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The three Republican challengers for seats on the Board of Freeholders used taxes and party control as issues in this year's election campaign. Did any or all three of the Republicans defeat their Democratic opponents or will the Board of Freeholders remain a 9-0 Democratic board for at least another year? See Page B1.

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County park officials are predicting that this year's deer hunt, the fifth of its kind in the Watchung Reservation, may be the last one we'll see in a long time. See Page B2.

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Clara Harelk Celebrates the Democratic victory with husband Jay Mevorah and parents Melvin and Leonore Harelk.

Harelk, Goldstein lead Democratic sweep

By Craig Garretson
Staff Writer

The Springfield Township Committee has been united under Democratic leadership with a large victory claimed by challengers Clara Harelk and Steven Goldstein over Republican Judith Blazer and William Kinross.

About 3,800 residents, representing more than 40 percent of Springfield's registered voters, participated in Tuesday's election. Harelk received 2,424 votes, Goldstein 2,366, Rucko 1,426 and Blazer 1,418. The township voted for Democrats across the board, supporting Marianne S. Connelly in her bid to unseat Representative Bob Franks, Sheriff Ralph Froehlich over Esther Guzman-Macrom and county Freeholders Daniel P. Sullivan, Lewis Mingo and Mary Rucolo in their re-election campaigns. The win by Harelk and Goldstein removes the last two Republicans on the Springfield Township Committee, with all five positions now held by Democrats. It was the third straight election won by Springfield's Democratic Party. "I would like to thank everybody in the Democratic Party for their faith and trust in Steven and me," Harelk said. "I want to thank everyone who walked with us, everyone who did a friend to vote for us, everyone who helped with the phone bank. Thank you to the people of Springfield for putting your trust in me. As vigorous as we campaigned, we will work as vigorously on the committee. Goldstein credited the victory to "good old-fashioned hard work" and an active campaign that introduced the challengers to the people of Springfield. "It was an uphill battle for me, first to get people to know who the heck I was," he said. "We were out there in front of the bagel store and the post office, meeting people and getting our ideas out. We outworked them and out-hustled them." Goldstein said the Republicans' concern for maintaining two-party politics in Springfield was a losing argument. "I always feel you have to run on your accomplishments," he said. "Clean, honest and positive campaigning is the way to go." "I think the people of Springfield were ready for a change and we are that change," Harelk said. "Bill and Judy are good people who have a different philosophy about government," said Roy Hirschfeld, a member of the Springfield Township Committee. "I think this new blood will vitalize the committee."

Mischief night vandalism prevented by organized events, added patrols

By Craig Garretson
Staff Writer

Halloween parties, activities at the local schools and increased patrols by area police contributed to a lack of mischief Oct. 30, "mischief night" in Mountainside and Springfield.

The Springfield Police Department said no significant acts of mischief were reported Friday night or on Halloween. In addition to the usual police patrols throughout the township, members of the auxiliary police force were also out on patrol. "Patrols at elementary school and a 'Haunted House' at longhorn Dayton High school were among the activities that kept young residents occupied and out of trouble Friday. The haunted house, a fundraiser for Project Graduation, was organized by the Dayton Parent Teacher Student Organization. Charles Serson, principal of JDBS, commended the efforts of the PTOs and the students of their senior class for their efforts. "I also want to say a special thanks to the Springfield Fire Department, the Springfield Mayor and the Springfield Township Committee for helping us put this together safely and making it a great event for the community," Serson said. Chief William Gros, Deputy Chief Don Schwerdt, Captain Wayne Mastello, fire official David Maas, Firefighters Thomas Ernst, Mike Bilotti and Joseph Pepe and volunteer firefighters Sal Cocozza, Mark Corea, Michael Mastroeni, Thomas Fanning, Xavior Korman and Brian Schmidt all donated their time to help supervise the event and provide a fire watch. "In a haunted house operation, where you are attempting to disrupt people, there are very stringent fire code restrictions that date back to the fire at the Grand Adventure 'haunted house,'" Gros said. "This event went very well, and we look forward to working with them again next year," he said. "Some of our guys got involved in the cost on a couple of the nights at Frankenstein and Freddy Krueger." In Mountainside, increased patrols and activities scheduled for Friday night prevented all but a handful of mischief Oct. 30. Detective Sergeant Todd Turner of the Mountainside Police Department said the borough escaped mischief apart with only a few minor incidents of petty vandalism and theft. "A football game at Governor Livingston High School, and a Halloween costume party at Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Friday night drew many teens and younger children, Turner said."

Appeals court denies variances to supermarket chain

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

A recent State Appellate Court ruling has thrown doubt on whether Royal Ahold LLC will continue its Edwards Super Food Store, public hearing before the Springfield Board of Adjustment Nov. 17. The Appellate Court, in a unanimous ruling dated Oct. 23, declared that the parking and building variances "given to original owner Saks Fifth Avenue are not automatically passed to Royal Ahold. The three-man panel reversed a decision made by State Superior Court Judge John T. Placko last year.

"We are disappointed by the decision that was handed down by the Appellate Division," said Royal Ahold Best Food Chain Company Director of Development Dan Cary. "We will carefully consider each option as we make our decision as to how we proceed. We look forward to resolving this matter in a way that will benefit the community while also retaining the integrity of our business." Ahold is back to where they started two years ago. Springfield Mayor Sy Mullman said, "If they want to build a supermarket, they will have to go before the board with a site plan variance. I understand Milburn's essence on the ruling." "We are delighted with the court's ruling," said Mullman. Township Attorney Roger Clark, "The township is legally sound and again upholding state law. It would be surprising if the State Superior Court overturned this well-reasoned decision." "Royal Ahold may consider petitioning the State Superior Court for an appeal. Both Neil Dworkin and Bruce Bergan, board and township attorneys for Springfield, said the panel's 3-0 decision will make a high court reversal unlikely. The applicant may explore whether to use the Saks site or sell the property. Royal Ahold sought to build a food store at 90 Millburn Ave. since predecessor Saks & Shop Supermarkets bought the Saks property for \$12 million. An issue was whether the two variances which permitted using residentially zoned land for commercial pur-

Election favor JP

By Pamela Isaacson
Staff Writer

The Republican Party made a clean sweep in Mountainside during Tuesday's Borough Council election with Glenn Mortimer claiming 1,242 votes and incumbent Werner Schon closing with 1,226 votes. The Democratic challengers were defeated as Michael Kraemer claimed 916 votes and Steve Brociner, 886. Kraemer and Brociner both won in District 7.

On Jan. 5, 1999, Schon will be sworn in to serve his 47th year as a councillor. "After 46 years, it's nice to be re-elected," he said. "The same reorganization meeting will welcome new member Mortimer to the council. I'm looking forward to serving the voters of Mountainside," Mortimer said. "The town is changing and we're going to change with the town. We are ready to move forward into the next century." Both candidates recognized the surge of young families moving into Mountainside. "They are the stalwarts of our future," Schon said. "We want to expand our participation agenda and also maintain services for senior groups. We want to go up to all the needs as best as we can while maintaining the financial stability of the community."

Kraemer concluded that much of this support came from registered Republicans and Independents, as very few Mountainside residents are registered Democrats. "This election is sending a clear message that at least 32 percent of the people are not satisfied with what is going on in this town," Kraemer added. "This year, Mountainside acted as a guinea pig for modernized polling machines. Younger people thought it was novel. More mature, people wanted to go back to the old way, poll volunteer Fred Stegman said. "I think these machines are excellent. They will speed things up as people become more acclimated."

