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## THIS WEEK

### NEWS

#### Taxes due

Residents are reminded that taxes are due May 11.

#### Senator fined

A Union County senator is fined for misusing campaign funds. Sen. C. Louis Bassano, R-Union, was fined \$6,000 for borrowing \$80,000 and loaning it to his Kenilworth fuel oil business.

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#### Assessing needs

Officials representing county and local governments, business and transportation agencies met recently to discuss transportation needs along the Route 1 corridor in Union County. A committee hopes to help balance new jobs and businesses in the area.

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### THE ARTS

#### A horror show

Students at Abraham Clark High School enter the fast-paced world of the Shop of Horrors.

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#### Spring fever

Artwork by Dolores Fahey Whitehall will be on display at the Los Malamut Art Gallery through May 7.

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## Support for police lieutenant growin

### Law enforcement groups backing Shapow

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer  
Fraternel support for Springfield Police Lt. Ivan Shapow, from the April 23 press conference to the Springfield PBA press release Tuesday, appears to be building during the last week.

PBA Local 76, in a two-page statement fared to the *Echo Leader* Tuesday afternoon, declared its "complete support and solidarity" with Shapow. The release recounted the conversation supposedly made between Shapow and Capt. Vernon Pedersen March 10 and the department's disciplinary charges filed against Shapow April 20.

"Shapow has been and continues to be the subject of ethnic and religious

bias," said PBA President Officer John Foster in the release. "The facts could not be clearer. Capt. Pedersen initiated the latest chain of events which has led to the present deplorable situation."

The statement said the Springfield Township Policy Against Harassment "encourages victims of harassment to bring their complaints to management by ensuring that no reprisals will result from the good faith reporting." The PBA said Shapow complained to the township about Pedersen's remarks.

"The township's response was to file disciplinary charges against Shapow," Foster said in the statement. "If the charges are sustained at the disciplinary hearing scheduled for May 15,

Shapow would be reduced to the rank of patrolman and be suspended for 90 days without pay."

The charges were filed by Chief of Police William Chisholm April 20 after an internal investigation. The Notice of Disciplinary Action states that Shapow made copies of the conversation from the police's master recording and gave them to a third party. Shapow, said the notice, was less than candid to Chisholm about the conversation and the tape copying.

The notice thereby charges Shapow of breaking five departmental rules and regulations, from insubordination to revealing a proposed police order outside the force. Notice copies were distributed to the media April 21.

"I would like to know who distri-

buted copies of the notice," said Theodore Romankow, attorney for Shapow. "This whole matter would have been better handled if it was kept as an internal police matter."

Romankow, Shapow, Anti-Defamation League Regional Director Shai Goldstein and Shorin-New Jersey Chapter representative Michael S. Kranz held a joint press conference April 23. They, along with a written statement of Black Cop's Against Police Brutality founder Delacy Davis, decried Shapow's treatment and asked to have the disciplinary charges dropped.

"Lt. Shapow made a copy of the existing tape to secure its existence," said Romankow from his Westfield office. "If due course, he referred the matter to the officer in charge of bias. Det. Judd Levenson. We have been unable to ascertain any other

instances in any police unit wherein both racial and religious bigotry have been publicly proven in New Jersey."

"What Lt. Shapow did was courageous and it has become career- and life-threatening," said Davis. "Racist police departments have always blamed the victims which keeps others in check. The mayor of Springfield should declare March 10 'Ivan Shapow Day' to encourage other good officers to stand up."

"When I report to work, I feel almost like how a battered wife does when she comes home," said Shapow. "I don't know what my supervisors have in store for me and I don't know if my bruises will show."

A second internal investigation is supposedly being conducted regarding Pedersen's remarks. He has been suspended without pay since April 7.

## Crash victim airlifted to the hospital

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

A three-car crash in Springfield left two township residents injured and employed Gov. Christine Whitman's helicopter for emergency airlift service April 21.

The chain of events began, according to township police and fire reports, with a 1995 Pontiac Sunbird and a 1994 Honda Prelude approaching each other on Tooker Avenue. The Sunbird, traveling westbound, attempted a left turn onto Tooker Place. The Prelude, however, was coming from eastbound Tooker and the pair collided at about 2:43 p.m.

Both cars spun away from each other from the impact. While the Sunbird stopped pointing southward toward Tooker Place, the Prelude spun 180 degrees and across the northeast corner of Tooker Place and Tooker Avenue. The second

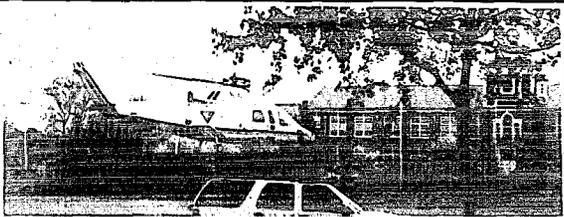


Photo by Scott Seidel

A helicopter, leaving from Jonathan Dayton High School, takes an accident victim to Morristown Memorial Hospital.

car hit an unoccupied 1991 Chrysler New Yorker, which was parked outside on the avenue.

Springfield police, first aid squad and fire department units arrived within 90 seconds. They found the Sunbird driver, Michael Massau, and Prelude pilot, Jared Wilson, injured.

"Engine One arrived with four firefighters," said Fire Chief William Gras. "Led by Firefighter Charles Collins, they found one driver with severe head injuries after a

collision against a windshield."

"Our job was to stabilize and transport the two drivers," said First Aid Squad President Gloria Simpson. "After evaluating their injuries, we called for NorthStar."

NorthStar helicopters take critically ill or hurt people to the University of Medicine and Dentistry Hospital Trauma Center in Newark. Two helicopters, however, were needed.

"The fire officer on scene then called the State Police for a second

airlift helicopter," said Gras. "What we got was Whitman's helicopter, since the promised it wouldn't be solely for her personal use."

Two fire units set up a landing zone on the Jonathan Dayton High School front lawn at 3:03 p.m. Massau was sent by NorthStar to University Hospital and Wilson taken by State Police to Morristown Memorial Hospital. Status of both men were unavailable as of press time.

## Dayton softball team debuts under lights

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Those who say America's pastime should not be played under lights may want to ask the Jonathan Dayton High School softball team. The squad, for the first time, used the Municipal Pool Field lights to host Elizabeth Friday night.

About 35 people ventured to the pool ground's southeast corner to watch the Lady Bulldogs and the Lady Minutemen make up a game from one rained out on April 1. They were greeted by four 60-foot tall concrete towers beyond the base paths. Although the sun was beginning to set at 7 p.m., the 24 tower-borne lights already illuminated the field.

"This was a cooperative effort among the town, the Recreation Department and the high school," said Mayor S. Mullinan. "There was some money left over from a construction bond issue and we wanted to apply it. Someone suggested lighting the pool field."

"I think we spent about \$60,000 for the lights," said Recreation Director Michael Tennaro. "The project, from bid to construction, took three months. Those towers are concrete for longer life and weigh 40 tons each."

"Our home field is the one between Dayton and Meisel Field," said Springfield Schools Athletic Director Steve Falzarano. "Having this field will allow us to better maintain the one by the school. The lights also allows us a flexible schedule and lets some parents see their kids play."

Nighttime play for both teams is a rarity. Dayton head coach Mariann Balciann said they never practiced under the lights before tonight and pitcher Nancy Kloud said the ground was soft from Thursday's rain. Elizabeth leader Frank Cico said his squad last played at night three years ago at Roselle Park and pitcher Amy Paul said night play takes a little adaptation.

For the record, Paul pitched a six-hit game to down Dayton 6-1. Kloud made a base hit to help bring Marla Paignebaum home in the second inning for Dayton's sole run. The game itself, however, seemed to take a back seat to the lights.

"The lights show where the rough areas are on the field," said spectator Howard Tiss. "The field was rough when I played baseball on it nine years ago."

The next Dayton softball game at Pool Field is set against North Plainfield May 8 at 7 p.m.

## Taeschler re-elected president

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

What Mountainside residents voted for was made official in the Borough Board of Education reorganization meeting Tuesday night.

Pat Taeschler, Sally Riveccio and Richard Kress were sworn in to their new three-year terms at the Deerfield School Media Center. The board then renominated and re-elected Taeschler and Riveccio as respective board president and vice president.

Taeschler, Riveccio and Kress were returned during the school board elections April 21. They ran unopposed. The \$8.69 million 1998-99 school budget, which was also approved by voters, was formally adopted later that meeting.

Fifteen more resolutions were carried during the reorganization. The measures ranged from naming the *Echo Leader* as an official newspaper to keeping 11 financial accounts on the Summit Bank and the state cash management fund. A temporary board

## The annual cleanup



Photo by Jeff Grant

Sayon Lemrick leads Donnell Leak and the rest of a Boy Scout troop on the annual cleanup of the Watchung Reservation this weekend.

## Bonin named administrator

By Jim Foglio  
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Borough Council appointed Gregory Bonin as the new borough administrator. The borough has not had an administrator for the past four months, since the resignation of Kathleen Toland in December 1997.

Bonin, who worked as the borough clerk in Hillsborough for the past three and one-half years, will begin a three-month probationary period in Mountainside on May 18.

"After an extensive search in which we received more than 140 applications, we employed a committee and they narrowed it down to a second interview group and then finally came to this conclusion," said Mayor Bob Vigilanti.

"Mr. Bonin is a fine individual and I am sure that he will fit quite well in the Mountainside community," Vigilanti said. "I am sure you will find him as a very interesting and fascinating individual."

Bonin, who grew up in Maplewood, said he is familiar with the general area, and is looking forward to the new challenge.

