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## Wooring and crooning

Cranford Mayor Phil Morin was moving quickly Saturday evening carrying a table over his head for the new arrivals to the town's first senior social. An estimated crowd of 125 spent the evening at Cranford's newly-constructed community center having a light dinner plus listening to a five-piece band.

Working in the kitchen, one of the senior leaders, Helen Robertelli, praised the group of community volunteers for coming up with the innovative idea of funding the event. Wearing a tuxedo, Morin split his time serving as traffic director, conferring with some fellow Republicans working in the kitchen, and getting ready for later on in the evening when he would actually croon the guests with the Sinatra songs.

## Left Out

By Frank Capoce

The wooring of seniors takes on a special importance in our county where the group comprises 17 percent of the population and an even larger chunk of the voting block. It's Politics 101 that seniors speak up, they vote and they matter.

Freeholder Deborah Scanlon can reel off the county's Senior Focus initiatives including a \$3-million funding program targeted to senior aid for those over 65. The Senior Scholars program allows for those who 60 or over to attend classes free of charge at the county college.

But this year with a national focus there seems to be a more clear cut, almost black and white, to this group's issues. Susan McManus authored the book "Targeting Senior Voters," "This year the so-called target focus is on Medicare and prescription drugs. A recent *Bergen Record* poll provided something less than a news flash that 88 percent of seniors believe prescription benefits should be covered by Medicare.

The idea of raising the eligibility of Medicare from 65 to 67 also was opposed by 67 percent. As seniors live longer, extension of eligibility years and increased financing for care giving come to the front of the issues line. The subjects aren't too painful in a good economy. But my fear is that generational warfare may be no farther away than the next recession.

But I think we make a mistake by just looking at statistics or voting blocks. As an example, Congressman Robert Menendez spoke Sunday morning in Montclair about the problem of the "sandwich" generation having aging parents and also children to worry about. His personal experience of an aging, ill parent, plus college tuition bills to worry about, his home with clarity and pain. This problem is not only numbers, it's

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## Parties battle for three seats

By Mark Hrywna

Republicans will be hoping Tuesday to do what they haven't been able to do in six years: win a countywide election. The party chose two of the three candidates who lost last year, Wally Shackell of Cranford and Al Dill of Summit, who are joined by Esther Guzman-Malcolm of Roselle, along with Eric Urbano of Scotch Plains for county clerk. Guzman-Malcolm unsuccessfully ran for sheriff in 1998.

The GOP will be facing a team of freeholder incumbents who ousted the last Republicans to hold seats on the Board of Chosen Freeholders. Democrats Alexander Mirabella of Roselle Park, Chester Holmes of Rahway and Deborah Scanlon of Union are all

seeking a second term and are running with County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi of Union. Rajoppi was elected clerk in 1995 after the office was merged with the county Register of Deeds and Mortgages, a title she held for 12 years.

Mirabella, Holmes and Scanlon first were elected in 1997, beating Republican incumbents at the time, Frank Lehr of Summit, Henry Kurz of Roselle Park and Ed Force of Cranford.

Republicans this year have been hammering away at several issues including a proposed trash transfer station in Linden that would accept New York City garbage on barges and prepare them for rail transportation. The freeholder candidates also have taken the Democrats to task over the

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2000 county budget. Specifically, they criticized the board's use of \$26 million of the county's \$36-million surplus and increasing the county's debt to \$250 million.

Incumbents have touted their record of initiatives the last several years, particularly regarding education and senior citizens, in addition to improvements in infrastructure and economic development.



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## Mudslinging will come to an end on Tuesday

By Mark Hrywna

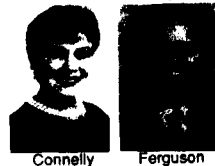
One of the nastiest campaigns in the country will come to an end one way or another on Tuesday. Maryanne Connelly of Fanwood and Mike Ferguson of Warren have been attacking one another on TV, radio and in campaign literature for months in their attempts to succeed Bob Franks as the representative for the 7th Congressional District.

Both candidates unsuccessfully ran for Congress in 1998. Connelly lost to Franks and Ferguson lost to Frank Pallone in the 6th District Congressional District.

This week Ferguson's campaign announced it would file a Federal Election Commission complaint against the Connelly campaign for allegedly illegally coordinating "soft money" attack ads with EMILY'S List, a Washington D.C. special interest group. The state Democratic Committee filed complaints of its own Monday alleging Ferguson exceeded the \$1,000 contribution limit when his father, millionaire Thomas Ferguson of Spring Lake, funneled money into his personal account which was then transferred to campaign coffers.

The Connelly campaign has been busy welcoming national leaders to local rallies for the campaign. Vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro and EMILY'S List President Ellen Malcolm, along with Elizabeth Volz, president of the National Organization for Women, New Jersey chapter, and Laurie Lowenstein, president of Jersey Right to Choose, attended "Rally for Choice," at Connelly's campaign headquarters in Union Township last week. Connelly also had a rally sponsored by the Congressional Black Caucus at the Plainfield Public Library and the Rose of Sharon Church Oct. 22.

Connelly has received the endorsement of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, the National Council for Senior Citizens, the League of Conservation Voters, New Jersey Environmental Federation, the Sierra Club, State Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Associa-



Connelly Ferguson

tion, the Consumer Federation of America, and the American Nurses Association.

Ferguson was endorsed by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce last week.

Both candidates have earned the endorsements of Handgun Control Inc., Cascafire New Jersey and the Union County Chapter of the Million Mom March.

Also running in the 7th-District Congressional race are Green Party candidate Jerry Coleman of Lawrenceville, a former Rahway City Councilman; Libertarian Darren Young of Summit; Natural Law Party candidate Mary T. Johnson of Westfield, and New Jersey Conservative Party candidate Shawn Giannella of Union.

The 7th Congressional District includes most of Union County, which represents half of the district's registered voters, in addition to parts of Essex, Somerset and Middlesex counties.

U.S. Senate

The next U.S. Senator from New Jersey will undoubtedly have ties to Union County. Republican Bob Franks is a resident of Berkeley Heights, attended Summit High School, and has represented the 7th Congressional District since 1992. Democrat Jon Corzine, a former chairman of Goldman Sachs, is a resident of Summit.

In addition to Corzine and Franks, Union County boasts two other candidates for the U.S. Senate — Reform Party candidate Pat DiNizio of Scotch Plains, the leader singer of the rock band The Smithereens, and Independent Dennis Breen of Summit. Other

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## A drug-free message

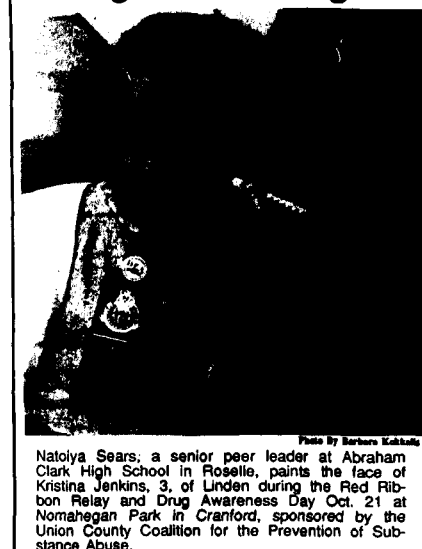


Photo by Barbara Kabbala

Natalya Sears, a senior peer leader at Abraham Clark High School in Roselle, paints the face of Kristina Jenkins, 3, of Linden during the Red Ribbon Relay and Drug Awareness Day Oct. 21 at Nomahegan Park in Cranford, sponsored by the Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse.

## Two questions on the ballot

By Anthony Puglisi and Mark Hrywna

Dedicating state funds to maintain and improve roadways and transportation systems in New Jersey and greater disclosure of information regarding people who have committed a sex offense are the topics of two state referendum questions on Tuesday's ballot. Union County also will propose a public question regarding an Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

In addition to voting for the next president and senator, voters will be asked how they want their tax dollars spent in the future and whether, most likely, the names of sex offenders should be posted on the Internet.

State Question No. 1

This constitutional amendment dedicates certain tax revenues for funding the construction and repair of the state transportation system. Among the revenues to be dedicated are:

- The minimum amount dedicated from gas tax revenues would be \$100 million in the year it is approved and \$200 million each year after.
- The minimum amount would be \$80 million for the year after the amendment is approved, \$140 million for the next year and \$200 million for each year after that.

The revenue dedicated from this amendment would be in addition to the 9-cent state tax on gas already charged to consumers.

The amendment has gained support from the Raritan Valley Coalition, the State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Association of Counties, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority and the Keep New Jersey Moving coalition.

The board of trustees of the NJTPA passed a resolution Oct. 16 urging voters to support the referendum and vote yes. The measure would constitutionally dedicate up to \$400 million a year in existing and future revenue from the state sales tax on petroleum products, as well as a third of the state tax on automobiles, to construction and repair of the state's transportation

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## Million Mom March chapter meets Nov. 11

The Union County Chapter of the Million Mom March is seeking new members to join in the effort to educate and advocate for safer communities by reducing the toll of gun violence in society, particularly amongst youth. They are calling for strict oversight of the gun industry, such as consumer product safety standards, and limits on handgun access and use.

The organization's primary policy goal is to establish a nationwide system of gun licensing and registration. In addition, a youth-led comprehensive gun trauma prevention program will be established and the local group will aid in a new national effort to provide resources to victims of gun violence.

The first meeting for chapter members will take place Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. in Westfield. Contact MIMUnionNJ@aol.com or call Julia at (908) 389-1970 for information and an application for membership. Officers will be elected and an agenda will be set for upcoming events/activities. Working committees need volunteers yet participation on a working committee is not required for membership.

Chapter membership is \$20 for individuals, \$40 for families, and \$10 for youth and seniors. Victims/survivors are given special consideration.

If you were not available to join the historic Mother's Day March but would like to contribute your voice to the cause consider membership in the local chapter.

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# State questions on ballot

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 system. It does not call for any new taxes to be levied.

