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## Borough Highlights

### Offices closed

The offices of this newspaper will be closed Nov. 28 and Nov. 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen Monday, Dec. 2.

The newspaper will be published next week on Wednesday, Nov. 27.

The deadlines for the Nov. 27 edition are as follows:

- Lifestyle, including church and club news, etc. — today, noon.
- Letters to the editor — today, 5 p.m.
- What's Going On — Thursday, 4 p.m.
- Display ads — Friday noon for Section B and 5 p.m. for Section A.
- Sports news — Friday, 9 a.m.
- General news — Monday, 9 a.m.
- Classified advertising — Monday, 3 p.m.
- Legal advertising — Monday, noon.

### Food drive set

Mountainside Cub Pack 177 will hold their annual food drive on Saturday, Nov. 23. Residents who receive donation bags should fill them with non-perishable items and place them on their door steps by 9 a.m. The scouts will collect the bags between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. and return them to the Community Presbyterian Church where church volunteers will sort, repack and distribute the packages to needy area families in time for Thanksgiving.

Residents who care to participate but have not received bags may drop off donations to the church between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Residents with filled bags that have not been picked up by 1 p.m. should call (908) 233-1478.

### Red Cross schedule

The Red Cross training for December will consist of Adult CPR on Dec. 3, from 6 to 10 p.m. Standard first aid training will be Dec. 3 and 5, from 6 to 10 p.m. both nights with infant/child CPR being offered on Dec. 11 at 6 p.m.

The chapter will be offering an instructor training class on how to become a baby-sitting instructor on Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This course will be offered to individuals who are looking to instruct children on being a safe baby-sitter and what to do in emergencies. Space is limited, and registration closes tomorrow. For information and a registration form call 232-7090 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### Crafters needed

Trailside Nature and Science Center is looking for crafters and artisans to display and sell quality products at its Nature Boutique, planned for Dec. 8 from 1 to 5 p.m. Registration is \$12.50 to \$20 a space and an additional fee of \$7 is charged for gift shop participants.

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## Hats off to Mountainside



Amy Vitale, Mary Jo Keller and Max Conner model fall hats in Deerfield's kindergarten class.

## Hospital opens new center

By Harley Payette  
Correspondent

The Children's Specialized Hospital on New Providence Road is able to offer greater service due to the recent opening of its newly renovated and expanded Ambulatory Services Center.

The ambulatory center officially opened Sept. 19. Janine Le Grand Casey, public relations coordinator for the hospital, said the primary purpose of the addition was to accommodate the hospital's growing list of out-patient services.

"We've seen a tremendous increase in the number of out-patients we treat. This expansion helped us meet that need," said Casey.

"CSH's ability to expand ambulatory services enhances the continuum of care for the children and adoles-

cents. The generosity of the donors makes the renovation possible, enables Children's to accommodate greater numbers of patients in a more efficient manner," said CSH President Richard Ahlfeld.

Casey said the expansion consisted of a new procedural recovery/observation room and several new exam rooms. The rest of the center's nine exam rooms were renovated, as were the treatment casting room and a special procedure room. Casey added that work was also done to renovate and realign the waiting room. Casey added that a total of 6,200 square foot was renovated or expanded or about 6 percent of the hospital's overall space.

According to Casey, most of the renovation was done to make treatment more accessible and comfortable for the children. "It was rede-

signed for the comfort of the patients. A lot of them are in wheelchairs and they need a lot of room," she said. Casey said that Children's Specialized Hospital is the only comprehensive pediatric rehabilitation hospital in New Jersey.

Casey noted that the center houses all of the hospital's pediatric subspecialty services and specialized diagnostic services such as EEG and brain stem evoke potentials.

"We're now able to provide all of the services a child may need in one spot," she said.

Casey said the expansion, which began last December, was paid for primarily through the donations of five organizations: CSH's Golf Classic Committee, the estate of Evelyn Welsh, late of Summit, Pathmark Stores Inc., Woodbridge, and the Edward W. and Stella C. Van Houten Memorial Fund. "If it weren't for them," said Casey, "We wouldn't have been able to do this project."

Casey said the hospital, which has been on the Mountainside site since 1891, did not want to disclose the costs of the expansion and renovation in order to protect the privacy of its donors.

## Church gets into the spirit of the season

### Food drive will commemorate Thanksgiving

By Harley Payette  
Correspondent

Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Mountainside is currently holding its annual food drive for Thanksgiving.

According to church secretary Judy Saraka, residents have until 1 p.m., Nov. 24 to make donations. The public can drop off donations in the church vestibules during normal business hours. Canned goods and boxed foods, such as cereal, make up the bulk of the donations.

**There will be an offering for CROP, an organization that fights hunger.**

Saraka said that last year, the church was able to donate 55 boxes or baskets of food to charitable organizations and needy Mountainside residents. Saraka expects a similar level of donations this year.

"It pretty much stays the same every year," she said. Saraka noted that the church's AIDS support and awareness group, "Circle of Compassion," brought in an additional 100 baskets in a separate effort.

According to Saraka, "a basket" of food contains enough food for the Thanksgiving meal and for a week after. In addition, each basket contains a full turkey donated by an anonymous donor.

The church gives baskets and tur-

keys to Saint Joseph's Social Service Center in Elizabeth, St. Patrick's Church also in Elizabeth, St. Rocco's in Newark and Our Lady of Christian in East Orange. Also, Saraka has a list of local residents who may need assistance.

"I call them up every year and see if they still need it," Saraka said the needy families pick their baskets up the Monday before Thanksgiving.

The church will also be commemorating Thanksgiving with the annual ecumenical service it holds in conjunction with the Community Presbyterian Church, on Nov. 27 at 7:30 p.m. This year, the service will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes. "We switch churches each year," said Saraka. Last year about 100 people attended the service.

Saraka described the service as "song and praise and Thanksgiving to God." A fellowship will follow the service.

In keeping with the spirit of the food drive, there will be an offering for CROP, a national organization that fights hunger. Saraka said that the offering to CROP is a tradition for the joint service.

Saraka added that after Thanksgiving, the church will prepare for its Christmas charity, "The Giving Tree". The Giving Tree provides gifts for the homeless and the needy in a manner similar to the Thanksgiving Food Drive but on a larger scale. "We do a little bit more and we give to more organizations."

## Senate Republicans offer funding plan

By Kevin Singer  
Managing Editor

In an attempt to spare suburban districts from education budget cuts, the State Senate Republicans have introduced a bill that is designed as an alternative to Gov. Christine Whitman's original funding plan.

Whitman's plan presented an attempt to provide the State Supreme Court-mandated "thorough and efficient" education, as required by the state constitution. Under her plan, the per pupil spending amounts throughout all districts would be equalized at an average of \$7,200. Districts that exceed the amount would be vulnerable to voter-mandated cuts. Currently, 52 percent of the state's districts exceed that amount.

Under the Senate Republicans' bill, S-40, school budgets would be allowed to maintain their current spending levels. However, future increases would be capped at the Consumer Price Index, or 3 percent, whichever is greater. Residents would be allowed to vote on the school tax levy.

If voters reject the budget, the municipal governing body would be authorized to cut the proposed increase by an additional 2 percent. Whitman's plan allowed the municipal government to cut any spending above the state recommended level if the voters reject the budget.

Whitman's plan placed a cap on special education spending, authorizing full funding if less than 10 percent

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## Regional board reaffirms 1997 dissolution deadline

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

In a 6 to 2 vote, the Union County Regional Board of Education passed a resolution Tuesday supporting the referendum results to dissolve the district by July 1, 1997.

The resolution reads: "Whereas Union County Regional Board of Education District Number 1 has voted on August 29, 1995 by a 5 to 4 majority vote to remain neutral and allow the issue of dissolution to be decided by referendum; Whereas the dissolution of the Union County Regional District Number 1 was authorized and approved by the voters of the six constituent districts; Therefore be it resolved that the Union County Regional Board of Education District Number 1 wishes to reaffirm their position that we remain neutral, and that the school administration or its legal representative remain neutral in the forthcoming legal proceedings involving Garwood's appeal of the referendum vote; Therefore be it further resolved that the Union County Regional Board of Education District Number 1 believes that it is in the best interest of the students teachers and support staff to have the dissolution of the district take effect as scheduled on July 1, 1997."

Prior to passing the resolution, the board discussed the possible funding of a new Instructional Media Center/Computer Lab for the soon to be

reopened David Brearley High School in Kenilworth. The concern was that since the plan to upgrade the computer labs in all of the district high schools and provide for Internet access in all of the high schools was passed after the referendum vote, the district should provide the same upgrades to the Brearley school, since Brearley students would be at an automatic disadvantage when the school reopens.

However, not all of the members of the board were in agreement. Board President Joan A. Toth stated that she was not sure that dissolution would even happen. The board agreed to examine the cost and other logistical issues involved. They agreed to reconsider the issue when more information becomes available.

During the meeting, the board approved 50 hours of overtime for the individuals employed in the computer labs. This was an alternative to hiring another full or part time staff person to work on the computer systems. According to those who are working on the present system, there is still much work to be done to meet deadlines set by the district, and the approval of the overtime will allow them to meet the deadline. It was also stated that some of the workers had already put in overtime on the project. However, the board would not be responsible for paying, since the work was done on a voluntary basis.

## Evaluating chocolate chip cookies



Students in Elaine Fass' sixth-grade class at Deerfield School practice the evaluation aspect of Bloom's taxonomy as they rate their cookie creations. From left are Jessica Nichols, Suzanne Hopkins, Nicole Taeschler, Estrella Lopez, Connie Souder and Deirdre Norris.

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**Plan would not reduce levels of spending**

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of the district's students are classified as being in need of special education. Funding would be lessened for levels between 10 percent and 14 percent. Levels over 14 percent would not receive state funding. In contrast, the Senate plan would delete special education classification caps.

The Senate Republican plan adds 16 districts to the list of poor districts, and requires that they all spend at least \$7,056 per pupil. Whitman's plan requires a minimum spending of \$6,720 per pupil.

Senator C. Louis Bassano, R-Union, believes that the Senate bill in its present form is good for the individual school districts and the state as a whole.

He added that he did not support the governor's original plan.

The Senate Republican's version will still have to face additional hurdles. The Education Committee is due to vote on the plan today. After that, it will move to the Appropriations Committee, and then it will be presented before the Senate for a vote. Bassano believes that the bill in its present form has a good chance of succeeding.

"I think it will muster enough votes in the Senate," he said.

However, any bill will have to be approved by the State Supreme Court. Bassano was uncertain as to whether or not the Senate plan would fulfill the Supreme Court's requirement for a thorough and efficient education.

"If it was the old court, I'd say no. I do know that the court's deep involvement in this issue has done more to hurt than to help education. The problem is that the court is looking at those two words, thorough and efficient. You can't get two people who agree on the meaning of those words. It is a vague phrase," Bassano said. "I hope the courts will keep their hands off it."

Superintendent of Schools Leonard Baccaro was encouraged by the Senate plan.

"We're moving in the right direction. The governor's plan established an artificial per pupil cost. Under the new plan, they're protected at the current per pupil spending level, and it would control future increases. We should be working together to fix any problem rather than penalizing successful districts," he said.

Baccaro added that Mountainside currently spends \$8,200 per pupil. "This figure has a great deal to do with the offerings in the schools."

"This looks like it's much fairer and much more equitable. We want quality education at a reasonable cost."

The State Supreme Court has set a Dec. 31 deadline for the state to have an acceptable funding plan in place.

