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Photo By Jeff Gwalt

Below, embracing one another in Jonathan Dayton's parking lot before the start of their graduation are Nicole Schulz, left, and Ester Malach. At left, Ester Malach waits patiently as her classmate Kim Pecana fixes her hair and tassel prior to graduation ceremonies. Jonathan Dayton's 121 members of the Class of 2000 commenced on June 21. They are the last class to have attended the high school before the Union County Regional School district disbanded in 1997.

New curricula for Mountain

By John Celock
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Board of Education approved sweeping changes to the curriculum and the method of testing at its meeting on Tuesday evening. The changes will affect the curriculum and teaching methods for science and social studies in grades K-8 and the language arts and literacy curriculum for grades 6-8.

Deerfield School Assistant Principal Elizabeth Keshish, chairwoman of the district's curriculum committee, explained that the changes are being implemented to bring Mountainside in line with new state standards.

"It is based on the core content standards," she said. "Keshish said the state introduced new guidelines several years ago and changed the testing cycle for students. Students used to take two major state tests during their educational careers, the eighth-grade Early Warning Test and the 11th-grade High School Proficiency Test — the latter being needed for high school graduation.

The old tests were standardized with Scantron sheets, No. 2 pencils and an emphasis on reading comprehension, mathematics and language arts.

Students will now have to master three tests. In fourth grade, students will take the Elementary School Proficiency Assessment, eighth-grade students will be expected to master the Grade Eight Proficiency Assessment and 11th-grade students will take the High School Proficiency Assessment.

"You must pass the HSPA in order to graduate and receive a high school diploma in any public school in the state," Keshish said.

She explained that the new testing will feature an emphasis on the entire educational curriculum and not just the three areas covered on the old tests. The tests are also being called assessments in order to show that it is not just a Scantron sheet and No. 2 pencil. Students will now have performance sections, written sections and oral sections.

The new assessments will feature sections covering physical education as well. According to Keshish, this section will include health and physical fitness questions and a dance segment.

Under the new Deerfield curriculum, the state standards are spelled out and a roadmap has been designed to bring students to these benchmarks. Keshish said this roadmap will show when material will be introduced to students, when the material will be built upon and when the material is expected to be mastered.

Keshish said that in the new curriculum, students will be taught in a different way. Instead of the old method of rote teaching, which is heavily based on memorization, students will be expected to think about material and draw their own conclusions. Class discussions and group work will be an integral part of the new style of learning at Deerfield.

"The difference with the new curriculum is that we are asking students to do sophisticated thinking."

Keshish said that the first thing to be tackled in each new area is assessment. This means the teacher will assess the state of the class in each topic area and then decide how to best teach the subject matter.

Under this system, Deerfield teachers will not be able to teach every student the same way. Instead, teachers will adapt the teaching style to best fit the needs of every student and may tailor particular areas around one or two students. Keshish said this will make it easier for everyone to learn.

"You don't teach every kid the same way."

Peer teaching will be a major part of the new Deerfield way of life. Keshish said this will entail students who have already mastered material discussing it with other students.

"The best way for someone to learn something is to teach it to someone else." Keshish said that in order to comply with the new standards set by the State Board of Education, Mountainside had to put things into the elementary and middle school curricula which had never been taught in these areas before. In addition, material was moved up and more emphasis placed on certain things in order to comply with the state guidelines.

Keshish pointed to the new social studies curriculum as an example. The new Deerfield social studies curriculum requires students to master areas ranging from constitutional citizenship to environmental geography to sociology to global economics before they leave Mountainside.

Municipal budget passed

By Joe Lugera
Staff Writer

The number is \$18,399,481.

Without a comment from anyone in the tiny gathering, the Springfield Township Committee quietly and unanimously passed its 2000 municipal budget Tuesday night.

"It's finally in place," Mayor Clara Harelik said once the vote was completed. "Now that we've finally passed it, many projects that have been waiting in the wings can finally be addressed."

The budget represents a zero tax increase on the municipal side, despite damage caused by Tropical Storm Floyd last September. Floyd hit the township for approximately \$2 million in damages, and although the \$400,000 in the township applied for in extraordinary aid was denied by the state, the Township Committee has been working on additional means of picking up the financial slack to keep the tax rate down.

A \$2-million bond — the approximate cost of the damage — has been taken out, and last December the township applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$1.38 million. Earlier this month, Harelik described the FEMA money as "coming in slowly." Some money

from recently purchased flood insurance has also come in.

The final budget figure represents a \$316,257 increase over its earlier anticipated amount of \$18,083,224. The township's "cash on hand," or surplus, was identified by Township Administrator Richard Sheola earlier this year as \$4.8 million, of which \$2.4 million was used to fund the budget.

Of the township's upcoming projects, the construction of a new fire house, possibly on the site of the Schiele Oil building on Mountain Avenue, is expected to loom the largest in terms of expense. The committee took a step in that direction Tuesday night by passing a resolution to approve the project's appraisal consultants and to authorize the township attorney to begin negotiations with Schiele for the building.

The township also expects to renovate the current fire headquarters on Caldwell Place for use by the Police Department.

The police were forced to relocate to the Sarah Bailey Civic Center when Floyd's flood waters severely damaged the municipal building's basement. Both projects were singled out by Harelik as top priorities when she took office in January.

Offices will be closed on July Fourth

The offices of this newspaper will be closed Tuesday in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen Wednesday.

The deadlines for the July 6 edition are as follows:

- Letters, including church and club news, etc. — today, noon.
- Lifestyle to the editor — Friday, noon.
- What's Going On — Friday, 3:30 p.m.
- Display ads — Friday, noon for Section B and 5 p.m. for Section A.
- Sports news — Friday, 9 a.m.
- General news — Monday, 5 p.m.
- Classified advertising — Monday, 3 p.m.
- Legal advertising — Monday, noon.

Farewell Bulldogs

By Joe Lugera
Staff Writer

Jonathan Dayton High School's Class of 2000 has arrived.

Scores of student cars festooned with orange and blue streamers and painted with "I'm Out" and "Graduation or Bust" dotted the school's parking lot last week. One vehicle proudly announced, within a hand-painted diamond, "College Girl on Board" — an appropriate comment for a class that achieved some impressive academic success, with college acceptances to Harvard, Carnegie Mellon, Syracuse, Duke, Seton Hall, Rutgers and the University of Pennsylvania, among many others.

Two of the school's top scholars, Justice Lau and Dina Gordon, addressed the first crop of 21st century graduates, with Lau leading the Pledge of Allegiance. The gathering of family, friends and educators, assembled at a rear corner of Dayton's field near a large oak tree, turned toward the flagpole at the front of the school for the pledge. The raised flag represented one of Dayton's many recent academic achievements; it was presented to Lau last year for her participation in the United States Senate Youth Program. Lau was one of only two students from New Jersey selected for the program.

New head football coach comes to Dayton

By Joe Lugera
Staff Writer

It was "Monday Night Football" at the Springfield Board of Education's regular meeting Monday night.

In front of a less-than-capacity crowd, the board appointed a new football coach to Jonathan Dayton High School. Kristofer E. Kohler was one of three finalists interviewed for the position left vacant by the resignation of Paul Sep, according to board member and Sports Committee chairman Larry Leves. Leves, who called Kohler "a great asset," said the committee's recommendation was unanimous.

Kohler will join Dayton as a head coach, but will also serve the district as a guidance counselor at Gaudinier Middle School.

Since 1996, Kohler served as defensive coordinator and assistant head football coach at Ridge High School in Basking Ridge. He previously worked as a graduate assistant football coach at Rowan University in Glassboro.

He has been a science classroom teacher at the Mount Olive Middle School and a classroom teacher at Badminton Township School. Kohler holds an M.A. in administration and supervision from Montclair State University, a master's in teaching from Fairleigh Dickinson, an M.A. in student personnel services from Rowan and a bachelor's in sociology, with an emphasis in English, from Lebanon Valley College.

The new coach's hiring comes about one month after Sep's resignation. Sep, who had been with the district for only one year before his dissatisfaction led to his May 31 resignation, received wall-to-wall support at the board's June 4 conference meeting. Numerous parents and students came out in support of the former coach, with a handful of Dayton football players providing repeated testimonials in front of the board. Sep himself was not in attendance at that meeting, although his wife was.

Sep's most consistent vocal supporter, Dayton parent David Hollander, first



Gordon, a talented science student, put the same point in scientific terms. "Some people say the chemical composition of your brain determines your personality. Some say it comes from chromosomes. Most say both. I agree."

"But they overlook one major factor: your friends. Your actions reflect upon them, and theirs on yours...Your actions will affect everyone around you. Thank you for making me who I am."

Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland, now in his 15th year at the helm in Springfield, called the graduates "a special group."

"I take special pride in this graduating class," Friedland said, "because I've been part of it since you were in kindergarten. Your accomplishments are mine also; I take as much pride in your achievements as your family, friends and teachers."