"We need to have a dedicated revenue stream for transportation projects," said Froehlicher Chairman Daniel Sullivan, Union County's representative to the NJTPA. He said Union County has a lot of projects, whether on the road or rails, that need funding.

The NJTPA is the metropolitan planning organization for 13 northern New Jersey counties, including Union. It establishes the region's eligibility to receive federal tax dollars for federal transportation projects.

Keep New Jersey Moving is a statewide campaign made of local and county governments, businesses, labor unions and consumer advocates. Thomas Bracken, chairman of the campaign, said approval of Question No. 3 will preserve, enhance and improve the transportation system that is critical to the local economy, will ensure existing roads are repaired and upgraded before new projects are started, and use funds to fight congestion, make roads and bridges safer, and improve bus and train service.

The United Taxpayers of New Jersey, led by state chairman Sam Perelli, opposes the question.

"We're naming this the Florio-Whitman gas tax," Perelli said. "Former governor Jim Florio passed this tax in 1990 and Gov. Whitman kept it in effect rather than repealing it."

Perelli said the tax has created more than \$2 billion in revenue in the last 10 years. "The state legislature would never admit it even existed because it didn't show as a tax on local gas stations," he said. "They could have repaired and built so many projects with this \$2 billion windfall. Instead, they squandered the money on their pet projects."

He said the state does not need any more taxes to fund the transportation trust.

## Public Question No. 2

This question would allow the Legislature to enact laws regarding the disclosure and dissemination of information regarding people who have committed sex offenses. Although the question does not specifically state the Internet will be used, it does state "the scope, manner and format of the disclosure of such information shall be determined by" the law.

According to current laws, sex offenders are placed into three categories. Tier 1 offenders are considered to be a low risk to commit another crime. Tier 2 are considered a moderate risk and Tier 3 offenders are high risk.

Public disclosure of information regarding sex offenders is different for each tier: Tier 1, only the local police department is notified; Tier 2, in addition to the police, schools, day care and registered community organizations are notified; Tier 3, all previous groups are notified as well as door-to-door notification within 1,000 feet of the sex offender's home.

Maureen O'Brien, an assistant prosecutor who is supervisor of the Released Offenders Unit in the Union County Prosecutor's Office, said the question only allows the Legislature to amend the state Constitution. If the referendum should pass, it is then up to lawmakers to create an amendment.

There are about 7,000 total sex offenders in New Jersey classified in all three tiers, about 359 in Union County as of last month. O'Brien said the county total does not include those still serving sentences who have registered but not yet been released. The law requires sex offenders to register 90 days before their release.

Most sex offenders in New Jersey are classified in tiers 1 and 2. The same goes for Union County where about 0.5 percent of all sex offenders are classified as Tier 3.

## Balancing act of kids, parents

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 about the family we care about.

Author McManus predicts that the crest of the Baby Boomers know hitting 56 means that after health, affordable housing, and transit, needs are waiting in the wings to take their place on the stage of senior issue concern.

Moran hopes the Cranford center will serve as a weekend place for

seniors and family members to enjoy friendship, light meals and if you will a sense of community. Moran's three songs that evening were "Summer Wind," "Young at Heart" and "High Hopes." With a slight grin he conceded that there might be a subliminal message there.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

## Candidates for Congress set

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 candidates for U.S. Senate are Princeton resident Bruce Afran of the Green Party; Gregory Pason of Rockaway, Socialist Party USA; Libertarian Emerson Elliott of Cranford; Wanaque resident Lorraine LaNeve of the New Jersey Conservative Party; Trenton resident J.M. Carter, running on the Trust in God line; Nancy Rosenstock of Newark, the Socialist Workers Party, and George Gostigan of Toms River running on the God Bless Jersey line.

In the last U.S. Senate race, Congressman Bob Torricelli, D-Bergen, defeated Congressman Dick Zimmer, R-Mercer, for Bill Bradley's seat in 1996. That year, Torricelli carried Union County with 98,656 votes to Zimmer's 69,458.

During the last presidential election, in 1996, President Bill Clinton easily outpaced U.S. Sen. Bob Dole with 107,327 votes to the senator's 65,636 in Union County. Independent candidate Ross Perot collected 12,365

votes that year, as 190,225 registered voters cast ballots out of 264,480 total registered voters in the county.

## Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news; Church, club and social - Thursday noon.  
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## Chapter elects officers

The Health Occupations Students of America Chapter based at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools has elected the following officers for the coming year: Quiana Monroe of Westfield, president; Ana Llorio of Linden, vice president; Jennifer Rhodes of Plainfield, secretary/treasurer; and Lauren Maricco of Summit, member-at-large.

Donna Powers is instructor of the UCVT's Health Occupations Program and also serves as advisor to the HOSA chapter.

Among chapter plans for the year ahead are participation in the 90-seventh annual blood drive and attendance at the Northern New Jersey HOSA competitions in January.

HOSA is a national student organization that seeks to integrate classroom instructional experiences into "real-life" experiences. It assists students with formulation of career-related skills by sponsoring regional, state and national conferences and competitive events.

Full details about Health Occupations and all the other programs at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools can be obtained by calling (908) 889-2907. The UCVT's Scotch Plains Campus is located at 1776 Raritan Road.

## Clerk's office open Saturday for absentees

The Union County Clerk's Office will be open Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to service voters who are seeking absentee ballot applications due to last minute changes in plans or an inability to vote at the polls at the General Election on Tuesday.

Mail-in applications legally cannot be accepted if they are postmarked after Oct. 31. Walk-in applications are accepted up to 3 p.m. on Monday.

The clerk's office has processed more than 8,000 absentee ballot applications to date for the General Election and that number will exceed 10,000 by Election Day. Residents without absentee ballots can apply at

the Union County Clerk's Office located in Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad St., Room 113, Elizabeth, Monday through Friday for 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## JLEP hosts meeting

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield is looking for ambitious women interested in joining their organization's upcoming provisional class. The league will be hosting another meeting for prospective members on Saturday. The JLEP offers opportunities for personal and professional enrichment through various projects to improve the community.

Additionally, a variety of social events are hosted throughout the year for members and their families. New members interested in volunteering their time and talents are preparing to embark upon their provisional year of training and orientation that culminates in a community project entirely developed and executed by the provisional class. Anyone interested in joining or in need for more information should call Carolyn Miller at (908) 233-0770.

Headquartered in Cranford, the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield is an organization of women committed to improving their communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Membership is open to all area women over 21 regardless of race or creed.

## 'Everything Leather' sale

The Volunteer Guild of Rumlins Specialized Hospital of Union County will sponsor an "Everything Leather" vendor sale from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Nov. 9 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the facility, 40 Wauchung Way, Berkeley Heights.

The sale will feature leather designer handbags, wallets, belts, briefcases and jackets, all at 50 percent off suggested retail price.

The public is invited to attend vendor sales year-round, free. All the income the Volunteer Guild receives from the vendor sales is used to

purchase items for the residents and patients of the hospital. The guild also sponsors a Christmas party/gift distribution and a summer picnic each year, in cooperation with the Berkeley Heights Lions Club.

The Volunteer Guild and the Office of Volunteer Services are interested in recruiting new volunteers. Flexible hours and a variety of opportunities exist with resident contact, as well as performing other tasks.

For more information call the Office of Volunteer Services at (908) 771-5847.

## Families invited to meet DARE officers

The Union County DARE Officers Association and the Township of Union Police Department invite all Union County families to attend "Meet Your DARE Officer" on Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the New Jersey National Guard Armory, 550 Rahway Ave., Westfield.

Students and parents are invited to join DARE officers from across Union County for a night of music and fun. The event, which is free, will give families an opportunity to meet DARE officers from throughout the county, and see a variety of police cars and award-winning DARE and specialty vehicles. All children will receive free hot dogs and soda. The highlight of the evening will be a live interactive concert featuring entertainer Lori Michaels.

"This is a great opportunity for an evening of family fun," said Union County DARE Officers Association President Frank Marrero. "We have excellent entertainment, and an opportunity for kids, families and DARE officers to get to know each other and just have fun."

The DARE program is taught in most of Union County's schools at the fifth or sixth grade level. The program helps students develop ways to resist peer pressure that might cause experimentation with drugs and alcohol. For further information, contact your local police department's DARE

officer or call the Union Police DARE at (908) 851-5252.

## Blood drives scheduled

The Blood Center of New Jersey will conduct the following blood drives:

- Friday, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union.
- Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Knights of Columbus 5437, 37-43 South Ave., Garwood.
- Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church, 425 Union Ave., Elizabeth.
- Nov. 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 111 South St., New Providence.
- Nov. 12, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 1034 Jeanette Ave., Union.
- Nov. 13, 4 to 8 p.m., Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Park Avenue and Randolph Road, Plainfield.

For more information call (800) BLOODNJ.

Donors should know their Social Security number and bring a signed or picture form of identification. People with a fever or sore throat should wait 72 hours after symptoms disappear before donating, and there is a 24-hour deferral for teeth cleanings and fillings. For those who have traveled outside the United States recently, call the blood center for eligibility criteria.

## National Alzheimer's Disease Month

Union County will observe National Alzheimer's Disease Month during an November with a special presentation today at 10 a.m. at Rumlins Specialized Hospital, 40 Wauchung Way, Berkeley Heights, entitled "Understanding and Effectively Managing Behavior Problems," given by Elizabeth Michich Otero.

The program is free and a continental breakfast will be served. RSVP Rumlins' Social Work Services Department at (908) 771-5835.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Artist brings love of history to exhibit opening Saturday

In his first professional solo exhibit, "Provence to Plainfield," young artist Timothy W. Jahn reveals his fascination with ancient stonework and architecture in France through his atmospheric oil paintings, on view Saturday through Nov. 28 at Swain Galleries in Plainfield.

Additional landscapes in the show contrast the built and the natural environments of his native New Jersey. Born in Teaneck, he resides in Piscataway.

At age 26, Jahn already has garnered credits that include his fine arts degree from the duCret School of Art in Plainfield, further professional education in NYC at the National Academy of Fine Art and Design and a full merit scholarship to the Art Students League and in 1999 a grant-awarded travel and study program at the Lacoste School of the Arts in Lacoste, Provence, France.

