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TWO SECTIONS

## Loading docks, store hours dominate Stop & Shop debat

By Joshua Zaltz  
Staff Writer

The Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting Tuesday night delved even deeper into the Stop & Shop Supermarket debate, raising the issues of hour regulations and truck loading.

The proposed Stop & Shop location is at 90 Millburn Ave. on the property where a Saks Fifth Avenue used to reside.

In past meetings, the suggestion has been raised to limit the times that customers can shop at the supermarket to the hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

"We don't want the time limitation imposed just on us and not on other supermarkets," said James Segreto, attorney for Royal Ahold, the parent company of Stop & Shop. "If the governing body wants to apply an ordinance limiting the hours of customers to all supermarkets in the area we would be pleased to comply with that."

"The board did an analysis of the hours of operation for the other supermarkets in the area and none of them had

hours that were longer than the ones that were prescribed," said board member Sam Lubash.

The reason for the prescribed hours is because the Stop & Shop's proposed location is in a highly residential area.

"We have no objection to it except that we want a level playing field," said Segreto. "It would not be fair to put us at a competitive disadvantage by restricting our hours while our competitors can be open any time they want."

"I agree you should play on a level playing field," said board Chairman Stuart Applebaum. "I don't think the board would cut your hours and have another supermarket stay open."

Another prevalent topic was the issue of loading dock placement. As it stands, the layout of the Stop & Shop has an enclosed area, which is not within the public's view when entering the building, where tractor-trailers and other big trucks can unload their goods.

Stephen Barcan, the attorney for Village Supermarkets, a Stop & Shop competitor, posed the question that if trucks are pulling into the lot can they see all the loading docks

are full? "So if a tractor-trailer pulled in there and found there to be no empty loading docks, what will it do?"

Segreto asked Barcan if he is proposing they move the loading docks out in the open, "where they can be seen all the time not only by the truck drivers but by all of the residents 24 hours a day."

"Maybe we should find out from the people who actually live there rather than a competitor as to if they want these things out in the open."

Meissa Mentz, Stop & Shop's real estate development manager for the metro area, spoke about the location and number of the store's loading docks. "Four loading docks will absolutely be efficient for this store."

Barcan said he has visited other Stop & Shops that are the same size as the proposed one and found they have more than four loading docks.

Mentz explained how Stop & Shop has taken over a number of Edwards Supermarkets. "It's not a Stop & Shop store from the ground up," said Mentz. "You can go to any of our stores in Massachusetts

and Connecticut or Rhode Island, that were Stop & Shop stores from the ground up, and take pictures of our loading docks. I welcome that. I will drive the bus."

"It is unfair to compare the operations that Edwards had and we were forced to take over," she said, "to this store and what other Stop & Shop sites are like when we built them."

Segreto brought up the point it is not the interest of Stop & Shop to build a facility and have inadequate truck deliveries.

"One comment that was implied was that we just went to this truck configuration because we couldn't run them through the rest of the site," said Mentz.

She said they could run the trucks in another way but that would cause noise problems that would bother the neighboring residents. This, Mentz explained, would result in a huge wall that would block the sounds, but not be all that pleasing to the eye.

Adjustment will continue at the next Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting Nov. 20 at 7 p.m.

## Students at Deerfield get first-hand fire prevention

By Joan M. Devlin  
Staff Writer

Third-graders at Deerfield School in Mountainside not only learned about fire prevention in a special hands-on demonstration, but they also had a lot of fun last week.

More than 60 children from three third-grade classes at Deerfield took part in the Fire Prevention Week's event Oct. 11, coordinated by school nurse Betty Woodruff. "We started this about seven years ago using the firefighter house, and Jack O'Connor, a retired firefighter, does a great job taking the children through the safety house," said Woodruff.

At first it looked like a huge trailer, parked outside in front of Deerfield School, but the outside read, "St. Barnabas Burn Unit, Aluminum Cans." When O'Connor had a moment, he explained. "The entire project is paid for by the money raised from the collection of aluminum cans, which every firehouse in Northern New Jersey participates in. All proceeds go to the Burn Unit at St. Barnabas, and they in turn, provide this model of a home and we simulate a real fire with smoke, to teach the kids how to escape a burning house first hand." O'Connor loves kids, and does this

every year, he had been a firefighter for over 25 years with the Florham Park Volunteer Fire Department, and is still an active volunteer when he is not teaching children how to escape. He travels all over northern New Jersey, doing demonstrations.

Mountainside Fire Chief Gary Cantagallo was there along with several other volunteer firefighters to coordinate the event. "We did what we call 'Stop, drop and roll' with the children first, which tells them what to do if they catch on fire," he said. "Each child practiced on the mats, which were still on the ground, to be used in the next demonstration."

"Jack O'Connor is great with them, and this really simulates just what happens in a burning house." He pointed to a ladder on the side of the van, and said, "This is the ladder they climb down just as they would in a real fire; we stand here and catch them," said the fire chief.

Just then, children proceeded to go inside the house, which had a kitchen, bathroom, upstairs and downstairs, with O'Connor taking them through what to do if they wake up and there is a fire. He was asking them, "Should we have toys on the stairs?" They all shouted "No." He then asked, "What



Firefighter Vinnie Munoz shows Stephen Hart, 5, the proper way to climb down a fire escape during a fire prevention program at Deerfield School in Mountainside.

should you do if you smell smoke?" And they knew to say, "Get out of the house right away." With that, simu-

lated smoke could be seen coming out of the window, as O'Connor triggered it to fill the house.

Children came out the back, anxious to climb down the ladder, into the See CHILDREN, Page 2

## Fleet Bank robbed

By Joan M. Devlin  
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There was a bank robbery at approximately 9 a.m. Friday at Fleet Bank on Summit Road in Mountainside by a lone suspect who escaped.