Puzzle creator reveals tricks for audience at local library

By Pamela Isaacson
Staff Writer

Crossword puzzle enthusiast crowned MVP Mountainside Public Library Monday night as puzzle creator Richard Hughes revealed secrets of the trade. A Latin and mythology professor at Seton Hall University, Hughes began creating crossword puzzles about four years ago when he sent his first creation to Will Shortz, puzzle editor for *The New York Times*. Since then, Hughes' puzzles have also appeared in *USA Today*, *USA Today* and *USA Today*. "I have no idea why *Shant* ever took the time to compose a letter and explain the 18-plus things I did wrong," Hughes said. "I gradually got to the point where he accepted a puzzle after a few mailings back and forth." To create a puzzle, Hughes explained that he first decides the theme, especially because *The Times* looks for something with an unusual twist. He then begins laying out the grid, which he explained must be symmetrical. "Whatever you see in the upper left is, also in the lower right," Hughes said of the grid style.

After completing the grid and arranging the numbers, Hughes also completes a grid with the answers. As Shortz requires this as part of the package, Hughes organizes the clues. "You really control the difficulty of the puzzle more by the difficulty of the clues than by the answers," Hughes said. Once Shortz receives and approves a new puzzle, Hughes said, "It doesn't appear in a puzzle year." After Shortz has decided to use a puzzle, he sends it to three friends who make sure they can do it without complications. Hughes said, "They're under a lot of pressure." Hughes said of the *Times* crossword department, "People love to catch something." One of the more challenging puzzles Hughes created, which was not printed, used the theme *Farewell to Arms*. He devised answers such as "tubodies," which was really "firm subsidies" without the "ahs." Another answer was "long strong" for Louis Armstrong.

The most inventive puzzle Hughes said he has ever witnessed was one composed by Jeremiah Farrell that appeared on *The Times* in 1996. "The theme was 'Prognostication.' I finished the puzzle and thought how unpolitically correct it was that the words 'chthonological' and 'misrepresent' all appeared the day of the election," Hughes remembered. Hughes later discovered that the clue that led him to chthonological, "which was 'Lead story in tomorrow's newspaper, led also from 'buddhalectical'." Farrell had created "down" clues with double answers that led solvers to alternate crossword results: "add to alternate election" equals "How Farrell ever came up with all that, I'll never know," Hughes said. Crossword puzzles began in the United States in 1913 when the first one, created by Englishman Arthur Wynne, appeared in *New York World*. In the early days, puzzles formed diamond shapes and contained no blank squares.

When Shortz became puzzle editor of the *Times*, Hughes said, the number of clue/verbalists people who either create or solve puzzles increased. "Shortz has a different slant on puzzles," Hughes said. "He likes cute little clues, clues that are a little deceptiv."

"Ahold is back to where they started two years ago"

By Sy Mullman
Mayor

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posed here to be honored. The Springfield Board first allowed a residential variance to be used for parking space in 1986. The board permitted a similar variance for a store addition in 1988. Ahold attorneys argued before the court on Oct. 8 that the variances granted to Springfield's definition of commercially zoned use and that the 1986 variance was not an official, final use. Claggy with Dworkin and Village Supermarkets/Slopp's attorney Stephen Baroda, argued that the variances should be re-examined on the basis of legality. That legality of use was a factor in the decision of judges Daniel Byrne, Arjel Rodriguez and Irwin Kimbrough. "We disagree with the premise that the effect of the variances granted to Saks was to reserve the property from residential to commercial," Blaine said in the ruling. "In granting these variances, the board considered only the specific conditions proposed by Saks. It did not create an open-season to Saks and its successors to use the property for any purpose permitted in a commercial zone of the Springfield ordinance." Stop & Shop, whose application was earlier denied by the board, had appealed to the Superior Court. Piskany said that she proposed the net Springfield's commercial zone use and transfer the board to the best neighborhood in Hill. The site plan has been consistently challenged by officials in both towns and the Colonial Association neighborhood. Those living on either side of the property are concerned over increased traffic volume and other possible quality of life deteriorations.

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NEWS CLIPS

Meals-on-Wheels seeks volunteers

Volunteers from area corporations are being sought to help deliver Meals-on-Wheels program to the next event in Mountaineer. Due to an increasing demand for Meals-on-Wheels services in the through SAGE, the not-for-profit agency which serves the elderly and families in Union, Essex, Morris and Somerset counties needs persons to drive and deliver meals to seniors...

Breast cancer resources available

Pathways, a local nonprofit program that provides breast cancer resources, is offering two programs that will focus on nutrition and diet and their relationship to cancer. On Tuesday at 7 p.m., Courtney DeGraves, oncology nutritional and exercise physiologist, will present a workshop on nutrition and exercise for cancer survivors and those at risk...

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To give your community events the publicity they deserve, mail your schedule to P.O. Box 3109, Union, NJ 07084.

Thursday

- The Mountaineer Football Club will meet at 6:00 p.m. at B.G. Fields in Westfield. Guests are welcome. William Turkomb will share facts about New Jersey's Pine Barrens. Call (908) 232-3926 for reservations.
- Volunteers are needed to assist with wall maintenance at the Watchtower Reservation from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers must be age 14 and older, and will meet at the Trailside Nature and Science Center, 453 New Providence Road. Call (908) 789-3670 to pre-register.
- The Trailside Nature and Science Center will present a Sunday Planetarium Show called "Night of the Comet" at 3:30 p.m. The program will feature meteors, especially this year's Leonid Meteor Shower. The program is for ages 6 years and up and admission is \$3 per person. \$2.50 for seniors. The center will also present a Mineral Club Show from 1:40-5 p.m. with children's crafts, demonstrations, displays of minerals, fossils and jewelry. Featured presentations include guest speakers and an interactive geology walk. A donation of \$1 is requested for admission.
- The First Presbyterian Church Parish House in Springfield will host a Family Style Pot Boil Dinner from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Reservations are required and the cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 years and under. A baked goods and boutique table will also be available. For tickets, call the church office at (908) 379-4320.
- The Mountaineer Public Library will host "The Strange World of Reptiles" at 3 and 4 p.m. The program will showcase several incredible creatures to the library, including snakes, lizards, turtles and baby crocodiles.

Friday

- Congregation Israel of Springfield, 339 Mountain Ave., will conduct their second annual Runway Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A large collection of clothing, toys, games, electronics, computers, home-appliance, books and sporting equipment will be on display. For more information and directions call the Synagogue Office at (973) 467-9666.
- Jonah Day High School PHSO will conduct a fundraiser at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person which includes 200 minutes of dancing, coffee, tea, soda and dessert. Due to the need for food, tickets will be sold primarily by advance. Reservations will be available for full tables of eight. For more information call Sandy at (973) 407-8405.

Nov. 11

- The second annual Winter Craft Fair at the Springfield Emmanuel United Methodist Church will be held indoors from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors are wanted, and spaces are \$35, which includes a table and chair. Call Tom at (908) 381-0770. Either at (908) 276-4968 or the church at (973) 378-1695 to reserve early.

Registration is limited. Call the library at (908) 233-6115 to sign up. The Mountaineer Lions Club will convene at 6:30 p.m. for its regular monthly meeting. The guest speaker for the meeting will be Mountaineer Mayor Robert Williams. For more information or to learn more about the Lions Club, call Sal Tasta at (908) 626-1858.