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

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**Today**

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 6:30 p.m. for its pre-conference meeting. The session will be held in the Freeholders' Meeting Room on the sixth floor of the Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

**Friday**

The Senior Citizen Club of Mountainside will meet today at the Community Presbyterian Church on Deer Path and Meeting House Lane. Representatives from the Elizabethtown Gas Company will speak about "At Home With Natural Gas Safety." The seniors will travel to Hunt's Landing on Dec. 9 to celebrate the Christmas Festival. In addition, a holiday party is planned for Dec. 13 at noon at the Presbyterian Church Hall. For more information concerning the holiday party, call Norma Huber at (908) 233-7653 or Gene Skrynas at (908) 233-3446.

The Springfield Knights of Columbus will hold a dinner dance to support the Washington Rock Girl Scouts annual gift giving campaign. The sit-down dinner event is scheduled from 7 to 11 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person, with eight per table. For more information, call Fran Corcione at (201) 376-6386 or Joanna D'Achille at (201) 912-9266.

The Mountainside Newcomers Club will hold a "Mommy and Me" social at McDonalds. For more information, contact Arlene Hagggar at (908) 654-7853.

**Saturday**

Brighton Gardens in Mountainside will sponsor a seminar by Joyce Simard on "Caring for Someone with Alzheimer's Disease." The free seminar will begin at 10:30 a.m., and includes brunch. It will be held at the Westwood, 438 North Ave., Garwood. R.S.V.P. at (908) 654-4460.

The Lions Club of Westfield will sponsor a Toy, Train, and Doll Show from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club, corner of Jerusalem Road and Plainfield Avenue, Scotch Plains. Food and drink will be available. Adult admission is \$3, children under 12 are \$1, accompanied by an adult. Save \$.50 off adult admission by presenting a copy of this notice at the door. For information, call (908) 232-8551. All money raised by this event will benefit the Union County Blind Association, St. Joseph's School for the Blind in Jersey City, and the Eye Institute of NJ.

The Reeves-Reed Arboretum will sponsor the Katydids Christmas Boutique today through Dec. 5. Over 100 artisans will display their folk art, ornaments, antiques, wreaths, Santas, and accessories. The arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For more information, call (908) 273-8787. To reach Katydids as of opening day, call (908) 273-1770.

**Sunday**

Trailside Nature and Science Center's planetarium show will feature instruction in the use of binoculars, telescopes, and star charts to enhance backyard observing. Showtime is 2 p.m. The program will continue throughout the month of November.

At 3:30 p.m., Trailside's planetarium will present a laser concert featuring the music of Led Zeppelin. Admission is \$3.25 per person.

**Monday**

The Union County Mental Health Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.  
The Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

**Tuesday**

The Mountainside Borough Council will meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22.  
The Union County Construction Board of Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.  
The Union County Advisory Board on the Disabled will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.  
The Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet at 6 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.

**coming events**

**Nov. 28**

Government offices will be closed for Thanksgiving.

**Dec. 3**

The Mountainside Board of Education is scheduled to meet at 8 p.m. in the Deerfield School Media Center, Central Avenue and School Drive.

**Dec. 4**

The Mountainside Newcomers Club will hold a "Mommy and Me" playgroup at Our Lady of Lourdes Church from 10 to 11 a.m. For more information, contact Arlene Hagggar at (908) 654-7853.

**Dec. 5**

The Reeves-Reed Arboretum will sponsor a Holiday House tour from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The tour will include a visit to seven homes decorated for the holidays. Tickets are \$20, available at the arboretum. The arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For more information, call (908) 273-8787.

**Dec. 10**

The Mountainside Borough Council is scheduled to meet in a work session at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22.

**Dec. 13**

The Mountainside Newcomers Club will hold a "Mommy and Me" Christmas party, which will include a visit with Santa Claus and a special gift for each child. The event will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes auditorium from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Dec. 17**

The Mountainside Borough Council will meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22.

**Dec. 22**

The Mountainside Newcomers Club will sponsor a Santa's house-to-house visit. Visits begin at 4:30 p.m.

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# Doghouse store teaches business sense

By Harley Payette  
Correspondent

The routine of student life at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School received a shot in the arm with the opening of the Doghouse School Store in the cafeteria on Nov. 18.

The store, which sells school supplies and a large variety of candies, is the latest in a line of student run businesses at Jonathan Dayton.

Shane Rahmani, President of the Jonathan Dayton chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America, said that the idea for the school store came when he attended the FBLA's Fall Leadership Conference in New Brunswick in October. "It came from networking around and asking for ideas for the FBLA."

Rahmani said he and the other officers chose the school store idea, from the many ideas they brought home, because they felt Jonathan Dayton needed a school store. "It gives the students in the school something that they've wanted for a long time. It'll be something they can enjoy," said Rahmani. Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Jonathan Dayton's sister school in the district, already has its own school store. However, a school store has not operated at Jonathan Dayton in more than eight years.

According to Rahmani, an enterprise like the school store not only allows students to gain business experience, but also benefits the community as well. All profits from the school store will be given to charitable organizations like the March of Dimes.

There is a good chance that the store will turn a profit. Rahmani and the students at Dayton have experience with profitable businesses. Last year, the high school received a grant of \$666 from Union County College to implement an experimental student business. The school's entrepreneurship and business management classes



lan Telfer, Shane Rahmani, Principal Charles Serson, Aaron Feldon, Diana Panichi, Lauren Brownstein, Shannon Belviso, and Ann Battinelli help cut the ribbon to open Dayton's new Doghouse school store.

Photo By Barbra Kokkalis

were given the assignment of starting the experimental business.

Rahmani, a student in both classes, came up with the idea of manufacturing and selling a school-based line of t-shirts and clothing. The students liked Rahmani's idea and voted him president of their new student company, Dirty Dog Active Wear, named for the Jonathan Dayton school mascot. Dirty Dog provided t-shirts or uniforms to the Springfield Police Department, the Emergency

Response Team, and the Jonathan Dayton graduating class, among others. Rahmani said that the students were involved in every phase of the company process from art design to sales and public relations.

"It was enormously successful," said Rahmani. "We increased our opening capital 300 percent in one semester." Rahmani noted that the program was successful on an educational level also. "We all got a first-hand view of what was occurring. We all realized this is it. This is how a business works."

The profits from last year's venture have allowed Dayton Dog to expand into three separate student-run clothing companies. "It's good that some of the kids get the benefit from what we did last year," he said.

Rahmani said that the other FBLA officers, Aaron Feldon, Diana Pinnicini, Shanna Belviso, and Ian Telfer play "an integral part" in projects like

the student-run businesses. He added that he and the many others who contributed gained an invaluable lesson in life education.

"I've gained an amount of confidence in myself that I never knew existed. The people who were in my class last year and this year are gaining a knowledge, a hands-on knowledge, about the world, which is something that can't be replaced."

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# Red Cross looks to ship holiday cheer overseas

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

The Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross is looking to help spread some holiday cheer to American troops stationed overseas for the holiday season. The Red Cross will be accepting donations of different types of holiday items to be sent to troops deployed on Operation Joint Endeavor in Bosnia, Hungary, and Croatia.

The program, which is being conducted nationally by the American Red Cross, is part of an ongoing tradition of the Red Cross to help provide some of the comforts of home to troops who will be spending the holidays far away from home. It also gives local Red Cross chapters the chance to let their individual communities share in the joy of helping others during the holiday season.

"Although this is a national program, we are hoping that people will show an interest in this program, and that they might want to help out and volunteer some of their time with our local chapter," said Diane Lioudis of the Summit Area Red Cross.

The Red Cross is looking for the donation of holiday care kits, which can be dropped at the local Red Cross chapter. The care kits will then be sent on to the military to be distributed to our troops overseas. Considering the time of year, as well as the severe weather conditions endured by these men and women, including freezing cold temperatures, the Red Cross suggests the holiday care kits include such items as holiday decorations and blank holiday cards; hard individually wrapped candy and gum; games such as playing cards, dominoes, and puzzle books; writing paper and pens; and personal items such as lip balm, shower gel, toothbrushes, and lotion.

The Red Cross views this effort as a way of letting our troops know that they are not forgotten during the holiday season.

"In the upcoming season of caring, this is a wonderful way to bring some cheer and comfort to our servicemen who will be unable to spend the holidays with their families and loved ones, and to let them know that they are in our thoughts," said Lioudis.

People sending packages should be sure to include a personal note and use a sturdy box sealed with mailing tape. The packages may be dropped off at the Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, 695 Springfield Ave., Summit, N.J. 07901.

All Red Cross emergency assistance to military families is made possible by voluntary gifts of time and money from the American people. Those wishing to make a financial donation may do so by calling (800) HELP-NOW. The Summit Area Chapter of the Red Cross is also looking for people to volunteer locally. Anyone who may be interested can contact the Summit Area Red Cross at (908) 273-2076.

## Peace-keepers

Worrall Community Newspapers wants to keep our readers in touch with their neighbors serving in the armed forces.

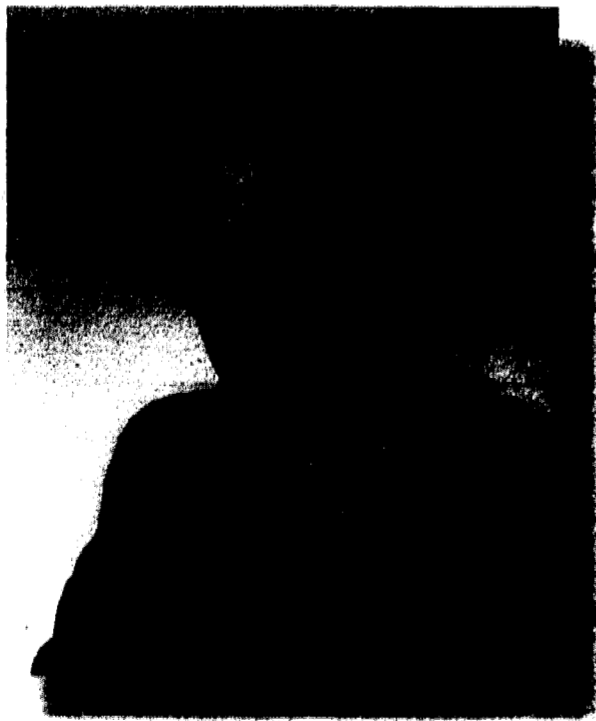
The families and friends of those in the military, whether stationed in the United States or abroad, are encouraged to submit information and photos for publication.

Articles should be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached. Mail to: Managing Editor Kevin Singer, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083.

## STORK CLUB

A daughter, Alexa Ivy, was born to Susan and Michael Berliner of Livingston, on Nov. 4 at St. Barnabas Hospital Medical Center, Livingston. Susan Berliner is formerly from Armonk, NY. The maternal grandmother is Ms. Ann Halper of Armonk, NY. The paternal grandparents are Renee and Paul Berliner of Springfield. The paternal great-grandmother is Birde Statfeld of N.Y.C. Alexa Ivy is named in memory of her maternal grandfather and paternal great-great grandmother.

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# Fire Department's newest addition arrives

By Blaine Dillport  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Fire Department is welcoming a new member to its ranks. She weighs about two tons and by her mere presence has increased the safety of the rest of the firefighters on the force, a fact for which they are grateful.

The new member to the force is a 1996 Emergency One Cyclone Two fire engine. The new engine, which was bought back in August, was the focal point of the department's recent Wet Down and remains the pride of the fire department.

"This new engine is the most advanced fire engine on the market today and was essential to the safety of our firefighters," said Chief William Gras.

The new engine replaces an old 1967 Maxim engine, which the department sold when the new engine was on its way.

The main importance of the new engine is the fact that it meets all of the guidelines set by the National Fire Protection Association, an organization which provides for the safety of firefighters nationwide.