The suspect was described as a black man, in his late 20s, about 6 feet 2 inches tall with a thin build, wearing a yellow shirt and blue jeans. He aggressively entered the bank and shouted, "Hold up, get down!" and although he had no weapon on display, he leaped over the teller area rail and removed an undisclosed amount of cash.

Mountainside police said personnel were "scared to death" because of the manner in which he scaled the partition, the one part that is open. The rest of the partition around the tellers area is made of bulletproof glass, and he evidently knew just where to jump over, according to Police Chief James Debbie.

The suspect then entered a late model Ford pickup which had been left in the parking area of the bank. He fled west on Route 22. A short time later, an alert resident of Locust Avenue, who had monitored the transmission of the robbery over a police scanner, notified police about a suspicious male on her street. Officers responded and discovered the getaway vehicle miscalculated in the roadway. A computer check revealed it to be a stolen car, taken a day earlier from Elizabeth.

The FBI was alerted and a search of the area failed to yield the suspect. The vehicle has been taken into police custody where the identification unit of the Union County Sheriff's Office made a detailed inspection for physical evidence.

Several leads are being pursued at press time Tuesday. Anyone who may have more information regarding the crime is asked to call Mountainside police at 908-232-8100.

## Borough police nab seven in home marijuana bust

By Joan M. Devlin  
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Police Department, together with the Union County Narcotic Strike Force, arrested seven people Oct. 11 when officers broke up a suspected marijuana distribution operation at a private home on Charles Street.

Police Chief James Debbie and Union County Prosecutor Thomas Manahan and other police officers arrested Joseph P. Parente, 23, and charged him with distributing a controlled dangerous substance on two different occasions.

Inside the garage of the ranch home, police officers and narcotics detectives found six other suspects in possession of marijuana or smoking marijuana; all were taken into custody, according to authorities. Involved in making the arrest were Capt. Rich Osjeja and Lt. Detective Todd Turner.

According to Manahan, the month-long investigation had been conducted by Cranford Detective Robert Montague, on assignment to the regional drug-fighting force, who determined that Parente was selling bags of marijuana of up to a half-ounce for people who could

call and then come to his home to pick up their purchase. "Twice he is alleged to have made sales to an undercover narcotics officer from the strike force who had paid \$120 for a bag."

The defendants, including one 16-year-old male from Mountainside, were arrested without incident and a search warrant signed by Superior Court Judge Katherine Dupuis was executed shortly after midnight Oct. 11, according to Manahan. Lt. Greg Clay of the Strike Force said detectives found a scale reported to be stolen from Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights, more suspected marijuana in

plastic baggies in Parente's bedroom and in the garage, packing materials and \$3,800 in small bills.

The suspects were all taken to the Mountainside Police Department for processing and bail on charges of possession of marijuana. In addition to Parente, charged were James Jedin, 29, of Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Tommy Ryk, 24, of Summit Road, Vincent Escalona, 24, of New Providence Road, and Lawrence Nistorenko, 23, of Chipmunk Hill Road, all of Mountainside, and Jaime Chesley, 24, of West 14th Street, Manhattan, N.Y.

## Rec forum offers wish list

By Joshua Zaltz  
Staff Writer

In an informal meeting at Borough Hall on Oct. 10, where Mountainside residents discussed with Borough Council members a wish list as to what they would like to see added to the recreation program, the biggest wish came from resident Bill Giannone.

"I see a dire and desperate need for a recreation center," he said. "I have had countless discussions with parents of teen and pre-teen children whose idea of Friday night recreation is dropping their kids off in Westfield and I think that's a disgrace."

Mayor Robert Vigilanti explained how a few years ago the council proposed a referendum on how to fund and build a full community center for approximately \$25 million. The referendum went to a vote, said the mayor, and the senior citizen community voted it down.

"The purpose of tonight's meeting is for residents to share their wish list of recreational activities," Vigilanti said. "I personally feel that we should

## Check it out



The Springfield Street Fair on Sunday in the parking lot of the Jonathan Dayton High School offered something for everyone, including food, rides, games and entertainment. Here, residents Beverly Stewart and Nicole Cozzi, 11, check out some posters with her dog, Abesha.

## Jitney ridership up despite NYC attacks

By Joshua Zaltz  
Staff Writer

"The jitney park and ride service in Springfield has seen an increase in the number of passengers since the Sept. 11 tragedy.

"Since single-passenger cars are not allowed to drive into the city from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m., more people are using the jitney," said Township Committee member Steven Goldstein.

"I'm glad we had the foresight to think of this," said Township Committee member Roy Hirschfeld. "It's a critical thing to have now."

Commuters park in Duffy's Corner parking lot on Morris Avenue. There they board the jitney bus which will take them to the train station in Short Hills. From there riders can board the train and go directly into New York City.

"This is a great service," said Goldstein. "We don't have a train station and parking is very limited at the stations."

There's been such an increase in the number of parking registration requests that a second parking area may be started at the Springfield Pool, explained Hirschfeld. "We're going to look into that possibility."

"Right now there's sufficient parking where it is," said jitney coordinator Bill Cieri. "But it's getting to the point that if things continue to increase at this rate we'll have to look into a second parking lot."

The bus runs from 6 a.m. until 9 a.m., with each trip taking approximately 15 minutes. The service then starts up again at 4:45 p.m., taking passengers from the Short Hills Train Station back to their vehicles. At 8 p.m. service stops for the day.

"It saves at least an hour a day off the commute," said Cieri.

The price to use the jitney can be paid on a quarterly or yearly basis. The quarterly rate is \$75 to use the bus and \$12.50 for parking. The annual rate is \$300 for the bus and \$50 for parking.

"When you break it down it comes out to a little more than a dollar a day," said Cieri.

