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NEWS

Offices to close

The offices of this newspaper will be closed Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving Day and Friday, Nov. 28. We will reopen Monday, Dec. 1. Our Thanksgiving edition will be published Wednesday, Nov. 26. The deadline for that edition is 11 a.m. • Events, including church services, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. • Letters to the editor — Friday, 4 p.m. • In play ads — Friday noon for section B and 5 p.m. for section A. • Sports news — Friday, 9 p.m. • General news — Monday, 9 a.m. • Local advertising — Monday, 9 a.m.

THE ARTS

Spectacular

Paper Mill offers a spectacular performance of "Children of Eden" through Dec. 14. See Page B3.



National tour

Rachel Smaragassi, at 23, will be performing the role of Penelope on a national tour of the play "Grease." See Page B3.

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Brothers in backfield lead team to winning sea



Jim Debbie
Four touchdowns



Mike Debbie
Also runs track

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

Each time the Governor Livingston Highlander football team takes the field, Pat Debbie, like most parents, sits in the crowded stands to cheer. But unlike most of the parents, she wears a Highlander jersey over her shoulders that bears two numbers, 45 on the front and 2 on the back.

Debbie and her husband, Jim, are the proud parents of senior tailback Jim, No. 2, and junior fullback Mike, No. 45.

The all Debbie back field has led the Highlanders to an overachieving 6-2 year in the Mountain Valley Conference, with one game remaining. And in a 28-14 win over Hillside, the two became the first brother tandem in school history to both score touchdowns in the same game.

Jim is a 5-foot, 8-inch, 170-pound runner who is a workhorse. As of Friday, he had carried 100 times for 399 yards and 4 touchdowns. Mike, also 5-foot, 8-inches and 170 pounds, is primarily a short yardage and blocking back.

The two enjoy sharing the spotlight and playing together, and usually get along well on and off the field. "I like to have my brother blocking for me," said Jim. "But sometimes we fight, like brothers do. One play Mike went the wrong way and I got killed. I was pretty upset," he explained with a slight smile.

But Mike had not always been a football player. He started playing only when he got to high school, but caught on quick. "I hit the weights, got bigger, and ended up fitting right into the fullback spot," Mike said.

Football is Debbie family brothers Jeff and Dayton High School in Springfield before the recent deregionalization. Jeff also went on to play fullback at Rowan College, formerly Glassboro State. The two current players also have a cousin on the team, Junior Alex Poce, who patrols the special teams for the Highlanders.

Although the playoffs are out of reach, the Debbie brothers are pleased with this season's overall outcome. "No one expected us to do this well. We lost a lot of big guys from last year's team," Mike said. Jim, who plans to attend college close to home, said it's been a satisfying senior year. He also can look forward to his final track and baseball seasons at Governor Livingston.

Students get early start on career path

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

The population of the Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School grew by 27 people for two hours Tuesday. The visitors were local professionals who talked about their lines of work to students for Gaudineer's Career Day.

"This is the Third Annual Career Day," said Gaudineer Principal Dennis McCarthy. "It coincides with National Career Awareness Month where we get students to start thinking about what they like to do for work." The Springfield Rotary Club approached us about the idea and, since Superintendent of Schools Dr. Gary Friedland is a Rotarian, I think he had something to do with the arrangement.

Thirteen professionals made the assembly and question session. The ranks of guest speakers, thanks to Melissa Lagermann, Mary Perdone, Beth Giladi, other Gaudineer staffers and the Rotary, swelled to 28.

"The idea is to have seventh and eighth graders ask the guests why they picked their line of work and how," said Perdone.

"We got involved because it's part of our concept of community service," said Rotary President Ron

Giladberger. "Our members enjoy taking the time to talk about their work."

"I tried to be that talk about careers used to be saved for high school," said Gaud. "Then State Department of Education included workplace readiness — teamwork, conflict resolution and so on — into the Core Curriculum Standards. Now we ask about their interests and skills about careers early."

"We worked to get a large variety of guests," said Lagermann during the introductory assembly. "We have people from florists to periodontists here."

And one reporter. This staff writer was asked to be a last minute stand in as the guest speakers filed to classrooms. For the next hour, the writer talked about his trade before four groups of 12 students. The change in plans, however, meant talking to speakers and students over lunch in the cafeteria.

Chiropractor Michael Pine shared a table with Pamela Bookbinder, Sean Armstrong, Shira Zabludovsky and a life-size model of a spinal column.

"I'm thinking about becoming a pediatric oncologist," said Bookbinder. "I picked to sit in with the chiropractor, the podiatrist and a senior

researcher-chemist. They're all part of the medical field."

"This is my first Career Day," said Armstrong. "I got to talk with Dr. Pine and three other people. I thought that was great."

Fighting heart disease



On Sept. 27, the Deerfield School staff participated in the American Heart Association Walk-a-Thon. This walk was to help raise money to help fight heart disease and stroke and passed through Echo Lake Park in Mountainside.

Cancer-stricken official seeks delay of trial

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

The trial of former Springfield zoning official Ralph DeVino, slated for Dec. 8, may be postponed pending his treatment for cancer.

The state charges that DeVino solicited and received a bribe from local developer Paragano Associates in January. DeVino was a member of the Springfield Board of Zoning Adjustment and the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority at the time. Paragano, which owns the Echo Plaza Mall, had

an application to open an Outback Steakhouse before the board.

"We're filing a petition for delay of trial," said DeVino's attorney David Biunno. "It's a matter for the physicians and Superior Court John Triarsi to confirm. Other than that, I cannot comment on the case."

Triarsi is to preside over the criminal trial. A county grand jury indicted DeVino on one count each of bribery, official misconduct and theft by extortion May 21.

"We have yet to see a motion from

the defense about a postponement," said Union County Assistant Prosecutor Thomas Isenhour. "Until we see one, we can't make a decision on it, nor, ultimately, can Judge Triarsi."

David Biunno said that his client is undergoing cancer treatment at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston. Biunno wouldn't say, however, what type of cancer his client is suffering from nor if it was related to any earlier illnesses. DeVino had surgery on his thyroid and vocal chords in early April.

"The DeVino case is a serious one," said Isenhour. "The court would be inclined to postpone a case, however, if a treatment would save the life of a defendant."

DeVino was arrested by the County Special Prosecutions Unit Feb. 8 and later arraigned. He may face up to 10 years' imprisonment should be found guilty on the bribery charge alone.

The former contracting consultant took a leave of absence from the zon-

ing board and the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority Feb. 18. DeVino returned to the sewerage board in April, however, after a chancery court ruling on the authority's bylaws.

DeVino's previous experience included a 10-year stint as the chief investigator for the state Department of Community Affairs. He pleaded guilty in 1986, however, to theft by deception in Monmouth County court over charges that he had asked a Highlands man for \$3,000.

Pingry benefit a trip



Over 500 people from around New Jersey attended the Pingry School's annual benefit, "The Lure of Alaska," earlier this month, in which vacation trips were auctioned, including a seven-day cruise for two to Alaska. Funds from the benefit will be used for student scholarships, faculty endowments, and purchasing of computers. Pictured above is Nancy Hamilton of Short Hills presenting her donation to committee member Fran Dorsky of Springfield, and Raffle Chairman Marie Tansey of Short Hills.

Assemblyman wants more flood meetings

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

Assemblyman Joel Weingarten, R-Union, is asking all officials involved with the Rahway River Valley flood project to mark Dec. 1 on their calendars. "I'm planning to reconvene the meeting of the municipal, county, state and federal officials at Millburn Town Hall as we had last August," said Weingarten. The meeting will update everyone on progress in area flood control.

Weingarten is also bringing money. On Nov. 1 the New Jersey Department of Transportation told him that about \$600,000 will be allocated toward bridge work and related engineering along the river next year.

"Now that we've secured the funding," said Weingarten, "we can finish the scoping work for the bridges. There's also a toxicity sampling on the silt which NJDOT will do to Department of Environmental Protection rules."

Weingarten, with fellow Assemblyman Kevin O'Toole and state Sen. Louis Bassano, both R-Union, called a meeting on Aug. 7. The brainstorming session resulted in a coordinated plan to curb flooding along the East Branch of the Rahway River. Homes and businesses in Millburn, Union and Springfield were hit hard by a major flood on July 25 and 26.

One aim of the effort is to remove debris and silt from the riverbed and beneath bridges. NJDOT and Union and Essex Counties recently finished clearing debris to south of the Morris Avenue/Route 82 bridge. Where and how to dispose the silt, however, depends on the toxicity test results.

Another step involves bridgework. Engineers plan to replace the Morris Avenue Bridge, which connects Springfield and Union, with a longer, taller span. About half of the \$600,000 would go toward that project.

Weingarten said that Assembly Bill No. 665, authorizing the creation of a Rahway River flood control commission, has passed the General Assembly. It is waiting to enter a State Senate by way of a committee.

"The question becomes which Senate committee will A665 go to," said Weingarten. "Senate President Donald DiFrancesco has a say in the matter and I hope to talk with him before year's end."

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Santa's letters a miracle

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

For the third consecutive year, the Children's Miracle Network is helping enrich the traditions that come with the holiday season. This year the CMN will draft nearly 3,000 letters from Santa Claus and send them to children throughout the world, bringing smiles to their faces in time for the holidays.

The New Jersey division of the CMN works out of the Mountainside Children's Specialized Hospital, raising money for the hospital's programs. The CMN is part of an international network that raises money for children's hospitals across the country and the world. Proceeds from the "Letters From Santa" project will go towards the CSH of New Jersey, which also has divisions in Toms River and Fairwood.

Sponsor Relations Coordinator, Elaine Ercolano, said the actual letters from Santa look like they are directly from the North Pole. "They are generic, and have the child's name written several times throughout the letter. They are very personal." A standard letter also includes the child's nickname. But in case the family has more than one child, the CMN offers four different styles of letters, to make sure an intrigued child doesn't make the connection and ultimately ruin their perception of Santa Claus, she said.

The CMN was co-founded as a small charity organization in 1983 by entertainers Marie Osmond and John Schneider. In its 15 years, it has developed into an organization that helps provide adequate healthcare for millions of children.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To give your community events the publicity they deserve, mail your schedule to P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today

• The Springfield chapter of Hadassah will hold its annual Membership Dinner at 6:30 p.m., at Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield. A buffet dinner will be served and 'Shiru Nah' a choral group specializing in Israeli and Yiddish music will perform. The cost is \$3 per member and \$10 for guests. For more information or to make reservations call, Roberta Gersh (973)-376-5259.

Tomorrow

• James Caldwell School will present the "Holiday Sampler" Boutique Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Local craftspersons and merchants will be on hand to display and sell their goods and handicrafts. Some gift items include flower displays and wreaths, quilted items, educational games, wooden figures and sculptures, stained glass designs, hand-painted clothing and much more. Babysitting is available. Admission is \$2. Complimentary refreshments will be served. Proceeds will benefit the James Caldwell PTA.

Sunday

• The Miller-Cory House Museum will feature its annual colonial Thanksgiving feast demonstration over the open-hearth from 2 to 5 p.m. at 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield.

Visitors to the Museum will experience the warmth and atmosphere of a traditional colonial Thanksgiving as Janet and Judy Murphy of Kenilworth demonstrate the process of cooking over the open-hearth. The cooks will prepare foods using authentic recipes and cooking methods of the period: Pumpkins, apples, corn, cranberries, potatoes and turkey are just a few of the traditional foods that will be prepared and offered to visitors. Also, a presentation on early American table customs will be made by Mrs. Kathy Dowling of Clark.

Tours of the history-rich farmhouse will be available throughout the afternoon with the last beginning at 4:30 p.m. Admission for adults is \$2 and 50 cents for students. Children under 6 are admitted free. For information about the Museum and its schedule of events, please call the Museum office at 908-232-1776.

Monday

• The annual Springfield Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be observed at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive. Members of the local clergy will lead the worship and Reverend Dan Russel Jr. of The First Presbyterian Church will give the sermon. In addition, Springfield's Mayor will read the "Presidential Proclamation" and members of local church and synagogue choirs will participate.

This is a special opportunity for people of all faiths to join together. Donations that evening will benefit the Springfield First Aid Squad, and the Martin Luther King community observance in March.

Nov. 28

• Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1987 is hosting a 16 year class reunion for all former classmates November 28. For more information, call Bart Barre at 531-0178.

Nov. 29

• The Jonathan Dayton High School PTSO and Project Graduation

Committees are sponsoring a Craft Fair on Nov. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Vendors who have new merchandise for sale can rent an indoor space for \$25 and an additional space for \$20. For application or to reserve a space call Sandy Kazemi at (973) 467-8465 or Merle Rosenbaum (973) 376-2107.

Nov. 30

• On Nov. 30 from 2 to 5 p.m. The Miller-Cory Museum will feature "A Season of Change." Museum volunteers, dressed in period costume, will take visitors back in time as they play Miller family members preparing for the long winter. The Museum is located at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

Visitors will eavesdrop on the conversations of family members in various rooms of the Miller-Cory House as they plan and prepare for the coming winter.

Members of the Museum's cooking committee will demonstrate food preservation in the Frazee Building. Mae Frantz, Diane King, and Sherry Lange of Cranford, and Jean Peters of Edison will prepare foods such as dried green beans and pumpkins, corned beef and sauerkraut and apple butter, which will be offered to visitors.

Admission to the Museum is \$4 for adults, \$1 for students. Children under 6 years of age are free. For more information about the museum and its schedule of events, please call the Museum Office at 908-232-1776.

Dec. 3

• Black communications professionals are invited to attend the first Blacks in Communication meeting Dec. 3, at 7 p.m. at the Barnes & Noble Cafe, Route 22, in Springfield.

Individuals with background in journalism, marketing, public relations, advertising, graphic design, broadcasting, and publishing are invited to attend. The meeting will held to provide career development and networking opportunities.

For more information about Blacks in Communication, please contact Keisha Young at (973) 466-8338.

• On Dec. 3, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Manor Care Health Services, Inc. is presenting "Sadness in a Time of Joy" a supportive seminar. Our featured speaker, Reverend Peter Hofstra has extensive training in addressing loss, grief, loneliness and stress. He will shed new light on how to restore joy to the holiday season, even in difficult times. This event is free. Manor Care Health Services is located at 1180 U.S. Route 22 West, Mountainside, New Jersey. Please call 908-654-0020 for more information.

Dec. 4

• The Mountainside Recreation Commission is sponsoring a trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art on Dec. 4. Several special exhibitions will be featured, including Picasso, "The Engraver," Jackson Pollock, "Early Sketchbooks and Drawings," and the Private Collection of Edgar Degas.

The bus will depart from the Mountainside Chapel, on Spruce Drive, at 9 a.m. and leave the museum for the return trip at 3 p.m.

Advance registration is required. The registration fee is \$16 per person, which includes bus transportation and admission to the museum. The fee for senior citizens is \$13, and museum members will be charged \$9.25. Please call the Recreation Office at (908) 232-0015 for further information.

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With stories of sports, author promotes literacy

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

Have you ever watched those promotional contests during halftime at National Basketball Association and N.C.A.A. college basketball games and said to yourself, "I could make that foul shot in my sleep, and win that million dollars?"

Have you ever wanted to go back in time and meet with a baseball great like Babe Ruth or Honus Wagner? For the children at Deerfield School in Mountainside, such fantasies will become a reality — almost — during a 45 minute program presented by author Dan Gutman.

Gutman is a children's fiction author who uses sports to get children more interested in reading and writing. He has written 16 children's books as ways to stimulate reading and educate children on certain historical events. **Tomorrow, Gutman will talk with some 300 Deerfield students in grades 3-8.**

Gutman's books include "The Million Dollar Shot," "Honus and Me," "Ice Skating: An Inside Look at the Stars, the Sport, and the Spectacle," "Gymnastics," "The Kid Who Ran

For President," and "They Came From Center Field."

He said the four separate lectures will include a narrative of one or more of these books, and a review of the process it takes to get a book conceived, researched, written, and published. The program will also include a group writing exercise, where children will create their own hypothetical novel, with setting, characters, and plot, he added.

The program is designed to add an element of excitement to learning, one that is often necessary to motivate students. It should also teach them what it takes to be a successful writer. "Especially in boys, sport grabs children's attention and makes reading fun," said Gutman. But he emphasizes the program's diversity, in that his works cover sports from baseball to ice skating.

But the students at Deerfield will be taking part in a learning method that is not all together new. The idea of sport being used to stimulate and facilitate learning has proved effective over the years.

Dr. Peter Levine, a well-published professor at Michigan State University, uses sport to keep college students

interested in learning, and to teach them about what he calls "a necessary component of American history and contemporary society." Heather Karp, a second grade teacher in Livingston, said "sports tend to encourage learning when used in an academic context." She uses sports poems to help teach her students poetry. She also uses stats on sports trading cards to teach them different mathematical concepts, she said. "I'm going with the interests of the children which helps to make learning fun," she said.

Last Spring, Gutman visited the Westfield school district, where he said the response was very positive and led to this year's event at Deerfield. He has given the program in hundreds of schools, having lunch with students and autographing books.

The Haddonfield resident graduated from Rutgers with a degree in psychology. He started graduate school, but soon realized that his passion was in writing.

Gutman will be at Deerfield from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., signing books and talking with students and faculty. Books will also be available for purchase throughout the day.

In remembrance



Pictured above are the James Caldwell Student Council, Ken Bernabe, principal; Marcia Bright, advisor; Mrs. Misra and Mrs. Demberger, helping parents, and a group of Springfield veterans. The students attended the Veteran's Day ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Park on Nov. 11. Below are the third and fourth grade members of the James Caldwell Student Council, Marcia Bright, advisor; Ken Bernabe, principal, and Stanley Wnek, a visiting veteran. The students presented a Veteran's Day assembly for the school and Wnek gave an informative talk about Veteran's Day to the students.



Trailside Nature and Science Center offers programs

The Trailside Nature and Science Center is offering the following programs:

On Sunday at 2 p.m., join Holly Hoffman for a field trip to look for the remnants of last summer's beech period of growth and reproduction. Participants will look for abandoned insect

traces, bird nests and seed pods.