"I am happy to be working in Mountainside," Bonin said. "It is an older community, and has more of a community sense than where I am now." Hillsborough is more concerned with developing the area."

It is this primary difference that Bonin said will distinguish his future position from his past one.

"I am sure that the largest difference will be the issues at hand," he said. "Each town is unique, and as Hillsborough is concerned with development and the preservation of open space, I think Mountainside is more concerned with continuing and expanding the residents' quality of life."

Bonin's appointment will help alleviate some of the extra workload that had been previously carried by Municipal Clerk Judith E. Oxy and Assistant Clerk and Municipal Secretary Sharon Peel. But Vigilanti also said it would take some of the added pressure off of the mayor's office.

"I am excited to have Mr. Bonin join us for two reasons," Vigilanti said. "One, he is a very qualified individual with tremendous credentials and the borough is in need of an administrator. And two, it will take some of the pressure off of Judy, Sharon and myself. I've been down at Borough Hall every day for the past few months, working many hours," he said.

Bonin, who graduated from Keaf University with an honors degree in political science, is a few credit hours short of obtaining his master's degree in public administration from Rutgers University.

"This is the fifth municipality that I will be associated with," he said. "I hope to bring in different ideas and continue the professional demeanor that I know the staff has in Mountainside."

Bonin, who instituted a computer network in Hillsborough, said he hopes to give Mountainside all he has to offer.

"I have an extensive background in computers and state purchasing," he said. "I hope to extend this expertise to the Borough of Mountainside."

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**Pulaski Savings holding its own**

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer  
The Springfield-based Pulaski Savings Bank, after its annual shareholders meeting Friday morning, appears to be holding its financial course.  
Shareholders re-elected Thomas Benkowski and Walter F. Rusak to Pulaski's board of directors for another three-year term. Benkowski and Patrick Paolella were also retained as the bank's president and vice president.

"We had about 35 shareholders appear at the Clark Holiday Inn," said Paolella. "Two board seats are up for election annually and the shareholders accept nominations. What generally happens is that two incumbents are nominated and they get re-elected."  
"What did not transpire at the meeting, however, may have been more important at this meeting as what happened. Shareholder Jerome Davis,

who had planned to sell his 121,000 shares of stock to the public, did not show.  
"That shareholder," said Benkowski, "apparently decided to stay home."  
Davis said in a daily newspaper Thursday that he wanted to sell his 5.55 percent of Pulaski stock. Feeling that the \$19 a share price was artificially high, his public sale would have forced a second step conversion. The result would take those shares from a mutual ownership to a public one.

About 53 percent of Pulaski's stock remains in its own treasury. The management, therefore, controls the board's voting rights.

Pulaski, said Benkowski and Paolella at Thursday's Springfield Chamber of Commerce meeting, has \$191 million in assets. Part of those holdings stem from an initial

public offering of stock on April 2, 1997.  
"The stock was initially offered for \$10 a share," said Benkowski. "It was trading Monday at about \$19.25."  
Pulaski, said Paolella, started in Irvington with \$600,000 in 1943. It grew to three branches and \$60 million in holdings by 1975. The headquarters moved to Springfield in 1991 and has six branches today.

"We force national banks and community-based banks as the main financial players by 2005," said Paolella. "Our market is with our towns we have branches in, which means we can better serve local needs."

Pulaski's next step is to modernize their computer system May 16. The bank will be closed that day, however, and will resume normal operations May 18. The ATM machine will be unaffected.

**Employee cited; police charges raised**

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer  
Fire and police-related matters took center stage during the Springfield Township Committee Tuesday night. The committee executed a firefighters contract and hailed a particular officer. Public speakers, however, commented about recent police disciplinary developments before the committee.

Mayor Sy Mullman and the committee honored Fire Officer David Mas for his nine years of dedicated service. Mullman presented a plaque and a proclamation of appreciation and had Mas' name in lights on the township sign.

"Being a fire inspector for Dave Maas, the way he puts concerns through

in, is a way of life," said Mullman. "I've seen him sit through longings in Planning Board meetings, waiting to speak if needed. It is fitting that our first outstanding employee of the month awardee would be him."

The committee later authorized itself to put a newly ratified two-year contract with the Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 57 and 57A. They voted to adopt a new Fire Department manual and introduced a salary ordinance.

Six floor speakers, however, had the matter regarding Police Lt. Ivan Shapov on their mind. Most issued statements from their police organizations.

"The Superior Officers Association of Springfield express our concerns to the township about the charges brought against Shapov," said group speaker Sgt. Peter Davis. "Our concern is that the charges are more about

a measure of retribution. We're concerned that those charges exacerbate the incorrect image that the department is a haven for bigots and hatemongers."

"There seems to be a perception that the Township Committee is letting a matter which we know has been in existence since 1993 take its course," said Shomrim state chapter President Michael Krantz. "You and I enjoy certain rights and freedoms for which someone else has sacrificed for in the past. Shapov, Foster and Officers Walter Brooks and John Foster and their families are making sacrifices now."

"The word I leave with you is change," said Officer Gary Griffiths of Black Ops Against Police Brutality. "Because of one man's refusal to change his outlook, a lot of people are forced to make changes to be here."

**Correction**

The article "Resident angry over housing" in the April 16 edition of the Echo Leader should have stated that contractor Frank Colandrea built two houses on Lelak Avenue in Springfield and Sumas Realty brought a complaint about the matter to municipal court Monday.

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**Friday**  
• The Governor Livingston Band Parents Organization is sponsoring country line dancing from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. in the Governor Livingston High School cafeteria, Watchung Boulevard, Berkeley Heights. Proceeds will be used to support the activities of the award-winning Highlander Band. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$5 for seniors and kids. Refreshments will be available.

**Sunday**  
• The Springfield Rotary Club will hold its 17th annual flea market at Jonathan Dayton High School, Mountain Avenue, Springfield, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event was postponed from last weekend because of rain. There will be over 150 vendors, Hamburgers, hot dogs, refreshments, free blood pressure screening and other activities. Proceeds will go to needy children in the area. Rotary is a non-profit organization.

**Monday**  
The Springfield Recreation Department is looking for a responsible person to do clerical work, part time, in the Recreation Office located at 30 Church Mall, from May 4 to Labor Day, Sept. 7.  
The hours will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If interested, call (973) 912-2227 for more information.

**May 11**  
• Rosalind Mink of Mink & Meislik will present a workshop titled "Legal Aspects of Divorce" at 7 p.m. at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. Mink is an attorney who specializes in matrimonial matters. She will discuss the grounds for divorce and the financial issues in matrimonial litigation. These topics include child support, alimony, equitable distribution, custody, visitation, discovery, post-judgment problems and costs. There is no fee. For more information and reservations, call (973) 243-1166.

**May 14**  
• The Springfield chapter of Hadassah will hold its donor dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, Dorothea Schwarz and Irene Choiner are co-chairmen. The evening will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the State of Israel. The committee consists of Iris Segal, Journalist Esther Kriss, Reservations: Cecile Bloomfield, Donor Credits, and Eleanor Kuperstein, President. Entertainment will be by Peter Lieberman.

**May 21**  
• A dinner for Leonard J. Baccaro, retiring superintendent/board secretary of the Mountaintop Board of Education, has been planned. Richard Kress, chairman of the retirement committee, announced the dinner to be held on May 21, at the Primavera, 1080 Valley Road, Stirling, across will retire from a career spanning 40 years in the education field on June 30. He served in Mountaintop for 13 years, where he was the superintendent of schools. For additional information, contact Betty at Kraus' office, 472 Westfield Ave., Clark, 07066 or telephoning (732) 381-3666.

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# Store employee charged with embezzlement

A coffee shop worker at the Barnes and Noble bookstore was placed under arrest for embezzlement April 22. The clerk, identified as Joseph Giordano of Union, has been accused by store and township detectives of stealing about \$5,900 in cash and \$180 in food between November and April 21.

Giordano, according to Springfield Police Department records, had been taken to the county jail's central intake unit Friday.

The driver of a Ford Tempo drove to police headquarters at 6:54 p.m. Monday to report an accident with a Mercury Sable earlier that day. He said he was driving north on Springfield Avenue when he was rear-ended by the Sable by Morris Avenue at about 1:30 p.m.

When the two drivers began to exchange information, however, the Sable driver said she'd lie about the crash if approached by the police — and drove off. The department is attempting to confirm the Tempo motorist's story and the Sable driver's identity.

A Mercedes-Benz 230 operator had a similar rear-end, no-tell accident with a Chevrolet Cavalier Sunday. The Benz, after getting hit off eastbound Morris Avenue near Mountain Avenue at about 3 p.m., saw the Chevy leave the scene.

Although the Benz driver and passenger were injured by the crash, they gave enough of a description for the police to trace the Chevy. The Chevy was later found in a furniture store

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parking lot but the driver, who is a store security officer, was not present.

A Hyundai two-door was about to take the South Springfield Avenue exit from Route 22 West Saturday when it was rear-ended by a speeding BMW at about 1:55 a.m. The Hyundai was pushed into the exit traffic island, knocking down a "Keep Right" sign.

Springfield and Mountaineer first aid squads plus a township fire engine arrived to handle the four injured occupants. The BMW pilot was charged with three infractions, including driving up to 14 miles per hour over the speed limit and careless driving.

A Lawrence Road manufacturer reported a \$28,025.80 theft of brass parts Friday. Some 6,700 parts, which were believed to be stolen over the past year, are being found missing during an inventory audit.

The driver of a Toyota on east-bound Caldwell Place Thursday said he had stopped at the junction with Mountain Avenue at about 1:05 p.m. and was about to turn when two pedestrians walked before him. The pedestrians said they had entered the crosswalk before the Toyota stopped.