St. James the Apostle School in Springfield will present a "Starry, Starry Night" Fashion Show and Baked Extravaganza at 6 p.m. at 1 Affair in Mountaineer. Tickets are available at the school office for \$30 per person. No one under the age of 18 may attend. Tickets are limited and priority seating will be granted to groups of 10. Price of admission includes dinner and fashion show. For more information, call the school office at (973) 476-5194.

Come to the Nov. 15: Congregation Israel of Springfield, 339 Mountain Ave., will conduct their second annual Runway Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A large collection of clothing, toys, games, electronics, computers, home-appliance, books and sporting equipment will be on display. For more information and directions call the Synagogue Office at (973) 467-9666.

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Board of Health offers rabies clinic

The Mountaineer Board of Health will conduct a free rabies clinic from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. The clinic will be offered for the inoculation of both cats and dogs, and will be held at the Mountaineer Fire Station on New Providence Road. No appointments are required. The public should follow simple preventive measures to limit the possibility of exposure to rabies. Make sure that all dogs and cats are vaccinated against rabies. If bitten by any animal, consult your physician immediately and contact the Local Health Department at (908) 789-4070 to report the incident.

Legawiec performs

Yankee Impressions, a program of early music by the Mountaineer Walter Legawiec of Mountaineer, will be presented in the Grand Hall of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark Sunday at 3 p.m. The program will observe the foundation's 25th Anniversary and the 30th anniversary of the Slavic Arts Ensemble from New York. The ensemble was founded by Mieczyslaw Gubor, to honor the contribution of Slavic composers. Since their debut at the Ukrainian Institute of America, the ensemble has been enthusiastically acclaimed. The ensemble and the gifted soprano Dorothy Kościuszka-Więcaszek are the assisting artists. The "Sonata D" was composed in Rhode Island, originally for violin and piano and performed by Legawiec while a student in his junior year at Central High School. His "Symphonies: Skotchko and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," for orchestra followed. The "Sonata" still were performed in Providence and Pittsburgh and also as a ballet.

Correction

In the Oct. 22 issue of the Echo Leader, the article titled "Vigilantes anger" with letter to borough should have stated that the Mountaineer Borough Council unanimously approved an ordinance to set the rate of pay for crossing guards at \$12 to \$17 per hour. It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, write Editor-in-Chief Tom Dacanay, 1291 "Stevedore" Avenue, Union 07083, or call (908) 686-7700, ext. 329 weekdays before 5 p.m.

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Springfield may change voting process

By Walter Elliott
Staff Writer

Springfield may begin holding elections every other year, a township committee members William Russo and Judith Blitzer have announced the end of their opposition to a proposed charter change to four-year terms and biennial elections for committee members.

A non-binding referendum held last year was passed by Springfield voters, calling for an end to three-year terms and annual elections.

Russo and Blitzer, who challenged the validity of that referendum, ended their opposition before State General Assembly in Dover Township.

Russo said the Springfield Municipal Building, on Oct. 24, 1997, Russo and Blitzer left the non-binding referendum was approved by a majority of Springfield's electorate. Russo said in the Municipal Building's front lawn. "After considering that the majority of those who voted last November had spoken, we decided not to let the matter be decided in the state legislature."

"Which we have talked with residents," the referendum was seldom brought up," Blitzer said. "The vote is the will of the people and we must abide by it."

"You recall when I was here in Dover, says the matter, I said I would let enter a partisan municipal matter," said Weingarten. "There had to be a unanimity among the governing body for the college. Kevin O'Toole and State Senator Lou Barano to support the measure." As of today, we can bring the charter revision before the State House.

The non-binding referendum asked voters to consider extending township committee members' terms from three years to four every other year. Proponents said extending the limits an extra year would allow members to concentrate more on governing and less on campaigning. Opponents counter that it would change an electoral process which began with the township's formation in 1794 and eliminate a check and balance.

"Such a change by law requires altering a municipality's charter. Charter changes are to be voted on by the state legislature.

Discussion of the matter has gone on in the township for about 30 years. The latest effort stems from recommendations made by an appointed municipal government committee in 1994.

Charter revision debate has usually been split along party lines. A 3-2 Springfield Township Committee majority has been known to pass from one party to another frequently. The Springfield Democratic Committee has held the majority of seats the last three years.

When asked if he had witnessed a charter revision in his two years as assemblyman, Weingarten said he has seen municipal entities shrink from 506 to 506. The motion, Weingarten said, was largely from shared service agreements. He said O'Toole, R-Union, was unable to attend the morning press conference due to a prior commitment.

The other three Township Committee members — Sy Mullman, Greg Clarke and Roy Hirschfeld — were not at the announcement.

"If there was mention of the amendment during the Oct. 27 Township Committee meeting, I would've recalled it," Deputy Mayor Clarke said. "I was sick the day before and was not at that night's executive meeting."

"A majority is a majority, whether it is by eight or 8,000 voters," said Mayor Mullman. "Law, turnout is also a problem with the Board of Education elections."

Caldwell School rumors addressed

By Craig Garrettsen
Staff Writer

Springfield Board of Education President Robert Fish squashed a rumor Monday night that a decision had been made to close James Caldwell Elementary School.

At the Springfield Board of Education meeting, Fish said the board is "very much in favor of keeping the school where it is" and that a community advisory board is being formed to discuss the future of all the schools in the Springfield district.

Three Jonathan Dayton High School students were presented with National Merit Scholarship awards, and district psychologist Roger Mathias was recognized as the state's "School Psychologist of the Year" at the meeting.

Charles Serson, principal of JDHS, gave a presentation on new student profile mailings, and Springfield Superintendent Gary Friedland announced acquisition plans to provide Internet service to the district's middle school and elementary schools.

Caldwell Elementary School has been a source of concern for district parents who attended for meeting to ask questions about the future of the school and problems with traffic in the area.

Fish and Friedland said no decision has been made regarding the closure of Caldwell School and discussions may continue for another year before a decision is reached.

"There is no intention by me at this point in time to recommend to the board to take any action on Caldwell School," Friedland said.

The Board of Education has not reached a decision to abandon the nearly 100-year-old school, Fish said, and the members of the board are "very much in favor of keeping the school where it is." The district is continuing to review the situation to see what is most feasible and what the community wants, he said.

Concerned parents and residents are urged to join an advisory committee to recommend plans to meet the future needs of Springfield students. For more information, contact the Springfield Superintendent of Schools at (973) 376-1025.

Friedland said the rumor began because of discussions of long-range plans for the maintenance of the five schools in the Springfield School District. To keep the school buildings up-to-date and functional for their students, faculty and staff, Friedland said, the district prepares five-year plans to review options available for the upkeep of facilities. One option is to abandon a facility that is no longer needed or requires extensive renovations, Friedland said, but other options are also available.

The district has paid off all its mortgages on its existing buildings, Friedland said, and is using this opportunity to review the needs of future students well into the next century.

Patti Turcott and Donna Seale, "Parents of children who attend the school, said traffic in the intersection of Caldwell, Brook, North Trivet and South Trivet streets is hazardous during school hours and requested that a crossing guard be posted at Caldwell School.

Fish said some minor renovations have been made to

Caldwell School to address earlier problems. A curb at the Keeler Street rear gate which had been troublesome to pedestrians has been removed and replaced with asphalt. Fish said. The after-hours driveway, which had been installed by an entrance near the teachers' parking lot, has been relocated to the parents' parking lot.

This bell which is coupled with a security camera, sounds throughout the building after school hours, to notify staff that someone needs access. Fish said. A decision will be installed at the teachers' entrance, he said.

"This is an indication that problems, when brought to the attention of this board, are addressed in a timely and efficient manner," Fish said.

