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NEWS

Election issues

Five of the six major party candidates running for seats on the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders discussed some of the election issues during a forum sponsored by the Union County Employers Legislative Committee. See Page B1.

Beating fraud

Union County has established a new line that will allow residents to alert officials to welfare cheats. In addition to the telephone number, the county also plans to kick off an advertising campaign using billboards to alert residents to the issue. See Page B1.

THE ARTS

Milestone

A local art gallery celebrates a milestone anniversary with a gala event. See Page B4.



Juggling act

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Friday: Mostly sunny and windy, 60°
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Precedent allows methadone clinic relocation

By Philip Sean Curran
 Staff Writer
 Moments after the Union Township Zoning Board allowed the methadone clinic in Vauxhall to move to a remote industrial park area near the Springfield border, an attorney representing a coalition of Progress Suburb business owners vowed to appeal the board's decision.

"At last Wednesday's meeting, the board followed an appellate court's decision in a similar case, one of the clinic's attorneys, Paul S. Werber, added during the hearing. Using that case to have its own decision, the board unanimously agreed that the clinic would be of a professional use."

In 1983, the court said a licensed ambulatory care facility did not meet the definition of a hospital but was more similar in nature to a professional office. Because a professional office is a permitted use in the industrial Progress Street area, getting the variance became unnecessary.

'It's as if we are not two connecting towns, and we are. There's just no consideration on their part.'

— Judith Blitzer
 Springfield Township Committee

"I think the board made the proper decision," Werber said. As for what happens next, Werber said the clinic owners will make general improvements to the facility's new home. Making those improvements, however, first requires site plan approval from the township's planning board.

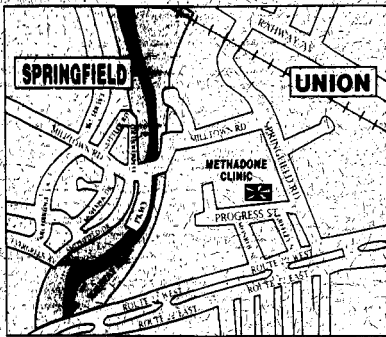
But Brian W. Fahy, representing the Progress Business Association, said the zoning board's decision is seriously flawed and myopic. "They opened a door to opening a methadone clinic where an office building is," Fahy said. He plans to file his appeal soon.

A member of the business association said Union showed little regard for him or his neighbors. Many of them attended the zoning board meeting last week.

"We don't feel that the town is being very supportive of us," Elton B. Barry said. Barry, whose president of a Progress Street business, added, "It's unfair that someone like this can walk in and, through political pressure, alter the codes as he sees fit."

The township keeps a list of land uses that are prohibited within its borders, and among those are "methadone clinics."

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The recently approved location of Suburban Treatment Associates is uncomfortably close to Springfield residences, according to township officials.



Clockwise from left, Charles G. Walker, Sharing Network Board of Trustees chairman; Doug Taylor, a donor's father; Joseph Roth, executive director of the Sharing Network; and Audrey Mullinix, donor recipient, gather to dedicate The Sharing Network's new headquarters in Springfield.

Sharing Network dedicates headquarters

By Craig Garrison
 Staff Writer

The New Jersey Office and Trivie Sharing Network dedicated its new Springfield headquarters Sept. 23 as part of an hour-long ceremony which included a tour of the facility.

Joseph Roth, executive director of the Sharing Network, dedicated the headquarters "to the memory of the New Jersey donors and their families who gave the gift of life."

The building's dedication was unveiled in a plaque donated by First Bank of North America.

Daniel P. Sullivan, chairman of the Union County Board of Trustees, and Assemblyman Alex DeCroce, R-26, were among those in attendance at the dedication ceremony. DeCroce and Assemblyman Joseph V. Dona Jr., D-31, had also sponsored a special resolution recognizing the Sharing Network's service to the residents of New Jersey in 1997.

Doug Taylor, whose son Fabian died eight years ago, spoke at the father of a virgin donor. "I know, I did the right thing. I firmly believe in organ donation," Taylor stated.

Audrey Mullinix, a donor recipient, said the donation of a kidney saved her life. "An incredibly generous family, in their darkest hour, donated the organs of a loved one and their. This ultimate act of charity enabled me to look beyond laying life in segments," she said. "I used to think that if I could only live to see my children through grammar school, it would give them a solid foundation," she said. "Then I thought if I could only make it until they graduated from high school, they would be all right. Now I look forward to being a grandmother some day."

The Sharing Network is a non-profit procurement organization, responsible for locating organs and tissue for

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Committee addresses recreation, commuting

By Walter Elliott
 Staff Writer

Updates on the Chisholm Community Center and the municipal minutes highlighted the Springfield Township Committee meeting Sept. 23.

Mayor S. Mullan announced that the Chisholm Center will open Oct. 24. A range of celebrational activities including a ribbon-cutting ceremony is to be held throughout that weekend. But the schedule has not yet been finalized.

"If you remember what the Chisholm building looked like inside, you won't recognize it when you go in now," Mullan said. "It's gorgeous. They're ready to lay carpet, install phones and have the inspectors go through."

The center, located on the southwest corner of Summit Road and South Springfield Avenue, was being under renovation for 14 months. The former Chisholm School will become a fitness and recreation facility with a branch of the Summit Area YMCA as its tenant.

Addressing the township minutes, Committee member Roy Hirschfeld said they are still waiting for the bus and operating contract from New Jersey Transit. Springfield is one of five towns along it near the NJ Transit Morris and Essex commuter rail line, which received municipal startup grants last June.

"NJ Transit said the buses are being built and we'd get one sometime in October," Hirschfeld said. "They told us we'd get a bus in July and on Labor Day. We got the grant but we also want to see the contract before we start operating."

Hirschfeld moved to create the position of park and ride administrator. The administrator will oversee the rush hour operation, field questions and make personnel or equipment decisions. The post requires 1.5 hours per week and pays \$5,000 annually.

The township will make continuous runs between the municipal park-and-ride and the Short Hills station during the morning and afternoon weekday rush hours. The park-and-ride better known as Duffy's Corner, is across from Child Well Place on Morris Avenue.

