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NEWS

Transportation aid
Towns along Routes 1&9 could soon be getting county money to help them take advantage of a transportation initiative. The Board of Freeholders is scheduled to vote tonight on a resolution that, if approved, would make \$150,000 available to Rahway, Elizabeth and Linden.
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Challenging Franks

Fanwood Mayor Maryanne Connelly announced this week her candidacy for the 7th Congressional District, which means the Democrat will challenge Republican Bob Franks in the November election. No contested primaries are expected.
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THE ARTS

Teen arts festival

Union County teens show their talent during the annual Teen Arts Festival.
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Coming to Union

Legendary Judy Collins will perform at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway on Saturday.
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Go-cart racer Jonathan Denning, left, is shown with fellow racer Mike Giessen and NASCAR Winston Cup Champ Ernie Ivan at a rally. Denning is a Springfield resident who attends Gaudineer School and has been racing go-carts across the East Coast for one year.

Go-cart racing thrills 11-year-old

By Donald M. Kelly
Managing Editor
Jonathan Denning, who turned 11 years old on March 14, has been racing go-carts for about a year. Since that time, Denning has been up and down the East Coast and has raced against Marco Andreoli, grandson of the famous auto racer Mario Andreoli.
"The first time I spun out," said Denning, "was with Marco Andreoli."

Denning had watched go-cart racing, which got him interested. For six months, Denning said, he begged his father to let him race until he finally got his chance.
"The first race we went to," Denning said, "we put a number on the go-cart and hauled it to the track. We saw that everyone else had a trailer for their cars, so we got one."

When asked how he felt about his son racing, Brad Denning, Jonathan's father, expressed confidence.
"They wear helmets and neck braces while driving," said Brad Denning. "There are more serious accidents in football and soccer than in go-cart racing."

Jonathan's father also stressed that in order for his son, who attends Gaudineer Middle School in Springfield, to continue racing, he must stay on the honor roll. This means maintaining a 3.0 average.
Denning races in two classes with his go-cart, the Yamaha and the \$20. Both classes are based on the kind of engine the go-cart has. Interestingly, for such small vehicles, go-carts can go very fast.
"In a good straight away," Jonathan Denning said, "you reach 70 miles an hour." Denning said that a phenomenon called "drafting" takes place when a group of carts pulls into a straight away. The lead cart lifts the air which diminishes the resistance for the other carts allowing them to speed up.
"My friends think it's really easy," Denning said. "They all say 'Let me jump in. I can drive it.' But there's a lot of work."

Along with regular maintenance, Jonathan Denning has to know when to adjust the chassis depending on what track he's driving on.
"The car can oversteer or understeer," said Brad Denning. "If you're slow on the straight-away, you lower the gear ratio."
There is also the competition. Jonathan Denning said all the kids involved get along off the track, but the race itself is competitive.
"If you sit back and wait for someone to make an error,"

Jonathan Denning said, "you'll never get anywhere. You have to be aggressive and bump to make a hole bigger until you get through."
Denning has, for an 11-year-old, a great deal of ambition outside the racing world.
"I play the tenor saxophone," Denning said. "I play jazz and rock and roll, but my favorite group is the Backstreet Boys."
Jonathan Denning said he would like to study law, hopefully at Stanford, and go into politics.
"I'd like to be a representative or a senator," Denning said.
Along with all that, Denning added that his favorite subject in school is science and that he received the Presidential Science Award. And just this year, Denning ran the mile in 7 minutes and 19 seconds and hopes to break the Gaudineer School record of 6 minutes and 6 seconds.
Denning has raced in Curybackville, N.Y., where he placed second four times and competed in the World Nationals in Jacksonville, Fla. Denning has also been given a trophy for best performance by a rookie driver. He plans to move higher in the racing world.
Jonathan's father sees all this as a "prelude to Daytona," but for now, Jonathan enjoys the racing.

Democrats question reimbursement plan

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

Last Tuesday's Mountainside Borough Council meeting ended with a heated confrontation between several Borough Democrats and Mayor Robert Vigilanti.

The Democrats questioned a new ordinance that allows the mayor and council members to receive \$200 and \$100, respectively, for the reimbursement of non-litigated, non-politically related expense accounts.

Scott Schmedel, former columnist for the *Wall Street Journal* and an active Borough Democrat, questioned the ordinance, which allows the mayor and council to get reimbursed for non-political related expenses without submitting an expense report. Schmedel also said the ordinance was drafted without allowing adequate chance for public discussion.

"The public didn't find out about this until we questioned it last month. There was no public announcement, description or opportunity for public discussion," Schmedel said.

But when Schmedel questioned the language of the ordinance, which he believed allowed the Borough Council double reimbursement of expenses, Vigilanti got offense.

"I don't want our integrity questioned," Vigilanti said. "This was not an ordinance that was done stealthily. This was discussed in my reorganization speech of 1997. It was also a question in one of the fliers we sent to residents," he said.

"If we wanted to hide this, we could have introduced it as a policy," Vigilanti said. "But the bottom line here is that we, as public officials, should not have to take money out of our own pockets in order to perform civil duties."

But Schmedel and fellow Borough Democrat Lou Thomas were displeased at the manner in which Vigilanti handled the situation.

"Whenever anyone disagrees with the mayor, he is not capable of carrying on a conversation with them. He turns it into a personal onslaught, rudely insulting the person who disagrees with him," Thomas said. "He doesn't counter with lucid arguments. He attacks your personal credibility and personalizes his argument," he said.

But Councilman Thomas Perotta said the mayor had a right to get upset. "I have been keeping track of my own expenses and they are a lot more than \$100 per week," he said. "People didn't elect us to worry about keeping track of 40 cents a mile. I hope they would have enough confidence in a board they are trusting with a \$7 million budget, to question this reimbursement," he said. "We're not making any money on this deal. I take exception when people question my credibility."

Vigilanti said the decision to allow the reimbursement came from a bipartisan committee that was put together with two Democrats and two Republicans.

"The group came back after one full year with the recommendation of actually exceeding the amount of reimbursements that we ended up passing in the ordinance," Vigilanti said.

One of the members of the committee, James Dorso, spoke during the council meeting and supported the mayor and council.

Dorso, the former Democratic chairperson in Mountainside, said the council should not have its integrity and honesty questioned, and should be allowed the reimbursements.
But Schmedel and Thomas said Dorso has not been active in Democratic politics for some time, and did not serve as an adequate Democratic representative.

The mayor and council have publicly expressed their displeasure with the way the Democrats have questioned the viability of the ordinance. "These are non-political expenses, like automobile gas to and from meetings, telephone calls, and child care when council members are at a meeting," Vigilanti said. "Some council members have to rush from New York to get to the meetings," he said.

But the Democrats do not question the mayor's and council's honesty or integrity as public officials. They say they want an official voucher of expenses to be submitted on a monthly basis.

As for now, the ordinance stands. But the Democrats say they will continue pushing the council to pass an amendment that would require itemizing expenses.

In Springfield's court, CVS may not be on the schedule

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

CVS, deer and sewage were on the minds of the Springfield Township Committee and its public floor speakers Tuesday night.

Township Attorney Bruce Bergen announced during the public comment segment that CVS and developer J.D. Mack may or may not have their site plan before the Springfield Planning Board April 1. Union County Superior Court Judge John Piansky ruled that the township government may not delay the CVS/D. Mack site plan application from going before the Planning Board.

"To our way of looking at it, CVS isn't on the Planning Board agenda April 1," said Bergen. "To CVS' way of looking at it, they will. It depends if the applicants filed and notified the public before a set timeframe and we're saying they haven't."

Bergen said the decision rests on whether Piansky issues a stay of application before April 1. He said stayers are given only if the planning matter could bring irreparable harm, and he doubted Piansky or the federal appellate court would issue one in this case.

Mayor Sy Mullman said the committee has issued "marching orders to pursue the matter to the end, regardless of cost." Committee member Rey Hirschfeld said he heard from other Union County mayors at a recent county chamber of commerce dinner on "how the chain stores are squeezing out the mom-and-pop stores." Five Corners and Colonial Associa-

tion leaders Tom Gorgia and Augie Franzoni lent their support to Bergen.

The Planning Board is to hear applications in the Municipal Building committee chamber April 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Mullman introduced a resolution pertaining a user hunt to be conducted on the Balausor Golf Course grounds over a two-week period with a date to be announced. The measure was carried, although Hirschfeld voted against it.

"We did a lot of thinking about the hunt," said Mullman. "By making the resolution, the conduct of the hunt will be held under strict regulation. It will be open to licensed professional hunters. But traps set and the shotgun

or rifle shooting is to be held downhill and away from the course."