Dayton seniors Lina Chioras, Scott Sambir and Debbie Gill were commended as 1998 National Merit Scholars for their performance on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test and were presented with awards from the school district recognizing their achievements, their outstanding grade point averages and their contributions to JDHS.

Friedland said that of the approximately one million students who take the PSAT every year, only about 14,500 are commended as National Merit Scholars.

Mullman, who serves as school psychologist for the Springfield School District, was also presented with an award naming him the New Jersey School Psychologist of the Year by the New Jersey Association of School Psychologists.

Serson made a presentation to the board with newly prepared portfolios that will be used for JDHS students applications to colleges and universities. The portfolios which will contain transcripts, letters of recommendation and so on, provide information regarding students' faculty policies on class ranking and grade point averages and other data on JDHS.

This information can also be distributed to area teachers to present an overview of the high school to prospective residents of the township, Friedland said.

Every student who applies to a college or university will have their application sent to this very prestigious document," Serson said. The school profile has been well-received by JDHS staff as well as by colleges and members of the Union County Chamber of Commerce, he said.

To obtain a copy of this portfolio, contact Dominick Neville, director of guidance at JDHS.

Friedland said that the district is preparing to "wire" Florence M. Gagliardi Middle School and the three elementary schools.

The cost would be about \$15,000 for three years of service to the four schools, he said. This would provide Internet, e-mail and access to the library system, to every classroom that has a computer, he said.

The district libraries are connected to the Internet via cable modems that were provided by Comcast Cable, Friedland said, and the high school has access through a line provided by Lucent Technologies. The high school does not have the infrastructure to provide Internet access in every classroom, he said, but JDHS could be fully wired in the next year if funding is available.

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In a letter to Theodore Roosevelt after the Spanish-American War of 1898, the American ambassador to England characterized the loss of 460 soldiers' lives during the four-month military victory over Spain as a "splendid little war." There is no such thing.

We are reminded of the horrors of war each year on Veterans Day, when Americans reflect upon the human sacrifices made on behalf of our constitution. On that day, we celebrate the men and women who have defended, with bravery and honor, our freedom and quality of life.

Veterans' sacrifices in battle and afterward, however, are the only honorable aspect of war. On the other 364 days of the year, far from celebrating, many of our nation's veterans gather to discuss the status of prisoners of war and those missing in action, post-traumatic stress disorder, the ramifications of exposure to Agent Orange and the cost of medical care for injuries sustained as a result of war.

On Veterans Day, we are reminded that war is not glamorous and amputees are not our heroic stars. War casualties are not just those who died but often those who lived afterward to remember day in and out, the terror and destruction of battle.

War is a reality of life and always has been. Wars will continue to be fought, although the prevalence of face-to-face combat may relent in favor of the use of ever more sophisticated weaponry. American military personnel will continue to be used in large numbers for peace-keeping missions in foreign countries, however, and will be thrown between hostile and warring factions. Such missions are every bit as dangerous as fighting our own wars.

And so we will continue to make veterans of American men and women.

Veterans Day is the designated time to pause to remember the veterans among us. On that day, and hopefully on every other, we thank the members of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled Veterans of America, in addition to the veterans-hospital patients for their bravery and sacrifice.

Beyond the memorials, parades and speeches, we would pay our veterans past and future the highest honor on this day to listen to their stories, reflect upon their experiences and remember that nobody, and least often our veterans, wins a war.

Accountability and collaboration

Now that all the votes have been cast and Election Season is behind us, we ask all residents to work diligently with the members of the governing body to bring about positive change and forward momentum in the community.

We know that not all voters cast their ballots for the victors. We know that not all voters would agree on the "most pressing issues." But the time for those differences ended Tuesday night when the polls closed.

What began with the polls closing was the time for all citizens to put aside political and ideological differences and work together to provide the best possible quality of life for all residents. We may continue to disagree about the means, but now we must all focus on the ends — making this community a better place to live and work.

While our opinions may differ regarding spending policies or the institution of new programs, we are sure that one thing we can all agree on is that we all want to live in a community which provides the best possible services at an affordable tax rate.

We also remind residents that their role in this process did not end when the voting booth curtain opened. That was merely the beginning of a partnership, one that is imperative to the smooth running of municipal business.

While we encourage all residents to offer their support to the governing body, we also remind them that they are the community's watchdogs. Be diligent in holding elected officials accountable for not only their campaign promises, but for their actions on the governing body as well.

Not every campaign promise will prove possible, however every campaign promise should be attempted. Furthermore, elected officials must be held accountable for their performance on the days and should be reminded — when necessary — that their service is to the community and the residents, rather than to party policies or personal agendas.

With our eyes firmly fixed on the common goal of the needs of the entire community, we feel it should be relatively easy to put aside other issues, which truly do pale in comparison, and work side by side to offer the residents the best home town we possibly can.

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GOBLINS & GHOULS — Grade two teacher Ann Kwolack leads her students during the Halloween Parade at James Caldwell School in Springfield.

Ingredients necessary for quality high school

This article is the second in a series about the Springfield public schools and the ways to judge the quality of a school. In the last article, I wrote about the seven criteria for judging a school's effectiveness, and in today's column the focus will be applying those criteria and assessing the effectiveness of Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield.

Jonathan Dayton High School has seen many changes since it opened in 1936. The school has educated more than 10,000 students, six six decades of existence, and its graduates include George Rupp, president of Columbia University, and noted scientist Laurence Kulp, who was director of National Acid Rain Program research on the effects of radioactively fallout.

JDHIS has a rich history of educating students from Springfield and neighboring communities, and today thrives as a small high school devoted exclusively to educating the adolescents from Springfield. It is a Graduate High School of approximately 300 students in grades nine through 12.

The program includes approximately 160 courses and its diverse curriculum offers 25 honors and advanced placement courses, as well as a variety of general, vocational and special education disciplines. The comprehensiveness of the program for a small high school is one of its unique characteristics, and all students have the advantage of enrolling in eight courses per semester. The program enables students to explore different subjects in the humanities and the visual, practical and performing arts, as well as to engage in in-depth study in specific fields such as computer technology, mathematics, science, English and history. It also allows the school administration and staff to establish a program that meets the criteria of a diversified program.

In addition, JDHIS had three Combined Merit Scholars as a result of their combined scores ranking in the 1350 to 1550 category. There were also a number of SAT II subject tests in which the students scored well, and national standards for an excellent high school, and performance on these tests include the following: math score: 710; math II: 739; American history: 630; literature: 615; and Spanish reading: 610. In addition, over 50 percent of the students, involved in the district's 13 advanced placement courses received college credit for their performance on national AP exams.

Indisputably with such reputable standing on the SATs, we need not indicate the degree of success our students have on the New Jersey High School Proficiency Exam. Although it is noteworthy that 100 percent of the graduates meet the standards set by the NJ Department of Education, there are a few students who need spe-

cial instruction and our program provides for that individual attention. The quality of JDHIS is not only ranked by its student performance level but by its ability to serve all students by offering a comprehensive educational program. The program at Jonathan Dayton is predominantly academic in nature, but it also offers opportunities for study in vocational areas on a shared time tuition basis with the Union and Morris Counties Vocational-Technical High Schools. This enables junior and senior students interested in pursuing a vocational education to gain a comprehensive special education program and a program for gifted and talented students, which attracts over 22 union students from neighboring communities.