On Saturdays at 2 p.m., Nov. 23 and 30, come to the planetarium show.

Participants will learn about the autumn stars that are setting and the winter ones that are rising. Admission is \$3 per person, \$2.55 for seniors. For ages 6 and up.

On Nov. 30, at 3:30 p.m. at the center for their 25th anniversary, they will have a concert featuring the music of E.L.O. and Jeff Lynne, including a 26-song set "Turn to Stone," "Mr. Blue Sky," "Roll Over Beethoven," and more. Admission is \$3.25 per person, \$2.75 for seniors. Not for children under 10 years old.

Springfield schools prepare for government monitoring

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

The Springfield public school system, according to Assistant Superintendent Judy Zimmerman, is expected to pass through the upcoming state Department of Education monitoring process well.

"Each public school system goes through the monitoring process every six years," said Zimmerman before the district Board of Education Monday night. "It's our turn in 1998, of which we've been preparing for the last year and a half."

Department of Education monitors are planning to visit the Springfield system on Jan. 13-15. From observing teachers in action to inspecting buildings to reviewing files, the state observers comb the schools for compliance to state standards. The meeting also included Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland's updates on the budget development and course of study changes for the middle and high schools.

Saying "Springfield schools will meet or exceed each area," Zimmerman described the eight elements the monitors examine. They include staff-level planning, pupil behavior and state and federally mandated programs and services.

The first element includes how the school works with the outside community," said Zimmerman. "We use parks and activities which are designed to attract and involve the township. For student behavior, they look at the attendance records for percentages of students absent

or late. For special programs, among which are alternative activities, basic skills, English as a second language, they check grant acceptance letters and plans to use how those grants are applied."

Zimmerman said Springfield's high academic record allows the system to take a wait-and-see compliance procedure. The monitors also take into account the system's recent acquisition of Jonathan Dayton High School. The biggest challenge, however, is getting the paperwork finished.

"We have to have all the paperwork compiled and indexed by Jan. 15," said Zimmerman. "They include teacher lesson and development plans for the month, week and day. We have to be prepared when a monitor asks about a specific item for verification."

"With state compliance, restarting the budget process and reviewing the courses of study," said Friedland, "we have more than a few balls in the air."

Friedland said he has asked the five school principals to start writing proposed 1998-99 budgets for Dec. 15 submission. These are the first two of three steps toward a public hearing on or by April 1. Between now and then are discussion with the superintendent and the board's finance committee by mid-January, a central presentation Jan. 26 and submission to the Union County superintendent of schools March 3.

On the other hand, Friedland expects some adjustment in courses of study for the next scholastic year for the glendener Middle and Dayton schools.

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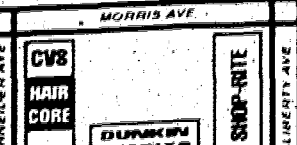
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COMMUNITY FORUM

Learn a lesson

Last week, Springfield decided to sign a letter of intent agreeing to the UCUA garbage deal. In its unanimous decision, the Township Committee has shown that it can pull together with other municipalities to the common benefit of the county.

The deal as is could save the municipality approximately \$372,000 per year, cutting the tipping fees on its 11,282 tons of garbage from \$84 per ton to nearly \$50.

From the standpoint of cutting the budget, the deal is good. For reasons of the towns banding together for the good of the county, it is even better.

Deputy Mayor Greg Clarke has stated his desire to eliminate divisive politics that stagnate the committee's ability to make decisions. With the signing of the letter of intent, the committee has shown it can rise above partisan bickering. Springfield is among the first few municipalities to decide in advance that the lease deal is a good thing, even though questions still remain regarding the definite savings it will provide. This is decisive.

With regard to partisan politics, however, a mightier blow could be dealt. While Springfield has been among the vanguard spearheading the lease agreement, it could learn a lesson from some of the initiatives the city of Summit has taken.

For years, Summit has been in the process of developing a strategic plan that would serve as a guide for the city's direction. The plan, the brainchild of former Summit Councilman Ted Olcott, would give the city a long range vision for the future and carefully examine what community needs should be addressed to achieve a high quality of life for all. The strategic plan would be subject to periodic review, and would be modified according to the changing needs of the community.

The strategic plan would attempt to tackle the ever-present problems of parking, traffic congestion and zoning, as well as more general problems of finance, administration and intergovernmental relations.

In developing the plan, City Administrator Reagan Burkholder has conducted a survey of city residents asking them what initiatives they feel are important to include.

The survey produced 40 responses, and three categories headed the list of residents' concerns, with 25 percent of respondents citing human development as an important concern for the city; followed by finance, administration and intergovernmental relations, 23 percent; and economic development, 22 percent. In addition, one-tenth of all respondents listed the environment, city infrastructure and energy as important concerns.

The survey also showed which bodies respondents thought should be responsible for the concerns listed, providing three general groups from which to choose: the city; private and nonprofit organizations; or a combination of the two.

The council plans to use the findings of the survey to develop general goals for the strategic plan. Whether or not public hearings are eventually held to determine which elements the strategic plan will address, what is important is that the public is providing input as to the direction the city should take.

This is exactly the type of citizen involvement the residents of Springfield need, and the Township Committee should pursue, regardless of its political make-up.

Such a plan would be a perfect way of eliminating the political quagmire in Springfield. If done properly, it could provide a direct, reciprocal line to the people, and keep to a minimum the influence of the private interests of third parties.

Residents of Springfield should call for the creation of a strategic plan. The Township Committee has shown it can act for the common good; let's see it one step further and put the words of the deputy mayor to the test by calling for a bigger voice in town government.

Worth a look

Springfield should also take a look at Summit's upcoming Needs Assessment Inventory report. The inventory, compiled by a branch of Summit 2005, catalogs more than 500 programs and activities offered by some 50 service providers for its youth.

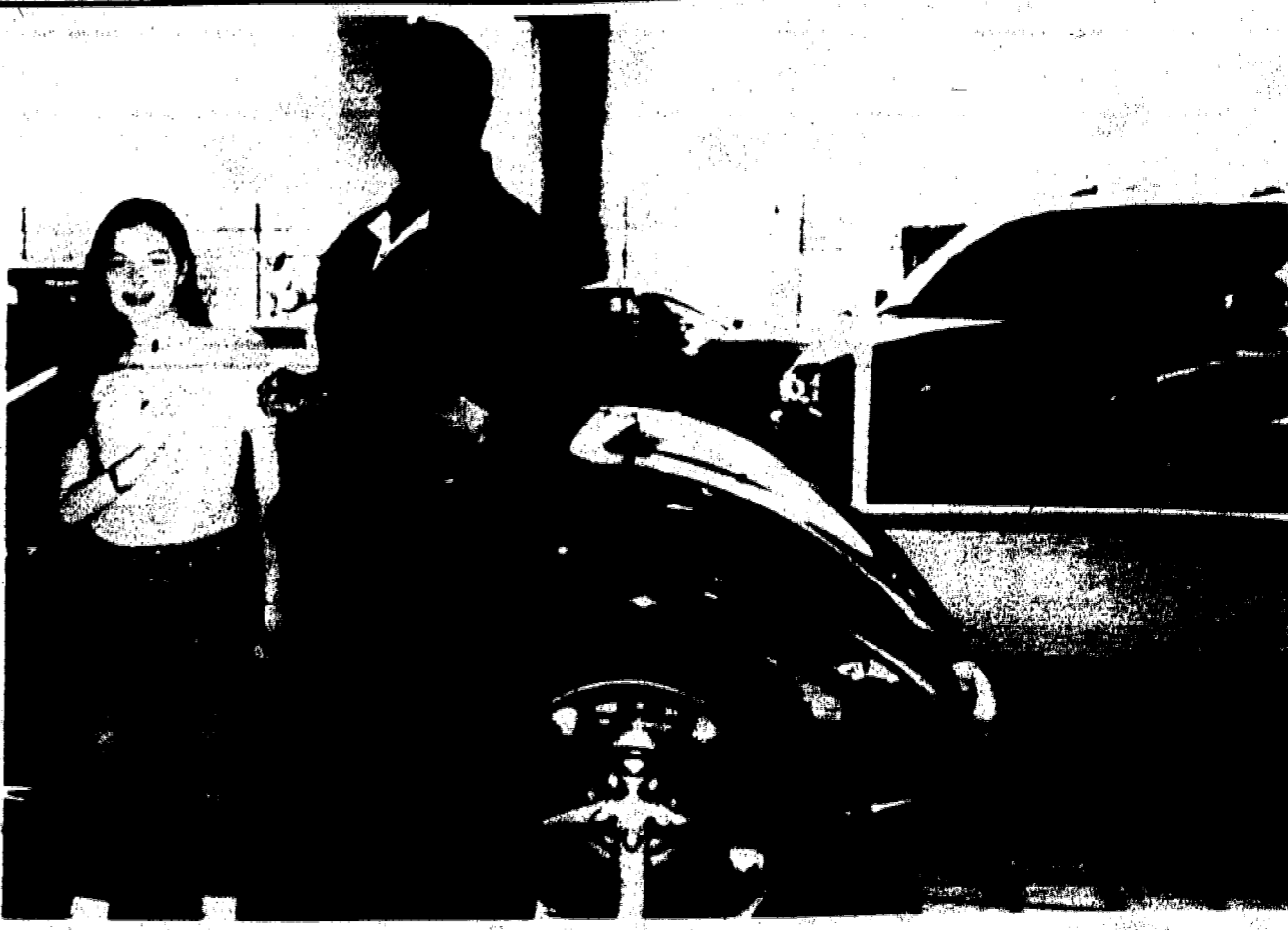
Summit 2005 came up with the inventory to know what programs are available, which services are overlapping and what needs are not being met. The report may lead to cost savings for Summit taxpayers as duplicated programs are eliminated and wiser choices of money and resources are made.

The unique document has a more immediate benefit to Summit's residents. For the first time, one has a comprehensive guide of what is and how often an activity is available.

Such a document or database for Springfielders can keep event organizers from scheduling at cross purposes. One area of coordination is in recreation, where the Board of Education, the Recreation Department and the Junior Baseball League currently schedule activities independently of each other.

Better coordination of activities can draw more people, trim taxes and foster a greater town spirit. Summit's report idea is worth a look.

MONEY FOR MDA — Auto Land General Manager John Philips presents a check for \$5,000 to Jill Pantozzi, the local Junior Goodwill Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Union County. Auto Land raised the money during Labor Day weekend sales. That weekend, Philips discussed fundraising with comedian Elaine Boosler on the 'Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon.'



Publicists should really know their medium

I recently sat on a panel about effective media communication held by the Summit Board of Education. The board convened the session so each school PTA publicist knows what the local print and broadcast mediums are looking for in press releases.

It was an honor to be a panelist. I started to professionally write as a publicist for several local auto racing clubs eight years ago. Armed with a laptop computer and a fax machine, I dispatched advances and results to area weekly and daily newspapers from remote locations.

I guess the experience taught me something. Within three years, I was hired as a copy rewriter for the industry paper *National Speed Sport News*. Working with others' releases led to my current staff writership at the *Echo Leader* and *Summit Observer* four years later.

As much as I was a "media expert," this was also a learning experience. Talking with the PTA publicists, I was reminded how wide the quality spread is among them. Some were experienced, some were new — and all were volunteers.

Whenever I wasn't fielding questions, I thought about the mail that comes to our office. We get hundreds

While I'm Here

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

of releases weekly, all vying for a writer's or editor's attention.

The following is my advice to all those volunteer publicists who want their releases to stand out among the mail:

- Read this newspaper. No, this isn't a commercial and I'm not being a smart face. By looking at the articles and the other releases, you'll get an idea of what we're looking for.

One important rule is to remember the local angle. I'm interested in any one or thing involving Mountainside, Springfield and/or Summit. If an event doesn't have that connection, it might as well be held on Alpha Centauri.

Take a look at the box at the lower left corner of the Community Forum page. That's the masthead, where the key editorial people are listed. Knowing those names in the masthead will help you direct your materials.

- Know the deadlines. The ideal submission time is two weeks in advance of the desired publication date. We then have time to look at the item and to ask questions or assign a writer to follow-up on it. The deadlines are found in the first column of page two.

- Follow the release format. The first thing we look at is who sent the press release. The identifying group name and address could be at the top of the page, including the daytime phone and fax number of the contact person. The above should be single spaced along with a headline and a date.

A good first paragraph or lead will get attention. The lead gives the reader the who, what, when, where, why and how of the event in that order. The rest of the release is double spaced for easier editing.

The second through last paragraphs are written in a descending order of importance. Figure that the letter height of 12 point — or one-sixth of an inch — will get you about 42 double spaced lines of type on one page. Letter heights smaller than 10 points will not read well through the fax machine.

- Have the "write" content and

style. This newspaper and the reader are looking for uniqueness in content. How is the event new, larger or different than before? What is the event's goal?

Keep the writing style in simple standard English. This newspaper follows the Associated Press writing style's system. Ask for help with writing questions and if found in most libraries and bookstores.

- Get that proof before you go. Proofread the copy for clarity and weed out errors. Fewer mistakes in the final draft means a more professional look. If there is too much content, consider writing two separate releases.

- Relax. Release writing isn't brain surgery. There are people around who can help you in addition to the above tips. But don't relax too much — there are some stiff deadlines ahead.

Columnists wanted

The *Echo Leader* is searching for local columnists. Anyone willing to try should call Regional Editor Jay Hochberg at (908) 686-7700 ext. 328 during business hours.

Choosing an au pair is like picking family

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

One of the worst nightmares a working married couple can face is trusting the care of their child or children to a nanny or an au pair who is a stranger.

Many nannies are young, perhaps in their late teens, who are in search of adventure, who have an opportunity to travel and meet new friends.

The tragedy of Louise Woodward, the British au pair who was convicted of manslaughter in the death of eight-month-old Matthew Eappen in Massachusetts is a case in point. Although Woodward was initially convicted of murder and faced a life term with a minimum of 15 years in prison, she is nearly off the hook through the intervention of a judge who reduced the charge to manslaughter, sentenced her to 279 days in jail, the amount of time she had spent in confinement since her arrest, and then set her free.

Louise is not home free yet because the prosecution plans to appeal Judge Zobel's ruling and the nanny will not be permitted to return home to England until all appeals are completed.

But the most important point to come out of this tragic case is the possibility that au pairs, such as Louise Woodward, face a bumpy future in light of what happened. Some think au pairs do not get sufficient training

and that may be true since most are in their teens or very early 20s. It must also be understood that there is a vast difference between a nanny and an au pair. Nannies are hired to provide full-time child care, while an au pair is viewed as a mother's helper even though they receive basic child care courses, including first aid and safety training. Some think that Louise had insufficient training for the job she had, taking care of an infant while his parents worked.

After the baby's death and during the trial, the baby's parents were subjected to many harassing calls by people who blamed them for not being home to take care of their child. Since none of us know the family's financial situation, perhaps it was necessary for both husband and wife to work full-time, and for people to take it upon themselves to make judgments only adds to the tragedy.

For a couple to take into their home a person who is placed in charge of

taking care of a child or children who they don't know, is a challenge. It's a challenge to the au pair and to the parents. Many times the au pair fits into the family quite well and sometimes, personalities come into conflict. It was brought out at the trial that Louise Woodward had been reprimanded by the child's parents for keeping late hours and allegedly not completely doing the job she was employed to perform because the chores interfered with her social life. One of the investigators said the teenage girl admitted being a "little rough at times" with the baby. The au pair denies ever saying that, although she did admit that baby Matthew could be somewhat "cranky and fussy."

The case, however, puts many parents and other au pairs on notice that proper training is necessary and that an age minimum be required. Also, the au pairs should undergo a thorough testing of their mental state to see if they are capable of sustaining patience, understanding, and a clear head in times of crisis or undue pressures. Louise Woodward, giving her the benefit of the doubt, might be one of the best au pairs around, then again, she may be immature, unsure of herself or just incapable of being an au pair. Perhaps we'll never know.

But working parents today who are in need of an au pair are forced to realize that finding the correct person to care for their child is no easy job. It's not like hiring a baby sitter to watch the kids while mommy and daddy attend a cocktail party for a couple of hours or someone to mind the dog for a weekend. An au pair is responsible for the care and safety of a child entrusted to them for hours at a time. Finding the correct combination can be stressful for both the parents and the new au pair.

At present there is an au pair caring for a seven-year-old boy who lives near me. She is German and a much more cooperative and sensitive person would be hard to find. Whenever they go out for a walk, they go hand in hand and the child is never out of her sight. In most cases, this is normal procedure and the au pair becomes a part of the family. The parents feel secure, since they know their child is in the hands of a caring, safety-minded and quick-thinking person. The case of Woodward and Matthew is a tragic reminder that no one is ever immune from harm.

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

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Candidates thank voters

To the Editor:

To the Mountainside voters who supported Steve Brociner and I on November 4 we extend our thanks. Though we still believe that a fully Republican governing body does not represent all the interests of borough residents, we congratulate the incumbents.

We also wish to affirm our support for televised council meetings and hold the mayor to his public promise made at the October council meeting that come

January a committee would be established to facilitate televised council meetings. Actually no committee is necessary. Both equipment and volunteers are currently available, myself included. The mayor's allegation in the *Echo* of Oct. 23 that I volunteered and then quit is not true. There is no need to reiterate the reasons for televising council meetings. The *Echo* editorial of Nov. 6 stated the positive case very cogently.

So no more stalling. No more excuses. Let's begin in January with a responsible governing body giving Mountainside residents what they are entitled to.

Michael Krasner
Mountainside

VIEW POINT

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66 dalmations — and only 3 hydrants



66 first-grade dalmations marched in the Halloween parade at Deerfield School. First-grade teachers Stephanie Kissenberth, Suzanne Schneller and Carloe Garcia dressed as firefighters, while classroom aides Deborah Tate, Charlotte Grett, and Elio Sirayusa dressed as fire hydrants.

PTO calls girls football match a game

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

You don't see the Jonathan Dayton High School Parent Teacher Organization for a lack of originality after Sunday.

The PTO attempted a ladies touch football game at Meisel Field between the 6th, 7th and senior classes for Project Graduation.