The pedestrians, a Springfield couple in their 60s, received minor injuries in the accident. The driver was summoned for failing to yield in the crosswalk.

A Mercury Sable was speeding north on Maple Avenue April 20

when it struck a Nissan Maxima at the Morris Avenue intersection at about 9:47 p.m. The two cars knocked down a traffic signal and power box at the intersection's northeast corner, collecting a Mercury Villager along the way.

The Sable and Maxima drivers were taken to local hospitals by Springfield and Millburn first aid squads while township police investigated and fire assisted with the cleanup. Police charged the Sable driver with failure to observe signals, speeding up to 14 mph over the limit and reckless driving.

**Mountaineer**  
The Mountaineer Police Department responded to a burglary that reportedly occurred April 21 in a physician's office at 1180 Route 22 West. Nearly \$1,000 worth of equipment was stolen from an office at Manor Care, a network that provides health care on a walk-in basis.

Officer Michael Perotta responded to the call at approximately 11:30 a.m. The victim reported missing an Apple Color Printer valued at \$395, a portable battery pack valued at \$129, a battery at \$75, an AC adapter worth \$70, a printer cable listed at \$15, and two distating machines valued at \$75 each.

The theft was believed to have occurred during the night, as the victim reported that she had returned in the morning to a ramshacked office. The victim stated that she had locked the door the night before. It was later revealed that the actor had gained

entry through the ceiling over the bathroom.

No arrests have been made at this time, as the investigation continues.

Police located a missing juvenile who had apparently run away from home on April 19.

At approximately 5 p.m., headquarters received a call from the Hillsborough Police Department regarding the possibility of a missing juvenile staying at a family's house in Mountaineer.

Officers Rich Lattanzia and Scott Worwick responded to the residence on Summit Road, where the juvenile was believed to be located. The 15-year-old female was found unharmed and picked up by her parents at the Mountaineer headquarters.

Police arrested an Edison man for driving while intoxicated on April 22.

At approximately 8 p.m., Officer Stephen DeVito stopped a motorist for speeding while on Route 22 East. The driver, later identified as Arthur Borick, 37, was suspected to be driving while intoxicated after he refused to take a Breathalyzer test, police said. The suspect was released on his own recognition the following morning and awaits a future court date.

Police arrested a Hillsdale man for driving while suspended on April 22.

At approximately 1 p.m., while traveling on Mountain Avenue, Officer Tom Murphy stopped a motorist for a cracked windshield. The driver, later identified as Jason Hale, 19, was found to be suspended. It was also found that a warrant for Hale's arrest was due out of Hillsdale Township.

# Voter turnout typical for uncontested race

By Jim Foglio  
Staff Writer

During the April 21 Mountain-side Board of Education elections, the three incumbents, board President Pat Tieschler, Vice President Sally Rivicchio and board member Richard Kress were re-elected. The candidates all ran unopposed.

Due most likely to the lack of opposition, only 688 residents voted, less than 20 percent of the 4,200 total registered voters in the borough. Each board member was pleased with the result of the election, but said the lack of response from the community was typical of an uncontested race.

"We usually don't get any more than this amount in an uncontested election," Tieschler said. "We usually average around 16 percent or 17 percent voter turnout," she said. But unlike 1997, when the school budget was defeated, the plan for 1998 passed by an overwhelming margin.

"This margin of victory was unprecedented," said Kress. "We have never had such a great disparity in our favor, from my recollection."

Tieschler also was surprised with the margin of victory. "The count was very unusual," Tieschler said. "We usually pass about 50 percent of our budgets. During the past 12 years, I think we have passed six. But usually the count is very close," she said. "With these overwhelming results, I get a very positive feeling from the community."

Chief School Administrator Gerald Schaller agreed.

"I see the overwhelming margin as a victory for the administration and a vote of confidence from the community toward all our efforts

## News follow-up

with the Board of Education," said Schaller. "It shows the value of education in the community and that our students still come first."

Some residents of the borough expressed the reasons for which they pulled the "yes" levers.

"This particular Board of Education is very dedicated to providing for the students," said Debbie Foster, a resident who is consistently active at board meetings. "I see this as a definite vote of confidence for Dr. Schaller and the other board members," she said.

"I always vote 'yes' on the school budget," said resident and long-time borough Democrat Lou Thomas. "I think the students should always come first and I'm rooting for this administration the entire way," he said.

A voter who wished to remain anonymous said she voted for the budget because when it comes to education, money should not be an issue.

"Everyone is so concerned with saving money in budgets, both in municipalities and education," she said. "But when education is involved, the best possible environment and resources should be made available for the students, regardless. This is why I voted yes, even though the budget could be considered by skeptics as a high one."

Ronnie Landis, who is also consistently active at school board meetings, agreed.

"There should be no compromising when it comes to education. The students are the most important issue the board has to deal with," she said.

# Second Cordoni becomes an Eagle Scout

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Springfield Boy Scout Troop 73, with the awarding of the Order of the Eagle to Sean Cordoni Sunday, continues to set standards and precedents.

Cordoni's awarding, before about 80 people at the St. James Church auditorium, becomes the second Troop 73 scout to be so honored in two months. The troop, led by Scoutmaster Gerry Gebauer, continues a tradition of more than a few troop members attaining the high rank.

"What Troop 73 has done with Ian Cordoni and other scouts is amazing," said Mayor Sy Mullman. "The troop has had four Eagle Scouts in a year. There are entire states that don't get as many Eagles at the same time."

*"When I was looking for an Eagle project, I thought about the need to have native plants return to Watchung Reservation."*

— Sean Cordoni

Acquiring the rank of Eagle Scout requires the planning, leadership and execution of a community project over a year's time. A prospective Eagle, among other prerequisites, has to earn 36 merit badges. It is thereby no wonder that about one percent of Boy Scouts worldwide become an Eagle.

While most Eagles are usually around 16 years old, however, Sean

Cordoni earned his rank while still 13 years old. Cordoni's feat is matched only by his 15-year-old brother Ian, who received his Eagle medal early last year.

"Sean Cordoni has a natural leadership ability, an enthusiasm for scouting and has a love for the outdoors," said Gebauer. "While it is unusual to have such a young scout reach Eagle

in my nine years as Scoutmaster, Sean has the drive."

"I enjoy Scouting," said Sean Cordoni, "especially going on hikes and camping. When I was looking for an Eagle project, I thought about the need to have native plants return to Watchung Reservation."

Area Scouts frequently use Watchung Reservation for hikes and other events. Budgetary pressures, however, have kept the county from keeping the reservation in ideal shape.

The county parks department has thereby allowed scouts to conduct restoration projects. Cordoni's project involved planting native flora and erecting protective fencing. Ask the Gladstone Center for directions to the site.

# Commission seminars target indoor air quality

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Environmental Commission, in league with two other governmental groups, want to clear the air — as in indoor air.

The Commission, the Township Board of Health and the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, have been holding a seminar series the last two Mondays at the Free Public Library. Commission Chairperson Clara Harelik and Extension Program Assistant Jennifer McGuire have brought guest speakers in to talk about indoor air quality. The speakers discuss indoor air pollution sources, their effects and remedies.

"There are so many sources of air pollution that affect people which they don't know about," said Harelik. "At the same time, there is so much information for people available from different groups. That's why the Commission talked with the Board of Health and the Rutgers Extension about putting together this seminar."

"Clara's the one who got this seminar going," said McGuire. "Although I have talked with other audiences about indoor air quality before, this is the first time in the Springfield area where we have an extensive series."

"Healthy Indoor Air for America's Homes," was launched with an overview of the subject on April 27. The

invaluable seminar included discussion of pollen, mold and other biological sources. Monday's topic, featuring Union County Regional Environmental Health Director Kevin Schuerman, concerned hidden hazards for the home remodeler.

"A lot of older homes have lead or asbestos in their materials," said Schuerman. "Lead, which tends to enter our lungs and skin pores, is still available in paints made before 1981. Asbestos fibers are so small that trained remediation technicians wear special filters and masks."

Schuerman outlined what products contain asbestos, lead and other hazardous chemicals. He also demon-

strated how to determine whether some materials can be left alone, personally removed or left to professionals.

"There are some things I learned from the seminar," said William Ruocco. "I remember when furnaces and boilers were insulated with asbestos."

The last seminar, on radon, carbon monoxide and tobacco smoke, is set in the library conference room for 6-4:30 p.m. Monday. Call (908) 654-9854 for details.

To place a classified ad call 1-800-564-8911 by 3 p.m. Tuesday.

## Board reorganizes

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secretary and a representative for the Berkeley Heights Board of Education were selected.

Tieschler then asked the board to name committee panels and outside representatives. They include seven internal standing board committees and another eight posts are open for liaison work with state School Boards Association and the like.

The reconstituted board approved 14 teacher contracts, including five grantings of tenure. They also listened to Mountaineer Youth Baseball President Bill Hill's plan to replace a field's fence behind Deerfield School.

"The four-foot fence along Field No. 2 is in desperate shape," said Hill. "It's to where I'm concerned that players will get their arms or legs snagged along the fence's top or bottom. It is not up to the 6-foot height safety standard set by most ball organizations."

Hill said he received two estimates for the job from six contractors he had approached. One had estimated \$11,100 for the work; another quoted \$7,100 or \$5,500, depending if the posts need replacing.

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# COMMUNITY FORUM

## The wrong move

In any business, when a staff member is insubordinate or violates policy, he or she should be reprimanded. The reason behind the reprimand is to alert the employee to the wrongdoing so the employee does not repeat the offense. There are times when a wrongdoing is committed by an employee and the only way an employer learns of it is through another employee. What should happen to that outside party, sometimes known as a snitch?