"The main feature of the new engine is that it has an enclosed cab where all of the firefighters can sit forward while going out on calls. This means that none of our firefighters will be riding on the outside of an engine which used to be the case with our old engine. It is much safer, since there is no chance of a firefighter falling off of a rig while on an emergency call. The new engine also gives the firefighters a chance to discuss what they are going to do once they arrive at a scene, where in the past that was



Photo By Milton Mills

Firefighters James Anugnis and Michael Bilotti stand before the Springfield Fire Department's latest addition.

impossible because of the design of the old rig," said Gras.

The department was really impressed with Emergency One, the makers of their new engine.

"Emergency One are the leaders in customizing fire engines, which is exactly what we needed since we have limited height and length requirements to fit the engine in our building. We actually purchased the first Cyclone Two model that Emergency One ever

made, and they will be using our engine in a lot of their sales literature," said Gras.

The engine body and cab is made completely out of 3/16-inch aluminum, which will prevent rust and body rot to the new rig. Under the hood it sports a 400-horse power Cummings Diesel engine to help it tackle the local hills such as Summit Avenue and Route 78.

Although there was a considerable

outlay by the township for the new engine, the department is sure that due to its advanced construction, it will save the town in maintenance costs over the years. The department expects at least to get 25 years of quality service out of the new Cyclone Two.

So when you see a bright, shiny new fire engine driving around town, you can be assured that there are some happy firemen on board.

## Library launches book drive

The Mountainside Public Library launched their annual "Book for Kids" book donation drive on Friday, Nov. 1. Give a child the gift of reading by bringing a new book or books to the library's collection box. Books will be presented to disadvantaged children during the holiday season and throughout the year. Books for children from preschool through age fourteen are needed.

Now in its sixth year, "Books for Kids" was formerly known as "Books for Tots to Teens," and is a statewide

program sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association's Children's Services Section. This program is undertaken with the hope that all children will be able to experience the joy of reading books of their very own. In 1995, with the help of over 100 libraries, more than 6,000 books were distributed to children across NJ.

Book donations will be accepted through Dec. 14.

For more information, contact Anne Lyan at (908) 233-0115.

## Historic nominations sought

The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation, is seeking nominations for the 11th annual Historic Preservation Commendations to be awarded early next year.

The annual historic preservation awards are sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Division of Parks and Recreation, Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, and the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. Each year nominations are solicited from the public. While the nominated project must be in Union County, it is not necessary to reside in the county to propose a candidate.

"Commendations are awarded in six categories which include building preservation and restoration, continuing use, adaptive use and structure,

object or site preservation," said County Manager Ann Baran. "There are also categories for leadership and preservation education. Since the inception of the program, awards have been given to preservation projects, groups and individuals in 13 Union County municipalities."

The Historic Sites Evaluation Panel, chaired by Advisory Board Member Alice Browning of New Providence, is comprised of professionals and laymen in historic preservation and related fields. It reviews the nominations bestowed at a public ceremony each February.

Nominations for the awards must be submitted by tomorrow. Application forms are now available at the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 24-52 Rahway Ave., fourth floor, Elizabeth, NJ 07202.

## Finger food



Zach Links, Catherine Andrasko, and Laura Fraenkel, students at James Caldwell School in Springfield, examine specimens at the class Science Center.

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## OPINION

## Celebrating the American family

During the most recent Mountainside Borough Council meeting, Mayor Bob Vigilanti proclaimed that the week of Nov. 24 has been declared National Family Week.

The proclamation stated: "The status of the family has changed dramatically in the history of this nation, but remains a basic moral and economic element of society. Sound family relationships are vital to the preservation of the American ideals which are reflected in the moral and spiritual strength of communities, states and nations."

It also recognized the "fundamental role of the family in promoting and sustaining the strength and vitality of the social and moral fabric of our town, state and nation."

In recent times, the family unit has become a politicized topic. Just think back to the recent campaign citing the "need" for traditional family values as a prime example.

But the fact of the matter is that the family does not belong in the political sphere. Families by nature are intensely personal and complex. Despite the concept of the nuclear family, consisting of a father, mother, and 2.4 children, no two families are alike, even ones that match the nuclear family stereotype.

Nevertheless, we applaud the mayor's proclamation. While it arose in a political forum, it is not a political ploy. Instead, the proclamation served as a simple means of expressing recognition and appreciation.

Single-parent families, step families, grandparents raising their grandchildren, foster families, childless families — these are all legitimate familial forms which deserve to be valued just as much as the "traditional" family.

We too would like to express our appreciation for the role of the family in American society — whatever form one's family may take.

## Efficient government

Last week's Township Committee meeting in Springfield was proof that the committee can indeed conduct a quick and efficient, yet thorough, meeting.

Although Mayor Greg Clarke and Committee member Roy Hirschfeld were absent, the three remaining members, Deputy Mayor Herbert Sote, Judy Blitzer and Bill Ruocco proved that partisanship does not always rule township politics. The proceedings were smooth, discourse was civil, and even the audience acted in a manner suitable to adults. Sote, Ruocco and Blitzer wasted no time in conducting the evening's business. In fact, the meeting concluded in approximately 40 minutes.

We must note that this was not a rushed event. No ordinances or resolutions were railroaded through. The fact that both parties were represented that night would not have allowed for that. Admittedly, the committee did not face an agenda with an inordinate amount of business. Nevertheless, the items that were dealt with were done so in a professional manner.

Perhaps the spirit of bipartisanship that has infected politics on a national level has trickled down to Springfield politics. Perhaps the committee members realize that people are less interested in partisan bickering and more interested in bipartisan progress. Residents have no desire to see ideological battles waged on a local level. Instead, people want their roads paved, their property taxes stabilized, and their police and fire departments kept strong. The bottom line is that people want efficiency and results. The committee proved that it indeed possesses this potential, despite its past actions.

We hope that from now on, meetings such as last Tuesday's will prove to be the rule and not the exception.

## Offer helping hand

The holiday season is upon us once again. It is time to crowd into the local stores looking for the perfect gift for everyone, to stand on long lines and rail against the traffic. It is time to hear Christmas carols and take the kids to see Santa Claus, but it is also time once again to open our hearts and our wallets to help those who are in need.

This is prime fund-raising time for many local charities, a time when they find donors are more willing to part with a few dollars to help a good cause.

This is a time for giving — giving thanks and help. So while you may see hundreds of requests for donations at this time of year, we hope you will not become numb to the need that exists behind them and will offer a helping hand.

**"My fear is that news is being moved . . . away from the established tradition of an 'NBC White Paper' or 'CBS Reports' to the entertainment schedule, which emphasizes personalities. . . . And in the process, journalists become — inadvertently perhaps — part of show business."**

—Ed Turner  
television executive  
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**DRUG FREE FUTURE** — During the week of Oct. 21, the Mountainside PTA, with local businesses, sponsored their annual Mountainside drug awareness program. One aspect of the campaign featured the children wearing red ribbons that read "Keep Your Future Bright, Stay Drug Free." From left are Chrissy McCurdy, Bryan Skorge, Peggy Hennings, Jack Pijanowski, Kara Uzzolino, Joe Pijanowski, Giancarlo Capodanno, Katie Capodanno, Mary Jane Pijanowski and Leanne Skorge all wrapped in a red ribbon symbolizing their support. In the background are the PTA President Diane McCurdy, Principal Audrey Zavetz, and Chairperson Carol Pijanowski.

## Morbid musical pushes the limits of taste

I was reading a newspaper last week when my eyes fell upon a story that made my jaw drop. I had to reread the story to make sure my eyes were not deceiving me.

The small article announced the opening next spring of a new Broadway play titled, "Titanic — The Musical." This, I thought was someone's idea of a very sick and black joke. How, I thought to myself, could they fashion a book, a musical score and a story line around a profound tragedy that occurred in 1912, when the "unsinkable" Titanic sank off the coast of Newfoundland with a loss of more than 1,500 men, women and children when the ship brushed against an iceberg that ripped a 500 foot gash along the hull.

For the life of me, I cannot see how a story line could be developed about one of the great maritime disasters in history. I can't even imagine the setting for such a play. Would there be a 7 million gallon tank of water bolted to the floor of the theater with hundreds of drowning people screaming and panicking as the ship slowly sinks beneath the ersatz waves?

To me, a musical based on such a subject is tasteless, morbid, bizarre and ghoulish. We realize that the sinking of the Titanic has always been among the keen centers of interest for

### As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

millions, as it should be. But making a musical about it seems completely obscene.

Obviously there must be a romantic interest. Does the hero sing a heart rendering duet with the heroine, promising their love as the water rises higher and higher? In all musicals there must be a humorous scene or two. Would one of those scenes involve a buffoon type deckhand who takes it upon himself to rearrange the deckchairs while the dying ship sinks around them? Would there be some kind of dance routine where the passengers form some kind of conga line as a show stopper? Admittedly, the options are limitless and bizarre to say the least.

We all know the ending. There's no surprise there, except if the writers and producers want a happy ending and somehow keep the ship afloat, but I don't think that would work. What is strange is this constant fascination with the Titanic. Is that fascination

based on the number of people who died, or just the profound morbid curiosity of the event.

If the play is a success, and it wouldn't surprise me since blood and gore go together like ham and eggs, we might expect to see such equally hilarious offerings as the "Holocaust Revue" musical, or "My Day at Omaha Beach on D-Day — the Musical," "How about "Hiroshima — The Musical," or "The Pearl Harbor Vanities?" Maybe someone could assemble a musical on "Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg." The list is endless.

The story lines could be simple. A hero and heroine who sing passionate love songs together and promise everlasting devotion while heads and arms are being lopped off, while a cast of hundreds sing of the glorious life they had.

To me this is the very nature of the beast; we being the beast. We have developed into a society of blood-thirsty savages. I think many of us would feel very much at home when early Christians were tossed into the great arenas to fight off hungry animals or when two gladiators squaring off with axes, swords and lances and then be given the opportunity of a thumbs up for the braver of the two or a thumbs down for the "coward." Many thrive on mayhem so long as

the mayhem is not being perpetrated on them.

The producers, directors and actors putting together "Titanic — The Musical" must possess an interesting mind. We're not saying they are wrong or plain nuts and should be prohibited from putting it on. We are saying we don't think this is mainstream theater when you take a great tragedy and go out to amuse people with what happened. I suppose any tragedy on the scope of the Titanic is fair game for those who wish to entertain in a macabre fashion. Perhaps some day there may be a musical comedy on "Zaire: the True Tragedy in Three Humorous Acts." However, I wonder what would happen if a group of writers, lyricists, composers and writers got together and decided to do a musical titled "How We Managed Not to Survive TWA's Flight 800."

I suspect that a howl of protest would go up in unison over the tastelessness of the subject. Relatives and friends of the victims would threaten lawsuits, and bodily harm to those involved, and to hell with constitutional right of free speech.

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

## Much can happen in the space of a year

### Backbeat

By Kevin Singer  
Managing Editor

Germany was buzzing with anticipation. We were held in suspense as we waited to be told exactly who would go, and for how long.

My unit was in the crowded Grafenwoehr training area when the Dayton Peace Accord was signed. That made it official. At that point, we were told we would soon depart. The entire weekend of Martin Luther King Jr. Day was spent preparing all our gear for the imminent departure. We were then told we would leave in a week, our destination being either Hungary or Croatia.

I was ready, even excited. My bags were all packed, and all my belongings were out in storage a few hundred miles away. But the day before we were scheduled to board the train, word came that the entire unit would not go. Instead, about half of us went. I was in the fortunate — or unfortunate — half that stayed behind.