"This was an idea which the students brought of themselves at a September meeting," said PTO official Vera Owen. "We wanted to do something other than the usual bake sales."

"The game is largely a student-organized event," said Project Gradu-

ation supporter Bob Hagenbush. "The idea was approved on Oct. 4 but the players have been practicing for the last two weeks. We made up team shirts for both sides."

Stier and Hagenbush said they had monthly fundraisers like the September car wash and October's haunted mansion at the high school. The proceeds go toward Project Graduation, a program which allows Dayton graduates to celebrate without mishaps or alcohol use.

The game, to those used to the standard Bulldog gridiron affairs, was decidedly more towards a neighborhood match. There were some of the

official accessories like two striped referees, sideline down markers and a pair of school nurses. No programs or time clocks were present, however, and players' friends and families tended to stand along the sideline gates rather than sit in the stands.

While some players, like junior quarterback Julie Kirschner, compete in other Dayton sports, most never played football before. As a result, the opening half was a stalemate. Play was briefly interrupted when a junior got an elbow to an eye.

"My daughter Jennifer is playing junior halfback," said parent Kathy Lisante at half time. "I think there

should've been more planning to this game."

Senior quarterback Nancy Klaud broke the deadlock with a pass to Carrie Sinclair about eight minutes into the third quarter. Sinclair ran the ball 10 yards for the touchdown.

But there would be no extra point. Referees called a time out when another junior suffered an apparent knee injury. Citing concern for player safety, the officials called it a game.

"Things were starting to get rough on the field," said Stier. "The officials felt it would get out of hand."

A holiday craft fair is next on the Dayton PTO calendar.

RELIGION

Thanksgiving service

The annual Springfield Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be observed Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 69 Temple Drive.

Members of the local clergy will lead the worship and Reverend Dan Russell Jr., of The First Presbyterian Church will give the sermon. In addition, Springfield's Mayor will read the "Presidential Proclamation" and

members of local church and synagogue choirs will participate.

This is a special opportunity for people of all faiths to join together. Donations that evening will benefit the Springfield First Aid Squad, and

the Martin Luther King community observance in March.

Hadassah dinner planned

The Springfield chapter of Hadassah will hold its annual Membership Dinner today, 6:30 p.m., at Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield. A buffet dinner will be served and "Shiru Nah" a choral group specializing in Israeli and Yiddish music will perform. The cost is \$3 per member and \$10 for guests. For more information or to make reservations call Roberta Gersh 376-5259.

Church to hold bazaar

The Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church will be holding a Christmas Crafts Bazaar in the church's fellowship Hall on December 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crafters are needed. Spaces are available for \$20, which will include a table and two chairs. Food and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Tom Ernst at (908) 587-0779, or Esther Reimlinger at (908) 276-4968. Applications can be picked up at the church.

Interfaith food delivery

Temple Sha'arey Shalom and Antioch Baptist Church, both of Springfield, are launching a "Thanksgiving Appeal". The Temple and church will be distributing turkey baskets to needy families in the Springfield area this coming Thanksgiving season. Their goal is to distribute at least 30 baskets, but expect to be able to do more. Each basket will contain one good-sized turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, jello, and fruit cocktail.

This project is being sponsored by Bridgebuilders, a joint committee of Temple Sha'arey Shalom and Antioch Baptist Church of Springfield. Their mission is to foster understanding and dialogue between the two congregations through education, service, and spirituality.

Making art happen



The 73rd Annual Oil, Pastel and Sculpture Exhibition of the Westfield Art Association will be held Dec. 6-9 at the Westfield Community Room, 425 East Broad St., Westfield. Association members are expected to enter about 70 pieces of art work in oil, pastel or sculpture media. The exhibition opens for viewing and sales on Dec. 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with additional hours on Dec. 7, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Dec. 8 and 9, 7 to 10 p.m. The Dec. 6 opening festivities include a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. and announcement of awards at 3 p.m., to which the public is invited. Seated, from left: Megan Schembre, Sydney Spence, Jean Luce. Standing, Dorothy and Tom Wilkinson, and Bronna Butler.

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Jaws of Life used to free crash victims

Springfield
Springfield Fire Department personnel found themselves extricating trapped car occupants twice overnight. Firefighters first came upon a two-car accident on Morris Avenue near the Interstate 78 overpass at 10:23 p.m. Nov. 2. Personnel used the Hurst Jaws of Life to cut through a fence and a car door to free a passenger.

The power cutting tool was used to get a driver caught in a two-car and dump truck crash at the intersection of South Springfield Avenue and Shunpike Road Nov. 3. The driver was taken by the Springfield First Aid Squad to a local hospital at about 8:40 a.m.

FIRE BLOTTER

- Township units saw plenty of accidents on the major highways. Squad members joined State Police patrols in first handling a pair of one-car accidents on Route 24 West at 6:50 a.m. and 7:53 a.m. Nov. 2.
- Public safety units from Springfield and Summit helped clear a four-car accident which closed Route 24 east at 8:50 a.m. Nov. 5. A two-car crash with injuries on Route 78 westbound milepost 50.3 at 7:22 p.m. Nov. 6 rounded out the accident blotter.
- Responding to alarms on commercial businesses as part of the

squad's business. All hands responded to an activated alarm from a Morris Avenue establishment at 6:11 a.m. Nov. 3 and to a sprinkler alarm at a Route 22 business at 6:42 p.m. Nov. 5.

A leaking nitrogen gas cylinder prompted a visit to a Fadem Road industrial property at 12:07 a.m. Nov. 6. The leak came from a check valve which opened under pressure.

- Calls from other properties were handled by the force. Units responded to a broken water pipe at a Tooker Avenue condominium at 2:42 a.m. Nov. 4. Firefighters investigated a couple of extinguished fires at Jonathan Dayton High School at 1:05 p.m. Nov. 5 and came to a smoke

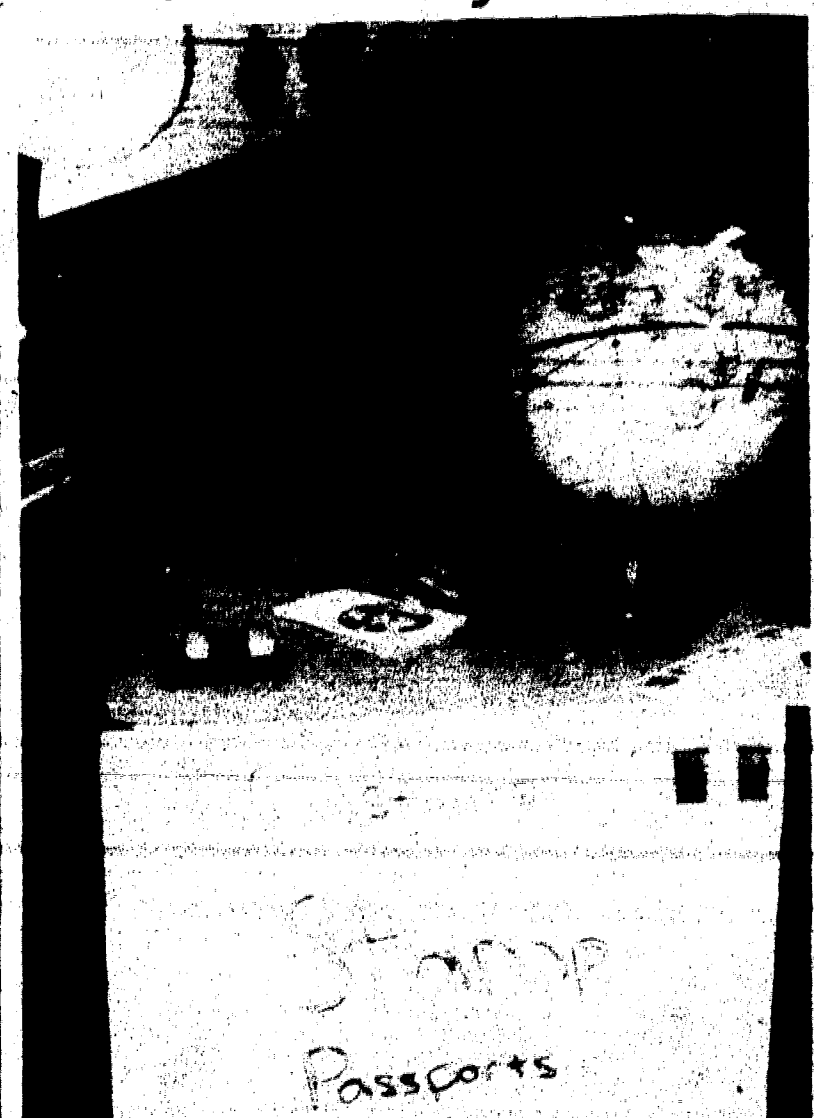
detector sounding at a South Springfield Avenue complex at 9:50 p.m. the same day.

An engine put out a leaf pile fire from beneath a car parked at a Fieldstone Drive home at 9:45 a.m. Nov. 7 and checked a smoke detector at Temple Beth-Am at 9:47 p.m. Nov. 8.

Mountainside
The Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department responded to two minor calls this past week, according to Fire Chief Thomas Salimbene.

On Nov. 10, an activated smoke detector on Peachtree Road caused an alarm to go off. Firefighters responded and found that the alarm had been caused by stove cooking. No one was injured.

A taste of Italy



Students at St. James School, Springfield, traveled to various countries during a recent International Day celebration. The classrooms of grades one through eight were transformed into countries including Ireland, Spain, Italy and more. Costumes, flags, artifacts and traditional foods were featured. Students received passports which were stamped at the border to each country. Peter Scalis, a seventh grader, stamps the passports of students who traveled to Italy.

Local business reports theft of crystal & china

By Jim Foglio Staff Writer
On Nov. 16, G.M.G. Marketing Intl. Ltd., located on Globe Avenue in Mountainside, reported a theft of 10-15 boxes containing crystal and china ware.

Ptl. Amberg responded to the call as the victims reported that a manager who was supposed to return two keys after locking up, had only returned one. The manager, Joe Castanza is the main suspect in this theft.

On Nov. 17, a case of criminal mischief was reported on the 500 block of Short Drive in Mountainside. The victim stated that someone had

POLICE BLOTTER

shattered the driver's side window of his station wagon. According to responding Officer Perrotti's report nothing was taken from the vehicle, and there was no evidence of a crack or any other suspect weapon in the area.

A victim who lives on Mountain View Circle reported on Friday that some items were taken from his home. Officer Philippakis noted that an VCR, a receiver, a CD player, and two speakers were missing. The total loss is being estimated at \$2,000. The

victim stated that several contractors had access to his home, since they had been doing work on this house. He will be shortly submitting a list of all the workers to the Mountainside Police Department.

Another case of criminal mischief was reported in which a windshield was shattered on Nov. 16. Officer Amberg responded to the call from the 1500 block of Fox Trail Road. Similar to the other case, there are no suspects at this time.

On Nov. 11, Officer Jackson responded to a theft on the 900 block of Mountain Avenue, Mountainside. Mobil reported a plow stolen from the

premises. It is valued at \$1800. No arrests have been made.

- Two arrests were made on drivers who were found to be driving while suspended. On Nov. 15, Officer Philippakis arrested Moshen Moazzamir of Jersey City on westbound Route 22.
- On Nov. 17, Officer Attanasio arrested Frank Calabrese, also of Jersey City for driving while suspended.
- On Nov. 18, Officer Philippakis arrested Connie Jenkins of Plainfield. Jenkins had been in the Mountainside District Court and was found to have a \$505 warrant out for her arrest in Clark Township.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

Knights hold breakfast

The Springfield Knights of Columbus are holding a pancake breakfast Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Springfield Knights of Columbus scholarship.

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A *New York Times* article from Dec. 13, 1995 estimates that 1,500 Americans die each year from accidental carbon monoxide poisoning. 10,000 suffer symptoms that prompt them to seek medical attention. The primary cause of the problem is defec-

tive or improperly installed household appliances that operate on combustible fuels like oil, gas, kerosene, coal or wood.

Furnaces, water heaters, clothes dryers, kitchen ranges and fire places are just some of the culprits. Problems can be avoided by having these appliances checked and serviced reg-

ularly. Flues and chimneys should be checked for cracks and blockages. Never warm the house by turning on the oven. A car should never be left running in an attached garage. With the holidays coming maybe a carbon monoxide detector would make the perfect family gift.

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ie Center. The drawing is being held at 4 p.m. on Monday, but ticketholders need not be present to win.

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NJCVA plans craft sale

If you are looking for a way to benefit others while purchasing beautiful and unusual items, try the Holiday Boutique at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts. The boutique will be held at the Art Center on Dec. 12, 4 to 9 p.m. and Dec. 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Local artists will display a wide variety of gifts and crafts for your special shopping needs. Items will range from pottery, jewelry, hand-blown glass, metal art and leather items. The artists will be on hand to inform the public about their works. The selection of crafts will be beautiful and unique.

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts is located at 68 Elm St., Summit

Funding a vision



Garwood resident Jennifer Delevante, a senior at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, has been recognized for her talent in the area of visual arts by the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit. Because of her ability, Executive Director Joan Duffey Good, awarded Jennifer a scholarship to a course of her choosing. An outstanding student and artist, Delevante has been immersed in the arts at Oak Knoll. She also displays talent in the performance arts as an actress. In recognition of her dedication to the arts, Delevante was elected to serve as Student Council Arts Club liaison for the 1997-98 school year.

Brunch helps SAGE

Having Sunday brunch at the Grand Summit Hotel's Hunt Club Grill from now through Dec. 31, can also help seniors who benefit from SAGE programs. Each time an individual has Sunday brunch there, 10 percent of the check will be donated to the Summit-based, non-profit.

"When two people have Sunday brunch which costs \$30 per person, \$6 will go to SAGE's Meals-On-Wheel," said Jacqueline Vogelmann, executive director of SAGE. "That translates into a full day of hot meals for a two-meal elderly person."

For more information call (908) 278-5556.

Crafts show scheduled

The Enchantment's Holiday Craft Show will be held in the auditorium at Overlook Hospital, Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. and Nov. 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The show proceeds are being donated to the Overlook Hospital's Valerie Center. There will also be a raffle of 20 items donated by the artists. Tickets cost three for \$1, with all money being donated to the Valer-

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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor
The weather is much colder, we've already had snow and now it's time for some playoff football! Four area teams qualified for NJSIAA playoff berths, with three of them returning from last year. Elizabeth and Union made the grade once again in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 as did Johnson in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2. Brearley, which re-opened this year, made the grade in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1 for the first time since 1991. Brearley did not play football for four seasons from 1993-1996.

Sectional semifinal contests involving area teams are scheduled for Saturday at 1 p.m.

Here's a look at how the three sections shaped up:

North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4: 4-Randolph (6-2) at 1-Plainfield (7-1), 3-Union (6-2) at 2-Elizabeth (7-1).

North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2: 4-Dover (6-2) at 1-Caldwell (8-0), 3-Mendham (6-2) at 2-Johnson (7-1).

North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1: 4-Brearley (7-2) at 1-Butler (7-3), 3-Mountain Lakes (6-2) at 2-Cedar Grove (7-1).

Union defeated Elizabeth 34-26 in Elizabeth in last year's semifinals and won a 5-1 playoff record (4-0 in the 1990s) against the Minutemen, all five wins coming in the semifinal round.

Johnson won 2-2 in 1995 and Brearley last captured 2-1 in 1991.

WEEK EIGHT

Last Friday
Union 14, Westfield 7
Elizabeth 41, Irvington 0
Brearley 21, Bound Brook 0
Dayton 14, Manville 0
Ridge 39, Roselle Park 0.

Last Saturday
Johnson 47, Hillside 6
Plainfield 36, Linden 7
Cranford 34, Rahway 6
Hanover Park 29, Summit 22

Last Sunday
GL 14, North Plainfield 0
Immaculata 34, Roselle 0

NJSIAA PLAYOFFS

Sectional Semifinals
Saturday, Nov. 22
North Jersey, Group 4
3-Union at 2-Elizabeth, 1:00
North Jersey, Group 2
3-Mendham at 2-Johnson, 1:00
North Jersey, Group 1
4-Brearley at 1-Butler, 1:00

J.R.'s picks

Union over Elizabeth
Johnson over Mendham
Butler over Brearley
Last Week: 10-1
Season: 64-18 (.780)

Andrew's picks

Elizabeth over Union
Johnson over Mendham
Butler over Brearley
Last Week: 10-1
Season: 69-22 (.732)

TERRIFIC TWELVE

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



Photo by Ruthanne Wagner

Springfield's Jeff Miller is a standout wide receiver for undefeated Seton Hall Prep.

Area athletes spark teams to a high rate of success

Springfield's Miller, Mountainside's King excel

Defense has been the name of the game for Governor Livingston this year, thanks in part to the efforts of players such as Mountainside resident Chet King.

Offense has been the name of the game for Seton Hall Prep this season, thanks in part to the efforts of players such as Springfield resident Jeff Miller.

GL is having one of its best seasons in a long time and has a chance to win seven games for the first time since 1987.

The Highlanders posted their fourth shutout victory of the season last Sunday when they blanked North Plainfield 14-0 in their second game in their new stadium, in Berkeley Heights.

Outside of giving up 48 points in a 48-34 loss to Central at Schools Stadium in Newark, GL has surrendered only 49 points in its other seven games for an average of yielding only one touchdown per contest.

The outstanding play on defense this year by Mountainside residents such as tackle King, one of the team's leading tacklers; cornerback Jim Debnis; tackles Brett Oberhauser, Scott Adams and Joe Leone; free safety

Bill Stoling; inside linebacker Jon Kulesar; free safety Mike Debnis; ends Derrick Wintemour and Phil Statile and cornerbacks Alex Polio and Phil Bellezza have led to shutout victories over New Providence (7-0), Roselle (19-0), Roselle Park (9-0) and North Plainfield (14-0).

H.S. Football

GL will close its season on Thursday at home against Johnson. The Crusaders (7-1) will host Mendham (6-2) this Saturday at 1 p.m. in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 semifinals at Nolan Field in Clark. The other semifinal pits fourth-seeded Dover (6-2) at top-seeded Caldwell (8-0). Dover defeated Mendham in last year's final.