Friedland closed with a special piece of news: in September, New Jersey Monthly magazine will include Jonathan Dayton in its list of the top 75 high schools in the state, a fact that Lau anticipated earlier when she quoted Ralph Waldo Emerson: "Hitch your wagon to a star."

brought the coach's dissatisfaction to public attention at a meeting of the Board of Education in mid-May. Sep had related his complaints to Hollander, who subsequently approached Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland.

Friedland and Hollander spoke privately about the matter several times. Hollander, according to Friedland, asked to talk about a "gap in communication" between Sep, the building principal and the athletic director.

Sep's grievances included the availability of an office, a situation involving the locks at the Dayton Field House and a request for new football helmets. Hollander also related Sep's concern regarding a lack of respect. The respect factor was not referred to in specific terms. Money was also described, by Hollander at least, as "an issue." Friedland did not identify financial issues as a problem.

At the board's May meeting, Hollander, whose son plays for Dayton, encouraged retaining the coach. Friedland responded by telling Hollander that "the ball is in Mr. Sep's court."

However, despite his "ball in court" observation, Friedland took it upon himself to meet with the coach the following day, a meeting Friedland felt went well. Sep, according to an account supplied by Hollander, did not, and subsequently resigned. Even after his resignation, Friedland said the board would be glad to have Sep back. Sep took a position at Rahway High School instead.

Given the importance demonstrated by parents and students on behalf of the coaching issue, the lack of attendance at Monday night's appointment of Kohler seemed to come as something of a surprise to the board. Only two parents were present, one of whom, Hollander's wife Phyllis, asked the board if the new coach would be able to meet with his players before August. The board gave its assurance that he would.

The board completed its sports business by appointing Cranford resident Richard Hurley as head coach of Dayton's ice hockey team, and also as coach of girls' soccer at the Gaudinier Middle School.

Bonnie and Clyde style robbery ends in flat tire

By Joe Lugera
Staff Writer

Two bottles of cognac and one flat tire have left a Picasaway man and a Plainfield woman facing a variety of criminal charges.

Craig Staton, 32, and his passenger, Rena Jackson, 37, were involved in what Springfield Police called a "grab-and-run" theft from Spring Liquors in the Echo Plaza Shopping Center Sunday, with their escape resulting in minor injuries to the store's owners.

According to police, Staton brought seven bottles of cognac and champagne to the liquor store's counter. As the clerk rang up the purchase, Staton allegedly grabbed two bottles of Remy-Martin cognac and bolted out of the store, where

Jackson was waiting in the passenger seat of a 1987 Pontiac Bonneville.

The pair then sped off to the store's owners. Myung and Hyun Kuk attempted to stop them, grabbing on to the vehicle's windows. Staton refused to stop, dragging the Kuk's several yards.

Hyun Kuk received a head injury and numerous abrasions; she was treated at Overlook Hospital and released that evening. Myung Kuk received an abrasion and injury to his right leg, but was not treated.

Staton and Jackson turned onto Mountain Avenue, heading west, Springfield Police put out a county alarm and 20 minutes later received a communication from Summit Police reporting that the pair had been pulled over on Baltusrol Road.

Summit Police had been tipped off to Staton and Jackson's whereabouts from a driver who reported seeing the Bonneville — with a flat tire on its right front — driving erratically.

According to Springfield Police, Staton struck a curb during his 20-minute getaway, resulting in the flat. A partially assembled jack was found in the car, indicating that the couple had attempted to change the tire.

Staton and Jackson are facing a variety of charges: conspiracy to commit robbery, aggravated assault, possession of marijuana, possession with intention to distribute and receiving stolen property. In addition, Staton is charged with leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident with injuries — a criminal charge — and hindering his own arrest by providing a false

identity. Staton had been wanted by the Union County Sheriff's Department for failing to appear in Superior Court on drug charges.

The car also contained 10 pieces of gold women's jewelry, including three pairs of earrings, two rings and two brooches. Springfield Police would not confirm whether the items are connected to a residential theft that occurred in the township sometime between May 27 and June 17.

Summit Police also charged Staton with driving while suspended, operating an uninsured vehicle and reckless driving.

The suspects are being held in the Union County Jail in lieu of \$30,000 each. They were scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court yesterday.

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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 event the publicity it deserves, mail your schedule to managing editor, Echo Leader, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today:

The Berkeley Heights Board of Education meets for an executive session at 7 p.m. followed by a regular meeting at 8 p.m. in the Clausen Administration Complex.

Friday:

Summer services begin at Temple Shalom, 78 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, at 8 p.m. The public is invited to the non-formal service to meet temple members and learn about the customs and traditions of the congregation. For information on membership call (973) 579-5587.

Saturday:

Trailside Nature and Science Center resumes its trail maintenance project in the Watching Reservation from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers ages 14 and up are needed to assist with the project. Participants should bring lunch and a mug for a beverage, and a shovel, pickaxe and gloves, if available. Pre-registration is required by calling (908) 589-2670.

Sunday:

Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, hosts two planetarium shows for children ages 6 and up. At 7 p.m., children can explore the summer sky to locate planets and constellations. Each family will receive a summer sky map to take home. At 8:30 p.m., children can learn about different kinds of light and find out why the sky is blue.

Admission to the shows is \$3 per person and \$2.55 for seniors.

Tuesday:

Springfield's annual Fourth of July celebration kicks off at 4 p.m. at Meisel Field with numerous rides, games and food vendors. Fireworks are planned beginning at dusk, around 9 or 9:30 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under and includes unlimited access to all rides and games and a complimentary hamburger and soft drink. Both admission and tickets for the Kiwanis Club fund-raiser are available in advance at local merchants.

For more information call the Union County Chamber of Commerce at (908) 353-0900.

Wednesday:

The Springfield Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. for an executive session followed by a regular monthly meeting at 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

Upcoming events:

July 10:

The Springfield Township Committee will meet for an executive meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Annex Building, 20 N. Trivet Ave.

The Springfield Board of Education will meet for a conference meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room at Jonathan Dayton High School, 125 Mountain Ave.

July 11:

The Mountainside Borough Council will meet at 8 p.m. for a work session at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside.

The Springfield Township Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. for an executive session followed by a regular meeting at 8 p.m. in the committee room at the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

July 13:

The Mountainside Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside.

The Mountainside Board of Education will meet for a regular meeting at 8 p.m. in the media center at Deerfield School, 302 Central Ave.

July 20:

Brighton Gardens of Mountainside and MeLife Trust Company sponsor a free seminar on estate planning at 7:30 p.m. at the assisted living facility, 1350 Route 22 West, Mountainside. Topics will include analyzing what is included in an estate, how that property will be taxed and ways to reduce estate costs. A question and answer period will follow.

Ongoing:

The Springfield Recreation Department conducts blood pressure screenings the second Wednesday of every month at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is open to all residents of Springfield. For more information, call (973) 912-2227.

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library would like donations of used paperback novels. Also welcome are magazines within the last year.

The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call (973) 376-4930.

STUDENT UPDATE



Ryan T. Farrell



Michael C. Basile



Thomas E. Cappuccino



Dorian A. Scott



Heidi Pasciuti

Springfield residents graduate Seton Hall

Ryan T. Farrell, a resident of Springfield, was honored at Seton Hall Preparatory School's 143rd Commencement Exercises on June 10. He received the Magn. Thomas J. Tuohy Award, given to those graduates who have maintained an A average over four years, a National Merit Commendation and an Edward J. Bloustein Scholars Award. Farrell was also a member of the National Honor Society and the Peer Leadership Program. He will attend Wesleyan University in the fall.

Joining Farrell in receiving their diplomas were classmates and fellow Springfield residents Michael C. Basile, Thomas E. Cappuccino, mem-

bers of the Peer Leadership Program, and Dorian A. Scott. Basile will attend Boston University in the fall. Cappuccino will attend Rutgers University, Livingston, and Scott will attend Florida State University.

Morocco earns dean's list at Keen University

Meredith Morocco of Springfield has achieved dean's list for the spring semester at Keen University. An early elementary education major, Morocco expects to graduate in December.

Katz graduates with high honors at Essex College

Springfield resident Jeffrey Katz graduated with high honors and an associate's degree in Ophthalmic Dis-

pensing from Essex County College earlier this month.

Pasciuti graduates cum laude at Boston College

Heidi Pasciuti of Mountainside graduated cum laude from Boston College last month with a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and a minor in

faith, peace and justice.

Barocas earns dean's list at Lehigh University

Jillian Barocas of Springfield has earned dean's list for spring semester

at Lehigh University in Bethlehem.

Her sister, Tiffany Barocas has graduated from the Morristown-Beard School and will be attending Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Penn., in the fall.

Jillian and Tiffany are the daughters of Pamela and Jack Barocas of Springfield.

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Borough twins have stuck together

By John Calock
Staff Writer

Many students go away to college not expecting to know many people on the college campus. For two Mountainside residents, that was not a problem.