Moreover, his work has received widespread recognition. In New York, he participated in the Salamanca Club Annual Open Juried Exhibition and the Art Students League's Award Winners Exhibition at Lincoln Center. In New Jersey, he received the top prize at the 1997 duCret Annual Fine Art Show, the award of excellence at the Mountain Art Show, Bernardsville, and was welcomed to the Emerging Artists

Invitational at the Nabisco Gallery in East Hanover.

Jahn described the profound effect of timeless stonework in France that filled him with awe and inspired his artistic vision: "There is something about age-worn stone. Like a tree, it tells the history of a place but in a spiritual way."

More definitely, he added, "I could see and even feel the results of different layers of time. One period of time is built upon another and, to me, it appears that a building is falling apart backwards — that is, the newer sections are not holding up as well as the old."

His latest work in New Jersey likewise expresses ages passing. Describing his painting, "I & J Buildings" in New Brunswick, he said, "It was a question of light at a certain point, the weathered arches of the bridge over the Raritan River, the imposing moods of water and sky, the classical brick building positioned near a contemporary tower — all those contrasts are played against each other."

He was further drawn to interpret a castle previously owned by a Johnson brother who had it shipped to Piscataway piece by piece from England. In a depiction of pure nature, Jahn dramatizes the essence of a storm's aftermath on Long Beach Island.

Among his other area paintings,

Jahn will mount his view of the Cloisters in upper Manhattan.

Jahn enumerated the artists who most influenced him including Sirgent, Corot, Turner, Chase, Eakins, Constable, Whistler and Rembrandt.

Jahn's "Provence to Plainfield" exhibit opens with a reception Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. and continues Nov. 5, the first Sunday Swain's will be open for the holidays, from noon to 4 p.m. Regular gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Swain Galleries, 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For further inquiries, call (908) 756-1707.

### Timothy W. Jahn: Artist Statement

My landscape paintings are about my reaction to a place and the way I feel about a particular moment. I strive to combine that moment and

feeling and stretch them across time. Life is rarely one thing at a time; instead, it is layer upon layer and the new often stands within the old.

France had a profound effect on me as a young artist. I saw light playing on ancient stonework and sensed spirituality. As I painted the columned entrance to a stone castle much older than my own country, I felt an incredible amount of trepidation and awe. Here was greatness forgotten and aging, yet its stones and aura remain beautiful and sensuous, even warm.

This merging of the ethereal and solid reality, of past and contemporary, is what I embrace in my work. I am drawn toward expressing quiet beauty, subtlety and that unsettled stillness that occurs after a summer storm when everything is muted, but reviving.



'Age of Innocence,' a 40-by-28-inch oil painting on linen, is among the works by New Jersey artist Timothy W. Jahn on exhibit at the Swain Galleries in Plainfield through Nov. 28.

## Russell heads to Union 'Y'

Comedian Joey Russell will entertain at the YM-YWHA of Union County Cabaret Series Nov. 12 at 2 p.m. at 501 Green Lane, Union.

Myra Friedman, Cabaret Series coordinator, has announced that the series is in its ninth season, and "we will continue to bring star quality entertainment to the public."

Russell will provide classical jokes and current situations. He has served as emcee in a variety of shows throughout the years. He does "one-nighters" at more than 200 shows a year, and he features Jewish-American ethnic humor. Russell has entertained synagogues, chapters of B'nai B'rith, Hadassah groups, Bar Mitzvah celebrations, Sunday morning brotherhood breakfasts from Wilmington to Baltimore to Union.

Friedman has announced that there will be a nightclub setting Nov. 12, and after the show, the public can meet the star.

This is the second in a series of cabaret performances. Hal Jeffreys will appear March 25 and the series will conclude with Ruth Kaye April 22. The series is made possible in part by the New Jersey Council of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Additional information and reservations can be obtained by calling Friedman at (908) 289-8112.

## Saloff is a 'revelation' in show at the Manor

By Dea Smith

Staff Writer

For those who remember the beautiful songs that came out of the 1940s movies, a visit Thursday evening, Oct. 26, to Le Dome up at The Manor in West Orange, to witness the talented Spider Saloff bring them back to life was indeed a treat.

And for those in the audience too young to remember the music of the 1940s silver screen, it was a revelation. The singer, bubbly and cheerful, who has won so many awards, gave her all on her return engagement at Le Dome in a program called "Film Songs from the '40s." And the audience returned its enchantment with all that applause.

Of course, that was the icing on the cake. The evening began with a dinner fit for kings in the Terrace Lounge dining room, when Sammy Odeh, the maitre d', elegantly guided my companion and me to an elegant table for an exceptionally elegant Cabaret Soiree dinner. The other head waiter, Sam, politely saw to our every need, and while the executive chef, Jochen Voss' delicacy was offered, an outrageously delicious pumpkin with lobster in lobster sauce with butter crunchies, the most marvelous music was provided by Marcel Arolot, who was pinch-hitting for the regular pianist, Bobby Richards.

With the first course, a great-tasting sliced grilled portobello mushroom with bearnaise sauce for me and a

sumptuous carpaccio of beef tenderloin with mustard vinaigrette, marinated tomato and shaved porcino, for my companion, "Laura's Theme" filled the room. A melting rendition of "You Belong to My Heart" accompanied a perfect salad of mixed baby greens in Italian vinaigrette. And while we reeled with enchantment to the music of "Spanish Eyes," and a variety of tangos, the waiter was serving the third course: an excellently prepared domestic lamb chops with cabbage strudel, braised shank meat with melted fontina cheese and herb sauce for me, and a marvelous broiled sea bass with sage pesto, accompanied by pine nut and thyme bread muffin, broccoli puree in balsamic jus for my companion.

"Autumn Leaves" and the theme from "The Godfather" were next, and while we digested our sumptuous dinner, and waited for the fine Manor coffee and incredibly delicious mocha parfait with almond cake and grape ragout with grappa, plus petit fours, the pianist, donning a phantom mask, played "Music of the Night." "An Affair to Remember" was followed by "Rhapsody in Blue," "The theme from "Love Story" and "Besa Me Mucho."

One can certainly find some exacer-

ated and digestion by climbing the winding stairs up to Le Dome. Suddenly, the intimate night club patrons grew quiet when Saloff bounced out on stage, wearing a fantastic gold

jacket over light gold pants and sexy heels, to the music of her great accompanist, pianist Tony Monte, music director of the New York Emmy Awards shows and the New York Festival Awards shows, and Scott Lee, an equally talented musician, at the bass.

It wasn't because "my mother is here; my family is here," that Saloff gave one of her finest performances, but it was probably because she is so talented and has such a deep feeling for the music of the 1940s. "Great songs have come out of great movies," said the red-haired entertainer in an introduction, and proceeded to give her emotional version of "My Foolish Heart," in which the red-haired Susan Hayward starred.

Saloff stirred the emotions of everyone in the audience with her renditions of "You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To," a little Cole Porter, and then a "medley of two songs, one of which won the Academy Award for Best Song in 1940 introduced by a cricket. "When You Wish Upon A Star" in "Pinocchio," and the other, from the film noir, "Casbah." That song, "It Was Written in the Stars," written by Johnny Mercer, happened to be one of this reviewer's favorite songs, which had been sung by Tony Martin to Marta Toron in the movie that came out in 1948. Saloff truly brought back wonderful memories.

We were favored with more music by Johnny Mercer and Harold Arlen, "That Old Black Magic," and while

Saloff took a break, her two musicians offered a "reconstruction of 'Laura,' from the haunting movie of the same name." It certainly was a reconstruction we'd never heard it played quite that way before.

Suddenly, a hat boasting fruits of all kinds sat on Saloff's head as she wiggled her way into "Brazil" a la Carmen Miranda. She sang it in Spanish, yet. "This a major salute to the great Carmen Miranda," she exclaimed. She sang "At Last" for her newly-married nephew and niece; there were other gems, and then she sang the famous "As Time Goes By" from "Casablanca."

The audience, in appreciation of her fine talent, brought her back to sing "No, They Can't Take That Away From Me," from "The Barkleys of Broadway."

Let's face it. They can't take Spider Saloff too far away from The Manor. The applause alone at The Manor should bring her back for another "Magic Moment."

Bill Van Sant, Editor

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The cast of 'What I Did Last Summer.' A.R. Gurney's comedy about coming of age during World War II, pauses during a recent rehearsal. Standing are, from left, Joe Discher, Dana Gareghy and Oscar Castillo; seated are Nancy Heins-Glaser, Daairah Talley and Lisa Alford.

## UCC Theater Project takes a look at 'Last Summer'

From Nov. 9 to 19, Union County College's award-winning Theater Project will present A.R. Gurney's play, "What I Did Last Summer."

Directed by Mark Spina, the play will feature Lisa Alford, Oscar Castillo, Joe Discher, Dana Gareghy, Nancy Heins-Glaser and Daairah Talley. It will be held in the Roy Smith The-

ater on the college's Cranford campus. Ticket reservations are recommended. The production will run Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and will have one matinee performance, which is scheduled for Nov. 19 at 3 p.m.

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# Carnival Productions opens 6th season with Williams drama

After five seasons in the Downtown Railway Arts District during which it garnered 38 theater award nominations and nine wins — Carnival Productions of Rahway will open its sixth season this weekend with "Suddenly Last Summer," Tennessee Williams' hauntingly powerful study of insanity in the Garden District of New Orleans. The show runs to Nov. 11.

and firefighter Kevin M. Brady Jr. Brady, a regular performer with Linden's Mystic Vision Players and the winner of a 2000 Perry Award for his performance in MYP's "Gypsy," is making his Carnival debut.