Miller's ability to catch the ball on offense helped spark Seton Hall Prep (9-0), its first undefeated regular season since the early 1980s.

The team's leading receiver averaging seven catches per game, this year Miller set the Essex County record for most touchdown receptions in a single season.

Seton Hall Prep, the top seed, hosts fourth-seeded Holy Cross of Delran in

the Parochial, Group 4 semifinals this Saturday at 1 p.m., the likely sight of the game to be Livingston High School's artificial turf field.

The Pirates closed out their regular season with a 15-12 win over West Morris (6-2) last Saturday, the Wolfpack qualifying as the top seed in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3. Seton Hall Prep also defeated Morris, the third seed in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3, and Randolph, which qualified as the fourth seed in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4.

Should Seton Hall Prep win Saturday, then the Pirates will play the winner of Saturday's St. Joseph of Montvale at Bergen Catholic Parochial, Group 4 semifinal in that section's championship game. If that's the case, then the title game may be played at Montclair State University in Upper Merion, on Saturday, Dec. 6.

Other Springfield residents on the Seton Hall Prep roster include sophomore linebacker Damian Scott (6-0, 210) and sophomore defensive back Michael Basile (5-8, 160).

Scott wears No. 44, Basile No. 24 and Miller's number is 88.



Photo by Milton Mills

Mountainside's Chet King is an excellent two-way tackle for Governor Livingston.

Soccer standouts undefeated



The Mountainside Deerfield School boys' soccer team had an outstanding season, posting a perfect record of 10-0. The squad defeated Kenilworth, Oratory, Green Brook and Garwood twice and Springfield and Winfield Park once, outscoring the opposition by a 37-7 margin and posting four shutouts. Team members included goalkeeper Dan Legiec (4 shutouts); sweeper Micah Thau; stopper Matt DeAnna; fullbacks Steven Kress, Steven Bobko, Dave Lauricella, Nick Perez-Santalla and Jason Guinta; midfielders Timmy Britt and Jon Doorley and forwards Danny Drake (6 goals), Kevin Guidici-pietro (6), Chase Golomb (6), Jake Savette (5), Steven Brown (4), Kenny Kolanko (3) and Eric Feller. The 10 wins is the most of the six teams that have been undefeated in the history of the Deerfield School. "The kids played extremely well together and their passing game was so effective that teams were unable to defend very well against them," coach Kit Carson said.

Springfield Tornadoes boot Torpedoes

The Soccer Club of Springfield Tornadoes defeated Long Valley Torpedoes 4-1 in Long Valley last Sunday after beating the Highland Strikers 6-1 at home the day before.

The wins enabled the Tornadoes to extend their winning streak to nine games.

Defender John Bibbo made an excellent save in the win against Long Valley, clearing a wet ball that slipped from the hands of goalkeeper David Sauerhoff.

Springfield outshot Long Valley by a 22-8 margin as Sauerhoff made four saves and backup goalie Zach Marshall two.

Forwards Adam Moss and Jimmy Guanno scored two goals and assists were credited to Doug Singer and Marshall.

Also playing outstanding soccer for Springfield were midfielder Noah Friedman, striker Jason Cappa and, on defense, Ryan O'Reilly, Evan Pang, Kyle Seeley and Michael Dubiel.

Springfield fired 21 shots on goal in the win against the Highland Strikers as Guanno and Marshall scored two goals and Singer and Pang one. Pang's being his first of the season.

The outstanding defensive play of Dubiel, Bibbo, O'Reilly and Seeley limited the Strikers to just six shots on goal. Sauerhoff played well in goal and Friedman and Cappa booted shots that just missed going in.

The two wins gave the Tornadoes 25 points in league play, assuring them a first-place finish in their inaugural season of Morris County Youth Soccer Association play.

Dayton captures second straight Bulldogs post shutout

The Dayton Regional High School football team won its second consecutive game of the season by blanking Manville 14-0 in Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division action in Manville last Friday night.

Dayton improved to 2-6 overall and 2-3 in the Valley Division.

Dayton 14, Manville 0

The Bulldogs will close their season at Ridge (7-1) on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, Nov. 27 at 10:30 in Basking Ridge.

Ridge has already won the Valley Division title and has a 6-0 Valley Division record, seeking its seventh division victory.

According to Dayton head coach Sal Mistretta, sophomore running back BJ Jones scored both of Dayton's touchdowns in the Bulldogs' win over Manville. He returned a punt 45 yards for one score and then returned an interception 55 yards for the second.

Information reported to daily newspapers has been incorrect this year pertaining to the Dayton football team, probably because there are three Jones on the team.

Two weekends ago it was reported that BJ Jones scored the game-winning touchdown on a reception from senior quarterback Michael Lee.

However, it was senior wide receiver Robert Jones who caught the game-winning touchdown pass of 25 yards from Lee to give Dayton its first win of the year, a 21-17 MVC Valley Division season opener over Middlesex in the Bulldogs' home finale.

A report in a daily newspaper this past weekend stated that Dayton had scored 10 touchdowns and that BJ Jones had scored six and Lee four. Wrong again.

There's no denying that Dayton has scored 10 touchdowns (five 10) through its first eight games this year.

According to Mistretta, the touchdown breakdown goes like this: BJ Jones has scored five, Lee four and Robert Jones two.

Dayton will have its hands full when it plays at Ridge on Thanksgiving, a team that did not make the playoffs in Central Jersey, Group 2 with a 7-1 record. However, the Bulldogs do have the momentum of two consecutive victories.

Dayton	Governor Livingston
(H) Newark Central 26, Dayton 6	(A) GL 7, New Providence 9
(H) GL 28, Dayton 13	(A) GL 28, Dayton 13
(A) Brearley 48, Dayton 9	(A) Immaculata 22, GL 6
(A) Roselle Park 33, Dayton 9	(A) GL 19, Roselle 9
(H) Bound Brook 13, Dayton 12	(A) GL 27, Hillside 14
(H) North Plainfield 7, Dayton 6	(H) GL 9, Roselle Park 6
(H) Dayton 21, Middlesex 17	(A) Newark Central 48, GL 34
(A) Dayton 14, Manville 0	(H) GL 14, North Plainfield 9
Nov. 27 at Ridge, 10:30	Nov. 27 Johnson, 10:30
Record: 2-6	Record: 6-2
Home: 1-4	Home: 2-0
Away: 1-2	Away: 4-2
Points for: 72	Points for: 146
Points against: 72	Points against: 97
Shutouts: 1	Shutouts: 4

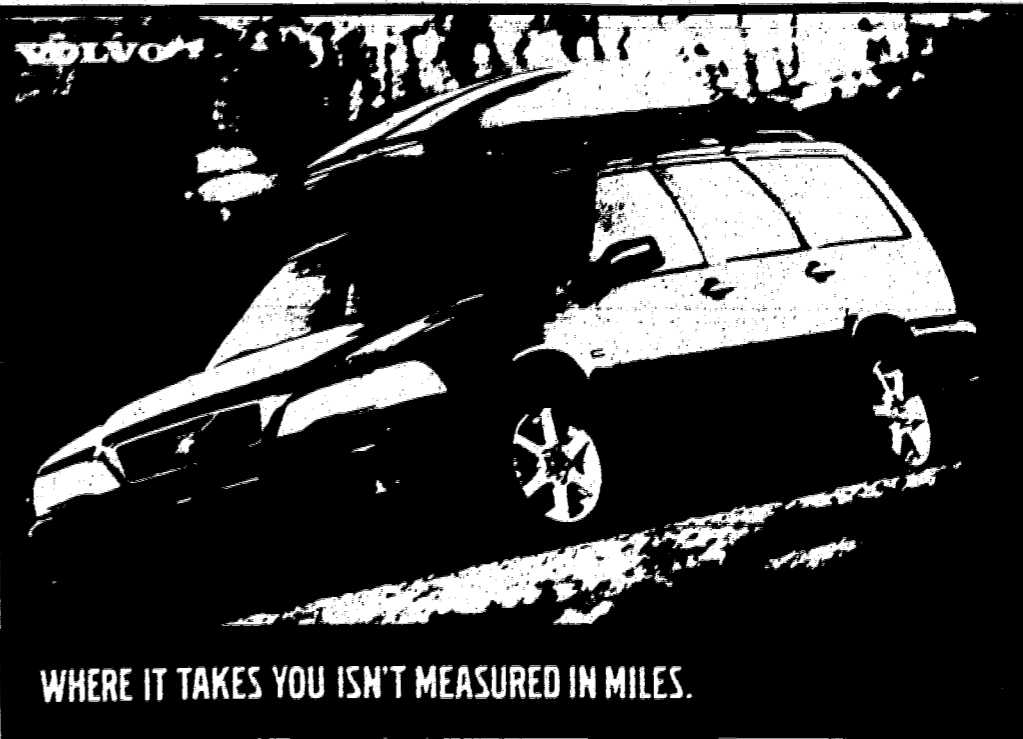
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UCUA on 'Forum'

On the latest edition of "Freeholder Forum," freeholders and a guest will talk about how the proposed plan to lease the Union County incinerator in Rahway is a necessary step to solve a solid-waste crisis and a related financial emergency.

Outreach schedule

The Division on Aging of the Department of Human Services has announced its elderly Outreach Services Program schedule for November.

Aging "County representatives will provide assistance at the sites in completing the necessary applications for these services, which can supplement the basic needs of the isolated elderly and sustain or improve their lives.

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By ALDAN O. MARJONEN
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Holidays to be discussed

Eileen O'Shea, a docent at the Miller Cory House, Westfield, will speak at 3 p.m. Dec. 7, at the meeting of the Union County Historical Society on "Holiday Customs."

Officers, who have been elected unanimously for 1997-98 are: President Vincent Parlepiano, First Vice President Richard T. Koiles, Second Vice President Hazel Hardgrove...

Prior to the election two amendments to the constitution of Union County Historical Society were approved...

Rajoppi joins committee

County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, a former mayor of Springfield, has been named a member of the National Association of Counties' NACO Intergovernmental Relations Steering Committee...

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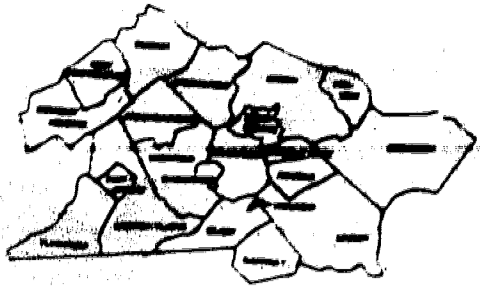
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From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Casavan, Editor in Chief



Between now and Jan. 1, members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and county administration will be deciding their agenda for the new year and in addition to eliminating the unnecessary positions they just created for County Manager Michael Lapolla, the freeholders should consider the following idea: bring county government to the people by holding freeholder meetings in each of the 21 municipalities on a rotating basis.

It certainly would show that the freeholders are willing to listen to the concerns of their constituents by going to them, instead of having their constituents drive to Elizabeth for conference and public meetings where there is little to no parking to accommodate them.

The concept has worked well in Essex County during the last year, and perhaps if Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender can't find the time to make the phone call, she should reach out to the unnecessary public relations firm hired by the county and ask Dan Cash if he would be willing to make the phone call to find out how it's done.

Better yet, I'll save the county some money and tell you how it was done without charging for the news space.

Prior to the 1997 reorganization, meeting of the Essex County Board of Freeholders, the freeholders reached out to each town to determine when they could use the municipalities' town halls or county facilities to hold their monthly conference and board meetings. They worked around conflicts very easily and set such a schedule that each town is host to the freeholders at least once throughout the year.

To cite some examples, the Essex freeholders this month have met at the Occupational Center in Orange and Glen Ridge Town Hall and are expected to meet at the end of the month in Verona Town Hall. In October, they met at the Hall of Records in Newark, the Turtle Back Zoo in West Orange, Orange City Hall, and Irvington Town Hall.

In only two months, the Essex freeholders traveled to six of the 22 towns they represent.

The Union County Board of Freeholders meets on Thursday nights, an ideal evening to travel to local town halls because, to the best of my knowledge, only two local governing bodies meet on Thursday nights — those in Fanwood and Roselle Park. But they don't meet every Thursday night, so the freeholders can't use inaccessibility to Fanwood and Roselle Park as an excuse not to try to put this idea in motion.

If Roselle Park meets the first and third Thursday nights of each month, the freeholders could meet in the borough on the second or fourth Thursday of any month.

County government is the most invisible layer of government that affects the local property taxpayer. If constituents in Summit or New Providence are interested in county government, but don't have the time or desire to drive to Elizabeth on a Thursday night, it would be easier for them to attend freeholder meetings in their own towns or neighboring towns. Residents of Summit may find it easier to get to Springfield or Mountainside if the freeholders are meeting there instead of Elizabeth.

Residents of Kenilworth, knowing that the freeholders would be meeting in Roselle Park or Cranford on a particular Thursday night, might have more time to make it to a meeting than if it were held in the county administration building in Elizabeth.

By moving freeholder meetings to local municipalities, the Board of Freeholders would give residents of Union County more of an opportunity to understand what the county layer of government actually does, and why they pay money every quarter of the year to sustain it.

There can be no reason why the 1998 freeholders should object to this idea. It's time to put it in place.

Via the White House, one man has stories to tell

Harry Pappas' career is recounted on 'The Wall'

By Jay Hochberg
Regional Editor

Sitting in his Springfield home, Harry Pappas doesn't fit what might be an image of a White House veteran — but he is.

The self-described political activist has a history in politics that reaches decades into the past, years before he accepted a position in the Carter White House. It's a story narrated by the subjects in the dozens of photographs filling the walls of his study.

"The wall isn't anything special," he said. "It's just a collection of interesting moments in my life. I've been lucky to have met so many wonderful people, making some friends along the way."

"The Wall," which has earned an almost mythical reputation over the years, is a collection of framed photos, personal letters and assorted mementos from some of the most notable figures in American political history of the past 30 years.

Placed in chronological order are ex-Presidents George Bush and Jimmy Carter, Sen. Ted Kennedy, former New York Mayor John Lindsay, Ed Koch and David Dinkins and the late Vice President Hubert Humphrey, among others. From outside the political world come actors Alan Alda and William Shatner, and band-leader Guy Lombard.

Seen several times in Desmond Tutu, who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984. Two years later, upon his installation as archbishop of South Africa, Tutu sent an invitation. Pappas, being him to join the celebration, Pappas accepted, traveling to South Africa with his friend Corretta Scott King.

"I've known Corretta and her family for over 20 years, and if you think my wall is impressive, you should sit in her living room and look at the Nobel Prize given to Dr. King."

Placed elsewhere in the room are mementos in a variety of Washington events, including state dinners and meetings at the White House. There are laminated credentials giving the reader total access to several Democratic National Conventions, and others granting some access to the White House, Air Force One and the Pentagon.

As proven by one photo, so much access was given that Pappas was able to sit comfortably in the presidential chair aboard Air Force One.

"That one, taken in the 'flying Oval Office,' was taken at the direction of President Carter," he said. "He was a great host and during one trip he suggested we switch seats, and the White House photographer took the photo."

Rather than depicting famous people stiffly smiling and shaking hands, most of the photographs are candid shots.

In one, Pappas stands between Carter and former Vice President Walter Mondale and their wives, an uncommon situation given Secret Service concerns.

In another photo, he is joined by President George Bush and his wife Barbara.

"At a reception, I was hurrying down a hallway, when a door opens and out comes Mrs. Bush," he said. "We almost knocked each other over. I thought the Secret Service was going to shoot me, but she just put her hand out and said 'Have we formally met? I'm Barbara Bush.' I'm red-faced, she's laughing and the Secret Service agents are gritting their teeth."

"There is a story behind every photo, letter and invitation," Pappas added, pointing at Henry Kissinger, then Joe Namath. "I look at one and it triggers a memory. The one of Terry Waite was taken in Cape Town. We were talking about the rumors of Terry being in line to win the Nobel Peace Prize, and of his pending trip to Beirut to negotiate freeing the hostages."

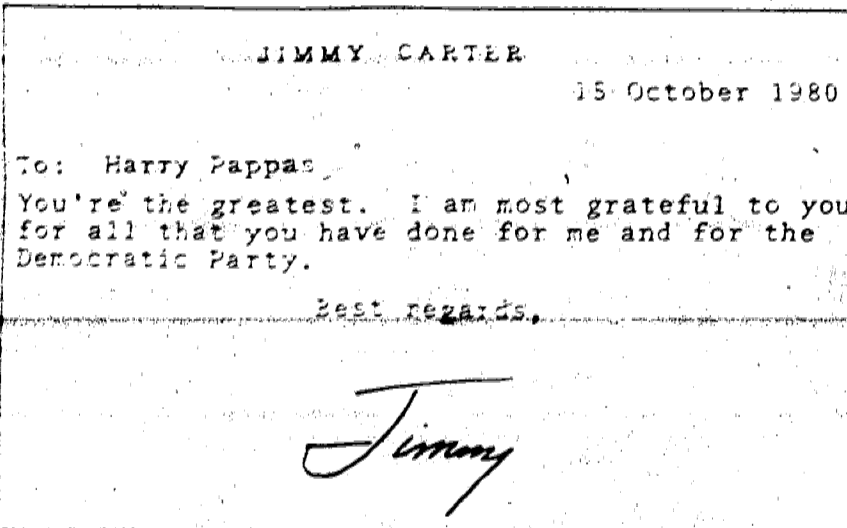
"He was very aware of the danger in making such a trip. The rest is history; he became a hostage there for well over a year."

"I developed an interest in politics long before I was old enough to vote," he continued. "My entry into national politics began in 1967 at a party in Boston. There I met several movers and shakers who had been with President Kennedy, and I was invited to work for Bobby Kennedy."

