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## It's time to resolve, not revolt

Two weeks after New Year's Day probably isn't the time to discuss resolutions, but this is my first column since last year, so please indulge me.

What I have in mind is not for my or any one person's benefit, but is a request that, if accepted, will improve matters for everyone in the future: Would you join me in taking control of the United States?

I'm not calling for a bloody revolution, as Thomas Jefferson said would be needed in America every generation, but am trying to determine if there still is the will in this country to live in freedom — as uncomfortable as that sometimes can be.

It's an important question, a challenge really, that goes unspoken: it is during that chilling silence that the rights of man vanish. I wonder if it's a "chicken and the egg" scenario. Does freedom fade when comfortable people take liberty for granted and don't notice its disappearance? Or does our government, the biggest and wealthiest in history, slowly undermine the ideals of freedom that must be understood for people to live in a free society?

## Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg  
Regional Editor

Either way, it has to stop. It's been said — though I can't know by whom, because I can't find attribution in either of my dictionaries of quotations — that evil succeeds, when good people do nothing.

I don't think naive or ignorance is a work when one says that most people are good. "Good," we're taught in the intellectual and moral confines of our popular culture, is relative. That's a great lie. Were it true, what would be the justification for ending evil — say, the Holocaust? And yet the great lie has become institutionalized as good people remain silent in the presence of evil's symptoms.

"Evil," in the context I'm trying to speak to, is defined as the simultaneous surrender of the power of moral judgment and of the rule of law.

The two must be considered inseparable. In the absence of moral judgment, for example, we find acceptance of violence, unwed women having children they can't support. A woman without a man is like a fish without a bicycle, right? In the failure of the rule of law, those mothers submit to the whims of the state. They become dependent on a welfare system that rewards illegitimacy and punishes those who marry, that encourages indolence and discourages work.

It is a form of slavery, and it prevents good people from living good lives in a good society. In Orwellian fashion, such "entitlements" have been a cornerstone of what was titled the "Great Society." That system destroys society from three angles: Those trapped in it are unable to pursue happiness, leaving everyone else to work harder and earn more to subsidize it, regarding their own pursuits of happiness, while government grows in size and power to rule, our divided, conquered country.

That reality is a mirror image of what was envisioned when the Declaration of Independence was written. In it, Americans are said to be "endowed by their Creator with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness...."

Note that last part. Happiness is a result of effort; it cannot be a gift. That is the truth no matter what the glib lies and self-hating Americans say. They devolve life, undermine liberty and attack anyone they decide is too happy.

While they constitute a tiny minority, their claims are numerous. See HAPPINESS, Page B2

## Showing the colors



The Union County Flag Guardian Committee, the volunteer group that ensures an American flag is placed on every veteran's grave on Memorial Day, recently held its annual holiday dinner at the Ode Mansion in Elizabeth. Front, from left: Hillside residents Robert Kaufman, judge advocate; and Joe Cash, sergeant at arms; Linden resident Peter Bartus, of the county Office of Veterans Affairs; Chairman Peter Zelenik, of Rahway; former Freeholder Frank Lehr; and Freeholder Alex Mirabella. Center, from left: former Freeholder Henry Kuzr; and Freeholder Dan Sullivan; and Capt. Charles Brame, of Colonia. Rear, from left: Historian Jack Stanier, of Union; Roselle Park resident Robert Tully; and Elizabeth resident William Sokalovsky.

## Democrats select one of their own

### Cohen is given counsel post

By Sean Dally  
Staff Writer

One Democrat has resigned from the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and another one is not far behind.

Walter McNeil, Jr. resigned from the board on Jan. 1, four days before the freeholders' reorganization meeting. He has taken up the position of city administrator in Plainfield, where he has lived all his life, a position that Mayor Mark Fury had asked him to take a month ago.

McNeil holds a master's degree in public administration from Kean College, now a university.

McNeil soon will be followed by Carol Cohen, who is expected to be appointed to the position of county counsel. She is still a freeholder, but is expected to resign when she is appointed.

"They were my running mates and my dear friends," said Freeholder Daniel Sullivan, board chairman. "I wish they didn't have to resign."

McNeil and Cohen are Democrats. The Democrats hold every seat on the freeholder board, having defeated three incumbent Republicans in last year's elections.

If Cohen resigns, the board will have two vacancies. These vacancies are to be filled with appointments by the Democratic County Committee. Charlotte DeFilippo, the party chairman, could not be reached for comment on who would be selected to replace McNeil and Cohen.

According to Sullivan, no replacements will be named until the DCC meets on Jan. 24. The absolute earliest that a replacement could be sworn in on the board, he said, is Jan. 29, this is the first regular freeholder meeting after the DCC meeting.

Both Cohen and McNeil's seats are up for election in November. Had the pair resigned last fall, their seats would have been open for a special election accompanying the three contested seats in the General Election. Cohen was on vacation and could not be reached for comment.

McNeil replaced former administrator Henry Kita, who moved to Plainfield's Department of Public Works.

McNeil said that he was "born" between taking the city administrator post and staying on the board. He had attempted to stay on the freeholder board while taking the Plainfield position.

"The lawyers told me that I couldn't hold both, and the mayor had already accepted me for this position," he said.

McNeil has not been employed by Plainfield before. He is holding a five-year position, starting in 1994, on the city's Zoning Board of Adjustment. He also "did community things," he said.



Carol Cohen  
Replacement not named

According to McNeil, the city has not set his salary yet.

More problematic is Cohen's appointment to the position of county counsel.

"Surprise, surprise," said former Freeholder Frank Lehr. He was one of the Republicans defeated last November and had said during the campaign that the Democrats were stalling on Cohen's appointment so her seat on the board would be safe through the election.

Former Republican Freeholder Edwin Force had proposed a resolution in August to appoint "Acting County Counsel" Jeremiah O'Dwyer to the position permanently. The vote for this was split 6-3 along party lines. O'Dwyer is now deputy county counsel.

The Republicans at the time had said the appointment would be inappropriate because Cohen, who concentrates on family law, is inexperienced in this field.

O'Dwyer would be left to do the work, Lehr said, then Cohen gets the salary and "on the job training."

McNeil said at the time that he had a letter from Cohen stating that she did not want the position. Sullivan said that the freeholders did not consider filling the position until after Jan. 1.

"I think we said that position would not be filled in 1997," he said; a statement that Lehr called a "play on words."

Cohen has a private law practice in Westfield, where she has lived since 1971. She is a graduate of Seton Hall School of Law and Rutgers University, graduating from both with honors. She is secretary of the county Democratic Committee and vice chairman of the Westfield Democratic Committee.

## Deer hunt 1998 begins; total of 189 again is goal

By Sean Dally  
Staff Writer

The county has begun, for the fourth year in a row, a deer hunt in the Watchung Reservation.

The hunt began Tuesday, after this newspaper had gone to press, but progress will be reported throughout the hunt's duration.

According to the county government, the Department of Parks and Recreation is aiming to kill a maximum of 189 deer in the reservation. The hunt will last for a maximum of 30 separate days or until March 31, whichever comes first, or until the maximum bag of 189 deer is reached. Visitors will be allowed in the park during the hunt.