Alison and Lauren Kobel, 1999 graduates of Governor Livingston High School, are fraternal twins who chose to go to college together. The duo recently completed their first year at Villanova University.

Both sisters are students in Villanova's College of Commerce and Finance, but neither has decided upon a major at this time.

"We are taking classes and getting a feel for the different majors," Lauren said, noting that the university does not require students to declare their major until the end of the first semester of their sophomore year.

While the sisters are attending college together and taking many of the same classes together, they are not living together. In an interview with the *Echo Leader* last year, the pair said they wanted to be close to one another but have their own space.

"We were a floor apart in the same building, and that worked out," Alison said.

Neither sister had any roommate problems this past year. Alison roomed with a person from South Jersey and said it worked out well.

"We got along really well, and we will be rooming together again next year," Alison said.

Lauren said she went through two roommates last year, but got along with both of them. Her first roommate was from New York City, and while the two got along well, the roommate was homesick and went home every weekend.

"She ended up transferring to Fordham, so she could live at home," Lauren said.

For her second semester, Lauren roomed with a friend of hers and says it worked out. She will be living with her second roommate again next year.

Similar to their years at Governor Livingston, the sisters were involved in many of the same extracurricular activities. They were members of the Campus Activities Team, the Ideas and Issues Club, the Irish Cultural Society and the Financial Management Association. They also played intramural sports in the areas of tennis and basketball.

There was one small difference in their extracurricular roster though. Lauren was a member of the track team for the entire year, while Alison joined in her second semester.

Alison and Lauren said they find Villanova to be a very social school. They said there are many things to do on campus ranging from parties, to barbecues, to a train which runs from the campus into Philadelphia. As was the case of their upbringing in Mountainside, the two have many of the same friends.

Both said they are enjoying their time at Villanova and find that it has offered them a chance to grow as individuals.

"I love it there. I could not see myself anywhere else. It fit Lauren and I really well," Alison said.

Their classmates at Villanova have also benefited from the twins' choice of schools.

"They're very nice ladies and fun to be with. They are a good addition to the track team," Villanova student Tim Styler said.

The sisters said they are really impressed by the faculty



Photo By Jeff Grault

Fraternal twins Alison and Lauren Kobel of Mountainside have stuck together one year after their graduation from Governor Livingston High School. The Kobel twins now have their freshman years under their belts at Villanova University outside of Philadelphia.

at Villanova. They said that the professors care about the students and remind them of the faculty at Governor Livingston.

As they conclude their freshman year, both sisters have

a grade-point average above a 3.0 and Alison was recently inducted into the National Society of College Scholars. Both sisters are working at The Mall at Short Hills for the summer.

Springfield teachers could face a longer district induction process

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer

New teachers don't just walk into school districts and begin teaching.

The Springfield Board of Education's Teacher Induction Committee has been working on a plan to extend and refine its current practices for familiarizing new teachers with the school district. According to Assistant Superintendent Judy Zimmerman, the general purpose is to change the current one-year induction to three years.

"This is an action plan," Zimmerman stressed. "We didn't design a new program. A committee will be put together in the fall to flesh it out — to put skin on the skeleton, so to speak."

The seven-member committee, consisting of Zimmerman, four teachers, the district's staff developer and one principal, convened on three occasions to discuss their thoughts

and feelings on the process. The action plan was developed only after extensive research based on a variety of articles in current journals, and the reviewing of numerous successful induction programs.

The district's present one-year arrangement provides new teachers with one week of induction at the end of August, after which the teacher is assigned a "buddy" — a teacher, either from within their own school or within their own subject area — with experience in the district who assists the new teacher in understanding the routines, textbooks and lesson plans of the new environment. The "buddy" is a teacher who is either tenured, or nearly tenured.

An orientation is also presented at each school. New teachers are given the opportunity to discuss a variety of topics with their building principal, enabling them, in Zimmerman's

words, "to discuss the specific issues of that school."

A lead staff developer, who also serves as a "peer coach," then takes over.

"The peer coach goes into the new teacher's classroom and observes and offers opinions," Zimmerman said. "It's not a formal procedure; it's just peer feedback, a helping teacher who's a peer. Peer coaches have no evaluative responsibilities."

Zimmerman said that extending the present induction structure to three years would allow for "a more formalized mentoring process" in which the mentor, or buddy, would stay with the new teacher over a longer period of time. Topics usually handled over the course of a one-year period would be stretched out over three years. Other topics may also be added.

Students could get a seat on Springfield Board of Education

By Joe Lugara
Staff Writer

Student involvement in the Springfield Board of Education: Yea or nay?

In March, Superintendent Gary Friedland presented the idea of having a high school representative sit in on board meetings. Friedland first brought the concept forward the previous fall, as one of the district's five-year, high achievement/expectation goals.

Friedland brought the matter up most recently at last week's regular meeting, telling board members that he would like to bring in one school board representative and one student representative experienced in the process to offer their thoughts on its merits and failings.

Friedland targeted July as a possible date for bringing in the educator and student. The superintendent indicated that a member of the Metuchen School District might be agreeable to sharing their thoughts with the Springfield board. The student's origin has not been specified.

Although neither the board, Friedland, or Assistant Superintendent Judy Zimmerman requested it, Friedland pointed out that Jonathan Dayton High School already has a student they would like to see represent

them. The board is not committed to any particular individual at the present time, although Friedland did say that he would like to see the concept implemented "by either mid-year or next spring."

The board discussed the representation issue cautiously at its March meeting. Friedland indicated specifically that he wanted the students to be more than just mere attendees.

"It's a question of where and how they'll be involved," he said. "What can they contribute? What would we expect from them in terms of contributing?"

The board then did some brainstorming, during which Friedland said he saw "red flags coming up." Board member Linda Duke was particularly uncomfortable with the idea, stressing that participating students should also be members of the Student Council. Without such congruency, Duke said, "then all they're representing are the eight kids on either side of their locker."

Issues as to whether students will be elected or appointed are still to be discussed. According to information provided to the board by Friedland, of the nine New Jersey communities currently using the student representation concept, about five appoint students.

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EDITORIALS

A great advance

Whenever an educational institution has the foresight to place its own curriculum under the inquisition of its very own curriculum watchdog group, it should be praised and respected for its dynamics and introspection.

Springfield's Curriculum Advisory Committee's intensive two-year study of the school district's standardized testing program has steered the Board of Education toward the adoption of a newer, more innovative assessment exam — one that is strongly aligned with the content of today's classroom curricula. The former Iowa Test of Basic Skills, with its black-and-white face and multiple choice format, was decidedly "old" and no longer kept pace with the district's curriculum. It has rightfully been put to rest in lieu of the state-of-the-art CTB/McGraw-Hill Terra Nova assessment series — a unique approach to standardized testing by almost any measure.

With its engaging design, the Terra Nova will bring a fresh look to achievement testing in the 2000-01 school year. Its original illustrations, colorful graphics and photographs create a look and feel that will capture and hold students' interest. It better reflects the appearance, approach and content of today's classroom instructional materials, engaging students in a battery of test elements that look more familiar and inviting than tests of the past.

Starting in the fall, Springfield students in grades one through three and five through seven will be given an assessment exam that is more closely related to classroom and real-world situations — one that doesn't solely rely on "multiple guess" questions. Terra Nova's extended open-ended tasks will challenge students to demonstrate what they really know and are capable of doing.

The test's multiple assessment options will also enable the district to customize its tests to meet specific curriculum needs. The supplemental components of the test have been formulated to measure students' skills in the areas of word analysis, language mechanics, spelling and mathematical computation — a far better performance measuring device than its outmoded counterpart. The directions, test questions and various sections are all linked by easy-to-read themes that will create more of a student connection with the exam.

This is a methodology of test-taking that will ensure that students really are learning what they're taught. The test will no doubt stimulate students' interest more than the fill-in-the-bubble exercise of the past. It will also allow our educators to make meaningful inferences from test scores with more confidence and reliability. And it will undoubtedly increase student success.

All of this results in an additional expenditure of \$7,000 to \$12,000 — well within the district's budget, and what seems like a small price to pay for such a great advance. The school district is moving its educational priorities in line with the 21st century, opting for an assessment exam that will better correspond to the life and times of its students. We say hooray.

A day to remember American dream

We celebrate the Fourth of July next week. While the American Revolution is in the distant past, the spirit of freedom it sparked in this country is still alive and deserving of tribute.

It may be hard to remember the specifics of the Revolutionary battles, but we only need to watch the news to see all the trouble spots throughout the world where people are struggling to achieve the independence and liberty we enjoy here.

Bosnia is one of the prime examples of horror and bloodshed. Chinese citizens still struggle for basic human rights. The horrors and repressions perpetrated on these people with the consent of their own leaders is a grim reminder of how far we still need to go, even at the dawn of a new millennium.