Rounding out the cast are Jean Kur as of Glen Ridge as Mrs. Holly, Catharine's mother torn between

maternal instinct and materialism. John Marinko of Roselle Park as Catharine's avaricious brother, George. Laura MacGregor of Warren as Sister Felicity, Catharine's chaperone from the sanitarium, and Judy England of Linden as Violet's down-trodden dogebody, Miss Foxhill. While MacGregor is making her

first appearance on the Carnival stage. Rahway audiences have seen England, Kur, and Marinko in "Murder at the Vicarage," "The Fantasticks," "The Nerd," and "Dangerous Currier." Marinko was honored with the 1997 T.E.A.M. Award for his performance in "The Fantasticks." The show is directed and produced

by lifelong Rahway resident Bill Van Sant. The arts and entertainment editor for *Worral Community Newspapers*, Van Sant is also a Carnival co-founder and the company's artistic director as well as Cinquanta's husband of 10 years. He has directed all but four Carnival presentations since the company's founding, winning the 1996 A.C.T. Award for his direction of "The Lion in Winter," which was also named Best Play, an honor which went to producer Cinquanta.

The design team is headed by company Technical Director Richard J. Sillen of Rahway. Sets and costumes are designed by Sillen's wife, Nancy Jean McBride, while Van Sant oversees lighting design. Cinquanta and

Marinko will re-team to design sound; the pair won the 1998 *Worral Community Newspaper's* T.E.A.M. Award for their sound design on Carnival's "A Shyness Model."

"Suddenly Last Summer" will be presented Friday and Saturday, and Nov. 10 and 11 at 8:30 p.m.; Sunday at 2:30 p.m., and Nov. 9 at 8 p.m. Tickets for show-only are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for students and senior citizens. Meal and show packages range from \$25 to \$30, depending on the performance. For information, call (732) 388-0647 or send e-mail to [cpickets@aol.com](mailto:cpickets@aol.com)

"Suddenly Last Summer" is produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service Inc.

## Portrait of the president



Kean University President Ronald L. Applbaum, left, is presented with a hair-embroidered portrait of himself by visiting artist Wei Jingxian, a professor at Wenzhou Teachers' College in China. Jingxian's artwork was recently on display at Kean, during which time the artist taught a series of continuing education classes and delivered lectures about Chinese art and culture.

"Suddenly Last Summer" will be performed at El Bodegon Restaurant, 169 W. Main St. in Rahway, the company's home since 1995.

Starring in the taut drama is Rahway resident Wendy Cinquanta as Catharine Holly, a young woman whose sanity is in question after having witnessed the horrific death of her cousin one year prior. Carnival's co-founder and general manager, Cinquanta has served as producer and sound designer for nearly every company presentation since 1989, and has been seen in the company's productions of "The Lion in Winter," "Bell, Book and Candle," "The Nerd," "A Voice of My Own," and the company's three musical revues.

Sharing the stage with Cinquanta is former Carnival leading lady Janet Aspinwall, who will portray Violet Venable, a fading New Orleans society matron bent on putting an end to her niece's account of what happened to her son. Her prior Rahway appearances were in "The Lion in Winter" and "All My Sons."

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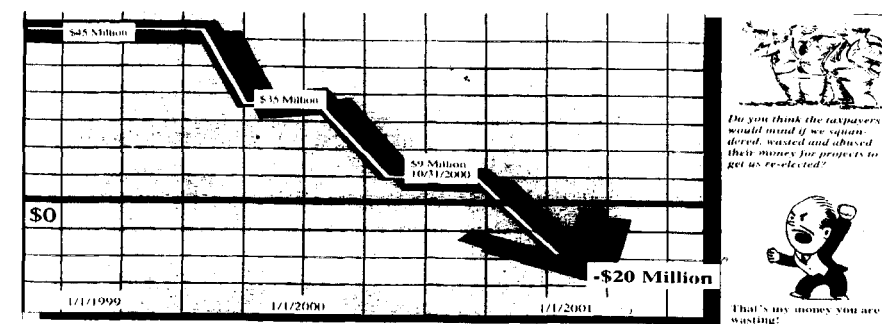
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## Guild welcomes Gospel Shepherds

The Arts Guild of Rahway will present the final concert in its "Millennium Music Series" with a special presentation of gospel music by the Gospel Shepherds Friday at 8 p.m. All seats are \$15, which is payable at the door. Seating is limited and reservations are strongly recommended for this performance. Reservations can be made by calling the Arts Guild at (732) 381-7511.

A contribution from sale of tickets for this show will be made to the Rahway Community Action Committee for its Building Fund. The RAC, located on East Hazelwood Avenue in Rahway, runs many key social programs in town such as youth job training and children's daycare for working families. The purchase of a ticket for this show will provide support for the many worthwhile activities of the Action Committee.

The Gospel Shepherds have been performing together for three years at events all over the area. Members include

Thomas Hovitage, vocals, George "Newy" Roberts, vocals and guitar, Richard "Donnie" Tyus, vocals, Eugene Whitten, drums, Keith Roberts, bass, and Gary Bailey, percussion.

According to Guild Director Lawrence Cappiello, "These are young men who at one time ran the streets, many performed in up and coming rock bands but they felt a void within themselves. They saw they were not living right, which led each to a renewal of faith. Their renewal became a mission to sing the praises of the Lord that they do with bright clean voices."

The Arts Guild of Rahway is located at 1670 Irving St. at the corner of Seminary Avenue. For information and reservations, call (732) 381-7511. Advance purchase of tickets is available at the Rahway Community Action Committee, East Hazelwood Avenue, Rahway, at (732) 381-9311.



Guest pianist Daniel Epstein will join Lyrica's director, Mariel Bossert, in presenting four-hand works for piano in the upcoming Lyrica Chamber Music Concert Nov. 12 at the Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township and St. Peter's Church of Mountain Lakes.

## Artist's work reflects history of oppression

From Nov. 10 through Dec. 14, the Tomasulo Gallery located in the Kenneth Mackay Library on the Cranford Campus of Union County College, will be host to artist Miriam Beerman's show, "Documents."

The exhibition will contain one large painting titled "Oxwocim," which is the Polish name for Auschwitz, as well as a combination of written transcriptions of the diaries and letters found at the Lodz ghetto in Poland. Beerman explained her works have reflected the history of that time and the history of oppression in general.

In addition, the exhibition will display 10 framed dry point prints from a portfolio titled, "Faces," printed in February of this year, and made as the result of a grant at the Womens Studio Workshop. This addition of 10 portfolios with nine prints in each, are based on a piece of the notebooks of "Malte Laurids Brigge" by Rainer Maria Rilke. Also in the exhibition will be two sets of recent drawings which reflect a new development in her work and one, very large and complex collage.

Beerman is no stranger to the art world. With more than five decades of

work behind her, Beerman's art is continually evolving in new pieces daily. Through the decades, her works have carried one major theme, the theme of pain — physical and emotional — her own and the world's. Many of her paintings are done in dark colors reflecting the idea of the victimization of animals and people, the horrors of the Holocaust, and the alienation of modern life.

Beerman graduated in 1945 from the Rhode Island School of Design with her bachelor or fine arts degree. She then moved to New York City and studied under Yasuo Kuniyoshi at the Arts Students League before entering the New School for Social Research where she learned the art of woodblock printing from Adja Yunkers. During a two-year Fulbright grant, she studied with Stanley William Hayter at Atelier 17 in Paris.

She was the first woman to have a solo exhibit in the Brooklyn Museum back in 1971 and since that time has had more than a dozen solo shows. She is also the only person to date who has received two grants to participate in the Rutgers Center for Innovative Printmaking in New Brunswick. She also has works on display in

more than two dozen public collections from coast to coast — for example, in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; the Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn; the Jewish Museum, New York; the Queens Museum, Flushing Meadow, Queens; the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; the Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; the Bergen Museum, Bergen; the Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, R.I.; the Newark Public Library, Newark; the Ossabau Island Project, Georgia; the Squibb Building, Minneapolis, Minn.; the University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore.; and the Virginia Center for Creative Arts, Sweet Briar, Va.

The Tomasulo Gallery exhibit will debut Nov. 10 with an opening reception from 7 to 9 p.m. The gallery is located on the first floor of the Mackay Library on the campus of Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and Saturdays. Evening hours are from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays. For more information, call the Tomasulo Gallery at (908) 709-7155.

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## Malamut exhibit begins Saturday

The next exhibit at the Les Malamut Gallery in Union will be "A Brush With Antiquity" by Marjorie McConnell of Fanwood. The show will open Saturday with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. at the gallery in the Union Public Library, 1980 Morris Ave. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 13. McConnell is well known for her weavings on nature themes. The sale of many of her tapestries benefit numerous conservation groups. Along with her weavings, which have been exhibited in past juried shows at the gallery, she will include painting and sand drawings. She has also exhibited in the Fanwood Library, the Scotch Plains Library and the New Canaan Library. She studied at the St. Louis Washington University School of Art, School of Art in Chicago and at Columbia Teacher's College. McConnell is a retired high school art teacher.

## UCC Theater Project tells stories Friday

Following the success of its debut in October, on Friday from 7 to 8 p.m. in The Commons, the award-winning Union County College Theater Project will again present a "Storytime" for children and their parents. It will be a fun-filled hour of children's stories being read by the anim-

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- Union High School, all classes, will take part in a reunion beginning with luncheon Feb. 3, 2001 in Kissimmee, Fla. For information, contact Jack Jordan, class of '36 at (516) 966-8585 or john881@webtv.net; John or Ellie Trube, class of '45, at (609) 698-3621 or johndrube@aol.com; Dick Walter, class of '48, at (561) 395-3274 or dick1150@aol.com; or Tom Ryan, class of '51, at (561) 483-7494 or tarjer@aol.com.
- Union High School Class of 1991 will conduct its 10th reunion April 21, 2001. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1966 will conduct its 35th reunion May 5, 2001 at the Woodbridge Hilton. For information, call (908) 964-5477 or send e-mail to jwsjp@aol.com.
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- Linden High School Class of 1990 is seeking class members for an upcoming 10th reunion. Members of this class are asked to send name, address and phone number to Linden High School, Class of 1990, P.O. Box 1990, Linden, NJ 07036, or send e-mail to lht1990-re@yahoo.com.