The hunt will be conducted from dawn to 10:30 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to dusk. According to county officials, the hunters will be 30 trained volunteers; all of whom have passed a shooting test and have been selected from a lottery.

The hunters are armed with shotguns loaded with "slug" ammunition — shells firing one large projectile instead of a spread of shotgun pellets. These slugs have been selected for their greater stopping power to kill hu-

manimals quickly, and for safety. They will not concentrate in any one part of the reservation but will cover all of it.

In the past, the hunters have attempted to kill only females.

The hunt is meant to decrease what one county official called a "serious overpopulation" of deer in the park. Before the hunt started, there were about 300 deer in the reservation, no figures for the current population were available.

This overpopulation, said county officials, has led to the overgrazing of native vegetation in the park and the destruction of landscaping in the homes of residents who live near and adjacent to the park. The hunt is also meant to reduce the number of deer-related motor vehicle accidents.

According to the county, the hunt is meant to reduce the deer population in the reservation to 60. The maximum bag this year of 189 deer is based on computer models.

After the hunt's five-year period is over, the county is supposed to re-evaluate the hunt. County officials anticipated the hunt will reach its 60-deer population goal in less than this five-year period.

The hunt has been criticized in the past by "animal rights" advocates. But

a county official said that his department has not received any such complaints this year about the hunt.

Some of those advocates has suggested using tranquilizer darts loaded, not with tranquilizers, but with contraceptives. These would supposedly keep the female deer from conceiving any does.

Morris County is attempting such a program in its Frelinghuysen Arboretum. But former Freeholder Frank Lehr, from Summit, has said that a similar program would not work in the larger Watchung Reservation, with its larger population of deer and larger acreage.

On a smaller scale, Summit is trying to reduce its deer population by tranquilizing the animals and shipping them out of state.

Some residents of the towns that border the reservation, such as Summit, also have complained about the noise from the hunters' guns. Summit Mayor Walter Long could not be reached for comment.

County officials said that they have received such complaints in the past, but the number is down "markedly" this year. According to one official, one woman asked the county to bring the hunters closer to her house; the deer had been damaging her property.

## County conference to focus on sharing

The Board of Chosen Freeholders will host a conference and workshop for local officials in March on the value of sharing services and cooperative purchasing.

Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender said that during the conference and workshop, county officials will discuss efforts during the past year and how they will continue to try to save tax dollars in 1998.

"It is the responsibility of county officials and municipal leaders to take full advantage of the value of partnering," she said, adding that the conference also will identify potential areas for additional services and plans to augment those ongoing. "In these times of cost-efficiency, it is important to provide optimum services for less money."

Earlier this year, the board created the county's Department of Economic Development, which identified sharing services and programs as an integral component in expanding Union County's economy. In meetings throughout the fall, officials from the 21 municipalities expressed concerns and offered suggestions on programs to be pursued by the department.

"As a result of continual interaction with local leaders and the resulting sharing of services and programs, 1997 was very successful," Stender said. "We expect to build on these successes in 1998."

• A \$25,000 grant for the procurement of language assistance for school children in the county. The money will help those who are deaf and have hearing impairments, as well as those who have comprehension deficits.

• A \$30,000 grant for educating residents in the care of Union County's natural resources. "A Path to the Future: the Greening of Union County" will emphasize the importance of caring for open space.

Union County also will be the lead agency in "GovConnect," a computerized access system that will enable local officials to obtain services via e-mail and other electronic functions, rather than relying on paperwork and telephones. "GovConnect" features include providing access to all state purchases contracts, legislative updates and the ability to electronically communicate with state agencies.

## Taking a look 'Inside'



Freeholder Nick Scutari, fourth from left, joins the founders of 'Inside the Union County Jail', the new internal monthly newsletter of the facility. The publication is intended to enlighten, educate and entertain, said Editor in Chief Diane Wilson. From left: Jail locks writer Sgt. Scott Bonita, Kibbles & Bits writer Sgt. Annie Panzotta, Ponte, Scutari, Wilson, Poetic Justice writer Corrections Officer Carla Carter, What's Up writer Corrections Officer Mary Catherine Baran, and Nurse Linda Macri.

# God bless us Democrats, each & every one

Each new year brings with it a new beginning. For me, it is the opportunity to serve the people of Union County as chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. For all of us, it is a chance to build on past successes and change the things that, in the past, haven't worked as well as we may have hoped.

## Freeholder Forum

By Dan Sullivan

The Council of Economic Advisors, Freeholder Carl Cohen initiated the office of the Patient Advocate, which helps seniors with health care issues; Freeholder Nicholas Scutari developed the "Union County First" program, giving our own businesses the chance to work with the county.

In 1997, this freeholder board reduced taxes to Union County residents for the first time in many years. I pledge to you that in 1998, rates again will be reduced. Our team believes in efficient and effective government that meets the needs of the communities we serve.

Yes, the Democratic majority made 1997 a very good year to be a resident of Union County. Now, as we look at what's ahead in 1998, we have even more reason to be enthusiastic. Voters voted their approval of our work in November at the polls and on Jan. 4, we welcomed Debbie Scanlon of Union, Chester Holmes of Rahway and Alex Mirabella of Roselle Park to the now all-Democratic Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Our goals for 1998 are simple. We as a board are dedicating ourselves to making Union County not only a great place to live and do business, but also to work and raise a family. Economic development initiatives are important, but mean very little without a high quality of life for our residents.

As part of our commitment to the future, I'm proud to announce three initiatives from your freeholder board.

The first is a program we're calling Access 2000. By the end of the year 2000, we plan to equip every public school classroom in Union County with a computer, network access and state-of-the-art software.

Under this program, county government becomes a full partner with local school districts in preparing our

children for the future. For every computer a school puts into a classroom, we'll match it, I am proposing a capital commitment of \$3 million over three years to make this goal a very useful reality for the 71,000 students in our schools.

Another issue we're addressing is open space.

In Union County, we have a half-million people living in just 100 square miles. Open space is very precious and our playgrounds and parks simply do not meet the needs of our residents.

County Manager Michael Lapolla will include \$1 million in his executive budget for a matching grant program named Project Pocket Park. Municipalities seeking land for a park or playground will be eligible for matching grants up to \$100,000. To upgrade an existing playground or build a new one, matching grants of up to \$25,000 will be available.

Combined with the ongoing replacement of over 20 parks and playgrounds in Union County, we will be taking a giant step toward meeting the recreational needs of our residents.

The third program I am announcing is titled Union Arts.

Union County is proud of the talent and activities of our residents and, in 1997, we elevated the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs to a full division in county government. Until now, all money awarded to local artists or organizations were provided by the state.

In 1998, we will make \$100,000 in grants available to local artists. Theater groups, painters, potters, preservationists and others involved in the arts may obtain grants to \$5,000. We recognize the value of the arts in Union County and this program underscores our commitment.