"I reluctantly seconded the motion and voted for it," said Committee member Bill Russo. "The population has grown from 50 to 200 deer, they have no natural predator, they provide a driving hazard and decimate flowers and bushes. I don't like the hunt but, given the alternative of bow and arrow, this is the most humane remedy."

Gene Schramm said he noticed how the Union County Parks and Recreation workers have been clearing debris, paving paths and rebuilding a curb along Van Winkle Creek and Meisel Field last week. While he wanted to thank the county for its cooperation, he asked about how the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority

flow meters mugged the town's floods.

"I'm aware that when he had a flood July 23, the meter reading hardly moved," said Deputy Mayor Greg Clarke. "And a few days later, it would read an overflow. Part of the problem is that we have an active main under the Rahway River bed and a supposedly inactive one under the old river bed."

Clarke said the inactive line, which may be siphoning off flow from the active main, should be capped. RWSA Commissioner Rosalie Berger said the matter is being discussed by her fellow board members.

The public session started with Fire Company volunteers Carlo Palumbo and Donald Voorhees becoming department firefighters.

Musician up for adoption

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

When the Community Presbyterian Church of Mountainside announced its new music season, it described an innovative way to support the program financially. Music fans in the area can "buy a musician," or "adopt a chorister," by signing up at different levels of support.

The program, which is being coordinated by the Mountainside Chorale and Chamber Players, is called "Fund Raising: A Different Tune."

On April 26 at 4 p.m., the choir will be performing its inaugural performance of the year. It will perform a piece called "Creation," which is an oratorio by Haydn.

Choir member Julie Fritensky described the unique way they will be supporting the program.
"Most of the people involved with the choir are members of our com-

munity and know each other pretty well," Fritensky said. "We are not asking for a specified amount, but only that people will pledge something to sponsor a certain friend or family member to sing, and help support the performance."
The funds will help pay for a variety of professional instrumentalists, including violin, cello, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone and percussion instruments. Singers include sopranos, altos, tenors and bass.

Eric Jorgenson, in his first year conducting the Chorale and Chamber Players, said these seasonal performances can cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000 at this professional level. But he said no church funds will go toward the program.

"We're not sure how many performers we will have this year, but we have planned at least two large pieces," Fritensky said.

Showing the winningest smiles



Pictured above are Diane King and Joel Merrill, four-year-olds winners of the Deerfield School Dental Health Month Poster Contest.

Pieces of the flower



Jon Price and Nicole Corigliano, fourth-grade students at James Caldwell School in Springfield, display parts of the flower. The students dissected tulips in order to better understand the process of pollination.

Republicans select council nominees

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

On March 18, the Mountianside Republican Club sponsored the first convention for the selection of candidates for the Borough Council. Councilman Werner Schon was nominated for a sixth term, and Glenn Mortimer was nominated to fill the seat that will be left vacant by David Hart, who recently announced he will not be running for re-election.

After the group adopted the rules for the convention, Bill Van Blarcom, the Republican chairman for the borough, introduced Donna Oestje, who nominated Schon.

Schon is a graduate of Uprala College and president of Astro Molding Incorporation. In his acceptance speech, he noted that he was part of a team that had renovated the municipal complex — including the Rescue Squad, town pool, Borough Hall and Police Department — as well as being instrumental in getting a third U-Turn on the often dangerous westbound lane of Route 22. During his 15 years on the council, Schon also served on almost every committee.

Schon spoke about a possible sixth term. "I give you a word of caution. We cannot become complacent, we cannot take things for granted," he said. "There will be competition and we will combat the unwarranted accusations by those critical of the Republican Party. I pledge to you that I will make every effort to be sure we are elected in November."

Van Blarcom next introduced Marilyn Hart, who nominated Glenn Mortimer for the seat that her husband will vacate.

Mortimer, who has lived in Mountianside for 33 years, graduated from the Mountianside schools and from Drew University with a bachelor's

degree in economics. He is a project manager for IBM.

In his speech, Mortimer emphasized his fond memories of growing up in the community, and his desire to serve the people of Mountianside with a positive contribution.

"Mountianside is an efficiently governed town," Mortimer said. "Our taxes are low and our property values high when compared to neighboring towns," he said. "In a large part, this is due to the dedicated people who serve our municipal government. The current members of the town government have indeed set a high standard."

Mayor Robert Vigilanti spoke briefly, welcoming the candidates and pointing out that Mountianside now has the lowest effective tax rate in Union County.

The two candidates were unanimously endorsed by the council, and their names will appear on the primary ballot.

We're asking

Is our nation's presidency in decline?

By Jim Foglio
Staff Writer

Last week, an 81-year-old Joe DiMaggio refused an invitation to a charity event because he was told he would have to sit next to and make a presentation with President Clinton.

Some have speculated that DiMaggio may be afool and might think he is larger than even the President of the United States. They probably are right.

But when a man like DiMaggio, a man with such dignity, such self-pride, decides he doesn't want to associate with another man who is supposed to symbolize much of the same, one might think that the two might have some sort of a personal feud. But with the chance of such a feud existing being next to impossible, one must question DiMaggio's perception of the President.

One might think that DiMaggio, who usually chooses to remain in



Goldstein

seclusion, would have much in common with the President. He has that aura of greatness that surrounds only some people like the President of the United States.

However, Clinton, who seems to be in the news for something negative every day, looks to be part of a recent crop of Presidents who have brought human qualities to a position that in the past, had been almost divine. Does DiMaggio's declining Clinton's invitation sym-



Fish

bolize a much deeper demise of the Presidency?

Each day, it seems there is a new comic who pokes fun at our leader. Each night, it seems there is a new talk show host satirizing Clinton. And each week, it seems there is another woman who is accusing him of sexual harassment.

We asked residents and workers in Springfield and Mountianside if they respected President Clinton, and if they thought the office of the

presidency was, in fact, in decline. Irving Goldstein of Springfield said the circumstances are unfortunate. "It is unfortunate that this happens to one of our leaders. We expect them to make the morally correct choice," he said.

"It certainly doesn't enhance his posture as a leader, but I think we should wait until there is more information to pass judgment," Goldstein said. "It seems that things like this have been surfacing with the presidents for some time now. But I have not committed either way. I won't pass judgment until the facts are more clear."

But Seymour Fish, also of Springfield, backed President Clinton. "These allegations should not be considered to impair his ability to run the office," he said. "They should be separate. I also think they are politically motivated allegations and that the Republicans are overdoing it."

Deerfield announces honor roll students

The following Deerfield School students made the high honor roll of the second marking period.

Grade Six

High Honor Roll: Michael Amalfo, David Apigo, Nicole Bassil, Marissa Bassil, Michael Biel, Elizabeth Billy, Eric Cesaar, Marissa DeAina, Christopher DiVito, Eric Feller, Chase Golomb, Brittany Hamill, Jennifer Houser, Sarah Hu, Justin Pajce and Kevin Wyanant.
Honor Roll: James Blasi, Steven Dobko, James Boyce, John Brodian, Anthony De Angelis, Joseph DiRosa, Neha Desai, Jessica Garry, Arthur Gassis, Andrew Harris, Arda Hoiz, Stephanie Lombardi, Brielle Luciano, Kaitlyn Moore, Jonathan Moss, Danielle Pao.

Marcy Stickles, Gregory Trimmer, Cecilia Watson and Jamie Zawistak.

Grade Seven

High Honor Roll: John Dedenchik, Tara Crane, David Dorsey, Daniel Drake, Nicole Ehrhardt, Jude Fella, Katelyn Fenton, Ashley Ferrell, Brian Gardner, Suzanne Hopkins, Kenneth Lopez, Kristian Manzo, Michael Margello, Jessica Nichola, Deirane Norris, Constance Soudar, Nicole Tesheiler, Lindsey Vlachakis and Stacy Vlachakis.

Honor Roll: Ryan Anderson, Craig Anderson, Salvatore Arpino, Kanna Blasi, Ashley Cisciatello, Joseph King, Shaun Modi,

Jonathan O'Dowd, Church Orlando, Jennifer Punsal, Christine Reidy, Kimberly Ricci, Brittany Sanders, Jamie Tam, Beatrice von Sacken-dorff, Christine Weag and Kailey Wheaton.

Grade Eight

High Honor Roll: Steven Brown, Jonathan Doerley, Olivier Eng, Kristian Hauser, Ellen Levitan and Duns Mc Curdy.

Honor Roll: Christopher Barnett, Pamela Cash, Jason Genta, Alexander Johnston, Christine Intemicola, Jason Krawczyk, Bridget Melnyk, Martin Moroney, Shannon Schmidt, Susan Schenkenberg, Michelle Stickles, Micah Thau and Jason Thomas.