"The job is to see if a substitute bus or driver is needed," Committee member Bill

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Detective bureau recognized for halting identity theft

By Craig Garrison
 Staff Writer

The Mountainside Police Department's Detective Bureau was recognized Sept. 23 for outstanding work in the apprehension and conviction of individuals involved in identity theft.

Detective Lieutenant Richard Ozie, Jr. and Detective Sergeant Todd Turner, were presented with plaques recognizing their work from Supervisory

Inspector Joseph Franco of the Newark Field Office of the United States Postal Inspectors.

"It is an outstanding award for two exceptional officers, and well deserved," said Mountainside Police Department Chief James Debbie Jr.

The crime of identity theft involves purloining existing lines of credit, such as a credit card or checking account, or opening new credit accounts in another person's name. A thief can run up thousands of dollars in purchases or cash advances before detection.

The series of arrests and convictions began in January 1998 and were worked in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Postal Inspection Service and the Union County Sheriff's Office. Debbie praised the intensive cooperation among these agencies and the Mountainside Police.

According to Turner, almost \$2 million may have been stolen over the last five months and nine people have been "stepped" so far.

"Generally they try to wash fraudulent funds through the bank in the form of checks, or they get advances on credit cards," he stated.

Area residents can protect themselves from identity theft by taking some simple precautions, Turner said. "Draw a credit report from time to time from a major credit bureau, and shred your mail before you throw it out."

Students learn how to recycle, reuse, reduce

By Craig Garrison
 Staff Writer

Kindergarten students at Walpole School learned about recycling and pollution, Sept. 23 with "Myra's Amazing Puppets," an educational and entertaining puppet show.

The program, funded by the Springfield Township Recycling Department, had two performances with approximately 150 students in attendance for each. The 45-minute program enthralled the young audience with sing-alongs and dancing life-sized puppets.

Children learned about sorting their trash, the benefits of recycling, the effect of pollution on the planet and simple projects to reduce waste. The second part of the show, "Life in the Forest," followed the story of forest animals who worked together to clean up a polluted pond.

Myra Neugeboren, the show's creator and main performer, has performed puppet shows for schools and organizations throughout New Jersey for 19 years.



From left, Tyler Erpitz, Mark Bollaro, Cara Bibbo and Jake Rudolph learn about the importance of recycling through a sing-along with performer Myra Neugeboren.

Photo by Barbara Kozlowski

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NEWS CLIPS

Church plans trip

The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield is planning a trip to Oberlin, Ohio in October to witness the 40th performance of the world famous Passion Play in August of the year 2000. The trip is a unique opportunity for the church to witness this magnificent work of art. The church has been presenting this play every year because of a vow made by the people of Oberlin to perform it in 1654. They pledged that if they were spared from the Black Plague which was spreading through Europe, they would perform a play depicting the last week of Christ's life.

The "four days" New York, Aug. 8, 2000 with Munich, Vienna, Venice, Florence, Milan and Ljubljana on the itinerary. Travel plans should be made well in advance of the Passion Play event. Always allow one year in advance. For more information, contact the church at 908-666-7700.

Borough promotes clean communities

The Borough of Mountainside will hold its annual Clean Communities Day program on Oct. 3 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Deerfield School. Lunch will be provided immediately following the event at the Deerfield School Cafeteria.

All residents are encouraged to participate in the annual litter clean-up event. Registration is required by Sept. 25 so that lunch can be ordered. Note that this event is not a cleanup of the community of litter and debris, but rather a clean-up of your own property. A meeting will be held on Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. in the small conference room at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22, to discuss the areas that need to be cleaned up. Attendance at the meeting is not required to participate in Clean Communities Day. For registration and questions, call Ruth at (908) 235-5409.

Bookstores honor literacy month

Literacy Volunteers of America, Union County, affiliates the county's largest free adult literacy tutoring organization will be celebrating October as Literacy Month with the help of Union County's local bookstores.

Information tables will be set up during the month of October in Barnes and Nobles on Route 22 West in Springfield and in Book Layers Outlet on South Avenue in Westfield.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Today
The Football Club of Mountainside will meet at B&G Fields at noon for lunch. The cost is \$12.50 per person and a demonstration will be given by an In-line Leader representative. Guest are welcome. Call (908) 232-1626 for reservations.

Friday
The Mountainside Democratic Club has announced that it has made special arrangements with the Show Boat Casino for a bus trip to Atlantic City. It is currently no cost to those attending. For more information and to make reservations call Rose Sisk at (908) 332-4041 or 134 Thomas at (908) 235-6654.

Saturday
A retirement celebration for Helen Keen will be held in the Terrace Room at the Balfour Golf Club on Stumpick Road in Springfield. The reception will begin at 7 p.m. and the dinner at 8 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person. Call (973) 912-2202 for more information.

Volunteers are needed to assist with trail maintenance projects in the Washington Reservation. Meet at the Paradise Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside at 9:30 a.m. and bring a lunch bag for beverages, snacks, picnic and gloves. Available for volunteers must be at least 14 years of age and must call (908) 789-3670 to pre-register.

Sunday
The Springfield Free Public Library will sponsor a program called "Broadway Anniversary Musical: The First 50 Years" at 2 p.m. The program will be presented by conductor/musician Robert William Burt. For more information, call (973) 376-4930.

Sandmeier School, 666 South Springfield-Ave. Springfield, will hold an Outdoor Flea Market sponsored by the PTA. The fun day will be Oct. 11 and vendors and crafters with new and used merchandise are wanted. For more information, call Fran at (973) 376-6380.

The Paradise Nature and Science Center will present a program called "Wash and Ho" at 2 p.m. The program is free and will include a lunch bag for beverages, snacks, picnic and gloves. Available for volunteers must be at least 14 years of age and must call (908) 789-3670 for more information.

Wednesday
The Springfield Free Public Library will present a program called "PSAT & SAT Examinations: Strategies for Successful Test Taking" at 7 p.m. The program is free and will be conducted by a representative from the Princeton Review. Advance registration is required and may be made by calling (973) 376-4930.