My compatriots didn't even go to Bosnia. Instead, they were sent to Croatia, a country which hasn't been significantly affected by the civil strife, but which contains a large NATO contingent. And they returned after a month of pulling round-the-clock guard duty. They were lucky.

I left Germany, and the Army, on St. Patrick's Day. A week later, I received word that once again, half of my unit was sent down range. But this time, their destination was Tuzla, Bosnia. It so happened that almost to a man, everyone who went was a friend of mine. Unlike the last time, this mission would require them to stay for the duration. At this point, I was glad not to be in their shoes.

But they too were lucky in a way. My base in Germany was the site of the initial rail departure of troops and equipment. As people in America were preparing for Christmas and the holidays, I watched as a steady stream of soldiers, male and female, said goodbye to their families. They held no illusions; they knew the separation would last for at least a year. Twenty four hours a day, I could hear a USO van play holiday music as the trains started their journey.

For the American soldiers, the early transportation and living conditions were terrible. The trains used for transport were old German passenger trains, which in some cases had no heat, and very often were filthy. Once they arrived in Hungary and Bosnia, they were welcomed to freezing temperatures and mud that was inches deep. It didn't surprise me that with all the news and camera crews hovering around Germany and Bosnia at the time, very few picked up on these facts. But conditions in the Balkans, both for the soldiers and the civilians, did improve as the mission picked up steam.

Now, Clinton has announced that the one-year period will be extended perhaps through 1998. I expected as much. I still believe that the mission is an important one, and that America, as the dominant force in the NATO alliance, has an obligation to participate in such an undertaking. And one year is not sufficient in order to allow peace to take root.

As I sit here back in the land of 24-hour convenience stores, I can't help but think about my friends who are still pulling guard duty half a world away. I doubt they begrudge their situation. After all, the military was designed for such, if not more violent, actions. We had all been vigorously trained to cope with, and thrive in, this sort of environment.

But these aren't just camouflaged robots, these are real people with lives and histories and families. I doubt that many people would choose to sit around and make sure people don't kill each other, after centuries of doing so, if they were allowed to make such a choice.

I have heard that the original troops will be rotated out and replaced with fresh ones. I was certainly glad to hear that, and hope that it is indeed true. In my opinion, one year of relative isolation is plenty. At least the men and women who did spend most of 1996 in Bosnia, Hungary and Croatia will have a sense of pride that they contributed to an important humanitarian undertaking. Nevertheless, I'd rather keep my year just the way it was.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Terrorists must be battled

The appeasement policy did not and will not work with terrorists. They receive arms, safe haven, political and financial support from Islamic governments and groups, under the guise of religious, charitable and human rights organizations. What is needed is a collective understanding, not by a compromised body like the U.N. that encourages terrorism by condemning the victims, but, by an organization similar to NATO. Composed of the U.S., Canada, Israel, Australia, Japan and the nations of western Europe, it would fight terrorism and their supporters even if they enjoyed diplomatic immunity.

No matter what their grievances are, every conflict must be solved by peace-

ful negotiations. We need an extradition treaty. Former Secretary of State George Shultz said, "We should not rule out pre-emptive strikes." If Israel had not destroyed Iraq's nuclear reactor in 1981, Saddam Hussein would have used it against us in 1991. Imagine if there had been a Palestinian state armed with chemical and biological weapons when they started shooting on Israel's soldiers for no reason on Sept. 25. It would have been a nightmare. Those terrorists also adopted the Nazi propaganda of Judea rein, free of Jews, in Jerusalem and in Hebron where the entire Jewish community was murdered in 1929.

Terrorism must be fought vigorously and internationally.

Bernard Jacoud  
Union

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Trick-or-treaters spoiled the night

To the Editor:  
This Halloween was very sorrowful for my family. We were informed by our veterinarian on Oct. 30 that our beloved cat had to be put to sleep the next day. We brought him home for one last night before saying goodbye forever.

At 5 p.m. Halloween night, my husband, mother-in-law, and I began saying goodbye and prepared him for the trip to the vet. But I knew we'd be out of the house for an hour and that no one would be home for the trick-or-treaters. So, I put a small table on the porch and placed two very large bowls of candy upon it along with a note that said: "Sorry we're not home to greet you. Please help yourself to three pieces of candy and three pieces of bubblegum. Please be polite, and Happy Halloween from the O'Keefe family."

There was enough candy out there for at least 40 children, certainly no more than 10-15 kids would have come by in the hour we were gone. I bet you can guess what I found upon our return. Not only was all the candy taken, but these mean-spirited kids smashed our 35-pound pumpkin and kicked it down the front steps. And then they crumpled my note, wiped out the inside of the pumpkin with it, and threw it on my doorstep.

My co-workers earlier in the day thought I was crazy to worry about the trick-or-treaters when I told them what I planned to do with the candy that night. Most told me that some kids would steal everything.

I really believed that the children who trick or treat in my neighborhood would have had more respect for themselves and behave honorably and do the right thing. It saddens me terribly to find out I was wrong. I am truly dismayed at the behavior exhibited at my home. Once again, a few terrible apples have spoiled the reputation of the whole bunch.

To the children who did follow the instructions in my note I say thank you and I say thank you to the parents who are raising them with values and self respect. To the kids who did this dishonorable act I say shame on you for adding more sorrow to an already grief filled evening.

Kara Phelan-O'Keefe  
Mountainside

### AFT undermining voters choice

To the Editor:  
I was a bit confused about the article in this past week's paper. "Klagholtz upholds teacher selection plan." From a teachers union who is always spouting they want everyone to know the truth, while condemning the local districts and accusing these districts of not wanting to follow the law, I was amazed at the lack of facts and the contradictions contained in this article.

Mr. Epps' statement that the AFT members are angered over the decision by the commissioner to stay the selection process, insisting the teachers rights are being denied, lead me to believe that confusion and double-talk is what these AFT representatives feed the reporter for this newspaper. Let no one be mistaken. The AFT filed a petition with the commissioner of education, claiming that the state's ruling that tenure and seniority ended on May 14, 1996, was unfair to those teachers, and based on that petition, neglected to tell the reporter was that the letter sent to the commissioner by the local superintendent was only after the ruling of this stay, and contained true information, that, long before the AFT had filed their petition, the seven superintendents comprising the regional district had already decided that the tenure of these teachers would be recog-

nized by the local districts and these teachers would be allowed to participate in the selection process as well as those teachers who do not have tenure. So instead of criticizing the local superintendents I would think Mr. Epps would be applauding them. After all, it is the truth you want the commissioner to have, Is it not Mr. Epps?

In this article of Nov. 14, the AFT representatives very skillfully twisted and used the facts to their own benefit, a trait long used by the regional district. Let's try to clear up some of these facts. The AFT representatives want all or nothing. The confusion of the facts contained in this article is just the first piece of evidence. Mr. Krupp, if you are going to quote the law let's do so correctly. The law states that the teachers, "shall continue in their respective positions in each of the constituent districts." Now, my English teacher taught me that respective position means, if you are a math teacher at Jonathan Dayton then your respective position is as a math teacher at Jonathan Dayton, not a math teacher in a middle school in Clark. The local districts have graciously extended your respective positions to mean in any of the four high schools. However, someone in the state Department of Education made a ruling that your rights extend to any of the six districts. So in this case you choose to abide by the state ruling. However in the above case where the state ruled that tenure stopped on May 14, you chose not to abide. So what is it Mr. Epps, Mr. Vitolo and Mr. Krupp, do we abide by the state's rulings or don't we? Or is it we only abide by the state's rulings when the AFT representatives agree with the ruling?

I am beginning to feel that the overwhelming decision of the voters on May 14 is being undermined by some AFT representatives along with the regional superintendent, by these people weekly giving misinformation and premature release of decisions to anyone who will listen. Mr. Krupp, regardless of the future funding formula of this state, changes will be made and our students will be educated, and the future funding formula has nothing to do with the dissolution process being brought to a conclusion.

It is quite evident that your interests do not lie in seeing that the future education of our students is successful.

Janet Glynos  
Kenilworth

### Freeholders should grow up

To the Editor:  
At the last few Union County Freeholder's meetings, I and other residents in the audience have been the victims of politicized, and often, personalized exchanges between members of the board. I find it appalling to take public time for personal attacks and agendas.

I have been attending municipal and county meetings for many years, so I know the difference between honest differences on issues and personal insults.

Most meetings start late anyway and it usually doesn't take long before the diatribes begin. My purpose is not to single out individuals, but to ask the board to settle personal differences out of the public eye. Freeholders were elected and are paid to do county business, not party or personal agendas.

Furthermore, the discussions on capital spending are drifting off the mark. Yes the situation with the UCUA is serious and we should begin discussing possible future solutions. However, that does not mean we stop all capital spending now. That does not mean we stop the funding for the infrastructure. The freeholders must show more responsibility. Are there six responsible freeholder votes to keep necessary capital spending going judiciously?

Jerry Schechter  
Summit

### Archimedes' tombstone



Kate Schmidt and Jessica Garcia, students in Dave Fogle's eighth-grade math class at Mountainside's Deerfield School, discover the ratio of a sphere to a cylinder. Using this ratio, they see how Archimedes algebraically derived the formula for the volume of a sphere. Archimedes asked that a sphere inscribed in a cylinder be engraved on his tombstone.

### Club to host art speaker

Doris Krueger of Springfield will be guest lecturer at the Woman's Club of North Branch Women's Club, today at 7 p.m. She will speak on "Art, Creative Thinking, Women of the '90s."

Krueger is a speaker on matters relating to the arts. A professional artist, sculptor and painter who has her studio in Springfield, she has had numerous exhibitions, most recently at the Palmer Museum in Springfield and is represented at the Pejman Gallery in Short Hills.

There will be selections of paintings, sculpture, handpainted jewelry and stationery on display. The program is designed for appreciation and

enhancement of a lifestyle. Krueger stresses the importance of creativity used to master skills to help cope with the complex society. When stimulating creative thinking, it brings forth positive thoughts and better self esteem. She shares her own and other woman artist experiences, the many struggles for identity and in the search of their own inner voices.

Her jewelry and paintings will be exhibited in Art as Gifts Craft Show at a reception at the Watchung Arts Center, 18 Stirling Road, Watchung, Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. The show will be held Sunday through Dec. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m.

### Temple to host Cantors concert

Temple Sha'arey Shalom of Springfield will host the New Jersey Cantors Ensemble in a concert of Cantorial, Yiddish and Israeli music on Nov. 24 at 7 p.m. Also to be featured at the concert will be Temple Sha'arey Shalom's Adult and Youth Choirs. The concert is open to the public. Ticket prices are \$18 for reserved seating, \$10 for adult general admission, and \$5 general admission for children and seniors. This gala concert of Jewish music will kick off a year of celebration in honor of Temple Sha'arey Shalom's 40th anniversary.

The New Jersey Cantors Concert Ensemble is a performing ensemble dedicated to raising scholarship money for the training of young cantors and dedicated to the preservation of the rich heritage of Jewish music. The group consists of cantors from throughout New Jersey, including Bergen, Essex, Middlesex and Union counties. Associated with the Cantors Assembly, the New Jersey Ensemble is unique in that it includes cantors from both the Conservative and Reform movements, male and female.

The concert will be followed by a dessert reception. Temple Sha'arey Shalom is located at 78 So. Springfield Ave. For reservations or additional information, call (201) 379-5387.

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Cindy Dugan, R.N., of the Overlook Hospital Emergency Department, explains the hospital's procedures and equipment to members of the Tianjin Gong-An Hospital staff.

