add

### Your Security

By George Dearness

money to the basic payments, so they have higher SSI rates and higher income limits than other states. Your local Social Security office can tell you about the limits in your state.

Resources are the things you own, including property, cash, bank accounts and life insurance, etc. We don't count everything you own when we decide if you can get SSI. For example, we don't count your home and many of your personal belongings. And, we usually don't count your car. You may be able to get SSI if the things you own that we count are worth no more than

\$2,000 for one person; or \$3,000 for a couple. These limits are the same in every state.

Generally, if you don't work, you may be able to get SSI if your monthly income is less than \$490 per month for one person, \$725 for a couple. But, if you're working, you can have more income each month. Your benefit is decreased as your income increases until your benefit is completely reduced. Keep in mind that, if you're applying for SSI disability benefits and earn more than \$500 per month, you probably won't be eligible for benefits.

For more information about the SSI program, call (800) 772-1213.

George Dearness is the Social Security manager in Elizabeth.

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## Seniors receive Social Security benefit statement

People who reach age 58, 59 or 60 by Oct. 1 will receive a statement showing what they can expect from their lifelong investment in the Social Security program. The statement shows the amount of benefits workers can receive when they retire, if they become disabled before they reach retirement age, the amount of benefits their families can receive if they die, and the earnings on which the benefits are based, according to Social Security Manager Marius Richardson, in Montclair.

More than eight million people have received a Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement since February 1995 when Social Security

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## Seniors get aging tips

The National Institute on Aging has suggested 10 tips for healthy aging: Eat a balanced diet; exercise regularly; get regular check-ups; don't smoke (it's never too late to quit); practice safety habits at home to prevent falls and fractures and always wear your seatbelt when traveling; maintain contact with family and friends, and stay active through work, recreation and community; avoid overexposure to the sun and the cold; if you drink, moderation is the key; keep personal and financial records in order to simplify budgeting and investing; plan long-term housing and financial needs; keep a positive attitude toward life, and things that make you happy.

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# Mountainside gets wet and wild with the Fire Department



Photo By Ted Matthews

Jeny Meyer, 8, and Matthew Hiller, 9, don the Fire Department's regulator masks while sitting in the department's new fire truck, on display at the school for the festivities.



Photo By Ted Matthews

The Fire Department's float, which also appeared in the Centennial Parade in 1995, helps decorate the Wetdown.

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**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.

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### JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

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### 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 shelshet 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, and our other 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

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### JEWISH - TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

**CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM** Affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, Vauxhall Road and Pine Street, Union, 686-6773. Harold Gottesman, Cantor; Dr. Allan Renkoff, 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 P.M., 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 Sadowitz, Cantor; Esther Avnet, 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 Tallit 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. Brandt, 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.

**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH** 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 201-379-4525, Fax 201-379-8887. Joel R. Yoss, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service is held at 10 a.m. with Children's Church and child care during worship. For information regarding our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office from Monday through Thursday, 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.

**HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** 301 Tucker Ave., Union 688-0714. Rev. Thomas J. Bagel, Pastor. Stovak Worship 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. We offer an 11:00 a.m. English Worship Service, with a children's sermon, to which everyone is welcome. Communion on first and third Sunday of every month. Sanctuary is handicapped accessible. Ample off street parking. Adult and Children Choirs, Adult Choir rehearsal every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Confirmation class every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. Youth Group meets on first and third Sunday at 7:00 p.m. We have two WELCA circles. The Aurora circle meets every other month on Saturday mornings. The Alpha circle meets on the third Sunday of the month in the afternoon. Trinity Adult Fellowship meets on the last Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Ladies Altar Guild meets on the second Sunday of the month in the afternoon. Four times a year Assembly #60 of the United Lutheran Society has a meeting.

**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL** 229 Copperlwaite Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E. Kriech, Pastor. (908) 232-1517. Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00; Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:50; child care during worship. Wednesday evening service 7:30 p.m. Various Choirs, Bible studies, Youth Groups. School N3 thru Grade 6. Handicap accessible.

### METHODIST

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

**COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Chestnut Street & East Grant Ave. Roselle Park. Rev. Dr. Nancy S. Belsky, Pastor. Phone: (908) 245-2237; 245-8820; 241-1210. Worship Services: 10:30 a.m. in our air conditioned, barrier-free Sanctuary. (One Room School House Class for 3 year olds to fourth graders). Coffee & Fellowship Time: at 11:30. Prayer Phone: (908) 245-2159. All are welcome!