The Mountainside Public Library will conduct a program called "Toddler Time" for three consecutive Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. The program is for 2-year-olds and will include stories and nursery rhymes for children accompanied by a caregiver. All Mountainside Library card holders are welcome. Call (908) 233-0113 to register.

Coming Events
Oct. 9
The programs scheduled for the Senior Citizens Club of Mountainside will include Dan Keegan, CHIME (dentist) who will discuss new developments in the Medicare Program. The authors meet in the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside Fridays at noon.

Oct. 15
The Springfield Free Public Library will conduct a Great Books Discussion Group on Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" at 10 a.m. New members are welcome. Call (973) 376-4930 for more information.

Oct. 15, 16 & 17
The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield will hold a communion.

Sale from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 15 and 16 and from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Oct. 17. For more information, call (973) 379-4320.

Oct. 17
The James Caldwell School PTA, 363 Alden Place will hold its Annual Fall Festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in a park or in the school. There will be a raffle, refreshments, games, food, a musical guitar and activities for the whole family. Tickets are \$5. For more information, contact Gerr at (973) 364-9938.

Oct. 17 & 18
The Township of Springfield will conduct its sixth annual Clean Communities Weekend from 9 a.m. to noon. Community organizations, families and interested individuals are invited to work together to reduce the amount of litter in the parks, playgrounds, public properties and roadways. Meet at the Municipal Pool/Off Morrison Road for gifts, refreshments, tools and work assignments. Children must be supervised. Call (973) 912-2222 for more information.

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, lunch at the Nassau Inn and a guided tour of the art museum at Princeton University. The all-inclusive price is \$55 and airfare is extra. Seats will be available for the trip. For more information, call (973) 376-1695 for an application.

Oct. 24 & 25
The second annual flea market at the Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 24 and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 25. The fee is \$20 for a space and the fair date is Oct. 31. Flea market vendors and people looking to buy sell of their unwanted garage sale items are asked to call Tom (908) 557-0729. E-mail at (908) 276-4908, or the church at (973) 376-1695 for an application.

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Oct. 28, 29 & 30
Jonathan Dayton High School Senior Class and PTSO will present the third annual Hallowed House from 6 to 9 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Project Graduation, a substance-free graduation night event. Tickets will be \$3 at the door, with children under 3 free. For more information, call Lynn at (973) 379-2824 or Maureen at (973) 564-6034.

Nov. 5
The Mountainside Recreation Dept. is sponsoring a trip to see Broadway's "Ragtime." The bus will leave Deerfield School at 6 p.m. for the 8 p.m. show. The registration fee is \$80 per person and includes orchestra seats and transportation from the Deerfield School in Mountainside. There is a limit of four tickets per order. Checks should be made payable to "Mountainside Recreation" and sent to "Ragtime," Mountainside Recreation, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, 07093.

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In one month, residents will have an opportunity to cast their vote for local and county offices. During the last few years, residents have had an opportunity to determine whether or not those seeking re-election should warrant another term, or if they should vote for a newcomer, one whose campaign literature no doubt will be appearing in their mailboxes.

There's nothing worse than an uninformed voter casting a vote blindly. Voting is a right guaranteed in our Constitution, a right that should not be used casually. Voter turnout is waning, which makes an informed vote important.

Something a voter should look for in a candidate is his or her desire to work cooperatively with other members of the governing body in the best interests of the municipality, regardless of party affiliation.

So when you cast your vote on Nov. 3, be sure you are informed about all the candidates.

Oct. 5 is the last day to register for the November elections.

Oct. 27 is the last day to apply by mail for an absentee ballot.

Nov. 2 the last day to apply for an absentee ballot in person.

Nov. 3 is the General Election. Ballots will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For information regarding civilian or military absentee ballots, nominating petitions and/or voter registration lists, call the Union County clerk at (908) 527-4996.

To obtain election forms, call the Election Law Enforcement Commission at (609) 292-8700.

For information on voting registration, call the Union County Board of Elections at (908) 527-4121 or the Division of Election at (609) 292-3671.

Learn the symptoms

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and in recognition of this ongoing problem, we want to focus on it.

First, readers must understand that domestic violence can take many forms and may involve physical and psychological abuse by a husband, boyfriend, wife, or significant other.

To get a proper definition of domestic violence, we consulted "Domestic Violence: The Facts" - A Handbook to STOP Violence, which recommended asking oneself these questions to determine whether or not an act of violence has occurred:

- Have you or someone you know ever experienced any of the following from a spouse or mate?
 - Name-calling or put-downs?
 - Isolation from family or friends?
 - Withholding of money?
 - Actual or threatened physical harm?
 - Sexual assault?

These are examples of domestic violence, which includes partner violence, family violence, spouse abuse, child abuse, battering and wife beating. Approximately 95 percent of the victims of domestic violence are women. However, violence also happens in both gay and lesbian relationships, and in a small number of cases by women against men.

For our purposes, domestic violence will be defined as partner violence: violent or controlling behavior by a person toward a partner, usually a wife or girlfriend. Although the partner is the primary target, violence is often directed toward children as well, and sometimes toward family members, friends, and even bystanders in attempts to control their partner.

Domestic violence takes many forms. Although each situation is different, there are common warning signs — "red flag" behavior — to look for, including: destructive criticism/verbal abuse; pressure tactics; abusing authority; disrespect; abusing trust; breaking promises; emotional withholding; minimizing/denying and blaming; economic control; self-destructive behavior; isolation from friends and loved ones; harassment; intimidation; destruction of personal possessions; making and carrying out threats; sexual violence; physical violence; and possession and use of weapons which can threaten you or your loved ones.

Knowing these signs is an important step in preventing and stopping violence.

"The ethics of journalism are the same as the ethics for living."

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COOKING UP A STORM
— From left, Ed Young and Roy Bjalkquist serve hot lunches at the 40th anniversary picnic for Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Mountaineer. Approximately 300 parishioners joined the festivities.

Photo by Jeff Orsini

School quality linked to more than test scores

A number of years ago, I was asked by a Springfield resident, "How does one judge the quality of a school or school system?"