In the case of the Springfield Police Department, the answer is to punish him. That's what happened to Lt. Ivan Shapow, who, in an effort to right a wrong done to him by another employee, released a tape recording of a captain's remarks that indicated bigotry toward Jewish people.

Springfield Police Chief William Chisholm was wrong to suggest disciplinary action against Shapow, who, in this case, is clearly a victim. Shapow was charged with making copies of the audio tape on which Capt. Vernon Pedersen made anti-Semitic remarks toward Shapow, who has a hearing scheduled for May 15, faces a 90-day suspension and demotion to patrolman.

Whether or not the chief thought the notice of disciplinary action would remain hidden from the public is not relevant. The information was released to the media and, once again, certain members of the Police Department and Township Committee were made to look incompetent and unfair to their employees.

Shapow is asking that the May 15 hearing be public. While personnel matters are normally conducted in private session, an employee has a right to request that his or her hearing be conducted in public so the media and citizenry can attend and hear arguments. We're glad Shapow is acting on principle because he has the constitutional right to be Jewish and practice his faith without having to worry about supervisors disliking him for that.

When more details of the hearing are announced, we will alert residents and ask them to attend. Whether or not they agree with the action Shapow took, they will have an opportunity to hear what happened and have the same amount of knowledge about the case as their township government when a decision is reached about Shapow's fate.

## The dumb move

The Springfield Board of Education slapped taxpayers in the face last week when it voted — in closed session — to increase the salaries of certain district employees and refused to reveal the names of employees who received the increases.

Whose money does the Board of Education think it is spending?

If they think it's their own, maybe our Board of Education has more problems than residents think.

The excuse provided by Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland was that the board was waiting for signatures to ratify the teachers' contract before it would reveal the details of the salary increases.

Again we ask, whose money does the Board of Education think it is spending?

If a decision is made to spend taxpayers' dollars, the taxpayers have a right to know that information the moment it happens. That didn't occur in Springfield, and what makes that slap in the face more stinging is the fact that the board's decision occurred the night before school election day, when district leaders were faced with new board members who may have had some different opinions on how money is spent in the Springfield School District.

The Board of Education and school administration need to learn that in a democracy, the citizens have a right to know everything their government leaders are doing. Slaps in the face like this are not going to maintain the trust that the citizenry should have in their leaders.

## The good move

Mountainside residents are feeling the effects of deregulation and home rule — and they should be liking them.

Voters approved the school budget on school election day last week despite a weak voter turnout of 688 registered voters. The budget increase is less than 1 percent versus last year, and this comes on the heels of the municipal government approving a town budget that reflects a reduction from last year's spending plan.

With their own local school district, which includes sending high school students to Governor Livingston, it's now up to Mountainside residents to hold their school leaders accountable for the spending that takes place locally. When your taxes don't have to be spent to subsidize other school districts, such as was the case with the Union County Regional District, you have more power over how that money can be directed. Use it wisely.

## Our penal code needs complete overhaul

### As I See It

By Norman Rouscher  
Correspondent

A revision of the nation's penal codes is long overdue and the quicker we can get to it, life for all of us can be definitely safer.

When the framers of the U.S. Constitution hammered out a section regarding states' rights, it was not one of the more glorious and farsighted decisions to be made. In criminal law, states' rights can play an important part in the disposition of the case since it deals with extradition.

If a person lives in New York, commits a serious crime in Iowa and then escapes to Montana, it doesn't necessarily mean the suspect will be shipped back to Iowa to stand trial for his misdeed. Red tape, legal arguments, court appearances, etc., will come into play to keep the suspect in Montana on grounds of states' right. This scenario can go on for months, even years before justice can be served. I don't think the good framers of the Constitution meant that this particular piece of law was meant to hinder the fair deliverance of justice. But it happens all too often to the frustration of many of us. This problem should be straightened out as soon as possible. But can you imagine the screams and howls of

protest that would accompany such a proposal?

There is also the matter of plea bargaining where a suspect will plead guilty to a lesser crime so the courts will go easier on him regarding an open and shut case. Amy Grossberg, one of two suspects in the death of her newborn baby, has taken a plea so that instead of finding her guilty of murder, she pleaded guilty to manslaughter and thus got a lighter sentence than a possible one of murder, where she could spend the rest of her life in prison. A few months ago, Amy's boyfriend and the father of the dead infant pleaded guilty to manslaughter, thus avoiding a life sentence, or even death. Both had originally been accused of first degree murder and faced possible execution. Another monkey wrench in

handling penalties is the parole and the five-year sentencing handed down by many bleeding heart judges. When a judge hands down a sentence of life in prison, don't bet the family farm that that's going to happen. A few years down the line when the dust has settled and memories of the crime become faded, an attorney could charm up the dust and claim the poor prisoner did not get a fair trial and deserves another one. Since doubt of his or her guilt has descended upon our collective shoulders, a new trial is sure to follow. And guess what? This time the verdict will be innocent. This is comparable to a convicted rapist, child molester, etc., being sentenced to 10 to 20 years. Most are out in less than 10 years if the crime is not that heinous and guess what? You're right, the rapist, child molester, etc., for something better to do, goes right back and rapes and molests again, a la the slain Kanka child. If a convicted felon is sentenced to 20 years, not five or 10 to 20 years, every second of that sentence should be served without exception. Most convicts are smart enough to know that life sentence is not a life sentence but a few years in the slammer and free-

dom's door swings open for the convict to strike again on some other child or woman. What happens to the victim's family? What about their rights and the destruction of entire families? At times, I get the feeling that the courts feel more pity for the criminal than for the victim. There's something wrong here and it must be fixed.

Then we have the attorneys who claim that we should open the prison's doors and let the convicts go free since human beings are not meant to be locked up. Their crimes were "misinterpreted" and jail time will make them even more antisocial. I don't know what a "misinterpreted" crime actually is, but I sure don't want a "misinterpreted" murderer following me home.

The penal code in this country needs a complete overhaul to bring it into the reality of the present. Wrist slapping, a severe scolding or a couple months in jail to watch television, a gym in which to work out, and other perks do not seem to be punishment for a serious crime.

Norman Rouscher is a former newspaper publisher and frequent columnist for this newspaper.

## SaRenna Lee and her Republican values

### Reporter's Notebook

By Paul O'Keefe  
Staff Writer

The Chiller Convention was at the Meadowlands Hilton this weekend. It is a meeting of all the Grade B movie actors and actresses as well as film dealers, directors and such.

In the interest of the ahem — journalistic obligation to seek the facts, I attended Friday night with a staunch Republican who will remain nameless in order to keep the appearance of party line on family values.

But the point of this column is not really the convention, nor is it the beautiful actresses or arcane school films of the 1960s. This column is about what it means to be a Republican.

The staunch Republican and I were in the lounge of the hotel when a pretty blonde woman dressed in sequins and sporting radical breast

augmentation struck up a conversation with us.

Her name is SaRenna Lee. She was a Playboy video model and has starred in a few B movie suspense films. She made a point of telling us she did no adult films.

SaRenna has a new movie called "Evil States" in which she plays an ecologist stalked by a body builder. SaRenna was the highlight of the whole convention for this writer.

We often see these types on movie covers in the video stores and wonder what kind of person would ever suggest an smart enough to know that life sentence is not a life sentence but a few years in the slammer and free-

SaRenna Lee is a Republican and proud of it. She came from the South, Florida to be exact, and decided on her career as perhaps a business decision but more likely because she was enjoying life and wants fun. She was bubbly and very good natured in her conversation, and it was not an act. This is a nice lady to meet.

I talked to her about the whole B movie genre at length, met her co-star and talked with the director of the film. We had a great time, but I could not stop thinking, "This is a Republican?"

We associate "Republican" with Phyllis Schlafly types. The whole B movie racket keeps the pretense of liberalism as its cover, and everyone is familiar with the sleazy producers of trash movies who wrap themselves in the banner of the First Amendment and art to the point of nausea.

But SaRenna Lee is a Republican and doing B movies. This country may have a future yet.

SaRenna is up on the history of her type films. She is very sensible and businesslike about it. In the end, she gave me her e-mail address — hers, not her fan club or movie company. She was the perfect example of the easygoing and cheerful Southern woman I miss so much since moving from Texas.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Thanks voters for support

To the Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the voters of Springfield for again supporting the budget proposed by the Board of Education and at the same time returning me for another term to serve our children and our community.

Thank you to the persons staffing the voting places and for doing a fine, courteous job.

On behalf of the Board of Education, we would like to also thank the members of our community and school organizations who actively supported the passage of the budget. Your help is annually appreciated.

There are important issues that we face in the future. The Board of Education wants and needs your input. We invite you to become contributing attendees at our regularly scheduled school board meetings. Or feel free to contact any board member with any of your concerns.

Your Board of Education diligently strives to choose curriculum and oversee the administration so that our children are provided with the best education possible. It is incumbent upon the newspaper and its staff to fully understand and report school board activities in an accurate and impartial manner. Anything less would be an injustice to the community.

We invite the newspaper, its reporters and editorial staff to meet with our administrative staff and board members on a regular basis so we may jointly assure that a full and complete understanding of all school board actions are reported factually and accurately.

Richard Falkin, Member  
Springfield Board of Education

### Reward, don't punish, the heroes

To the Editor:

A festering sore has been uncovered in our Police Department. It is the cancer of hatred, hatred of Jews and hatred of African Americans. Lt. Shapow and Officer Brooks should be lauded and commended for revealing this unwholesome situation, not punished for their actions.