## Chinese delegation visits Overlook

A delegation from Tianjin Gong-An Hospital in the People's Republic of China paid a visit to Overlook Hospital as part of their tour of the United States. Because of Overlook's reputation as one of the premiere hospitals in the New York/New Jersey area, the hospital

was selected as one of two hospitals in the United States to be visited. The delegation, which consisted of the hospital administrator, the Director of Radiology, the Director of Material Management, and the General Manager of the hospital system of which Gong-An hospital

is a part, were in this country to purchase with members of the hospital's radiology department. Other areas of interest includes the Emergency Department, Central Communication, a general nursing unit, and the intensive and coronary care units.

## Concert to feature brass ensemble

The Solid Brass Quintet with Percussionist, members of the local brass ensemble, will be in concert on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Central Presbyterian Church in Summit. The quintet will be playing holiday selections ranging from baroque/classical to contemporary. Solid Brass has performed to rave reviews for more than 500,000 people since 1982 in venues throughout North America, including the Alice Tully Hall in New York City and the Dorothy Pavilion in Los Angeles. Locally, Solid Brass routinely sells-out its performances every at

two area First Night Celebrations.

Proceeds from this benefit concert will be donated to the Mabie Playground Fund in Summit and the College of William & Mary Library Endowment Fund. Suggested donations for the concert are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 & under and Senior Citizens. A reservation-only "Meet the Musicians" reception will be held at the New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts immediately following the concert. The NJCVA will be presenting a showing of contempo-

ary sculptures by various state-wide artists. Tickets for the reception are \$10. They can be obtained by calling (908) 273-2992. Central Presbyterian Church is located in Summit at the corner of Maple Street and Morris Avenue across from the public library. The New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit.

The concert is being sponsored by the Northern New Jersey Alumni Chapter of the College of William & Mary.

## Arboretum to celebrate the holidays

The Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit will sponsor the Katydid's Christmas Boutique from Saturday until Dec. 5, and an annual Holiday House tour on Dec. 5.

Both events will benefit the environmental education programs of the arboretum, a national and state historic site.

More than 100 artisans juried by Kathleen Fesq will display their original folk art, ornaments, antiques, wreaths, Santas and accessories at Katydid's Boutique.

Exclusive this year is a full wardrobe from riding outfit to roller blades for the American Girl doll. Also featured are storybook ornaments signed by NY artist Gladys Boalt with personalities from "Alice in Wonderland" and "The Wizard of Oz" to "A Christmas Carol" and "The Nutcracker."

Up to 40 theme trees will reflect Victoriana, Americana, rustic, nautical, seashore, angelic and celestial concepts along with pets, babies, teachers, and many more. Free personalizing is available on the premises.

A sampling of Santas will range from Old World to Father Christmas, Jolly St. Nick and contemporary renditions in red suits.

From toys to topiaries, Katydid's offers a wide range of prices.

### Holiday House Tours

The annual Holiday House tour on Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., will feature a visit to seven holiday homes.

Included on the tour is the arboretum's 1889 Wisner House featuring the Katydid's Boutique and the Summit Historical Society's Carter House with its annual Holiday Fair featuring members' handcrafted gifts. The Gar-

den Shop at the Reeves-Reed also offers holiday trimmings tucked between botanical porcelains and ceramics, handcrafted wood and metal images of nature, coffee table books and state-of-the-art gardening equipment.

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

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

## Area ski club announces open house

Watching Amateur Ski Club, the oldest ski club in New Jersey, will host an open house for potential members today at 7:30 p.m. The open house will be held at the Mountain-side Elks Club on Route 22 East in Mountainside.

Skiers of all ability levels are invited to attend this event to learn more about Watching. Guests will be treated to complimentary food and a

fashion show sponsored by the ski club and Summit Ski and Sport. Information about the club's many trips and functions will be available. Admission for the evening is \$3 per person.

Watching Ski Club has a roster of 160 members from throughout New Jersey. For the 1996-97 ski season, the club will be sponsoring a full schedule of area day trips, an

extended weekend trip to Jay Peak, Vt., and week-long trips to Whistler/Blackcomb, British Columbia, Canada, and Gray Rocks, Canada.

Watching Ski Club also offers a full calendar of year-round activities including canoeing, softball, camping, summer trips, theme parties and more.

For more information, call Frank Garcia at (908) 381-4466.

## Area officials lend SAGE a helping hand

Mayor Dan Palladino of Berkeley Heights, Mayor Walter Long of Summit, Mayor Elaine Becker of Millburn/Short Hills, Councilman Simeon Rollinson of Harding Township, Mayor's Representative Tom Bradley of Chatham, Director of Springfield Recreation programs Theresa Herkalo, Mayor's Representative Maxine Hirsch of New Providence and Mayor Robert Vigilanti of Mountainside joined together on Oct. 22 at SAGE, Summit-area Association for Gerontological Endeavor, to work as Meals-On-Wheels volunteers.

Each mayor or representative, along with a SAGE volunteer, traveled the regular food delivery route in their own home town. As well as delivering hot and cold meals, they

were able to meet homebound elderly constituents.

SAGE trustee Anne Marie Sniffen accompanied Long on the Summit delivery route and noted how impressed the mayor was by the fact that the program helped seniors of various income levels who were frail and vulnerable, whose special physical challenges prevent them from preparing healthy meals.

SAGE's Executive Director Jackie Vogelmann thanked the mayors, representatives and volunteers for their continued support that sustains the 30-year-old program. Donnalee Snyder, director of Meals-on-Wheels, explained the value of well-balanced nutritious meals for the elderly. She also commented on the importance of daily contact. "In some cases our vol-

unteers are the only people the seniors see each day. We provide support to the senior so they can live independently at home for as long as possible.

For more information on the Meals-On-Wheels program or to volunteer for any SAGE program, contact Donnalee Snyder at (908) 273-5554.

### Unit seeks vols

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### Life on the farm



Students from the Kindergarten, first and second grades of Holy Trinity Interparochial School in Westfield made their annual trek to the pumpkin patch. Hillview Farm in Meyersville was the site of the field trip, which is a highlight of the fall each year. The children were taken on a tour and saw apple cider being made, dug for potatoes, and petted baby chicks. They were accompanied by their teachers, Pamela DelNero, Lois Wallin, Antonette Carpinteri, Mary Ann Farrel and Susan Boscia, as well as parent volunteers. As a souvenir, each child received a pumpkin and an apple to take home. Shown are children from Susan Boscia's second grade class.

### Agency expands holiday drive

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

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

For years Family Service and Summit Welfare have conducted these collections quietly because they lacked sufficient storage space to handle a very large volume of donated items. But this year the sponsors received a generous offer from Jennifer Connolly, property manager of the Strand Mall, for Lamar Companies in Morristown. She offered to let the Heart of Summit Drive use a vacant store in the Strand Mall, 447 Springfield Ave., rent-free until the new tenant takes over in late December.

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

All sorts of winter apparel will be welcome, including warm underwear, socks, hats, gloves and scarves. Baby car seats, high chairs, booster chairs, strollers, cribs and other baby needs are always appreciated, as well as sports equipment for all ages.

Connolly said her firm wanted to give something back to the community by working with an established charitable program. Calling herself a humanitarian at heart, she has also been very helpful in rounding up furnishings, signs and other necessary equipment and in obtaining cooperation from the tenants.

Joseph A. Bank Clothiers and Persnickety Interior Decoration are lending clothing racks and tables, and

some of the tenants have offered to volunteer in the shop. Walter McCray, who is in charge of maintenance at the Strand, helped with the setup and has offered to help transport the donated material to the distribution site, which will be a different location.

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

Anyone who would like more information about the collection can call Alicia Domizi-Gorman, Family Service's outreach program coordinator, at (908) 273-1844 or (908) 273-1414, or Ethel Ward, Summit Municipal Welfare director at (908) 273-5950.

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

## Youth government day focuses on public service in daily life

For years, Osyp Lebedowicz had only one career in mind: investment banking. But after the 17-year-old senior at Union High School participated in the 14th annual Youth in County Government Day recently, he decided that finance, politics and public service could go hand-in-hand.

"There is a lot involved in running this county," said Osyp, who spent the day with the Union County Department of Finance. "I never realized how much went into it. Now I think I would like to get into politics and sell stocks and bonds to the government."

After watching demonstrations by officers and dogs from the K-9 Unit of Union County Sheriff's Office, Osyp and the other 44 seniors from 19 high schools in the county spent the day in 26 departments, observing government and administration in action while learning how Union County serves its half-million residents.

One student assigned to the Union County Prosecutor's Office said, "Prosecutors are doing the best job trying to keep the county one of the safest in the state."

A student who spent the day with the Union County Police said, "Police work is not only something that takes physique, but charisma and intelligence."

"I was impressed with the department's focus on creating programs that try to make people economically self-sufficient," said another student assigned to the Department of Human Services.

Freeholder Chairman Edwin H. Force said the day was meaningful because students witnessed how "government is an important part of everybody's lives."

"The county does many important things for the local, state and federal governments," Force added. "As residents of this county, and as future adults who will be called on to make

decisions for society, it is important that you understand how government operates and why good government is so crucial."

During lunch at Galloping Hill Caterers in Union, the freeholders, department heads and other officials told students about the importance of public service and urged them to become involved.

"We need your skills, concerns and abilities to address important issues," said County Manager Ann Baran, whose office sponsored the event. "Society needs your participation," she added.

Baran, who presented certificates to the students, said she was impressed by their interest in and comprehension of issues. She added, "I wouldn't be surprised if many of you become tomorrow's leaders."

Twelve of the students were then selected to participate in the weekly freeholder meeting and were assigned to work with freeholders, as well as with Baran, the County Counsel and the Clerk of the Freeholder Board.

The students introduced resolutions, made motions and voted under the guidance of their freeholder mentors.

Kristen Sullivan, a senior at Elizabeth High School, represented her father, Freeholder Dan Sullivan. Although she said she enjoyed the opportunity to participate in the workings of County government, the 17-year-old said that politics was not in her future.

"This was really interesting," she said. "I learned a lot, and I realize that operating the government is hard work, but I still plan to be a teacher."

Daniel Varady of Hillside assisted Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly.

"Politics isn't all about going out and shaking hands," said the Union Catholic High School student. "You have to work."

Students assigned to other officials were: Vincent Petrucci, Roselle Park High School, to Freeholder Chairman Ed Force; Michael Mucksavage of Union High School, to Freeholder Vice Chairman Henry Kurz; Leonardo Cortes of Elizabeth, to Freeholder Carol Cohen; Tamara Odisho of Elizabeth, a student at Mother Seton High School in Clark, to Freeholder Linda Di Gionvanni; Melissa Zachariades, a Hillside resident who attends St. Mary's High School in Elizabeth, to Freeholder Frank Lehr; Rena Irizarry from Linden High School, to Freeholder Walter McNeil;

Rajal Patel of St. Mary's of the Assumption, to Freeholder Linda Stender; Fran Fonte, Roselle Park High School, to County Manager Ann Baran; Vivian Costa, Linden High School, to County Counsel James Keefe; and Connie Luongo, Union Catholic High School, to Lucille Musciale, Clerk of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Other high school representatives were: Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Clark; Benedictine Academy, Elizabeth; Centennial High School, Westfield; Cranford High School; Governor Livingston Regional High School, Berkeley Heights; Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Springfield; New Providence High School; Rahway High School; Saint Patrick's High School, Elizabeth; Scotch Plains High School; and Summit High School.

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### Boosters to hold annual dinner dance

Billed as a "high school dance for grownups", this year's Summit Boosters Club Dinner Dance will be held Saturday evening, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The evening begins with cocktails at 7 p.m., dinner at 8 p.m. and dancing from 8 until midnight. Dress is casual.