The service is so well liked that several local realtors use it as a thorn, selling point when trying to sell a house in the area, said Goldstein. "A number of Springfield residents told me they wouldn't have moved

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**Children learn how to escape from real fire**

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wading arms of Pilegrifer Vinnie Munoz in full uniform, at the foot of the ladder. Laughing as they came down the ladder, the children still realized it was a serious thing.  
Allison Leow, 8, said, "I wasn't scared; it was fun. But it wouldn't be fun to do in a real fire now." Stephen Hart, 9, who came down next, said proudly, "I know what to do in a real fire now."  
Several other children asked eagerly, "Can we go again?" But O'Connor said, no, and then asked them, "Who is missing here?"  
"What he had done is hold back two boys who were hiding in the bedroom of the little house, so that the others would know what to do in a real-life situation. The children looked around, and realized two boys were missing. They were Tom and Joe, and O'Connor asked, "Should we rescue Tom and Joe? What should we do?" They knew not to go back into the house, and said, "No we tell the firemen and they rescue them."  
Munoz went back into the home

and together with O'Connor, brought out Tom and Joe, and O'Connor was pleased that they had learned what to do. He told the children, "I kept the boys back to show you to come to the meeting place outside, and to know what to do in case this really happens. Be sure to tell the fireman the names of the missing persons and where you last saw them; we do the rest."  
They cheered, and said they understood. He asked them to tell their parents about the demonstration, and to always find two ways out of the house. To protect the smoke alarms in each home, O'Connor then distributed batteries to each child.  
Statistics prove that hands-on events like this one stay with a child, especially if they have fun. O'Connor and the Mountaineide Volunteer Fire Department is well aware of this and believes the activities of Fire Prevention Week are of vital importance.  
"We have 24 active volunteers here in Mountaineide," said the chief, "and this is a very important exercise which helps all of us."

**Recreation center at top of resident's list**

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have a recreation center.  
The mayor went on to explain how Mountaineide is changing and more young families are moving in with young children.  
"I have said to many of the seniors," said Vigilanti, "they are not getting their \$30,000 house for \$30,000 to a guy who's 90. They are selling it to youth. Youth looks for education. Youth looks for security. Youth looks for recreation."  
"I think we owe it to the people in this town to build a recreation center," Giannone said.

of the children's parents. Pires talked about how other towns have, in the past, hired head coaches to coach some of the recreation teams.  
"I just wanted to give the town title to think about other options other than looking at parents because I'm concerned there won't be any," said Pires.  
"The second that you bring in a paid coach you lose a huge amount of volunteers," said Giannone. "You're sending an incorrect message to the kids that you have to hire someone to teach them skills. This is supposed to be for fun."  
The mayor suggested that maybe if a reduced fee was offered for those parents who volunteer to coach, then maybe there would be more volunteers.

Other wishes on the residents wish list included senior activities, lacrosse instructions, a reduction in the late fees charged to parents whose kids sign up for a program after the deadline, bathtubs that are open on the weekends, yoga classes, softball instructions, basketball court renovations and a skateboard park.

**Township sees jump in jitney bus service**

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into town if it weren't for the service," said Tina Ciferi.  
Ina Singer, an associate broker for Singer Real Estate Inc. in Springfield, agreed. "Many people commute in and out of the city for work, and Springfield is one of only a few towns that doesn't have a train station," she said. "Parking at the train station is a big problem."  
The jitney lot is close enough to the center of town that if you do not want to park there you could walk or someone could drop you off, Hirschfeld said. There's even a chair lift so the bus is handicap accessible.  
Marci Calderon, a passenger for only a little more than a week, uses the jitney because she needed a new

way to get to work.  
"I was parking illegally in Millburn and I got caught," she said. "The jitney's good for me. I come right off the train and it's waiting for me."

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings. To give your community event the publicity it deserves, mail your schedule to Echo Leader, Attn: managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

The Springfield Township Committee meets at 8 p.m. in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

**Upcoming Oct. 25**

Marriott Senior Living Services and Merck & Co. are partnering to host free ultrasound bone mineral density tests and a free educational seminar on osteoporosis featuring Dr. Robert Fuhman at Brighton Gardens by Marriott, 1350 Route 22 West, Mountaineide.

The bone mass density screening is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the educational seminar is from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Registration is required.  
Call 908-654-4460 for more information.

The Mountaineide Public Library, Constitution Plaza, will present an art history lecture by Joan Lipton, entitled "The Artistic Glimpse of France: Impressionism" at 7 p.m.  
Admission is free. Call 908-233-0115 to reserve seating space.

**Oct. 26**

The Dinner Dance Committee of the Mountaineide Republican Club will conduct its annual dinner dance at 7 p.m. at L'Affaire, Route 22 East, Mountaineide. All are invited to a night of fun, food, music and fellowship.  
For information call, 908-232-4904.

The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield, 37 Church Mall, will host a Halloween party with music, costumes, and a buffet from 6 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$2 per person and can be reserved by calling 973-379-4320.

**Oct. 27**

The New Jersey Aquarium Society Show at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineide, will offer views of colorful fish and aquatic creatures displayed by club members from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
For information, call 908-789-3670.

**Oct. 29**

The Springfield Historical Society will present the annual Ghost Tour at Springfield's Historic Cannon Ball House on Morris Avenue at 8 p.m. The candlelight tour will include accounts of local ghosts from the Revolutionary War era. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$5 each and reservations are required.  
Call 973-367-4784 for information.

The Springfield public schools will sponsor a program for parents on coping with the aftermath of the Sept. 11 tragedy, to be conducted in the auditorium of Jonathan Dayton High School, 138 Mountain Ave., Springfield, at 7 p.m. Community members and parents of the students who attend the schools are encouraged to attend.  
The event is co-sponsored by the Guidance Department and Special Services Department and will include a discussion by Rodger Goddard, chief psychologist at Trinitas Hospital.