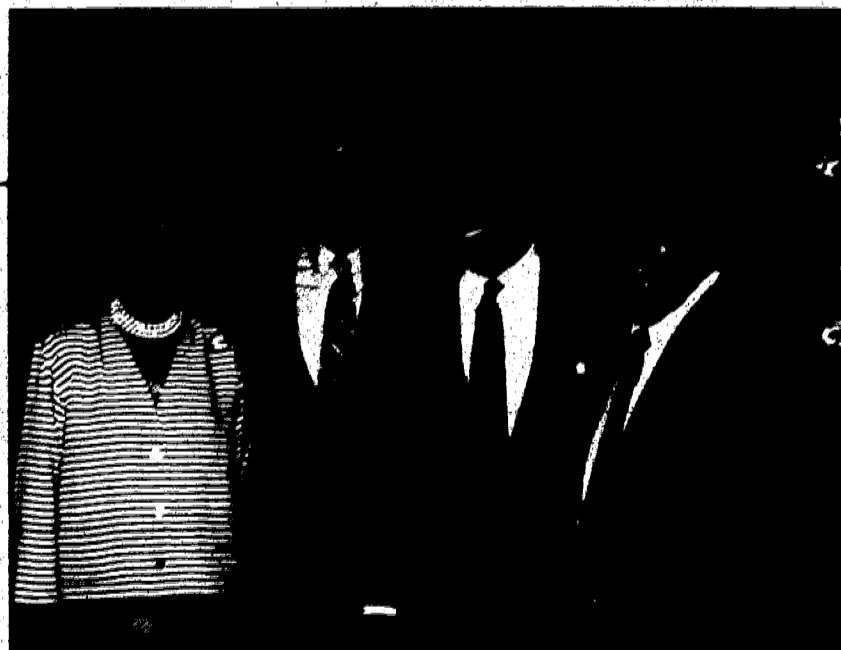
Following the assassination of the younger Kennedy, Pappas was intro-



Harry Pappas takes a seat — President Jimmy Carter's — aboard Air Force One during a flight in 1980.



A note from President Jimmy Carter thanks Pappas for his efforts during the 1980 campaign.



Harry Pappas, at right, joins First Lady Barbara Bush, President George Bush and Rep. Jim Courter when the congressman ran for governor in 1989.



Harry Pappas, at the center of it all in Campaign '80, is joined by Vice President Walter Mondale, President Jimmy Carter and their wives.

duced to Humphrey, after which he became a member of his 1968 campaign staff. Two years later, I found myself in Minnesota during his Senate race. In the years I knew Hubert and his wife Muriel, I enjoyed a warm personal friendship with them."

In coming years, Pappas' stature in national politics increased as he moved inside the Democratic Party, serving as assistant treasurer and assistant chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

In those days I would go to Washington as many as four times a week to attend meetings, dinners or White House events," he said. "The many events at the White House were memorable, of course, but my favorite trip to 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. was on Oct. 6, 1979."

"There I joined 8,000 other invited guests of the president to greet His Holiness, Pope John Paul II. It was a day I'll never forget. I recall sitting in the fifth row, looking behind me and seeing a sea of white chairs placed on the South Lawn. Directly in front of me was Gregory Peck; to the left was Cyrus Vance, the secretary of state; in another row was George Meany, the AFL-CIO president. And there was everyone else you could think of, from heads of state to most of Hollywood. Everywhere you looked was the 'Who's Who' of the world at that reception."

Equally memorable, but less auspicious, Pappas said, was one late night dinner in the mansion.

"We were eating pizza in the Cabinet Room, next to the Oval Office," he added. "The next morning, the odor of pizza was all over because someone left an entire pie on one of those big leather chairs. I bet someone caught hell for it."

Bringing friends to the White House and other seats of power was a favorite pastime of his, "just to watch their faces."

"I remember taking Union Mayor Anthony Russo and his daughter to a White House reception," he added. "Tony still talks about the time I introduced him to the president — his face was glowing — and to the first lady and their son."

Dennis Estis and his wife Becky, from Fanwood, and Elizabeth Councilman Craig Exilbert attended two other receptions... there were so many. My mother and our family priest, Father James Aloupis, from Mountainside, attended an event in the Rose Garden."

When the Democrats held their national convention at Madison Square Garden in 1980, Pappas was approached by a Secret Service agent at the podium saying someone wanted to see him.

It was Union County's Republican County Clerk Walter Halpin. "He attended the convention simply because he enjoyed them," Pappas said. "I walked to the very top of the Garden, and Walter was sitting just under the ABC booth."

"I said 'What are you doing here, Mr. Republican?' and he asked me what I thought I was doing at the podium. I told him to keep his eye on me." Pappas walked to the podium and approached the chairman of the convention, Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill, and asked him to wave to Halpin.

"Walter was up on his feet waving back," he added. "I think Walter got over that, but I bet he never forgot it."

When asked to single out his favorite occasion in Washington, Pappas needed only a second to start telling of a time years after he'd left the White House.

"Just a few years ago, I took my children to Washington for a weekend. We took a tour of the White House, and as we were waiting in line, I mentioned to the kids that I had some great times there."

"A member of the Secret Service overheard me and asked if I was an alumnus. Within seconds he confirmed what I told him, and we were taken out of line and given a private tour and permitted to take photographs."

"The expressions on my kids' faces I will never forget. It made my day." Pappas' past in government also involves New Jersey, Union County and his hometown.

In 1975, under the old form of county government, he was appointed purchasing agent for Union County. When the county manager form of government was adopted, he was named to two positions: director of purchasing and purchasing agent.

During those years, he saved the county \$90,000 by making the purchase of fuel oil open for bids. He received several resolutions from the Board of Chosen Freeholders — they hang on the wall — commending his work, and unanimously was elected chairman of the State Association of County Purchasing Agents in 1976.

"We really were able to accomplish a great deal in those days," Pappas said. "With a total staff of five in the purchasing department, I conducted the first county-wide inventory of everything owned by Union County. We counted and tagged over 7,000 items. That practice is still in effect today, but now they have a lot more help."

Pappas also held the county's first public auction to sell county-owned property — a practice now required by law. He also wrote the book, literally, on county government purchasing procedures. The manual is in use today throughout the state.

At the state level, Pappas served as a legislative assistant to the president of the state Senate in the '70s, and as an aide in the Assembly in the '80s. In 1988 he accepted a position as a contract administrator with the Pentagon's Defense Logistics Agency. In 1989, then County Manager Joseph Martin asked him to return to county government as its director of central services, handling the purchasing needs of the county.

In 1991, the lifelong Democrat, whose career is recorded in the photos of himself with legends of the party, was elected to office in his own right — as a Republican. He served one term on Springfield's Township Committee.

"In the early days I was a Democrat, and today I'm a Republican," he said. "I recognize good and bad in people regardless of party labels or what they call themselves in politics."

When pressed for a reason for switching parties, Pappas again was quick to answer.

"Politics is not for the faint of heart, and I really get turned off by bad government. The phony politicians who let their egos run wild and are greedy, those who think nothing of abusing power and work on the dark side of government... Perhaps that's why I became a Republican."

"Several years ago, I was involved in a lawsuit with Union County," he continued, "which sadly was permitted to become political by the court — pure and simple. It took the Appellate Court of New Jersey before I was vindicated, and my faith in the judicial system was renewed."

"Politics has been good to me and I have no complaints," he added. "I'm thankful because I have met so many nice people and many I am pleased to call by friends. I'm a lucky man and I feel good about the many people I have helped seek public office. My only regret is that voters look at the political process with disdain, rather than take charge of their government."

"For too long, the cart has been pulling the horse in government, and many public officials have forgotten their roles as public servants — something I have never forgotten."

Pappas now serves as the deputy executive director of the Union County Utilities Authority, and prior to that was with the Essex County Utilities Authority.

On the proposed 25-year lease of the UCUA incinerator to the firm that built and operates it, a deal described as the way to keep the UCUA solvent and save taxpayers millions, Pappas was optimistic.

"A lot of people have been working hard to make this happen and it would be a win-win situation," he said. "Reducing our tipping fee of \$83 to \$50 is a home run and is proof positive of what government can do when the UCUA and the freeholders work hand-in-hand."

On his future, Pappas said he "takes one day at a time," and of his past he said "you don't forget these kinds of things, but if you repeat them, people think you're making it up."

But if a picture's value is 1,000 words, then Pappas' story is repeated in volumes.

Our county depends on international trade

New residents of Union County realize how much our economy depends on an ever-growing level of international trade. We are a county with its economic base anchored in transportation and distribution facilities, particularly those which transport, store, distribute and supply exports of American manufacturers and imports in American industry and retailing.

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Merchandise plant facilities within Union County's superior system of rail and road and its strategic position in every sense is the largest, richest market in the world and you can understand the importance of international trade to our taxpayers, wage earners and business community.

But there's even more to the benefits we derive from worldwide industry and commerce. Did you know that some of the finest farms, corporate names in Union County are, in fact, foreign companies whose investments

Freeholder Forum

By Linda Stender

here have brought us tax revenues, jobs, business opportunities and wonderful corporate citizens. To name just a few, Schering Plough, Novartis, Atlanta, BOC, Hasbarm & Renner, Hoechst, IKEA and K-Line have major facilities in Union County.

The huge Metro Mall, nearing completion in Elizabeth, is being developed by Orpen of Elizabeth's European investment group based in Denmark. Peter Asgaard, its president, had the following to say when asked why his company settled in Union County for the Metro Mall: "When you look at a map, it's not difficult to see why we chose it because of the components. The first is, better prospects, the second is the infrastructure. If you drive a circle of 20 miles around the area, there are 15 million people living there. Newark Airport is very efficient and its jettingment will have a seaport, major highways, and waterborne and rail access possibilities. It's a remarkable area."

And, of course, smaller service organizations and manufacturers in Union County sell to larger domestic and foreign firms that depend directly on international trade.

Yet with all the benefits Union County derives from worldwide commerce, there is still much more we can do to realize the full potential of this unique opportunity.

That is why, last year, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, launched a number of major economic development initiatives, with a strong focus on international trade.

Among these are:

- The new Union County Economic Development Department has

retained a consultant to advise us on what more needs to be done to stimulate investment and trade by foreign companies and U.S. exporters.

- The Department is also following up on Union County's recent special section in the *Wall Street Journal* by launching an aggressive marketing campaign.

- One important aspect of this campaign is to have direct contact with commercial attaches at the New York consulates of America's major trading partners. This same International Task Force will be working directly with attorneys, accountants, freight forwarders and others representing foreign companies. And, local commercial and industrial realtors will be given assistance in "selling" Union County to foreign companies seeking U.S. sites.

- The county is presently planning a trade conference with the business community of Luxembourg, which is being arranged by U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg, Clay Constantino. It will be held Dec. 2 and 3 in Union and Elizabeth.

- We also have negotiated the establishment of a major information center devoted to Union County, at Newark International Airport. This facility will distribute data to hun-

dreds of thousands of foreign visitors every year.

Union County is actively seeking cost-effective opportunities to team up with state, federal and Port Authority trade missions to carry our message to developed nations' own centers of commerce.

- The Gateway Center for Regional Development at Kean University is set up to provide foreign companies with a vast array of economic, financial and demographic data they will need to successfully plan their international trade programs in Union County.

The future of our county's economy will be closely tied to international trade. Your Board of Chosen Freeholders is determined to take all necessary steps today to make sure the future belongs to us and our children. With our new Department of Economic Development, and our many partners in the public and private sectors, I am confident that Union County can seize and hold leadership in this vital area.

Linda Stender, a former mayor of Fanwood, is serving her second term as a county freeholder. Freeholders' Forum is a monthly feature in this newspaper.

Sierra Trail bridges to be fixed

Improvements will soon be made to the Berkeley Heights section of the Sierra Trail, an 11-mile trail that traverses Union County's largest park, the Watching Reservation.

Three bridges will be installed along severely eroded portions of trail to aid users in crossing streams and to prevent further erosion of the stream banks. The project is funded in part by a \$6,200 grant received from the Federal Highway Administration's National Recreational Trails Act.

The bridges will be installed in stages and trail workers are being sought to begin the process in or after Saturday.

No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Trail work takes place regularly, one Saturday a month — usually the first Saturday — from March through December from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Other projects include removal of exotic plant species which compete with native plants, installation of erosion control measures — including steps and water bars, pruning, trail blazing and more.

Call Trailside Nature & Science Center for details and to register at (908) 789-3670. Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road.

COUNTY NEWS

Skating lessons begin

Ice skating lessons for people with disabilities will be offered at the Watchung Park Skating Center.

On Saturdays through Dec. 13, individual instruction will be provided by the Skating Center's staff from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Both beginner and advanced students can be accommodated. Skates will be provided for those needing them.

For information on this and other programs for people with disabilities, contact the Union County Division of

Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4999. The Watchung Park Skating Center is located off St. Georges Avenue, in Roselle.

UCUA on 'Forum'

On the latest edition of "Freeholders' Forum," freeholders and a guest will talk about how the proposed plan to lease the Union County incinerator in Rahway is a necessary step to solve a solid-waste crisis and a related financial emergency.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Union resident performs in national tour of 'Grease'

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

Life in show business is old hat to Rachel Smargiassi of Union, who, at the age of 23 going on 24, is performing the role of Frenchie on a national tour of "Grease." The company, which opened at Harrah's Casino in Atlantic City on Oct. 30, will end its Atlantic City run on Dec. 14. And at that time, after touring with "Grease" for more than a year, Smargiassi hopes to leave the company, the Troika Organization, before it embarks on its continuing tour into Canada.

The lovely young actress, who resembles Liza Minnelli — "lots of people have told me that I look like Liza" — visited this office recently to talk about her young life in the entertainment world.

"Previously, I toured with 'Grease' throughout the United States, from Reno, Nevada; Miami, Florida; San Antonio, Texas; a lot of the midwest, Ohio, Atlanta, Georgia; to Escondido, California," she recalled. "Atlantic City is the last stop for me. I did it for about a year-and-a-half. Now I can't wait to move on to something else, but it was an amazing experience."

Smargiassi admitted that she "loves 'Grease.' Everyone loves the show. They all love the music. You know, in Miami, I worked with Frankie Avalon, who had made a guest appearance. You know, he played the teen angel in the movie. He joined our tour and as a guest star sang 'Beauty School Dropout' to the character I was to play. At the time I was in the chorus, and I was just coming into the role. I had had to re-audition in January. I had been doing the tour since September, 1996.

"It seems," she sighed, "that I have been doing more auditioning in my life than shows. I started to do this since I was 7-years-old. My mom put me in dancing school and I loved it. My brother, Thomas III, who is two years older than I am, is an opera singer right now performing in Italy. And we'd been performing in benefit shows, hospitals, old age homes throughout New Jersey and New York."

Smargiassi had started her dance training with the Westminster Dance Academy. She had a full dance scholarship there by the time she was 12-years-old, and shortly thereafter assisted the teachers with her own teaching. She went on to become one of the leading staff and along with choreography, taught ballet, tap and jazz. She studied at the Mason Gross Workshop at the age of 14, where she continued her training. And when she was 15, Smargiassi was cast for the role of Maggie Winshaw in "A Chorus Line," performed at the New Jersey Arts Center.

"My first play at Union High School," she said, "was in 'Bye Bye Birdie.' I got the lead role of Rosie Alvarez. Then I did 'Guys and Dolls,' where I played Miss Adelaide. After graduating from high school, I went to the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York City." She studied acting, dance, musi-



Rachel Smargiassi

to and voice. "That's when I decided this is really what I wanted to do. I knew that all my life I wanted to perform. And even though I was a little shy, I was able to get up on that stage and perform. Now, I'm over that," she smiled confidently.

After she graduated from the academy, Smargiassi began studying voice with Ariel Bybee, and studied with Marjorie Peters, who is in charge of the voice department at the Manhattan School of Music.

She has high aspirations, as well, she smiled. "I hope to go to Broadway. I toured for more than a year. I know the ups and downs of theater, so I know I can do Broadway. On the road," said the actress, "I did nine shows a week plus

traveling sometimes 600 miles a day. I also did 10 shows a week with 'Grease.' It's a great show. It's so big now. But it's hard," she admitted.

The reason that she's been able to continue with such enthusiasm and gusto, "is because I have such supportive parents. They always encouraged my brother and me to do this. We both live at home. And before this tour, I had been taking the Jersey Transit to the city every day. Every day, I had to be on that bus, then waiting on line with about 30 or 40 people — waiting all day just to sing 16 bars and to hear them say, 'Thank you.' When you get lucky, they call you back. You know, I auditioned for three or four years before I got this audition, and hearing a lot of 'nos' before you hear the 'yes!'"

"For the 'Grease' audition, they gave me a script for Frenchie. I understood the role of Frenchie, was told that there would be a national tour, and I was just as anxious to get on that tour even though I began by singing with the ensemble, until such time that I could play the role of Frenchie, which, by the way, does not include too much singing."

Smargiassi explained that "I had been doing dinner theater for three years before 'Grease.' The first thing I did was 'The Andrew Sisters Memoir,' in which I played Laverne, the oldest of the three. I had to learn all the harmony. You know, the Andrew sisters did everything by ear. They made up all those harmonies — just by ear. It was tough. I had to learn it all off the recordings. It took me two weeks to learn them all for Peter Palumbo Productions. Peter was the director. We performed at Perona Farms in Sparta. We toured with that and covered all the resorts in the Catskills on and off for two years.

"I worked with the same company," she said, "and they had done 'The Julie Stein's Revue.' I got to sing all the songs Bruce Springsteen sang in 'Penny Girl.' At the same time, I was working on the Spring of New York Grease, which toured the harbor in New York City. I was a singing waitress as part of the entertainment," Smargiassi smiled. "It wasn't easy, but I'm glad I did it."

Smargiassi reiterated her gratitude and the inspiration she obtained from her parents. "My mother, Susan, is a first designer. She designs clothing and is very creative. My father, Thomas, is a letter carrier for the Westfield Post Office."

There was a note of sadness in her voice as she said, "Now, I'll be leaving the show, 'Grease.' I'm back at square one. But I'm ready to go back out there. I miss singing solo even though Frenchie was a fun role otherwise."

