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## THIS WEEK

### NEWS

#### Offices closed

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## Borough emergency services still in crisis

By Craig Garretson

Staff Writer

Mountainside residents will continue to receive uninterrupted fire and rescue coverage despite membership shortfalls, according to Mayor Bob Vigilanti at Monday night's Borough Council work session.

"Mountainside will be covered as it has been in the past," said Vigilanti. "There will be no interruption of service by the Fire Department or the Rescue Squad."

The Mountainside Fire Department and Rescue Squad are volunteer organizations that have been suffering from low membership numbers for several years, Vigilanti said. He urged interested members of all ages from the Mountainside community to visit the Fire Department or the Rescue

Squad for information about joining.

"If you're looking to place blame, look in the mirror," said Kit Carson, a member of the Mountainside Rescue Squad.

"We've been asking for volunteers for the last two and a half years. We have jobs, we have children. Any member of the Rescue Squad could come up with excuses not to do it. We understand some people concern us, maybe jumping in something you would like to try." Although the Mountainside Fire

Department is also seeking new members, the chief concern is the Mountainside Rescue Squad, which is down to 16 members. "We are facing an emergency situation," Vigilanti said. He also stated that adequate protection will be provided by the current rescue squad members. Mountainside police officers who are qualified as Emergency Medical Technicians, and through mutual aid coverage from the Hillsdale, Springfield, and Summit rescue squads.

Carson said membership has been

waning for several years, but that during the last six months, the numbers have slipped critically low among the volunteers who are available during the day-time shift, which is weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

"A couple day-time members

moved out of town, another broke her leg and required surgery, another member has a day-time job that takes him out of the area, and a couple others are going back to school," he said.

"Hopefully this crisis will pass," Carson said. "We hope more people during the day will solve our problem. That's all we need, five people."

A minimum of two members, but preferably three, should be on-call during the day-time shift, including at least one EMT. The Mountainside

## UCUA looks to cut trash disposal bill

By Sean Daily

Staff Writer

Some municipality is going to get a break on how much they pay for garbage disposal. The only question is which one?

Officials at the Union County Utilities Authority say some Union County towns could have their garbage disposal bills reduced this year. The towns enjoying these cuts will be the ones that signed garbage disposal contracts with the UCUA when its Rahway-based incinerator was leased to Oden Martin Systems this year.

"It's a good opportunity, certainly for those who took advantage of the lease," said UCUA Chairman James Kennedy.

But according to Oden Martin, the cuts will actually go to communities outside of Union County. These cuts will defray garbage transportation costs.

The 25-year Oden Martin lease, worth \$175 million, requires Union County to send 250,000 tons of trash to the Union County Resource Recovery Facility in Rahway — the incinerator. Per-ton garbage disposal fees, or tipping fees, for Union County's towns are \$50 per ton, including a \$15.51 Environmental Investment Charge.

According to UCUA Commissioner William Ruocco, these 13 towns — Elizabeth, Rahway, Garwood, Hillside, Linden, New Providence, Plainfield, Roselle Park, Springfield, Summit, Union and Wanamaker Park — could see a 75-cent reduction in the EIC after November and a \$1 reduction in 1999. According to Kennedy, who is also mayor of Rahway, his town already pays \$4 less per ton than the rest of Union County.

The EIC reduction hinges on a state bond issue that is up for vote in November.

The bond, worth \$100 million, is being championed by Assemblyman John Rooney, R-Bergen, and would help pay for stranded debt at county disposal facilities. In this case, stranded debt is anything left over

a garbage facility was sold outright if all the money from the sale was paid to pay off its debts.

This is in addition to the \$50-per-ton fee which Springfield has signed on to in a 25-year contract with the utility," said Ruocco, a Springfield Township Committeeman. "The additional savings, however, will only be realized by those towns that have signed their long-term contracts with the utility."

The other eight towns in Union County — Kenilworth, Fanwood, Scotch Plains, Cranford, Clark, Mountainside, Berkeley Heights and Westfield — will still be charged the regular \$18.51 EIC. They'll pay it even if they send their trash to another disposal facility.

All of these towns, with the exception of Kenilworth, were not able to sign garbage disposal contracts with the UCUA.

They don't have municipal employees or one contractor managing up their garbage instead, their garbage is picked up by numerous garbage haulers, each hired by residents or businesses instead of the municipal government.

Kennedy said this reduced tipping fee would not be extended to those individually contracted haulers.

But, according to Stephen Yannakopulos, director of Oden Martin, there is no reduction to Union County tipping fees.

Instead, Oden Martin will cut the tipping fees of communities outside the county that send their garbage to the UCUA.

According to Yannakopulos, the tipping fee cuts will basically be a wash. The costs for transporting their garbage to the UCUA — which will be greater than those of Union County towns — will eat up any savings towns see from lower tipping fees.

Not much is known about this plan right now, said Yannakopulos, who could not say when the cuts would take place, which communities could get them or even what their tipping fees are.

"It's really a market-driven number," he said of the tipping fees.