For information, call 973-376-1025.

**Oct. 30**

The Springfield Historical Society will present the annual Ghost Tour at Springfield's Historic Cannon Ball House on Morris Avenue at 8 p.m. The candlelight tour will include accounts of local ghosts from the Revolutionary War era. Refreshments will be served.

**Nov. 1**

"The Great Pumpkin Sali" will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. at Echo Lake Park in Mountaineide. There will be a storyteller/musician to entertain while you enjoy hot chocolate and marshmallows and the lake will be ablaze with a striking mini-size of Jack-O-Lanterns. The cost is \$5 per family of four and \$0.50 for each additional individual. Tickets must be purchased in advance.  
For information, call 908-789-3670.

**Today**  
The Great Books Discussion Group meets at 10 a.m. at the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. Shakespeare's "The Tempest" will be discussed.  
For information call 973-376-4930.  
Lois E. Kaish of Springfield, a prominent activist in combatting domestic violence, will be the Springfield Hudassal's guest speaker at 12:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield.  
For information, call 973-376-0539.

**Friday**  
The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield conducts its annual rummage sale from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Parish House on Church Mall. Items for sale include men's and women's clothing, kitchenware, curtains, and more.  
For information call 973-379-4320.  
Sen. Jon Corzine is scheduled to speak at a Shabbat service at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield. Corzine will address members on the current situation America faces with Afghanistan.  
For information, call 973-376-0539.

**Saturday**  
The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield conducts its annual rummage sale from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Parish House on Church Mall. Items for sale include men's and women's clothing, kitchenware, curtains, and more.  
For information, call 973-379-4320.  
The Springfield YMCA, 100 S. Springfield Ave., hosts a Halloween party and open house from 3 to 5 p.m. The event will celebrate the Y's third anniversary in the township. Members and visitors can enjoy Halloween-themed arts and crafts, refreshments, and a costume parade.  
Call 973-467-0838 for information.

**Sunday**  
Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, conducts a gala dinner dance to honor Mark Ross, one of the temple's past presidents, for his dedication and commitment to Temple Beth Ahm. At the same time, the temple's 50th anniversary will be celebrated.  
For information, call 973-376-0539.  
Mask Marvels takes place at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaineide, at 2 p.m., to help kids create a clown, bird, or party girl Halloween mask. With a little help from a grown-up, plain half masks will be converted to fantasy styles.  
For information, call 908-789-3670.

**Monday**  
The Springfield Township Committee meets for a work session at 7:30 p.m. in the Annex Building, 20 N. Trivet Ave.

**Tuesday**  
The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., continues its Luncheon Video Mystery Series with "The Lady in Question" at noon. The film, starring Gene Wilder, is set in 1938 and is 100 minutes long. Bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. For information, call 973-376-4930.  
The Mountaineide Active Retirees meet at 10 a.m. in the Community Room on the second floor of Mountain Avenue Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East, Jean White, aerobics/exercise coordinator from the Westfield YMCA will present a program of "Exercise Geared to the Golden Years."  
Prospective new members are welcome. Call 908-232-9034 for more information.

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## Staff and parking issues raised

By Joshua Zaltz  
Staff Writer

At Monday night's Springfield Board of Education meeting, one parent in particular voiced her frustrations and concerns to the board.

At the meeting, which took place at Jonathan Dayton High School, Laura Delia, a Springfield resident and parent, voiced her disappointment with the board for not making the public better aware of when and where the last meeting, which was a comprehensive seminar outlining the coming needs and wants of the Springfield school system, was taking place.

"I would have liked to have seen paperwork going out to parents to let them know when that meeting was," she said. "I was really disappointed that there was no communication."

Board members replied that they thought they had sent out ample notice and that they will do even more so in the future.

"I didn't find out about it until the day it was going to take place," Delia said. "And I already had a PTA meeting that I had to go to."

She explained that she is the president of the Edward V. Walton School branch of the PTA and she had to be at that meeting.

Delia then brought up the issue of lunch aides at the cafeteria, specifically in Walton and James Caldwell School where her children attend.

She explained how for a while Walton, to compensate for the lack of hired lunch aides, had some parents who were volunteering to help out, but the lunch aides that were there were bickering with parents. "So the parents don't want to do it now," said Delia.

"If you can't do it this year, to get lunch aides, do you think you could make it sufficient in the budget next year?"

asked Delia. "You're having somewhere between 30 and 32 children for one lunch aide."

Walter Mahler, superintendent of schools, said he has contacted the principal of Walton. He said the principal believes the children's safety is secure.

Delia explained how the same thing was happening at the James Caldwell School.

"We have probably 30 students to one lunch aide," she said. "I really don't think that's safe. Especially if there's a fire or if we really need to get those kids out."

The board took note of Delia's request and pencilled it in on their note pads so the issue can be re-examined at a later date.

"We will take a look at the enrollment next year as well as our staff," said Mahler. "We will make sure it is safe." Delia changed her topic to time. Saying how the schools end too close together and that does not give her, as well as many other parents, enough time to get from one school to another, without leaving one child outside waiting by himself.

But Delia's biggest concern seemed to be the issue of parking at Walton. She warned of some parents parking illegally and that it's dangerous for the kids. "Somebody will get hit," she said.

"I wanted to see if the board had any advice as to how to get parents to park legally," Delia continued. "We're trying to get the Police Department to come there and ticket."

Mahler admitted that he is not an expert when it comes to the traffic situation at Walton but he said he will contact the principal.

"We'll look into a better way to make the traffic flow," he said.

Delia returned to her serious tone and said, "Everyday people are parking there and it won't be funny to the school board when the school's being sued."

## Fresh veggies



The Valley View Farms stand of the Farmers Market in Springfield offers a wide array of fresh zucchini, squash, and more. The Farmer's Market will be at Ruby Field until Oct. 31.