As with most questions, there is a simple answer which takes little thought — test scores. Naturally, there is also a more thoughtful response which takes account of many more factors.

Achievement as measured by test scores should always be one of the measures of a successful school, but one must realize that there is a strong correlation between socioeconomic status and high test scores. In Springfield where the average income is ranked in the middle to high socioeconomic range, it is not surprising that the Jonathan Dayton High School graduating class of 1998 had a mean SAT score of 1048. It is also not surprising



these scores are more a factor of socioeconomic levels and good parenting practices than the product of a successful school system.

So then, how does one judge whether a school is successful? The answer lies in the responses to the following questions:

- How does the school adjust programs for its most needy students as well as for its most academically talented?
- What is the staff's response to the emotional needs of the students, and is the staff client oriented?
- Does the school offer a diversity of extracurricular programs that engage students in productive activities beyond academics?
- Does the school administration

provide leadership that sets high expectations for student performance and an orderly and positive school environment?

• How are the parents involved in the education of their children and are they involved and supportive of the school?

• What is the level of communication between the home and the school and what is the level of responsiveness of the staff to parental concerns?

• As you assess the quality of your schools, don't look for a simple answer. The answers may lie in a much deeper analysis than just simple facts and figures — test scores, property values and state rankings.

Gary Friedland is superintendent of schools for the Springfield School District.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kindness saves the day

To the Editor:

Jim Harquail at Harquail Brothers in Summit is our hero. Just days before the annual Lincoln Hubbard Elementary School block party we called Jim in desperation to see if he had some large barbecue grills that the school could use at the party. More than 600 students, parents and siblings were planning to attend and we had just been informed, rather matter-of-factly and without concern for the dilemma by a wedding planner in a neighboring town, that the four grills we had special ordered in June were not ready as promised. Jim Harquail cheerfully lent us the grills, delivered them, and saved the day. Jim, you have a standing invitation to our annual block party.

Diane Klair
Cheryl Cromwell
Julie Symonick
Springfield

Obviously, along with hiring someone eminently qualified for the position, they hoped to garner the respect and votes of women and people who believed that qualified women should be recognized and represented in government. Don't the women and girls of Union County deserve to see career choices where they can hope to succeed and serve their community? Don't stand in their way. Appoint more women to visible positions and give them contracts. We need more people like Carol Cohen.

Take Your Daughter to Work Day is so successful because people want their daughters, nieces, sisters and friends to work at if they work toward a goal, they will be successful. Ms. Cohen is a remarkable woman who has worked hard and earned the respect of the community. Extend the same consideration to her as the Freeholder Board has done in the past with other County Councils Don't "outlook" her. Grant her the four-year contract.

Marianne Martin, President
Union County National Organization for Women

Hearings made no difference

To the Editor:

Stink White spooked the Republicans. The Democrats set the stage by protesting televising the hearings that turned out, at worst, neutral for Clinton. Nothing new or unknown was divulged and I suspect no minds were changed.

Joseph Chiappa
Mountaineer

Election coverage guidelines

In fairness to all candidates and to provide the best service to our readers, this newspaper has established guidelines and a schedule for coverage of general elections.

Under the guidelines, this newspaper is committed to specific elements of coverage. It will give background information about all known candidates, including stories on basic positions taken by each, and it will write news stories on the issues raised during the campaign.

We also will highlight political events such as candidates' night and fund-raising in news stories. We will limit to stimulate discussion of the issues during election campaigns through independent research and initiative stories.

If appropriate, editorial endorsements will be made. News releases and campaign position statements from candidates are welcome. They will be used at the editor's discretion and they will not necessarily be printed as such but may be used as material to develop news stories if the issues raised in them merit such treatment.

Story line, timing and treatment are entirely at the discretion of the editor.

We will strive to avoid the initial raising of controversial or sensational issues in the final edition before election.

We aim to focus on what the voter needs to know and not on what the candidates want to say.

Our guidelines reflect the reader service objectives of this newspaper in elections. However, we will review our guidelines from time to time and revise them if necessary to benefit our readers.

Following is the schedule we will adhere to in the Nov. 3 elections.

Letters to the editor: Political letters and those of endorsement will be accepted up to and including the issue of Oct. 22. Letters may be printed or appear as excerpts at the editor's discretion.

Letters containing more than 75 words will be edited for length. Letters without telephone numbers will not be considered for publication.

Candidate's Career: Candidates running for office will be given the opportunity to speak to the readers on these pages as they present their backgrounds, platforms and goals. Their columns will appear Oct. 22.

Our endorsements: Endorsement editorials will appear Oct. 29. Staff-written round-up stories: A final look at the candidates, their platforms and goals, will appear Oct. 29.

Election results: Look for complete election result coverage Nov. 4.

Contract should accompany job

To the Editor:

I would like to discuss articles that appeared in the County News section of The Leader in August and September. It was reported that Carol Cohen, who was appointed in February, has been serving as acting county counsel without a contract since July. According to the article, Freeholder Board Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan "attributed the temporary delay to the summer doldrums." It's my experience that business does not get transacted in the summer.

Do we want county officials to work without a contract? How can you implement new ideas and make progress if you and your staff don't know from one day to the next who will be at the helm? How can you represent your client, the people of Union County? If it is a bad arrangement, if it is due to the "doldrums," is it now the beginning of October and the contract matter should have been resolved at the Freeholders' meeting? Because it was not, it leads me to believe that "summer doldrums" was not the truth.

Carol Cohen has the intelligence, education and the experience for the job of county counsel. I have heard glowing reports that she has cleaned up a number of administrative problems that plagued the office and that gained the respect and admiration of the staff. I spoke to her "Contract" editor for about a year. She made by a Freeholder about salary demands. Ms. Cohen assured me that she has made no demands and has not asked for a penny more. The allegation that she has is wrong. It was reported that Michael Lapolla is working without a contract. If that is his choice, leaving him available to take advantage of another opportunity, that's fine. Ms. Cohen has made the commitment, closed her law practice, and given up her livelihood to serve the people of Union County. Everyone has been more than satisfied with her job performance and her contract should be renewed.