Borough issues furnace recall

The Mountianside Fire Prevention Bureau has announced a recall which may affect homeowners with new furnaces.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission issued the recall for residents with new high-efficiency furnaces or boilers recently installed. The recall concerns the gray or black High Temperature Vent Pipe used to exhaust the gases from the furnace or boiler in the home. Any residents who have had a new high efficiency furnace installed and it has a gray or black vent pipe should call the Mountianside Fire Prevention Bureau to get more information regarding the recall. The number is (908) 252-2919 ext. 202.

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It's a shame

Last week, Springfield resident Ralph Devino was found guilty on three bribery-related charges and now faces between seven and 10 years in prison. The prosecutor said Devino asked for and received half of a \$15,000 bribe from Gary Vialonga, an employee of the Paragano Associates development firm, in order to expedite approval for locating an Outback Steakhouse in the township.

The defense claimed that Devino, who at the time of the incident was a member of the Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment and chairman of the Design Review Committee, was merely seeking a finders fee for matching Outback Restaurant to Paragano Associates. Devino said that when he was not working for Springfield Township or serving on the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority, he was a construction consultant. Devino's explanation seemed weak and the jury, after two hours of deliberation, chose to believe the prosecution. Superior Court Judge Ross Anzaldi may merge the terms into a single concurrent sentence since the charges came from a single crime. May 29 has been set for the sentencing hearing.

It's unfortunate when a public official is found guilty of corruption. One wonders why people go into politics and local government in the first place. A truly cynical person would reply for self gain. And that person would be right. There has been municipal corruption since there have been municipalities to corrupt. There is also a sense of disdain for the idea of honest government that comes with bribe taking and similar acts. It is as if the officials who involve themselves in these activities feel they are different and do not have to play by the same rules as everyone else. When a person makes that decision, they cross a line that separates them from the honest officials and give honest officials a bad name.

This does not mean that there are not good people in government, because there are. In fact, most of the people involved in government would have to be upright and honest or our system would collapse into chaos. The citizens of Springfield should deplore the illegal activities of corrupt officials, but they should not lose faith in the system that can also operate honestly.

Good decision

A ruling by Superior Court Judge John T. Pisanysk has granted the right of due process to the I.D. Mack/Consumer Value Products company, which wants to open a CVS Pharmacy in Springfield. This is a right every American has, even a corporate entity. Pisanysk said the Township of Springfield is not allowed to deny due process to a business arbitrarily and capriciously. Further, if a zoning and construction code is already in place, it must be used and in this case there was. Now the CVS plan is going back to the Springfield Planning Board.

This sounds like an open and shut case, doesn't it? It's really not because there is more to this issue than whether a pharmacy is allowed to open a store where it's legally permitted to do so. Among many of the questions raised by the new pharmacy is how it will affect the quality of life in Springfield. Traffic in and out of the parking lot might well develop into a problem when one thinks about two things.

First, CVS is a chain store and receives shipments by tractor trailer trucks. Trucks will take up parking spaces and anyone who has ever driven around one of these trucks knows that they are slow and bulky. As the traffic increases, congestion could be the result. Some people have said they don't want to live around those conditions.

Second is the idea of the local store being owned by residents and is hence part of the community. Corporate chains, such as Home Depot and Rite Aid, have begun to proliferate across New Jersey. As they do, their lower prices and larger stock tend to force out the little shop owners. These smaller stores give the community character and individuality. This cannot be said of the cookie cutter style of the chain stores.

Needless to say, there is more than one view to this issue. Foot dragging is only going to delay the construction of the pharmacy temporarily. What the township of Springfield needs to do is follow Pisanysk's advice and look at the entire matter rationally with as many hearings as it takes before a decision is made.

What's your opinion about this subject? Call us at (908) 686-6898, and enter Selection 8000. Use our InfoSource hotline to express your opinions about this and other local issues. Responses will be published next week.



MAKING ART — Sarah Suffir, Ronnie Ferrigno, Jamie Stauhs, Kimberly Baldwin and Megan Izzo display their entries in the New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect Calendar Art Contest. The theme of the contest is "Every Child Needs." All five students attend James Caldwell School.

Elections should let everyone into the tent

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

It's now the end of March and we enter the conspicuous consumption time of year.

The wannabes, those who seek election to public office, begin "fund-levy fever" to obtain money to conduct a winning campaign.

Even though the next New Jersey Assembly elections are more than 18 months away, invitations to fund-raise are already in the mail for many incumbents who wannabe reelection.

On St. Patrick's Day, Republican Assembly speaker Jack Collins had a little party for supporters who were welcome to attend at \$400 a pop.

John Wisniewski, a Democrat Assembly member fashioned a "night at the opera," last Wednesday with guests paying \$500 per ticket to attend.

A mock Mardi Gras was the theme of a party given by GOP Assemblyman Michael Carroll recently at \$250 per couple.

For many who seek election to political office, it's never too early to get out the guest lists to obtain financial support. Elections are getting to be more and more expensive and the sooner a candidate can get together a

heavy war chest, the easier, supposedly, the campaign becomes. Unfortunately, that's not always the case. But money helps.

The idea is to get as many commitments as possible in the shortest time to leave nothing, or very little left, for opponents. I guess all is fair in love, war and politics.

A recent survey showed that from 1993 to 1997 when the last state legislative elections were held, costs have skyrocketed 39 percent, with the average cost per race going from nearly \$80,000 to \$112,000. By the time the next state elections roll around in 2001, that figure could go up another \$5,000 to \$10,000. Now you see what they mean by buying an election.

How does a candidate with little name recognition buy radio, television and newspaper advertising with little or no money? It's impossible. If

you notice, many of the top Republican and Democratic Governors and United States Senators are quite wealthy and can tap their own fortunes to put together a war chest. People like Gov. Rockefeller, had no problem gathering money since he could use part of his family's fortune. But how many Governors and United States Senators do we have with money like that?

This year the United States House of Representatives holds elections for every man and woman in that august body.

Can you imagine the amount of money that will be sought, and spent between now and November? All of us will be invited to dozens of fund raisers, cocktail parties, breakfasts, formal dinners and informal get-togethers. You are all invited but don't forget to bring along your checkbook.

There's no doubt that although a candidate may be just the right person for an elected office, has tremendous credentials, is upright, intelligent and honest, he/she doesn't stand a chance if money and plenty of it, is not there.

The little guy or lady who doesn't have a big bank roll, might as well forget running for public office. It's become politics by checkbook. And if you do not have name recognition, the job of campaigning just becomes that much more difficult.

It's unfortunate for America that money has come to take over our selection system. It seems that only those with money can get into politics on a state or national level these days. Many fine people are left out in the cold because of this trend.

There's no one party who can be blamed. Reform is not coming. With so much money out there, why would the politicians want to change anything? Why fix anything when it's not broken? But someday, soon, there will be reform because voters and poor wannabes will insist upon it. Elections should let everyone into the tent. Not just those with bulging bankrolls.

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

Newark Bay sludge harmful any way you cut it

The Air We Breathe

By Joseph Parrish

Newark Bay sludge is no good for fish, birds, or humans. Yet efforts continue to pile the dredge spoils onto the municipalities surrounding the Bay.

This is as being written, over 3 million tons of dredge sludge is being heaped onto Kearny, Elizabeth has already received its shortened quota of 300,000 tons, and Bayonne is expected to attract a million or more tons to build a much-needed golf course.

Great public relations efforts are underway to show how one can use the Newark Bay sewage sludge from upstream towns to fill in one's backyard, or a neighbor's backyard, parking lot, landfill and golf course.

By the miracle of adding a few portions of concrete or kiln dust, the sludge is purported to turn sweet and harmless. But whoever heard of disinfecting sewage sludge by adding concrete?

This new "miracle" has nothing to support its claims, otherwise every municipality in the U.S. would be adding concrete to its sewer collections and using it for landfill.

There are no studies to show

Hackensack Rivers which feed into the Bay or simply discharged sewage directly into the Bay area itself.

The Elizabeth River for one, is totally polluted with sewage leakages and discharges its foul material into the Bay, as does every other tributary that empties into Newark Bay.

Inconclusive efforts have been made to show how dioxins and PCB's are contained by the concrete mixture, but no one in their right mind would be piling sewer products onto their property.

The continuous activity of microorganisms produces methane and toxic hydrogen sulfide gases, in addition to all sorts of other harmful byproducts. There are adequate supplies of materials for these bugs to continue to live happily in the landfill for centuries, joyfully bubbling out their harmful residues and gases.

The only way to deal with the sludge in Newark Bay is to leave it there in the Bay. If sludge must be moved for shipping lanes, it should be moved elsewhere in Newark Bay.