Left to right, Alison Landau, Erin Haber, Michelle Hazell, and Sarah O'Donnell participate in a mock suffrage demonstration during the Washington/Rock Girl Scout Council open house at the Triad Science Center in Mountainside last Wednesday.

The theme for the meeting was women's rights in honor of Women's Equality Day.

Photo by Barbara Cahn

## Local scouts hold open house

By Walter Elliott

Staff Writer

Those attending the Washington/Rock Girl Scout Council open house at the Triad Science Center in Mountainside quickly realized it would be ordinary meeting last Wednesday night.

Inside, several booths devoted to various programs and aspects of Girl Scouting for the upcoming year were available for information, and Mary Janes Edwards of the Resource Center for Women in Summit prepared to speak before an assembly of parents, troop leaders and volunteers.

Girl Scout Council official Terrell Bonderoff explained that this year's Girl Scout open-house fell on Women's Equality Day.

"We wanted to honor the day and we called the speaker and cited her daughter as the keynote speaker for the Women's Resource Center, for a speaker," Bonderoff stated.

Edwards, a trustee for the Women's Resource Center, said she was pleased to be chosen as the evening's keynote speaker and cited her daughter's involvement in Girl Scouts as a reason for her interest in the young people's

organization. "Like many, I became involved as a parent when my eldest daughter was old enough and I became a volunteer. There were days she would come home from school and talk about a meeting excited and wanting to tell me what happened that day."

Bonderoff and Edwards said their organization has a comprehensive perspective concerning the lives of girls. Members of the Women's Resource Center and the Girl Scout Council are concerned about the relationship self-esteem which affects some girls in high school.

Edwards and the center offered a roster of statistics supporting the reduction, including the marked decline in math and science test scores. The center provides workshops, network meetings and referral services for women.

Women's Equality Day was first observed through a proclamation by President Bill Clinton in 1996. The day is in honor those who have struggled for women's rights and to reflect on current issues.

Tables set up at last week's open house indicate that the Washington/Rock Girl Scout Council has a wide range of activities.

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## Ready for school



Carol Deats, left, and Robin Oriss, right, decorate their shared reading and writing skills room at Deerfield School in Mountainside. Teachers and school administrators have also been preparing for the new school year. See story on Page 3.

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## Library to hold college series for area youth

Attention high school juniors and seniors are you starting to worry about applying to college, writing a meaningful essay, eligibility for financial aid, PSAT and SAT scores and test-taking strategies?

To help local students and parents tackle some of these difficult issues, the Springfield Public Library is presenting a three-part series entitled "Getting Ready for College".

On Sept. 17, the library will welcome Patricia Merritt, director of Financial Aid at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, who will discuss the often-mentioned process of applying for financial aid.

On Sept. 24, Jerry Tier and Beverly Harasz, staff members of the library, will present some practical dos and don'ts for creating a good application essay.

The third program, which will be held on Oct. 1, will feature a presentation from the Princeton Review, who will give some useful new developments in the Medicare Program. The session meet in the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside Fridays at noon.

This program will begin at 7 p.m. and refreshments will be served. All programs are free but advanced registration is requested. Call 908-349-2370 to get a space or register yourself at the library. It is located at 66 Mountain Ave. in Springfield.

### Fullum appointed

John J. Davis, president and chief executive officer of Union Center National Bank, has announced the appointment of Dr. Anne Fullum as assistant vice president.

A resident of Jackson, New Jersey, Fullum attended New York University and Princeton University. She will function as the branch manager of the Springfield Branch, which is about to undergo extensive renovations and expansion.

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### Coming Events

Sept. 11

The first meeting of the Mountainside Senior Citizen Club will be held in the Community Presbyterian Church on Deep Path and Meeting House Lane. The meeting will be a welcome-back social with refreshments served beginning at noon. Any questions or for an application to join the seniors, call Gladys Gieser, membership coordinator, at 908-232-5010.

Sept. 25

The Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at St. John's 357 Springfield Ave. in Summit, from 3:30 p.m. The drive is open to the public and will be conducted by New Jersey Blood Services. Donors will need to bring ID with a picture or signature and show their actual Social Security number.

Oct. 4

Sandmeyer School, 606 South Springfield Ave., Springfield, will hold an Ocular-Eye Market sponsored by the PTA. The raffle date will be Oct. 14 and vendors and crafters with new and used merchandise are wanted. For more information, call Fran at 908-376-6386.

Oct. 9

The program is decided for the Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside, which will include Dan Kalem, CHIME coordinator, who will discuss new developments in the Medicare Program. The seniors meet in the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside Fridays at noon.

## Position available in Board of Ed

School, 1497 Woodlawn Drive, Mountainside.

Application must be received at the Board of Education offices by Sept. 10. Additional information may be obtained by calling 908-232-3332.

### Unit seeks vols

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Oct. 21

The Springfield Chapter of Hadassah will sponsor a bus trip to Princeton. The trip will include a guided tour of the governor's mansion, luncheon at the Nassau Inn and a guided tour of the art museum at Princeton University. The all-inclusive price is \$55, and all proceeds will be donated to Youth Aliyah to be used in the children's villages that are helping to integrate the young and new arrivals to Israel. Checks can be made payable to Springfield Chapter of Hadassah. For reservations, call Pearl Kaplan at (973) 376-3171.