It is important to appreciate the significance of the Fourth of July, however. The American dream — the opportunity to achieve our goals — was not just established by our founding fathers and Colonial soldiers, but sustained by all the men and women of this country who have fought and died in wars to preserve these rights for us.

This holiday is not just about the sacrifices made to keep our freedoms, but our freedoms themselves. We must actively use our freedoms to keep the spirit of America alive. There are a variety of ways to do this — running for public office, serving on community boards to benefit seniors, children or other residents; or simply voting.

Those who have an impact on children — parents, teachers and other youth workers — have a duty to instill in them an appreciation of the basic liberties guaranteed to them in this country. It is an unfortunate fact that if youths do not develop a love of freedom and their country at an early age, it may be dead in them by the time they are adults.



SNACK TIME — Sharing a snack together during a recent first-grade orientation at Sandmeier School in Springfield are, from left, Kyrre Krebsner and a fellow kindergarten, with their new third-grade buddies Stephanie Lawson and Katie Imbriano.

We all learn valuable high school lessons

Editor's note: The following commencement speech was delivered by Christine Sader at Governor Livingston High School's graduation ceremonies on June 19.

There are people and places we'll remember all our lives. We sit here tonight as the Class of 2000 not knowing what the future has in store, but when we look back we will all agree that Governor Livingston and our fellow classmates will be remembered all our lives.

Four years ago, we expected high school to be incredibly overwhelming. Governor Livingston was bigger than any school we had been to before. There were more people and harder classes, yet, somehow, we were expected to balance it all, and we did. At first, graduation and the year 2000 seemed so far into the future. Little did we know how quickly these years would pass.

For some of us, high school was about winning state titles and county tournaments. For others, it might have been the thrill of singing and acting on stage in front of hundreds of people and learning the ins and outs of theater production. And still for others, it was an academic challenge of math league tests and science competitions.

For me, it was learning what it takes to produce a 400-page book, the pressure of meeting tight deadlines for two separate publications and trying to perfect the skill of how to balance schoolwork and sports with daily yearbook meetings that lasted through the night.

For the last four years, I have watched people and events through the eyes of a photographer. I have



seen many things from the planning stages to finish, as a participant as well as a journalist. All of this has made me realize just how much work goes on behind closed doors and the incredible amount of talent that goes unrecognized.

Most importantly, I have realized that everyone who participates deserves credit, as their roles, whether large or small, all contribute to the success of the final product.

Everyone learns valuable lessons in high school, both academic and personal. Whether you were involved in the school and your class or if you simply enjoyed spending time with friends, you learned something about yourself, what your limits are, and how to stretch them, who you can trust through the good times as well as the bad times, and with whom you can and cannot work.

One of the most important lessons I have learned is respect for those people who work for the benefit of others. There are people sitting here tonight who have dedicated countless hours to making sure that these last four years would be remembered whether it was by making posters, hosting a dance, a volleyball tournament or organizing fund-raisers.

I learned that to do what made me

happy, I had to give up much but all the while I was gaining more. High school taught me not to do things only because my friends were doing them. It taught me to follow my goals and that has helped me to realize what I want in my future.

Despite the amount of emphasis that is placed on getting into big name Ivy League schools, where you go next year, or what you decide to do is not the ultimate measure of your success in high school.

The ability to connect with people, to keep fighting despite adversity, to be happy with yourself no matter what people think of you, and not to settle for less than the best, are just some of the lessons we have been taught in the classroom, as well as in extracurriculars and on the athletic fields; it's all been part of being a Highlander.

It's hard to imagine that in September we won't be coming back here, we won't hear the familiar sound of bagpipes at the Saturday afternoon football games, we will spend no more late nights at hall decorating days or playing gym volleyball.

In some cases, we will be hundreds of miles from people who have always been just a bike away. Somehow, these four years have transformed us from kids to adults in the blink of an eye.

Yet, as we get ready to leave, we begin to reminisce and recreate lost friendships with those who have slowly slipped out of our lives. One of the most important results of growing up is recognizing the people that do come and go out of our lives.

Thank about all the people who have made you who you are today —

a teacher, your "best friend," your first crush, the people you played tag with on the playground, your parents, your teammates — these people have left footprints on our hearts and are what make these years the times to remember.

A statement in the 1975 issue of the Claymore read, "The rung of a ladder was not meant to rest upon, but only to hold a man's foot long enough to enable him to put the other somewhat higher."

Governor Livingston has held us long enough; it has provided us with the ability to reach somewhat higher, to go out into the world for the first time without the security of our friends and family.

I don't have any regrets about anything I did in high school; my only regrets are those things I haven't yet done. However, I know our experience at Governor Livingston has provided us with new rungs into the future where we will have the opportunity to follow our dreams and pursue our goals.

I don't know if I would do it all over again. But I do know that if I could, I wouldn't change anything. The experience I gained, the memories I made, and friendships I built are all irreplaceable.

To the Class of 2000, "every shared a season of our lives, but we season has to end." Good luck in all you choose to do.

Christine Sader was the Photographer and Visual's editor for *The Highlander*, the school newspaper. She will attend Bennington College in Vermont in the fall.

A witness to their dedication and growth

I would like to congratulate our seniors. This is a wonderful and very special night, the most important night of the school year. As principal, I am very proud of this senior class.

Since their entry as freshmen, they have always been a very academically motivated group and have maintained the standard of excellence at GL.

We have six National Merit finalists, 11 National Merit commended students, 19 Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars, one 2000 Presidential Scholar, 35 seniors received the President's Gold Award for outstanding academic achievement. Five seniors received the Presidential Silver Award for academic improvement and 40 seniors are National Honor Society members.



We have students who have won state and national competitions in mathematics and the sciences. We have students who have been recognized for their talent in the arts and the field of literature.

But, maybe more significantly, these seniors have expanded upon their scholarly dedication to encompass service to this school, to their

community and to the environment. They have demonstrated time and time again their maturity, sense of responsibility and commitment. So many of them have expressed how much this school and community has meant to them.

I have high hopes for these students because I have witnessed their dedication and growth, their strength of character and their goodness of heart.

I have also witnessed their playful, their genuine friendship toward each other and their fun-loving spirit.

This perhaps above all else will stand them in good stead in the challenging times that lie ahead in the new century, which is why I am so proud of each and everyone of them.

Tonight marks a milestone in the

lives of our students as it brings closure to their high school education.

Retain your wonderful positive spirit to accept new challenges as opportunities present themselves. Always look to the future and be receptive to new ideas. Never be afraid to try, for you are the future of our nation and there is no one better than you.

So now I bid a most fond farewell to the Class of 2000. I wish them success, happiness and all the good things that life has to offer.

Benjamin Jones is the principal of Governor Livingston High School.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gore's foreign experience is flouted

To the Editor:

I find it interesting that Gore supporters are flouting Gore's "foreign experience" over Bush.

Remember President George Bush's superior foreign experience over Bill Clinton? It didn't help that Bush was a real pro in foreign affairs against a neophyte Clinton.

It's laughable to hear Democrats say George W. Bush lacks foreign experience.

Joseph Chieppa
Mountainside

Inflation must be back with us again

To the Editor:

It is an amazing contrast to see how the Justice Department acts like such a lion with companies like Microsoft and Visa, but utters not a peep at oil compa-

nies of the oil industry and their look-alike prices.

And as regular gasoline reaches for \$2 per gallon in New Jersey, neither legislators in Trenton nor Washington care to take any action which might help consumers. If the price of energy is included in the Consumer Price Index, inflation must be back with us.

Items whose price increases rapidly mysteriously are excluded from the Consumer Price Index.

Frank Marchese
Mountainside

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GL's names Class of 2000 award winners

Editor's note: The following is a continued list of award winners from last week's edition:

Governor Livingston High School graduating seniors received awards and scholarships during a special program June 7 at the high school.
Lucent Technology Scholarship: Indrani Mondal.

Consumer and Family Services: Culinary Award — Karen Bocian; Consumer and Family Award: Kelly Cammarata.

National Art Honor Society Award: Jessica Schroeders.

National Art Honor Society Officers: President: Charlyn Simon, Vice President: Jessica Schroeders, Secretary: Anna Souvorov, and Treasurer: Andrea Oliver.

Art Department Award for Excellence: Anna Souvorov.

Morris Museum Juried Show: Esther Hwang, Andrea Oliver, and Anna Souvorov.

John Philip Sousa Award: Jonathan Wu.

Barrow Memorial Award: Jonathan Hamill.

Band Loyalty Award: Debra Fisher.

Band Front Loyalty Award: Charlyn Simon.

Forrest A. Bartlett Award: Jonathan Wu.

Highlander Band Awards: Sharon Cheong, Jessica De Angelis, Debra Fisher, Christine Forca, Allison Gualtieri, Jonathan Hamill, Dennis Hunchar, Anjali Ksivani, Sharif Ongchin, Daniel Perez, Allison Pjaja, Brian Rocklein, Christopher Vassil, and Jonathan Wu.