It should definitely be kept underground, since water keeps the dioxins and PCB's tightly bound to the silt, and the gases and other products

being produced by the sewer organisms disperse in water.

There is enough underwater storage in Newark Bay at low tide to hold thirty to forty years' worth of Newark Bay sludge. By then the decontamination technologies should be able to remove the toxins at more reasonable prices.

As it stands now, the costs of the simplest upland disposal will bankrupt the tax-supported Army Corps of Engineers' budget, and the taxpayers will be called upon to ante up even more funds.

We are paying for this atrocity now. Why don't we stop it?

Moving the sludge away from the shipping lanes is the cheapest, simplest, and most efficient solution. This is the only sustainable way to save the hundreds of thousands of jobs that will end if the high cost of upland disposal continues.

Upland disposal makes no sense economically or sanitarly. Upland disposal of Newark Bay sludge should be stopped now.

The Rev. Joseph Parrish is the Rector at St. John's Episcopal Church in Elizabeth.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Not fair to school district

To the Editor:
I saw in SPEAK-OUT of March 12 two anonymous messages which blame the Springfield school district and Board of Education for wasting public money while providing sub-standard education. These accusations were triggered by the increase in the school budget. However, the allegations were so far-fetched and groundless that it is obvious that the complainers do not know the facts and reality of the school district. It seems that all they really cared about was the budget, not the education, but instead of saying it they chose to sling mud at the board and the staff.

I have been living in Springfield for over five years and my children go to the public schools. We chose to live in Springfield when we came to this area mainly because of its school system, and on the whole we were not disappointed. Springfield provides good, well-rounded education, based on well-

equipped facilities and teachers who care about their students. In addition, Springfield offers some unique programs which are above and beyond the norm in the county or even the state of New Jersey. Some of those special programs are designed for the whole student body while others are geared towards groups of students with special needs. The Gifted and Talented program, run by Dr. Pamela Gray, is one of them. Since Dr. Gray was singled out for attack in SPEAK-OUT, I found out what she actually does and I would like to set the record straight.

Dr. Gray manages the Teachers Development program, the Gifted and Talented program and the Remedial program. She also does a large part of the teaching in the first two programs. The Teachers Development program keeps the teachers in the district up to speed professionally. The Gifted and Talented and the Remedial programs are meant for groups of students who have problems adjusting to a normal class situation.

Raziel Halmi-Cohen
Springfield

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Resident arrested on narcotics charges

Mountainide
On March 19, Mountainide police arrested a resident for possession of a controlled dangerous substance.

At approximately 12:15 a.m., Detective Stephen Semanick arrived on the scene of a motor vehicle accident that had occurred minutes earlier on Peach Tree Lane.

The driver of one of the vehicles, Mark Cammaruso, 31, of Poplar Avenue, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, which was found by Semanick on the side of the road where the accident occurred. The substance has not yet been identified.

Cammaruso was released on \$300 bail and awaits a court date in April.

An Irvington man was charged with being an unlicensed driver on March 19. At about 8 p.m., Police Officer Michael Jackson stopped Jamal Thomas, 21, for what originally was a motor vehicle violation. It was later found that Thomas had outstanding warrants for his arrest from the Essex County Sheriff's Department. Thomas was also charged with not having a valid driver's license.

A Plainfield man was arrested in North Plainfield for having arrested warrants in Mountainide. Edition Numer, 23, was stopped at approximately 7:30 p.m. and soon after transported to Mountainide, where he was released on \$1,000 bail.

A Newark resident was charged with driving while his license was suspended on March 16. While driving on Route 22 East, Officer Tom

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Murphy stopped a driver for a routine motor vehicle check at approximately 4 p.m. The driver, later identified as Angel Guzman, 45, was found to be driving while on the suspended list. He was released on \$946 bail.

A Plainfield man was charged with driving while his license was suspended on March 21. While traveling westbound on Route 22, Officer Andrew Sullivan stopped a driver, later identified as Wayne Drew, 42, for a motor vehicle citation. It was also later found that his license had been suspended. Drew was released on \$250 bail.

Springfield

At least 13 passengers and several trucks were late to their destinations due to an accident between a postal truck and a bus on Mountain Avenue March 16.

The incident, according to Springfield police records, occurred when a United States Postal Service truck made a left hand turn out of the post office at about 8:04 a.m. The truck pulled out in the path of a Bridge-water-bound New Jersey MCI-9 Transit No. 114 bus. The bus suffered damage behind the left front wheel well and in the left rear while the truck incurred mostly front bumper damage.

Two police squad cars and two Springfield First Aid Squad ambulances arrived within minutes. Three

first aiders and a Springfield Fire Department officer on loan transported two passengers to Overlook Hospital for neck injuries and high blood pressure complaints; a third rider refused medical assistance. Police ticketed the trucker for failing to yield.

Both vehicles involved in the incident drove away after the hour-long investigation was completed. Mountain Avenue motorists faced minor traffic delays.

A pair of two-car accidents happened on 30 minutes apart on Springfield Avenue Thursday. The first crash was between a Ford and a Dodge at 7:12 p.m. and the second, between a Isuzu and a Chevrolet at the Main Street intersection, happened about 7:45 p.m.

Both cases involved one car attempting to make a left turn from the right-hand lane — and running into the other vehicle. All cars were drivable and no injuries were recorded.

A Township resident was arrested in front of his Shampike Road residence on two assault charges March 18. The man, identified as Ajar Kahn, 24, was charged with aggravated assault and criminal mischief at about 6:30 a.m.

A Buick Skylark pulled onto Route 22 West from the center island — and in front of a tractor trailer truck at about 4:14 p.m. March 17. The pair avoided hitting each other but the Buick drove into the right lane and

score the rear bumper off a Honda Accord by the Hillside Avenue ramp.

The Honda lost control and dived onto the center lane, damaging its undercarriage. The Buick driver, who said her vision was impaired by sun glare, was not charged. No one was hurt.

A Honda Civic pulled out of a Caldwell Place driveway and into the path of a southbound Chevy Beretta at about 8 a.m. The same day the Honda driver had his car towed and was cited for two failures to yield charges. The Chevy motorist was issued a summons for not carrying insurance.

The driver of a Mazda 626 was headed west on Stone Hill Road at about 7:59 a.m. March 17 when it crossed the center line and into a Springfield school bus carrying one passenger. The Mazda driver and bus passenger said the car's windshield was front-covered.

A Township police detective arrested a Brent man who was attempting to pass himself off as a North Carolina resident at the Motor Vehicle Agency March 16. The man, identified as Jeffrey Daryl Stone, 25, was applying for a driver's license when an agency employee tipped off the police at about 4:24 p.m.

A computer check turned Stone up as having two other aliases. He was booked for using false identification and applying for a license while on the revoked list. Stone also was charged with possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana.

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Firefighters respond to boiler backfire

Mountainide
The Mountainide Volunteer Fire Department responded to a boiler backfire this past week, as well as several false alarms.

On March 20, at approximately 9 p.m., several firefighters arrived on the scene of a home on Linda Drive, which was reportedly filled with smoke.

Fire Chief Marc Franciosa said the smoke came from an outdated furnace that apparently backfired. After venting the home and making the area safe, firefighters had to return in the middle of the night when the boiler failed again. No one was injured and the system was repaired soon after.

On March 18, at approximately 3:30 p.m., firemen arrived at the Children's Specialized Hospital for what turned out to be a false alarm. Apparently, the fire alarm had been

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accidentally activated by an employee of the CSH.

A smoke alarm was activated at approximately 7:30 p.m. on March 17, at the Madrigal Nursing Home. It proved to be a false alarm.

At 9:30 p.m. on March 16, firefighters responded to an alarm from a house on Coles Avenue. The activation proved to be a false alarm.

at about 1:37 p.m. was actually a non-hazardous reaction to a sewer cleaning solution used by the Township Department of Public Works.

A Springfield engine came to the aid of Summit with a fully loaded car fire on Interstate 78 West at about 6:47 p.m. Summit firefighters were already quenching the consumed Chevrolet Suburban at the Gleneside Avenue exit ramp.

Firefighters assisted the Springfield First Aid Squad with a medical aid call at a Mountain Avenue apartment complex at about 12:25 p.m. Units helped an Edgewood Avenue home owner's lock out at about 12:07 p.m. and, with the Police Department, broke into a Short Hills Avenue residence to check on an occupant at about 4:06 p.m.

All units went to the Gaudinier Middle School at about 11:09 a.m.