As more women are appointed to visible positions, they serve as role models for our young women. What should they aspire to? Here is a female attorney who has brought excellence to public service. I heard the freeholder board laid her prizes as a lawyer and politician, and frankly put themselves on the back for appointing the first woman county counsel in the history of Union County.

Concerned about an issue facing the governing body or Board of Education in your town? Is your street in disrepair? Our readers can use our InfoSource hot line to speak out about any issue whether it is a question, comment, suggestion or opinion. That way, by telling us, you can still everyone in town.

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Verinder Singh

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Neal Bradley

"We closed early on when we lost cable because Monday Night Football is a key draw to the bar. When we got the cable back Tuesday, the power line in Echo Lake Park went down Wednesday. I don't blame the utility companies — they were doing what they could."



Gen. Police

"When the electricity went out Wednesday, our deli was lucky to have a wooden walk in freezer to store our food. We weren't affected as badly as some other areas."

Utility work sparks string of false alarms

Work on utility poles outside some Morris Avenue businesses sparked three false alarm calls in 20 minutes to the Springfield Fire Department Sept. 21.

The trouble began at about 9:13 a.m. when a Morris Avenue business reported smoke in the building, bringing out the department. A second call for aid from another Morris Avenue business followed at 9:53 a.m. A few minutes later, at 9:57 a.m., another Morris Avenue business reported smoke in the building. At 11:03 a.m., the department again responded to a call from a Morris Avenue business for a burning odor.

An engine from the Union Fire Department moved into the Springfield Headquarters to offer mutual aid to help cope with the flood of calls — all of which turned out to be caused by maintenance work on some utility poles in the area.

All the incidents at Morris Avenue

FIRE BLOTTER

That day were caused by the power company working outside on the poles," said Springfield Fire Chief William Gras. "That caused the HVAC units to smoke the building out. There were no fires in any of these buildings; it was just difficult trying to track down the source of smoke."

Within minutes of arriving at Springfield the Union engine was pressed into service, investigating a complaint from Springfield Town Hall that there was smoke in the building. At about 12:56 p.m., Springfield firefighters investigated Town Hall after receiving another report of an unusual odor. Both of those complaints also turned out to be false alarms.

All units were in action Sept. 26 for a kitchen fire in a Forest Drive apartment at 2:32 p.m.

Two fire alarms brought the department to action Sept. 24. At 12:25 a.m., firefighters inspected Springfield Town Hall for the cause of an activated fire alarm. At 2:31 a.m., the department responded to a township school for an activated fire alarm.

Springfield's bravest also saw some dangerous duty Sept. 23. The day began at 7:53 a.m. with a motor vehicle accident on Route 28 West. At 12:35 p.m., firefighters responded to an activated fire alarm from a residence on Caldwell Place. The department responded to a brush fire on Route 24 West at 1:53 p.m. (Item reported car fire at Mountain Avenue residence at 8:20 p.m. At 8:25 p.m., the department investigated a report of smoke in a Route 22 business' basement.

Parishoners walk to combat hunger

The 4- and 5-year-old children of Faith Nursery School, a ministry of Faith Lutheran Church, kicked off the 1998 CROP Walk Against Hunger Sept. 28 by participating in their own mini-CROP walk several days before the actual walk. The children began their walk at the Corner Cafe in New Providence, continued to the corner of South Street and Springfield Avenue and then headed over to Friendly's for ice cream.

The 1998 CROP Walk will be held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. with the three-mile walk beginning at United Methodist Church in New Providence. The CROP Walk is open to people of all ages, and entire families are encouraged to walk together. Churches participating in this year's walk include Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, United Methodist Church, Faith Lutheran Church, Little Flower Catholic Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, St. John's Lutheran Church, and Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit.

The total amount raised by last year's CROP Walk was in excess of \$11,000 and the goal for the 1998 Walk is \$15,000. Of the funds raised in the walk, 25 percent will be donated to St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark. The balance will be given to Church World Service.

Beginning this year, in addition to gathering donations from sponsors, each walker will be asked to provide an item of non-perishable goods for the food pantry at Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church in New Providence. Especially needed are coffee, canned fruit, tuna and salmon, jelly, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned meat, bath soap, and toilet paper.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the food pantry should call Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church at (908) 364-7600. Any community member who would like to walk or to sponsor a walker should contact the walk coordinator, Karen Berk of Faith Lutheran Church, at (908) 322-1693. More information about Church World Service may be obtained by calling (800) 456-1310.

Restaurant robberies may be related to gang activity

According to Springfield Police, a Sept. 9 break-in at a Route 22 restaurant has been linked to similar thefts in the area. Crime Prevention Officer John Rowley said his and other local departments are investigating whether the burglaries are tied to gang activity.

Speaking before the Springfield Chamber of Commerce Sept. 24, Rowley said a New York City gang may be striking local Chinese restaurants for cash and products. The robberies may be cyclical as a similar string occurred a few years ago.

The Chinese restaurant on Route 22 West was burglarized between 1:45 a.m. Sept. 9. About \$300 in cash, an office safe and 25 cases of shrimp were stolen.

Three cars were damaged after a driving lesson apparently went wrong

POLICE BLOTTER

on Route 22 Saturday. Two of the cars, a Ford wagon and a Toyota Camry, were waiting for space at the Sneaker Stadium parking lot when a third car entered Dunder Place from Route 22 West against a "Do Not Enter" sign at about 11:39 a.m.

The third car, a Ford Thunderbird, then turned into the Sneaker Stadium lot and struck the other two cars. The Thunderbird was being driven by a Jersey City woman with a driving permit.

Police charged the driver for going the wrong way on a one-way street and for reckless driving. The Thunderbird was towed away.

Three auto vehicle burglaries which occurred Aug. 24 may have

been done by the same person or group. All three incidents occurred on Route 22 between 6:30 and 11:30 p.m.

The first report came from a man who parked his car in a Route 22 West lot. He found his driver's side door lock and window broken at about 6:35 p.m. A \$300 AM/FM cassette stereo was taken and the dashboard damaged.