Photo By Liz Dikes

## Borough to get donation

By Brian Pedersen  
Managing Editor

To help the Mountaintop police serve the community better, Valley National Bank, a new tenant in Mountaintop, recently announced plans to donate several defibrillators to the borough. Mayor Robert Vigniani revealed the bank's plans at Tuesday's regular meeting.

At first, borough officials believed they were to receive one defibrillator from the bank, but now plans have been put forth by the bank to provide several.

According to the mayor, there will be a promotional program when the bank opens in Mountaintop, where for every new checking account that was opened by a resident of the town, money will be set aside into a fund possibly to purchase a third defibrillator.

The devices will be placed inside police cars to help officers respond effectively to life-threatening situations.

"We have two in the police cars now, and they've been used at least four times over the past two years to save lives," said Councilman Glenn Mortimer.

"If I had my wish list, I would like to have one here in Borough Hall, especially upstairs in the fitness room," said Vigniani. "I'd like to have one at the borough pool. If you said I could have them everywhere, I'd put one in this room." Council Chambers.

He said today's defibrillators are much lighter and easier for people to use, and said they could train additional people on staff to use them.

"I think it's really a great gift of the bank to come forth and want to give something to the entire community," said Vigniani.

He said the council will be receiving literature on the donation, and a tentative date has been set for Nov. 1 for the bank's opening.

## Take me out to the ballgame



The St. James Cub Scouts Pack 73 of Springfield enjoyed a night out at a Jackals baseball game in Montclair. The boys had a great time and went home with a game ball, team card and pin, courtesy of the Jackals. Taking a break from the game are, from left, Patrick Fritzen, Derek Baquero, James Kocur, Gregory Tanlaros, Anthony Bentancur, Anthony Sarango, Ross Bergen, Andrew Kocur and Matthew Shanes.

## Policy on weddings and engagements

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announcements to the lifestyle editor. Announcements should be typed, double spaced or legibly handwritten and no longer than one page. All announcements should have a daytime phone number for verification or if questions arise.

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EDITORIALS

## Calm heads will prevail

For any group of employees, working without a new contract might be cause for anxiety and anger.

In a profession such as teaching, those feelings are magnified to a greater degree because they can translate to the students in the classroom, as evidenced by teachers in some districts who refused to attend Back to School nights as a demonstration of their displeasure regarding not having a contract.

These teachers are not acting professionally, and that's why we must commend Mountside teachers for continuing to keep their professional demeanor while faced with continuing negotiations for a satisfactory contract.

When contract negotiations begin to affect students, that's when it has gone too far. This doesn't mean teachers cannot press for a new contract; it just means they need to do it in a careful manner, which is what Mountside teachers have been doing.

Having been without a contract since June 30, there have been several presentations made by the Mountside Education Association to the Board of Education in the hopes of expediting matters after reaching an impasse on salary increases. As it stands, the only thing that is certain is that the two sides will meet with a state-appointed mediator on Oct. 29.

Jeanette Maraffi, president of the MEA, has said Mountside teachers are in the bottom third of the county in terms of salaries and are ranked approximately 16th out of the 23 districts in Union County.

Teachers' pay for extracurricular activities such as cheerleading, musical director and yearbook advisor is lower than other districts as well. Other concerns the teachers have involve issues of health benefits and the length of the school day.

Some of the concerns the teachers have are valid and their needs should be met, but we ask that they continue to have patience and show the same professional manners in peacefully trying to meet for negotiations so students and their parents do not suffer.

Hopefully, the teachers and school board will reach an amicable agreement that will avoid any further delay.

## Help make history

With Nov. 6 fast approaching, voters should be getting ready to let their voices be heard.

In Springfield, incumbent Democrats will be challenged by Republicans for two seats on the Springfield Township Committee. Democrats Clara Harelik and Steven Goldstein will be running against first-time candidates William Holmes and Michael Montanari for the Republican ticket.

In Mountainside, incumbent Republicans Glenn Mortimer and Werner Schon will face a challenge from Democrats Steven Brocner and John Shackelford.

As the local political climate has been tempered with the tragic events of Sept. 11, it's important for people to realize the power of the vote. It's essential to our society and our community. Simply letting someone else make the decision is not what a democracy is about.

Those who attacked us don't believe in letting people have the freedom of choice, preferring instead to have them suffer under whatever oppressive regime is in power.

Although the situation is much different in the United States, we should continue to support our voting rights on a local level. We should not let this tragedy scare us into not voting.

Every one of us has the ability to make history simply by voting. We need to keep that in mind when we go to the polls in November, that it's the people who decide who will be in power, and only we should have that choice.

So while it may not seem that important to some, voting on a local level should be just as important as voting in the presidential election, or any other election. Once elected, these are the people who will be making decisions that affect our communities and the quality of life within our neighborhoods.

These are the people who will be directly involved with issues that affect our day-to-day lives, impacting the places we live and visit. In many cases, they will decide what's best for our fields, streets, homes, schools, and local law enforcement agencies and departments. They will each have a hand in deciding what their community should look like, both now and in the years to come.

That's why it's important to get out and vote on Nov. 6.

**"Government-enforced silence is more dangerous to our nation than thousands of unregulated voices."**  
—James S. Haney, president, Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, 1999



Photo by Barbara Kokolis

**WACKY WORLD OF FUN** — At the Mountainside Public Library's recent open house, Moogle the Clown entertained Courtney Osieja, 4, and Deerfield School fourth-grader Dorsey Allison, 9, with a circular tent that provided hours of bouncing fun.

## It ain't Lincoln-Douglas, but they're our freeholders

### County Seat

By Mark Hrywna  
Regional Editor

Candidates for this time of year serve an important purpose: informing voters of their choices. Unfortunately, voters aren't well attended for the most part. More than half the people at last week's freeholder debate in the Cranford Municipal Building were "plants," be it campaign workers or county employees, asking the softball questions for their candidates. The actual number of ordinary citizens, your average Joes, who heard two could probably be counted on two hands.