Highlander Band Front: Leah

Madan and Carolyn Simon.

New Jersey Region II Band: Tiffany Poon and Jonathan Wu.

New Jersey Region II Orchestra: Oliver Eng, Emily Porch, Yiwey Shieh, and Rebecca Williams.

All-State Band: Emily Porch.

All-State Orchestra: Emily Porch and Rebecca Williams.

John A. Plumer Scholarship — The Maplewood Men's Glee Club: Veronica Pasterczyk.

Union County Interscholastic Athletic Conference Scholar/Athlete —

Nominees: Tim Macantonio and Emilie Perri.

Mountain Valley Conference Scholar/Athlete — Nominees: Gina Turunello and Marc Cantagallo.

American Legion Boys State, Delegate: Mark Vivivsky. **Alternate:** Frank Cavallo.

American Legion Girls State, Delegate: Jessica Plund; **Alternate:** Faith Huber.

Girls' Career Institute of Douglas College, sponsored by Mountainside Women's Club: Delegate: Jenni Calabrese; **Alternate:** Susan McDonald.

Girls' Career Institute of Douglas College, sponsored by Mountainside Women's Club: Delegate: Emily Porch; **Alternate:** Lauren Beasley.

Student-of-the-Month: School Year 1999-2000: September, Devon Monahan; October, Madeleine West; November, Christine Souder; December, Tara Mondelli; January, Anjeni Ksivani; February, Justin Zimmerman; March, Marc Felezola; April, Sharif Ongchin; May, Joshua Zawistak; and June, Stephen Micheja.

OBITUARIES

Frank Gerardo

Frank Gerardo, 78, of Edison, formerly of Springfield, died June 21 in Wayne General Hospital.

Born in Newark, Mr. Gerardo lived in Springfield before moving to Edison seven years ago. He was a truck driver for the St. Johnsburry Co., Kearny, and retired in 1984. Mr. Gerardo served in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Olga; two sons, Donald and Frank Jr.; a sister, Nancy Malango, and four grandchildren.

Jennie Caruso

Jennie Caruso, 94, of Springfield died June 24 in the Manor Care Nursing Home, Mountainside.

Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Caruso lived in Newark for many years before moving to Springfield 23 years ago. She was a seamstress at various clothing manufacturers in the Newark area for 50 years and retired 27 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Marie Bellon and Phyllis Dudajek; a brother, James La Rossa; three sisters, Carmella Gratkowski, Agnes Kodadec and Theresa Izzi; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Doris D'Andrea

Doris D'Andrea, 73, of Springfield died June 22 in the home of her daughter, Anna Girandola.

Born in Springfield, Mrs. D'Andrea lived in Millburn for 33 years before moving to back to Springfield in 1977. She was a member of the Women's Guild of St. Stephen's Church, Millburn. In 1983, Mrs. D'Andrea ran and finished the New York Marathon. She also was a brown belt in karate with the Empty Hands Karate School and taught karate in the Millburn School District.

Also surviving are two other daughters, Jacqueline Pagnillo and Doris O'Steen; a son, Peter; 14 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Carol George Matko

Carol George Matko, 83, of Mountainside died June 23 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mr. Matko lived in Mountainside for 40 years. He was a chemical engineer and was employed as a plant manager of Reichhold Chemicals Co., Houston, Tex., and project engineer for Reichhold Chemicals of Elizabeth. He had been a member of the board of directors of Emerald Savings and Loan of Elizabeth and the City Federal Bank of Linden. Mr. Matko was a mason for 54 years. He was past worshipful master for Masonic Lodge 33 of Elizabeth, now Loyalty Lodge 33 of Union, where he was a 32nd degree mason. Mr. Matko also had been a member of the Knights Templar.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Anna; two daughters, Susan Matko Greenwood and Elizabeth Matko Stanton; a son, George John, and five grandchildren.

Frances Bressman

Frances Mintz Bressman, 92, of Aventura, Fla., formerly of Springfield, died June 24 in the Parkway Regional Center, North Miami.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Bressman lived in Springfield and Newark before moving to Aventura 10 years ago. She was the proprietor of Frances Bressman Lingerie Store in Newark for 20 years and retired in 1969. Mrs. Bressman was a past president and member of the Israeli Lighthouse for the Blind, South Orange, and was a member and former vice president of the City of Hope, Aventura.

Surviving are a son, Jerold A.; a grandchild, and two great-grandchildren.

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Congratulations, Governor Livingston High School Class of 2000



Members of the Class of 2000 sing their commencement song, 'Now and Forever,' at the June 19 graduation ceremonies on Governor Livingston High School's playing field.



Anxiously anticipating the moment they take the podium to speak are, from left, scholar speaker Allison Pieja, commencement speaker Kevin Riley, classmate Allison Gualtieri and commencement speaker Chrissy Souder. Hundreds of parents, relatives and friends witnessed the July 19 ceremony on the playing field at Governor Livingston High School.



Photo By Milton Mills

Governor Livingston High School's scholar speaker Allison Pieja delivers her commencement address. Pieja was credited with a perfect SAT score during her junior year.



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Governor Livingston High School graduates Lorielle DeRomo, left, and Jessica Kucinski arrive at the school parking lot on graduation day. Many students' cars were festooned with Class of 2000 regalia the evening of June 19.

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Michael Arminio
Sara Rachel Axelrod
Brian Bailey
Edward Richard Barrett
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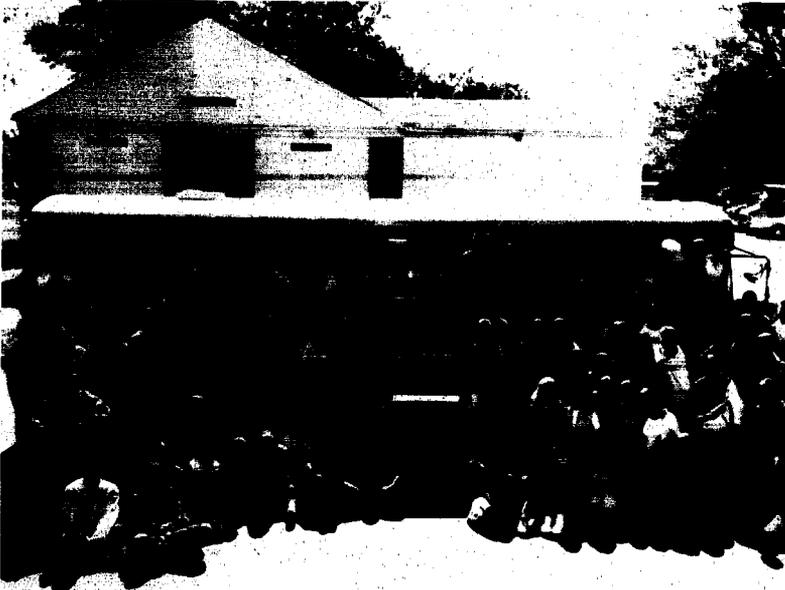
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The graduates of Jonathan Dayton High School's Class of 2000 pile in and around one of the yellow school buses that took most of them to and from school for the last 12 years. Graduation ceremonies took place at Meisel Field June 21.



Photo By Jeff Grant

Anxiously anticipating the start of their high school graduation, Jarrett Wilson hangs out against a wall inside the long hallways of Jonathan Dayton High School while Nathan Denner pages through a magazine.

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Photo By Jeff Grant

A group of Jonathan Dayton High School's graduating seniors pose for a photo prior to the start of their commencement ceremonies. On June 21, 121 members of the Class of 2000 received their diplomas.



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High school friends Nicole Davidman and Marci Schultz greet each other in an embrace in on graduation eve. Jonathan Dayton High School's parking lot was filled with decorated automobiles during graduation ceremonies June 21.

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EVENTS

Photo exhibit features local artist's eerie photos

A photography exhibit featuring recent photographs by Ross Wagner is on display at the Jacob Trapp Gallery of Summit's Unitarian Church Community House, 4 Walden Ave., through tomorrow.

In these black and white studies of land and its flora and fauna, nothing is quite as it seems. Familiar becomes foreign; foreign becomes exotic. Branches are figures dancing through a brambled forest; tidal pools suggest primitive biotopes, recalling a time when life struggled from the sea to inhabit land.

In other images, stones become celestial objects and otherwise ordinary scenes are transmogrified into a shadowy and eerie world.

The work of this Summit photographer is free of special darkroom effects or computer manipulation. Images are recorded on black and white film, full-frame by a 35mm camera, much in the way a photojournalist would record a quick-moving event.

The gallery is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For information or to arrange special viewing hours, call Wagner at 522-0020 or 522-1120.