A heroic part of the American Revolution was fought in Springfield. It was a war that not only established our independence, but also the ideal of brotherhood among all the citizens of this great country. The un-American hatred expressed by Capt. Pedersen has no place in the leadership of our Police Department.

I call on the Township Committee to take effective action not only to expunge the rottenness that has been uncovered, but also to reward, not punish, the individuals responsible for bringing it to light.

Robert F. Steinhart  
Springfield

### Confidence is always earned

To the Editor:

Congratulations to the elected Board of Education members of Mountainside. The members are "seen" over the election results and budget approval and the confidence reflected. The feelings of the majority voters expressing confidence is not perpetual; it's earned on an annual basis.

Joseph C. Chiappa  
Mountainside

## SPEAK OUT

### Where's Berkeley Heights news?

We live in Mountainside, and although it's interesting to read about people in Springfield, we have no affiliation with Springfield. Our children go to Governor Livingston, which is in Berkeley Heights. I would like to see the newspaper be Mountainside and Berkeley Heights as opposed to Springfield. There's nothing about sports in here that our children are doing at the high school or any activities that we are so closely associated with.

Katherine Chisna  
Mountainside

### The effort was from the team

I am a student at Jonathan Dayton. Jonathan Dayton won the boys basketball championship for the Mountain Valley Conference for the first time in 14 years. I feel it would be more appropriate to put a picture of the championship team in the sports section than Jeff Miller. Don't get me wrong, He's a great athlete, but he receives enough credit from the Star Ledger. And Dayton usually gets short-

changed again by the Echo Leader. I also would like to add that the Jonathan Dayton cheerleaders won their Union competition for the first time.

### Yeah, where's the decrease?

I'm calling about the article "Lower taxes for 15 towns." To paraphrase Jerry Seinfeld in terms of Mike Murray's quotes where he's talking about a significant tax decrease here.

Just how foolish is this guy Mike Murray? First of all, the decrease that he thinks is significant is barely 1 percent of their total tax levy. How can you consider that significant? We're not talking about 10 percent or 20 percent or 30 percent. We're talking about a 1 percent decrease which doesn't even affect the town, which Mountainside is one, where we're going to get an increase. So, Mike Murray, please, either snap out of it or get back to work. This is not a significant decrease. Come back when you're able to double, triple or quadruple that and do it across the board for every town. I mean, thanks a lot.

Frank Marchese  
Mountainside

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# We're asking Officers are doing good job despite controversy

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

"A policeman's life," wrote one observer about 100 years ago, "is not an easy one," and went on to describe the hazards of the beat. The observation was made when the field of professional law enforcement was somewhat new.

In one sense, dealing with the criminal element at the potential risk of life or limb has not changed. When one looks at modern life, however, one can say a police officer's life has become harder in other ways.

The technology more of us use to employ or enjoy, for example, offers more avenues for criminals to pursue their craft. The laws which govern us are changing as well, placing officers to be constantly retrained.

Now add to that the questioning of an officer's ethics, as in recent developments within the Springfield Police Department. Charges of such violations, as in any legal or disciplinary matter, must be checked and disposed of in an orderly and timely manner.

Without such due process, real or alleged wrongdoing could cloud public perceptions of those officers



Walter Elliott

they entrust to serve and protect them.

Such a concern was voiced by members of the Springfield Clergy Council at a recent Township Committee workshop. Council member Rabbi Joshua Goldstein, for example, said he was concerned that the alleged anti-Semitic remarks by one officer may be thought of as shared by the force as a whole. Police Chaplain Father Robert Stagg, through Goldstein, said morale among the force is presently low.

*'It seems to me that the police around here walk around in threes and tend to be at the same places together.'*

— Luis Lopez

The Echo Leader asked Springfielders their perception of the local police force. The newspaper spent part of a Thursday afternoon by the General Greene Shopping Center asking how well a job is the police doing.

"It seems to me that the police around here walk around in threes and tend to be at the same places together," said Luis Lopez. "In Elizabethtown, there are usually two and rarely three walking the blocks."

"The Springfield police are doing a fine job," said Diane Feder. "When I fell in my house and called 9-1-1, they came over in less than five minutes."

"I always seem to see an officer here walking around," said Pauline Thompson. "They seem to be fine."

"There is usually a policeman who walks into my store and asks how things are going," said store

owner Jim Wallner. "When there is a problem, they come right over."

"They also check into my store," said Norma Latara. "I would like to see an officer stationed in the front parking lot. We had one until recently who'd look for people who use the lot like a commuter park and ride."

"The police are doing well," said Fred Cortese. "I see them on patrol all the time. As for the controversy, it seems to be with the higher officers and not the patrolmen."

"The police are fine," said Esther Jones. "That's all I have to say."

"I think they are doing a good job," said Dorothy Rubrott. "They are walking or driving around. You can ask them for directions and they come when you call. If you're asking about the officer's remarks, people are who they are and it shouldn't matter what other people say about them."

## Department Investigates water condition on Keeler, Mabes

The Springfield Fire Department investigated a water condition found in a Keeler Street residence at about 9:55 p.m. Friday. It was preceded by a similar call, this time from a Mabes Avenue home, which was made at about 11:22 a.m. April 21.

Department units traveled to Route 24 West on a call of an accident at about 8:24 a.m. Thursday. No serious injuries were involved in the crash. Fire, police and first aid personnel would combine forces in handling six accidents over a six-day period.

A smoke detector problem at a South Springfield Avenue residence, called in at about 11:10 a.m., rounded out Thursday's log.

A firefighter was called to the

### FIRE BLOTTER

first aid squad at about 10:40 a.m. April 22 to assist with a medical call. A similar loan was made at about 2:46 p.m. April 21.

A fire alarm sounded from a Morris Avenue business at about 4:35 p.m. April 22.

A third medical assistance call in as many days was placed to the department in as many days April 20.

The call was not from the first address, however, but from a doctor's office on Mountain Avenue at about 3:54 p.m. The doctor and the squad needed help in transporting a patient.

Firefighters made an in-house call at the Municipal Building about

10:43 a.m. April 20. The call concerned an odor detected in the police records room. Both departments are quarantined next to each other in the main building.

All units arrived at a Baltusrol Way residence at about 10:05 a.m. April 19 on a report of an activated fire alarm.

The Mountside Volunteer Fire Department responded to a water problem at Brighton Gardens on April 23, when rain from outside had leaked into the establishment's smoke detector, causing a system malfunction.

At approximately 7 p.m., firefighters arrived at the assisted living community, which is located on Route 22 West. The firefighters stopped the

leakage and reset the system. No one was injured and no serious damage was reported.

On April 23 at approximately 10 p.m., firefighters arrived at a residence on Pembroke Road, where the residents had complained of sewer gas in their home. The firefighters determined that the gas had been coming from a sink in the basement. No injuries were reported, as Fire Chief Marc Franciose said the smoke and gas inhalation was minor.

On April 21, firefighters arrived at Children's Specialized Hospital, located on New Providence Road. The system smoke alarm had been activated, and due to a wiring problem, sparks were reported. The firemen repaired the problem and a potential fire was avoided.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### Chinese film presented

The 1991 Chinese film "Life on a String" will be shown at the Springfield Free Public Library on May 14 at noon and 7 p.m.

This emotionally charged, pictorially magnificent work takes the audience to the harsh but breathtaking central Chinese plains as an ideal backdrop for this elegant fable by one of China's leading directors, Chen Kaige.

In "Life on a String," a young blind apprentice is promised by an aged master-artist that he will eventually regain his sight if he devotes his life to music. Years later, the boy has

grown into a blind old man who regards music as a path to higher truth. But for his disciple, music is a sensual pleasure, a celebration of the here and now. Both men are torn between the desire for wisdom and their eagerness to see.

Admission is free to this film. Space is limited to 60 people at each showing. The Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For information call (973) 376-4930.

### Lunchtime Theater series

The Springfield Free Public will present in its Lunchtime Theater

series the Arts and Entertainment documentary "Titanic." This is a two-part series and will start on May 19 at noon. The second part will be shown June 9 at noon.

"Titanic" is a haunting documentary of history's greatest maritime disaster. James Cameron's documentary was first aired on A&E in 1994. Narrated by John McCallum, it chronicles the Titanic from first rivet to watery entombment to rediscovery by scientist Robert Ballard. Included are interviews by three survivors, two of whom have died since the documentary was made.

Bring a brown bag lunch to the per-

formance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. The Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For information call (973) 376-4930.

### Donations sought

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library would like donations of magazines within a year's date.

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A variety of upcoming programs at the Resource Center for Women address important legal and financial issues related to marriage, cohabitation and divorce. Located in downtown Summit in Calvary Episcopal Church, the Resource Center for Women is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization offering programs and services to all area women. Partial program scholarships are available for all workshops.

• **Matrimonial Law: Happily Ever After.** May 21 from 7 to 9 p.m., will introduce the legal and financial realities of coupling and uncoupling in New Jersey, including pre-marital and non-marital cohabitation agreements, joint versus separate accounts and ownership, what happens legally to the property each brings to the relationship, etc. The program is facilitated by local attorney Ellen Marshall. The cost is \$12 for Center members, \$15 for non-members. Registration deadline is May 15.

• **Preparing a CIS.** June 3 from 7 to 9 p.m., will walk participants through the

Case Information Statement — a detailed account of your finances and day-to-day expenses that establishes the basis for any future financial settlement — as well as the new Child Support Guidelines and worksheets with the help of Montclair attorney Jean Campbell. The cost is \$12 for Center members, \$15 for non-members. Registration deadline is May 29.