"I used to sing Lisa Minnelli songs. I would love to do 'Cabaret.' And I'd love to do Adelaide again. I'm really going to miss the show and the company. It was an amazing experience. I love the tempo. They're really great, and especially our director, Ray Demattis. He was the original producer of 'Grease,' and he played with John Travolta in the show in 1972. Ray was the one who actually gave me the role." She sighed, "I hope to work with him again."

Paper Mill presents Biblical spectacular

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

Everyone has his own conception of the Old Testament's version of Adam and Eve, and Noah and his Ark, and Stephen Schwartz is no exception. His version, based on a concept by Charles Lisianby, with a book by John Caird, however, has been brought to the Paper Mill Playhouse stage in Millburn as "Children of Eden," featuring his lively music and lyrics with a cast of more than 50 people that is nothing more than entertain, entertain, entertain. And with the exceptionally talented Robert Johanson directing, and Michael Anania's sets to thrill an audience, watching this most unusual two-act production is an absolute joy. It's really like watching two different plays.

One of the most fascinating aspects of "Children of Eden" is William Solo, who with his cherubic, white-bearded, angelic, absolutely pure, beautiful face, plays God — the characters refer to him as Father — and as presented, he looks like what one might imagine God looks like. And Solo has a wonderful voice to match and a talent that far surpasses many other performers. Another fascinating aspect is in the second act, when Noah gathers his animals, two by two, to board his ark. Many of the animals are played by children — there are very large, very small and in between — and the scene is a real show-stopper, with children and adults in the audience pointing and shouting, "Look at that one. And that one!" It is a scene unlike any the Paper Mill has ever offered.

The marvelous, multi-ethnic cast is led by Stephanie Mills, who plays Eve and Mrs. Noah, and who starred on Broadway 20 years ago as Dorothy in "The Wiz." In addition to her musical talent, she is truly convincing, in the first act, as Eve, who grows old gracefully, and in the second act, as Mrs. Noah, who is equally concerned about her children. Adrian Zmed as Adam/Noah works very hard in both roles. He is splendid — a perfect Adam and a perfect Noah — with an exceptional voice to match.

There also is a young man, Darius de Haas, who is so overwhelming both as Cain and Japheth that his stage work will remain with the audience long after the show's finale. Kelli Rabke, known to Paper Mill subscribers as Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz," is excellent in the role of Yonah. She has certainly found her destiny over the rainbow. Hunter Foster, a young sensitive actor, plays his dual role of Abel/Ham to perfection.

The music, ranging from ballad to gospel, and directed by conductor Danny Kosar, the wonderful choreography created by Dawn DiPasquale, which made the audience want even more than offered, the changing scenery by the incomparable Anania, who brought forth the marvelously pure Garden of Eden, only to change it to an empty forlorn wasteland, scenery depicting God's anger and in the second act, the enormous ark,



Adam and Eve stand before the Tree of Knowledge in the Paper Mill Playhouse Stephen Schwartz musical production of "Children of Eden," which will run through Dec. 14. Adrian Zmed is Adam and Stephanie Mills is Eve.

the bushes and flowers and trees, which hid the children holding them, signified how special is this musical play. Also, the enchanting costumes by Gregg Barnes, special lighting by Jack Mehler and sound design by David R. Paterson, gave the production an added special flavor that tasted of Broadway.

Kean takes audiences on a pleasant trip 'Into the Woods'

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Kean University takes audiences into grim territory with their production of "Into the Woods," a Steven Sondheim musical which explores what happens after "happily ever after." With all the poetry and whimsy of fairy tales, "Into the Woods" also communicates the darker side of fantasy.

Audiences will see some familiar characters — Cinderella, Little Red Ridinghood, Jack and the Beanstalk and Rapunzel — as well as The Baker and His Wife, a childless couple under the spell of, you guessed it, The Witch. In order to break the spell, The Witch commands the couple to bring to her "the cow as white as milk, the cape as red as blood, the hair as yellow as corn and the slipper as pure as gold." Their efforts become an exercise in networking, since Jack has the cow, Red Riding Hood the cape, etc. Each acquisition veers into the fantasy desires of the characters, until everybody has what they've always wanted — until Act Two, when Jack's too-frequent trips up the beanstalk bring on The Giant, who threatens the new-found security.

This cast presents some good acting, and everyone was in good voice, although unfortunately it was hard to hear due to glitches in the sound system. Luckily, many of the female performers showed off some powerful pipes, with comical bellowing.

Notable is Hope Weinstein, sweet as Cinderella; Shayne Miller, impetuous as Jack; and Ernie Hernandez and Kristen Umansky, endearing as the Baker and His Wife, respectively. Nicole Venson presents a very ugly and beautiful Witch, all at the same time, and adds to the very many funny moments in the show. Nicole Butcher portrays a cute Little Red Riding Hood a la Lucy Van Pelt.

The two princes, Brian Madrigal and Michael Archuleta, are highly entertaining as they ride in on their white wooden steeds, and sing of the "Agony" of pursuing the fairer sex. Not to be outdone are their counterparts, The Wolf and Mysterious Man. Wolf, whose satisfied belch competes with the women's lung power, is portrayed with sleazy hilarity by Kevin Glackin, with a jocular rendition of "Hello, Little Girl." Kevin Grom's Mysterious Man keeps the audience giggling, with nice special effects.

The Wolf's feast of Granny and Riding Hood is cleverly staged, and good use is made of remote controlled livestock, although Witch's transformation was off by a few beats. Costumes are well done and appropriate — Cindy's gown is to die for, and Witch's hair and nose are too monstrous to be believed — before the transformation, that is — although Brenda Gonzales' Granny looks a little young to be a grandmother. The set is an elaborate effort, employing much artistic effort and vibrant color. The stage border is just beautiful, and the backdrop responds well to lighting changes. Finally, the orchestra rounds out a good production with fine tone.

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Swain Galleries proudly displays 'Heritage' show

Alonzo Adams' multi-media show, "Heritage," is the first solo exhibit by an African-American contemporary painter at Swain Galleries in Plainfield where it is scheduled through Nov. 28.

Adams' graduate degree in fine art is the result of an act of kindness that brought his work to the attention of actor/comedian Bill Cosby. Cosby offered Adams a fellowship to study oil painting "anywhere in the world," the artist said, "and I chose the University of Pennsylvania." Born in Harlem, Adams was raised in Plainfield, received his high school degree at St. Joseph's in Metuchen and went on to the Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers for his undergraduate degree followed by studies at the duCret School of the Arts in Plainfield where he developed his color sense and his love for watercolors. Adams' work also includes in this exhibit oils, graphite, lithographs and serigraph.

"With different media, I can move back and forth to whatever I think suits my subject best. This way, I get to break the rules and combine techniques as well," he affirmed. His styles his influences as Eakins and Rembrandt, African-American Charles White who worked in charcoal, and Bert Silverman whose textured style appealed to Adams.

Adams' theme is the broad scope of joys and pain universal to all people, with outdoor and indoor scenes, moments of affection, a woman sewing a quilt, an homage to his grandmother, and generally the way of life in the inner-city. "I intend my work to be a good representation of the work and passion of the people I know the best. I speak with my heart through my hands," he stated.

The Alonzo Adams exhibit opens on Nov. 1 with a reception from 5-7 p.m. and continues weekdays 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays to 4 p.m. at Swain Galleries, 705 Washington Ave. in the historic Crescent District of Plainfield. For details, call (908) 756-1707.

Students to perform with arts institute

Members from the New Jersey Summer Arts Institute's 1997 John Bennehender Training Company will be performing selections from their summer tour "Blue Children's Liberation Army" at the National Performance during the National Festival of the Arts in Philadelphia on Saturday. The SAI performance, created by 11 students from across New Jersey and New York, incorporates writing, live music, dance, media and visual arts. Its theme, "Lost Childhood," was developed around the issues children are faced with around the world when they become victims of exploitation — as soldiers, laborers and prodigies. The piece presents childhood as a time to be cherished and challenges each of us to be responsible for our most valuable human resource: our children.

The New Jersey Summer Arts Institute is a five-week residential program that provides adolescents and young adults with intense study in the arts. The primary goal of SAI is to give students high quality, serious, yet innovative pre-college arts experiences. In this context, students have the ability to focus, explore and define academic and career goals. SAI students who will be performing at the National Festival of the Arts include Michael Scott from Essex County and Malik Young from Union County.

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general was excellent at the restaurant, with very friendly and attentive service. I would definitely recommend Qing Feng Buffet.

This column is intended to inform our readers about dining opportunities in the area.

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Qing Feng Buffet in Linden is a great place to bring the family to eat — or to bring an adventurous appetite.

All of the food at the Qing Feng Buffet is excellent, with offerings ranging from standbys like General Tso's Chicken to more exotic and unusual offerings: Crab Rangoon, Shanghai Dumplings — soft filled dumplings — and steamed crab legs.

There was also a great variety of food. The buffet is made up of three team tables, two of them crammed with Chinese cuisine — mostly meat dishes but also soups, seafood and at least one steamed vegetable dish.

My tastes went more toward the meat dishes, of which I sampled many. There were a number that I especially enjoyed.

The chicken on a stick was very good and tender, almost falling off the stick. One of my guests observed that it was not overcooked, as this dish often is at other

restaurants. The fried pork meatballs were also very good, as was the Vegetable Lo Mein. The barbecue pork ribs and the Peking-style pork chops had some unusual spicing, but were also very tasty.

The butter mushrooms were tasty, juicy and tender. The hot and sour soup was also excellent, although I recommend going slow with this soup — it is hot.

My guests enjoyed the General Tso's and the sweet and sour chicken, as well as the Dim Sum soup, the boneless ribs and the Crab Rangoon.

You probably couldn't beat the price: \$4.99 for a lunch buffet and \$7.99 for the dinner buffet, both with drinks and helpings from the ice cream bar. They also have a la carte dishes.

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Humperdinck performance thrills Paper Mill audience

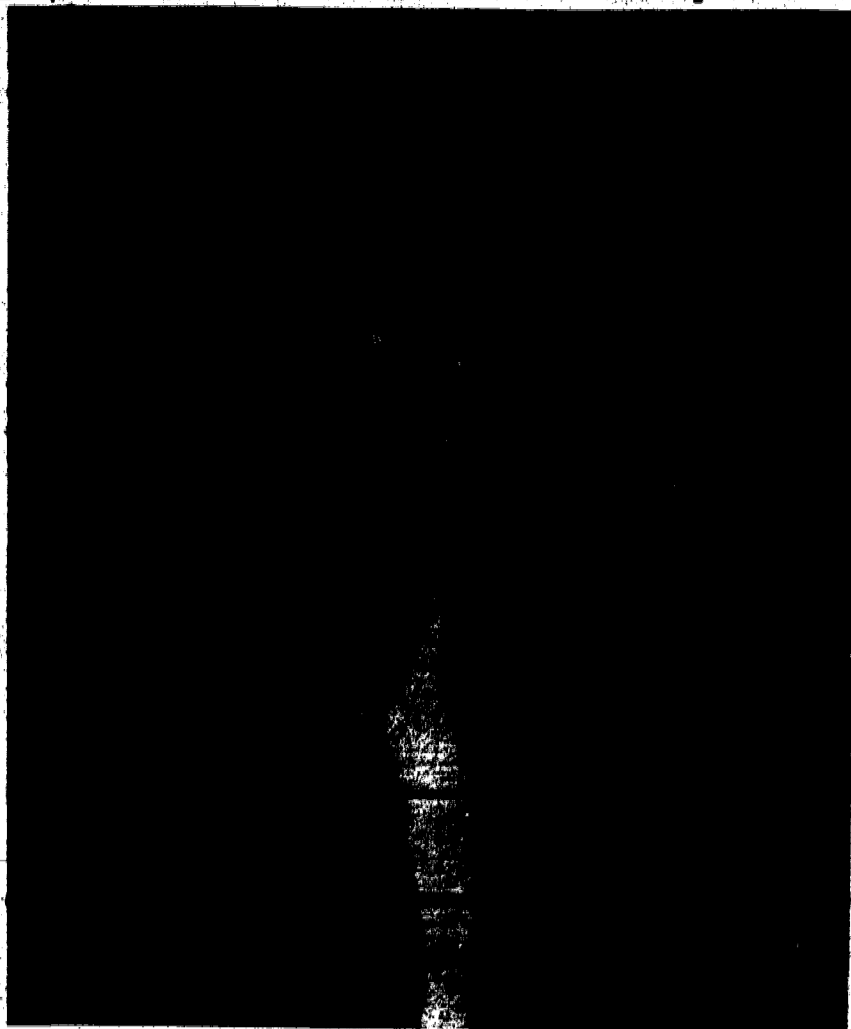
By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

Thirty years ago, Englebert Humperdinck made a record called "Release Me," and literally millions of women flocked to him and to his fan clubs. Since then he has sold more than 100 million records internationally, has a fan club with eight million members in more than 250 chapters, and his followers have an overwhelming attachment to him. They have "all of his records" and "all of his albums" and "never miss a performance," whether it is in Las Vegas, Atlantic City or Millburn.

So, when his name was announced that he would appear in concert at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, the theater box office was besieged by calls for tickets — at \$60 a throw — and was unable to handle the load.

Those lucky enough to get tickets bombarded the Paper Mill Playhouse on Nov. 11, and the theater, filled with "middle-aged bobbysoxers," among others — members of his fan club had the first couple of rows — and they stood up and applauded and cheered after every number. And a non-fan in the person of this reviewer suddenly became a fan.

The man, born Arnold George Dorsey in England, who changed his name to that of the 19th century Austrian composer who wrote "Hansel and Gretel," is still extremely handsome, very talented and completely versatile, with dimples that could turn any woman into a raving fan. He sang his favorite songs, such as "You Are the Light of My Life," "This Moment in Time," "Yesterday," "Love Is All I Have to Give," "I'm Still in Love With You," "Just a Little Love." When he admitted that "I love to sing ballads" everyone cheered and applauded.



Englebert Humperdinck

He thrilled the audience with his rendition of "Spanish Eyes" both in English and in Spanish, with his two lovely backup singers and a seven-piece band, and "They Tried to Tell Us We're Too Young," during which one could hear a pin drop. He did some rock-and-roll, a few light-footed dances and several imitations that were so outstanding and so entertaining that the audience was in its glory. Humperdinck admitted that he started out at the age of 17 by doing imita-

tions. When he imitated Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis singing "That's Amore," he looked just like Dean and Jerry. Elvis Presley, during which he adjusted his clothes and wore Elvis dark eyeglasses, and looked amazingly like Elvis, and a screamingly funny Julio Iglesias, he had the theater in an uproar. Humperdinck also admitted that "I always wanted to be a cowboy" and proceeded to sing a cowboy ballad, yodeling to his heart's content. Fantastic!

The two-hour concert had opened with a very funny comic, Zachary Fingerhoff, who needlessly warned up the audience for the main attraction. An as an extra-added attraction, Humperdinck's beautiful young daughter, Louise, came onstage, dressed in a gorgeous black sequined outfit, and, looking like a female version of Englebert Humperdinck, offered a couple of rock-and-roll numbers while Daddy went backstage to change his shirt.

"Are you having a good time?" Humperdinck asked the audience when he returned. A roaring shout was followed by applause. The performer goodnaturedly complained about the size of the stage in Millburn that had to accommodate his musicians, performers, props and musical instruments. Some of his own jokes were somewhat risqué, but the audience took them in stride. He wiped his face with a red handkerchief and tossed it to his fan club in the first row. Later, he tossed a few more red handkerchiefs to the audience. A fan flipped a bouquet of flowers to the stage, which Humperdinck promptly picked up. "I love flowers," he said.

And when he opened his mouth to sing "Release Me," the audience absolutely went wild. He invited everyone to sing along with him, and as much emotion followed that both the audience and the performer were completely exhausted and drained at the conclusion of the number.

Perhaps that was the reason why Humperdinck didn't come back for an encore even though the audience stood up and clapped and cheered and begged for more. There's an old show business adage. We think it goes like this: "Always leave 'em asking for more." He did.

County organizations to receive arts grants

Forty-eight Union County organizations and presenters of arts programs will receive a total of \$81,600 from the 1997-98 Union County Arts Grants Program.

"That sum represents the majority of the grant of \$108,700 awarded by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts to our Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs," noted Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "The remainder and a cash match provided by the Board of Chosen Freeholders will enable the Division to hire staff, present technical assistance workshops, and provide other programs for the benefit of Union County artists, cultural organizations and residents," she added.

The organizations received grants through the Union County Arts Grant Program presented by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders Freehol-

ders on Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. The reception was hosted by Elizabethtown Gas Company at their headquarters at Liberty Center in Union.

Marcia Cohen, chairman of the Arts Grant Committee of the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board, explained that the applications were initially evaluated by professional panels and then were reviewed by the Arts Grant Committee in a highly competitive process before being acted upon by the entire Advisory Board. "We are very excited by the quality and variety of programs available to County residents through this program," Cohen said.

For information about the Union County Arts Grant Program and other services offered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, contact the Division at 24-52 Rahway Ave., Elizabeth, NJ 07202, (908) 558-2550. Relay users: dial (800) 852-7899.

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Face the 'Consequences' of new Sutherland film

In the mid-80s Andrew McCarthy, Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Demi Moore, Judd Nelson and a few others seemed to be starring in every movie on every screen. Most of these films, like "St. Elmo's Fire" and "Pretty In Pink," were trashed by critics and during the late 80s and early 90s the actors began to vanish from the world of cinema.

Keifer Sutherland was one of these fleeting personalities, but he had one advantage over the others: Sutherland made his film-starring debut in the 1984 pic "The Bay Boy," and had won the Canadian equivalent of the Academy Award for his role as a troubled youth who witnesses a murder. Critics never really blasted his talents. In fact, many picked him and Sean Penn as the two actors who were headed for future stardom.

This year, Sutherland made his directorial debut with "Truth or Consequences, N.M.," but the critics gave his directing talents a different review. The film made many "Worst of the Year" lists, and Siskel and Ebert gave it two thumbs down.