Oct. 24

The second annual flea market at the Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fee is \$20 for a space and the rain date is Oct. 31. Flea market vendors and people looking to sell off their unwanted garage sale items are invited to call Tom at (908) 587-0779; Esther at (908) 376-4968, or the church at (908) 376-1695 for an application.

Oct. 25

The second annual Craft Show at St. James the Apostle in Springfield will be held Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and Oct. 25 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. The fee is \$60 for one table and two chairs for both days and \$50 for two tables and four chairs for both days. The entire school will be utilized due to the overwhelming response last year. Tables will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Any questions, or for an application, call Anne at (973) 376-5612, or Janet at (973) 912-0392.

## Lewis joins staff of Mountainside office

Sanford M. Lewis, MD, the former president of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners and former chairman of the Health Care Administration Board, has joined the staff of Theodore A. Tamborlane, PC, of Mountainside as Health Affairs Administrative Director.

Dr. Lewis, a well-known internist, has enjoyed a long career encompassing clinical medicine, forensic medicine, administrative appointments and teaching positions. Much of his experience relates to the interfaces between government, law and medicine.

Dr. Lewis has been in private practice since 1950 and is now available to consult with this firm's clients as an adjunct in support of attorneys. His extensive background in medical-legal matters, including Medical Board and Department of Health Matters, will add an experienced, medical dimension to the office's ability to serve the legal needs of the community.

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## Officials seek solution at work session

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The Springfield First Aid Squad employs a similar strategy with two paid EMTs on duty two days a week.

Another possible solution, addressed by the council, was to provide EMT training to police officers, or to hire additional police officers who are trained as EMTs. The latter would have the added benefit of providing additional police coverage, Viglianti said.

Mountainside Police Chief James Debbie will allow his officers to respond to "calls," but their police duties come first, he said. "If the police officers are here to assist, not to supplement, the Rescue Squad," he said.

Viglianti dismissed the possibility of acquiring a private ambulance service as "not cost effective," with costs as high as \$25,000 per year.

John Staunton, publicity director,

for the Summit Rescue Squad, said that recruiting day-shift members has become a problem for squads throughout the state.

"This is not a new problem," he said. "With more two-income families, fewer people are available during the day hours. The Summit Rescue Squad seeks volunteers from single-income families, self-employed or night-shift workers, college students, workers who have jobs in the immediate area, and retired people, he said, who can be available during the week days."

"We get people of all ages and from all walks of life, twenties and thirties as well as retired seniors," said Gloria Simpson of the Springfield First Aid Squad. "It seems when you have a mix it works the best." High school students, who serve as cadets, are also welcome, she said.

Staunton suggested additional publicity is one way to recruit new

members. Those who volunteer their time deserve recognition and support by the community, he said.

"The Mountainside Rescue Squad has a responsible group of people who will not turn a blind eye to this problem," he said.

The Mountainside Borough Council will discuss the various strategies with the town treasurer, the borough attorney, and the state of New Jersey, Viglianti said. Letters will be sent to the residents of Mountainside by the end of September which will present a set of options for public discussion, he said.

The Mountainside Fire Department is also looking for new members.

Despite low membership numbers, the fire department will be able to meet coverage, Viglianti said. "The department currently has 29 members, and is seeking 15 to 20 additional volunteers."

In addition to the Mountainside Fire Department, the borough receives fire coverage through Union County's mutual aid program.

## Taking a swing



Photo by Jeff Green

Joe Sulkowski, 8, takes his hand at croquet at the Springfield Municipal Pool's recreation area while friend Michael Brophy, 8, looks on.

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Photo by Barbara Kokalis

Left to right, Mountainside Girl Scouts Erin Sanders, Angelina Krawec, and Melissa DeAnna act as the colorguard before the keynote speaker's address.

## Women's Equality Day honored at meeting

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activities scheduled for the year. In addition to the usual camp, cooking and outdoor events, other programs range from reading fairs to classes focusing on art.

"The Council serves 10,000 members, mostly girls upwards of age five; among 17 Union County towns, most of the open house attendees, however, were adults."

"The open house is a way for us to come together and learn what's going on in the council," said council supervisor Brenda Ragdale. "It's the first time we held it at Trailside."

Ragdale and fellow Elizabeth Scouts Victoria Bernander and Christina Minichetti wore train conductor and engineer uniforms while informing people about training opportunities at their table.

Other table supervisors wore purple blazers and

World War I era dresses. Out by the parking lot four Girl Scouts in similar garb held a mock demonstration, chanting suffrage-style phrases while holding signs demanding equal rights for women.

"We're out here to mark Women's Equality Day," said Jackie Farin-Haber, 12, of Clark. "People... What we are wearing and doing is pretty much like what the suffragettes wore and did."