Reeves-Reed will sponsor July Moonlight Madness

Spend a warm summer evening at Reeves-Reed Arboretum learning about things that go bump in the night and explore how you, too, can adapt to the dark. The arboretum will host Moonlight Madness July 21 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Adults and children can explore at their own pace and stop to learn more about the night sky, insects, woodland sounds, owls, rocks that glow, nocturnal reptiles and bats. The Weis Ecology Center will be bringing a live owl, and Bill Boesenberg will bring live reptiles.

Moonlight Munchies will be for sale and participants can bring a picnic dinner to enjoy from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. before the action starts.

The fee is \$15 per family for members of the arboretum and \$20 per family for non-members. Advance registration is requested by calling 273-8787.

Glenside Avenue to close

Glenside Avenue from Valley Road in Berkeley Heights to Balunool Road to Summit will be closed from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day until approximately July 5.

The work being performed will consist of resurfacing and restriping the roadway. Due to the nature of the

work involved and the amount of men and machinery required, partial or full closure of the road may be warranted in the area of work to optimize the safety of the work crews and mooring public alike. It is anticipated that the work will take approximately six days — excluding weekends — to complete, weather permitting.

A clearly marked detour route will be established and maintained by county forces. The road will be opened to traffic at the conclusion of each workday. Emergency vehicles will be allowed through at all times. Access to residences, including delivery and other services, will be allowed as much as possible. However, it is possible that during specific paving operations in the immediate vicinity, access will be temporarily denied.

The county recognizes the inconvenience that any road closure may cause and apologizes for any difficulties encountered. The county shall make every effort to expedite the work in order to open the road as soon as possible.

Should you have any specific traffic inquiries call the Traffic Bureau at (908) 789-3353 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. If you have any other type of questions regarding this project, contact our Engineering Bureau at (908) 789-3685 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. For

any emergencies that may arise, contact the Municipal Police Department.

Summer camp is moving

The Summit Recreation Department's Summer Camp program has been given a face lift.

This year, Summer Camp activities has been moved to the community pool. The facility offers a great picnic grove, basketball and volleyball, and a new playground. Best of all, participants will receive free swim lessons, and twice daily visits to the pool for a dip.

The Recreation Department is also offering pee-wee and junior golf lessons throughout the summer at the municipal golf course. After completion of these lessons, the youth will be allowed to play on the course during certain hours with an adult member. The classes are currently filled with a waiting list.

For more information regarding these programs or other offered, call the Summit Recreation Department 277-2952.

Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social - Thursday noon.

Entertainment - Friday noon.

Sports - Monday noon.

Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m.

Church's music director to conduct 1,500-voice choir

On July 9, JoAnne Teubner-Prussak, newly engaged director of music at the United Methodist Church of Summit, will direct a 1,500-voice choir in the Great Auditorium at Ocean Grove.

Teubner-Prussak leads both the chancel and bell children's choirs at Summit's United Methodist Church of Summit. She also directs the Mixolydian Brass Ensemble, which has toured Europe and the United States and most recently appeared on Easter Sunday at the United Methodist Church.

Teubner-Prussak joined the Summit Church staff in February, after serving the Vincent United Methodist Church in Nutley for 15 years. She received her undergraduate degree from Mannes College of Music and continued her studies at The Juilliard School of Music. She has appeared as a conductor on radio and television, and has also performed as a concert pianist and organist in the United States and Germany.

In addition to conducting at the 44th and 45th annual Choir Festivals in Ocean Grove, Teubner-Prussak has also performed as conductor and pianist at the German Heritage Festival at the PNC Bank Arts Festival in Holmdel. Last year, Teubner-Prussak appeared as music director at St. Patrick's Cathedral for a Festival Mass, with the late Cardinal O'Connor officiating.

A chartered bus will be departing for Ocean Grove from the United Methodist Church of Summit, 17 Kent Place Blvd., July 9 at 12:30 p.m. The bus will return to the church at 9 p.m. Seats may be held for a nominal fee.



JoAnne Teubner-Prussak

For further information, call the church office at 277-1700.

Youth Band Night is set for tomorrow night

Youth Band Night, a social musical evening for teenagers, will be tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. at Christ Church, 561 Springfield Ave. The event will feature seven local youth bands providing an evening of musical entertainment for the area's youth.

Christ Church launched the Youth Band Night Program last year with the objective of providing a safe location for teenagers to enjoy music and socialize. In an atmosphere of fun and festivity, teenagers from the area are welcome to come and enjoy the music of Penfold, Ex-number 5, Prevent Falls, Kid With Man Head, Pharmaceuticals, and Random Task.

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EVENTS

Mythology lecturer to speak at Borough Hall

Louis Markos will speak on Greek mythology at the Mountainside Borough Hall, Route 22 East at New Providence Road, Mountainside, July 8 at 2 p.m.

The lecture, sponsored by Springfield Library's Great Brooks Reading and Discussion Group, is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Come join us for a fast-paced, in-depth look at one of the most famous cities and families in the annals of Greek mythology titled "The Family That Slays Together: The Tragic House of Thebes." Watch with bated breath as the group explores the tragic lives of such mythical figures as Cadmus, Actaeon, Pentheus, Dionysus, Oedipus and Antigone, and uncover in their fates a recurring thread of civil war and uncontrolled passion. The talk will include a dramatic retelling of three of the greatest tragedies of western civilization: The Bacchae of

Euripides and the Oedipus and Antigone of Sophocles.

Markos is associate professor of English at Houston Baptist University in Houston, Tex., with degrees from Colgate University and the University of Michigan. Markos, whose grandparents all came from Greece, grew up in Mountainside and attended both Deerfield School and Jonathan Dayton Regional High School. His home church was Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Westfield.

Markos is a popular speaker in the Houston area where he has given speeches on Greek mythology, Homer and the Trojan War, the Victorian age, Dante's "Inferno," film noir, and many other topics. He is also one of the lecturers for The Teaching Company, which produces taped lecture series on various topics in philosophy, religion, literature, history and science.

Last fall, Markos produced a series on literary theory. And this fall, he will produce a series about C.S. Lewis.

Information on the Teaching Company may be found on their website at www.teachco.com or by calling (800) TEACH-12.

Summer reading program registration has begun

Registration has begun for the Mountainside Public Library's summer reading program. This year, the summer reading club's theme is "Book a Trip Through Time," highlighting reading through the millennium.

Call the library at (908) 233-0115 to register.

Mountainside PTA to host annual craft fair

The Parent Teacher Association of Mountainside will host its second annual craft fair Nov. 28 at the Deerfield School on Central Avenue in Mountainside.

For reservations, call Chris Wagner at 233-6774.

A traditional barbecue



Members of the Mountainside Newcomers Club enjoy an evening of food and fun together at the club's annual June barbecue. More than 80 borough residents attended the event.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Collins gets business degree from Fairfield

Matthew Collins of Mountainside graduated May 21 from Fairfield University in Connecticut.

A business management major, Collins plans a career in environmen-

tal business. He is the son of Edward and Diane Collins.

Keller achieves dean's list this spring at UVA

Scott Keller of Mountainside achieved the dean's list for the spring

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Squad issues some helmet safety tips

Now that Summer is here and school is out, the Summit First Aid Squad would like to remind all those who use bicycles, skateboards or inline skates of the importance of wearing a helmet.

At the start of the school year, the squad distributed its "That's Using Your Head" bike helmet safety deal, to all elementary school students.

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Signage prohibited in residential zones

The Division of Code Administration has reminded residents that temporary construction, renovation and repair signs are prohibited in single- and two-family zones. The prohibited signs are the ones identifying architects, engineers, contractors, builders, painters and other tradesmen engaged in construction, improvement, repair and refurbishing of residences.

In all other zones, only one temporary construction sign for each project is permitted. The maximum allowance size is 12 square feet. The ordinance regarding construction signs in residential areas has been in effect since 1994. Because of asbestos abatement that will be conducted at Summit High School this summer, all activities usually held at the school have been relocated to Summit Middle School, 272 Morris Avenue. Summit High School will be reopened sometime after August 1, when employees will return to the building.

NEWS CLIPS

The following high school activities and offices will be relocated to Summit Middle School:
 • Academic Summer School;
 • Administration Offices will be relocated to the Special Education Offices on the second floor of the Middle School;
 • The Guidance Department will be relocated to the Board Meeting Room on the first floor of the middle school;
 • The Athletic Office will be relocated to the Communications Office, which is on the first-floor on the middle school.
 All high school phone extensions will remain the same including the FAX number. All calls will automatically transfer to temporary extensions.

Permits expire tomorrow
 The 545 quarterly parking permits for Summit's five overnight parking lots expire tomorrow. The permits can be purchased for passenger vehicles of residents only and commercial vehicles of residents or non-residents who have businesses in Summit. Overnight parking is prohibited on all streets and in all lots within the city limits, except for the following lots: Bank Street, Maple Street, Park and Shop No. 3, De Forest and Summit Avenues; Park and Shop No. 4, ground level of garage at Springfield and Woodland Avenues; and Sampson at Summit Middle School. Overnight parking of commercial vehicles is restricted to Park and Shop No. 4. Permits can be purchased at the City Clerk's Office on the second floor of City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave. If one is paying by mail, one must not send cash. Checks should be made payable to City of Summit, and accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope. It was announced that in order to avoid a parking ticket, be sure that the new permit is in place by 2 a.m. July 1. For more information, call the City Clerk's Office at (908) 273-6400.