A driver who parked in the rear of a Route 22 East lot returned to find her car broken into at about 11:20 p.m. While a passenger side window was smashed, its dashboard was damaged and a \$900 AM/FM compact disc player was taken. In between was the report of a 1988 Honda entered white pickup truck on Route 22 West at Eagle Plaza and suffered about \$150 in damages.

Each of the three cases involve shattering windows and defacing dashboards.

Mountainside
A womanist driver from Fairfield was driving erratically on Route 22 West when Mountainside police stopped Hector Rivas, 27, at 10:42 a.m. Sept. 27 and charged him with driving while intoxicated.

A New Providence man was arrested in Mountainside for domestic violence, harassment and possession of a controlled substance. Dominick Armeni, 24, was arrested at a Mountainside residence at 8:18 a.m. Sept. 26.

A driver from Bloomfield was stopped for a cracked windshield and arrested for driving with a suspended license. Rogelio Dominguez, 24, was stopped Sept. 25 at 10:18 a.m.

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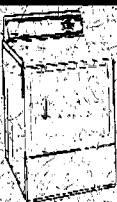
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SPORTS

H.S. Football
Saturday at 1:00
Roselle Park at Dayton
Roselle at Gov. Livingston

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor
So much for school schedules being 100 percent correct.

Both the Hillside and GL football schedules had last week's game scheduled at Hillside.

The Dayton schedule had its game at Manville dated to be played on Saturday, Sept. 26.

Instead, Hillside played at GL and Dayton played at Manville, not just Saturday night, but last Friday night.

Seems like this happens every year.

Union is 2-0 for the first time since 1994 as it has outscored two opponents by a 79-0 margin so far.

Elizabeth's loss to Plainfield last Friday night was its first at home in the regular season since falling to Union 28-21 at Williams Field in 1994.

Elizabeth also failed to make the state playoffs in North Jersey. Season: 2-2.

Group 4, Elizabeth went 7-2 that season, losing home games to Linden and Union, who were two of the four playoff teams in the section that year.

Elizabeth had won 16 consecutive regular-season home games prior to falling to Plainfield. The Minutemen won their final home game in 1999 and then went 3-0 at home in the regular season in 1995, 4-0 in 1996, 5-0 in 1997 and Elizabeth won its home-opener this year against Dickinson of Jersey City.

Roselle Park is 0-2 for the first time in the 1990s, having fallen to Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division's Denville Ridge and New Providence.

Roselle is off to a convincing 2-0 start, having outscored its first two opponents by an impressive 61-13 margin. The Rams, who play Governor Livingston (0-2) this Saturday in Berkeley Heights, are on track to gain their first state playoff appearance since the 1990 season.

WEEK THREE
Friday, Oct. 2

Johnson at Lincroft, 7:30
Roselle at Gov. Livingston, 7:30
Summit at Dover, 7:30

Saturday, Oct. 3
Roselle at GL, 1:00
Roselle Park at Dayton, 1:00
North Plain at Breatley, 1:00
Union at Irvington, 1:30

Elizabeth at Kearny, 1:30
Cranford at Linden, 1:30
Shabazz at Rahway, 1:30

WEEK TWO
Friday, Sept. 25
Union 47, Newark East Side 0
Plainfield 25, Elizabeth 13
New Prov. 14, Roselle Park 7
Dayton 43, Manville 6

Saturday, Sept. 26
Hillside 20, GL 0
Roselle 32, Ridge 6
Rahway 21, Linden 16

Johnson 45, Breatley 21
Hanover Park 21, Summit 0

J.R.'s picks
Amalatta over Johnson
Hillside over Bound Brook
Dover over Summit
Roselle over GL

Roselle Park over Dayton
North Plain over Breatley
Union over Irvington
Elizabeth over Kearny

Linden over Cranford
Shabazz over Rahway
Last week's 5-4
Season: 11-9 (1550)

Andrew's picks
Hillside over Amalatta
Hillside over Bound Brook
Dover over Summit
Roselle over GL

Roselle Park over Dayton
North Plain over Breatley
Union over Irvington
Elizabeth over Kearny

Linden over Cranford
Shabazz over Rahway
Last week's 5-4
Season: 11-9 (1550)

TERRIFIC TWELVE
1. Union (2-0)
2. Elizabeth (1-1)
3. Roselle (2-0)
4. Rahway (1-1)
5. Johnson (1-1)
6. Linden (0-2)
7. Hillside (0-1)
8. Gov. Livingston (0-2)
9. Dayton (1-1)
10. Roselle Park (0-2)
11. Breatley (0-2)
12. Summit (0-2)

Playing with more intensity



Photo by Charles Beyer

Dayton High School standout junior running back B.J. Jones scored one touchdown on a 74-yard run, and rushed for 174 yards on 22 carries to help lead the Bulldogs to a 19-6 win at Manville last Friday night in Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division action.

Dayton has already captured more matches than last year

Squad posts three consecutive victories

By Joe Ragozino
Staff Writer

These days, hope and optimism have been the prevalent feelings around the Dayton High School girls' soccer program.

In their first four games of the season, the Bulldogs have already won more games (three) than all of last year (two).

"The kids are a little bit more confident," said head coach Joe Cozza, whose team comprised of comprised of Springfield residents who attend Dayton and Kenilworth residents who attend Breatley. "They have a lot of confidence. Last year, it took us 11 games to win one game, so this is a plus for them."

After being trounced by Mountain Valley Conference powerhouse Johnson 3-0 on the road in the season opener, Dayton reeled off three straight victories.

"We're on a little bit of a roll," said Cozza, whose team was 2-15 last season. "We're enthused."

Jumpstarting that enthusiasm was Dayton's first win of the year, an 8-0 romp over Hillside back on Sept. 18.

"The fact that we won the second game of the season against Hillside brought a little bit of enthusiasm and renewed dedication," Cozza said.

The Bulldogs then beat Hillside, Roselle Park 2-1 in overtime last Thursday and North Plainfield 1-0 at home last Saturday. In those two victories, junior forward Kristin Lomenaco scored all three goals.