Before hearing Edwards' address in the auditorium, Bandoroff handed out a copy of a recent Louis Harris poll on the effectiveness of Girl Scouts. Most respondents to the poll said the organization helped them acquire new skills, taught them about good health and otherwise played an important role in their youth.

"The Girl Scouts are involved in molding the character and ethics of girls," said Bandoroff. "We provide such an opportunity which some girls may not get at school or some other areas of their lives."

## Subtle changes mark new school year

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Subtle changes in schedules, staffing and infrastructure greeted the 1,355 students who filed into Deerfield School and Governor Livingston High School yesterday.

The 573 Deerfield School students, according to Mountainside Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller, face courses, and structural refinements. Deerfield, 3 kindergarten-eight grade school, is the borough's only educational institution.

"As of Friday, our enrollment is about three students ahead of last year," said Schaller. "It may change due to late-minute registration. It bears watching that, if we do get a large increase, we may consider enlarging the Board of Education offices at Wissards Drive."

Saying that "the needs of kindergartners to fifth-graders are different from sixth to eighth-graders," Schaller will keep both groups in separate wings. The industrial arts class will move into more problem solving and computer

aided drafting and machining. More structural changes include leveling the athletic fields and regrading the gym.

Many Deerfield graduates, in a 39-year-old tradition, go to Governor Livingston in Berkeley Heights. According to Principal Benjamin Jones, borough adolescents make up about 27 percent the 700-member student body.

"We've done some major building work, like new hallway lighting," said Jones. "What I'm really excited about are the new advanced placement courses in C++ computer programming, economics and advanced calculus-B/C. All three offer more physics and the calculus course is a continuation of the introductory, or A-B, course."

In athletics, Jones said the soccer program has expanded into a third, 12th-grade team. In the business office, the school has its own computers to create their own report cards, although they retain a service contract with old fashioned regional schools in Springfield and Clark. Call Deerfield at (908) 232-3252 and Governor Livingston at (908) 464-3100 for details.

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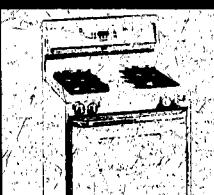
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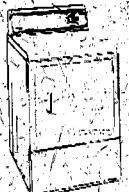
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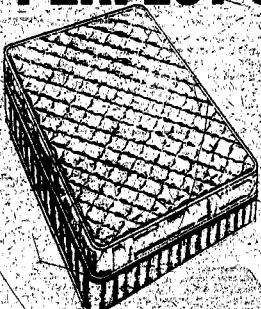
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## OBITUARIES

**Larry Raschella**

Larry Raschella, 83, of Summit died Aug. 25 in the King James Nursing Home, Chatham.

Mr. Raschella was a laborer with P.R. Ricco Construction Company for 10 years before retiring in 1961. He served as a medic in the Army during World War II.

Mr. Raschella was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Berkeley Heights, the St. Paul Club of St. Peter's in Avila Chapel and the Young Citizens Club of Summit.

Born in Reggio Calabria, Italy, he settled in Orange in 1941 and later moved to Summit.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Catherine Tauch, Mrs. Richard Raschella-Zurmer and Mrs. Joann Hebert; a sister-in-law, and four grandchildren.

**Francis T. Martin**

Francis T. Martin, 72, of Summit died Aug. 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Morrisania, "Mac" Martin lived in New Providence before moving to Summit 35 years ago. He was a manager with A&P Supermarkets in Union and retired in 1984. Earlier, Mr. Martin had been employed in the same capacity with A&P Supermarkets in New Providence. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Mr. Martin was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Berkeley Heights, the St. Paul Club of St. Peter's in Avila Chapel and the Young Citizens Club of Summit.

Born in Reggio Calabria, Italy, he settled in Orange in 1941 and later moved to Summit.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Catherine Tauch, Mrs. Richard Raschella-Zurmer and Mrs. Joann Hebert; a sister-in-law, and four grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy, two daughters, Beth D'Eccles and Bobbi Grimaldi; two sisters, Catherine McGehan and Dorothy Cullen, and four grandchildren.

**Grace M. Low**

Grace McLaw, 73, of Parsippany, formerly of Summit, died Aug. 23 at home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Low lived in Springfield and Mountainside before moving to Parsippany 13 years ago.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, Andrew; a daughter, Charlotte Colletti; a son, Douglas; two sisters, Charlotte Haderer and Anna Davies; two brothers, Raymond and Kenneth Murray; and three grandchildren.

**Angelina P. Rosa**

Angelina P. Rosa, 80, a lifelong resident of Summit, died Aug. 27 at home.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Dull; a son, James Jr.; three sisters, Lena Yarush, Antoinette Caro and Concetta Stico; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Richard R. Tozzi**

Richard R. Tozzi, 51, of Franklin Township, formerly of Summit, a restauranteur for 28 years, died Aug. 24 at home. A friend in Mountainside.

Born in Plainfield, Mr. Tozzi lived in convenient stations and Summit before moving to Franklin Township two months ago. He managed La Fontana Restaurant, New Brunswick. Previously, Mr. Tozzi managed Lantana Restaurant, Scarsdale, and owned Nathan's Bar & Grill, South Plainfield.