Although the academic portion of the program is the heart of any suburban high school program, JDHIS offers a vast array of athletic, music and drama and extracurricular club programs. Thirty sports teams exist at both the varsity and junior varsity level, and there are over 20 clubs. These activities promote student involvement beyond the school day and extend learning into the late afternoon and evening sessions. Students have an opportunity to develop special interests and leadership skills in one of the many clubs. Junior achievement or student government organizations. Ranking of the high school in this area would place it in a class by itself, because a large number of students are involved in the extracurricular and interscholastic athletic programs.

Another important part of the high school program and an attribute of the small size of Dayton, is the personalized guidance program in place for two years. JDHIS' Guidance Program has radically changed. A director and three counselors serve students by guiding them through course selections and the college application procedures. The guidance faculty has state-of-the-art computer equipment and software for on-line college, career and post-secondary education searches. The staff is schooled in advising students, teaches an SAT prep program and participates in regional workshops to give Springfield students the competitive edge when seeking admission to colleges or schools of their choice.

Personal guidance extends beyond the guidance office and out into the entire school. Because JDHIS educates a small student body, a close bond forms between the staff and students. Every student is an individual and there is someone on staff who can guide that student through the educational program. The small size of Dayton has become an attribute that encourages involvement and participation by students, faculty and parents.

Jonathan Dayton High School did not participate in the New Jersey Monthly Magazine ranking of high schools this year due to the restriction of using data from the former regional high school program but the data for 1997-1998, the first year of operation, reveals that JDHIS will gain in its ranking among high schools. The data shared in this column will be used to rank Dayton in the coming year. But more importantly, the high school staff can utilize the experiences of this first year of operation to build on the attribute of its small client-oriented high school and encourage the community to support its students and faculty in making JDHIS the best that it can be.

Gary Friedland is superintendent of the Springfield School District.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Car wash fundraiser a success

To the Editor:
We would like to thank the community for coming out on Oct. 13 and supporting our Project Graduation Car Wash.
A special thank you to Mr. Pete Szyski for his time and hard work, and we would also like to thank the custodial staff of Jonathan Dayton for their cooperation and time.
Burmost of all, thanks to the seniors who gave up their Saturday morning to come and help us. It wouldn't have been a success without you.
Chris DeCicco
Sue Haggibus
Springfield

Now the motorists can drive once again with no considerable delays, right? Wrong. What about the repaving of the pavement along Mountain Avenue to Shupike Road? To really top it off, new direction arrows were painted on the road surface on top of the broken and potholed road. Enough time was sure spent on this intersection including new sidewalks, curbs and street signs that were replaced and lots of new signs that repeat what is being started approaching in the other direction. If it isn't broken, don't fix it. The traffic lights worked but still not repairing or repaving of the road.
Jeff Chay
Springfield

Changes not for the better

To the Editor:
As a Springfield resident for several years, I have seen many changes. Some changes were definite improvements, such as this past year with the new YMCA here in town.
On a different note, there are always things that the residents are not going to like. But one recent problem that bothers me and makes me wonder where people's brains are in the construction along Mountain Avenue from the fire office to Shupike Road. This project was started around the summer of 1997 and took several months, replacing old pipe lines and finishing off the only sort of repaving the pavement from Shupike Road to Shupike Road.
What about the potholes and the very uneven pavement that the motorists are still driving over, now more than a year ago, from the post office to Shupike Road?
Now at the corners of Hepburn, Oakland and Mountain avenues, there are new traffic lights that were installed over the past several months, causing severe traffic delays during rush hours.

Minutemen thank supporters

To the Editor:
The Springfield Minutemen Football Organization is a non-profit, unaffiliated group of parents who donate time and energy to the Springfield football program for fourth through eighth graders. This year, the Minutemen are represented by the "AA" team, comprised of 23 seventh- and eighth graders, and the "C" team, made up of 28 fourth-, fifth- and sixth graders.
The organization needs to raise funds each season to help defray the cost of reconditioning the equipment, to buy equipment, uniforms and supplies, to insure the teams and to recognize the boys' achievements at the end-of-the-season dinner in December.
Recently, the program received a tremendous help from the community. Six local businesses agreed to have the teams' players and their parents conduct a carter drive in front of each business. On two Saturdays, Oct. 17 and Oct. 29, the residents of Springfield and surrounding communities were most generous.
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Endorsement was a slap

To the Editor:
For years I have watched what I believe to be the downfall of the *Mountain Side Echo* to the "New Echo Leader."
Last December when the *Echo Leader* used the Christmas tree in the reservation as the "official" Mountainside tree I thought I had seen the new low in journalistic reporting.

When I was wrong.
Your editorial of Oct. 29 is the new, low in journalistic responsibility and accuracy. Perhaps if the *Echo Leader* had a reporter who lasted more than a few months, you would see a totally different picture and perhaps you would understand better what was really occurring. You would also see how totally irresponsible this editorial was.

First of all, to endorse any candidate because of his/her party is not only absurd but totally irresponsible. Mountainside voters have never elected a member of the Communist Party or the Nazi Party. Does this mean we have an obligation to elect someone representing either or both of these parties for a "balance"? I think not! Mountainside has always elected people who have demonstrated their interest in our community, not by word, but by leadership. That is why you don't see scandals, public fighting or other negative actions against the fabric of our community.

Comment: Mountainside with other communities that you cover and you will not see zoning officials going to jail for bribery. You will not see lawsuits regarding racial slanders. You will not see arrests against fraud. What you do see is honest, dedicated elected officials working for our community and not for themselves. What you will see is a community that enjoys low taxes, high property values, a planned Route 22, not an asphalt parking lot. What you do see is a proud community where the elected officials care and try to serve all of our residents.

In your editorial you state, "Bocchini has already demonstrated his dedication to Mountainside by actively participating in local government." If you check the record, which is obvious that you didn't, you would see that Mr. Bocchini attended a few public meetings and for the most part he sat in his seat, appearing to be disinterested in their agenda.
If you had a reporter with longevity, you would also see how totally ridiculous, out of other claims attributing any influence this gentleman had on any borough policies.

However, the biggest insult of all was your total disregard of all the contributions that Werner Segon has made as a member of the Borough Council. Had you had any knowledge of Mountainside and its governing body, you would have known that Werner is a dedicated, hard working and interested member. You would have known that among his many accomplishments on council, Werner was the one person who fought the state and got the safest U-turn on Route 22 proposed after the state wanted it widened. You would also know that it was Werner who helped improve and modernize our fire equipment. You would also have known that Werner has been one of the lead council members who has helped to keep our budget in line. Had you had any of this information, you would have endorsed Werner and Clint. Not only do I believe you possess this information, I truly believe you don't even care.
Your totally unfair and uninformed endorsement is a slap in the face for all candidates, of any party, when you give endorsements based on a lack of information. In the *Echo Leader's* case, no endorsement would be better than making a fool of oneself.

Mayor Robert E. Vignante
Mountainside

We talked at length about the need for the citizens of Mountainside to band together and support the school and how pleased he was when the voters approved the budget last year. Lastly, we spent some time talking about the new administration and how lucky we all are that we have such a hardworking, dedicated administration who will bring many new, exciting ideas to our school.

The mayor wanted me to understand that the Board of Education is an autonomous body and that he does not normally intervene in school issues. Furthermore, he needs to remain neutral in order to make fair, independent decisions. However, he stressed that the fully supports Deerfield School, the passing of the school budget and the establishment of our school as one of excellence in education. To do that, we must all work together, participate in school activities and financially support the school.