• **Financial Issues of Divorce.** June 11 from 7 to 9 p.m., will explain why assets that are split "equally" today may not be "equitable" in the long-term. Karlene E. Mitchell will discuss how to determine financial settlements that work for today and tomorrow, structure a financial plan, and set investment strategies, as well as address issues involving taxes, joint debts, insurance, etc. Registration deadline is June 5.

To register, receive information and a copy of the Center's spring program guide, call the Center office at (908) 273-7253.

## Candlelite Walk to honor breast cancer victims

The North Jersey Chapter of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in conjunction with Pathways will host a Candlelite Walk in honor of those whose lives have been touched by breast cancer on May 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Summit.

Summit Mayor Walter Long and Mrs. Long, honorary chairs of the

event, will lead the walk from the courtyard of City Hall to the Village Green, where an interfaith service will be held.

Rev. Janice Ammon of the Central Presbyterian Church and a member of the Interfaith Council will conduct the service along with clergy and vocalists from area churches and syna-

gogues. Following the interfaith service, the five winners of the Summit Mother's Day Elementary School Essay Contest will read their winning essays.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation is the nation's largest private funder of research dedicated solely to breast cancer. In

addition to funding research, its National Grant Program funds innovative cancer and breast health education, screening and treatment projects for the medically underserved.

For further information regarding the Candlelite Walk, call the North Jersey Chapter Office at (908) 277-2904.

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Proof of rabies protection must accompany your application. The

state health department allows a two-month grace period for rabies immunity, so the vaccination must cover at least June 1, 1998 through March 31, 1999.

For medical reasons, some puppies or dogs are given a one-year inoculation which may not cover the registration period. Call the City Clerk's office for guidance in these cases.

All animals should be registered within 10 days of moving to Summit or reaching the licensing age. However, a current license from another New Jersey municipality is accepted as compliance. When that tag expires, the animal must be licensed in Summit.

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Registration is 30 minutes prior to tryout time. Please be prompt.

If you have any questions, contact MSC at 973-921-0330, ext. 7. In the event of inclement weather, call MSC for more information. Please visit our website at <http://community.nj.com/soccer/millburnmillers>.

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Boys	8/1/85-7/31/86	5/08/98	5:00 - 6:00
Boys	8/1/86-7/31/87	5/08/98	4:00 - 5:00
Boys	8/1/87-7/31/88	5/01/98	4:00 - 5:30
Boys	8/1/88-7/31/89	5/14/98	4:00 - 5:30
Boys	8/1/89-7/31/90	5/12/98	4:00 - 5:30
Boys	8/1/90-7/31/91	5/05/98	4:00 - 5:30
Girls	8/1/84-7/31/85	5/15/98	5:00 - 7:00*
Girls	8/1/85-7/31/86	5/15/98	5:00 - 7:00*
Girls	8/1/86-7/31/87	5/15/98	4:00 - 5:00
Girls	8/1/87-7/31/88	5/01/98	5:30 - 7:00
Girls	8/1/88-7/31/89	5/14/98	5:30 - 7:00
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## Festival planned

There's something for everyone at the new, exciting, fulfilled spring festival. The event will be held May 9 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Deerfield School, rain or shine, and is sponsored by the Deerfield PTA.

Featured will be the Liberty Science Center's circus, Bell Atlantic's display of fiber optics, Pat Shanley's Creature Feature, more than 50 craft tables, a plant sale, the Moon Walk, games, and hands-on crafts for all ages. The Food Court provides plenty of choices.

The schedule of events is as follows:

- 11:15 a.m. Storytime for children ages 6 and younger.
- Noon. Seeing Eye Presentations.
- 1 p.m. Liberty Science Circus.

• 2 p.m. Liberty Science Circus.  
• 3 p.m. Raffle winners will be announced.  
Continuous showings of Pat Shanley's creature feature and Bell Atlantic's fiber optic display will run 11 a.m.

Volunteers are needed. For more information, call 232-2345.

## Illustrator visits

Author/illustrator Kathleen M. Harte paid a visit to pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes at Edward A. Walton School in Springfield last month, during which she demonstrated her creative process by making an original illustration in the classrooms.

Many of the students were inspired to write and illustrate their own

books, which are now completed and on display in the Children's Department of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The books will be showcased until the end of the school year in June.

## Summer session begins

If you're looking for challenge, adventure and creativity this summer, the Springfield Summer School is the place to be.

The summer session will run from June 28 to July 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The program includes courses in wood-working, arts and crafts, ceramics, gymnastics, computer technology, creative writing and publishing, cooking, science, basketball, rockery, tennis, study skills, baby-sitting, read-

ing, mathematics, music and fitness, to name a few.

Many classes fill early, so register for your summer adventure soon.

The brochure and registration forms will be available in early May. The registration fee of \$60 per one hour course for the four weeks makes this an inexpensive way to learn and have fun each morning in July.

For enrollment information or further questions, call Nicholas Corby at Sandmeier School at (973) 376-1025, Ext. 3420.

## Exercise class begins

Exercise class for the Springfield Senior Citizens will begin again on Monday at 9 a.m. at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center. Evelyn Panish is the instructor. The class will run for five weeks.

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# Krigbaum to play at St. Stephen's

On Sunday at 4 p.m., the nationally prominent organist Charles Krigbaum will make his sixth appearance since 1976 at St. Stephen's Church in Millburn. For the finale of the current 28th consecutive series of recitals on the church's Beckwith pipe organ, he will play the monumental "Art of the Fugue" of Johann Sebastian Bach.

Krigbaum has recorded this grand cycle of 14 fugues and four canons on the Beckwith in Dwight Chapel of Yale University. The upcoming Millburn performance of the unfinished work trails off in mid-phase, as the composer left it, and concludes with Bach's very last piece, his setting of the chorale "Vor deinen Thron tret ich hiermit." "Before Thy throne with this I tread." A request for the artist will follow the concert. A contribution of \$10 for the event will be suggested at the door.

Krigbaum has been a member of the faculty of the Yale University School of Music since 1958. He served as university organist for 25 years beginning in 1965. Presently professor emeritus, he was previously professor of Music and chairman of the Organ Department. His duties included teaching and supervising the work of advanced graduate students.

coordinating a series of Sunday evening music concerts for Friday afternoon recitals, and playing for Sunday chapel services and many formal Yale functions. In addition to the 42-stop Beckwith installed in Dwight Chapel one year after the one at St. Stephen's, Krigbaum regularly played Yale's 35-stop Holtkamp organ in Battell Chapel, and the very large and famous Woodbury Hall organ of 177 stops built by Hutchings, Steere and later E.M. Skinner.

No stranger to this part of New Jersey, Krigbaum grew up in West Orange, where he studied piano with Margaret Mass of Livingston, and organ with Margaret Melcherson Duboc at the Hillside Avenue Presbyterian Church in Orange. He later attended Princeton University, receiving a master of arts degree in 1950 and a bachelor of fine arts degree in 1952. He was elected Phi Beta Kappa and received honors in music. From 1956 to 1958, he studied under a Fulbright grant at the Hochschule fur Musik and the Goethe Universität in Frankfurt, Germany. His organ teaching included art degrees in 1950 and 1951 at the University of Michigan. In addition to "Art of the Fugue" for AFKA, Krigbaum has recorded a



Charles Krigbaum

four-disc collection of Olivier Messiaen for Lyricorad, and organ and choral works by Richard Donagan for CRI. He is the first organist to complete a recording (AFKA) of the entire output for organ of Charles-Marie Widor, including all 10 symphonies, the Suite Latine, and the Trois Nouvelles Pièces. Currently available on a two-compact disc set from the Organ Institute of America is a Krigbaum recital titled "An Evening at Woolsey Hall," recorded live at the Society's 20th annual convention in 1975. He has written articles for The Organ Institute Quarterly and a Festschrift for Helmut Walcha, and reconstrued the Charles Ives Postlude in F for orchestra as an organ piece.

# Renovations begun on Sharing building

Century 21 Construction of Clifton has begun renovations on the 25,000-square-foot headquarters building for the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network, known as the Sharing Network, located at 841 Mountain Ave., Springfield.

The project will completely renovate the existing office space and add new laboratory facilities. Century 21 Construction is serving as construction manager/general contractor. The assignment is scheduled for completion this summer.

The Sharing Network is a non-profit, federally certified and state-approved organization responsible for providing organs and tissues for New Jersey residents in need of transplants. The building serves as the location for

medical professionals who coordinate and screen donors for compatibility. "We are excited about the renovation," said Mara Barlow, public relations manager of The Sharing Network. "The expansion reflects the continuing support from elected officials and hospitals as well as their recognition of the importance of transplants and donations."

The two-story headquarters building was originally constructed in the 1960s, and its modernization will help accommodate the growing need for transplants in New Jersey. The building includes a state-of-the-art infectious disease and histocompatibility laboratory, volunteer work areas and a donor memorial which features beautifully hand-made quilts

as a tribute to those who have donated and saved lives. "This is a very rewarding assignment for our firm," said Joe Marino, president of Century 21 Construction. "We are happy to provide our quality services to The Sharing Network, which benefits thousands of people throughout the state."

Century 21 has constructed and renovated numerous medical facilities and is recognized for its experience and knowledge in expediting this type of project quickly and efficiently. Most recently, the company completed similar office/labouratory facilities for Rutgers University, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Saint Barnabas Health Care Systems and East Orange General Hospital.