Friday on an activated alarm call and, with a Union Township fire engine, to a report of something burning at a Diamond Road business at about 11:15 a.m. In the Diamond Road case, an air conditioning duct filter in a false ceiling was the burn's source. An engine went to a dumpster fire on a Diamond Road establishment at about 1:42 p.m. — but a business employee had put it out.

Firefighters returned to Diamond Road for a van fire at about 8:53 p.m. March 19. A water condition at a Shen Road home, however, headed the March 18 log at about 9:11 a.m. March 18 entries include assistance with the first aid squad on a 11:13 a.m. call and diagnosing a carbon monoxide detector problem at a Mountain Avenue apartment complex at about 2:03 p.m.

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Resident in planning stages for polo classic

Springfield resident Philip Hunrath and fellow members of the Alzheimer's Polo Classic XI planning committee are currently organizing the annual fundraiser, scheduled for Sunday, June 28. The polo match, sponsored by Eisai Inc. and Pfizer Inc. for the second year, and hosted by the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, will be held at the Hillsborough Country Club in Flemington.

Polo Classic XI will provide an exciting afternoon for hundreds of families, friends and Chapter supporters, filled with tailgate picnics, antique and classic cars, hot air balloons and children's entertainment such as face painting, pony rides, clowns and games, beginning at 1 p.m. In addition, CBS-AM radio anchor Theresa Crowley, this year's Guest of Honor, will perform The Star Spangled Banner as she officially opens Polo Classic XI at 3 p.m.

Hunrath has been working with the Polo Classic committee since March on such important tasks as selling tickets, securing prizes and soliciting advertising for the event's Reference Guide of Services for Alzheimer's Families.

"The Northern New Jersey Chapter has worked very hard over the years to create an event that not only raises funds for our organization, but also provides for among the numerous events hosted by New Jersey non-

profit groups," said Patricia Lombreglia, President of the Chapter's Board of Directors. "Now in its eleventh year, our Polo Classic has become a much-anticipated occasion that draws more than 1,000 people annually from all over the state. We are grateful to volunteers like Phil who have helped us to make this event such a huge success over the years."

General admission to the June 28 event is \$10 per person, and preferred fieldside parking packages may be purchased for \$125 per vehicle. Children under 12 are admitted free. Corporate and individual hospitality tents are also available.

According to William Sheldon, Eisai Inc.'s Executive Vice President, Pharmaceuticals, and chairman of the 1998 Polo Classic, "Eisai is proud once again to co-sponsor this event with Pfizer. We have made a commitment to support the Alzheimer's Association in any way we can, and the Polo Classic offers a tremendous opportunity for us to do so. I look forward to seeing this event firsthand, and to continuing Eisai's relationship with the Northern New Jersey Chapter."

The Polo Classic was founded in 1986 by Judith and Les Gurem in memory of Judith's mother Ruth Holter, who died in 1985 after struggling with several years with Alzheimer's disease.

Eisai Inc. is a research-based health



Philip Hunrath, at right, is a Springfield resident and member of the Alzheimer's Polo Classic XI planning committee, at a meeting of the group in West Orange.

care company that discovers, develops and markets products in more than 30 countries. Through its global network of research facilities, manufacturing sites and marketing subsidiaries, Eisai actively participates in all sales of more than \$12.5 billion for 1997 and, in 1998, anticipates investments of the worldwide health care system. The company reported sales of nearly \$2.3 billion in 1996 with approximately 14 percent of sales spent for research and development.

Pfizer Inc. is a research-based health care company with global operations. The company reported

ing more than \$2 billion in research and development.

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, the state's largest chapter, provides services, support and resources to people with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers residing in Bergen, Hudson, Passaic, Essex, Union, Sussex, Morris, Warren, Hunterdon, Somerset and Middlesex counties.

For more information, call the Chapter office at (973) 316-6676 or visit its website at <http://www.aiz.org/chapters/template/njersey/welcome.html>.

Hollister is on dean's list

Mountainide resident Laura Hollister has been named to the 1997-98 dean's list at Simmons College in Boston.

Compiled once each semester, the Simmons dean's list is one of the college's highest academic honors. To qualify, undergraduate students must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher based on 12 or more credit hours of work in classes using the letter grade system.

Hollister, the daughter of Barbara and Thomas Hollister of Mountainide, is a junior majoring in computer science and education at Simmons. Hollister has been on the Simmons swim team for three years and is currently co-captain.

Simmons College, which celebrates its 100th anniversary in 1999, is a private, comprehensive, liberal arts college with undergraduate programs for women and graduate programs for women and men.

Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, please write Tom Canavan, editor, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at (908) 686-7700 weekdays from 5-9 p.m.

Slide show with a wolf

The Ninth Annual Wildlife Sunday (featuring a slide-illustrated talk by Wolf Visions with a live wolf); a special program on wildlife rehabilitation; bird banding and bee keeping demonstrations; live zoo creatures, snakes and owls, and children's crafts will be held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center April 5 from 1 to 5 p.m. Suggested donation is \$1 per person.

Did you know that some real animals have been in space? We'll learn about some of these animals and then take a look at some of the many real connections in the sky on Sunday, April 5. The 2 p.m. show is for children six and older. The 3:30 p.m. show is for children who are four or older.

Volunteers 14 or older are needed to assist with trail maintenance projects in the Waubesa Reservation from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Rd., Mountainide.

Bring lunch, a drinking mug, stove, pickaxe and gloves, if you have them. Call (908) 789-3670 to pre-register.

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Footloose and fancy free



Students in Cindy Bergman's second grade class at Washington School show off the footwear they donned for the school's recent 'Slipper and Sock Day.' From left, Marjorie Callahan, Sara Fischer, Cassie Huck, Ivan Delgado, Tania Robinson, Mona Gossman, Chrissy Ost, Nathalie Herra, Tara Saloman, Alex Weiss, Brendan Lindner and Mikay Vitale.

Soprano at 'Brown Bag'

Susan McDaniel, soprano, is the featured performer at tomorrow's Brown Bag Concert, held at Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit. This is the fifth of six free concerts which will begin at 12:15 p.m. in the church sanctuary. The public is invited to bring their lunch or purchase a sandwich and beverage from the church kitchen and enjoy this outstanding artist.

McDaniel's passion is singing. She has worked professionally in many areas of show business. She is a member of the Screen Actors Guild, American Federation of Radio and Television Artists and Actors Equity. McDaniel has performed as a big band vocalist, on cruise ships, as a cabaret singer and recorded countless background vocal tracks. Her most recent stage appearance was as Marian the Librarian in the Summit Library benefit production of 'The Music Man.'

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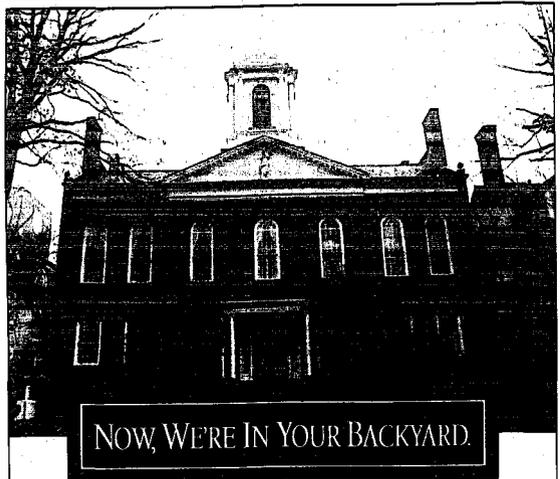
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Students attend the opera

A gift from the Education Department of the New York City Opera made it possible for 35 Springfield Gaudineer School students to attend a full evening performance of Giacomo Puccini's masterpiece, "Madama Butterfly" on March 12.

The 35 students were drawn from both the seventh grade Opera Project and eighth grade geography classes. The performance was an introduction to Japan for the eighth grade students who will be analyzing the opera's story, cultural context and historical background. This will allow the class to explore various themes such as Japanese and American relations.

The program is similar to many interdisciplinary projects undertaken in partnership with opera companies throughout the United States and Canada, where opera now finds itself as the perfect vehicle for cross disciplinary instruction in the arts and humanities.

The Springfield-NYCO partnership was initiated by NYCO Education Director Paul King and Springfield

Social Studies instructor Frank Sanchez, who was introduced to similar models through his participation in the OPERA America Music program.

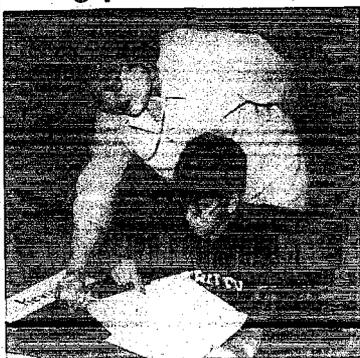
The student's reaction to the performance at Lincoln Center was overwhelmingly positive. Although most of the students had attend Broadway musicals before, many had never seen an opera.