Against Roselle Park, the Kenilworth resident gave the Bulldogs a 10-lead 10 minutes into the contest

and netted the game-winner on a penalty kick in overtime.

Steady goalkeeper Maria Slavaco, one of two seniors, has been nothing short of sensational, posting the shutouts over Hillside and North Plainfield. She also stopped 12 shots to help the Bulldogs in their win over Roselle Park.

Girls' Soccer

"She's been outstanding," Cozza said. "The times when she's been called on to make saves, she's made the saves. The defense has played pretty strong in front of her. It's been solid throughout."

Leading the defensive charge has been sweeper Karen Snyder, a Kenilworth resident who is the other senior. "Prashant, Esther, Aizaberg of Springfield and Sabrina Bertram of Kenilworth have also been stellar as starting halfbacks."

Along with Lomenaco, junior center/forward Saverio Rizzo of Kenilworth has been making a significant impact up front, while juniors Kristen Burns and Magda Sliwowski, both of Kenilworth, have been steady in the middle.

"The reserves are contributing as well," led by sophomore halfback Lindsay Decker and junior halfback Michelle Santoro, both from Springfield.

"We're going the little things on the field," Cozza said. "We're not a real intense type of team. We're more of a handling type of team. We're doing a lot of the extra stuff, such as winning

the 50-50 balls. We're a scrappy team."

That scrappiness stems from the Bulldogs' stingy defensive play.

"We're a gritty team," Cozza said. "We score because of our defense. We're not a scoring team, by any means. If we could score a couple of goals, we'd hold the other team down. We're going to win."

"I guess if we start winning our close games, we'll have a decent record. If we start losing the close games, that could turn our season the other way, like last year when we lost 10 of 16 close games."

The Bulldogs underlined the season is far from over, with a busy week that began Monday at Manville and resumes today at New Providence and tomorrow against Oak Knoll at home.

"Don't think the Bulldogs are satisfied," Cozza said. "I think that's the key for us. We're hoping the renewed confidence will pick up our level."

"I told the kids, 'we're looking to roll up our sleeves and get a little bit more involved.'"

Lomenaco scored again for Dayton in the first half of Monday's game at Manville, but then the hybrid team rained for three goals and a 3-1 win. Dayton fell to 3-2 with the defeat.

Upcoming: Oct. 1 at New Providence, 4:00; Oct. 3 Oak Knoll, 4:00; Oct. 6 at Bound Brook, 4:00; Oct. 8 Mt. St. Mary's, 4:00; Oct. 9 at Roselle Park, 4:00; Oct. 13 at North Plainfield, 4:00; Oct. 15 Manville, 4:00; Oct. 17 Mother Seton, 10:00.

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Dayton rebounds to post victory over host Manville

By Joe Ragozino
Staff Writer

Sometimes a loss is a good loss.

Take the case of the Dayton High School football team. The Bulldogs, bigger and stronger, believed they were going to make mince-meat of their season-opening opponent, Bound Brook.

Instead, it was Dayton that received the rude awakening, suffering a 44-0 defeat on the road.

"Because we got so much bigger and stronger, I think they thought they were going to go out there and be better just on their size," Dayton head coach Sal Misreeta said. "And I think the Bound Brook game kind of woke them up, saying they still needed the same intensity and toughness as we played at the end of last year. So I think that was really an important loss, because we learned some valuable lessons."

High School Football

Those lessons were put to use last Friday night, as the visiting Bulldogs came away with a 13-6 victory over Manville in Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division action.

The game wasn't really as close as the score indicates. The Bulldogs amassed a whopping 341 total yards and missed several scoring chances in a scoreless first half.

Manville, though, struck first with a 25-yard touchdown via the pass in the third quarter. The ensuing extra-point kick failed.

After the teams exchanged possessions, the Bulldogs seized the momentum, thanks to sophomore Justin Hunter's 53-yard punt return that brought the ball to the Manville 14-yard line. On the first play from scrimmage, junior fullback Matt Fischer followed superb blocking from junior linemen Charlie Beyer and Justin Azran on a sweep play and rumbled in for the touchdown. Junior Dan DeBattolone added the extra point kick to give the Bulldogs a 7-6 lead in the third.

Defensively, the Bulldogs did not allow a first down via the run and came up big on critical plays down the stretch. In the fourth quarter, Manville had the ball on the Dayton 30-yard line, but the Dayton defense came up with two sacks that drove Manville back to its own 45-yard line, snuffing out the scoring opportunity.

Dayton took possession after the ensuing punt. On the first play from scrimmage, junior fullback B.J. Jones ran for a 74-yard touchdown with five minutes remaining. The extra-point kick was a miss.

The Bulldogs set down Manville the rest of the way to seal the victory.

"Coming off our first week, we were wondering if we were going to win a game," Misreeta said. "The kids did a great job during the week and I was really pleased with the attitude that we had. We really had a nice 'buy' ride home."

Jones, who rushed for 80 yards in the Bound Brook game, finished with a game-high 174 yards rushing on 22 attempts.

"He's a talent," Mitchell said of Jones. "Fourteen years as a head coach and he would be the best tailback I've ever coached. He's still young, but he has very good natural instincts."

Fischer rushed for 65 yards on 13 carries. Junior quarterback Lorenzo Williams was 3-for-11 passing for 92 yards.

"We were very dominant," Misreeta said. "That's more important to us than the score, because we know we're capable. We did some really good things."

Next up for the Bulldogs is their home opener against this Saturday at Roselle Field at 1 p.m. against Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division foe Misell Park.

Last season, the Panthers took advantage of a strong second half on route to a 33-0 victory.

"We're going to have to hang around with them physically," Misreeta said. "They're big and they have tough linemen. We played pretty well for a half last year and then we came out in the second half and kind of fell apart. If we can stay in the toughness end of it, which we're capable of, then I think it's going to be a pretty good football game."

The following are statistics pertaining to Dayton's win over Manville:

OFFENSE
Rushing: B.J. Jones 27-174, one touchdown; Matt Fischer 11-65, one touchdown; Nick Conardo 2-22; Lorenzo Williams 4-12-2.