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Osteoporosis is the most common disease affecting the bones, predominantly in women. Thirty percent of women older than 35 years old have the disease. Normal bone can be described as resembling Swiss cheese with fine holes. With osteoporosis, the amount of bone decreases, and the holes enlarge. In severe cases, the bone appears to be made of more air than substance. The weakened bone is highly susceptible to fractures including painful and debilitating compression fractures in the spine that lead to loss of height and stooped posture.

Despite its devastating effects, osteoporosis is a preventable disease. Diet rich in calcium, regular exercise, and the avoidance of smoking and alcohol are key factors. Early screening is also a critical part of prevention and treatment.

Getting screened for osteoporosis at the Healthy Avenues Van is a quick, simple procedure. It starts with a questionnaire designed to assess if the person is at risk for osteoporosis. The risk factors include being a Caucasian or of Asian descent; having a slender build; a family history of osteoporosis; early menopause; smoking and drinking; not getting enough calcium; not exercising enough; and a loss of height or change in posture. Suffering a bone fracture for little or no apparent reason is also a possible signal of risk.

Once completed, the staff at the van goes over each item in the questionnaire with the person. People who appear to be at risk for osteoporosis are then invited to use the bone density sonometer.

Sitting in a comfortable chair, the person need only remove a shoe and a sock. Gel is spread on the foot, which is then placed in a small box-like device similar to a foot massage machine. It takes about 10 seconds for the machine to detect signs of bone loss in the person's heel. Since the heel bone is similar in composition to the spinal column, it is a good indicator of possible bone loss in other areas of the body.

If the sonometer does indicate signs of bone loss, the person is encouraged to take the results of the screening and share them with their own physician. The physician will then determine whether a full diagnostic test is needed.

"For most people who come to the Healthy Avenues Van, the results of the screening are not a shock," remarks Passen. "They come to us because they've already seen some of the risk factors in themselves, or their doctor has recommended a screening. Our role is to encourage them to take the next step and do something about it, because there is a lot you can do."

The next step is to measure bone loss in other areas of the body. Like the screening, it is a simple procedure. At Overlook Hospital's Bone Densitometry Center, it takes about 15 minutes from start to finish. The patient remains in street clothes and lies on a padded table with a cushion under the knees to keep the spine flat. An arm attached to the table contains an X-ray scanner. The arm moves over the patient in a matter of seconds. The information is collected by a computer, which measures the amount of X-rays getting through the bone. The fewer X-rays passing through, the healthier the bone.

Once the physician receives the test results, the patient can be counseled on the most effective therapy. Typically, the measures include taking calcium supplements along with medications that allow the bone to rebuild. Exercise is recommended primarily to improve a patient's overall fitness, which helps avoid fractures caused by falling or dizziness. Exercise also helps strengthen the bone. The physician may also discuss ways to accident-proof the home.

A follow-up visit to review the

patient's progress is usually recommended in a year or two. "It's a very slow process to rebuild bone," explains Dr. Louis J. Perl, a radiologist in the Special Procedures and Interventional Radiology Unit at Overlook. "You have to stay with the therapy and be very patient."

One especially important task of the Healthy Avenues Van is to help people overcome barriers to seeing a doctor for further diagnosis. Staff on the van is able to make referrals to help with questions about transportation, insurance, and other concerns that people may have when entering unfamiliar medical territory.

The Healthy Avenues Van has been visiting senior groups, schools and many other community organizations throughout the area since 1996. It was the first comprehensive mobile screening and health education unit to operate in New Jersey. It begins its mission by offering screening for

diabetes, cholesterol, blood pressure, and other risk factors for stroke and heart disease. So far, the van has screened more than 20,000 people.

The bone density sonometer, purchased with a grant from the New Jersey Healthcare Foundation, was added to the van last month. So far it has been used to screen more than 160 people, many of whom were alerted to possible signs of bone loss for the first time, and were referred to their physicians for follow-up.

The Healthy Avenues Van is available to conduct health education and screening programs for all community groups, of all ages. To arrange for a visit, contact the Healthy Avenues Van at Overlook Hospital (908) 522-5355.

To get up-to-date information from a specialist, the public is invited to attend "Boning Up on Osteoporosis," a free lecture by Robert Rosenberg, M.D. at Overlook Hospital Wednes-

day at 9 p.m. Dr. Rosenberg will discuss the latest news on the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of osteoporosis.

The lecture, co-sponsored by Hologic and Merck Pharmaceuticals, will take place in the Wallace Auditorium, off the main lobby. Registration for the event is recommended but not required.

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## The Wound Healing Center at Trinitas Hospital



After being diagnosed with diabetes in 1969, I know to watch for infections. But I didn't realize how quickly a lesion the size of a pin could turn into a life-threatening situation. I had already lost a bone in my foot. And, virtually overnight, I developed an infection that turned into gangrene and cellulitis. I couldn't even get out of a wheelchair. I was told I would have to lose two toes.

Then a physician at the Wound Healing Center encouraged me to begin treatment. The results were nothing short of a miracle. My husband and I took our first vacation in seven years. And I can even run around after my grandchildren. I really owe them my life.

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Palliative care is treatment which enhances the quality of life of individuals by providing pain in patients who are not responsive to curative treatment. Pain management has long been at the heart of hospice work, because it recognizes that when pain is under control, patients and family members are better able to focus on issues of emotional importance when facing life-ending stresses.

The Center for Hope Hospice has developed a program in which the community can live out the last days of their lives with dignity. Now, with the incorporation of "palliative care" into the name, the center can address the needs of those individuals before the last six months of life, which is an accepted time line in hospice care.

"This is a natural extension of the mission of hospice and allows us to partner earlier with patients and their families during one of their most difficult journeys," Peggy Coloney, hospice president and co-founder said.

"Hospice caregivers witness more healing, less isolation and even laughter in the shared intimate moments of the dying than people can ever imagine," Coloney said. "The privilege of being present during the most important phase of someone's life is a truly special gift."

In addition to caring for hospice patients, the Center for Hope over the years has expanded its programs to help others suffering from old age, illness or disabilities. In 1997, The Coloney Hudson Adult Day Center was established in Plain Orchard Towers in Linden, where functionally impaired adults are offered an individualized plan of therapeutic activities and services designed to enhance their abilities and later independence.

In 1998, a senior outreach program was developed. The Center for Hope now serves nineteen senior housing units throughout Union County. The purpose of the outreach programs is to assist the housing unit staff in providing informational and educational services to help residents, physically and socially stimulated. Nurses from the center regularly visit senior housing units to check blood pressure, monitor blood sugar and instruct residents on proper administration of their medications.

Moving into the new millennium, the Center for Hope will continue to reach out to those in need, regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, age, sex, disability or source of payment. To learn more about the Center for Hope, or to become a hospice volunteer, call Diane Coloney at (908) 587-2137.

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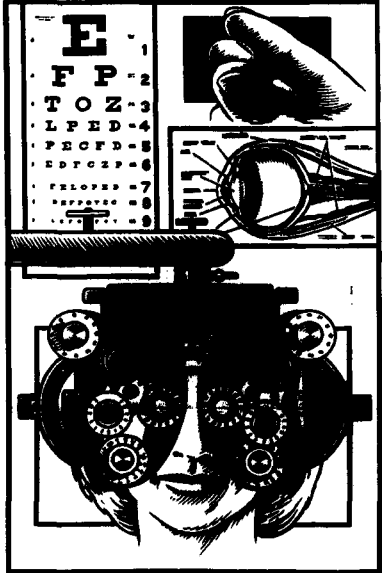
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## Adding air can decrease appetite

By Allison Ashton  
Copley News Service  
Puff Piece

Want to feel satisfied with fewer calories? Pump up the volume.

A study from Penn State shows that servings puffed up with air are more satisfying than small, packed-down portions with an equal calorie count.

"We're not suggesting you try to fill up on lots of airy foods," says Dr. Barbara Rolls of Penn State's College of Health and Human Development and co-author of the best-selling diet book "Volumeetrics." "You might get a stomach ache and would probably burp a lot! But this study does show that you can trick your senses into believing you have eaten more food by pumping up the size of the portion with air."

Rolls invited 28 lean men to her laboratory to eat breakfast, lunch and dinner once a week for four weeks. A half-hour before lunch, they sipped one of three strawberry smoothies. All smoothies contained the same ingredients, but researchers whipped them up in a blender for different lengths of time so the drinks filled half, three-quarters or a full glass. The bigger the smoothie the men drank, the less they ate at lunch. After consuming the full-glass smoothie, they ate about 100 calories less at lunch than when they drank the smallest — even though both drinks contained identical ingredients and calories.

If you want to cut back on calories, Rolls suggests low-density foods that have a high air or water content in relation to calories. For example, instead of a 100-calorie, quarter-cup serving of raisins, snack on a 100-calorie, two-cup serving of grapes. Whipped blender drinks and air-popped popcorn — without butter, of course — are other options.

**Sniff Test**  
A simple test may help doctors sniff out which patients with minor cognitive impairment will actually develop Alzheimer's disease. A new study by the National Institute on Aging and the National Institute of Mental Health finds that older people who have mild memory or cognitive problems, who also have difficulty identifying familiar odors, face higher risk of having Alzheimer's.

Ninety patients with an average age of 67 took part in a 15-minute scratch-and-sniff test. Participants sniffed 40 distinct scents, such as peanuts,

menthol and snap. Of the 30 people who scored well on the test, none developed Alzheimer's during a 20-month follow-up period. But 19 of 47 patients who had difficulty identifying the odors went on to develop Alzheimer's. Moreover, 16 of those 19 claimed to have a good sense of smell at the time of test.

Researchers say that the inability to recognize scents, combined with a patient's lack of awareness that olfactory senses are faulty, might be a helpful predictor of oncoming Alzheimer's disease.

### Kids' Diets

In a recent study, teenagers fed a strict macrobiotic diet during infancy and early childhood showed signs of impaired cognitive functioning. Similar to a vegan diet, a macrobiotic diet avoids animal products — except for small amounts of fish — and is nearly devoid of vitamin B12. The kids in this study, published in *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, followed a macrobiotic diet for an average of six years before switching to a vegetarian diet including eggs and/or dairy products, or an omnivorous diet.