The mayor stressed the point that for many years he put all of his children through our school and has financially supported Deerfield through his taxes for many years. In his words, there were many that paid for our school over the years when he had children there and now it is his turn to do the same. He hopes that everyone feels the same and places the same value on education and the children of Mountainside that I do.

I appreciate the mayor taking time out of his day to respond so thoughtfully to my letter. I can only hope that the people of Mountainside will continue to show the same level of support in the voting booth next April.

Susan Menaker
Mountainside

Flags should be respected

To the Editor:
An open letter to whoever put up the American flags on Mountain Avenue, even though the U.S. Supreme Court allows flag burning, the flag still should be respected. Leaving those flags up, in front of the shops in inclement weather, through the night and at the colors' back from exposure is not very patriotic. It would seem more respectful to dispose of the flags in the proper manner rather than have them get faded, dirty and forgotten on telephone poles.

Frank Marchese
Mountainside

Superstore is not welcome

To the Editor:
Now that Royal Ahold has lost a big one, the question is where do we go from here. Royal Ahold's director of development is now talking about "resolving the matter in a way that benefits the community." If this is their new approach, it will be a refreshing change. Royal Ahold's lawyer, James Segreto, has threatened that his client had infinite resources and patience with which to impose their SuperStore on us.

For more than four years of meetings and hearings in which I can't recall one area resident ever supporting their proposal, they have apparently been determined at any cost to build the SuperStore that no one wants or needs. Up to now, their attempts to rally the community seem to have been hampered by major changes in the building footprint and the wadding of their outdoor lighting.

It was clear from the beginning to everyone except Royal Ahold that their SuperStore wasn't welcome here. They purchased the property anyway. Now that the bar has been raised, maybe it is time for Royal Ahold to reconsider. Even a multinational corporation with its roots in the community, no consideration for their potential neighbors and infinite resources must at some point decide that it just isn't worth it anymore. I am sure that a company with the extensive resources of Royal Ahold can easily acknowledge the bad business decision of a predecessor or company and move on.

Millburn Mayor Elaine Becker has said that the township will "watch the next development carefully." Rather than just watching, it is time for Millburn and Springfield to proactively approach Royal Ahold with a proposal to work cooperatively to find an appropriate buyer and use for the property. Maybe even after all of the trouble they have put us through, it is still not too late for Royal Ahold to redeem themselves and really try to "benefit the community."

Barry Tomick
Springfield

Mayor supports school excellence

To the Editor:
In the interest of fairness, I wish to make public a recent, lengthy conversation I had with Mayor Vignante this past week concerning my previous letter to this newspaper. Mayor Vignante called me at my home wishing to discuss his newspaper. He said he had read the section of the paper and takes several times before calling me to see if he would interpret it the same way I did. He did not.
The mayor went on to say that he is very much pro-education and pro-Deerfield, and that a review of his record would show that. Indeed, as we continued our discussion, I learned from the mayor that in previous years when the budget was deflated, the mayor did not reduce the Board of Education budget by any substantial amount that would adversely affect the quality of education for our students. The mayor also talked about how important education was to him and his family and that he had worked all of his life to ensure a good education for his family and the children of Deerfield.

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NEWS CLIPS

Flu clinic scheduled

The Springfield Board of Health has announced that a Flu Clinic will be conducted today from 8:30 to 7 p.m. at the Springfield Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave. The program is open exclusively to the residents of Springfield, Plainville, Eastwood, Mountaintop and Westfield.

Annual flu vaccination is strongly recommended for the following individuals:

- Any change disorder or condition affecting respiratory function;
- Chronic kidney disease;
- Diabetes;
- Chronic anemia;
- Conditions or therapy which would lower an individual's resistance to infections.

The vaccinations are also recommended for senior citizens, particularly those 55 years of age or older, who are at increased risk to medical problems as a result of flu infections.

In addition, the Westfield Regional Health Department is conducting an ongoing pre-registration for pneumonia inoculations, which will be scheduled on an appointment basis. The pneumonia vaccine will only be given to those individuals that have never previously been vaccinated for pneumonia. The inoculations will be specifically geared to the senior population or the chronically ill.

Those individuals interested in obtaining the pneumonia vaccine who are covered by Medicare or Medicaid, must bring their identification card when pre-registering with the Health Department. Any questions concerning these programs must be directed to the Health Department at (908) 789-4070.

\$2-K raised for research

Approximately \$2,000 was raised through the participation of Route 22 merchants at the Route 22 Chamber of

Commerce's "Cultural Carnival for the Cure." All proceeds will benefit the North Jersey Chapter of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

"The event wasn't really about the money," said Deb Belfato, director of the chapter. "It was about awareness and spreading our message."

She said the mission of the foundation is to educate and especially to gear information toward the "underserved population and to young adults."

In addition to several merchants asking their customers to contribute \$2 for a "Pink Ribbon" card and to wear smaller ribbons to show their support, Autoland in Springfield hosted a day-long carnival.

The family-oriented fundraiser featured acts representing different cultures such as Summi International Folk Dancers, Fusion Dance Theater and Aaly Phillipine Performing Arts Inc. It included a car give-away and

music from WCBS 101.1 FM.

"It was a good cooperative effort," Andrea Karina of both Autoland and the Chamber of Commerce said. "We are trying to bring awareness to Route 22."

Karish added that she hoped to promote education about various cultures, in addition to educating about breast cancer.

Vets visit hospital

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Battle Hill Post 7683 in Springfield travelled to the Veterans Hospital at Lyons on October 19th. Joe Byrnes, Frank Filippone, Sal Grimaldi, Bill Vain, Ripper, Stan Wisniewski, Stan Wozniak and Nick Zukowski distributed refreshments provided by the post.

Seventy-four hospitalized veterans are given the chance to study a particular topic in depth. Dartmouth's off-campus offerings include 34 programs in 17 countries and the United

States. Approximately 65 percent of Dartmouth undergraduates take advantage of the college's foreign study opportunities.

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Marx studies abroad

Gregory Marx, a Dartmouth College junior from Springfield, is studying English in Glasgow, Scotland, this fall as part of the college's foreign study program.

Marx is the son of Joan and Leonard Marx of Springfield.

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SPORTS

H.S. Football
Saturday at 2:00
Dayton at Roselle
Manville at GL

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor
Several area teams will earn NJSPAA playoff berths this year. Union and Elizabeth, both 5-2, have games against winning teams this weekend — the cutoff date — and both should be among the eight seeded teams in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4.

Although Roselle was upset at Bound Brook last weekend, the Rams, who clinch a home game against Dayton Saturday, will make the grade in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 for the first time since 1990. Rahway, Hillside and Johnson, all 4-3, are still vying for three of the other berths in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2. Johnson has made it the past four seasons while Hillside has not made it since 1985 and Rahway has not made the state playoffs since 1984 in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.

Roselle Park should sneak in in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1 with a win over Johnson. Teams must be 500 or better to qualify. WEEK EIGHT (Playoff cutoff weekend) Friday, Nov. 6: Shabazz at Elizabeth, 7:00; Brearley vs. Central at Newark's Intermain Field, 7:00; Saturday, Nov. 7: Union at Rahway, 2:00; Irvington at Linden, 2:00; North Plain at Hillside, 2:00; Roselle Park at Johnson, 2:00; Dayton at Roselle, 2:00; Morris Hills at Summit, 2:00; Manville at GL, 2:00.

WEEK SEVEN Friday, Oct. 30: Immaculata 50, GL 9; Bound Brook 20, Roselle 17; Saturday, Oct. 31: Elizabeth 14, Linden 8; Johnson 7, Dayton 14; New Prov. 21, Hillside 7; Roselle Park 20, Brearley 7; Westfield 39, Union 10; Plainfield 45, Rahway 17; Parsippany 35, Summit 18.