Passing: Lorenzo Williams 5-11-1-92 yards; Brian Berger 2-45; Jeffrey Stapp 1-30; B.J. Jones 1-15; Matt Fischer 1-12.

Kickoff Return: B.J. Jones 1-30; Matt Fischer 1-15.
Punt: Dan Carbone 6-25 average.
Punt Return: Yardage: Justin Hunter 3-34.

DEFENSE
Tackles: Matt Fischer (2 solo, 2 assists for 14); Antia Vigilante 5 solo, three assists for 8; Justin Azran 4 solo, 2 assists for 6; Jeffrey Stapp 3 solo, 2 assists for 3; Justin Hunter 3 solo, 1 assist for 4; Nick Conardo 1 solo, 3 assists for 4; Brian Berger 3 solo, 0 assists for 3; B.J. Jones 2 solo, 1 assist for 3; Todd Walters 2 solo, 1 assist for 3; Charlie Beyer 1 solo, 2 assists for 3; Keith Allen 0 solo, 1 assist for 1; Lorenzo Williams 0 solo, 1 assist for 1.

Fumble Recoveries: Matt Fischer and Justin Hunter.
Interceptions: Nick Conardo and Keith Allen.

The following are player of the week awards:

Offensive Back: B.J. Jones; Matt Fischer; Lorenzo Williams.
Defensive Back: Matt Fisher; Justin Hunter; Justin Azran.
Offensive Linebacker: Entire line.
Defensive Linebacker: Antia Vigilante; Jeffrey Stapp.
Bulldog Award (Fought Hit): Justin Azran (2); Antia Vigilante; Matt Fischer.

Special Teams: Antia Vigilante; Matt Fischer.
Key Blocks: Nick Conardo; Matt Fischer.

Key Tackles: Antia Vigilante; B.J. Jones; Matt Fischer; Justin Azran.

Quarterback: Sal Misreeta; Jeffrey Stapp.
Tackle: Brian Berger; Matt Fischer (3); Antia Vigilante; Todd Walters.

Nick Conardo; Brian Berger; Jeffrey Stapp; Justin Azran.
Blocked Punt: B.J. Jones (3); Keith Allen; Jeffrey Stapp; Charlie Beyer; Matt Fischer.

First on Kickoff Tackle: Matt Fischer.
First on Punt Tackle: Matt Fischer (2); Antia Vigilante; Todd Walters.

Dayton Another road win over Manville

(A) Bound Brook 41, Dayton 0
(B) Hillside 0, Manville 6
(C) Roselle Park 7, 0

Oct. 10 New Providence, 1:00
Oct. 17 at North Plainfield, 1:00
Oct. 24 Gov. Livingston, 1:00

Nov. 7 Johnson, 1:00
Nov. 7 at Roselle, 2:00
Nov. 30 at Breatley, 10:30

Records: 1-1
Home: 0-0
Away: 1-1
Points per game: 13.

Points against: 47
Shutouts: 0

Adult women's softball at Oratory

Adult women of all ages interested in learning to play softball will be invited to play Softball at Oratory. The program is for women who are rusty about play on their high legs and share the love with the players of the Women's Adult Beginner Basketball program, offered by the New Jersey Women's Sports Association.

The first of four 7:30-9:30 p.m. sessions commenced yesterday at Oratory Prep School on Sunday. The fee for the four sessions is \$35 per player. Sessions include: warm up, water breaks, great exercise, good company and easy, fun instruction.

Interested participants, wishing to take part in the next three sessions may call the NJWSA office at 908-273-0108.

Participants may also begin this program after the start date, as the program runs almost continuously throughout the year.

The NJWSA is a not-for-profit group dedicated to offering girls and women a lifetime of benefit from sporting opportunities.

First Baseball Clinic at Keen University set for 4 Sundays in November

The first Baseball Clinic at Keen University will be hosted by Keen baseball coaches Neil Lorenz and Gordon. The best coaches and assistant coaches on both former professional baseball players and Penn State's former Major League Baseball coach.

The Baseball Clinic is scheduled to take place at Keen during the last four Sundays in November (8, 15, 22 and 29).

Players ages 8-12 are scheduled for instruction from 10:31-1:30 a.m. and high school players only from noon-1:30 p.m.

Lorenz and Pennz feel that this is the best time of the year to work on individual weaknesses. Hitting instruction will be done weekly and defensive positioning instruction will vary weekly.

The cost is \$125 and checks should be made payable to Keen University Baseball Club.

More information may be obtained by calling Lorenz or Penn at the Keen University baseball office at 908-537-2002.

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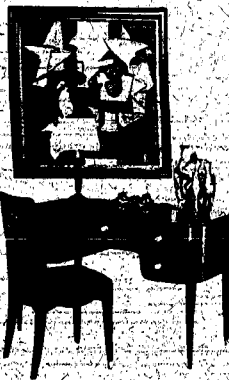
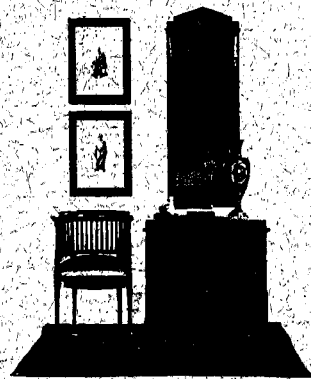
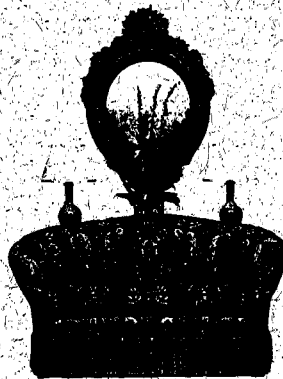
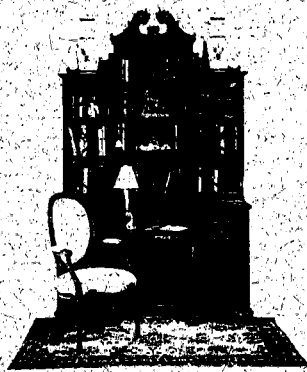
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