Proceeds will benefit the Summit schools' athletic program and support its teams, including swimming, tennis, track and field, football, golf,

softball, and cheerleading. In addition, funds will help provide scholarships for graduating athletes.

The event is open to all. Those wishing to attend need not be parents of athletes. This is an opportunity for the community to support its schools, athletes, and sports programs.

Co-chairing the fundraisers are Linda Oliver and Toni Curry. The committee includes Lee Hilton, invitations; Claudia Bell, mailing; Ann Romanovsky, reservations; Noreen Martin, reception; Stephanie Kramer, decorations, and Cheryl Bowman, publicity.

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### Church plans holiday celebrations

On Sunday, Redeemer Lutheran Church & School will hold the fourth annual Christ the King — Lord of the Nations Celebration.

This year, Redeemer welcomes Pastor Gerry Coleman of Concordia College, St. Paul, Minnesota, as the guest preacher. He is the campus pas-

tor of Concordia College and the author of several hymns. The community is invited to attend this event, which will be celebrated at both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services.

Thanksgiving Services will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday, Nov. 28, Thanksgiving Day at 10

a.m. Advent Midweek Family Services will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 11 & 18.

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Students in James Caldwell School use newspapers to enhance their knowledge of the presidential election. From left are Joe Tettamanti, Jillian Ovsiew, Danny Kahonei, and Ann Marie Licatese.

## WORSHIP CALENDAR

### ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

**CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD** "THE FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER," A Pentecostal church seeking the face of God, 953 W. Chestnut St., Union, Church/964-1133, Fax/964-1153. Rev. John W. Bechtel, Pastor.

**Sunday Services:**  
 Sunday School - 9:30am  
 Morning Worship - 10:45am  
 Praise/Pentecost Preaching - 6:30pm  
**Wednesday Services:**  
 Ladies Bible Study (Heart/Home) - 10am  
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### BAPTIST

**ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH**, 640 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, Rev. Clarence Alston, Pastor, Church phone (201) 379-1465.

**SUNDAY SERVICES:** 9:30 A.M. Family Bible School, 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, **TUESDAY:** 7:00 P.M. Bible Class (Where The Bible Comes Alive), **WEDNESDAY:** 7:30 P.M. Prayer Service, Holy Communion every First Sunday, Nursery Care available every Sunday. If transportation is needed call the church office. Everyone is Welcome at Antioch.

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PM; Shabbat day-9:30 AM & sunset; Sunday, festival & holiday mornings-9:00 AM. Family and children services are conducted regularly. Our Religious School (third-seventh grade) meets on Sunday and Tuesdays. There are formal classes for both High School and pre-religious School aged children. The synagogue also sponsors a Nursery School, Women's League, Men's Club, youth groups for fifth through twelfth graders, and a busy Adult Education program. A Seniors' League meets regularly. For more information, please contact our office during office hours.

**SUMMIT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER** 67 Kent Place Boulevard, Summit 273-8130. William B. Horn, Rabbi. Janet Roth Knuppnick, Cantor. Janice Wilson, President. The Summit Jewish Community Center (SJCC) is an egalitarian, conservative synagogue, serving families from Summit and nearly 35 surrounding towns. Shabbat Friday services are held at 8:30 PM. Saturday Shabbat Services are at 9:30 AM and Shabbat Mincha and Havdalah are held at sundown. Weekday services, Monday through Friday are at 7:00 AM and Sunday at 9:30 AM. A Family Service is held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. In addition to regular Saturday Shabbat services, a Young Family Shabbat Services, for families with children ages 2-7, is held every third Saturday from 10:30-11:30 AM; and every second and fourth Saturday from 10:15-11:30 AM, there is a service for preschool children. The SJCC religious school provides instruction for children from Kindergarten through Grade 7 and Post-Graduate classes for Grades 7 through 12. The SJCC also offers a complete pre-school program including a morning and afternoon Nursery School, Wee Two, designed for children 18-24 months and a parent/caregiver and a Parents and Enrichment program for Kindergarten-aged children. A wide range of Adult Education Programs is offered as well as a Sisterhood, Men's Club, Young Couples Group and Senior Adult Group. For more information about programs or membership, please call the SJCC office at 273-8130.

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**HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** 301 Tucker Ave., Union 688-0714. Rev. Thomas J. Bagel, Pastor. Slovak 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's 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 Aldera 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 660 of the United Lutheran Society has a meeting.

**ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)**, Hillside and Colonia Roads, Elizabeth, (908) 352-5487. John Warbler, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service is at 10:15 A.M. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study are at 9:00 A.M. Communion on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month. Hymn sing on the 4th Sunday. Call Church Office for more information or Free Packet.

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### METHODIST

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### Kathleen Murphy

Kathleen Murphy, 63, of Springfield died Nov. 13 in her home. Born in Manhattan, Ms. Murphy lived in Chatham before moving to Springfield. She was an interior designer from 1968 to 1991, owned Kay Fenlon Interiors and later Kay Murphy Interiors. She also was a social worker for the Urban League of Union County, Elizabeth, since 1992. She received a bachelor's degree in fine arts and literature from the College of New Rochelle, N.Y. in 1956. She received a Seward Johnson Scholarship from Rutgers University in the early 1990s to pursue her certification in social work. She was a former member of the Chatham Fish and Game Club, the Canoe Brook Country Club, Summit, and was a member of the Alumni Association of the College of New Rochelle.

### Dr. Lewis Savel

Dr. Lewis Savel, 85, of Springfield, a retired and noted South Orange

## OBITUARIES

obstetrician-gynecologist, died Nov. 14 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in New York City, Dr. Savel lived in South Orange before moving to Springfield 23 years ago. He was a 1932 graduate of New York University and a 1936 graduate of New York Medical College. Dr. Savel practiced obstetrics and gynecology in Newark and South Orange for more than 50 years.

He was chief of obstetrics and gynecology and president of the medical staff at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. Dr. Savel was a clinical associate at the College of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and a senior attending physician at St. Barnabas Medical Center. He was a founding fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a fellow of the International College of Surgeons.

Dr. Savel was affiliated with Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan New Jersey for more than 40 years and served as chairman of the medical committee and medical director. He also was a member of the Medical

Advisory Board of Community Health Care. Dr. Savel published many research papers on obstetrics and gynecology, including the original paper on the effects of smoking in pregnancy.

Surviving are his wife, Grace; two daughters, Susan H. and Susan Green; two sons, Lawrence and Robert Budish; a sister, Dorothy S. Kornfeld, and three grandchildren.

### Joan F. Delia

Joan F. Delia, 65, of Springfield died Nov. 13 in the Kensington Manor, a nursing home, in Toms River.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Delia lived in Springfield for 30 years before recently moving to Toms River. She was a flight announcer for Newark Airport for 10 years before her retirement.

Surviving are a daughter, Dawn A. Cohen; a son, Anthony W.; three sisters, Carol Faughnan, Anne Mongiovi and Terri Lypen; and two grandchildren.

## STUDENT UPDATE

### St. Rose names honor students

Six students at St. Rose of Lima School have received first honors for the first quarter marking period and 14 others have received second honors.

First honors students are Peter Bremberg, Andrew Darcy, Timothy Metz, John Romankiewicz, Nicholas Scott and Katie Weatherall.

Receiving second honors were Alexandra Booth, Brennan Bowker, Rebecca Coffey, Erik Cummins,

Andrew Elekes, Corey Evans, Meghan Feely, Lauren Huber, Nadia Knarvik, David Pinto, Tricia Ramdial, Patrick Smith, Jacquelyn Tomaio, Michelle Tracey and Aris Vaya.

Honors certificates were awarded at an assembly on Monday, Nov. 18. In addition, nearly 40 percent of the school's 192 students in the primary grades were congratulated for perfect attendance this past quarter.

### Kent Place recognizes students

Karan Merry, headmistress of Kent Place School, has announced that 8 seniors and 16 members of the class of 1996 have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college level Advanced Placement examinations. Approximately 54 percent of America's graduating seniors have taken one or more AP examinations. Only about 12 percent

of the more than 537,000 students who took AP examinations in May 1996 performed at a sufficiently high level to merit recognition.

The scholars include: From Mountaintide: 1996 graduate Brooke Stotling qualified for AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning grades of 4 above on eight or more AP examinations.

### VFW awards members

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Battle Hill Post 7683 in Springfield received the National Golden Anniversary Award at a dinner-dance on Nov. 2. State Jr. Vice Commander Ralph Como made the presentation to Commander Stan Wnek.

Ed Cardinal, Howard Casselman, Stephen Schmidt, Robert and William Van Riper. Other guests included VFW District 5 Commander Louis Caruso, and from American Legion Post 228 Sr. Vice Commander Ethel Smith and Chaplain Bill Smith.

Charter members received 50-year pins.

### Group to present Handel's Messiah

The Mountaintide Music Association has announced that the organization will again sponsor the presentation of the Messiah Reunion Concert at the Community Presbyterian Church on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. The concert will be performed under the direction of Brenda Kay-Kucin, who has guided the production of the Reunion Concert since 1983. This year will mark the 24th year of performance in Mountaintide of the Handel work.

The concert, which is always performed with a professional orchestra, is presented free of charge to the public. However, a free will offering is taken during the performance. A fund raising campaign throughout the business and residential community is underway to offset the cost of the production. Advertising space is being offered in the concert program.

For additional information regarding the concert, contact Brenda Kay-Kucin at (908) 233-2561.

### Announcement policy

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announcements to the lifestyle editor. Announcements should be typed, doubled spaced or legibly handwritten and no longer than one page. All announcements should have a daytime phone number for verification or if questions arise.

Information requested for weddings are parents names, date of wedding, where the wedding took place, who officiated, who attended the bride and groom, high school name and town, college name, town and degree, name of employer and town where located, job title, and where the couple honeymooned and will reside.

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## Penguins invade library

A penguin collection owned by Springfield resident Louise Mattice is currently on exhibit in the Springfield Free Public Library.

Mattice's collection was started in 1953, when she was only a child. Mattice's aunt, Rigg Bender, traveled around in the world in her capacity as a representative with the women's Board of Missions to the Methodist Church and collected penguins from each of the countries visited. Each individual penguin is made from the materials popular to that country. The penguin from Brazil is made from alabaster and the penguin from Switzerland is a pocket watch.

Penguins were not indigenous to most of the countries Bender visited, so sometimes locating a penguin was a challenge. As penguins became popular, they were easier to find. In 1989, Mattice closed the collection.