I will share more information with you as these programs develop and progress. As you can see, building for the future is the primary objective today in county government. I am fortunate and grateful to my colleagues on the freeholder board who gave me their confidence and the opportunity to serve as chairman. I'm looking forward to an exciting year of progress and enrichment.

Dan Sullivan, a former member of the Elizabeth Board of Education, is serving his second term as a county freeholder. Freeholders' Forum is a monthly feature in this newspaper.

## College advice available

Parents and high school students who are interested in up-to-date financial aid information as well as expert advice on how to select a college may attend a seminar tonight sponsored by Congressman Bob Franks, R-7, on "Planning for Higher Education."

The seminar will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Bridgewater/Raritan Middle School located on Maraud Drive in Bridgewater.

The program will provide information on a variety of financial aid options, including the new tax credits and tax-free savings plans which Congress passed and the president signed into law in August. In addition, experts from the New Jersey Department of Education and various state colleges and universities will offer helpful advice on selecting the right school and preparing for a college interview. Representatives of the four service academies also will be in attendance to discuss careers in the military.

"For both parents and students, the process of planning for higher education can be long and stressful. Valuable information on grants and loans, careers in the military and helpful up-

on how to prepare for college interviews will be available to benefit anyone who is starting to plan or in the process of planning for higher education," Franks said.

To register, call Franks' District Office at (908) 686-5576 or (732) 602-0075.

## Tax volunteers needed

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Catholic Community Services in Union County is recruiting volunteers to be trained as income tax preparers for the 1997 tax season.

Experience is not necessary. Volunteering will be trained by Internal Revenue Service and state Division of Taxation personnel. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program is a free program to assist low income people with their tax forms.

Training will take place today and tomorrow, at 505 South Ave., Cranford.

A 10-week commitment is necessary to be eligible for training. To register for the training class or for more information call (908) 497-3941.

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## Happiness can't be a gift from another

(Continued from Page B1)

ous — and that is what we all can change. One quotation I did find is "In spite of everything, I still believe that people are really good at heart." That concise taste of wisdom was written in history by Anne Frank, a 15-year-old who knew she was about to end her life in a government death camp.

How do we connect what's evil in society? It has to be addressed by each of us in everything we do. As the sun rises the day and the moon governs the night, so should all good people, with equal regularity, endeavor to secure freedom and justice. Such a bloodless revolution could take generations, but wouldn't it be worth it?

## Wanted: news from around the county

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Holmes mystery is more than 'elementary' entertainment



The cast of 'Out of Sight'—Out of Murder help the author and the audience solve a mystery.

Those who can remember the unforgettable legendary Basil Rathbone as Sherlock Holmes in movies of yesteryear, will be thrilled to witness the superb Paxton Whitehead as the same character that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle introduced in his mystery books more than 100 years ago. And for those who can't remember Basil Rathbone's interpretation, Whitehead will do everything to make it up to theater-goers in the New York area premiere of "The Mask of Moriaty," a comedy thriller now at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

### Theater View

By Ben Smith  
Staff Writer

portrayed by Suxan Knight; her devoted maid, Alice Bivins, who is murdered, Barry St. John Madden, and a young gentleman played by Jon Patrick Walker. Holmes' home, an authentic British setting — again thanks to Joy — with plenty of chairs and lounges for Holmes and his cronies, and who is visited by his friend and colleague, Dr. Watson.

During the first act, Whitehead has the audience chuckling and laughing as his Sherlock Holmes deduces in intricate detail everyone's background and problems with a keen accuracy, and even offers advice to Dr. Watson, whose marital problems have been "deduced" by Holmes. The detective also discovers that his arch enemy, Dr. Moriarty, is still alive. And every time the name Moriarty is mentioned, the lights in the room blink on and off. More laughter. Moriarty, a former professor of mathematics who, in the first act, is portrayed by Jack Leonard, has discovered a device that poses a threat to the world's power structure, and it is up to Holmes to find Moriarty and ultimately destroy him. The problem is further enhanced by the fact that Moriarty has a face-change operation, and Holmes now does not know what his enemy looks like.

There are some fascinating characters bounding about including Inspector Lestrade of Scotland Yard, hilariously played by Tom Lacy; an Augustus Personage, who is not to be named, played by Amelia White; Lord Melmoth, a Peer of the Realm, portrayed by John Seidman; Herring, an innocuous sinister family retainer, marvelously played by Paul Fitzgerald; a Limehouse aberrant landlady, portrayed by Julian Gamble, Lily, Henry Russell, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, Scott Davidson, Methylated Mary, Elizabeth Roby, and Sailors, Davidson, Geoffrey Wade and Matthew Yeomans.

It doesn't really matter that Whitehead had starred as Sherlock Holmes, the world's greatest sleuth and man of deduction on Broadway in "The Crucifer of Blood" or that Paper Mill devotees will remember this fine actor in two Ray Cooney comedies, "Two Into One" and "Out of Order," his performance in "The Mask of Moriaty" is absolute perfection. His dialogue, so well-timed, so very British and so funny, can offer a playwright — Leonard, for example — a very special prize and much pleasure.

And what would a Sherlock Holmes tale be like without the violin music in the background — a hobby of Holmes' — or his famous pipe, which he smokes in the first act, and which aromas comes at least the first dozen rows in the theater? At least it offered the true flavor of an atmospheric Sherlock Holmes during Sunday afternoon's performance.

Holmes' sidekick, Dr. John Watson, played with gusto by Tom Lacy — in the movies years ago, it was the very funny Nigel Bruce — and the rest of the cast complements the two actors.

The play, which is set in London in the 1880s, has Holmes investigating the murder of a servant girl, who was killed on Waterloo Bridge. The setting is England, late in the reign of Queen Victoria, who, incidentally, turns up in Holmes' home, with her own problems.

And in the opening scene, an audience gets a glimpse of what it was like back in the 1800s on the foggy Waterloo Bridge thanks to scenic designer James Joy. Here one is introduced to a police constable, played by Julian Gamble; Gwen Meyers, a young woman from America; marvelously



Paxton Whitehead portrays Sherlock Holmes in "The Mask of Moriaty" by Hugh Leonard at the Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, now through Feb. 15. Tickets for the play, which is directed by Nicholas Martin, can be purchased by calling (973) 376-4343.

There are some fascinating surprises in the play which cannot be revealed, but give the mystery comedy a unique sense of entertainment. Think you know who the murderer is? We doubt it!

The play is sharply directed by Nicholas Martin, who gives full rein to the many talents of the cast and to Leonard's witty dialogue. Congratulations also to costume designer Michael Krass, lighting designer Jeff Davis and sound designer Jeff Ladam for a job well done. The Paper Mill, with Angelo Del Rossi, executive producer, Robert Johnson, artistic director and Roy Miller, associate producer, are really off to a great start as they continue to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Paper Mill season.

The actors in this play are perfectly cast. And a reviewer can only say that the incomparable Whitehead gives such an exceptional performance as Sherlock Holmes that one is overwhelmed long before the climax of the play. And joining the rousing applause at the curtain call, one can compliment the actor by reiterating one word: "Bravo!"

Bravo!