Summer hours to begin for city offices Wed.

Summer office hours will begin Wednesday for Summit city employees. The summer schedule will end Labor Day. The City Clerk's Office, finance, administration, health, housing, recreation and community services, public works, code administration, engineering, planning, zoning, and building permits will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays. The municipal court and violations bureau will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, and from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays. "The summer hour schedule began in 1992. It reflects the public's use of our offices on summer Friday afternoons," said Reagan Burkholder, city administrator. "By rearranging hours and closing earlier on Fridays, we are able to give our employees a longer weekend and still provide the same high level of service to our customers."

Board to appoint new district athletic director

At its July 20 meeting, the Summit Board of Education will appoint Michael Sandor as Athletic Director and Supervisor of Health and Physical Education for the Summit Public Schools. Sandor will begin his position with Summit on Wednesday. Sandor was selected for the position by an advisory committee that worked with Superintendent of Schools Michael Knowlton. Sandor is a graduate of Sevon Hall University and has a master's degree in Educational Administration from Kean University. He comes to Summit with 15 years of teaching experience and coaching experience in wrestling, gymnastics, and track and field.

Government offices will close to observe holiday

All government offices and the public library will be closed Monday and Tuesday. Parking meter and lot restrictions will be in effect Monday. It was announced that Tuesday is a "meter holiday," and no permits are required for either city or SDI parking lots. Garbage will be collected as usual. The disposal areas on New Providence Avenue will be open from 7:30

First Night committee seeks local volunteers

First Night Summit, after a successful millennium celebration this past December, is ready to start anew for this New Year's Eve. The Planning Committee, which is still in formation, has met to begin strategizing new ideas and plans for this year's event, Summit's eighth First Night celebration. Interested persons are invited to call First Night Summit at 522-1722

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Four of the best



Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction

Four of the top high school varsity baseball players in Union County this year included, from left, Mark Cantagallo, Hank Hansen, Brian Berger and Eric Cantagallo. The Cantagallo twins and Hansen starred for Governor Livingston, which finished 18-12 and reached the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 final for the third consecutive season. Berger sparked Dayton to a 12-10 record and an appearance in the North 2, Group 1 playoffs. The four were members of this year's North 2 All-Star squad and participated in the annual NJSSIAA contests held at Princeton University June 17-19. North 2 defeated South Jersey 7-6 in 10 innings in one of the contests. North 1 defeated Central Jersey in the championship game.

Summit's Scott Schroeder lifts Georgetown lacrosse

Mountainside's Collins has solid season

Scott Schroeder of Summit helped lead the Georgetown Hoyas men's lacrosse team to a 12-3 record this past spring season. A 1998 graduate of Summit High School, Schroeder started all 15 games in goal for the Hoyas, including two in the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Tournament where the team advanced as far as the quarterfinals.

The Georgetown squad included another local player, defenseman Pat Collins of Mountainside. A 1999 graduate of Delbarton, Collins was an All-State player his senior year. He saw action in 14 games for the Hoyas this past spring, gobbling up 13 ground balls on defense.

Georgetown fell to the top seed and eventual national champion Syracuse Orangemen 17-15 in the quarterfinals at Rutgers University.

The Orangemen went on to beat the Princeton Tigers 13-7 in the final after turning away the Johns Hopkins Blue Jays in the semis 14-12. In the other semifinal, Princeton upset the defending champion Virginia Cavaliers 12-11.

During the regular season, Syracuse defeated Georgetown 24-16.

Georgetown headed into the tournament 11-2 and ranked in the top five nationally. In the first round, the Hoyas beat eighth-seeded Cornell 14-12 at Hobart College in Geneva, N.Y.

Schroeder finished the year with 178 saves, while allowing 155 goals, good for a .535 save percentage and a 10.88 goals against average in 15 games. He was also credited with 48 ground balls.

For the season, Schroeder compiled 855 minutes of playing time. For his career, Schroeder, who completed his sophomore year, boasts a .529 save percentage and an 11.12 GA average.

The Hoyas opened the season by

reeling off six consecutive wins before losing to Duke 13-12. Duke was ranked ninth in the nation at the time.

After the loss to the Blue Devils, Georgetown put together another six-game winning streak.

The lax squad finished with a 6-0 mark in the Eastern Collegiate Ath-

letic Conference, which features teams such as Rutgers and Penn State. The Hoyas were unbeaten at home at 7-0 and were 6-2 on the road.

Schroeder and Collins come from two of the top boys' lacrosse programs in the state. Delbarton won this year's NJSSIAA Tournament and Summit finished 17-2.

A number of changes among North 2 schools

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

There were a number of changes regarding schools in North Jersey, Section 2 for the 2000-2001 school season.

In Group 4, the only change was Morristown moving back up to Group 4 after a stint in Group 3.

Mendham and Jefferson both moved up to Group 3 after long stints as Group 2 schools.

Boonton moved back up to Group 2 and North 13th St. Tech (Newark), North Warren and Newark Tech moved up to Group 2.

The only school in the section that dropped in school size was Newark Central, dropping to Group 1 status.

Summit and Governor Livingston are among the 18 schools in Group 2 and Dayton is among the 18 in Group 1.

Governor Livingston's enrollment for 2000-2001 is 552; Summit's 523 and Dayton's 340.

Here's a look at where all the schools in North Jersey, Section 2 are situated for the 2000-2001 school season:

Group 4 (19): Barringer, Belleville, Bloomfield, Columbia, Newark East Side, Elizabeth, Irvington, Linden, Livingston, Montclair, Morris Knolls, Morrisrison, Phillipsburg, Plainfield, Randolph, Roxbury, Union, West Orange, Westfield.

Group 3 (19): Cranford, East Orange, Hackensack, Jefferson, Millburn, Morris Hills, Mount Olive, Nutley, Orange, Parsippany, Parsippany Hills, Raritan, Scotch Plains, Clifford Scott, Shabazz, Warren Hills, West Morris, Mendham, Newark West Side.

Group 2 (18): Boonton, Caldwell, Chatham, Roselle, Dover, North 13th St. Tech, Essex Vo-Tech, Governor Livingston, Hanover Park, Hillside, Johnson, Montville, North Warren, Pequannock, Summit, Newark Tech, Weequahic, West Essex.

Group 1 (18): Newark Arts, Belvidere, Brasarley, Butler, Cedar Grove, Newark Central, Dayton, Bloomfield Tech, Glen Ridge, Kinnelon, Madison, Mountain Lakes, New Providence, Roselle Park, Newark Science, Newark University, Verona, Whippany Park.

Springfield Minutemen has 2 traveling baseball teams

National and American squads formed

The Springfield Minutemen baseball program held two tryouts this month for its ages 11-12 squad. The coaches were thrilled to have as many as 29 youngsters attend. Due to overwhelming interest in this traveling summer baseball league, for the first time in recent memory there is not one, but rather two teams.

The National team is coached by John O'Reilly, who is ably assisted by Scott Steinman, Drew Stern-Charles and Michael Suarez.

Here's a look at the National team: Paul Belliveau, Jeffrey Feder, Joseph Furnaguera, Zach Goldberg, Randy Hering, Teddy Hopkins, Ryan O'Reilly, Evan Ring, Ryan Sabinsky, Brandon Stern-Charles, David Steinman, Kenneth Suarez, Stephen Suarez.

Northern Glacier SOBE, a well-known beverage manufacturer located in Hillside, is the team's sponsor.

The American team is skippered by Doug Gincel and his assistants include Neil Dworkin and Jimmy Guarino.

Here's a look at the American team: Jason Capra, Eric Dworkin, Brandon Gincel, Elliot Grossman, Jimmy Guarino, Adam Hirst, Chris Kurlitz, John Mannarino, Adam Moss, Sagar Patel, Joseph Parullo, David Sauerhoff, Kyle Setley, Doug Singer.

Prior to the start of the season, the National League played two scrimmages games. The first was played on June 16 against Livingston.

After eight innings, Springfield came away with a 14-8 victory. Highlights for the Minutemen included a two-run double belted by Greg Stefanelli with two out in the bottom of the second.

Joseph Furnaguera and Ryan Sabinsky reached on singles with two outs in the bottom of the third and then Kennerly's squeeze bunt doubled that brought both of the home. Stephen Suarez, who singled in the second, connected

on a double to drive in a run in the third. With Suarez moving to third on a stolen base, David Steinman sacrificed to bring Suarez home.