**KENILWORTH COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** 455 Boulevard, Kenilworth. Rev. Linda Del Sardo, Pastor. Church office 276-1956, Passage 276-2322. Worship Service 10:00 A.M., Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Nursery available during Worship. Communion is served the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome.

The **SPRINGFIELD EMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, located on 40 Church Mall in Springfield, NJ, invites people of all ages and backgrounds to join us for Summer Sunday morning worship at 9:30. During the months of July and August, we will enjoy union services with our neighbors in the Presbyterian Church. In July we will be worshipping in the Presbyterian Church located on Morris Ave. In August we will be worshipping in the United Methodist Church. In August, we will enjoy a traditional Methodist hymn sing from 9:15-9:30 A.M., followed by worship at 9:30 A.M. We are a warm and welcoming congregation of Christians who gather together to be encouraged in the faith, strengthened in hope, and empowered to be brave and faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Child care and nursery are available following the part of our worship service that is especially geared toward young children. Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. If you have any questions, interest or concerns, please call the pastor, Rev. Jeff Markay at 201-376-1695.

### MORAVIAN

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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

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

### PRESBYTERIAN

**CONNECTICUT FARMS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** established 1730, Stuyvesant Avenue and Route 22, Union. Summer schedule June 23 to September 1, Sunday worship at 10:15 a.m. Child care provided during the Worship Service. 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. Weekly Nursery School for 2, 3, and 4 yr. olds available. 964-8544. For additional information, please call Church Office at 688-3164. Serving Church Community for 266 years. Rev. R. Sidney Pinch, Pastor, 688-3164.

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**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.

### ROMAN CATHOLIC

**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 Westington Ave., Kenilworth, 272-4444. Rev. Joseph S. Bejgrowicz, 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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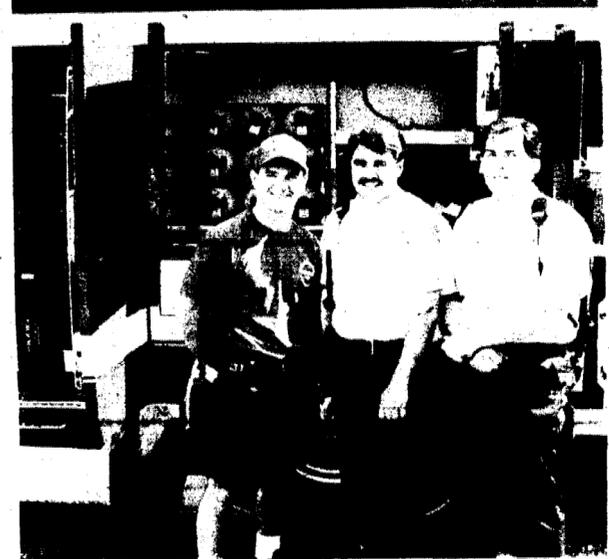


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Wetdown Chairman Kevin Rogers, left, Fire Chief James Sanford and Deputy Chief Marc Franciosa pose by the department's new truck. Franciosa was in charge of writing the specifications for the new truck.

## Sheriff's office offers college intern program

Sheriff Ralph Froehlich's office again will offer students a Law Enforcement College Intern Program.

The program is open only to college juniors and seniors who've maintained a grade point average of 3.0. A letter of recommendation from a faculty advisor will be requested, with a resume and copy of all college transcripts.

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### DEATH NOTICES

**BUJNOWSKI** - William J. Jr., of Roselle Park on Thursday, July 25, 1996, devoted father of Jennifer Jill, dear son of Betty (Noble) and William J. Bujnowski Sr., dear brother of Michael J., Donald J., Denise Iscario and Lynn Bujnowski, dear grandson of Margaret Noble, also survived by one niece and three nephews. The funeral was for the SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 146 East Second Ave., Roselle. A Funeral Mass was offered in St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle. Cremation Rosehill Crematory, Linden. Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 1 Bleeker Street, Millburn, N.J. 07041.

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# SPORTS

## LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Kean College head men's soccer coach Tony Ochrimenko and women's coach Fred Napoli are running four soccer camps and leagues for boys and girls of all ages.

The summer activities include:

- The 13th annual Cougar Soccer School. Run by Ochrimenko for boys and girls ages 6-17, the school offers a second full and half-day session, scheduled for Aug. 5-9.