"This was an incredible experience," said eighth grader Rena Steinbach, who plans to see more operas.

Another eighth grader Vardit Haimi — Cohen noted the multicultural aspects of Puccini's score. Other students remarked on the timeliness of the themes of interracial marriage and teen suicide.

The participating teachers, Sanchez, Brenda Kucin and Dean of Students Mark Majeski, all agreed that the value of opera as a content area tool should be further explored in the curriculum. Future projects should encompass opera as a manifestation of historical trends and opera as literature.

Being poetic



Poet Betty Lies is working with Deerfield School seventh-grader Kevin Guidicietro to inspire his poetry writing.

Ebert to direct funding for Keys

John R. Bruno, president of Keys Martin, The Bruno Group, has announced the hiring of Lisa Sessa Ebert as the company's director of research.

Ebert will be responsible for managing and tracking all available grants and funding opportunities for the clients. In addition, she will also com-

pile, analyze and interface with various funding sources.

Ebert, a resident of Springfield, brings with her over eight years of experience as an attorney, having practiced with the New Jersey firms of Wildstein, Wildstein & Dacchille and Byrne & Larobert, PC.

Temple to sponsor brunch

Temple Sha'arey Shalom's "Renaissance Group" will sponsor a brunch on Sunday, April 5, at 10:30 a.m., at the Temple, 78 South Springfield Ave., Springfield. Rabbi Azriel C. Felner will be moderating a discussion on "The Sound And Silence of Modern Judaism" in relation to the film "The Jazz Singer". Excerpts from the film will be shown. The program is open to the public. The cost for Renaissance Group members is \$8 and \$12 for guests.

Rabbi Felner is the spiritual leader

of Temple Beth Shalom, Livingston and a former scholar-in-residence at Sha'arey Shalom. He is a lecturer in the United States and Canada and has published poetry as well as short stories.

The "Renaissance Group" is a recently formed group at Temple Sha'arey Shalom for Temple members born around, during, or before 1946. Its purpose is to provide a social link to the Temple through activities where together, the members will enjoy each other's company.

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OBITUARIES

Carol H. Janukowicz

Carol H. Janukowicz, 74, of Springfield died March 11 at home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Janukowicz lived in Springfield for 40 years. She was a claims clerk with Kemper Insurance, Summit, for the last 12 years. Mrs. Janukowicz was a member of the American Brain Tumor Association in North Plainfield.

Surviving are a son, Robert; a daughter, Nancy Allgood; a sister, Veronica Ronco; a brother, Robert Andrews; and eight grandchildren.

Leon P. Wisniewski

Leon P. Wisniewski, 74, of Melbourne, Fla., formerly of Mountaintide, died Feb. 28 in the Holmes Regional Hospital, Melbourne.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Wisniewski lived in Irvington, Mountaintide and Bloomingdale before moving to Melbourne nine years ago. He was a district sales manager with Bristol Myers-Squibb, Syracuse, and retired 10 years ago. Mr. Wisniewski was a 1949 graduate of the Rutgers University School of Pharmacy. He served in the Navy during World War II. Mr. Wisniewski was a member of the Board of Health of Bloomingdale of Glen Wild Lake.

Surviving are his wife of 40 years, Bernice; two daughters, Leigh Ann Croener and Laurie Auletta; a sister, Maryanna Paczynski; and eight grandchildren.

George H. Resnick

George Harry Resnick of Springfield died March 19 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Newark, Mr. Resnick lived in Springfield since 1967. He was employed for 39 years with King's Supermarkets. Mr. Resnick was a store general manager at several locations for 27 years and a manager of the wine and spirits division for 12 years before retiring in 1990. He was

a past board member of the Temple B'nai Ahm, Springfield, and the Rotary Club in Morris and Union counties.

Surviving are his wife, Jeanne; a son, Dennis; a sister Sophie Forman; and a grandchild.

Florence Chandler

Florence Chandler, 91, of Springfield died March 20 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Midway, Ga., Mrs. Chandler lived in Montclair before moving to Springfield in 1985. She was a housekeeper for the late Mrs. Carmel L. Garrison's daughter, Marie-Louise, of West Orange, from 1950 until her retirement in 1972.

Surviving are two sisters, Flossie McGee and Dabey Johnson; and a brother, Theodore Lambert.

Mabel G. Young

Mabel G. Young, 86, of Winter Park, Fla., formerly of Mountaintide, died March 19 in Florida.

Born in Philadelphia, Mrs. Young lived in Mountaintide until moving to Florida in 1982. She received the Mabel G. Young Good Neighbor Award from the Mountaintide Historical Preservation Committee as a volunteer. In 1982, a reception was held for her with 125 people attending.

Mrs. Young was recognized by the borough for her contributions and she was acclaimed for her many years of volunteer service to the community. Each year, since 1982, the Mabel G. Young Good Neighbor Award has been given to citizens who have helped "to make Mountaintide a fine place to live." At the ceremony, Mrs. Young was presented by the then Mayor Thomas J. Ricciardi with a proclamation passed by the Borough Council. Former Mayor Fred Wilhelm, the master of ceremonies, unveiled the Mabel G. Young Good Neighbor Award. As each organization in which Mrs. Young participated was announced, it was proclaimed by

a person wearing a hat with the name of the organization.

Mrs. Young was a teacher in the borough's public school for many years and participated in many civic groups. She was a member and past president of the Mountaintide Woman's Club, a member of the board of trustees of the United Way of Mountaintide, a lifetime member and officer of the Parent-Teacher Association, a member and past president of the Mountaintide chapter of the American Association of University Women, a member of the Senior Citizens Club of Mountaintide, a member of the Mountaintide Music Association, member and officer of the Mountaintide Teachers Association and a member of the Republican Club of Mountaintide.

She also worked with Mobile Meals and served as a library volunteer. Mrs. Young was a long-time member of the Community Presbyterian Church, Mountaintide, and served as an elder, clerk of sessions and Sunday School superintendent. She was a member and past president of the United Presbyterian Women and the Winter Park Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are a son, Richard; a daughter, Virginia Leiz, and two grandchildren.

Christine Staskiewicz

Christine Staskiewicz, 86, of Mountaintide died March 22 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Staskiewicz lived in Irvington before moving to Mountaintide 42 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Edward Stacy; three sisters, Mary Sobock, Ann Steyn and Rose; two brothers, Paul and Andrew Cebicki; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

E. Gerald Harvey

E. Gerald Harvey, 39, of Thousand Oaks, Calif., formerly of Springfield, died Feb. 28 at home.

Born in Summit, Mr. Harvey lived in Springfield before moving to California 15 years ago. He was a studio transport driver for the Studio Transport Drivers Teamers Local 399, Los Angeles, for the last 15 years. Mr. Harvey had worked for major studios, most recently for Fox Studios on the series, "The Pretender." He attended the New York School of Visual Arts, New York City, and was a member of the Screen Actors Guild.

Surviving are two sons, Dane Harvey and Ty Sebastian; two daughters, Margaret Dawn, and the parents, Gerald E. and Patricia Harvey.

Haydn concert is set for April

The Community Presbyterian Church of Mountaintide announces the inaugural event of its 1998 music series featuring Haydn's "The Creation" on April 26 at 3:30 p.m. at the church, 1459 Deer Path.

"This is our kick-off event in what we plan as a fresh, new and ambitious music program throughout the year to be enjoyed by the entire community," according to Eric Jorgenson, conductor. "It's a way to extend our outreach and increase our contribution through the wonder of music."

Haydn's oratorio for chorus, orchestra and soloists will be presented by the Mountaintide Chorus and Chamber Players and the Chancel Choir. Among the featured soloists are Gregg Lauterbach, baritone; Judith Moon, soprano, and Dan Montez, tenor.

Lauterbach has performed in over 50 major operatic and musical theater roles. He has sung with L'Opera Francaise in New York, Lupo Opera, Opera Carolina, Regina Opera, Iowa Theatre Works and Opera Columbus. His performances have taken him across the U.S.

Moeh has been featured by numerous opera companies here and in Europe. She has just released her first solo album and has sung featured roles in the most popular operatic presentations. She was a soloist in Haydn's "B-Minor Mass" and the "Christmas Oratorio." Her recitals have gained the country.

Montez has sung with the San Francisco Opera, Sacramento Opera, and throughout Europe. He is the founder of the Taconio Opera in Westchester, N.Y.

Eric Jorgenson, choir director of the Mountaintide Community Church, and conductor of the upcoming event, is new to this area but hardly new to music. He holds a masters degree in cello performance from West Virginia University and a master's in voice and opera performance from Temple University.