Researchers found that teens who were macrobiotic as young children and were deficient in vitamin B12 scored significantly lower than other teens on tests to measure intelligence, spatial ability and short-term memory. In particular, there was a link between B12 deficiency and poor performance on fluid intelligence, involving reasoning, the ability to solve complex problems, abstract thinking and learning ability.

Poor diet in early childhood may

also increase a kid's risk of developing asthma and allergies, according to a new study from the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. Researchers focused on Saudi Arabian children in urban and rural communities. A hundred kids with symptoms of asthma and allergies were compared to 200 of their nonasthmatic peers. Diets low in vegetables, milk, vitamin E and other minerals were linked to a higher risk of asthma, and kids whose diets were low in vegetables and vitamin E were as much as three times more likely to develop the disease.

### Scoter Safety

It seems like every kid from the streets of New York to the suburbs of San Diego is zooming around on a sleek, lightweight, aluminum scooter. As many as 5 million scooters will be sold this year.

Since the groovy, New Millennium version of the 1950s favorite first turned up on American sidewalks earlier this year, emergency-room visits for scooter-related injuries have soared. The Consumer Product Safety Commission reports that injuries jumped 700 percent this summer, and more than 4,000 scooter-related injuries were treated in hospital emergency rooms in August alone. So far this year, more than 9,400 scooter riders have visited emergency rooms, and almost 90 percent of injuries occurred in kids younger than 15.

The CPSC estimates that 60 percent of injuries can be prevented by safety gear, including helmets and knee and elbow pads. Riders should also stay on smooth surfaces and avoid scootering at night.

## The Garden State Adult Medical Day Center of Linden is located at the site of the former Suburban Temple, 1201 Deerfield Terrace Linden

Adult medical day care is a community-based program designed to serve adults with health care needs that can be supported in the community. Individuals who need health related support and assistance with daily activities that include nutrition, medication monitoring, therapeutic activities, and personal care assistance can benefit from adult medical day care services.

Adult day care enable its participants to receive medically and socially appropriate services that can prevent institutional placement, while providing support to family and caregivers.

Garden State Adult Medical Day Care of Linden is celebrating its one-year anniversary of providing service to the community. For further information please call Mona Drucker, Program Director or Ronnie Foster at (908) 486-5750.

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# Leisure Lifestyles THE COOK'S NOOK

## The versatile apple finds itself in diverse 'recipes'

By Gwendolyn Kapellas  
Copley News Service

Wedge it, slice it, peel it, core it, bite it. What I'm referring to is the apple. Crisp and juicy, no one can resist it.

Everybody loves them. They are the please-all, cure-all fruit. If there's truth to every wives' tale, then there's truth to the saying, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." That's right, apples are not only great to cook and bake with, but provide nutrients and fiber as well.

So, let's take an interesting journey "picking" apart and learning about the great qualities of the apple.

Contrary to what the grocery store might offer, there are many varieties of apples. Granny Smith, Red Delicious, Golden Delicious, McIntosh, Rome Beauties, Gala, Braeburn, Jonathan, and Northern Spy, just to name a few.

Everyone has their favorites, and every apple has its own characteristics. And, those characteristics play a large role in the applications they are best suited for.

Take the Granny Smith variety, for example. Its tart, juicy flavor and crunchy texture make it great for baking and cooking. It doesn't break down under high heat, which means it retains its shape and texture. It's a perfect complement to pork chop stuffings or turns into wonderful apple crisps and pies.

But, everyone doesn't have to love just one apple. For those who prefer to eat it raw, the Red and Golden Delicious may be one of your favorites. When in season, these apples can be sweet and crunchy. But don't try to

cook with Red Delicious; the texture does not stand up well to heat. Any extended period in an oven will turn Red Delicious apples to mush, definitely not a good idea for use in crisps, tarts or pies.

Besides the fact that apples taste great, they provide nutritional benefits and natural sugars for a quick energy boost, as well. Apples are fat-free, sodium-free, cholesterol-free, high in fiber and high in potassium.

Studies on apples also suggest that the fiber and flavonoid compounds have been linked to reducing cholesterol, fighting off strokes and heart attacks, according to the Michigan apples web page — michiganapples.com.

Now that you know how healthy apples are, let's start eating them — raw or cooked. The following recipes will help you celebrate the apple season.

The apple dip is easy and adds a special touch to raw apples.

For baking, apple crisps are my favorite, because I think of them as an apple pie without the work. You get the same great flavor with a slightly different twist. And, don't feel limited to keep it just to apples — you can mix fruit. Some winning combinations are cranberry-apple, cherry-apple, pear-apple, and peach-apple.

Oh, and if you haven't figured it out, that's another great characteristic of the apple — it goes well with many foods.

Apples can also make elegant crafts. I'm sure you've seen them in stores — apple and cinnamon-scented popcorn, candles with dried apples and cinnamon sticks, dried



Apple crisp and apple dip are dishes that celebrate the season of autumn — in a time-honored and tasty way.

apple wreaths, apple candleholders. Use them to decorate your house this fall or as a special table decoration for a dinner gathering.

### Easy Apple Dip

8 ounces cream cheese, softened  
1/4 cup crunchy peanut butter  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Honey roasted peanuts, chopped (optional)  
Combine all ingredients, except peanuts. Mix until smooth and creamy.  
Garnish with chopped peanuts

before serving.

Serve with apple wedges.

One thing to remember if you are planning to serve this or bring it to a gathering: soak apple slices in a lemon juice-water mixture or lemon-lime soda before plating.

Apples will turn brown when exposed to air, and lemon juice/lemon-flavored soda is a great way to prevent discoloration.

### Apple Crisp

4 cups apples, peeled, cored and sliced  
1/4 cup orange juice

1 cup sugar  
3/4 cup flour  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg  
Dash salt  
1/2 cup butter

Preheat oven to 375 F. Spray 9-inch pie plate with nonstick vegetable oil spray.

Place prepared apples in pie plate.

Pour orange juice over apples. Combine sugar, flour, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt in small bowl; cut butter into dry mixture, until it resembles coarse crumbs. Evenly distribute

topping mixture over apples. Bake 40 to 45 minutes, or until apples are tender. Cool 10 minutes. Serve warm with ice cream, if desired.

### Apple Candleholders

2 to 3 large apples, Granny Smith or Red Delicious  
2 to 3 candles, votive or candlesticks

There are actually two versions of the apple candleholder. The first idea is to use votive candles.

Take a round, beautiful apple that sits flat on the counter. Using a small paring knife or grapefruit spoon, a spoon with teeth on the top, core out a 2- to 3-inch deep hole in center of apple.

After hole has been hollowed out, rub some lemon juice on exposed flesh of apple to keep it from turning brown. Place votive in apple and light wick. Place three together to form a lovely centerpiece or as a backdrop to a buffet table.

The second version is more elegant than the previous idea. Instead of using votive candles, use taper candles.

Coring out an apple with a corer is the best option. They can be found at any kitchen utensil store.

Purchase candles that coincide with width of corer. That way, when apples are cored, tapers will fit snugly in the hole. After coring two apples, slide tapers into cored holes. If you would like to add extra decoration, tie small bows on each taper and slide them down to the base where taper meets top of apple. This is a beautiful addition to any table, and a cheap alternative to buying candleholders.

## Smart cooks can find feasts abound even with tight budgets

By Pam Adams  
Copley News Service

Instead of chewing gum, Lois Lee Taylor remembers chewing paraffin wax skimmed from the top of canned jelly. "No flavor, but lots of jaw exercise." And pigs' feet?

"They were good in the summer when we had our first mess of dandelion greens," says Taylor of Laura, Ill.

Carol Dow remembers grinding corn by hand, then boiling it for communal mush. Sometimes, they ate mush; sometimes, they poured it in a pan and let it gel.

"If we were lucky enough to have lard and a little salt, we sliced it and fried it over a coal stove."

Picky eaters were rare, as Phyllis Close recalls. "In those days, we ate everything. We kids actually fought over the liver, heart, gizzards, etc."

And, Close says, she still likes headcheese, a congealed German dish of heads and feet of hogs.

With apologies to disciples of the you-are-what-you-eat philosophy, Nina Kendall's father taught her a thoroughly pragmatic lesson about why people eat what they eat — and what they come up with when there's nothing to eat. "I can remember sitting at the table," says Kendall. "My dad kept saying this is really good chicken. After we ate it and enjoyed it, he told us it was pigeon."

Kendall, 78, doesn't remember if the bird was fried, boiled or baked. "What always stuck in my mind is, 'Gee, I guess you can eat almost anything if you don't know what it is.'"

The women's memories span the years from the Depression to World War II, and shortly after, modern periods of food shortages that starkly affected what — and how often — most Americans ate.

The lucky ones lived on farms with vegetable gardens, chickens and hogs. Others learned to make do with whatever they could get from government food-relief programs or scavenge from neighbors, grocers or their own back yards.

Popular foods used were cornmeal for mush and corn bread; potatoes for soups or fried potato sandwiches; lard for cooking and for lard and sugar sandwiches; big white blocks of oleo with yellow food coloring; eggless, sugarless, butterless cakes; beans, canned milk; stale bread; dandelion greens; and berries.

In a modern landscape of Miracle Whip and microwaves, food shortages and famine — along with their offspring, hunger and starvation — seem as realistic as the evening news.

But Kendall's pigeon dinner sums up the world's history of food ways.

"The term is 'farmine foods,'" says Robert Dirks, a professor of food anthro-

pology at Illinois State University, Normal. "There's a big body of literature on this for various people and various times."

Kendall says her eggless, butterless, milkless cake is a heavy spice cake that proved to be a Sunday treat during the Depression.

### Kendall's Cake

1 heaping cup of sugar  
1 pound raisins  
4 tablespoons shortening  
2 teaspoons sugar  
2 cups water  
2 cups flour  
2 teaspoons baking soda  
2 teaspoons cinnamon  
Yields 12 servings.

Boil all ingredients except flour and baking soda for five minutes. Let cool.

Add flour, baking soda and cinnamon. Add 1/2 cup nuts, if you have them.