## Westfield farce is clearly 'Out of Sight'

Was it Colonel Mustard in the library with the candlestick, or Miss Scarlet in the kitchen with the knife? If it counts like the same old story, inserting different names, weapons and motives, check your cynicism at the door when you attend Westfield Community Players' truly funny "Out of Sight — Out of Murder," which runs through Jan. 24.

Peter Knight is a mystery writer experiencing a bit of writer's block. Hired up in a rustic old house in Vermont, his frustration is compounded when his housekeeper advises him that the former resident was also a mystery author — and died under "mysterious" circumstances — and by the sudden appearance of his characters, who seem to have taken on a life of their own. Those tried-and-true mystery stereotypes — the aged glaucoma queen, the uptight spinster, the playboy — are well-schooled in the art of the murder, and aren't too pleased with authors who consistently place them into claustrophobic situations, only to kill them off.

This droll farce boasts a terrific ensemble cast. Lawrence Goldberg easily slips into the role of the nervous, baffled Peter. Community theater veteran Elaine Doonan is charming as homespun housekeeper Mimma, justifiably concerned that her employer isn't typing on all keys.

The mystery characters are far and about the usual schtick. Jerry Yabonsky has the brief but fateful role of shyster lawyer Jordan Dillingham, responsible for reading the will — well, you knew there had to be a will. David L. Whitcomb moves gracefully — to a point — through the role of Dick Stanton, the smooth-

### Theater View

By Jacquie McCarthy  
Associate Editor

talking playboy. Hope Weinstein is cute as the perpetually distraught maid.

Ah, but the night is still young, even though the over-40-ish Lydia isn't, to her great chagrin. Donna Snyder is absolutely perfect as the well-preserved seductress, Naomi Yabonsky, who completely amuses as the self-righteous Fanny.

Mary Kate Cullinan, who gave a memorable performance in WCP's "Dancing at Lughnasa" last season, is a pleasure to watch as sickly sweet ingenue Kay Kelsey. Finally, Phil Hochman's wry delivery as Cogburn, the butler, kept audience members holding their sides.

Sound and props are tightly done, adding to the local color, and good attention has been paid to costumes, especially for Snyder and Cullinan.

A common complaint about comic plays is a typically slow-moving Act 1, usually compensated for by a manic Act 2. "Out of Sight — Out of Murder" does not suffer from this malady. Much credit goes to directors

Miauna C. Moran Jr. and Peggy Seymour for this phenomenon, as well as for great use of talented actors who bring much humor to this entertaining production.

"Out of Sight — Out of Murder" is being presented at 1000 North Ave. West, Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-1221.

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### Jacquie McCarthy, Editor

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## The search for meaning, humanity, continues

We are the poorer for the recent death of the Austrian-born psychiatrist Victor Frankl, and the richer for his long survival after incarceration in Nazi death camps. His writings and his life-supporting philosophy enrich us.

Frankl was an existentialist who affirmed life by searching for meaning in every relationship and act. Based on his experience at Auschwitz and other such places of unspeakable terror and grief, Frankl came to believe that Freud went up a blind alley analyzing pleasure and conflict, and Adler was too possessed by the determinants of power.

Frankl, in "Man's Search for Meaning," postulated that even the greatest pain and hardship has personal meaning that should be grasped as a motivator for living. His love for his wife and the love for him, through the time of the German brutality. He wrote in "Experiences in a Concentration Camp," "when we spoke about attempts to give a man in camp mental courage, we said that he had to be shown something to look forward to in the future...we tried to teach them that there could be no earthly happiness which could compensate for all we had suffered...we were not prepared for happiness...or for unhappiness...but this must not be discouragement...it should provide an added stimulus."

The great British intellectual, who was peculiarly a man of the people, Isaiah Berlin, died this year. "The New York Review of Books" wrote on Nov. 20 of "this combination of what many have seen as a tragic vision of the world with an inexhaustible curiosity...one always came away from a few hours in his company with a sense of living more intensely, with all one's perceptions heightened." Like Frankl, Berlin affirmed life and its multi-layered meanings as not only a continuous challenge, but a moral compass. Aileen Kelly, who knew him well, wrote in the "New York Review," "Isiah saw no contradiction between recognizing that moral ideals were not absolute and believing one's own ideals binding on one's self."

Two recent entertainments came crashing in on me and my sensibilities in the last few weeks. They bring Victor Frankl and Isaiah Berlin to me, as in both of these artistic efforts the

## On The Arts

By Jon Plaut

necessity of searching for the ethical compass comes sharply to light.

At Lincoln Center, I had the great pleasure to hear the New York Philharmonic play Dmitri Shostakovich's "Symphony Number 8," a dark, brooding but sometimes militant and melodramatic work composed at a desperate time of the Russian War against Hitler and a pivotal time in the Russian master's struggle with Stalinism. The symphony was to be bitterly criticized by the party propagandists as "alien and completely incomprehensible to our Soviet people."

The Chinese director Ang Lee has sparingly but fiercely crafted into film Ron Moody's contemporary novel about our affluent, free American culture of the 60s in "The Ice Storm." Brilliantly acted and edited, "The Ice Storm" uncompromisingly hits us in the gut as it shows us not only our selves and our debasement, but the harrowing effect of the loss of love on our children. It is not telling too much of the story to say that the characters

survive the storm and find some sort of redemption by staying a family, however imperfect.

In January, I will be giving the third in a series of book lectures for the Summit Library on Ralph Ellison's "Invisible Man." Truly a great work of this century, "Invisible Man" focuses on the daily and life-determining trials of the black man in the American society. Ellison is naturalistic in that he is a sharp observer and a truth-teller, and he is pessimistic in his recounting of the waves of misunderstanding, indignity and outright persecution. The black man endures by submerging himself, or becoming "invisible," it seems.

And yet from this prophetic and bleak perspective comes the same note of humanity in Ellison's writings as I have been describing with relation to Frankl and the others. Ellison writes at the novel's conclusion, "Perhaps that makes me a little bit as human as my (slave) grandfather...he accepted his humanity...and the principle lives on in all his human and absurd diversity...I must come out, I must emerge...there's a possibility that even an invisible man has a socially responsible role to play...who knows, but that on the lower frequencies I speak for you?"

Jon Plaut is a resident of Summit.

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# Stepping Out

## ART SHOWS

**WEST OF MY DREAMS** is the next exhibit at Les Matamoras Art Gallery in Union. The exhibit will be on display through Jan. 22.

The gallery is located in Union Public Library, Morris Avenue, Union, Gallery and library hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information, call (908) 686-0657.

**JACOB TRAPP GALLERY** will display "The Painted Tapestry" by Diana Clark through Jan. 23.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday until noon. The gallery is located at 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-3245.

**FESTIVAL OF TREES** (featuring international decorations) will run through Jan. 25 at the Museum of the American Humanities Foundation in New Brunswick.

Museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. The museum is located at 300 Somerset St., New Brunswick. For information, call (732) 848-8771.