The sheriff's debate wasn't much of a debate. It's tough when you face Ralph Froehlich. The man spoke extemporaneously and talked to you like he's known you for 40 years. He's going to breeze to his ninth three-year term by a substantial margin Nov. 6.

The debate among the six freeholder candidates was much more lively and competitive. Mary Ruotolo of Westfield appeared to be the winner. She was more aggressive than one usually sees her at freeholder meetings and her public speaking was better than most of the candidates, instead of reading prepared notes to us verbatim. But it was her closing statement that really showed her on the offensive: "The Republicans have offered no new ideas." "We haven't

heard one idea to improve parks and recreation, transportation."

"There's a distinct choice," Ruotolo said, "between leadership and complaints between new ideas and old inaction." The Democrats as a team focused many of their remarks on the GOP's "lack of vision" but it was Ruotolo who just seemed to hit best that night. Maybe because you usually see other freeholders taking the lead in that department rather than Ruotolo leading the charge.

Democrat Daniel Sullivan caught Republicans Ricky Badillo and Andrew MacDonald a bit off guard. One questioner asked candidates about their voting records on taxes. The Democrats all proudly claimed their record of relatively flat taxes six of the last seven years. Although Sullivan had a good line, he botched the play, calling his slugging percentage of six out of seven no-tax increase budgets as good as Bobby

Bonds. It was a good line, but it was Bobby's son, Barry Bonds, who slugged a Major League record 73 home runs this year.

Getting back to the voting record. While the Democrats answered the question directly, Republicans talked generally about taxes being stable, cutting waste and inflation during their tenures on the local level; they never specifically cited their voting record. Sullivan addressed it for them later, claiming MacDonald voted nine times in 12 years and Badillo four times to raise taxes locally.

MacDonald blamed the state, saying the local council had no choice because of state mandates before the GOP took control of the Legislature. One good rule: don't let your opponents answer your question for you. But the real answer to a silly question like that is, name an elected official who hasn't raised taxes.

Another good rule in campaigning is not to attack people you aren't running against. Badillo, a Roselle Park councilman, did just that in some of his responses, alluding to Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella, the Democratic chairman in Roselle Park, and his councilwoman wife, Phyllis. While we're on the topic of the freeholder chairman, here's another unwritten rule: Don't use your public

office to campaign for your party's candidates. At the end of last week's freeholder meeting, Mirabella spoke glowingly of the three Democrats' performance during the previous evening's debate and ripped their offer.

After attending the debate, the choice is "even more clear; they distinguished themselves in the way they conducted themselves and what they actually have done. We have a clear, distinct choice," he said. The GOP "offered no clear plan. They just threw barbs."

"I'm pleased to serve with them," Mirabella said of the Democratic ticket. "They did a great job last night and will do a great job in the next three years."

That's great, but a freeholder meeting is not the time or the place for a campaign speech.

I thought Lewis Mingo made a good point in his closing statement at the debate. "Our opponents don't seem to relate to the county. They focus so much on debate, debate, debate." But then I realized, hey, this is a debate. "The whole idea of back-room politics doesn't exist," Mingo said. "If it happens, a vote of 9-0, so be it. If it doesn't, it doesn't."

Then there was the third Republican, Robert Schauder of Westfield. Well, I'm sure he's a nice man...

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Law explains actions of committee

To the Editor:

Many persons are still wondering why the Springfield Township Committee on May 14 left the public meeting to go into private conference for about 10 minutes before giving the answer that they would reduce the school budget by \$31,000 out of the entire amount of \$28 million.

This question was asked at the regular meeting of the Springfield Township Committee of Oct. 9. The explanation was given that under the New Jersey Sunshine Law, basically, members of an official governing body may leave the public meeting room for a private discussion if the matter pertains to personnel or contracts under negotiation or litigation, or a few other minor items. Many residents felt that the reduction decision had been made prior to the start of the May 14 meeting, and thereby the Sunshine Law would not apply for a general budget discussion.

For those who are still wondering about the use of the Sunshine Law in this instance, Township Committeeman Gregory Clarke gave the answer at the Oct. 9 meeting that possible personnel cuts were still being considered during the May meeting; and, hence, there was a private caucus regarding the school budget.

Hazel Hardgrove  
Springfield

### Television show should respect God

To the Editor:

I hope you will allow me to vent my emotion through this letter. On a recent television series — "The West Wing" — Martin Sheen, a man of supposed integrity, uttered the most blasphemous and offensive dialogue I have ever heard, directed at God. This particular episode was called brilliant by one TV critic, and Mr. Sheen — who chose his stage name after Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, as seen on a recent biography — could have rejected or softened this script when presented to him.

This, I am told, was a repeat of last season's finale. This adds "insult to injury" at such a critical time in all our lives.

Brilliant? How about disgusting?

Lynn Kuebler  
Springfield

### Our policy on letters and columns

The Echo Leader welcomes submissions from its readers. Either letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion pages.

### Election coverage guidelines

In fairness to all Township Committee and Borough Council candidates and to provide the best service to our readers, this newspaper has established guidelines and a schedule for coverage of November's election.

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

We also will list important political events such as candidates nights and fund-raisers in news stories. We will aim to stimulate discussion of the issues during election campaigns through independent research and initiative stories.

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

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

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

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

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

Following is the schedule we will adhere to in the Nov. 6 General Election:

Letters to the editor: Political letters, and those of endorsement, will be accepted up to and including the issue of Oct. 25 for candidates. Letters may be printed or appear as excerpts at the editor's discretion.

Endorsement letters containing more than 250 words will be edited for length, regardless of how many candidates they endorse. Letters without telephone numbers will not be considered for publication.