The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

## 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, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700 weekdays before 5 p.m.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SHERIFF'S NUMBER CH-752915  
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COUNTY: UNION  
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PLAINTIFF: MOUNTAIN STATES MORTGAGE CENTER, INC.  
DEFENDANT: CHARLES M. JONES & JULIANA JONES, HIS WIFE; RESOLUTION TRUST CORP. ET AL  
WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE: AUGUST 12, 1996  
SALE DATE: WEDNESDAY THE 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D. 1996  
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, in the FREEHOLDERS MEETING ROOM, 6TH FLOOR, in the Administration Building in the City of Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, Property, The property consists of the land and all the buildings and structures on the land in the Township of Springfield County of Union State of New Jersey, the legal description is:  
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ATTORNEY: MERRI R LANE SUITE H-43 1930 STATE HIGHWAY 70 CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003  
SHERIFF: RALPH FROELICH  
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TOTAL JUDGMENT AMOUNT (\$65,707.22)  
Nov. 14, 21, 27, Dec. 5, 1996  
U1749 SLR (598.00)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for counsel to represent police officer Vernon Pederson, as to all non-insured claims against him in the matter of *Brooks v. Springfield, et al.*; and WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bids, and that the contract itself must be available for inspection;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with Steven M. Gilson, Esq., for such representation, at the same hourly rate paid to the Township Attorney. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional services contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(f)(1) of the Local Public Contracts Law.  
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, November 12, 1996.  
HELEN E. KEYWORTH  
Municipal Clerk  
U1795 SLR Nov. 21, 1996 (\$15.50)

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
THE UNDER-SIGNED WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE ON 11/29/96, 10:00 AM AT SUMMIT BANK, 335 RIDGE ROAD, DAYTON, NJ ONE 1981 CHEVROLET, CHEVROLET, #1J4E25852TC130793, REPOSSESSED FROM GERTRUDE DVORIN DUE TO CONTRACTUAL DEFAULT. SUMMIT BANK RESERVES THE RIGHT TO BID. VEHICLE CAN BE SEEN AT GEORGE Yellands, Inc., 150 Carriage Lane, NJ 07871.  
U1798 SLR Nov. 21, 1996 (\$5.75)

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD**  
COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.  
RENT LEVELING BOARD  
TAKE NOTICE that the Regular Meeting of the Rent Leveling Board scheduled for Thursday, November 28, 1996 has been cancelled and rescheduled for December 3, 1996 at 8:00 p.m. Council Room, Municipal Building.  
KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI  
Secretary  
U1784 SLR Nov. 21, 1996 (\$5.00)

**RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS TO VARIOUS PERSONS BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for counsel to represent former and current police officers Peter Davis, Mitchell Fenton, William Sedlak and Stephen Studlack, in the Springfield Municipal Court concerning charges arising out of performance of their official duties, and  
WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bids, and that the contract itself must be available for inspection;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with Andrew M. Baron, Esq., David B. Littman, Esq., Michael J. Milzner and Albert N. Stendor, Esq., for such representation, at the same hourly rate paid to the Township Attorney. These contracts are awarded without competitive bidding as "professional services contracts" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(f)(1) of the Local Public Contracts Law.  
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday evening, November 12, 1996.  
HELEN E. KEYWORTH  
Municipal Clerk  
U1794 SLR Nov. 21, 1996 (\$17.25)

**RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO STEVEN M. GILSON, ESQ. BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for counsel to represent police officer Vernon Pederson, as to all non-insured claims against him in the matter of *Brooks v. Springfield, et al.*; and WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bids, and that the contract itself must be available for inspection;  
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U1795 SLR Nov. 21, 1996 (\$15.50)

# Former Israeli Prime Minister visits area

By Norman Rauscher  
Correspondent

Surrounded by an ample number of discreet security personnel, former Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres told a gathering of more than 1,000 at Drew University in Madison on Wednesday, Nov. 13, that the "fast eat the slow" and the Middle East "just reflects the rest of the World."

The luncheon/lecture, attended by corporate sponsors, the press, Drew students, and professors, emphasized that the strength of the world was moving from the lands of the strong with many resources to the dominance of science, technology and education.

In addition, Peres, a constant seeker of peace and a co-winner of the Nobel Prize for peace, with Nassar Arafat and Itzhak Rabin, pointed out that land cannot affect nuclear activity, since real dangers are not affected by flags or frontiers. Today, he maintained, the United States is the only real superpower. But, because of the changes in technology and educational advances, that power may not always rest with this country. Instead, he said, power might very well extend to the most scientific and technologically advanced countries.

To illustrate that winning wars does not always lead to successes, Peres said Israel had won all five of the recent wars against its enemies, but only militarily. "There has been no political success," he said.

Actually, however, he said traditionally the Jews in history have never dominated other nations; and most of the nations that have dominated the Jews over the centuries have disappeared.

Peres' acts of peace, such as pulling out the Israeli Army from what is now Palestinian Lands, led to his defeat because other people wanted to know "What did you do now." The "reign"

of terror led to his election loss and the hard hawk reprisals of the Netanyahu administration.

Peres heaped praise on the United States for its willingness to fight wars in other countries and then not exact any tribute from the defeated nations in the form of land holdings. He added that the generosity of the American people was not found anywhere else, except in a country where everyone has the right to be equal and the right to be different.

Peres firmly believes the future of the world lies in Asia because of its vast resources, including people and natural resources. He cited education as a most "important resource."

"If the people and natural resources are combined with education and the real willingness to learn and apply them, the future will lie in Asia, as long as other factors are kept under control," said Peres.

Among the factors cited for control, and perhaps the most prominent for Peres, is the rising tide of fundamentalism. He said fundamentalists think Israel is dangerous "because fundamentalists are not looking for peace," which Peres maintains is the goal of the Israeli people. Consequ-

ently, he is certain that Arafat is also running a narrow road between the Fundamentalist factions in his political army and the peacemakers.

Peres does not see any need to avoid making Arafat a partner, since that partnership is essential to securing real and lasting peace in the Middle East.

Peres came to Drew a hopeful but saddened man. During the last year, he lost his longtime friend and colleague, Itzhak Rabin, to an assassin's bullet and then lost the election to an opposition leader not known for peacemaking efforts. Yet, Peres left the Drew audience with hope for the future — a future he feels "will come from Asia with its many faces and colors."

During his 45-minute speech, the former Prime Minister was given two standing ovations. At the conclusion of his talk, members of the student union permitted questions from the floor. There were no hostile questions, nor were there any signs of hostility during Peres' speech.

There was plenty of security from various agencies.

## AFT attempts to delay deregionalization plan

The Union County Regional AFT Local 3417 has registered a strong protest with Education Commissioner Leo Klagholz over what it says are "ethical and prejudicial improprieties" raised by a letter sent to Klagholz from the superintendents of the six constituent districts.

The letter, addressed to Klagholz, but not disclosed to any other parties in the case, exhorts Klagholz to give them special consideration as he deliberates a series of legal arguments which have arisen about the dissolution process. Late last month, Klagholz issued a stay of the selection process to investigate a variety of thorny legal issues presented by the teachers' union. Among those concerns were threats of litigation by four districts: Berkeley Heights, Springfield, Mountainside, and Clark, if any teachers selected positions in their K-8 dis-

tricts before high school posts. The law which governs dissolution allows such a choice.

Outlined in the controversial letter to Klagholz is a series of steps to hasten the selection process. The letter suggests a start date of Dec. 2.

"I find that arbitrary date interesting," Carmine Vitolo, AFT vice-president, said. "Especially when that's the exact date Garwood gets to present its lawsuit in court to overturn the entire process. Maybe they want to hurry the process in order to claim that it has begun and shouldn't be stopped."

Vitolo referred to the suit which seeks equity for the small, financially-strapped township. That suit also claims that the process which allowed the vote to proceed was illegally constituted.

The Superintendent's plans also call for banning the press and the public from the selection process. "I don't understand the press lockout," Mike Sorrentino, AFT vice-president, said. "Why must this all be done so secretly? What are they afraid of?"

The resolution which accompanies the letter also demands that no high school teacher be allowed to select a K-8 district job. The AFT claims this requirement is illegal and the issue constitutes a basis of their lawsuit.

Attorneys for the AFT fired off an immediate letter to Klagholz telling him that the letter was "grossly improper."

"Certain school superintendents should know better than to try to unduly influence the commissioner, and if they didn't, their attorney

should have provided such advice," Art Krupp, AFT president said. "This looks like nothing less than a political end-run." It is not known whether the superintendents acted upon advice of their legal counsel.

The AFT attorneys encouraged the Commissioner to consider very carefully the issues in the case which, they claim, are sure to involve "legal entanglements down the road" if he gives any credence to the superintendents' letter.

"Add to the whole mix that no school district in the state knows what the new funding formula will be anyway, and you couldn't have picked a worse time to dissolve and reconstitute districts," Kurt Epps, AFT secretary said. "The situation cries out for at least a year delay to study the issues more carefully."

## Unwanted cars can help kidney foundation

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The Used Car Campaign of the National Kidney Foundation of New York/New Jersey was created to raise needed dollars for the research and cure of kidney disease, a disease which affects about one in every four Americans. For more information on how you may donate a used car, call the National Kidney Foundation at (800) 63-DONATE or (212) 629-9770.

## Pumpkins and friends



Jonathan Friedham, Patrick White, and Kaitlin Murphy, students at Springfield's Walton School, display their favorite pumpkins from the PTA sponsored Pumpkin Patch, as Pumpkin Pete and Halloween Helen watch.

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By J.R. Parachini  
Sports Editor

Let the playoffs begin.  
Four area teams qualified for post-season berths, with two entering unbeaten, one winning four straight to make the grade and one making an appearance coming off a two-game slide.

**Elizabeth (8-0):** The Minutemen have won nine straight dating back to last year and are in the playoffs in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 for the second consecutive season. Elizabeth is 8-0 and the top seed for the first time since 1989, the last year that it won a playoff game.

**Roselle Park (8-0):** The Panthers have also won nine straight dating back to last year and are in the playoffs in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1 for the first time since 1993. Roselle Park is 8-0 and the top seed for the first time since that 1993 season. The Panthers won back-to-back sectional titles in 1992 and 1993, going 11-0 each of those seasons.

**Union (6-2):** The Farmers have won their last four after a 2-2 start to qualify as the fourth seed in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4. Union has won the most titles in this section, 10, and last appeared in 1994 when it lost in the first round. Union has a 4-1 playoff record against Saturday's opponent — Elizabeth.

**Johnson Regional (6-2):** The Crusaders went from winning 18 in a row to entering the playoffs with a two-game losing streak. Johnson won North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 last year, winning on the road against Caldwell and Summit to finish 11-0.

### WEEK EIGHT

Last Friday  
Roselle Park 34, Hillside 14  
Gov. Liv. 32, Bound Brook 6  
Last Saturday  
Dayton 34, Johnson 7  
Roselle 38, Middlesex 14  
Union 22, Westfield 0  
Elizabeth 21, Irvington 0  
Plainfield 21, Linden 14  
Rahway 28, Cranford 20  
Hanover Park 48, Summit 6

### WEEK NINE

Saturday afternoon  
NJSLAA Sectional Semifinals  
North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4  
(4) Union at (1) Elizabeth, 1:00  
North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2  
(3) Johnson at (2) Mendham, 1:00  
North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1  
(4) New Prov. at (1) R. Park, 1:00

### J.R.'s picks

Union over Elizabeth  
Roselle Park over New Providence  
Mendham over Johnson  
Last week: 8-1  
Season: 57-19 (.750)

### Keith's picks

Elizabeth over Union  
Roselle Park over New Providence  
Johnson over Mendham  
Last week: 6-3  
Season: 54-22 (.711)

### ELITE ELEVEN

1. Elizabeth (8-0)
2. Union (6-2)
3. Roselle Park (8-0)
4. Rahway (6-2)
5. Dayton (5-3)
6. Roselle (5-3)
7. Johnson (6-2)
8. Linden (3-5)
9. Gov. Livingston (4-4)
10. Hillside (4-4)
11. Summit (2-6)

# Dayton dusts off Johnson

## Bulldogs defeat Crusaders for first time in eight years

By J.R. Parachini  
Sports Editor

Thursday morning trifecta:  
Governor Livingston, New Providence, Roselle Park.  
Answer: Three teams Dayton Regional wishes it could play again this year. Not many had predicted a Dayton victory over Johnson Regional, but it happened.

And this was no squeaker.  
Dayton took advantage of some early turnovers, prevented Johnson from moving the ball at all, scored two touchdowns in each of the first two quarters and rolled to a 34-7 Mountain Valley Conference-interdivision varsity high school football victory in a game played last Saturday at Nolan Field in Clark.

So who has the winning streak now?

### High School Football

Dayton (5-3) won its fifth consecutive game for the first time in eight years while Johnson (6-2) lost for the second consecutive week after having an 18-game winning streak snapped the week before by Roselle.