He recently conducted the premiere of Paul Knopf's opera, "Signals," in New York and "La Boheme" with Operaviva classical concerts. He conducted "The Creation" last year in Ambley, Pa.

Members of the chorale, chamber players and choir are mainstays of the Presbyterian church music program, some of whom have been singing and performing there for over 30 years.

Haydn's "The Creation" is the first in a new concert series which will include both choral concerts and chamber music recitals. The other programs will be announced later.

General admission is \$15, students \$10. Tickets are available at the Community Presbyterian Church office, 1459 Deer Path, Mountaintide. For more information call (908) 232-9490.

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• Never use ovens or ranges to heat the room.

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Residents who believe their homes may present dangers should call the appliance contractor, fuel provider, or local utility authority for appliance

inspections and/or service.

Residents who have any questions about carbon monoxide poisoning or think they are experiencing symptoms should call 1-800-POISON (1-800-764-7661).

Ladies to hold breakfast

A pancake breakfast will be sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the

Michael A. Kelly Post No. 2433, Veterans of Foreign Wars, located at the intersection of Kirkman Place and High Street in Union, Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon.

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25 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Adult Choir, Ladies Guild, Quilts, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

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SUMMIT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER 67 Kent Place Boulevard, Summit, 273-1010. William B. Hon, Rabbi. Janet Roth, Cantor. Cantor Joyce Wilson, Preschool. The Summit Jewish Community Center (SJCC) is an egalitarian, conservative synagogue, serving families from Summit and nearby 35 surrounding towns. Shabbat Friday services are held at 8:30 PM. Saturday Shabbat Services are at 10:00 AM and Shabbat Mincha services are held at 5:30 PM. Family Services, Monday through Friday are at 7:00 AM and Sunday at 9:30 AM. A Family Service is held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. In addition to regular Saturday Shabbat services, a Young Family Shabbat Service for families with children ages 2-7, is held every third Sunday from 9:30 AM-11:30 AM; and every second and fourth Saturday from 10:15-11:30 AM. There is a service for preschool children. The SJCC religious school provides instruction for children from Kindergarten through Grade 7 and Post-Graduate classes for Grades 7 through 12. The SJCC also offers a complete pre-school program including a morning and afternoon 18-24 month and a parent/teacher and Parents and Enrichment program for Kindergarten-aged children. A wide range of Adult Education Programs is available at a Sisterhood, Men's Club, Young Couples Group and Senior Adult Group. For more information about programs, call the office. Please call the SJCC office at 273-8100.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL, 229 Cowpenwale Pl., Westfield, Rev. Paul E. Kishel, Pastor, (908) 232-1517. Beginning Sunday, May 6, Summer Worship Times are as follows: Sunday Worship Service, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning Nursery available. Wednesday Evening Worship Service, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all worship services. The church and all rooms are handicapped accessible.

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METHODIST

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Summit is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. The Sabbath is observed starting at 9:15 AM with Christian Education for all ages. Sunday morning worship at 10:30 AM is the emphasis of which is to always have a "good word" from Paul's reminder to us in his words: "Let us know that ALL things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose." The ser-

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LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

This year's Union County Board of Senior All-Star Games will take place at Cranford High School Tuesday night. The girls' game is set for 7, with the boys' game to follow at 8:30.

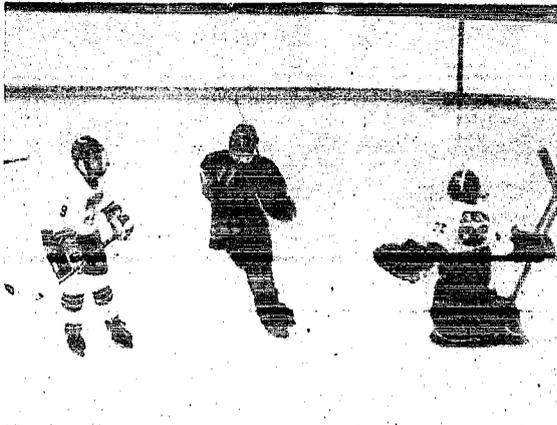
Here's the girls' rosters:
Team coached by Hillside's Al Platt and Roselle Catholic's Joe Skreco: Charon Johnson, Hillside; Tiffany Franklin, Hillside; Darla Fowler, Roselle Park; Jean Baue, Roselle Park; Erica Berger, Summit; Melissa Lopez, Oak Knoll; Megan Risson, Oak Knoll; Brenna Suple, Oak Knoll; Libby Kenesail, Oak Knoll; Sandi Byrd, Hillside; Aneka Simmons, Hillside; Kim Toliver, Roselle Catholic; Laura Palmerazzi, Roselle Catholic; Theresa Lyle, Brearley; Kathy Chen, New Providence.
Team coached by Union's Walt Hennessy and Rahway's JoAnn Zweibel: Johanna Avedino, Elizabeth; LaTonya Fowler, Union; Eileen Garrity, Cranford; Jackie Sabo, Cranford; Rebecca Severs, Cranford; Kasey Putroski, Rahway; Kelly Peuroski, Rahway; Katie Sant-Union Catholic; Jen Branton, Union Catholic; Devin McDonald, Union Catholic; Vicki Rooney, Union Catholic; Vicki Nurse, Westfield; Megan DeVitt, Westfield; Suzanne Vinagra, Westfield.

This year's Union County Coaches Top 10 Girls' Team was selected and the following players will be honored at a dinner to be held Wednesday night, April 8 at 7:30 at the Westwood in Garwood. This year's team includes: Shontae Hunter, Elizabeth; Devin McDonald, Union Catholic; Schrems Isidora, Roselle Catholic; Cathy Chen, New Providence; Megan Zambell, Cranford; Katie Santo, Union Catholic; Kellan Johnson, Hillside; Melissa Lopez, Oak Knoll; Arlette Ray, Rahway; Darla Fowler, Roselle Park; Brenna Suple, Oak Knoll; Katherine Rose, Union Catholic; Marissa Kellogg, Summit; Liz McKee, Westfield; Stephanie Bruce, Summit; Jayme Gray, Union.

The New Jersey Scholastic Coaches Association (NJSCA), Reebok and Sneaker Stadium are pleased to announce that the 1998 Annual North-South, All-Star Basketball Games will be played at the Rutgers Athletic Center on Sunday, April 5.
 The girls' game will take place at 2 p.m. and the boys' at 4.
 Koran Godwin of Roselle and Jermaine Clark and Sulaiman Muhammad of St. Patrick's are on the boys' team.

Proceeds from this All-Star Classic will be utilized by the NJSCA, Reebok and Sneaker Stadium. The funds will help institute a "New Jersey Coaches Education Program."
 This program will offer two courses: "Coaching Principles" and "First Aid For Coaches."

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 The basics of coaching, aspects that include respect, courtesy, sportsmanship and fair play, are what make a true coach.
 Tickets may be purchased for \$5 by calling the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association office at 609-239-2776 or from any of the participating coaches and players along with the door.



Springfield's Brett Berger, middle, celebrates a shorthanded goal he scored against the Avon Panthers in a tournament game held earlier this month in Farmington, Conn.

Springfield and Mountinside residents spark hockey team

Standouts include Berger, Kravetz, Anderson

Players from Springfield and Mountinside helped spark the Cranford Hockey Club to the championship game of the Avon Farms, Connecticut Pee Wee Division Tournament which was completed March 13-15 in Farmington, Conn.
 Brett Berger and Ross Kravetz of Springfield and Ryan Anderson of Mountinside played a big part in the team's second-place success.
 Berger played for Cranford team with eight points in four games, including two goals and four assists in Cranford's opening 10-0 victory over the Old York Raiders of Pennsylvania.
 Berger added a shorthanded goal on a steal and breakaway in Cranford's 4-1 win over the hometown Avon Panthers, the win that put Cranford into the title game.
 Kravetz played solid defense throughout the tournament and chipped in with a goal and two assists as well.
 Kravetz continually pounded opponents with heavy checks and his assist against the rival New Jersey Mavericks of Englewood led to the tying goal in a 4-4 second-round contest deadlock.
 Anderson also played a very physical style on defense and accounted for a goal and two assists as Cranford reached the championship game against the Mavericks with a 2-0-1 mark.