Candidate's Corner: Candidates running for Common Council will be given the opportunity to speak to the readers on these pages as they present their backgrounds, platforms and goals. Their columns will appear Oct. 25.

Our endorsements: Endorsement editorials will appear Nov. 1. Staff-written round-up stories: A final look at the candidates, their platforms and goals, etc., will appear Nov. 1.

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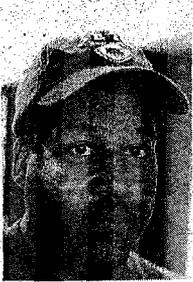
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Joanle Parks

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Rodney Rose

"No, but I would be concerned, and still go. I would not let terrorists detract me. I was there at the World Trade Center when it happened, and we lost my sister-in-law that day."



Claire Rasizer

"No, I feel that it is safe now. We can't live like that, in fear."



Susan Rasmussen

"I am flying on Nov. 2, for pleasure. It is safer now; I would not stop flying because the terrorists say so."

### AT THE LIBRARY

#### Lunchtime mystery series continues

The Springfield Free Public Library's Lunchtime Video Mystery Series continues with "The Lady in Question" on Tuesday at noon.

The stage is set for film noir intrigue as Director-turned-investigator Larry Carter, played by Gene Wilder, returns to action in this suspense-laced A&E Original Movie Presentation.

In 1938, as war clouds gather over Europe, former Broadway director Larry "Cash" Carter retreats to the relative calm of running a community theater in an idyllic New England town. But his tranquility is shattered when a wealthy, anti-Nazi philanthropist is brutally murdered — and a local police detective enlists Carter's keenly perceptive mind to help crack the case. Suspects abound—from a mysterious maid, to suspicious companions, to impoverished relatives and an under-cover Nazi agent. But as clues and coincidences become increasingly tangled, Larry Carter's uncanny talent for analyzing human motivation deduces a drama more sinister than any of them could have imagined. The video is 100 minutes long.

The series will continue on Nov. 6 with "Midnight in Savannah," Nov. 20 with the Dick Francis mystery "Blood Sport," Dec. 4 with Agatha Christie's "Lord Endgame Dies," and Dec. 18 with the Dick Francis mystery "In the Frame."

Bring a brown bag lunch to the performance. Coffee and cookies will be provided. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information call 973-376-4950.

#### Hester Street Troupe kicks off Oct. 28

On Oct. 28 at 2 p.m., The Hester Street Troupe will be at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., performing a variety of Klezmer and Jewish music.

The Hester Street Troupe has been electrifying audiences for the past 17 years. Their extraordinary repertoire

consists of Klezmer, a style where the clarinet imitates human emotions like laughing and crying, songs from the Yiddish Vaudeville and Second Avenue Theatres, as well as classic older and more contemporary Jewish melodies.

The troupe has performed extensively in the New York metropolitan area and has recently completed a tour of Florida, playing to standing-room-only audiences. The trio combine their special brand of schtick with popular Jewish songs for an explosive evening of entertainment.

The group currently celebrates two recordings. The first, "Generation to Generation," connects the listener with the traditions of the Jewish experience and asks the question, "Who will be the Zayde's of our children?" The second, "Sounds of the Shirel," is a peek at a slice of life in the old Jewish community called the Shirel. Horse hooves clomp on cobblestone as street vendors hawk their wares and the Klezmer musicians frolic in the street.

Funding for this program is provided by the A. Leigh Balter Memorial Fund Mr. Balter, a long-time member, was active in all library issues. Because of his actions on behalf of the county library system and of local libraries in Essex County, the New Jersey State Library Association awarded him its Library Service Award in 1988.

Admission for this concert is free by ticket only. Tickets may be picked up at the Circulation Desk for the Library. The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Free Public Library at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4950.

#### 'The Tempest' topic of next meeting

Once a month, the Great Books Discussion Group meets to examine the great books of our civilization. The fall selections range from essays to fiction to drama. The group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., at 10 a.m.

Shakespeare's "The Tempest" will

be discussed today. This joyous play, the last comedy of Shakespeare's career, sums up his stagecraft with a display of seemingly effortless skill. Prospero, exiled Duke of Milan, living on an enchanted island, has the opportunity to punish and forgive his enemies when he raises a tempest that drives them ashore — as well as to forestall a rebellion, to arrange the meeting of his daughter, Miranda, with an eminently suitable young prince, and more important, to relinquish his magic power in recognition of his advancing age.

Richly filled with magic, romance, and comedy, the play's theme of love and reconciliation offers a splendid feast for the senses and the heart.

The other fall selections are "The Federalist" by Hamilton, Jay, and Madison on Nov. 15 and Gogol's "The Overcoat" on Dec. 20. Members of the group take turns leading the discussion. The Great Books compilation may be purchased for \$20 at the Circulation Desk.

For information, call 973-376-4950.

#### Donate books for sale

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library is accepting donations of hardback and paperback books for its annual book sale to benefit the library. Books should be sellable, that is clean and in generally good condition. Adult and children's books are both welcome. Do not donate old textbooks and Reader's Digest Condensed Books CDs, cassettes and costume jewelry also may be donated.

Donations may be dropped off at the library on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:45 p.m., and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

The book sale will be Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on each day, in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave.

#### Renovation project in Mountainside completed

This summer the Mountainside Public Library, Constitution Plaza, completed an interior renovation project with new furniture and expanded

shelving. Just inside the entrance is a brand new wall of shelves filled with the newest fiction, best-sellers and mysteries.

The newly redesigned "Emma Lausten Media Room" is named for Emma Lausten, a Mountainside resident, whose generous bequest funded the core project. Special media shelving displays the library's audio books, plus the newest collection, DVDs. Other changes include shelving for new nonfiction books, expanded magazine displays, the lobby computer table and large directional signs.