J.R.'s picks: Elizabeth over Shabazz; Brearley over Central; Union over Rahway; Linden over Irvington; North Plain over Hillside; Johnson over Roselle Park; Roselle over Dayton; Morris Hills over Summit; GL over Manville. Last week: 6-3. Season: 50-19-1 (.725).

Andrew's picks: Elizabeth over Shabazz; Central over Brearley; Union over Rahway; Irvington over Linden; North Plain over Hillside; Johnson over Roselle Park; Roselle over Dayton; Summit over Morris Hills; Manville over GL. Last week: 6-3. Season: 46-23-4 (.667).

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

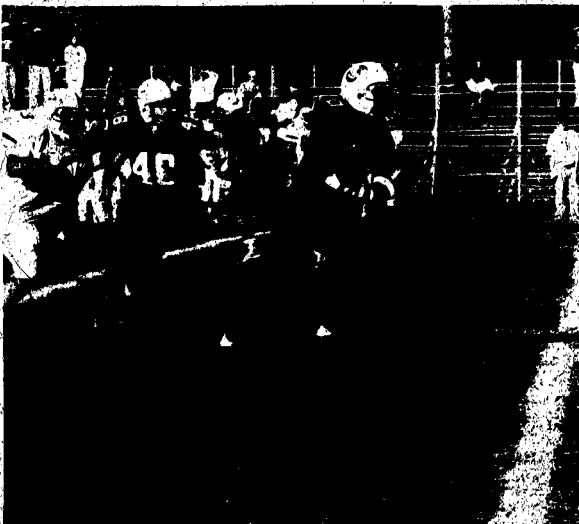


Photo by Scott Kozl

Dayton High School junior quarterback Lorenzo Williams completed 8-of-20 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns during last Saturday's contest against Johnson at Meisel Field in Springfield.

Jones a receiving standout

By Andrew McGann Assistant Sports Editor
SPRINGFIELD — Despite the fact that the Dayton High School football team (1-5-1) fell 47-14 to Johnson (4-3) at Meisel Field this past Saturday, all was not lost for the Bulldogs. Junior B.J. Jones, the Bulldogs' leading receiver this season, was shut down on the ground in the first half, but managed to make his mark as a receiver in the first two quarters, with some of the damage coming against Johnson's tough first-team defense. After gaining just two yards on five carries in the first half, Jones exploded on offense in the second half by hauling in five passes for 127 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown off the arm of junior quarterback Lorenzo Williams.

Aside from his 11-yard score, Jones also caught a 50-yard pass and a 40-yard pass, both of which led to Dayton's only two touchdowns of the game. He also made two eight-yard receptions. Just as Jones elevated his game in the second half, so did Williams. He connected with Brian Berger for a 14-yard score and hit Jeffrey Stapher for an eight-yard gain as well. In total, Williams was 7-for-13 on pass attempts in the second half, compared to a 1-for-7 performance with two interceptions through the first two quarters. The Dayton special teams unit, on its game as well as the Bulldogs' blocked, two Johnson extra-point attempts and pressured the Crusaders into two other misses. Dayton is now preparing to face a tough Roselle team this Saturday at Roselle Field in Roselle at 2. The Rams (5-2) are coming off a 20-17 upset loss at Bound Brook last Friday night and need a win to cement their first playoff appearance in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 in eight years. Dayton will be looking to map a two-game losing streak since Roselle took the Bulldogs 13-13 back on Oct. 3.

BULLDOGS FOOTBALL

SPRINGFIELD — Dayton (1-5-1) had another tough game against a Mountain Division opponent this weekend as the Bulldogs will travel to Arminio Field to face a 5-2 Roselle team this Saturday. Kickoff at 2 p.m. Roselle should be especially angry after coming off a 20-17 loss at Valley Division's Bound Brook last Friday night. The Rams are also out to clinch their first playoff appearance in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 since 1990. Dayton's last scheduled regular-season game will be at Brearley on Thanksgiving, Nov. 26 at 10:30 a.m. The Bulldogs may be playing an additional game on the weekend of Nov. 13-14.

GAME SEVEN

Johnson 47, Dayton 14

FIRST DOWNS: Johnson 112, Dayton 9
RUSHES-YARDS: Johnson 33-337, Dayton 23-88
PASSES: Johnson 69-0, Dayton 8-22-3
PASSING YARDS: Johnson 138, Dayton 169
FUMBLES-LOST: Johnson 3-1, Dayton 1-1
PUNTS-AVG.: Johnson 1-46, Dayton 3-29
PENALTIES: Johnson 7-80, Dayton 9-45

Johnson (4-3-0): 16, 18, 13, 0 — 47
Dayton (1-5-1): 9, 0, 3, 7 — 14
Johnson — Navarro 13 run, Navarro run (1 kick). (First quarter: 8 plays, 58 yards, 4:10 used). Johnson — Garner 64 run, Perotta run (1 16-yd). (First quarter: 4 plays, 69 yards, 2:27 used). Johnson — Garner 66 pass from Navarro, kick failed (17:24). (Second quarter: 2 plays, 70 yards, 1:14 used). Johnson — Navarro 7 run, kick blocked (17:38.0). (Second quarter: 10 plays, 82 yards, 5:06 used). Johnson — Perotta 8 pass from Navarro, kick blocked (17:44.0). (Second quarter: 7 plays, 73 yards, 1:28 used). Johnson — Garner 29 run, Spagnuolo kick (14:16.0). (Third quarter: 2 plays, 33 yards, 5:53 used). Dayton — Jones 11 pass from Williams, Stapher kick (13:17). (Third quarter: 11 plays, 54 yards, 6:07 used). Johnson — Garner 50 run, kick failed (13:47.7). (Third quarter: 11 plays, 59 yards, 19 used). Dayton — Berger 14 pass from Williams, Stapher kick (12:47:14). (Fourth quarter: 5 plays, 69 yards, 2:25 used).

RUSHING: Johnson — Ryan Garner, 16-202, three touchdowns; Jim Crater, 7-49; Derek Bogar, 4-38; Jason Navarro, 6-36, two touchdowns; Danny Joy, 1-7; Sean Garner, 3-5. Dayton — Matt Fischer, 8-16, Brian Berger, 5-12; Lorenzo Williams, 1-7; B.J. Jones, 9-4.

PASSING: Johnson — Ryan Garner, 6-9-0, 138 yards, two touchdowns; Dayton — Lorenzo Williams, 8-20-3, 169 yards, two touchdowns; B.J. Jones, 0-0-0, 0 yards.

RECEIVING: Johnson — James Garner, 3-115, one touchdown; Dave Perotta, 2-13, one touchdown; Ryan Moltby, 1-10; Dayton — B.J. Jones, 5-127, one touchdown; Atila Vigilante, 1-20; Brian Berger, 1-14, one touchdown; Jeffrey Stapher, 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: Johnson — Danny Joy, Jason Navarro, Jim Crater; Dayton — None.

— ANDREW MCGANN

Both Minutemen squads triumph

C and A teams down Millburn.

Both Springfield Minutemen football teams were victorious last Sunday as the C Team first routed a 7-6 win over Millburn at Meisel Field in Springfield before the A Team came away with a 19-6 triumph. The A Team now sports a 4-1 record while the C Team reached 500 at 2:25. The C team had to regroup after allowing Millburn to return a punt for a touchdown in the second quarter, its only score of the game. Springfield did well to prevent Millburn from scoring the extra point, a play that proved crucial to the final outcome. After a scoreless third quarter, Springfield took full grader Andrew James (Jarvis) intercepted a Millburn pass and returned it for a touchdown to keep the game at 6-0.