## STORK CLUB

**Drew Evan Meyerhardt**  
A son, Drew Evan, was born to Marci and Martin Meyerhardt of Springfield on Feb. 9. The maternal grandparents are Edith and Alan Perlmutter of Warren. The paternal grandparents are Rebecca and Rolf Meyerhardt of Elmwood Park. Drew Evan is named in memory of his maternal great-grandfather, Ernest Perlmutter. The couple also has a 3-year-old daughter, Dana.

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# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**BAPTIST**  
**EVANGELIST BAPTIST CHURCH - "CHRIST OUR HOPE AND PEACE" - 242 Shunpike Rd., Springfield, Rev. Frederick Mackey, Sr. Pastor. Services: 8:00 AM Bible School for all ages - Nursery through Seniors; 10:30 AM Worship Services and Nursery care; 3:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Services & Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Praise Service; 8:00 AM Bible School for all ages - Nursery through Seniors; 10:30 AM Worship Services and Nursery care; 3:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Services & Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise and Praise Service; 8:00 AM Bible School for all ages - Nursery through Seniors; 10:30 AM Worship Services and Nursery care; 3:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for Children ages 4-11; 6:00 PM Evening Services & Nursery care.**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
24 through 4 The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include: Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office, (201) 379-5387.

**LUTHERAN**  
**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH** 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, (908) 311-3719-4252. Fax: 201-379-4887. Joel R. Yost, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 am at FOXHATHAN DAY-TON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 am.

**EPISCOPAL**  
**ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH** 119 Main Street, Millburn, (973) 374-0688 - blocks from Springfield Garden. The Episcopal Church of Springfield since 1854. St. Stephen's Church is a welcoming community committed to ecumenical harmony, the Rev. Cork Terjesen, Rector. The Rev. Judy Baldwin, Associate, Karen Berthiaume, Franciscan Assistant, Robert Demaree, Music Director. **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:** Sunday: 8:00 AM Holy Communion in English and Spanish; 9:00 AM Adult Forum; 9:00 am Inter-generational Even for First Sunday of every month; 10:00 am Holy Communion in contemporary language plus a special language service; 11:00 am Church School for children 4-6 and the nursery; 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Holy Orders for grades 9-12; Thursday: 7:00 pm Education for Ministry, an adult Bible study linking faith and everyday life. Monthly book discussions. Many opportunities for service. For "NO-STRINGS" INFORMATION PACKET Call: (973) 374-0688.

**SUMMIT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER** 67-411 Kinn Pike Boulevard, Summit, 07901. William P. Horn, Rabbi; James Roth, Executive Director; James W. Wilson, President. 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 9:30 AM. Family Services are held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. In addition to regular Shabbat Shabbat services, a Young Family Shabbat Services, for families with children ages 2-7, is held every second Thursday from 10:30 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 ages Kindergarten through Grade 7 and Post-graduate classes for Grades 7 through 12. The school offers a complete pre-school program including a morning and afternoon Nursery School. Was Two, designed for the children 18-24 and includes a summer camp and a Parents and Enrichment program for Kindergarten-aged children. A wide range of Adult Education Programs are offered as well as a Katerman Fund Child's Club, Young Couples Group and Senior Adult Group. For more information about programs or services, please call the SJCC Office at 273-8130.

**METHODIST**  
THE SPRINGFIELD EBANIEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located at 40 Church Mall in Springfield, NJ invited people of all ages and backgrounds to join us on Sunday mornings for Adult Christian Education Forum at 9:15 AM and for worship at 10:30 AM. We are a warm and loving church. All those interested in Christianity who gather together to be encouraged in the faith, strengthened in hope, and empowered to be brave and faithful witnesses of Jesus Christ. Child care and nursery are available following the part of our worship service that is especially geared toward young children. Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. Know that all people are welcome here! If you have any questions, interest or concerns, please call the pastor, Rev. Jeff Mackay at 301-376-1695.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4320. Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service 9:30 AM; Adult Education Classes with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through worship, Christian education, choir, church activities and fellowship. Communion first Sunday of each month; Ladies' Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m.; Ladies' Evening Group - 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Kallaholics - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the Chapel. The Rev. Daniel J. Russell, Jr., Pastor.

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**JEWISH REFORM**  
**TEMPLE SHAIAREY SHALOM** 76 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, (201) 379-3587. Judith Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Rosenbock, Executive Director; Nina Orenstein, Pre-School Director; Bruce Prince, President. Temple Shaiarey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:30 PM, with monthly Family Services at 7:30 PM. Sunday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Sunday mornings for grades K-5 on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for 4-7, and Tuesday evenings for post-bar/bat mitzvah students. Pre-school classes are available for children ages

**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 is at 10:30 am, the emphasis of which is to always have a "hot" head as well as Paul's reminder to sit at his feet to the forefront. All things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose." The ser-

**ROMAN CATHOLIC**  
THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081, 201-376-1046. (317) DAY CHARIST: Sat. 5:30 pm Sun. 7:30, 9:30 AM, 12:15 PM. Holy Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 pm. Weekly Masses: 7:00 & 8:00 am.

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Mountainside Hospital  
Presentations: 7 p.m.  
Presenter: Mark P. Faber, M.D., Board Certified Adult and Child Psychiatrist  
Screening to follow presentation.

Follow-up workshops:  
Anxiety Disorders in Children and Adolescents  
Tuesday, May 12, 6 to 7:30 p.m.  
Panic Disorder  
Tuesday, May 19, 6 to 7:30 p.m.  
OCD/PDS/Generalized Anxiety Disorder  
Tuesday, May 26, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, May 6, Atlantic Behavioral Health will sponsor a National Anxiety Screening Day. Program attendees will complete a written anxiety checklist and discuss the results with a behavioral health professional. Informational material will also be distributed.

Atlantic Behavioral Health is an integrated continuum of mental health and substance abuse services of Atlantic Health System and its hospitals—Morristown Memorial, Overlook, Mountainside and The General Hospital Center at Passaic.

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# SPORTS

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## LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

**Kean University will run its first Summer Baseball Camp during the weeks of June 29-July 2 and July 6-July 9.**  
 The camp will be hosted by head coach and former professional player Neil Joviero, assistant head coach and former professional player Jorge Perez and Union County Hall of Fame coach Tony Picaro.  
 Special guest speakers will also be on hand from the collegiate and Major League ranks.  
 The two weekly sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and rain dates include July 3 and July 10.  
 More information may be obtained by calling the Kean University baseball office at 908-527-2002.

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 The Wachung Mountain Girls' Basketball Camp, directed by Union Catholic girls' head coach Kathy Matthews, will take place the week of July 6-10 at Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains, home of the 1998 UCT champions.  
 Players entering grades 9 through 12 will be instructed. The time of the camp will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for five days and the cost is \$145.  
 Union Catholic Regional High School is located on 1600 Marine Ave. in Scotch Plains.  
 Matthews is the most successful girls' basketball coach in Union County, with over 400 wins in 20 years. Matthews guided the Vikings to this year's Union County Tournament championship, the school's seventh.  
 Enrollment will be limited and the application deadline is Saturday, May 30. A \$60 non-refundable deposit must accompany the camp application and the balance is due June 15.

Applications may be obtained at Union Catholic or from coach Matthews.  
 Camp objectives include:  
 1. To teach the fundamental basketball skills needed to be a successful player.  
 2. To improve the skills of each girl through specific individual instruction.  
 3. To provide competition to enable each player to practice the skills and techniques learned.  
 4. To help each player's attitude and philosophy about basketball and life through good sportsmanship and fair play.  
 Matthews' staff includes successful, experienced high school coaches, college players with previous camp experience and guest clinicians.

Special camp features include: ability groups, two fullcourt games per day, 3-on-3, 1-on-1, hot shot drills and other special contests, written evaluations, camp prizes and awards and video taping and evaluation with your coach.  
 Camp articles needed include sneakers, shorts, shirts and towels.  
 Lockers will be provided and campers should bring their own locks.  
 Campers should be covered by their parent's policy and parents should bring transportation to and from the camp.  
 Campers should bring a snack for snack time and camp T-shirts will be provided by a free.  
 Campers will receive a free basketball if registered by May 15.  
 Additional information may be obtained by calling Matthews at Union Catholic at 908-889-1600.

**GL, Dayton track outstanding**  
 GL and Dayton excelled at Saturday's Millburn Relays.  
 The Governor Livingston pole vault team of Rob Campora and P.J. Jones won their event with a combined 26 feet, breaking the previous 24-6 Dayton 1991 mark.

Dayton had victories in the team shot put, behind Chris Loeffler and Mike Lee at 91-10 and the team javelin behind Tony Santarella and Ralph Sarracino at 298-2.  
 GL also posted victories in the 400-meter relay at 4:52 behind the efforts of Ed Conr, Ryan Good, Brian Pritchard and Jay Kullbacker and in the 800-meter relay at 1:35.2 behind Cory Campora, Pritchard and Alan Fishman.

Senior lefthander Eric Fishman improved to 3-1 by tossing a six-hitter as the Dayton baseball team beat Maryland 6-0 at Millburn April 21, the Bulldogs beginning the week at 5-1-1.