Field: Summit Squire, Summit; Cool Plaza, Cedar Hill, Madison, and Richard's Cafe, America, Madison.

Surviving are four daughters, Lisa, Alison, Joann and Julianne; a son, Ryan; and a brother, John R.

**Joseph Morvay**

Joseph Morvay of Manchester Township, formerly of Springfield, died Aug. 25 in Kimball Medical Center, Lakewood.

Born in New York City, Mr. Morvay lived in Brooklyn, Maplewood, and Springfield before moving to Manchester Township in 1984. He was employed for 10 years at Tache's Ross & Co., Newark, before retiring.

Mr. Morvay was a 1933 graduate of New York University. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 16022 of Leisure Knoll.

Surviving are his wife, Helen; and two brothers, the Rev. Andrew and Alfred.

**Town Planner to arrive in December**

Residents in Summit and Springfield need only go as far as their mailbox in December to find a complete listing of community events for 1990.

As a result of a project by the Summit Observer and Echo Leader, the newspapers will bring the Summit Town Planner and Springfield Town Planner to the communities. The Town Planner is a community calendar that will list local events, school schedules, fairs and festivals, among many other events that are important to residents of each community.

"Every household needs a calendar to mark those important appointments, such as dentist and doctor appointments, as well as the kids' baseball and soccer games," said David Wofford, publisher of the Observer and Echo Leader. "We estimate these dates, but a majority of events that occur in town, such as Fourth of July celebrations, school board, and council meetings and school closings."

The calendar keeps in line with Wofford Community Newspapers motto, "Your best source for community information."

Who better to produce this community calendar than the local newspaper, Wofford said.

The calendar will be mailed nationwide in December, just in time for the new year. Printing and mailing costs will be offset by sponsorships from local businesses.

Emergency telephone numbers and local numbers will be on every page. Important resource numbers also will be included.

The calendar will feature full color photography of sites in New Jersey. There is no charge for the non-profit organization to list their events.

To list your community events, call Brian Zekman at (908) 667-7700, Ext. 311. To be a sponsor on the Town Planner, call John Vito at (732) 431-5445. The deadline to be a sponsor or to post community events is Oct. 10.

**FMBA to host golf tournament**

The Springfield Fire Department's Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 57 will be holding its tenth annual charity and fund-raising golf tournament at the famous Baldwin Golf Club, host of the 1993 US Open.

Sponsoring and/or player ticket purchases for this worthwhile event will show continued support of the Springfield F.M.B.A. and its causes.

A portion of the proceeds will support life prevention, education programs, the St. Barnabas Fund, various youth activity programs in Springfield, and the good welfare of the members of Local 57.

Player tickets for the tournament are available at a cost of \$275 each. These tickets make a perfect business gift, employee incentive or a nice long-lasting gift.

Included in the cost of the ticket is a complimentary luncheon, cocktail, reception with buffet dinner and bar; a chance to win a new 1993 Ford Mustang and other prizes.

In addition, a limited number of corporate/business sponsorships are available for this event at a cost of \$1000. This entitles you to a sign with your business information at a hole or tee.

All players are eligible to win a brand-new 1993 Ford Mustang, which has been graciously sponsored

by the Flamingo Car & Truck Company, Dealership of Flemington, in our hole-in-one contest. To obtain golf tournament information for sponsorships and tournament tickets call at (732) 576-8558 or visit the office located at the Municipal Building on Mountain Ave.

**Church group plans fall rummage sale**

The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield will hold their annual Rummage Sale on Oct. 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Oct. 17 from 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Parish House on Church Mall, opposite the Floodtown Shopping Center on Morris Avenue.

Men's, women's and children's clothing will be for sale along with jewelry, curtains, drapes, dishes and kitchenware, knick-knacks and other miscellaneous articles and some furniture.

Call the church office at (908) 879-4320.

**Friends recall former Mountainside mayor**

By Walter Elliott  
Staff Writer

Many who knew Thomas J. Ricardi felt they had lost a friend in the rough when the former Mountainside Mayor and Orange building contractor died Aug. 25.

Mr. Ricardi, 76, died in his Southern Ocean County Hospital in Manahawkin. The long-time, tough resident had moved to nearby Harvey Cedars in June.

"Although Tom retired from the business in 1983, it's been straight," said his brother, Rudolph Ricardi, from his construction office on Orange-Trenton Avenue. "We lost our other brother, Anthony, in February. Tom moved to the Shrine and wanted to finish his new house."

Mr. Ricardi went to high school with Tom when they lived in Newark, and Mountainside municipal planner William Bunnin, "Tom was a large, hard-chested man who spoke his mind. He may have been head of a construction company, but he was always above helping on a job if it would help."

Mr. Ricardi was born in Brooklyn, but his family moved to Newark's North Ward, where he was

vital. His father was a partner in a construction business while Tom got a civil engineering degree from Rutgers University.