It was the first time Dayton had defeated Johnson since a 14-0 victory early in the 1988 season and now the Bulldogs are in possession of the Unico Trophy, given annually to the winner of the Dayton-Johnson contest. Johnson had defeated Dayton six consecutive times (1989 and 1991-1995).

"We just got on a run and the kids are playing real well," second-year Dayton head coach Ed Ryscavage said.

In the previous win against Manville, six different players scored for Dayton in a 41-0 victory. Four different players scored against Johnson — Mike Chonko on a two-yard run, Jimmy Sweigart on a 16-yard pass from Mark Armento, Paul Testa twice on runs of five and four yards and Armento on a six-yard run. Kevin Burns successfully kicked 4-of-5 extra point kicks.

Dayton scored on its first possession after Jeff Vogt recovered a fumble, Chonko going in for his score. Armento then intercepted a Dennis Bowden pass on the next play to set up his ensuing touchdown pass to Sweigart.

While Johnson was completely stopped by Dayton's defense, the Bulldogs did a good job of taking advantage of Crusader miscues and then running their own offense with precision.

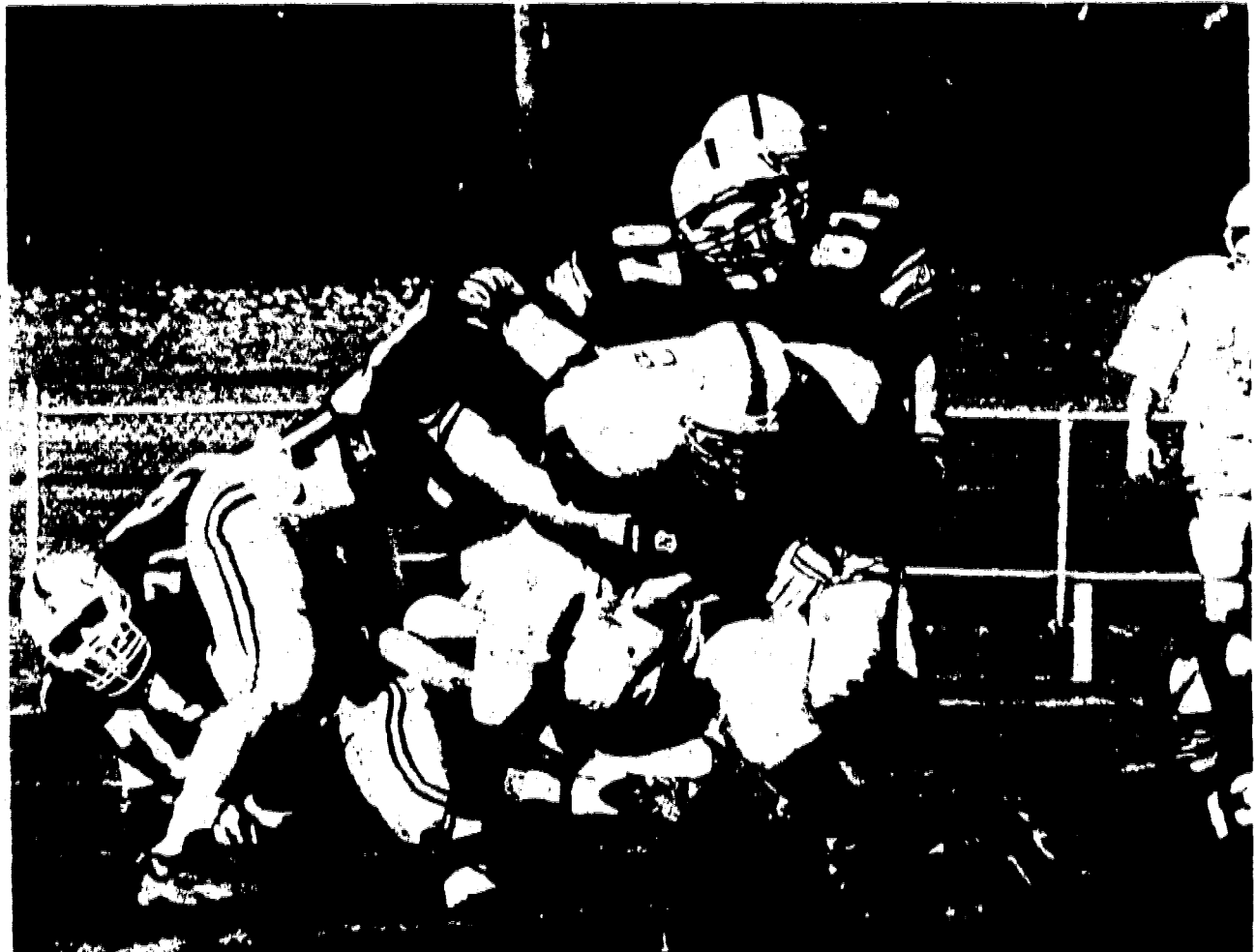
Armento completed 5-of-10 passes for 121 yards and one touchdown and Dayton had a balanced running attack sparked by the talents of Testa. The junior tailback carried 17 times for 64 yards; Burns gained 20 yards on six carries, Armento 17 on 11, Telfer 12 on five and Chonko nine on five. Eric Fishman had two interceptions and Armento and Sweigart one. Chris Loeffler blocked a punt and had two QB sacks.

### Dayton Regional (5-3)

(A) Gov. Liv. 24, Dayton 14  
(H) New Prov. 21, Dayton 7  
(H) Roselle Park 20, Dayton 7  
(A) Dayton 35, Bound Brook 0  
(A) Dayton 23, Immaculata 14  
(A) Dayton 28, Middlesex 13  
(H) Dayton 41, Manville 0  
(A) Dayton 34, Johnson 7  
Nov. 28 Ridge, 10:30  
Record: 5-3  
Home: 1-2  
Away: 4-1  
Points for: 189  
Points against: 99  
Shutouts: 2

### Gov. Livingston (4-4)

(H) GL 24, Dayton 14  
(H) Immaculata 16, GL 13  
(A) GL 28, Roselle 26  
(A) North Plainfield 45, GL 26  
(A) New Providence 26, GL 20 (OT)  
(H) Newark Central 20, GL 12  
(H) GL 15, Hillside 12 (2OT)  
(A) GL 32, Bound Brook 6  
Nov. 28 at Johnson, 10:30  
Record: 4-4  
Home: 2-2  
Away: 2-2  
Points for: 170  
Points against: 165  
Shutouts: 0



Three Johnson Regional defenders try to bring down Dayton Regional running back Ian Telfer during last Saturday's varsity high school football game at Nolan Field in Clark.

## Governor Livingston blasts Bound Brook to even at 4-4

The Governor Livingston High School football team won its second consecutive game to even its record at 4-4 as it defeated Bound Brook 32-6 last Friday night in Bound Brook in a Mountain Valley Conference-interdivision clash.

Mike Trombetta carried 20 times for 175 yards and three touchdowns to spark the Highlanders.  
GL will close its season next Thursday at Johnson Regional.

### Dayton frosh football triumphs

The Dayton Regional High School freshman football team improved to 6-2 with a 20-6 win over Johnson Regional last Friday in its home-finale at Meisel Field in Springfield.

Dayton will conclude its season tomorrow at Ridge, a 3:30 p.m. start in Basking Ridge.

Playing well on defense for Dayton were Justin Azran, Eric Vitale, Attila Vigilante, Stephen Kovacs and Jeff Goel up front. Dayton linebacker Brian Berger had three quarterback sacks and cornerbacks Stephen Wright and Keith Allen had one interception apiece.

Dayton quarterbacks Richard Shanley and David Wyche played well and running backs B.J. Jones and Matt Fischer combined for 150 total yards. Jones scored two touchdowns in the first half and Fischer scored Dayton's final touchdown in the third quarter.  
Dayton finished 4-1 at home.

### Mountainside's Rosen excels at Babson

Karen Rosen of Mountainside appeared in all 92 games to help spark the Babson College women's volleyball team to a 14-13 record this past fall.

The Westfield High School graduate converted 109 of her 245 kill attempts for a .212 hitting percentage, second on the team.

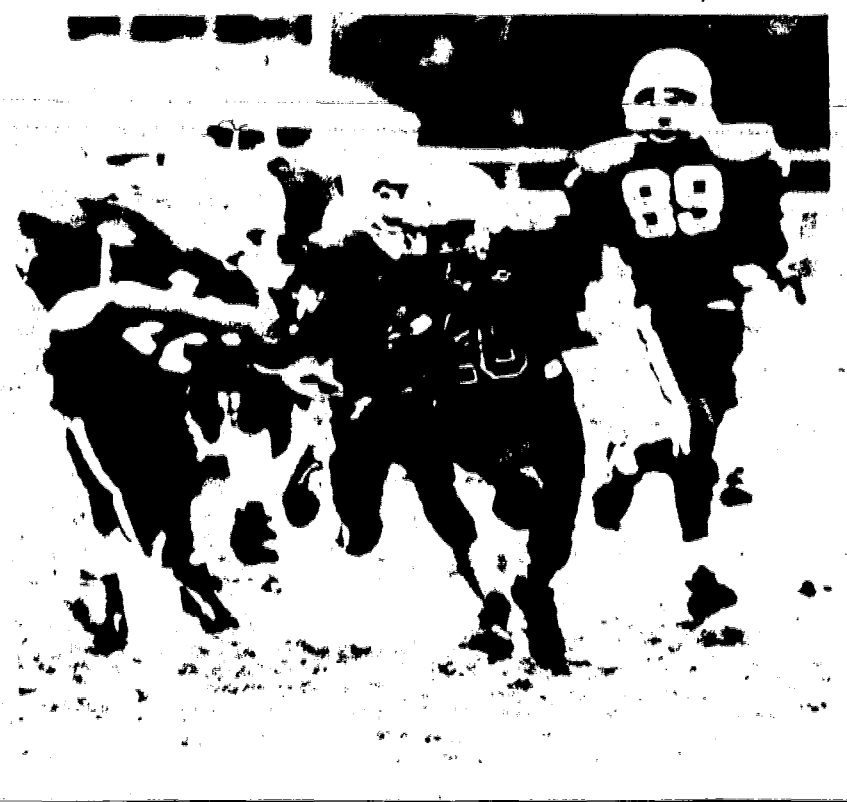
Playing a major role for the Beavers, Rosen also contributed 32 service aces and 92 digs for the Wellesley, Mass. school.

Babson graduates just one senior from this year's team and Rosen, a junior, will be one of the team's returning seniors next year.

## Touchdown makers: Ferrine, Kahoonei



Springfield Minutemen standout running backs Leo Ferrine, No. 21, and Joe Kahoonei, No. 20, scored touchdowns against Westfield this season in youth football action. Ferrine scored on an 85-yard run while Kahoonei ran past Westfield defenders en route to a 20-yard touchdown run. Kahoonei also intercepted a pass and ran it back 25 yards.



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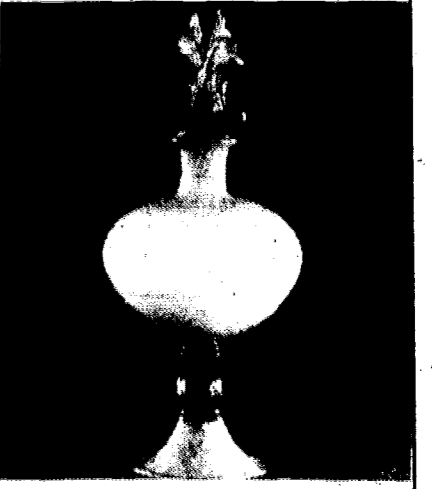
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