The championship game, won by the Mavericks 5-4, was exciting to say the least as the Mavericks tied the game late in regulation and then won it in overtime, both goals coming on the power play.
 Cranford scored first before the Englewood squad neared the next three goals for a 3-1 advantage.
 Cranford battled back to tie the game at 3-3 behind goals from Mike Davitt and Tim Cowans.
 The score remained 3-3 after the first two periods. Cranford then went ahead with its third consecutive goal to take a 4-3 lead with 10 minutes remaining.
 Still down 4-3, the Mavericks were forced to pull their goaltender and the move paid off as they tied the game with a power play goal scored with 58 seconds remaining in regulation.
 The Mavericks took advantage of another power play situation early in the overtime session to score the game-winning goal.
 Teams from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts gathered just outside of Hartford for the annual regional event.
 Beginning today and through Sunday, Cranford will be playing in a Canadian-American Tournament in Lake Placid, New York, its final competition for the 1997-98 season.

Wrestler Vigilante had an outstanding season at 145

Standout sophomore grappler Atilia Vigilante had an excellent season for the Brearley co-op wrestling team, the Dayton High School student posting an impressive 16-8 record at 145 pounds.
 After finishing third in the Union County Tournament, Vigilante placed second in the District 10 Tournament, qualifying him to wrestle in Region 3 competition.
 Vigilante was edged by Millburn's Jon Goravio 4-3 in the 145-pound District 10 championship bout.
Springfield Junior Minutemen basketball team excels
 The Springfield Junior Minutemen (7th grade) basketball team placed second in its league playoffs.
 Springfield finished the season with an impressive winning record of 20-12.
 Team members included Andre Callender, Mike Nitolo, Nick Peretti, Yuri Portugal, Dean Chenchak, David Levine, Don Volter, Kevin Dash, Frank Mileci, Leo Ferline, Jordan Garber, Dan Scott, Dominick Bak, Mike Tish and Jessie Waterstron.
Soccer Club of Springfield holding tryouts
 The Soccer Club of Springfield will be holding tryouts Saturday, May 2 for its fall 1998 and spring 1999 traveling teams.
 The Soccer Club of Springfield will sponsor boys and girls teams in the 8-and-under division, those born after 8-1-90; 10-and-under division, those born between 8-1-88 and 7-31-90; 12-and-under division, those born between

8-1-86 and 7-31-88, 14-and-under division, those born between 8-1-84 and 7-31-86 and 16-and-under division, those born between 8-1-82 and 7-31-84.
 The Soccer Club of Springfield is affiliated with the New Jersey Youth Soccer Association and plays in the Morris County Youth Soccer Association.
 These tryouts are open to all area residents and pre-registration is required in Region 3 competition.
 More information and registration forms may be obtained by calling the Soccer Club of Springfield at 908-273-5569.
Springtime sports blooming
 at Union County College
 Springtime sports will be blooming at Union County College during the second segment of its "College for Kids" Sports Spectacular program, featuring intensive training in golf, baseball, tennis and soccer for youngsters ages 7-12.
 The program will be held on Saturdays, April 18 through May 9.
 To accommodate all of the youngsters and all of their parents, the college has scheduled the courses so that students can participate in classes in all four sports throughout the day.
 More information about the outstanding "College for Kids" Sports Spectacular Program may be obtained by making a call to the UCC Division of Continuing Education at 908-709-7600.

Spring season starts for Dayton next week

The spring season gets into full gear next week for Dayton High School sports teams.
 The baseball team has a new head coach in Lou Dellapina, who takes over the reins from one-season mentor Bill Leonard. The Bulldogs went 14-7 last year and were second in the Valley Division of the Mountain Valley Conference with a 10-2 mark.
 The softball team also has a new head coach in Marjann Balmann, who takes over the reins from Gary Schaefer. The Bulldogs fashioned a 5-15 record last year and look to improve upon that mark behind the talents of pitcher Nancy Kloud and field players Tracy Sabadino, Maria Stravaco and Sara Naggar among others.

Track and Field

April 2 at Manville, 3:45
 April 4 MVC meet, 9:00
 April 7 at New Providence, 3:45
 April 9 at Roselle Park, 3:45
 April 11 Summit Relays, 9:00
 April 14 at Roselle Catholic, 3:45
 April 21 Oratory, 3:45
 April 23 at Bound Brook, 3:45
 April 25 Millburn Relays, 9:00
 April 30 MVC Relays, 7:00
 May 9 MVC championships, 7:00
 May 15 County Meet, 7:00
 Head coaches: William Byrne, Joe Cozza
 Assistants: DeJohn Cataldo, Bob Kozub

Volleyball

April 2 Whippany Park, 3:45
 April 6 at Mount Olive, 3:45
 April 8 New Providence, 3:45
 April 9 Brearley, 3:45
 April 14 Hanover Park, 3:45
 April 16 at Summit, 3:45
 April 20 Chatham, 3:45
 April 22 at Livingston, 3:45
 April 24 Roxbury, 3:45
 April 27 at Union Catholic, 3:45
 April 28 at Madison, 3:45
 April 30 at Whippany Park, 3:45
 May 4 Mount Olive, 3:45
 May 6 at New Providence, 3:45
 May 8 at Hanover Park, 3:45
 May 12 at Summit, 3:45
 May 12 at Chatham, 3:45
 May 18 Livingston, 3:45
 May 20 at Roxbury, 3:45
 May 22 Madison, 3:45
 Head coach: Steven Fenlon
 Assistant: Jennifer Smith

Baseball

April 2 Oratory, 3:45
 April 3 at St. Mary's, 3:45
 April 4 Millburn Tournament
 April 8 at Bound Brook, 3:30
 April 9 Middlesex, 3:45
 April 17 New Providence, 3:45
 April 18 Millburn Tournament
 April 21 at Manville, 3:45
 April 23 at Oratory, 3:45
 April 30 at Bernards, 3:45
 May 4 at Johnson, 4:00
 May 5 at Middlesex, 3:45
 May 7 Bound Brook, 3:45
 May 12 at Brearley, 3:00
 May 14 at Roselle Park, 3:00
 May 19 at New Providence, 3:45
 May 21 Manville, 3:45
 May 22 Roselle Catholic, 3:45
 New head coach: Lou Dellapina
 Assistant: Cleyn Trivet, Jason Nulman

Softball

April 1 at Elizabeth, 3:45
 April 2 at Mt. St. Mary's, 3:45
 April 3 St. Mary's, 3:45
 April 8 Bound Brook, 3:45
 April 9 at Middlesex, 3:45
 April 14 Brearley, 3:45
 April 16 at Roselle Park, 3:45
 April 17 at New Providence, 3:45
 April 21 Manville, 3:45
 April 23 Mt. St. Mary's, 3:45
 April 28 at St. Mary's, 3:45
 April 30 Oak Knoll, 3:45
 May 1 at Roselle Park, 3:45
 May 4 at Oak Knoll, 3:45
 May 5 Middlesex, 3:45
 May 7 at Bound Brook, 3:45
 May 11 at Elizabeth, 3:45
 May 12 at Brearley, 3:45
 May 14 Roselle Park, 3:45
 May 19 New Providence, 3:45
 May 21 at Manville, 3:45
 New head coach: Mananne Balmann
 Assistant: Frank Adversary

Boys' Tennis

April 2 at Roselle Catholic, 3:45
 April 8 at Bound Brook, 3:45
 April 9 Middlesex, 3:45
 April 14 North Plainfield, 3:45
 April 16 Gov. Livingston, 3:45
 April 17 at Johnson, 3:45
 April 21 at Roselle Park, 3:45
 April 23 New Providence, 3:45
 April 28 Oratory, 3:45
 April 30 at Ridge, 3:45
 May 5 at Immaculata, 3:45
 May 7 at Middlesex, 3:45
 May 8 Bound Brook, 3:45
 May 14 at Oratory, 3:45
 May 20 at Plainfield, 3:45
 May 21 New Providence, 3:45
 May 22 Roselle Park, 3:45
 Head coach: William Frisco
 Assistant: Justin Petino

Baseball camp this Sunday at UC

SportsMatters Baseball Camps will conclude their winter camp season at Union Catholic High School Sunday, with a special pre-season offense/defense camp from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 The camp is open to all ages and instruction will be led by Union Catholic baseball coach Paul Reddick. Guest instructors include Rich Shied of the Florida Marlins and Seion Hall University All-Big East catcher Bill Reddick.
 Players will learn all facets of offense and defense such as learning a second position, playing the mental game and breaking a slump.
 Students will also receive a camp T-shirt, evaluation form, Certificate of Achievement, full-color camp photo, instruction on a 5-1 player/coach ratio and students who register early will receive a free copy of the new Baseball Skills video produced by the SportsMatters staff.
 More information may be obtained by calling Reddick at 908-686-6057.
 Senior Softball League looking for players
 The Union County Senior Softball League is looking for additional players to add to its age 50 and 60 leagues.
 Anyone who will be 50- or 60-and-over during 1998 may contact league chairman Tom Muccia at 908-273-3140.



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