Siskel and Ebert and the dozens of other critics who think the film is an awful waste of celluloid are wrong. The movie may not be the best of the year but it certainly isn't the worst. Sutherland stars as Curtis, a trigger-happy ex-con who teams up with Ray, played by Vincent Gallo, to rob a couple of banks of heroin from the local drug dealer. The simple plan goes haywire

The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

when Curtis decides to try out his new gun by putting a few bullets in the drug dealer's head. The dealer's assistant, who happens to be an undercover cop wired for sound, also ends up on the receiving end of the shooting spree and now Curtis, Ray, Ray's girlfriend Addy and Marcus, the team's fourth partner, are on the lam.

Their goal is to make it to Vegas to sell the goods to Tony Vago, the crime kingpin who Ray has dealt with before. Unfortunately, Vago knows something the thieves don't and their meeting does not go nearly as smooth as they would have liked. The next stop is Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, a sleepy little town where Ray has a connection to sell the dope. Once again, though, Murphy's Law proves to be the dish-of-the-day and Ray and his partners in crime are forced to improvise.

Also new on video: "The Fifth Element," sci-fi; "Austin Powers," comedy; "Jingle All the Way," holiday.

A resident of Mountainside, Jim Riffel is the author of "The Video Detective's Guide to the Top 100 Films of All Time."

Stepping Out

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THEATRE

NUTS will be presented by The Philathalians of Fanwood through Saturday.

The play will take place at The Garage House, located at 129 Watson Road, Fanwood. For information, call (908) 322-8686.

THE HEIRESS will be presented at The Elizabeth Playhouse through Dec. 7.

The Playhouse is located at 1199 East Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

CHILDREN OF EDEN will be presented at Paper Mill Playhouse through Dec. 14. The musical is a spectacular retelling of the stories of Genesis.

Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive, Millburn. For information, call (973) 376-4343.

INTO THE WOODS will be presented at Kean University's Wilkins Theatre through Sunday.

Tickets are \$6 for students, \$9 for students and senior citizens and \$12 for the general public. Kean is located on Morris Avenue in Union. For information, call (908) 527-2337.

TRIPS

TRAVELEARN course offerings at Kean University include "London: Contemporary British Theatre" and "Russia: Russian Adventure Trip." Both trips run from Jan. 1 through 11. For further information, call (908) 527-2151.

Freeholders announce new arts grant program

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has invited community arts organizations and other non-profit organizations that present cultural programming to apply for funding from the Union County Arts Grant Program. Funds for this program are made available through the State/County Partnership Program of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State.

"The purpose of the grant program

is to enrich the quality of life in Union County by stimulating and supporting production, presentation and understanding of the arts," said Linda Stender, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "Arts activities taking place between July 1, 1998 and June 30, 1999 are eligible for consideration. The deadline for proposals is Friday, Jan. 30, 1998."

'God's Favorite' wins over with audiences as well

Theater View

By Jacquie McCarthy Associate Editor

Who would laugh at The Voice of God? The audience of Cranford Repertory Theatre's "God's Favorite" did, with no disrespect intended, in a production that might have inspired giggles from the Creator himself.

We were introduced to the Benjamin family, Joe, wife Rose, children David, Ben and Sarah, and their maid Mady O'Toole. Joe is a self-made man, owner of a factory that manufactures cardboard boxes. Having come from an impoverished background, Joe is grateful for his success and takes every opportunity to give thanks to God for his bounty.

Enter Sidney Lipton, and a humorous entrance it is, as God's messenger. Lipton tells Joe about a bet between God and Satan. Satan believes that any mortal made to suffer enough would renounce God, while God upholds the theory that Joe, God's Favorite, would never give in. However, since God doesn't want His Favorite to suffer, he sends Lipton to tell Joe what is going on. And chaos ensues.

Some fine directing by Jim Ligon and a good ensemble cast worked together to produce lots of laughs, using good timing to make the most of Neil Simon's punch lines. The phone call to God was especially clever. Megan Muckerman did a fine Irish/Scottish accent — it didn't really matter which, she was so funny — as maid Mady, and good reactions were had from Sally Peele as Rose, Tony

Smith Jr. as Ben, and Amy Metroka as Sarah. Matt Donnelly's dry delivery was well-suited to the character of David, Joe's prodigal son.

Some terrific acting was had from God's Favorite, portrayed by Tom Kucin, who was phenomenally funny in Act Two. Not to be outdone was the cynical messenger Sidney Lipton, played by Jim Festante. Festante's quips kept the audience rolling in the aisles, although the age of this character was a little ambiguous — Lipton needed to convince Joe of God's message, yet Festante looked about the same age as Joe's wayward son.

Set construction was impressive. The Benjamin living room was nicely decorated in Act One, and Tony Smith's outdid himself in Act Two, which depicted the charred remains of the stately home. Costumes were also well-done, especially Joe's post-blaze wardrobe.

Pursuant to the theme of the play, CRT collected a good-will donation for the Burn Unit at St. Barnabas Hospital in Livingston.

State Council on the Arts announces grant support

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts held a business meeting on Oct. 24 at the Beneficial Center in Peapack. Key actions taken include: grants awarded as addenda to the FY98 Block Grants of three county arts agencies, a grant of previously unallocated FY98 funds awarded in support of the "1998 Arts Basic to Education and Conference and Showcase" and the adoption of the agency's "Long Range Plan."

The NJSCA awarded grants totaling \$12,000 in the following amounts to the following county arts agencies in support of local arts organizations:

- Monmouth County Arts Council, \$3,000 for Monmouth Civic Chorus.
- Somerset County Cultural & Heritage Commission, \$6,000 for Matheny School & Hospital.
- Arts Council of the Essex Area, \$3,000 for Luna Stage Company.

These grants represent additional funding to the Block Grants that each county arts agency received at the NJSCA's annual meeting on July 29. The purpose of this additional funding is to support arts groups that have been identified as important county cultural resources, but did not receive support after applying directly to the INSCA. "It is important that county arts agencies continue their role in identifying and supporting those organizations they deem as important

cultural resources on a local level," explained Barbara Russo, executive director of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

The NJSCA also awarded \$10,000 in previously unallocated FY98 funds in support of the "1998 Arts Basic to Education Conference and Showcase" to be held at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark this May. The purpose of this conference is to provide a statewide forum to discuss issues facing arts education in the Garden State.

"The Arts Basic to Education Conference and Showcase is a wonderful professional development opportunity for those involved in arts education across the state," noted Arthur Factor, Arts in Education Committee chairman, New Jersey State Council on the Arts. "By being a partner in this important event, the council continues to advance its goal of providing forums for educators and administrators from both New Jersey's schools and arts organizations to share crucial information and meaningful experiences."

In additional action, after a two-year development process the council adopted the agency's "Long Range Plan." This plan is designed to redefine the

goals of the council and work in tandem with "The Arts Plan New Jersey," scheduled for release later this fall. "The council is very excited about adopting our Long Range Plan and looks forward to the release of The Arts Plan New Jersey later this fall," noted Penelope Lattimore, Ph.D., chairwoman of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. "We believe having long-term objectives such as those laid out in these plans will help us continue to meet our goal of connecting the arts to people's lives in profound ways well into the next millennium."

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts is a division of the New Jersey Department of State which awarded nearly \$12 million in grants to more than 130 different art organizations and projects throughout New Jersey for FY98. The NJSCA receives the majority of its funding through state appropriations with additional support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

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- ACROSS
1. Empty
5. Part of 83 Across
10. They march in 85 Down
15. With 94 Across, fireworks features
19. So be it!
20. One of the Muses
21. Opposed to cathode
22. He wrote Tannu
23. Barbecue feature
24. Lodge dweller
25. Silly one
26. Tidy
27. Fireworks display
29. With 31 Across, part of a fireworks display
31. See 29 Across
33. Electrified particles
34. Contents
35. Praising Russell role
36. Path, for one
39. Mountain ash tree
40. Cataonia natives
44. A means to an end
45. Salt
46. Used to light 56 Across
47. Cup off
48. Indians
49. Stride back and forth
50. Compass point
51. Become bankrupt
52. Revolver
53. Stage direction
54. Affair
55. — Via And Pro — street
56. Bright fireworks item
58. Kind of cat
59. Noisy fireworks
60. Hastes
61. Hamlet and Berge
62. Ours
63. Morning prayers
65. Sacred Jewish scripture
66. Shelter
67. Talked idly
71. Manacles
72. Trigonometry functions
73. Chopin's instrument
74. Before
75. Withered
76. Pigeons
77. Heraldic device
78. Pulpy fruit
79. Nabout sheep

15x15 crossword puzzle grid with numbers in the starting squares.

- 30. Gemstone
32. Oriental nurse
34. Sheltered inlets
35. Dull finish
36. Stopples
37. Abatement
38. Genus of grasses
39. Return
40. Printer's mark
41. Companion of alas
42. Quarter note: Fr
43. Part of chair back
45. Bundles
46. Breakwaters
49. Needed by gondoliers
50. — on Sunday
51. Gem face
53. Removes the pelt
54. Rich sources
55. — voice
57. River to the North Sea
58. Caverns
59. Laughing
61. Gift receiver
62. Stupid
63. — Cantata
64. Common contraction
66. Concerning city business
67. Michelangelo masterpiece
68. George Sand novel
69. Belch
70. He forsook Paul
72. Firm
73. Use black letters
76. Hated
77. Montreal native
78. Advances
80. Win out over
81. Wait
82. Hebrew month
84. Crescent-shaped
85. July 4th feature
86. Hesitate
88. Lucifer
89. Count of jazz
90. Austen novel
91. Conceal
92. Being
93. This, to José
94. Lahr or Parks
95. Odd Scots
96. Oliver's nickname
97. Printer's mark
100. Chemical suffix
102. Agnus —

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- 80. Misrepresent
81. Goads
82. The common heath
83. With 90 Across, a July 4th feature
85. The external ear
86. Found in 85 Down
87. Not now
88. Egypt's Anwar —
89. He wrote The Wizard of Oz
90. See 83 Across
93. Kind of seal

- 94. See 15 Across
98. Tableland
99. Seed integument
101. That is L
103. Jog
104. Haze
105. Inward
106. Eagle's home
107. A Gardner
108. To the sheltered side
109. US diplomat
110. Saltpeter
111. Condiment
7. Summon
8. Nice season
9. Grieved
10. Underworld collectors
11. Wild oxen
12. Middy
13. Dental degree
14. Alaskan male seal
15. Chimney or flue
16. Angered
17. Coin of Iran
18. Italian noble family
28. Garden worker

(See ANSWERS on Page B11)

HOROSCOPE

For the week of Nov. 23 to 29

Aries March 21-April 20

Develop your intellectual powers to simplify your pursuit of an intriguing goal. Relay your observations to a disinterested third party to ensure an objective point of view. There could be gold in an idea that at first seems utterly useless.

Taurus April 21-May 21

Social gatherings prove to be hectic, but could also be the source of a rare opportunity. Don't be shy about sharing your dreams with another. Help could come from a most unexpected source. This weekend, business should take a back seat to pleasure and family.

Gemini May 22-June 21

Beware an offer that seems too good to be true. Focus on developing a budget — and then stick to it. If you're contemplating a really big purchase, consult an expert. In romance, look before you leap. Some ill-chosen words have the potential to wreak havoc.

Cancer June 22-July 22

This is a great weekend for out-of-town travel. Be sure to keep the gas tank full and check your car over before you leave. Look to a family member for some words of wisdom concerning a situation at work. You're especially lucky on Friday.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23

Someone who's being unusually difficult could have a hidden reason. A little detective work on your part could reveal a simple — and surprising — solution. Follow your instincts where a potential investment is concerned. And a second opinion wouldn't hurt, either.

Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Clear your desk early in the week to free yourself up for an exciting event. A tough project will require teamwork — and might bring out the worst in someone. Try to look past the obvious and focus on something positive. Your tact could win you a lifetime friend this week.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

This is a good week to work on building up a personal relationship. A serendipitous encounter leads to an

unexpected opportunity. A major decision looms, so be sure that you're fully aware of who you are and what you want. Lie to yourself, and you'll pay the price.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Don't let a compliment go to your head. A difficult situation holds a rare chance at its core. Turn the tables on your opponent and you'll benefit far more than you expect. Look to a family member for a pearl of wisdom that will come in handy in the immediate future.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Your sunny outlook has a powerful influence on those around you. Look to your past for clues to a complicated problem in the here and now. Balance your budget this week, and then let yourself splurge a bit — within reason — this weekend.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

This is a great week to start an improvement project of some sort. Fitness would be a good goal, or you might tackle a project around the house. Someone close to you could be in need of some extra love and attention. Try to be understanding this weekend.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Avoid the temptation to overeat

this week. Gather family and friends together for some important social time. A friend from far away calls with some surprising news. Work to deepen a relationship, and you'll enjoy a renewed sense of well-being.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

A small, repetitive task holds the key to an important insight about your character. Don't seek to avoid the difficult this week. Instead, plunge right in, and you'll see the waters part before you. An irresistible force is about to meet an immovable object.

What's Going On?

FAIR

SATURDAY
November 22, 1997
EVENT: Holiday Fair
PLACE: United Methodist Church Linden, 321 North Wood Avenue (next to City Hall), Linden, NJ
TIME: 10am-7pm
PRICE: Admission Free. Open to the Public. Lunch & Snacks all day. Dinner 4:30-6:30. Gifts: large white elephant room. Homemade baked goods, hand-made items, picture with Santa Claus. ORGANIZATION: United Methodist Church of Linden. Call 908-486-4237 for more information.

FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY
November 22, 1997
EVENT: Flea Market, Indoors & Outdoors
PLACE: Roselle Park High School, 185 West Webster Avenue, (off Locust Avenue), Roselle Park, New Jersey
TIME: 9am-5pm
PRICE: Over 100 quality dealers! For information call 201-997-9535. ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by Roselle Park Marching Band.

RUMMAGE SALE

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY
November 21, 22, 23, 1997
EVENT: Rummage Sale
PLACE: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 555 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Newark, NJ
TIME: Friday and Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 12 noon to 5pm. PRICE: Free admission. Clothing, toys, books, linens, jewelry, baskets, bolts of fabric, some paintings. Great food available. ORGANIZATION: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

BAZAAR

SATURDAY
November 22, 1997
EVENT: Holiday Bazaar/Craft Sale
PLACE: Woman's Club of Maplewood, 50 Woodland Road, between Ridgewood Road and Maplewood Avenue, Maplewood, NJ
TIME: 10:00am-4:00pm
PRICE: Free admission. 35 dealers, everything new. Special one-of-a-kind gift ideas, toys, decorations, jewelry, great prices. A Country Kitchen Corner and lunch available. For information call 973-762-9119. ORGANIZATION: Woman's Club of Maplewood. A federated non-profit service club.

CRAFT

SATURDAY
November 22, 1997
EVENT: Fall Craft Fair
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, Raritan Road, Roselle, NJ
TIME: 9:00am-4:00pm
PRICE: Free Admission
ORGANIZATION: RCHS Mothers Club

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
November 22, 23, 1997
EVENT: 23rd Annual Craft & Antique Show
PLACE: Caldwell College Student Center, Ryerson Avenue, Caldwell, NJ
TIME: 10:00am-5:00pm
PRICE: Free Admission and parking. Refreshments available all day. 150 participants. ORGANIZATION: Friends of Caldwell College & Annual Fund Raiser.

ART

THURSDAY
December 4, 1997
EVENT: Art Extravaganza
PLACE: Costa del Sol, 2443 Vauxhall Road, Union, New Jersey, NJ
TIME: Preview: 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Auction: 7:30pm
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OTHER

SATURDAY
November 22, 1997
EVENT: Toy, Train and Doll Show
PLACE: Scotch Hills Country Club, Jerusalem Road and Plainfield Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ (Indoors-Rain or Shine)
TIME: 9:30am-3:00pm
PRICE: Adults \$2.50 Children (4-12) \$1.00 All monies raised go to Lions Charities. ORGANIZATION: Lions Club of Westfield. For info or to secure a table, please call 908-232-8551.

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You may contact the Legal Service Office at 908-354-4340. Dated: November 12, 1997 DONALD F. PHELAN Clerk, Superior Court. LAW OFFICES Buds, Larner, Gross, Rosenbaum, Greenberg & Sade 200 Lake Drive East, Suite 100 Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002 (908) 907-1300 (330.00) SPECIAL MASTER'S FILE #XCM 26494 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHARLEERY DORRIS, UNION COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-10487-95, NATIONAL CREDIT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, a North Carolina corporation, PLAINTIFF vs. DORRIS MOTTLEY & ACK-DORRIS MOTTLEY and MR. MOTTLEY, husband of DORRIS, et al., DEFENDANTS. Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises. By virtue of the above stated Writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, at the office of ZUCKER, COOPER, BECKER & ACK-EPHMAN, Attorneys at Law, 1130 Spruce Drive, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092 on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. (Preceding Time). Commonly known as 1618 Maple Street, Plainfield, New Jersey. Known and designated as Block 156, Lot 11, on the Official Tax Map of the City of Plainfield, Union County, New Jersey. Known and designated as Block 28, Lot 3.01, on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Precitaway, Middlesex County, New Jersey. Approximate Size: 50 feet wide by 100 feet long. Nearest cross street: Leslie Avenue. A full legal description can be found in the office of the Register of Union County. A deposit of 20% of the bid price in cash funds is required at the time of sale. The approximate amount of judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of EIGHTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED, NINETY-EIGHT AND 63/100 Dollars (\$88,298.93), together with the costs of this sale. The Special Master reserves the right to adjust the sale from time to time as provided by law. Mountainside, N.J., November 11, 1997 Sanford J. Becker, Standing Master Stern, Levinson, Norgaard & Kapnick (Attorneys) Nov. 20, 26, Dec. 4, 11, 1997 U7326 WCN (\$112.00)



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Speaking out about diabetes can help fight the 'silent killer'

Today more than 13 million people in the United States have diabetes. Unfortunately, more than half are not aware that they have the disease.

Every 60 seconds at least one person is diagnosed with diabetes. About 65,000 people will be diagnosed this year.

Diabetes is the fourth-leading cause of death by disease in the United States; this year, more than 160,000 will die from this disease and its related complications.

Diabetes is a chronic disease that has no cure.