World War II intervened, however, and Mr. Ricardi found himself in the European Theater as a sergeant in the engineering corps.

"Tom was in the Battle of the Bulge," said Rudolph. "He made a corps, managed to build a bridge and ended enemy lines. He received a distinguished service medal for it."

Tom Ricardi moved to Mountainside after the war. He and his brothers started a contracting company specializing in public buildings in Orange in 1947.

There must be 100 buildings in Northern and Central New Jersey which we put up," said Rudolph. "We built the entire Abraham Clark High School in Roselle and Kean University's Wilkes Theatre. I remember Tom going back to him to get books to build the theater's curved front."

Tom Ricardi entered Mountainside Civic life as a member of its zoning board. He was later elected mayor in 1962 for a tenure which would last until 1975. Among his achievements was his conversion of

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## LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Behind the guidance of head coach Dave Grifteck, the Dayton High School ice hockey team is now preparing its roster for the upcoming 1998-99 season.

Interested candidates may pick up an information request form at the high school.

Dayton has been accepted into the New Jersey Scholastic Ice Hockey League and has been placed in the American Conference.

Other teams in the conference include Newark Academy and Newark East Side.

More information may be obtained by writing the Journal Dayton Hockey Parents Group, Inc. at 1200 W. Chestnut St., Union, NJ 07083.

**SportsMART** Fall Pitcher and Catcher's Camp will be held Saturday Sept. 26 and Sunday, Catholic High School, Plains.

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The New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association is accepting applications for the 1998 Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

The 1998 induction ceremony will take place at the NJISAA's Annual Meeting on Monday, Dec. 2 at the Pines Motel in Edison.

The first two classes included:

Class of 1997: Linda Alim, Dr. Rose Marie Battaglia, George A. Cella, Joseph N. Covello, Lisa Jori, Robert F. Kanaby, Florence K. Perigallo.

Class of 1997: Valerie B. Ackerman, Milton Campbell, Victor B. Lake, Joseph Theissman, Virginia B. Whitaker, Alexander F. Wojciechowicz, Sr., Lynne Wright.

Applications can be obtained from high schools throughout New Jersey or by contacting the NJISAA Central Office at 609-259-2776.

Completed applications should be mailed to: NJISAA, P.O. Box 487, Robbinsville, NJ 08891.

All applications must be received by Tuesday, Sept. 15.

The New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJISAA), the New Jersey Scholastic Coaches Association (NJSCA) and the New Jersey Interscholastic Fencing Association (NJAFA) have announced the scheduling of a Fencing Coaches Clinic to be held on Saturday, Oct. 17 at Morris Hills High School in Rockaway.

The timeframe for the clinic is 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with registration commencing at 8:30.

This clinic is designed to meet the needs of varsity coaches, assistant coaches and recreational coaches.

The registration fee ranges from \$15-\$30 and on site fees \$35-\$65 depending on NJSCA membership status.

The morning session, from 9 a.m. to noon, will feature hands-on interactive skills in which coaching and will be needed.

Lunch will be provided and an NJIF meeting will follow from noon to 1 p.m.

The afternoon session, from 1 to 3 p.m., will feature referee training and will be open to coaches and anyone else interested in being certified for NJ high school officiating.

A featured clinician will be George Kolomatski of Columbia University and the Fencing Officials Commission.

More information may be obtained by calling Edna Finsen at the NJISAA office in Robbinsville at 609-259-2776.



The Springfield Shadai Shalom softball team won its first league championship by defeating Clark Beth Orf 15-2 and 15-10 last Sunday to capture the Central Jersey Temple League crown two games to none. Kneeling, from left, are Steve Jamnick, Andy Slater, Jeff Nahmias and Gary Dushkin. Standing, from left, are Jack Pellet, Mitch Aronson, Mark Beckelman, Neil Berger, Bart Fraenkel and Mike Sklar. Team members not pictured include Steve Weisman, Seth Eisen, Paul Peyer and Mike Oslit.

## Springfield team is first to win league title undefeated

Completes outstanding softball season 14-0

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The Central Jersey Temple League consists of a Northern Division, which includes teams from Springfield, Scotch-Orange, Summit and Cranford, and a Southern Division, which includes teams from Clark, Mountainside and Woodbridge.

The season runs from April through August and despite having won the Northern Division in 1992, 1993, 1995 and 1997, Springfield had never survived past the second round of the playoffs in its eight-year history until this season.

Sponsored by the Bagel Chaihan of Millburn, Springfield's record the past two seasons is 25-10.

By Andrew McGann  
 Assistant Sports Editor

Summit, under the direction of head coach Rick Wheless and assistant Bill Simon, continued its stellar play in the Kerry Baker Fall Baseball League last week, going 3-0 and outscoring its opponents at Whippington Park to end its record at 12-2.

In a see-saw game, Springfield outlasted Cranford 12-9 to move on to the final.

In sweeping Clark in the best two-of-three final, Springfield became the first team ever to win the league championship with an undefeated record.

This year's mark was a perfect 14-0.

Last season Springfield compiled a record of 11-1 only to lose to Cranford in the playoffs.