Mix and bake at 350 degrees F for 30 minutes.

Kendall still has her mother's hand-written recipe. "It doesn't say to sift the flour and soda, to preheat the oven or what size the pan should be."

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See ANSWERS on Page B12

## HOROSCOPE

### For Nov. 6 to Nov. 12

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Brace yourself for unexpected money demands or expenses tied to a partnership or group involvement. Handle joint funds with extra care.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Live and let live should be your motto during this period. Rise above judgment, criticism and discontentment in your close, personal relationships.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21): Your ruler, Mercury, resumes direct motion this week. You'll feel the difference when finally a cloud lifts or obstacles magically disappear. Celebrate!

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22): Expand your social circle, and fill in the gaps with people from different cultures or backgrounds. Also, be sure to share some of your family traditions.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Just roll with the punches emotionally this week. Don't see comments or criticism from a superior or suggestions made by a co-worker as a personal attack.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Make an extra effort to stay focused and concentrate, as your mind is subject to

wander at the drop of a hat. Seek financial advice from a Taurus.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): It pays to keep your options open when it comes to making personal investments or speculating. Avoid putting all of your eggs in one basket.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Take on a leadership role, and display your special talents in a pioneering venture. Realistically outline what you feel you can accomplish.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Let your imagination run free, and excel in a creative or artistic endeavor. Spending quiet time alone will greatly enhance your perception.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Work with friends or associates toward attaining a common goal. Hard work and a dedicated effort by all will tumble the biggest obstacles.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Rays of success and accomplishment will shine on you this week. Take advantage of a wonderful opportunity to cash in on a dream.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Consider the opinions of a teacher or mentor, and examine how their ideals have affected your life. Be honest with

yourself, and you'll find remarkable changes.

If your birthday is this week, at first, tie up loose ends on an old project, and start making preparations for a new challenge. Independence is your key word. Strike up the band, toot your own horn, and march to a different beat. You'll find family members are extremely supportive and understanding of your needs at this time. What starts out as a financially free-wheeling cycle ends in budgetary concern and caution in spending. Moderation is key.

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**FAIR**

**SATURDAY**  
November 4th, 2000  
**EVENT:** ST PAUL'S CHURCH FAIR  
**PLACE:** St Paul's Church, 80 Elm Avenue, Rahway  
**TIME:** 10AM-3PM  
**PRICE:** Free Admission. Mini Tricky Tray, Crafts, Kids Corner, Clothing Bazaar, Grandmas Amc, Bake & Food Table To Go, Lunch Included. For more information call 732-368-3460.  
**ORGANIZATION:** St Paul's Church

**SUNDAY**  
November 5, 2000  
**EVENT:** GIANT FLEA MARKET CRAFTS & COLLECTIBLES IN-DOORS & OUTDOORS  
**PLACE:** Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Avenue, Belleville (OFF JOR-ALBEMOND STREET)  
**TIME:** 9:00AM-5:00PM  
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**ORGANIZATION:** Varsity

**FRIDAY**  
November 3rd, 2000  
**EVENT:** FLEA MARKET  
**PLACE:** Redeemer Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington, NJ  
**TIME:** 9:30AM-12:30PM  
**PRICE:** Now and used clothes, shoes, records, housewares, books, etc. Call 973-374-9377 for more information  
**ORGANIZATION:** Redeemer Lutheran Church

**SATURDAY**  
November 11th, 2000  
**EVENT:** BIG INDOOR FLEA MARKET  
**PLACE:** Roselle Catholic High School, Ravin Road, Roselle, NJ  
**TIME:** 9:00AM-4:00PM  
**ORGANIZATION:** Roselle Catholic High School

**SATURDAY**  
November 4th, 2000  
**EVENT:** RUMMAGE SALE/BAZAAR  
**PLACE:** Second Reformed Church, 132 Elmwood Avenue & Florence Avenue, Irvington, NJ 07111  
**TIME:** 10:00AM-2:00PM  
**PRICE:** Free Admission. Something for everyone: clothes, appliances, collectibles, jewelry, linens, household items plus a cake sale!  
**ORGANIZATION:** The Woman's Association

**SATURDAY**  
November 4th, 2000  
**EVENT:** RUMMAGE SALE  
**PLACE:** Community Congregational Church, Corner of Portage Hill Road & Harshorn Drive, Short Hills, NJ  
**TIME:** 9:00AM-3:00PM  
**PRICE:** Free Admission. Clothes, toys, gifts, holiday items, some furniture  
**ORGANIZATION:** Community Congregational Church

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
November 10th & 11th, 2000  
**EVENT:** RUMMAGE SALE  
**PLACE:** St. George's Church, 550 Ridgewood Road, Maplewood  
**TIME:** Friday 9:30AM-4:00PM, Saturday 9:30AM-1:00PM  
**PRICE:** Free Admission. Clothing, bric a brac, household, etc.  
**ORGANIZATION:** St. George's Church

**CRAFT**

**SATURDAY**  
November 4th, 2000  
**EVENT:** SUGAR PLUM CRAFT FAIR  
**PLACE:** St. Cloud Presbyterian Church, Panah Hall, Old Indian Road & Ridgeway Ave., West Orange  
**TIME:** 10:00AM-4:00PM  
**PRICE:** Free admission. Handcrafts highlighted. Also available: lunch, baked goods and plants.  
**ORGANIZATION:** St. Cloud Presbyterian Church (Women's Association)

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY**  
November 4th & 5th, 2000  
**EVENT:** HOLLY BERRY CRAFT & GIFT SHOW  
**PLACE:** 200 Cooper Avenue, Upper Montclair, NJ  
**TIME:** Saturday, 10AM-5PM, Sunday, 11AM-4PM  
**PRICE:** Admission \$2  
**ORGANIZATION:** Woman's Club of Upper Montclair

**DINNER-BANQUET**

**FRIDAY**  
November 10th, 2000  
**EVENT:** ARGYLE FISH & CHIPS DINNER  
**PLACE:** Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, 739 Seminary Avenue & St. Georges Avenue, Rahway  
**TIME:** 5PM-7PM  
**PRICE:** \$10 for adults, \$8.50 for seniors and children under 12. Takeout is available. For advance tickets, or more information, call 732-382-3665.  
**ORGANIZATION:** Holy Comforter Episcopal Church

**BAZAAR**

**SATURDAY**  
November 4th, 2000  
**EVENT:** HOLIDAY BAZAAR  
**PLACE:** Connecticut Farms Church, Stuyvesant Avenue & Chestnut Street, Union  
**TIME:** 9:00AM-3:00PM  
**PRICE:** Free Admission. Tables for vendors, \$20. For more information call 908-686-4058 or 908-686-5313  
**ORGANIZATION:** Mission Projects of Connecticut Farms Church

**FRIDAY**  
November 10th, 2000  
**EVENT:** ARGYLE FISH 'N CHIPS DINNER  
**PLACE:** 174 South Valley Road (corner of Meeker Street, near bottom of Walker Road), West Orange  
**TIME:** 5:00PM-8:30PM  
**PRICE:** Take-out fish 'n chips dinner by Argyle Pick-ups begin at 5pm until 6:30pm (seating also available). Adults \$8, children \$4.50. Reservations requested. Call 973-731-6486.  
**ORGANIZATION:** Ridgewood Community Church

**OTHER**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
November 10th & 11th, 2000  
**EVENT:** ANNUAL PAPERBACK BOOK SALE  
**PLACE:** 26 Park Street, Montclair (across from YMCAs)  
**TIME:** Friday 10AM-8PM, Saturday 10AM-4PM  
**PRICE:** Free admission. Paperbacks 50 cents. Proceeds fund scholarships. For more information call 973-763-7040, Wednesday AM.  
**ORGANIZATION:** Collego Women's Club, A Branch Of AAUW

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TWO SECTORS

## Details revealed in plans for rehabilitation project

By Joe Lugars  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Planning Board received its first official information on the subject of the Board of Education's proposed Track/Field Rehabilitation project Nov. 1.

As Planning Board Chairman Richard Colandrea pointed out, the presentation by Board of Education member and Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairman Richard Falkin, represented only "a conceptual review" in accordance with the Land Use Act. The Planning Board, he said, is not required to take action on the project. However, an impending Board of Education referendum, scheduled for Dec. 12, made the presentation necessary.

Falkin was accompanied by Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland and two other members of the Board of Education, Ken Falgenbaum and Steven Fischbein. Falkin gave the Planning Board an overview of the proposed improvements, reviewing the project's details with several large diagrams of the targeted work areas.

Falkin told the board that the existing field at the Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School has not been used "for about eight years." He said the field, as originally designed, suffers from an upgrade, which will be removed. The repositioning of a nearby walkway, along with what Falkin called "proper drainage" and new bleachers and backstop, will also be included in the work.

The two baseball fields between the Thelma L. Sandmeier School and the Edward V. Walton School will also benefit from grading and drainage work. A walkway between the fields will be rerouted to allow for the construction of a soccer field that Falkin said would be available for use by the township's recreation leagues.

A tennis court will be added in front of Jonathan Dayton High School. As for Meisel Field, the board expects to reposition its two baseball fields and redo the existing cinder track, turning it into a six-lane, all-weather track. Bleachers will be replaced, along with the field house. A new soccer field, with lights, will also be added. The track and field area is also targeted for work, so Dayton "can have its first home track meet in about 10 years," Falkin said. Right now, Dayton's track team holds all its matches at its competitors' facilities.

The entire project is estimated to cost about \$3.4 million. Falkin said that some part of the total cost will be picked up by the state and the county, although the board has not, as yet, had any indication as to what that amount will be. He did note, however, that the board has asked the county for

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— Richard Falkin, chairman  
Buildings and Grounds Committee

\$700,000, and the state for a full 40 percent reimbursement on the project. The county, he pointed out, has approved the project.

In regard to who owns what, Falkin said the tennis courts in front of Dayton belong to the Board of Education, and the remaining areas discussed — the areas of Meisel Field — are county property.

"We have an interesting agreement with the county concerning the use of the fields," Friedland told the Planning Board. According to Friedland, the agreement, written in the 1960s, places responsibility for maintenance and upkeep of the fields on the then-Regional Board of Education.