**UNION COUNTY TEEN ARTS TOURING EXHIBIT** will visit Plainfield Public Library from Tuesday through Jan. 27. The library is located at 8th and Park avenues, Plainfield. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

**KENT PLACE GALLERY** will display "Works from the Black and Blue Series," an exhibit from the diverse body of works by Janet Taylor Pickett, through Jan. 30. A reception will be held tomorrow from 6-8 p.m.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. The gallery is located at 42 Norwood Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-0900.

**CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL** will present "Paintings to Reduce Stress" by Barbara Glander, quilted works by Margaret Beach and parents or kits of people and animals by Roy-ene Mosely throughout January. Works are displayed in the East Wing, CSH, located on New Providence Road, Mountaineer.

**SWAIN GALLERIES** will present "Christmas Miniatures" through Jan. 31. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday to 4 p.m. Swain is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

**NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS** will display "Watercolors by Reuben Ward Blinks: A Collection of Gertrude Dodge's Dog Portraits" through Feb. 1.

The display is located in the Members' Gallery. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**"THE ANIMAL KINGDOM,"** an exhibit exploring the relationship between man and animals, will be on display at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts through Feb. 1.

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p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**SUKLKI ART GALLERY** of the Polish Cultural Foundation of Clark will present paintings by Andre Galicki from Saturday through Feb. 5.

Gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. For information, call (732) 382-7197.

**PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE INVITATIONAL** exhibition will be on display through Feb. 15 at Ronee Fossner Art Gallery.

The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday, from one hour before performance through intermission and on Fridays from noon to 3 p.m. Parking and admission for the gallery is free, and visitors do not need a ticket to a production to gain entry to the gallery. The Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For more information, call 379-3635.

**NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS** will feature sculpture by Peter Reagin in the outdoor park through Feb. 28.

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**DEAD LIFE TALKING**, still life painting by nine regional artists, will be on display tomorrow through Feb. 19 at Tomaso Art Gallery. A reception will be held tomorrow from 7 to 9 p.m.

Gallery hours are 1-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and 6-9 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. The gallery is located in the Mackay Library of Union County College Cranford campus. For information, call (908) 709-7155.

**SWAIN GALLERIES** will exhibit "Twenty-first Century Posters" from Saturday through Feb. 28. An opening reception will take place on Saturday from 5-7 p.m.

Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and until 4 p.m. on Saturday. The gallery is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

## AUDITIONS

**THEATER UNDER THE STARS** in West Orange is holding auditions for "Crossing Delancy" on Tuesday and Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. Prepare and bring a reading for the auditions, as well as a bio and photo.

Showings Feb. 20 through March 1. Auditions will take place at the Parish House Theater of the Pleasantdale Presbyterian Church, 662 Eagle Rock Ave., West Orange. For information, call (973) 325-0795.

**SPARTAN PRODUCTION COMPANY** needs performers and backstage help for a veteran's variety show Feb. 8.

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Van Gogh's Ear is located at 1017 Stuyvesant Ave. in Union. For further information, call (908) 810-1844.

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**CAFE ROCK** is a rock-n-roll memorabilia coffeehouse located at 5 Eastman St., Roselle. For information, call (908) 276-0695.

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**MUSIC BOX CAFE** of the Donald P. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Free Public Library. Musical and other entertainment is presented on scheduled days.

The tavern is located at 648 Franklin St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 352-6405.

**PHYL'S PLACE** presents live musical entertainment on weekends.

The tavern is located at 836 Elizabeth Ave., Linden. For information, call (908) 925-9950.

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**LINDEN ART ASSOCIATION** is offering visual arts classes on Wednesdays in five-week segments. The schedule is as follows:

Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27.

Classes will be held at Sunnyside Recreation Center, on Melrose Terrace, Clark. For information, call (908) 486-1408.

**LEGAL ASPECTS OF ART,** sponsored by Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, will take place on Jan. 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Hamilton Park Conference Center in Florham Park.

Registration, along with a \$15 fee, is required by tomorrow. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

**STORY HILL PLAYERS** will sponsor a Stagecraft workshop presented by David Armstrong of Paper Mill Playhouse on Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

The workshop will take place at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center, located on Morris Avenue in Summit. For information, write Story Hill Players, P. O. Box 621, New Providence, NJ 07974.

**SHOESTRING PLAYERS** Saturday classes in creative dramatics are being offered to children age 8 to 12. Classes run from Feb. 7 through March 28. Two classes are offered. Advanced level begins at 10 a.m.; beginner level begins at 11:15 a.m. Both classes take place on the Douglas Campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. Cost is \$55 per child. Registration deadline is Saturday. For information, call (732) 932-9772.

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"Dear America," grades K-8. Winter/Spring Session begins Feb. 10. Classes are held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. NJPAC is located at One Centre Drive, Newark. For information, call (201) 642-2002.

**UNION HARMONICA BAND** provides free harmonica lessons. For those who play, but do not read music, lessons will also be given. The only expense will be purchasing a harmonica. Practice sessions are held at the Senior Citizen Building, Caldwell and Morris avenues, Union, every Friday from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

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The Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood. For information, call (908) 232-5666.

**ELLA'S BAR & GRILL** presents live musical entertainment on weekends.

The tavern is located at 648 Franklin St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 352-6405.

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The tavern is located at 836 Elizabeth Ave., Linden. For information, call (908) 925-9950.

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**CASUAL TIMES RESTAURANT** features comedians on weekends.

The restaurant is located at 1085 Central Ave., Clark. For information, call (908) 388-6511.

## CONCERTS

**CRESCENT CONCERTS** will present "The World of Film Music" on Sunday at 2 p.m. at Crescent Avenue Church in Plainfield.

The church is located at 716 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-2468.

**CHORAL ART SOCIETY** will present "The Splendour of Thyme and Palmist" on Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Westfield. For information, call (908) 389-2311.

**COUNTRY WESTERN JAMBOREE** sponsored by Cranford Elks Lodge will take place on Sunday at 3 p.m.

Admission is \$5. Children under age 12 are admitted free. The lodge is located at 951 Lincoln Ave., East Cranford. For information, call (908) 276-6268.

**YM-YWHA** of Union County will present "An Afternoon in Vienna" featuring New Jersey Intergenerational Chorus on Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Westfield. For information, call (908) 389-2311.

**COUNTRY WESTERN JAMBOREE** sponsored by Cranford Elks Lodge will take place on Sunday at 3 p.m.

Admission is \$4. The Y is located at 501 Green Lane, Union. For information, call (908) 289-8112 or (908) 561-3802.

## KIDS

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.** film program at Linden Free Public Library, East



"Bounty Hunter of the Galaxy" by Kyle Forbes, a student at Linden High School, is on display with Union County Teen Arts Touring Exhibit.

Branch, will feature "I Have A Dream" will be screened at the Sunnyside Branch today at 3:30 p.m.

**WINTER BEACH PARTY** will be held on Sunday at 2 p.m. at TriState Nature and Science Center.

Admission is \$2 per child. The center is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineer. For information, call (908) 769-3670.

**A.A. MILNE BIRTHDAY BASH** at Linden Free Public Library, Sunnyside Branch, will feature the films "Winnie the Pooh and the Blustery Day" and "Winnie the Pooh and Tigger Too" on Jan. 22 at 3:30 p.m.