Jeff Feder drove in Paul Belliveau and Ryan Sabinsky with a double in the bottom of the fifth after Belliveau doubled and Sabinsky singled.

Joseph Furnaguera drove in Feder and then Teddy "The Moose" Hopkins brought home Furnaguera with a single. The Minutemen fell to New Providence 4-3 on Father's Day. Furnaguera, Steinman and O'Reilly drove in runs.

On June 23, Springfield topped Scotch Plains 11-7 at Roessner Field. Brandon Stern-Charles struck out tow batters in 10 of the fifth.

The National team was scheduled to play at Maplewood Monday and at Caldwell yesterday.

Upcoming games at Elizabeth, 8:00; Saturday Westfield at Roessner, noon; Monday, Union American at Roessner, 6:00; Wednesday, West Orange at Roessner, 6:00; Friday, June 7 at Verona, 8:00; Monday, July 10 at Millburn at Roessner, 6:00; Wednesday, July 12 Livingston at Roessner, 6:00; Friday, July 14 at South Orange, 6:00; Monday, July 17 Cranford at Roessner, 6:00; Friday, July 19 Livingston PAL at Roessner, 6:00; Friday, July 21 at Roseland, 6:00

The league playoffs will start on July 26 and continue through July 31. The top 10 teams qualify.

In the first round, 7 plays 10 and 8 plays 9. In the second round it's 2 vs. 7, etc.

Springfield is also fielding two other Minutemen baseball teams.

The Pony League team is coached by John Kronert and Michael Sklar and is comprised of youngsters ages 12-14. An ages 9-10 squad will be coached by Robert Butler.

Springfield Giants capture Suburban B championship

Baseball team defeats Summit in title game

Brian Stitt went 4-for-4 and drove in six runs to spark the Springfield Giants baseball team to a come-from-behind 13-7 win over the Summit Lions to win the Suburban League Senior Division B championship.

After trailing early, Springfield rallied by scoring four runs in the bottom of the fifth to tie the game. Springfield then scored six runs in the sixth to put the game away. David Tarullo and Scott Cerloff had two hits each and Mike Tissi and Anthony DeNicolo connected on singles. Jesse Fischbein started the contest and pitched five innings. David Sklar pitched the final two innings and did not allow a hit as he won for the second time in the playoffs.

Defensive standouts included Jared Weiss, Patrick Cirrelli and Cory Berger. A running catch in deep center field late in the game by Berger saved at least two runs and changed the momentum of the contest.

The Giants defeated the Springfield Twins 6-5 in the semifinals. Sklar and Fischbein both pitched well, with Fischbein allowing no runs in the final four innings. Jeremy Marx pitched well for the Twins and also banded out two hits.

Sklar had two hits and DeNicolo and Berger also hit safely for the Giants. Michael Kronert, Michael Mannarino, Matt Farley and Matt Wasserman hit safely for the

Twins. Sklar and Brian Stitt made an excellent defensive play in the top of the seventh to preserve the Giant victory.

The ages 13-14 Springfield Minutemen traveling baseball team began its season last week with three games. Contests will be played on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights at Ruby Field. The team will once again be sponsored by Cluff's Deli & Pizza on 762 Mountain Ave. in Springfield. Cluff's has sponsored a summer team for the past five years.

Returning from last year's playoff team is outfielder David Sklar. Also on the team are catchers Brian Stitt and Steven Tetamanni, infielders Louis Puopolo, Patrick Cirrelli, Mike Tissi, Rauli Furnaguera, Michael Kronert, Justin Molinari and Joe Rodriguez and outfielders David Tarullo, Cory Berger, Michael Mannarino, Scott Cerloff and Jeremy Marx.

On June 18 an All-Star Game was held at Wilson Field in Summit as players from Summit, Berkeley Heights and Springfield participated.

Springfield's representatives were Anthony DeNicolo, Brian Stitt, David Sklar, Michael Kronert, Louis Puopolo and Steven Tetamanni.

Union Senior Softball play heating up

The following are Union County Senior Softball League results and standings of games played through June 16: Mangel's Reactors 26, Haven Savings Bank 4; Jerry Halpenny had four hits and Henry Barnea, Al Daddio, John Wheatley, Mike Denel and Tom Dick three each for Mangel's. Daddio blasted a home run and Wheatley banded out two triples.

L.A. Law 9, Haven Savings Bank 8; Joe LaPiazza blasted two home runs and drove in five runs and Ron Cerina drove in the winning run with a triple in the bottom of the eighth.

Comcast Cablevision 19, Union Center National Bank 5; Comcast banded out 27 hits as it improved to 11-0. Matt Spanier had four hits and five RBI, one of his hits a home run.

Bob Canales had four hits and Frank D'Amato, Fred DiMartino and Brian Williams connected on three each. L.A. Law 29, El Giardino Restaurant 4; Jerry Massone, Bob Grant, Joe LaPiazza, Ron Cerina, Tony Orlando, Jake Wood, Don Auer, Bob Oxner, Fred Zimmer and Lou Vespasiano had multiple-hit games for L.A. Law.

Pioneer Transport 6, Haven Savings Bank 3; Dom Deo, George Louthier, Bob Canales and Ralph DeVacchio had two hits each for Pioneer.

Antones Pub & Grill 10, Bottoms Up 7; John Lyy had three hits and Bob Lieberman made some excellent defensive plays from his pitching position to spark Antones to their ninth straight win.

The following are results of games played through June 9:

Comcast Cablevision 14, Bottoms Up 4; Comcast banded out 25 hits in winning its league-leading 10th consecutive contest.

Bob Canales, Fred DiMartino, Ron Virgilio and Brian Williams led the way with three hits each.

Comcast Cablevision 16, Crest Refrigeration 9; Comcast streaked to their ninth consecutive victory with a seven-run win over Crest Refrigeration.

Bob Canales banded out four hits, Bill Reichle had three

hits, one of them a home run, and five RBI; Frank D'Amato blasted a home run among his three hits and Matt Spanier had three hits and three RBI to pace Comcast Cablevision.

Antones Pub & Grill 29, Rehoboc 5; Antones won its eighth consecutive game behind the hitting of Joe Tarulli, Steve Panila, Jim Rush, Bob Matten, Terry Franklin and Bob Nardelli.

Faula blasted a home run among his three hits, Ruth belted a home run among his two and Matten, Franklin and Nardelli connected on three hits each.

Marion Jacobson Roofing 14, The Office 1; Jim Donnelly banded out three hits and Dennis Kosowicz, Jerry Halpenny and Tom McNulty had two each for The Office.

The Office 12, Crest Refrigeration 7; The Office broke its seven-game losing streak by posting an impressive five-run triumph.

Tom McNulty and Armand Salvati had three hits each, while Chip Weiss, Jerry Halpenny, Dennis Kosowicz, Howard Smith, Ralph Eisenberger and Teo Fernandez had two each.

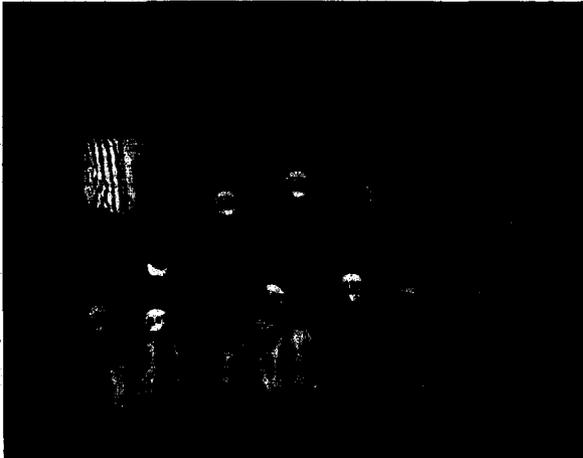
Weiss and Salvati both belted triples among their outstanding plate performances.

L.A. Law 11, Pioneer Transport 6; Jerry Massone, Bob Grant, Ron Cerina, Ron Zimmer and Bob Oxner had multiple-hit games for L.A. Law in its five-run victory.

50 Plus Division 1; Comcast Cablevision (11-0), Antones Pub & Grill (9-0), Nilson Detective Agency (7-2), Union Center National Bank (4-6), Bottoms Up (4-0).

50 Plus Division 2; Marion Jacobson Roofing (6-5), Legg Mason (5-4), The Office (1-8), Crest Refrigeration (1-9), Rehoboc (0-8).

60 Plus Division; Mangel's Reactors (5-0), L.A. Law (5-2), Pioneer Transport (4-2), El Giardino Restaurant (1-5), Haven Savings Bank (0-5).



The Springfield Giants baseball team captured the Suburban League Senior Division B Championship by downing the Summit Lions 13-7 in the championship game. Springfield players include Brian Stitt, David Tarullo, Scott Cerloff, Mike Tissi, Anthony DeNicolo, Jesse Fischbein, David Sklar, Jared Weiss, Patrick Cirrelli, Cory Berger and Jeremy Marx.