Youth Football

Danny Kahoone ran in what turned out to be the winning extra-point. Springfield was able to shut down Millburn the rest of the way to come away with the 19-6 victory. Playing well on offense for Springfield were Kenneth Suarez, Kahoone, Lee Silverman and David Turillo. Playing well on defense were Vinicio DeMaio, Justin Molinar, Jesse Weatherston, Jake Tuchman and Zack Silverman. Also playing well for the Minutemen were Christopher Mucke, Stephen Suarez, Ryan O'Reilly, Daniel Cohen, Steven Fischer, Sid Mitra, Robert Efron, Brandon Ginsel, Cornei Wolfe, Eric DuBeau, Michael Ferreira, Brandon Chery, Paul Balthazar, Michael Wallace, Jason Cappa, Derek Seigel and Jake Floyd. Springfield's other win was a 13-0 victory at Millburn earlier in the year. Pumped up by the C Team's come-from-behind victory and having lost to Millburn earlier in the season by a 14-11 score in Millburn, the A Team came ready to play.

Millburn jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the first quarter by scoring the only touchdown and what turned out to be its only points of the afternoon. Springfield responded Millburn from scoring the extra point. Springfield scored its first touchdown in the second quarter when Andy Calender capped a drive by scoring on a seven-yard run. Leo Ferraro had a 20-yard run on the drive. Later in the period, quarterback Yuri Portugal completed a touchdown pass to Callender in give Springfield the lead for good. Portugal completed the extra-point pass to Callender to give the Minutemen a 13-6 halftime lead. In the third quarter it was Callender who completed a nine-yard touchdown pass to Portugal for Springfield's final touchdown. Callender previously completed a pass to Sean Frank to get the ball deep into Millburn territory. Playing well on offense for Springfield were Steven Cohen, John Kahoone and Matt Boetcher. Playing well on defense were Tim Clabuker and Jake Moran.

Also playing well for the Minutemen were Michael Nico, Sean Apicella, Matthew Gordon, Jordan Gerber, Bryan Sui, Martin Meyer, Jay Weatherston, Jeremy Kovacs, Keith Garcia, A.J. Capelano, Adam Beninson, Robbie Maul and Eric Decker.

Both teams are scheduled to play Hanover this Sunday at Mt. Pleasant Park in Hanover Park. The C Team will play at noon, with the A Team's game to follow.

GL football will look to rebound against Manville

The Governor Livingston High School football team was defeated by 7-0 Immaculata 59-9 last Friday night in Mountain Valley Conference Mountain Division action in Somerville. GL (1-6) scored in the third quarter when Mountaineer Billy Spouting caught a 45-yard touchdown pass thrown by Rob Findlay. Keith Miller, booted a 33-yard field goal for the Highlanders later in the period. GL will look to rebound against Manville (1-6) at home this Saturday at 2 p.m.

Gov. Liv. (1-6)

(H) Newark Central 22, GL 18
(H) Hillside 20, GL 0
(H) Roselle 35, GL 0
(H) Johnico 40, GL 7
(A) Ridge 39, GL 7
(A) GL 19, Dayton 14
(A) Immaculata 59, GL 9
Nov. 7, Manville, 2:00
Nov. 20, New Providence, 7:30

Dayton (1-5-1)

(A) Bound Brook 41, Dayton 0
(A) Dayton 13, Manville 6
(H) Dayton 13, RR 13 (TOTUE)
(H) New Prov. 21, Dayton 0
(A) North Plain 34, Dayton 6
(H) GL 19, Dayton 14
(H) Johnson 47, Dayton 14
Nov. 7, at Roselle, 2:00
Nov. 26, at Brearley, 10:30

Soccer Club of Springfield to hold in-person registration on Nov. 16 and 24

The Soccer Club of Springfield will hold in-person registrations on Monday, Nov. 16 and Tuesday, Nov. 24 from 7-9 p.m. at the Sarah Buley Civic Center on 30 Church Mall in Springfield. This registration is open to any Springfield student, born between 8-1-82 and 12-31-93 who is interested in learning to play the world's most popular game. The 08 spring season will run from April through June. Parents of interested players should bring copies of their child's birth certificates and have their child's social security number at registration. More information may be obtained by calling Marc Marshall at 908-273-5569.

The Soccer Club will also hold in-person registrations on Monday, Nov. 16 from 7-9 p.m. at the SBCC for all area players (born between 8-1-90 and 7-31-82) who are interested in trying out for the Club's spring traveling team. Players should bring copies of their birth certificates to the registration. More information may be obtained by calling Marshall at 908-273-5569.

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OBITUARIES

Pasquale Natale

Pasquale Natale, 83, of Summit died Oct. 26 at home.
Born in Caserta, Italy, Mr. Natale lived in Westfield and New Providence before moving to Summit in 1960. He was the founder and owner of Natale's Summit Bakery since 1938, which is now operated by his sons, Edward and Salvatore.
Also surviving are three other sons, Patrick, Frank and Anthony, two daughters, Angela Schneller, and Rosemarie Zotti, two brothers, Anthony and Leo, 13 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Lila Hersh

Lila Hersh, 72, of Springfield died Oct. 28 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.
Born in Newark, Mrs. Hersh moved to Springfield 40 years ago. She owned and operated Hersh's Hearing Aids, Springfield, for nearly 40 years at the time of her death. Mrs. Hersh had been a member of the New Jersey Hearing Aid Examiners' Licensing Board. She was appointed by

Governor Brendan Byrne and served on the board for 12 years.
Mrs. Hersh was treasurer of the New Jersey Association of Hearing Health Professions. She was a former president of the Springfield/Milburn Kiwanis Club. Mrs. Hersh served as chairman of the social action committee at Temple Beth Ahm, Springfield, where she also was a member of the Women's League. Mrs. Hersh was a member of Hadassah of Springfield.
Surviving are a son, Richard, two brothers, Morris and Kenneth, a sister, and two grandchildren.

Arthur M. Morris

Arthur M. Morris, 73, of Springfield died Oct. 29 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.
Born in Newark, Mr. Morris moved to Springfield 42 years ago. He was a manager for Annie Sez clothing store in Milburn for more than 12 years. Earlier, Mr. Morris had been the co-owner of Morris' Women's Apparel, a family business, in Milburn.
Surviving are a son, Jeffrey, a sister, Martine Lippin, and two grandchildren.

Richard J. Lang

Richard J. Lang, 63, of Springfield died Oct. 24 at home.
Mr. Lang was an electrician for 38 years for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 68 of West Caldwell.
Surviving are his wife, Marilyn C., and a daughter, Deborah M. Vetter.

Norman Van Gorder

Norman Van Gorder, 91, of Canton, Pa., formerly of Summit, died Oct. 31 in Robert Packer Hospital, Sayre, Pa.
Born in Scranton, Pa., Mr. Van Gorder lived in Summit before moving to Canton several years ago. He was a chemical engineer for Celanese, Summit, for many years before retiring in 1965. Mr. Van Gorder received a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Newark College of Engineering and did post graduate studies at Princeton University and Columbia University.
Surviving are his wife of 68 years, Agnes; a son, Norman; three daughters, Romayne DiCuollo, Constance Ludke and Peggy Edelheit.

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