- Seven-A-Side Summer League. Run by Ochrimenko for eight weeks, it began June 18 and will run until Aug. 8, each team playing one game a week on Tuesday or Thursday, beginning at 6:05 p.m. There will be eight different divisions, including boys' under-16 and under-14, high school boys', men's Division 1, men's over 30, men's premier, men's Division 2, co-ed division and boys' under-12.

- Seven-A-Side Summer League for women and high school girls, run by Napoli, which will be played on Wednesdays and which began June 19. The final Wednesday will be Aug. 7. Each team will play one game a week beginning at 6 p.m.

More information may be obtained by calling Ochrimenko at 908-527-2936 or Napoli at 908-527-3031.

The Mr. "M" Baseball Camp, run by director Livio Mancino, will take place Aug. 13-15 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Nomahegan Park baseball field on the Boulevard in Cranford.

Break for lunch (bring your own) will be from noon to 12:30.

Mancino is a former Minor League player (St. Louis Browns farm system) and has been a coach at Union College and West Orange High School.

Mancino is presently an active umpire on the college, high school and semi-pro leagues level. He is a carded member of the New Jersey State Baseball Umpires Association.

The camp, for boys ages 12-16, will feature qualified coaches and players giving intensive instructions on all aspects of the game — pitching, fielding, catching and baserunning, plus the rules that apply to the game.

Attendees must bring glove, bat, spikes, catching equipment (if a catcher) and shorts will not be allowed to be worn.

The cost is \$50 per youngster and includes a brochure on how to play the game and a T-shirt.

The 1996 Raider Soccer Camp will be held next week, Aug. 5-9, at Scotch Plains High School.

The directors of the camp are Tom Breznitsky and Tom Turnbull. Breznitsky is the boys' soccer coach at Scotch Plains and Turnbull is the director of Soccer Skills and Drills, Inc., a soccer tutoring school which attracts players from all over New Jersey and New York.

A "Kindersoccer" program (for children entering Kindergarten in the fall) is being offered each morning from 9-11:30.

For boys and girls in grades 1-4, the day will begin at 9 a.m. and end at noon. A full day (9-3:30) is offered for players in grades 5-11.

Concurrent with the overall camp, a special "Goalkeeper Program" will be offered for children in grades 1-11.

More information may be obtained by calling Breznitsky at 908-322-6102 or Turnbull at 908-753-8240.

## Local flavor at Maccabi Games

### Athletes, volunteers in fold

A number of Springfield and Mountainside residents will be representing their towns at the 1996 JCC Maccabi Youth Games that will take place Aug. 18-22 at various venues in Morris and Essex counties.

The Games are being sponsored by JCC MetroWest in Whippany. It is comprised of the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan New Jersey in West Orange and the Lautenberg Family Jewish Community Center of Greater Morris in Whippany.

As many as 2,400 Jewish athletes, ages 13-16, will be participating, including another 2,500 volunteers and 1,200 host families.

Representatives from communities throughout the United States, Canada, Israel, Great Britain and Australia will be in attendance.

Sporting events include basketball, baseball, gymnastics, golf, table tennis, in-line hockey, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track and field, volleyball, wrestling and cross country.

Here's a look at which Springfield and Mountainside residents will be participating:

**Springfield residents:** Athletes: Jared Cohen, 15, in-line hockey; Miriam Feldman, 14, tennis and Merisa Vinick, softball. **Committee Chairs:** Dr. Leonard Jaffe, medical. **Volunteers:** Jillian Barocas, Brenda Cohen, Norman Cohen, Andrea Cook-Nadel, Dr. Stewart Doline-medical, Jamie Falkin, Helene Glaser, Leonard Glaser, Jack Goldman, Rabbi Joshua Goldstein, Dr. Andrew M. Hutter-medical, Muriel Kirsch-catering, kit bag stuffer, Josh Moesch, William Moesch, Nicole Naggar, Sheryl Newman, Dmitry Plotnikov-athletics, Rabbi Perry Rank, Shuli Rank, Zelman Schachman-catering, kit bag stuffer, Steven Siegel-security.

**Mountainside residents:** Ben Cohen-athletics, soccer; Irving Halper-catering, race monitor; Eleanor Manders-kit bag stuffer.