**ADVOCATES FOR NJ HISTORY** will present a regional public meeting to discuss Task Force on New Jersey History recommendations on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Elizabeth City Gas Company in Union.

Advance registration is appreciated. For information, contact Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs at (908) 558-2550.

**UNION TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY** meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

For further information, call (908) 964-1675.

**WESTFIELD ART ASSOCIATION** holds general meetings on the second Thursday of the month at the Westfield Community Room, 425 East Broad St., Westfield at 8 p.m. For further information about membership, call (908) 232-8971 or (908) 232-7058.

**MUSEUMS**

**MILLER-CORRY HOUSE** will feature a quilting demonstration on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

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Admission is \$2 for adults, \$50 for children and children under age 6 are admitted free. For information, call (908) 232-1776.

**POETRY**

**PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY** hosts free poetry readings on the third Wednesday of the month from 6:45-8:30 p.m.

The library is located at 8th Street at Park Avenue in Plainfield. For information, call (908) 757-1111.

**OPEN MIKE POETRY** is featured at Barnes & Noble Cafe on the third Sunday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Barnes & Noble bookstores is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, call (201) 376-8544.

**RADIO**

**WBGO** Jazz 88.3 FM will present the following programming this week: Today, 7-8 p.m., "Marion McPartland's Piano Jazz" will feature Bud Freeman.

Tomorrow, 7-8 p.m., "Portraits in Blue" will present Buddy Johnson, vol. 4, 1950s rock-n-roll big band.

Saturday, 6-8:30 p.m., "Highlights of Motown" will feature Motown's Alexander. From 1-2 p.m., "Wade in the Water" will present "The Gospel Song Legacy of Thomas Andrew Dorsey," from 8-9 p.m., "JazzBelt With Branford Marsalis" will feature The Billy Childs Trio and The Eddie Palmieri Band at Mount Hood.

Sunday, 10-11 p.m., "Jazz From

The Archives" will present ongoing series "Adventures in Ellingtonia."

Monday, 7-8 p.m., "Jazz From Lincoln Center" will present "Blues & R&B: The Music of Charles Mingus."

Tuesday, 7-8 p.m., "Jazz Profiles" will feature Jimmy Smith.

WCNJ, 69.3 FM presents Leone and Simmons "Put God in Your Life" every Sunday from 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

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**THEATER**

**OUT OF SIGHT - OUT OF MURDER** will run through Jan. 24 at Westfield Community Players.

WCP is located at 1000 North Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-1223.

**THE MASK OF MORIARTY** will be presented at Paper Mill Playhouse through Feb. 15.

The playhouse is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call (973) 376-4343.

**TRIPS**

**NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS** will sponsor a bus trip to "Diamonds and Dinosaurs" exhibit at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City on Tuesday.

Bus leaves at 8:15 a.m. sharp from behind the ASP in New Providence. Return is by 5 p.m., traffic permitting. For information, call NJCVA at (908) 273-9121.

**VARIETY**

**NJ TRAILER AND CAMPING SHOW** will be held today through Sunday at the New Jersey Convention and Expo Center in Edison.

Admission is \$7, \$4 for ages 12-17 and free for children under age 12 accompanied by an adult. Seniors will be admitted at \$4 on Thursday and Friday. Hours are Thursday and Friday from 1 to 10 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, call (800) 332-9976.

**GARDEN STATE HOME DESIGN AND LANDSCAPE SHOW** will take place tomorrow through Monday at the National Guard Armory in Morristown.

Admission is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children under age 12. Toddlers are admitted free. The armory is located at 500 Western Ave., Morristown. For information, call (973) 326-1382.

**NJ AUTO SHOW** will take place Saturday and Sunday, and Jan. 22-25 at Meadowlands Exposition Center, Secaucus.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$3 for children under age 12 and Toddlers are admitted free. For information, call (201) 223-1000.

**LINDEN LANES** features Laser Light Bowling to the music of the 70s every Saturday night after 10 p.m.

Games cost \$3 per person. Linden Lanes is located at 741 N. Essex Ave., Linden. For information, call (908) 925-3550.

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Sportland is located at 24414 Route 22 West, Union. For information, call (908) 687-0500.

"No Mask" by Eric Strom, a student at Orange Avenue School, is on display with Union County Teen Arts Touring Exhibit.



## Supplemental needs trust is must for parents of disabled children

People planning their estates often have a situation where the majority of, if not the entire, estate is left to a child having a physical or mental disability. It is of paramount importance that the parent take steps to ensure that this estate is eventually transferred to the disabled child in a manner that preserves the child's eligibility for important governmental benefits. These benefits include Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income and other federal and state government need-based programs.

A "supplemental needs trust" is the vehicle used to transfer parental wealth to disabled children, since this type of trust is specifically designed to preserve the ongoing and future governmental benefits. Preserving the eligibility for government benefits will also protect the assets of the estate for other non-disabled children or grandchildren. The supplemental needs trust is recognized in virtually all states as a legal trust. This trust serves as a receptacle for the parent's estate or assets. The trustee of this trust is directed by the trust to spend these

assets for the benefit of the disabled child in a manner that "supplement" the support otherwise provided by governmental programs. Need-based government programs provide only the bare necessities of life, and do not provide all that a child may need. Travel, entertainment, over-the-counter medications, education, reading materials, etc. are but a few extras that can add substantial enjoyment and enrichment to a child and contribute significantly to that person's enjoyment of life.

If the parents left a modest estate outright or even in a routine trust to that disabled child, the child would be ineligible for government need-based programs since the outright distribution of the trust assets would be viewed as available to that child. Given the enormous cost of medical care, the trust estate could evaporate over several years, leaving the disabled beneficiary — and other non-disabled beneficiaries of the estate — with nothing.

In establishing the supplemental needs trust, it is important that the

wording of the trust be chosen with tremendous care. There should be a provision in the trust stating that the intent of the trust is to "supplement" the ongoing or future government benefits. The terms "maintenance," "welfare," "support," "health" and "medical care" should be avoided when possible. If a trustee is allowed to make payments from the trust for a disabled child's "health, welfare, support or maintenance," the trust will likely render the child ineligible for government support.

The supplemental needs trust should also include a provision that the trustee must consider other income or benefits prior to making any distributions of funds to the beneficiary. The trust should also give the trustee absolute discretion over distributing principal or income.

Having multiple beneficiaries of a single trust is another safeguard for preserving the eligibility of the disabled beneficiary for need-based programs. For example, if the parents have three children, one of which is disabled, the trust could direct the trustee to

make payments to the disabled child only to "supplement" the government support, while those payments made to the non-disabled, is more likely to preserve the Medicaid and SSI eligibility of the disabled beneficiary. A trust that benefits solely the disabled will more likely be deemed an available asset to that disabled child.