This year was different.

After possessing a record of 12-0 in the regular season while outscoring the opposition by an average score of 21-7, Springfield earned a bye for the first round of the playoffs.

Springfield then faced arch-rival Cranford Beth Orf, with the winner moving on to the league final to face Southeast Division winner Clark.

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## Locals continue to help Summit baseball squad

Fall league team wins three more games

The bats really came alive for Summit at home on Saturday as it used a 22-run attack to down Mountain Lakes 20-3. Third baseman Terence Reilly, the team's leading hitter, exploded for five hits in five at-bats and drove in five runs as well.

Todd Simo followed his 5-for-5 performance against Mountain Lakes by going 4-for-4 with three RBIs in support of Ben Wheless, who pitched the first five innings to earn his first win of the year.

The hit parade continued on Sunday as Summit improved to 7-2 by thwarting Denville 14-3 with a 20-hits outburst. Several Summit players finished in-chance performances in the win, including catcher Tim Simo (4-for-5), four RBIs; centerfielder Kevin Donaldson (3-for-3, three RBIs); first baseman John Perri (2-for-5, three RBIs) and Piccolo (3-for-5).

In its nine games this season, Summit has clubbed 107 hits, an average of nearly 12 a game.

Todd Simo, who has garnered pro-

interest from the Philadelphia Phillies and the Colorado Rockies and college interest from several big-name Division I schools, including Oklahoma State, LSU and St. John's, has been nearly unhittable this fall for Summit.

In five games, he's been to senior at New Providence High School is 4-0 and has yet to allow a run for the opposition. In 16 innings, the All-State candidate has surrendered just six hits and six walks while striking out an amazing 30 batters.

Just as Simo has dominated on the mound, Reilly has done so at the plate, compiling a gaudy .582 batting average (15-for-23) including three triples.

Tim Simo and Donaldson are tied for second on the team in hitting as both are at an even .500. Simo and Donaldson are followed by Piccolo (3-for-5), who has Summit's only two home runs and leads the team in doubles with six, Todd Simo (4-for-18), Lipsey (3-for-5), Jason Guidicuccio (3-for-16), Perri (3-for-5), Eric Cannavolo (2-for-5) and Paradise (2-for-5).

Wheless (23), Matt Cannavolo (20) and Tyler Hartlaub (16) are sure to bring their averages up as the season progresses as all three are top-notch varsity players.

Summit will return to action this Saturday when it travels to North Haledon to play Clinton before heading back home later in the day.

Because of the Labor Day holiday, Summit will not be in action on Sunday.

By Andrew McGann  
 Assistant Sports Editor

## Tryouts for Summit YMCA Seals to be held at YWCA

Tryouts for the 1998-99 Summit YMCA Seals swim team will be held at the Summit YWCA this year.

Since the opening of the old pool has been delayed, the YWCA has offered the Seals the use of its pool for the tryouts.

The tryout times are as follows:

Mondays, Sept. 14.

Registration for boys and girls ages 9 and up will be held at 7:30 p.m. and water tryouts will take place from 8 to 9 p.m.

Registration for boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 17 will be held at 8:30 and water tryouts will be held from 9:15 to 10 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Registration for boys and girls ages 9 and up will be held at 7:30 p.m. and water tryouts will take place from 8 to 9:15 p.m.

Registration for all age group make-ups will be held at 8:30 p.m. and water tryouts will take place from 9:15 to 10 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Registration for boys and girls ages 11 and 12 will be held at 7:30 p.m. and water tryouts will take place from 8 to 9:15 p.m.

Registration for age group make-ups will be held at 8:30 p.m. and water tryouts will be held from 9:15 to 10 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 17.

Registration for boys and girls ages 11 and 12 will be held at 7:30 p.m. and water tryouts will take place from 8 to 9:15 p.m.

Registration for age group make-ups will be held at 8:30 p.m. and water tryouts will be held from 9:15 to 10 p.m.

Make-ups are held for those who are unable to attend their scheduled session for any reason, for those who do not make the cut the first time and would like a second chance to swim.

More information about the tryouts may be obtained by calling Hank Boston at 464-9113 or Bruce Pearl at 273-3310.

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## Hoop star Wlasuk out to make mark

Susquehanna his next challenge

By Andrew McGann  
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Two basketball standouts from local Mountain Valley Conference high schools, Corey Green of Roselle Catholic and Derek Wlasuk of Oratory Prep in Summit, will be looking to mark their mark during the upcoming season as freshmen on the Susquehanna University (Pa.) men's basketball team.

The 6-3, 185-pound Wlasuk scored 20 points, a game for Oratory Prep this season and the Summit resident also pulled down an average of 6.7 rebounds while dishing out three assists.

In spite of Oratory's 8-15 record, Wlasuk was still able to stand out for the Rams as he accounted for a gaudy 40 percent of their scoring and was especially Jeffery from beyond the three-point arch.

"What I think is most impressive about Derek's season for us is the fact that teams were keying on him and he still managed to score 20 points a game," Oratory head coach Bob Conway said. "He's an outside threat, but he's also a great rebounder to go inside and grab a rebound." His statistics show.