## We are the Champions



The Marlins placed first in the American League (ages 8 and 9), defeating the Giants 9-8 and winning the last three games in the Mountainside Youth Softball League's single-elimination tournament. Team members, managed by Rich McAdam and coached by Patrice DeCastro and Joe O'Sullivan, received their trophies at the annual Mountainside Youth Softball League dinner held at L'Affaire. Front row, from left, are Billy Sullivan, Hali Alpert and Jillian Richards. Back row, from left, are Ryan McAdam, Adam Foti, Jacquim Sperlazza, Anthony Internicola, Jimmy DeCastro, Jeffrey Arango and Robert Stickle. Other team members included Adam Geiger and Kara Uzzolino.

## Springfield swimmers excel at annual Olive Garden tilt

### Many youngsters place first in their events

Springfield swim team members performed outstanding at the annual Olive Garden meet held at the Springfield Pool earlier this month.

Christine Grywalski, age 9, was a double-winner, capturing the backstroke and butterfly.

In the 6-and-under group, Emily Nemanis was first in the backstroke and Joe Giaimo first in the freestyle.

The age 7 youngsters were paced by Anne Kelley-Kempe, first in the backstroke, third in the breaststroke and tied for fifth in the freestyle; Annmarie Corcione, first in the breaststroke and tied for fourth in the freestyle; Joseph Palitto, first in the butterfly and Allison Filepp, second in the breaststroke and third in the butterfly.

The 8-year-olds were sparked by the efforts of Carolyn Maul, first in the breaststroke, fourth in the backstroke and fifth in the freestyle; Anne Demberger, second in the freestyle, second in backstroke and third in butterfly and Sara Nemanis, fifth in breaststroke.

Catherine Andrasko was third in the freestyle and fifth in the breaststroke among the age 9 swimmers and Katie Palitto was sixth in the breaststroke and sixth in the butterfly.

The 10-year-olds were led by Louis Puopolo, first in butterfly, second in 10-and-under freestyle in under 20 seconds and third in backstroke and Andrew Elekes, first in breaststroke, second in freestyle and fifth in backstroke.



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## Minutemen baseball qualified for playoffs

The Springfield Junior Minutemen baseball team (ages 9 and 10) concluded its summer regular season with a 6-7 record, qualifying for the playoffs as the sixth seed.

Included in the second-half run for the playoffs were three exciting victories.

Playing at Roseland, the Minutemen trailed 6-4 going into the fourth inning. Sparked by the baserunning heroics of Justin Catello, Springfield scored one run in the fourth and then tied the score in the top of the sixth to send the game into extra innings.

David Sklar's line drive single brought home Don Volkert and Matt Colendrea with the go-ahead runs. Sklar later stole home and Springfield went on to win 9-7.

Jeremy Marx, Colendrea and Frankie Miceli all pitched well for Springfield.

Marx hurled Springfield's first complete game shutout when he pitched the Minutemen past Kenilworth 8-0.

Volkert's first-inning double scored Sara Steinman, Lee Silverman and Colendrea. Marx also had two hits.

In the game that clinched Springfield's playoff berth, the Minutemen upset Mountainside 6-3. Colendrea pitched a complete game, seven-hitter. Sklar and Volkert each had two hits and three RBI.

Springfield started strongly in its playoff game against Florham Park before bowing 14-5.

Volkert finished with a team-leading .565 batting average and belted three home runs.

Sklar batted .385, Catello .360, Marx .333, Colendrea .309 and Brian Stitt .297.

Steinman continued her ironman performance behind the plate, continually throwing runners out trying to steal and impressing opposing coaches throughout the league.

Also making significant contributions were Lisa Clark, Steven Tettamonti, Cory Berger, Michael Stauhs and Jesse Fischbein. Clark's hitting came alive at the end of the season and Tettamonti was the team's most improved player.

"Spectacular" sports still offered  
"Summer Sports Spectacular 1996," is still being offered this summer by Union County College's Department of Continuing Education and Community Services for youngsters ages 8-15 who wish to hone their skills in a particular sport.

The program is co-sponsored by the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation and the Cranford Board of Education. All sports training will be held at the college's Cranford Campus, with alternate, nearby locations including Nomahegan Park or Cranford High School.

Youngsters may select week-long training sessions from the following sports schedule: soccer and tennis Aug. 5-9 and Pee-Wee tennis (ages 5-7 half-day sessions) Aug. 12-16.

Each program will open at 9 a.m., starting with organization assignments and warm-ups, followed by participation at instructional stations, positional play and instructional specialization.