As an alternative to establishing a supplemental needs trust, some parents would rather make a "moral request" to a sibling or other close and trusted relative, and disinherit the disabled child in the will. With such "moral bequest," the sibling or relative would have written instructions by the parent to provide financially for the disabled person. While this arrangement places an ethical and moral duty on the sibling or relative to spend the money for the benefit of the disabled child, there is no legal duty for the sibling to use those assets for the benefit of the disabled child. Therefore, there is no assurance to the parent that their disabled child will appropriately benefit from the estate.

A supplemental needs trust is not

limited to situations where a family is only currently dealing with a physical or mental disability of a child. Disabilities can arise in the future, even after the parents are deceased. A parent might consider inserting these supplemental needs trust provisions as contingent provisions in all appropriate estate planning documents to provide for a possible future disability in the family. After all, the healthy minor or adult beneficiary today may become disabled tomorrow.

The topic of supplemental needs trusts and other trusts will be covered in an upcoming seminar given by Catherine Picut Parker at the Mountaintide Public Library on Jan. 24. The seminar is free, sponsored by the Mountaintide Rotary Club, and open to the public.

Catherine Picut Parker is an attorney with a practice limited to estate planning in Mountaintide. She is a graduate of the Yale Law School, a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, and a member of the New Jersey, D.C. and Virginia Bars.

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# Plan for a happy retirement by asking tough questions

Some of the most important decisions you make today will affect where and how you'll fulfill your retirement dreams. These dreams can become reality with planning and good financial advice from professionals.

**When should you retire?**

Deciding when to retire is a decision that relies on personal goals and adequate financial resources. As you prepare for your retirement, consider the following steps:

- Project your resources (savings, investments, home equity, insurance, pension or profit-sharing plans) on a regular basis, and make adjustments as necessary.
- Request a record of earnings and an estimate of your Social Security retirement benefits from the Social Security Administration. You can call the Social Security Administration to obtain the appropriate form.
- Ask for periodic assistance from a certified public accountant or financial adviser as you plan retirement finances. His or her advice could help determine your retirement time frame.

**How do you prepare for retirement?**

Mental preparation is as important as financial preparation. Many people find five years difficult to adjust to—even the most avid golfers realize they can't participate in that pastime all day, every day! You'll find the transition easier if you spend time now thinking about how you'll spend your time later.

Here are some suggestions to turn retirement into a happy adventure:

- Ease into the hours of retirement by taking on part-time or consulting work.
- Look at how you divide up chores. Perhaps, you'd like to switch some responsibilities with your spouse.
- For couples, make the most of leisure time whether you are apart or together.
- Practice old hobbies or adopt new ones, particularly if you relocate after retiring and this new environment provides new leisure options for you.
- Stay busy by volunteering at hospitals, libraries, churches or other

organizations. Consider running for public office.

- Pay attention to your health by keeping active and enjoying daily exercise.
- Make new friends with similar interests, particularly if you relocate upon retirement. Try taking classes or, if you have a hobby specialty, volunteer to teach others.
- Is a move for you?

Perhaps you already know exactly what you want to do in retirement and where you want to live. If you're not yet sure, a systematic way of evaluating the pros and cons of a move can help.

Answer these questions carefully and honestly. If you're married, both you and your spouse should answer the questions separately, then compare answers.

- Do I feel comfortable and secure in my present home?
- Am I near to friends and family?
- Do I enjoy yard and house maintenance?
- Are my house and property taxes reasonable?

• Does my home provide the right amount of living space?

- Does my home provide the amenities I need?
  - Am I reasonably close to stores, church, medical services, library, cultural activities, and hobby and recreational facilities?
  - Is my home energy-efficient?
  - Do I like the climate that I live in?
- When you compare answers with your spouse and find areas of disagreement, discuss your differences. Now is the time to find agreement or at least a happy compromise.

**Should you talk with a real estate professional?**

If you decide to move, a sales associate can be a good resource for several reasons.

- An experienced sales associate knows the market. Without his or her help, you may price your home too high and scare off good prospects, or price it too low and lose much more than commission charges.
- A competent sales associate is a professional. His or her firm often

knows of prospects, understands how to advertise to find more prospects, is tuned in to what buyers want, can advise you what to do to make your home more marketable, knows financing, and is familiar with legal matters that should be handled by an attorney.

• A reputable professional will take a personal interest in you to the best of his or her ability.

**Questions to ask yourself**

- Before you consider selling your home, determine your answers to several important questions.
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  - If so, do I want a city, suburban, or rural location?
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  - If so, what areas interest me?
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"People are confused," says Kathie Davis, executive director of IDEA: The Association for Fitness Professionals. "They want to be healthy and get into fitness, but they don't know which activity to take up or how to evaluate a club."

Here's how:  
 • Pick a club that's close. Don't join a health club just to keep up with the Joneses, especially if the club is

close to them but far from you. Unless a club is a commute of 10 minutes or less from your home or workplace, you won't use the club much in the long run, and you'll probably quit.

• Stop by for a visit. Most clubs offer a one-day pass, allowing you to pass inspection on them, so go in and "kick the tires." Be sure to visit at a time when you would normally use the club. The place should be spotless and cheerfully decorated. A good club also has how-to-use instructions posted on each piece of equipment, or staff members nearby to assist you. The staff should be encouraging and happy to help, rather than cool and aloof," says Davis.

• Ask about price. Many clubs have a one-time initiation fee plus monthly payments. Prices vary greatly, especially in different parts of the country, but the average initiation fee is about \$500 to \$600. Monthly payments may cost \$20 to \$100 or more.

• Study the contract. Be wary if the club wants you to sign a long-term pact, maybe at reduced rates, with much of the money up front. "For

every club that opens in 1993, another one closes," says Robert W. Patton, professor of kinesiology at the University of North Texas in Denton. "A club with a large up-front fee offering a lifetime membership is a likely candidate for bankruptcy in three years."  
 • Look for a short-term contract with a refund policy, suggests Davis.

"Such plans show that the club has staying power and a commitment to service," she says. "Short-term contracts obligate clubs to please customers month after month."

• Ask about staff ratios. The ratio of fitness staff to sales staff says a lot about the club. If it's 1:1, meaning that there are as many people helping

you work out as there are people selling memberships, then "the focus is more likely on sales rather than service," says Patton. He prefers a ratio of at least 2:1 in favor of fitness staff.

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# Take time to find the best doctor, not a poor choice

Choosing a doctor is one of the most important decisions you'll ever have to make. It could one day mean the difference between life and death. Few people know this better than Sharon Lunsford of Charleston, West Virginia. Her gynecologist did not detect her cervical cancer before it spread. Caught early, this type of cancer is almost always curable.

Instead, Sharon's disease smoldered for years. Her doctor ignored a string of suspicious Pap smears. He also dismissed her mysterious midcycle bleeding. Once he even removed abnormal lesions from her cervix, but failed to perform follow-up exams every three months for a year — a procedure considered standard practice in these cases.

It wasn't until she started hemorrhaging that Sharon knew something was terribly wrong. Another gynecologist found a large, invasive tumor. Fighting for her life, Sharon underwent a radical hysterectomy, plus months of radiation and chemotherapy.

The 43-year-old mother of a teenage son now lives with the haunting possibility her cancer will return. "I really feel cheated out of my health," she says. "I just feel like somebody violated my trust."