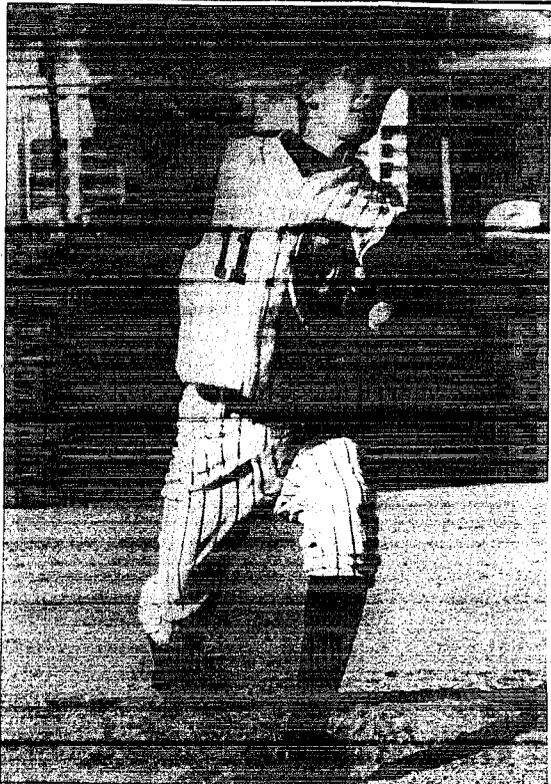


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**AND HERE COMES THE PITCH** — The pitching of Governor Livingston righthander Bob Phillips has helped the Highlanders baseball team record an 8-5 record as of Tuesday. GL pitched and won over Hillside 16-0 and Dayton 8-6 last week as Mark Cantagallo home-ported home runs and wins over Hillside. Cantagallo had seven RBI in the win over Hillside, hitting a grand slam, a two-run double and a run-scoring single. He blasted a three-run homer in the win over Dayton, his fourth round-tripper of the season. GL seeded 10th, will play at seventh-seeded New Providence Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in one of eight first-round Union County Tournament contests.

## Red Sox, Braves and Dodgers win AAA Springfield contests Junior Baseball League teams outstanding

The following are results of Springfield Junior Baseball Association games that took place the first week of play:

**Dobb's Autobody Red Sox 3, Braves 2 (4-20, Roesser Field):** Frank Miceli and Harris Tuchman pitched well for the Red Sox. Miceli, batting leadoff, bled a single, stole second, advanced to third and then stole home for the first Red Sox run. Catcher Sara Steinman singled, stole second, stole third and then scored the team's second run.

The highlight of the game came in the bottom of the fourth when Mike Manarino of the Braves hit a hard grounder up the middle to shortstop Miceli. He flipped the ball to second baseman Mike Tiss, who then threw the ball to first baseman Lisa Clark for a picture-perfect double play.

In the top of the sixth, with the score still tied at 2-2, Steinman pounded a double to right field. Posed for the winning run and pinch-running for Steinman, Miceli advanced to third on a long fly ball hit to center field by third baseman Anthony Denicolo. As Denicolo attempted to take second, Miceli scored the winning run.

**Braves 8, Dodgers 7 (4-22):** The Braves scored two runs in the top of the sixth for their 8-7 lead and then held the Dodgers scoreless in the bottom of the sixth after the Dodgers had runners on second and third with none out.

Danny Kahooni and Steven Tettemani pitched well for the Braves and Donald Volkert pitched well in the field. Lee Silverman and Jeremy Marx pitched well for the Dodgers. The Braves are coached by Joe Mironatonda and the Dodgers by John Kroner.

**Dodgers 10, Red Sox 2 (4-24):** The Dodgers won their first game by scoring four runs in the first and second innings and two more in the third after the Red Sox scored twice in the top of the first.

## Golf and Tennis Classic June 8

No matter what your fancy, club or racket, there will be an opportunity for you to support programs for children with special needs at the Mountaineers Children's Specialized Hospital's Golf and Tennis Classic on June 8 at the Montclair Golf Club in Montclair.

Single tickets are available for golf at \$450 each and for tennis at \$150 each.

Golf foursome packages are available for \$1800 and tennis twoosome packages for \$300. Sponsorship opportunities range from \$100 to \$10,000.

Golfing begins with shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. and the tennis tournament, played in round robin format with A/B and C/D flights, begins at 1. Dinner will follow at 6 p.m.

Proceeds from the CSH Golf and Tennis Classic will be used for the renovation of CSEH's Fenwick site which houses CSH's Cognitive Rehabilitation, Preschool and Early Intervention Programs.

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## Dayton turns the proverbial corner Four starters score under 50

By Joe Ragazzino  
 Staff Writer

The Dayton High School golf team was waiting for the day when it would turn that proverbial corner.  
 That day finally arrived.  
 The Bulldogs had four starters with scores under 50 as they put together their best performance in more than two years with an impressive victory over Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division for Middlesex on April 22 at the Ashbrook Country Club.

Seniors Chris DiCocco and Josh Millman and sophomore Rich Bickel each shot 41, while sophomore Michael Sharpe carded a 45 for a team mark of 168, beating Middlesex by 25 strokes.

### High School Golf

"We were all pleasantly surprised," Dayton coach Al Steingas said. "The bus was buzzing on the way back. Everybody was smiling that day."

"Now we have to duplicate that."  
 The Bulldogs' hopes were high on Monday, April 27, as they were hoping to match that outing on Monday against archrival Brearley. Prior to this season, the Dayton program was co-oped with the borough of Kenilworth. However, the Bulldogs were hit hard when Brearley re-opened last fall, losing three Kenilworth starters.

The two teams battled earlier in the season, with Brearley prevailing. The rematch was scheduled to take place at Echo Lake.

Spearsheading the team is DiCocco, who has developed strongly throughout his career.

"He has a tremendous amount of talent, without a doubt," Steingas said of DiCocco. "He's been a very consistent and steady performer. His whole game is very sound. I expect him to do very well at the conference and county tournaments."

Bickel, Millman and Sharpe have also performed nicely.

"They have a lot of promise at this point," Steingas said.  
 Other team members include juniors Evan Fischbin, Jason Lewis and Kevin Turakia and sophomore Jared Cohen. Steingas is confident that this group will progress before season's end.

"At the end of the season, I would imagine they would be able to bring down their nine-hole scores by three or four strokes and that will come with experience," said Steingas, whose team beat Bloomfield after it lost to the Bengals earlier in the season.

The Bulldogs' home course is Springfield's Balfour, home to many prestigious PGA Tour events, including the U.S. Open. Although the players' scores are much higher when playing at Balfour, the Bulldogs are more than thrilled to call this particular course their home.

"It's a wonderful privilege for us to play there," Steingas said. "It gives them a full exposure of what golf is supposed to be."

Qualifying for the state sectionals may be a long shot, but the team is, indeed, looking forward to the conference championships. Last season, Dayton finished a surprising second.

Steingas has high hopes for his team to pull off the same performance this year.

"Based on how the boys have been playing and if they pull it together, it's possible we may make a respectable showing again," Steingas said. "Any pressure that is placed on ourselves will be placed by ourselves."

"They seem to be firing on all cylinders. Things are really looking good."

## Dayton volleyball improving

By Joe Ragazzino  
 Staff Writer

When Brearley High School in Kenilworth re-opened for the first time in several years, Steven Fenton braced for the worst.

The Dayton High School girls' volleyball head coach had no other choice. The Bulldogs, who were co-oped with Kenilworth, lost six starters to Brearley as a result of the move.

Yes, it's been a struggle for the young and inexperienced Bulldogs, who sported a 1-7 record leading into recent plays. But there's reason for optimism as the players slowly show significant signs of improvement.

"They knew it was going to be a tough year and a learning year," said Fenton, in his 18th season. "We approached it like 'let's see what we can do.' They came in with an upbeat attitude."

The team has developed very nicely. This group has come from not knowing many skills and not being able to volley at all to understanding what the nature of the game is. You can see the improvement week after week. This is really a nice group to work with."

Six matches into the season, including one against Brearley, the Bulldogs captured their first win with a thrilling 15-11, 13-15, 20-18 victory over Chatham.

"That was an exciting match," Fenton said. "That one win boosted their confidence so much because it showed they were capable of winning and that we were on the right track. They became believers."

Looking back, Fenton said the emotional loss to Brearley in the fourth match of the campaign helped the Bulldogs in their road to improvement.

"That match set up the win over Chatham," said Fenton, whose team fell to the Bears 15-13, 16-14. "Knowing that they played so well against experienced players kind of gave them the idea that 'hey, we can beat some teams even though we are young and new.'"

Senior fourth-year player Roseline Bada has provided tremendous leadership.

"Roseline is a rock solid player," Fenton said, noting Bada was accepted to the University of Virginia. "She's by far the gem of the team. She's almost acting like an assistant coach. She's explaining skills and is very good at teaching positioning; helping the girls in what to do and not to do. She's really open in showing the girls what to do. She doesn't show her frustration and handles pressure very well. She's just a pleasure to coach."

The Bulldogs feature four promising sophomores who have benefited from Fenton and Bada's tutelage.

Dawn Wolfert, who played basketball for Dayton last winter, is perhaps the team's best athlete, said Fenton.

"She's a very good athlete," Fenton said of Wolfert. "She moves and tracks the ball the best. She's able to react to all kinds of situations because of her athleticism."

With a little more refining in her hitting skills, Wolfert could become a strong all-around player.

"She's a power hitter," but we need to channel that powerful hitting into more controlled hitting," Fenton said. "She's just swinging away at the ball, but we want her to swing away at times and be more aggressive."

Lindsay Parman and Karlin Abanto are two quality setters who figure prominently in the 6-2 offensive set (two setters) that Fenton is implementing. Antonia Papoutsis (5-foot-10) has good size as a middle blocker and reacts very well. Papoutsis' sister, Penny, is also coming along nicely in her first year with the team as a senior.

One of the team's major weaknesses has been the lack of effective serving, due mostly to inexperience.

"Serving is such a big weapon in high school," Fenton said. "Their server isn't strong enough to use a strategy. They're not strong or forceful at over-throwing the ball due to lack of upper body strength and technique."

"We need to develop upper body strength, which we're working on, and to learn situational serving."

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