A lunch period from noon to 1 p.m. will be followed by an afternoon of individual and group demonstrations, practical application of demonstrations and athletic competition. The sports training will close at 3 each day.

Pee-Wee sports training will offer a choice either of a morning session from 9-11:30 or 12:30-3, with a shorter workout including a similar day's plan to the above.

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## OBITUARIES

**John W. Cardinal**

John W. Cardinal, 87, of Springfield died July 17 in his home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Cardinal lived most of his life in Springfield. He was employed in the heat treating department of Hyatt-Roller Bearing, Clark, for 20 years before retiring in 1970. Mr. Cardinal served in the Army during World War II and was a life member of the American Legion Continental Post 228, Springfield.

Surviving are a brother, Edward A., and a sister, Edna Cook.

**Martha Zwiebel**

Martha Zwiebel, 86, of Springfield died July 20 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Zwiebel lived in West Orange before moving to Springfield 20 years ago. She was an administrative assistant with New Jersey Bell, Newark, for 50 years and retired in 1977. Mrs. Zwiebel was a member of the Springfield Senior Citizens Group 3.

**Joseph Camp**

Joseph Camp, 84, of Springfield died July 21 in his home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Camp lived in Union before moving to Springfield 34 years ago. He was head custodian at the F.M. Gaudineer School, Springfield for 19 years before retiring in 1991. Earlier, Mr. Camp was a truck driver at Sealtest Dairy in the Bronx for 35 years. He was a member of the Teamsters Brotherhood Local 584 of New York.

Surviving are his wife, Marie; a son, Wayne G.; two sisters, Yolanda Bernhardt and Vahlia Rusignuolo; a brother, Victor Campolattaro, and four grandchildren.

**Anna Haselmann**

Anna Haselmann, 87, of Springfield died July 21 in the Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center.

Born in Wolfshagen, Germany, Mrs. Haselmann lived in Irvington

before moving to Springfield 45 years ago. She was a clerk for Lord & Taylor, Millburn, for 20 years and retired in 1989. Earlier, Mrs. Haselmann and her late husband, Alex J., were the owners of Haselmann Bakery, Springfield. She was a member of the Springfield Senior Citizens Group 1.

Surviving are a daughter, Joan Kraft; two sons, Richard and Ronald; two sisters, Marie Metz and Roese Drechsler; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**Irene S. Wasko**

Irene S. Wasko, 77, of Mountaintop died July 23 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Wasko moved to Mountaintop 38 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Stephen W.; three sons, James, Jonathan and Brian; a daughter, Laura; a brother, Frank Slamar, and five grandchildren.

**Anita Beutelman**

Anita Beutelman, 72, of Mountaintop died July 21 in the Med Bridge Medical and Physical Rehabilitation Center, Mountaintop.

Born in Germany, Mrs. Beutelman lived in Fanwood and Fountain Head, Ariz., before moving to Mountaintop last year.

Surviving are two sons, Hans P. and Peter; a daughter, Karen Hedinger; seven brothers, three sisters and four grandchildren.

**John J. Luciano Sr.**

John J. Luciano Sr., 81, of Beechwood, formerly of Springfield and Summit, died July 26 in the Community Medical Center, Toms River.

Born in Summit, Mr. Luciano lived in Springfield and back in Summit before moving to Beechwood. He was a dispatcher and driver for Geddis Taxi Co., Summit, for many years and retired in 1978. Earlier, Mr. Luciano was employed by Center Carpet Co., Summit. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II. Mr.

Luciano was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 7683, Millburn, and the Springfield Elks Lodge 2004.

Surviving are his wife, Marguerite; three sons, John Jr., Robert and Dennis; four sisters, Josephine Zotti, Rose Riola, Carmella Dolan and Dolores; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Rachel Chenitz**

Rachel Chenitz, 86, of Springfield died July 27 in her home.

Born in Safed, Israel, Mrs. Chenitz lived in Brooklyn, Newark and Hillside before moving to Springfield in 1969. She was a Hebrew teacher for Temple B'nai Israel in Millburn for 27 years before retiring in 1983. Mrs.

Chenitz was a 1956 graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York with a master's degree in Hebrew literature. She was a member of Hadassah of Hillside and Millburn, the Jewish Education Association, B'nai B'rith Women and Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield.

Surviving are a daughter, Dr. Regina Leibowitz; a sister, Betty Wolfman; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**Frances D. Baran**

Frances Drada Baran, 60, of Springfield died July 26 in her home.