Diabetes is a silent killer. Many people first become aware that they have diabetes when they develop one of its life-threatening complications:

- **Blindness:** Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in people ages 25-74. Each year from 15,000 to 39,000 people lose their sight because of diabetes.

- **Kidney disease:** Ten percent of all people with diabetes develop kidney disease. In 1990, more than 13,000 people initiated treatment for end stage renal disease (kidney failure) because of diabetes.

- **Amputations:** Diabetes is the most frequent cause of non-traumatic lower limb amputations. The risk of leg amputation is 27.7 times greater for a person with diabetes. Each year, 54,000 people lose their foot or leg to diabetes.

- **Heart disease and stroke:** People with diabetes are two to four times more likely to have heart disease, more than 77,000 deaths due to heart disease annually. And, they are five times more likely to suffer a stroke, with more than 11,000 deaths each year.

If you have recently learned that you or someone in your family has diabetes, you are probably worried. But diabetes is a manageable condition. In fact, with proper care, most people can live much as they did before developing diabetes.

Diabetes is a disease that affects the way the body uses food. It causes sugar levels in the body to be too high. Normally during digestion, the body changes sugars, starches and other foods into a form of sugar called glucose. Then the blood carries this glucose to cells throughout the body. **There, with the help of insulin, a hormone, glucose is changed into quick energy for immediate use by the cells or is stored for future needs.** Insulin is made in the beta cells of the pancreas, a small organ that lies between the stomach. This process of turning food

Be Our Guest

By Dr. Eric Munoz

into energy is crucial, because the body depends on food for every action, from pumping blood and thinking to running and jumping.

In diabetes, something goes wrong with the normal process of turning food into energy. Food is changed into glucose readily enough, but there is a problem with insulin. In one type of diabetes, the pancreas cannot make insulin. In another type, the body makes some insulin but either makes too little or has trouble using the insulin, or both. When insulin is absent or ineffective, the glucose in the bloodstream cannot be used by the cells to make energy. Instead, glucose collects in the blood, eventually leading to the high sugar levels that are the hallmark of untreated diabetes.

Of the 14 million Americans who have diabetes, more than 1 million people have insulin-dependent diabetes, and almost 13 million people have non-insulin dependent diabetes. Unfortunately, an estimated 6 million people have noninsulin-dependent diabetes and do not know it. The people most at risk for this type of diabetes are over 40, overweight and have a family history of diabetes. Anyone with these characteristics should see a doctor periodically to be tested for diabetes.

The causes of diabetes are still a mystery, but researchers believe that the tendency for diabetes is present at birth. In insulin-dependent diabetes, any of several different viral infections and a process called autoimmunity are believed to trigger diabetes. In the autoimmune process the body's defense system attacks its own cells, the insulin-producing beta cells in the pancreas. Note: Although viruses may help to cause some cases of insulin-dependent diabetes, diabetes is not "caught" from someone else. In people prone to noninsulin-dependent diabetes, being overweight can cause diabetes, because excess fat prevents insulin from working properly.

Diabetic complications are usually caused by changes in the blood vessels and nerves. Unfortunately, they can include eye and kidney disease, heart attack, numbness or pain in the legs, and foot infections, leading to gangrene and stroke. Fortunately, however, treatments continue to improve.

So far, insulin-dependent diabetes cannot be prevented, although researchers are working on many promising approaches. Noninsulin-dependent diabetes can often be prevented by maintaining normal body weight and keeping physically fit throughout life. A major aim of treatment is to control blood sugar levels, which means keeping them in the normal range. Research suggests that tight control can help prevent or delay long-term diabetic complications.

- **Insulin-dependent diabetes** is treated with daily insulin injections, regular exercise and a balanced meal plan that limits sugar. Your meal plan will be tailored to your individual needs and is likely to include three meals and two of three snacks a day. You will generally have to eat these meals and snacks at set times each day to properly balance insulin, which is also given at fixed times. Insulin lowers blood sugar, and food raises it. To control diabetes, you need to balance these effects.

- **Noninsulin-dependent diabetes** is treated with an individualized diet plan that restricts calories. If you are overweight, you need to slim down. Treatment also includes restricting sugar and following an exercise plan. These steps should improve your body's ability to use its insulin. If diet and exercise alone do not control blood sugar, prescribed pills or insulin may be needed. They do not take the place of diet and exercise, however.

- **Children** usually develop insulin-dependent, type I diabetes which requires daily insulin injections and regular monitoring of blood sugar levels.

- There are about 1.7 cases of insulin-dependent, type I diabetes per 1,000 people under age 20 in the United States.

- There are more than 123,000 children and teenagers with diabetes in the United States today.

- The risk of developing insulin-dependent, type I, diabetes is higher than virtually all other severe chronic diseases of childhood.

- About 18 out of every 100,000 people under 20 years of age will develop diabetes. Peak incidence is around 10 to 12-years-old in girls and 12 to 14-years-old in boys.

- The symptoms for diabetes can mimic the flu in children. Insulin-dependent, type I, diabetes tends to run in families. Brothers and sisters of children with insulin-dependent diabetes have about a 10 percent chance, or a 20-fold increased risk, of developing the disease.

The identical twin of a person with insulin-dependent diabetes has at least 50 times the risk of developing type I diabetes as a child in an unaffected family.

Diabetes prevalence appears to increase with age. There are more than 31 million people, aged 65 years or older, in America.

- Of nearly 14 million Americans with diabetes, more than 95 percent have noninsulin-dependent, type II, diabetes.

- People with noninsulin-dependent diabetes often develop the disease after age 30, but are not aware they have diabetes until treated for one of its serious complications such as heart disease, stroke, blindness, amputation or kidney disease.

- By ages 65 to 74, nearly 17 percent of the United States white population, 25 percent of African-Americans, and more than 33 percent of Hispanics have diabetes.

Studies indicate that diabetes is generally under reported on death certificates, particularly in the cases of older persons with multiple chronic conditions such as heart disease and hypertension. Because of this, the toll of diabetes is believed to be much higher than officially reported.

Diabetes is likely to cause changes in your life, but you will be able to work these changes into your usual routines. At times, however, living with a chronic disease may cause anger and frustration. When you feel that way, you may find it helpful to talk about your feelings to a family member, friend, clergy member or health professional.

Another place to turn for support and information is the American Diabetes Association. In addition to funding research at a level second only to that of the federal government, the ADA offers an array of services and materials. These materials include a basic booklet for every age group—children, teens/young adults, adults in the middle years and seniors. Obtain these booklets from your physician or local American Diabetes Association.

Dr. Eric Munoz, a surgeon, is chief medical officer of UMDNJ-University Hospital, and lives in Summit.

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Mercedes-Benz negotiates price increases for 1998

Mercedes-Benz of North America Inc. has announced that its 1998 models will have minimal or no price increases, averaging out to zero across the model line based on Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price. In addition, MBNA's 1998 model line will feature four new models — the SLK roadster, CLK coupe, M-Class all activity vehicle and E320 wagon — as well as a significant level of additional standard equipment.

Mercedes-Benz continues to lead the industry in safety technology, and for 1998 is equipping all of its passenger cars with door-mounted side airbags and the innovative BabySmart automatic child seat recognition system, which deactivates the passenger-side front airbag in the presence of a special BabySmart-compatible child seat. Most new models are also equipped with Brake Assist, the only safety system that can reduce braking distances in emergency or panic stops.

The standard remote locking system on all models has been enhanced for 1998, and several are equipped with SmartKey, the industry's first all-electronic ignition key. Also an industry first is the Flexible Service System, in which an oil quality sensor eliminates the need for scheduled oil changes and will allow some 1998 Mercedes models to go well over 10,000 miles between oil changes.

Mercedes-Benz has embarked on an unprecedented new product offensive for 1998, expanding its model line and broadening its buyer base. The first 1998 model introduced was the SLK320 roadster, which debuted in January 1997 at \$39,700. There is no price change on the SLK, which continues to offer a full complement of performance, safety and luxury features, including a retractable hardtop and supercharged engine.

The CLK Coupe, E320 wagon and M-Class all-activity vehicle are also new for 1998 this fall. The CLK is a high-performance luxury coupe which features a new-generation 3.2 liter V6 engine, driver-adaptive five-speed electronic automatic transmission and a long roster of standard luxury equipment, starting at \$39,850.

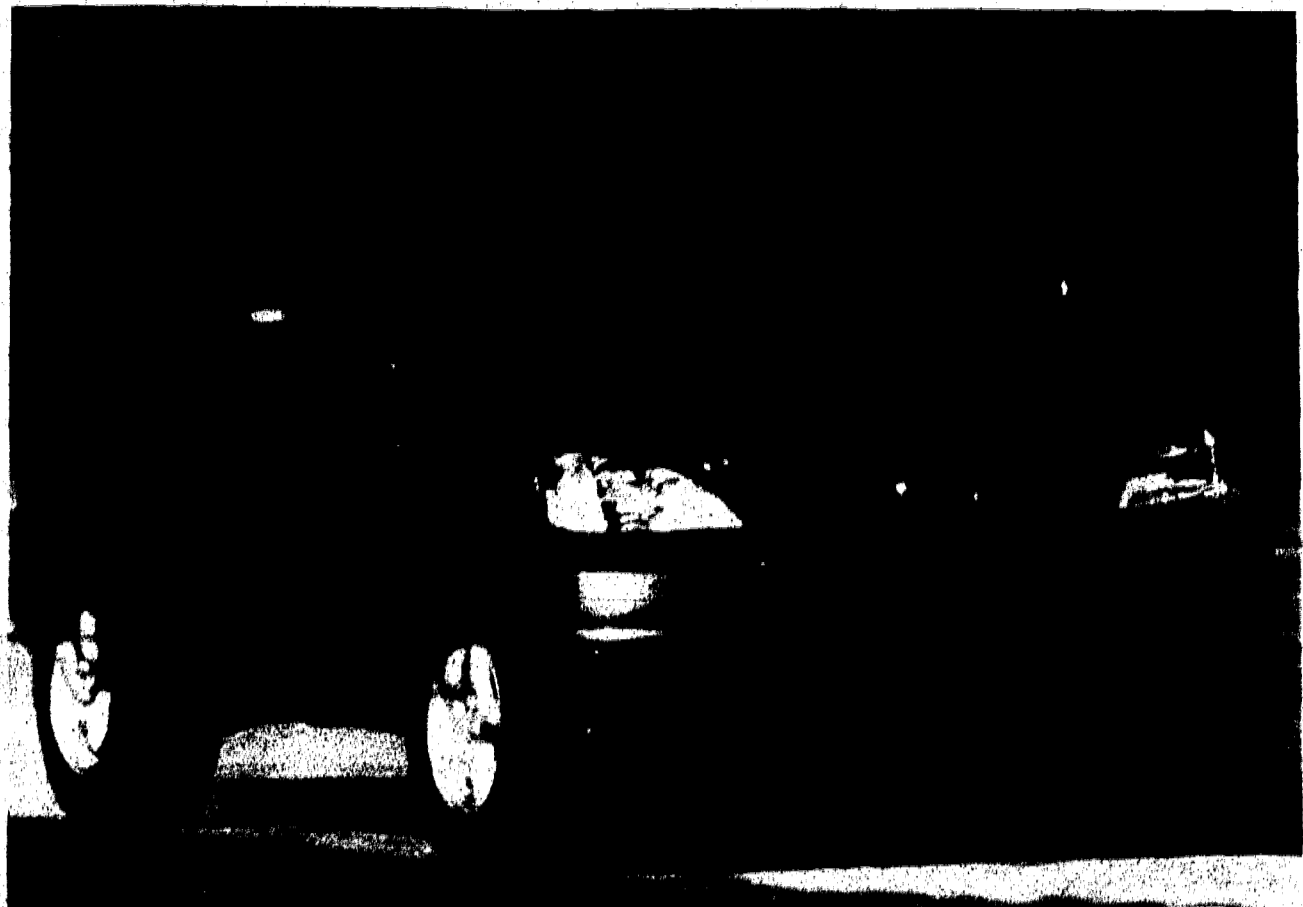
The eagerly awaited Mercedes-Benz M-Class redefines the premium sport utility segment with all-new four-wheel-drive technology and sets a new standard for value with an MSTRP of \$33,950.

The best-selling E-Class line is this year augmented by a luxurious and versatile seven-passenger wagon, starting at \$46,500. A new full-time all-wheel-drive system that uses four-wheel electronic traction control is available for both the E320 sedan and wagon, and is priced at \$2,750.

The Mercedes-Benz C-Class sport sedan line continues to set the value standard in the entry-luxury segment. There are two models for 1998: the four-cylinder C230 and six-cylinder C280. Both models benefit from Baby Smart, Brake Assist and standard side airbags. In the C280, a new-generation 2.8 liter V6 engine replaces the inline six-cylinder engine used since the model's introduction. Both cars are equipped with a driver-adaptive five-speed electronic automatic transmission, and both are priced the same as in 1997, even with the new equipment. The C230 is priced at \$30,450; the C280 at \$35,400.

The best-selling Mercedes-Benz E-Class line is expanded for 1998 by the E320 wagon, which, like the 1998 E320 sedan, is powered by a new-generation 3.2 liter V6 engine and can be equipped with a new full-time all-wheel-drive system. The E320 sedan starts at \$45,500, a 1.6 percent increase over 1997. New safety features include BabySmart and Brake Assist. The Electronic Stability Program, which can prevent slides and spins, is now available as an option on all E-Class models.

The E300 Diesel has been replaced by the 174-horsepower E300 Turbodiesel, the world's most powerful diesel automobile. Although its \$41,800 price is 4.8 percent higher than the car it replaces, customers will benefit from greatly enhanced performance of the new engine — (0-60 in under nine seconds, as



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quick as some gasoline-fueled competitors — and the addition of ASR traction control as standard equipment, in addition to the previously mentioned Brake Assist, BabySmart, FSS and enhanced remote locking system.

The 1997 V8-powered E420, priced at \$49,900, will continue to be available through the end of the year. A new V8 model will be introduced during the 1998 calendar year.

For 1998, the SL-Class is consolidated to two models, the V8-powered SL500 and limited-production V12-powered SL600. For 1998, the six-cylinder SL320, previously priced at \$79,600, has been phased out and the price of the SL500 has been realigned — it is now \$79,900, compared to \$89,900 last year, an 11.1 percent reduction. The V12-powered SL600 price increases by 1.5 percent for 1998, to \$125,000. Both models come standard with a one-touch convertible top and removable aluminum hardtop and add the new BabySmart System and Brake Assist.

The Mercedes-Benz S-Class line of flagship sedans continues to lead the premium segment in choice of models, room and comfort and safety features. Five S-Class sedans are offered: the six-cylinder S320 in regular and long-wheelbase versions, the long-wheelbase V8-powered S420, 4.2 liter engine, and S500, 5.0 liter engine.

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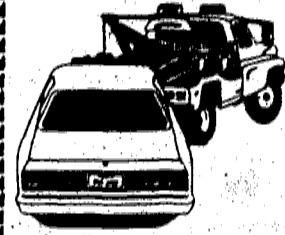
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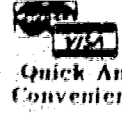
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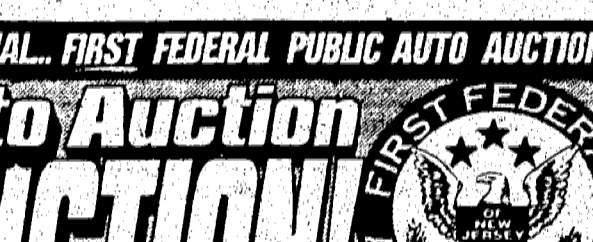
2-Dr. Auto Trans w/OD, FPWD, Traction Ctrl, 3.1L Supercharged V6, Dual Air Bags, P/Lthr Str, P/Wind/Lcks/Mrs/Am, Elec Trnk Rel, Elec Fuel Inj, P/Def, Trn, Cruise, Int/Wors, Alloy Whls, Tilt, Sec Syst, Keyless Ent, AM/FM Ster Cass w/CD, VIN#V4709A43. MSRP: \$33,955. \$2000 Factory Rebate & \$457 Dealer Disc. \$1500 AARP Certificate.



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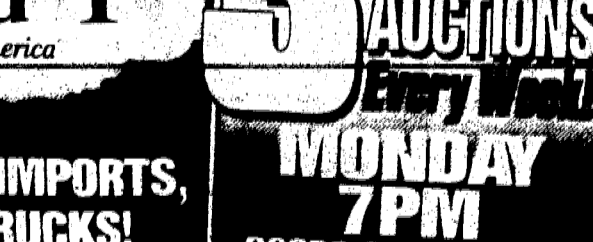
4-Dr. Auto Trans, Supercharged V6, 3.1L, P/ABS Brks, P/Assist Strng, A/C, Dual Air Bags, P/Lthr Str, P/Wind/Lcks/Mrs, Elec Trnk Rel, In Def, Trn, Cruise, Int/Wors, Alloy Whls, T/Sys, Keyless Entry, AM/FM Ster Cass. VIN#41481157. MSRP: \$24,410. Dealer Disc: \$2411.



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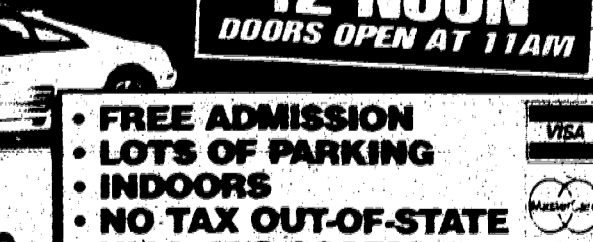
4-Dr. Auto Trans, 2.1L V4, P/ABS Brks, P/S, A/C, Dual Air Bags, P/Winds/Lcks, Elec Trnk Rel, Elec Fuel Inj, In Def, Trn, Cruise, Int Wors, Alloy Whls, Tilt, Keyless Entry, SD, Pkg, AM/FM Ster Cass. VIN#W461883. MSRP: \$18,914. \$1500 Factory Rebate & \$898 Dealer Disc. Total lease payment: \$17,438. \$1500 AARP Certificate.



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