"We've asked the county to commit funds to the fields, knowing that we have an agreement, and that we use the fields most of the time," Friedland said. He pointed out that the agreement gives the Board of Education first right to use the fields, and an impending new agreement is expected to be agreed upon after the December referendum, which will provide finan-

cial assistance with the Meisel track portion of the project. Renovation of Meisel Field in its entirety is expected to cost about \$1.6 million.

"It's my understanding that the county's commitment is only to the playground and the track," Mayor Clara Harelik, a member of the Planning Board, said. She indicated that the cost of such work would total approximately \$325,000.

"We recognize that Meisel is used heavily by the Board of Education," the mayor continued, "and we want the kids to have a good facility. But other people in the township use it too."

Harelik suggested a cooperative effort between the Board of Education and the Township Committee, calling such an arrangement "beneficial" in terms of approaching the county "for the dollars we need for improvements to that property." She also cited the importance of Meisel Field to the success of the annual Take Pride in Springfield celebration, one of the township's biggest events.

## Project could raise taxes

By Joe Lugars  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Board of Education took its conference meeting on the road Monday night to discuss its Track Rehabilitation project in the larger venue of the Jonathan Dayton High School auditorium.

The board mailed approximately 7,000 postcards to township residents announcing the meeting. The card also listed, in addition to Monday night's gathering, seven other meetings through Nov. 21 at various locations throughout the district.

The meetings have been scheduled to provide the public with information about the project. Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedland and Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairman Richard Falkin hosted Monday's kick-off event, with Friedland supplying a slide presentation as Falkin indicated, through the use of charts, the specific locations of the proposed improvements.

In the question-and-answer period, Friedland spoke on several issues, including the problem of game fees at Meisel Park. He said the board has explored the use of trained cullie dogs to keep the birds in check, at a potential cost of about \$5,000. Another option would involve the construction of a fence around the Meisel track, which would then be strung across with a number of streamers to inhibit flight.

Friedland, who referred to the Meisel track as a "disgrace" as its image popped up in the slide presentation, later exhibited several samples of state-of-the-art track surfaces. He recommended the use of what he called a "composition solid" surface, which he said will last longer than tracks with thinner running surfaces laid over cushioning. "Composition solid" surfaces are manufactured, top to bottom, with the same durable material.

Friedland told the gathering that the potential five-year bond the board hopes to use for the project would result in a tax impact of approximately \$25 per quarter, based on the project's current estimate of \$3.4 million. But he added that "a certain amount of money from the county" could potentially decrease that figure. A referendum will be presented to township voters on Dec. 12.

## Sparky and Co.



Doing their part to help prevent fires are Edward V. Walton School students, from left, Neil Torman, Hunter Betz, Anthony Casese, Jessica Condon and Sam Pollock. Springfield Fire Department firefighters and Sparky the Fire Prevention Dog paid a visit to the Springfield elementary school during Fire Prevention Week last month to discuss fire safety tips with the children.

## GOP controls borough in 2001

By Kirsten Matthew  
Managing Editor

Mountainside voters returned Republican incumbent Thomas Perrotta to the Borough Council and added their nod for Republican newcomer Bill Lane in Tuesday's General Election.

Perrotta was the top vote-getter with 2,045 votes, or 59.7 percent, with Lane garnering 1,892 votes, or 56.3 percent. Democratic unsuccessful Steve Brooker and John Shackelford tied, with 1,140 votes each, or 33.3 percent.

A Democrat has never been elected to the council or mayor's office in the borough's 105-year history. Of 4,743 registered Mountainside voters, 72 percent — or 3,420 voters — turned out to cast their ballots in Tuesday's General Election.

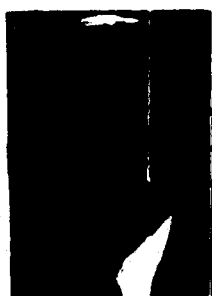
"It was a great turnout. We're happy to be able to serve Mountainside again," Perrotta said of the choice by voters to return an all-Republican council to the table in January. He said he looks forward to forging ahead on the borough's infrastructure project, maintaining the borough's many services and continuing to monitor the tax base. Perrotta, a Wall Street bond trader, has lived in Mountainside nearly all of his 34 years.

Lane, a five-year Mountainside resident, said he was excited about the outcome Tuesday and will support the

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Thomas Perrotta



Bill Lane

| District     | Thomas Perrotta | William Lane | Steve Brooker | John Shackelford |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1            | 223             | 206          | 112           | 102              |
| 2            | 203             | 183          | 111           | 111              |
| 3            | 234             | 219          | 116           | 108              |
| 4            | 224             | 214          | 115           | 109              |
| 5            | 283             | 255          | 148           | 155              |
| 6            | 200             | 188          | 112           | 118              |
| 7            | 257             | 244          | 180           | 184              |
| 8            | 181             | 165          | 131           | 130              |
| 9            | 240             | 215          | 106           | 106              |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,045</b>    | <b>1,892</b> | <b>1,140</b>  | <b>1,140</b>     |

\*Abstain  
Results are unofficial

## Zoo field trip turns treacherous as bus driver nods off

By Joe Lugars  
Staff Writer

Carol Worrwick was sitting the closest, and saw it all.

Worrwick watched in disbelief as a Vogel Bus Company driver fell asleep at the wheel of a school bus Oct. 19, during a return trip from the Bronx Zoo with a group of Deerfield School students. Her 6-year-old son was sitting directly behind the driver.

"I saw the man's eyes closing and I

thought, 'This isn't really happening.'" Worrwick said. "I was sitting in the first seat, diagonally across from him. His head bobbed twice — the first time he jerked his head back up, the second time it just fell."

Worrwick described the driver's hands as at "10 and two on the wheel." She said the vehicle, which was traveling along the New Jersey Turnpike at the time, drifted toward the right-hand lane as a tractor trailer

driver in that lane "was laying on the horn."

"I was shaking him," Worrwick recalled of her efforts to revive the driver, whom she described as being between 30 and 40 years old. "He didn't wake up easily, and he wasn't startled by me shaking him."

"Right before Carol tried to wake him, we were veering into the lane with the truck," said Maureen Goense, whose 6-year-old daughter

was also on the bus. "The truck driver was next to us, laying on the horn, and we jumped."

According to Worrwick, Goense and Sue Wells, another Deerfield parent, the driver refused to pull over after waking up. All three parents recalled that they had to tell the driver that the children were sick in order to get him to stop driving.

"He wouldn't listen to us, he wouldn't pull over," Wells said. "We

had to tell him the children were sick. He said, 'I'm not pulling over, we're almost home.' We weren't near Mountainside. We were up on the Turnpike, by the Cortlandt Arena."

Goense referred to the driver's attitude, after pulling over, as "arrogant and indignant." Claiming that he had not been asleep, Goense quoted him as saying, "You think I have time to sit on the side of the road? Mountainside's going to pay for this."

Wells confirms Goense's "pay for this" comment, describing the driver as "naughty," and adding that she heard him "say something like, 'What do you want I have for them seat.'" Wells also noted that when the driver finally rose from his seat, his pants were "open in a V-shape."

Worrwick's husband, Scott, is well-known to the district's students as Deerfield's office-in-patrol at Deer-

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## Democratic Incumbents prevail in Springfield Township race

By Joe Lugars  
Staff Writer

Democratic incumbents Roy Hirschfeld and Gregory Clarke were returned to their seats on the Springfield Township Committee Tuesday night in the first general election of the new century.

Hirschfeld was the top vote-getter with 3,795 votes, with Clarke garnering 3,704 votes. Republican challenger Kevin Scholtz and Florence Parsons finished with 2,047 and 2,014 votes, respectively. Independent Gary Butler, a write-in candidate, received 24 votes in a first-time effort.

Democrats also held the lead in the presidential voting, with Al Gore taking 4,153 votes to George W. Bush's 2,228. In the race for New Jersey Senate, Democrat Jon Corzine of Summit came out on top with 3,240

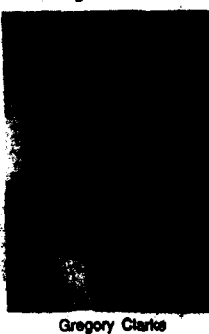
votes. Republican Bob Franks from Berkeley Heights tallied 2,870 votes. In an acrimonious Congressional race, Springfield voters again favored the Democrats, with 3,294 votes going to Maryanne Connelly and 2,597 going to Mike Ferguson.

All results are unofficial until the return of all absentee and provisional ballots to the Union County Board of Elections. An official tally is expected in about one week.

The re-election of Hirschfeld and Clarke keeps the five-member all-Democratic Township Committee intact. Both men will begin their third terms in January. Democrats have held each seat on the committee since their sweep in the 1998 election.

"I'd like to thank the people of Springfield," Clarke, a former mayor

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Gregory Clarke



Roy Hirschfeld

| District     | Greg Clarke  | Roy Hirschfeld | Florence Parsons | Kevin Scholtz | Gary Butler |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1            | 212          | 218            | 149              | 155           | 0           |
| 2            | 177          | 188            | 128              | 122           | 3           |
| 3            | 132          | 136            | 92               | 96            | 2           |
| 4            | 206          | 211            | 129              | 127           | 0           |
| 5            | 198          | 194            | 148              | 147           | 0           |
| 6            | 366          | 368            | 197              | 215           | 0           |
| 7            | 290          | 289            | 124              | 127           | 3           |
| 8            | 281          | 302            | 108              | 112           | 0           |
| 9            | 378          | 390            | 172              | 174           | 5           |
| 10           | 388          | 404            | 197              | 206           | 3           |
| 11           | 421          | 430            | 155              | 149           | 2           |
| 12           | 244          | 239            | 159              | 180           | 2           |
| 13           | 230          | 243            | 144              | 143           | 2           |
| 14           | 181          | 185            | 112              | 114           | 2           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>3,704</b> | <b>3,795</b>   | <b>2,014</b>     | <b>2,047</b>  | <b>24</b>   |

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