Born in Paterson, Mrs. Baran lived in Cranford before moving to Springfield last year. She was a saleswoman for AT&T in Summit for 15 years.

Surviving are three daughters, Janice Parker, Linda Waldron and Susan Higgins; a brother, Frank Drada; two sisters, Jane Fierro and Phyllis Cavellaro, and five grandchildren.

**Jack Harold King**

Jack Harold King, 75, of Springfield, who had been vice president of the New Jersey American Water Co., died July 25 in his home.

Born in Davenport, Iowa, Mr. King lived in Muncie, Ind., before moving

to Springfield. He was employed by the Commonwealth Water Co., Short Hills, now the New Jersey American Water Co. for 43 years before retiring in 1984. In 1942, Mr. King graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in civil engineering. He was a former member of the Summit Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, Elinor A.; a son, Michael J.; a daughter, Pamela J. Shimer, and four grandchildren.

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**Antiques sale scheduled**

October marks the 41st New Providence Methodist Church Antique Show and Sale. The dates are Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Oct. 16 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Lunch will be served both days and will feature homemade soup, salad bar and sandwiches, plus a choice of beverages and desserts. A hot turkey buffet will be served from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. On Wednesday, an Italian buffet will be served from 5-7 p.m. The Antique Show features jewelry, ceramics and furniture from more than 30 dealers. A Country Store will feature many hand-crafted items suitable for gift giving. On Tuesday evening, the hand quilted wall hanging, which is being made by the United Methodist Women, will be auctioned. For more information, call (908) 464-5535.

## RELIGION

**Rummage Sale**

The Sisterhood of Temple Sha'arey Shalom in Springfield will conduct its annual rummage sale at 78 South Springfield Ave. in the temple's social hall on Aug. 11 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and Aug. 12 from 10 a.m. until noon.

Judy Goldberg, chairperson, announced that this year's rummage sale will be the largest and the best ever. Items for sale include housewares, clothing and toys. Additionally, Aug. 12 will be Brown Bag Day; a brown grocery bag can be filled up with assorted items for only \$2.

The public is invited to attend. Additional information can be obtained by calling the temple office at (201) 379-5387.

**Hebrew crash course**

Rabbi Alan Yuter of Congregation Israel in Springfield, located at 339 Mountain Avenue, announces that the synagogue will sponsor a beginner's Hebrew reading crash course under the auspices of the National Jewish Outreach Program.

Beginning Monday at 8 p.m. and continuing for six weeks, the course will review the entire Hebrew alphabet. For those interested, there will be three optional sessions in the High Holiday prayers and their meaning.

The course is offered as a community service; all are welcome, regardless of background.

For more information, contact the synagogue office at (201) 467-9666. Participants will be able to read Hebrew at the end of the course.

**Bible 'Safari'**

"Kingdom of the Son — A Prayer Safari" is this summer's theme for an exciting week of special fun, music, daily Bible story lessons, recreation and skills, refreshments, creative puppet and live action skits, friend-making and more.

Andrew Bonaventura, director of ministries at Mountaintop Chapel, announces this dynamic family and community-oriented program will take place from Aug. 5-9 from 9 a.m. until noon. The theme focuses on the Lord's Prayer, found in Matthew 6: 9-13.

Daily Vacation Bible School is offered to prekindergarten children, age 4, through those entering fifth-grade in the fall. A special Jr. High program also features a well-supervised all-day trip on Aug. 7. A well-attended Ladies' Class is also offered during the same hours as the children's program and mothers who attend this class are provided with childcare for newborns through age 3. A special flyer is available for the Jr. High program and Ladies' Class upon request.

A caring staff of over 50 dedicated and responsible Christian adults, professionals, collegians, high school students and helpers stand ready to welcome families to take part in the annual Daily Vacation Bible School. Because enrollment reaches into the hundreds and because it wants to best serve you, the chapel urges everyone to pre-register as soon as possible by calling the chapel office at (908) 232-3456.

**Congregation tees up**

Congregation Israel of Springfield, located at 339 Mountain Way, is holding its annual golf invitational on Aug. 18 at noon at the Apple Mountain Golf and Country Club in Belvidere.

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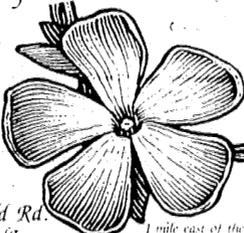
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