How much time on the court Wlasuk will see as a freshman remains to be seen, but Conway believes his rise on the depth chart will be a quick one.

"His playing time should increase depending on how well his jump shot continues to improve, but I think he'll do very well at Susquehanna," Conway said. "He's a very underrated defender as well and will do a good job for our last year and he will be sorely missed."

Polluting his stellar senior campaign at Oratory, Wlasuk will play forward at Susquehanna.

Roselle Catholic's all-time leading scorer with 1,100 points, led the Lions in scoring all three years he was with the club and sparked Roselle Catholic to an outstanding 19-9 record last season by averaging 16.6 points and 10 rebounds per game.

Green's standout 1997-98 campaign included a career-best 33-point performance in a 79-68 setback against Central in Newark on Jan. 13. He also turned his game up in a notch in the state playoffs, hitting for 21 points in a 65-58 victory over Queen of Peace in the first round of North Jersey's Parochial 1. He fired in 25 points in an 80-62 defeat against a tough Essex Catholic team.

Green, who led the Lions to the semifinals of the Union County Tournament along with his starting teammate Jim Banoff, scored a career-best 18 points in triumphs over Union Catholic and Pa. Stevens in helping Roselle Catholic to the Tri-County, Holiday Tournament title.

As a junior playing stand-out forward for Kevin Bullock, Green led the Lions to a 16-2 scoring average, grabbed an average of 8.3 rebounds in 24 contests for RC and led the Lions to a 17-5 mark and its first consecutive second-place finishes (behind Roselle) in the MVC's Mountain Division.

After splitting time on the freshman and junior varsity teams as a freshman, Green became the first athlete to earn All-MVC honors in his sophomore year.

The 6-4, 185-pound Green, who is a first-team All-MVC selection following his junior and senior seasons and was also a Union County Coaches Association Top 15 selection three times,

Corey is an exceptional rebounder for his size and plays much faster than he does. Roselle Catholic head coach Pat Hagerman said, "He has good anticipation in the press, he's a good passer, he has good timing with his shot-blocking and he's able to do a lot of things around the basket which makes him a very complete player."

In a county that included the likes of St. Patrick standout forward and NBA draft pick Al Harrington, Roselle Catholic senior Kevin Gordon and Linden senior sophomore Jamaal Tate, Green earned second-team All-Bergen County honors following his senior season at RC, a small-forward in high school, Green figures to patrol the same position in college.

The coaching staff at Susquehanna will probably be very pleasantly surprised at how quickly Corey picks things up, Hagan said. "His athleticism should really help him out in that aspect. It wouldn't surprise me at all to see him do very well in college."

## Dayton fielding a very young squad

Lone senior Kurtzman a standout

By Joe Ragozzino  
 Staff Writer

Head coach Bill Byrne admits he would have been more comfortable with a few more sophomores on the Dayton High School girls' cross country team.

But that's not to say he's discouraged by this year's turnout in fact, Byrne is looking forward to developing the team, especially the six freshmen, who comprise more than half of the roster.

The lone senior is Rachel Kurtzman, who is in her third year with program.

Last season, Kurtzman played in the top 25 with Mountain Valley Conference track and Byrne is confident she can improve on that showing this year.

"Rachel has been a very hard worker," he said. "She provides motivation and leadership to the team. I think she can run in the top 14 or 15 in the conference."

## H.S. Girls' Cross Country

Juniors Rachel Nehmer and Debbie Harris are in their third year and could make a solid mark this season, said Byrne.

"As they're getting more experience and more confidence, I think they'll make a stronger contribution to the team," Byrne said.

Diana Dina Gordon sat out last year with a hip injury but is fully recovered and expects to make an impact.

Sophomore Lisa DiNoia, who also plays basketball and softball for Dayton, demonstrates strong abilities.

Then there's the freshman Monica Ayala, Lauren Brahm, Stacey Fustian, Julie Mays, Diana Maysles and Lauren Monks.

So far, Byrne has noticed that the freshmen possess an important quality in cross country.

"In this sport, when you go a long way, they have to have that," Byrne said. "How far they go, if that won't determine this season, because in cross country, you have to run indoor and outdoor. They're going to take a while for these students to start learning to run 3-1 miles."

"Learning to run 3-1 miles is the first step in their development," Byrne said. "The most important thing is to finish the race. Right now, we want them to build them up to run the 3-1 miles."

The freshmen, added Byrne, will definitely make a big difference as the season goes along. And that difference will help them to work harder and become better.

"Within a period of time, I can show them their level of improvement," Byrne said. "And once they see that level of improvement, I think they'll come to work harder."

Some of the freshmen have the potential to score points for Dayton, which is hoping to be competitive in the conference dual meets and in the conference championship, which will take place Wednesday, Oct. 21 at Ridge in Basking Ridge.

"They're working hard and I'm pleased with them," said Byrne. "The team's the best I've seen in a long time." The team's the best I've seen in a long time.

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