Just because a doctor has a degree doesn't mean you should fall into his hands. At least 80,000 people die each year from medical negligence, according to the People's Medical Society, a national medical consumer group in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Another 300,000 incur serious injuries, often leading to permanent disability.

Importance of primary care  
Everyone should have a competent, compassionate primary care physician, says Dr. Srinick. If you are one of the 50 million people in this country enrolled in a Health Maintenance Organization or Preferred Provider Organization, you must have one. This doctor, usually an internist, pediatrician, or family practitioner, should be thoroughly familiar with your history. He or she also should be

concerned with your total well-being, physical and emotional.

Primary care doctors can treat a wide range of problems. Good doctors won't tackle conditions they know little about. If you need advanced treatment, your primary care doctor will most likely steer you to a qualified specialist.

Finding doctor right  
Srinick recommends choosing a physician who attended an American or a Canadian medical school, which must uphold strict standards for accreditation. Also, look for someone who did his or her residency at a university teaching hospital. These institutions generally have excellent faculty and attract difficult cases.

National board certification is another good sign. It shows that the doctor has passed exams in a designated specialty. However, medical boards only check knowledge; they don't monitor a doctor's ongoing performance, warns Charles B. Inlander, president of the People's Medical Society. To verify certification, call

the American Board of Medical Specialties at 800/776-2378.

If you have a choice between several HMO or PPO plans, Inlander advises selecting one that has the greatest number of physicians. It should have a minimum of two or three doctors in each specialty, he says.

In your quest for a doctor, take into account certain intangibles, such as personality and reputation. For these, most people rely on recommendations from family and friends. This is a good starting point, but try to gather more information from additional sources.

Srinick suggests asking another local doctor for advice. Phrase your question, "Who would you recommend?" This is a better approach than asking about a specific doctor, as physicians usually don't criticize one another. If you don't know of a doctor, call the chief of internal medicine at a nearby hospital. Explain that you need to find a physician and ask for a referral.

Nurses are another good source of inside information. Inlander says personal and professional opinions are helpful. But he strongly suggests interviewing several doctors yourself, regardless of whether you're looking for primary or specialty care. "You've got to use a lot of different tactics to pick doctors," he explains.

To begin, make a list of six to eight prospects. Call each practice to ask about insurance, payment options, and if it accepts new patients. These calls will probably out your choices in half. Then, meet with the remaining candidates. If a doctor is unwilling to be interviewed, says Inlander, cross him or her off your list.

Evaluating your care  
Your doctor may come highly recommended with top credentials and a winning personality. You alone are the best judge of the quality of the care you receive. Above all, trust your gut instincts.

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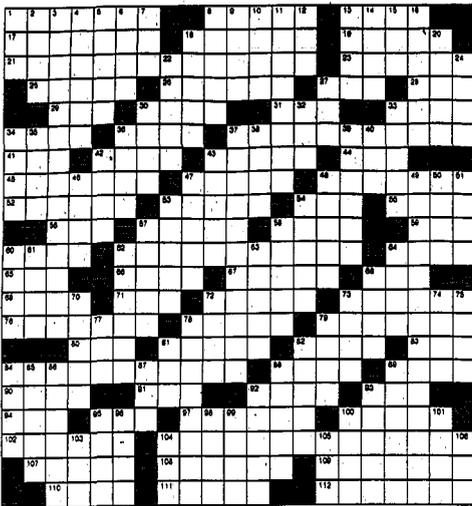
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Taurus April 21-May 21

You need an objective point-of-view this week. Look to home for the voice of reason. A young person has the answers to a dilemma you've been wrestling with for weeks. Look outside for some relaxation.

Gemini May 22-June 21

This is a good time to travel. You could be looking for help if you don't remember to check the car before you take off, though. Romance is in the strangest place this weekend. Your companion delights you with a surprise.

Cancer June 22-July 22

Beware of an offer that seems too

good to be true. Focus instead on the budget you had previously planned. Consult with an expert before you make any big purchases. Your evenings are going to be very interesting. Don't forget previous obligations.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23

Someone who is being unusually difficult could have a hidden reason. A little work on your part could reveal the agenda behind the attitude. Don't be afraid to stand firm in your belief on this issue. Spend some time with a friend or relative and catch up on their news. It may indirectly involve you.

Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Build your personal relationships as the week progresses. By the end of the week, you need to have your desk clear for a new project that is going to be large in nature. You have the potential to really be valuable if you back up and meet the challenges.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Don't let a compliment go to your head. A difficult situation holds a rare chance. Turn the tables on your oppo-

nent and you'll benefit for more than you expect. Look to a family member for some advice that will be really handy as you move forward.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

You could be the difference between success and failure. Don't ignore the persons doing the foot-work, though. You count on them more than you realize, and you need to recognize it out loud.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

This is a good week to start an improvement project. Personal fitness is a good goal, but enjoy something delicious mid-week. Gather the people around you who matter the most. Their extra support could be very important to your outlook.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

A small, repetitive task holds the key to insights about your character. Don't miss this chance to get involved in changes at home. You hold the key to more than the car tonight; you hold someone's future. Be alert to the warning signs.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

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Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

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**CAREGIVER:** MAPLEWOOD family has after school job for college high school student as caregiver for 10 year old girl 8 year old boy. Schedule: 4 days. Monday to Friday. Valid drivers license, non-smoker, experience and references required. Call 908-686-0005.

### HELP WANTED

**CARPENTERS HELPER:** Must be experienced and have certification. Basic tools. Call 973-783-2420.

**CASHIER PART TIME:** Dak King, Linden, Pleasant Hills and others. Perfect for seniors and retirees. All others welcome. Call 908-925-2099.

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**CHILD CARE needed:** for 2 and 6 year old. Maplewood. Full time or part time. Union. NJ. Drivers license required, prepare dinner. Spanish speaking preferred. References. Call 973-783-2902. Positive message.

**CHILD CARE in home:** Live out. Experienced English speaking non-smoker to care for one year old. Starting \$2000/week. Monday-Friday, 7:30am-3:00pm. Own transportation. Light housekeeping. 973-675-0444. between 8am-6pm.

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**CHILD CARE:** Housekeeper for 2 boys in Springfield. Full time or afternoon. Must have car and references. 973-279-8525. ext. 6pm.

**CHILD CARE needed:** I am a stay-home mom seeking experienced, loving person to help me care for my adorable toddler boy and sweet infant girl and my household in Westfield, MA. Hours: Monday-Friday, Live out. Walk to public transportation. No smokers. References required. Call 908-300-0780. evenings.

**CLERICAL ASSISTANT:** Part-time. Monday thru Friday, 1300m-630pm. Type 45wpm. Knowledge of computer a must. 2 years experience preferred. Submit resume to: Attention: Bob Meadows, Union Township Community Action Organization, 2410 Springfield Avenue, Vauxhall, New Jersey 07088.

### HELP WANTED

**CLERICAL, PART TIME:** Company in Union looking for clerical person. 11:00am to 2:00pm, Monday-Friday. Call Ron, 908-686-1818.

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