Contributions also were received from the College Women's Club, the Mountainside Music Association and the Friends of the Mountainside Library. These organizations provided funding for two large book browsing units, story time steps, new curtains, Stickle furniture for the reading area and a refurbished dollhouse for the children.

#### 'The Day the Library Went Wild' Oct. 29

Join Jay Mankita for "The Day the Library Went Wild" on Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. Including wild songs and natural stories, this very participatory musical concert is geared for reading age kids and their families and features an interactive story.

The library continues its October children's programming for babies, toddlers and young children, as follows:

P-J Storytime, which invites kids to come in their pajamas, is scheduled for Mondays and Thursdays throughout October from 7:30 to 8 p.m. Intended for children ages 3 and older, the programs include stories and a simple project. Parents are welcome. The Monday program is repeated on Thursday. Preregistration required.

The Mother Goose Group promotes the enjoyment of language through nursery rhymes, simple stories, songs, and activities for toddlers ages 1½ to 3 years old and their parent or caregiver. Plan to stay and play afterward. The programs will be today and Oct. 25 from 10:30 to 10:50 a.m. No advance registration.

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# High hopes for Summit Hi-Five

Sunday should be a great day for running or walking through the streets of Summit, according to Mark Zenobia, director of the Summit Hi-5 Race/Walk to benefit the local Women's Resource Center.

Why? "Historically, October weekends offer the best weather of the year for New Jersey road races," said Zenobia, a professional race director with more than 90 races to his credit. "That's because the combination of cool temperatures, low humidity and shade from trees gives experienced runners of all ages a great opportunity to translate their summer training into excellent race times."

"Even runners and-walkers who have done modest amounts of training will find an October event like the

Summit Hi-5 much easier to complete than races at other times of the year, when unpredictable weather can be a severe distraction."

The race and walk will begin at Summit's Village Green at 1 p.m. on Sunday. The five-mile run and two-mile walk through local neighborhoods has a theme of "taking steps for women and girls." Both events are open to men, women and children.

Even though fall weather usually cooperates, Zenobia cautioned, "The Summit five-mile course is not an easy one, with plenty of hills to challenge even the most experienced runners." The course, he noted, is the same one used by the Our House five-miler in the spring, a fact that should give runners of both races a good way

to chart their training progress.

Asked for advice for participants, Zenobia said: "For experienced runners, this is a good opportunity to go for a great time, or to get a quality 'time-out' for a later, longer race such as the Nov. 4 New York City Marathon."

"For participants newer to road-racing, the advice is to take it slow, pace yourself, enjoy the scenery and the spectators, and celebrate at the finish."

Race or walk registration is \$18. Entry forms can be found in local sport shops, libraries and fitness facilities, or participants may sign up in person on Sunday beginning at 11 a.m.

# BPW hosts evening with Dee Dee Myers Friday

The Summit Business and Professional Women's Scholarship Foundation offers "An Evening with Dee Dee Myers: An Insider's view of White House Press Relations, Both Real and on the West Wing" on Friday at 7:45 p.m. at Summit Middle School, 272 Morris Ave. The event is Summit BPW's annual scholarship fundraiser, Reaching for the Summit.

Myers was the first woman and youngest person to have served as White House press secretary. She is currently a consultant to the Emmy award-winning program "The West Wing" and political editor of Vanity Fair magazine. With sharp political instincts and an irreverent sense of humor, Myers will discuss the complete relationship between the presidency and the press, as well as the way that relationship is portrayed on "The West Wing."

Drawing on her experiences, Myers also will comment on the issues facing women in Washington and in leadership positions of all kinds. Following her talk, there will be a question-and-answer period.

The event will begin with a private reception with Myers from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. A donation of \$125 includes admission to the reception and reserved seating at the discussion. For those wishing to attend only the discussion at 7:45 p.m., the cost is \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door.

Summit BPW will use the proceeds from the event to award financial need and merit-based scholarships to women. Over the past 15 years Summit BPW has awarded more than \$160,000 in scholarships. Recipients have been graduating Summit High School students and women seeking to return to the workforce, or to

advance in their chosen careers through continuing education.

Summit BPW is a part of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, the oldest organization in the United States dedicated to achieving workplace equality for women through advocacy and education. Established in 1919, BPW/USA monitors federal legislation that impacts working women, and has been instrumental in the passage of the Women's Business Ownership Act and the Family Medical Leave Act. BPW/USA also spearheads various initiatives to support women in all phases of life.

For tickets or more information, call Heidi Millum at 908-221-7686 during the day, hmillum@a.com, or visit the Summit BPW web site at www.summitbpw.org.

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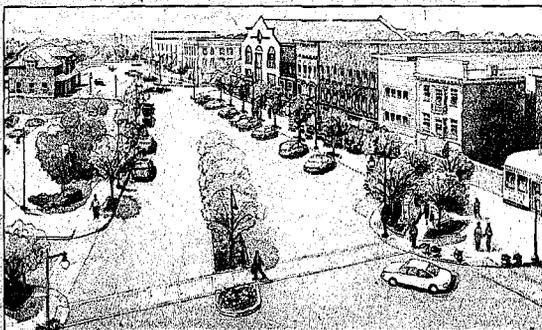
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OBITUARIES

Lillian Wurtzel

Lillian Wurtzel, 97, of West Orange, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 2 in the Dughters of Israel Geriatric Center, West Orange.

Springfield before moving to West Orange five years ago. She owned and operated, with her late husband, Jacob Wurtzel, Jack's Luncheonette in Newark during the 1940s and 1950s.

and a member of the sisterhoods of Congregation AABC, Irvington, and Beth Torah, Orange.

Surviving are a daughter, Gloria Sherman; two brothers, Henry and Benjamin Osoboy; two sisters, Sam Burstein and Dorothy Garelick; seven

grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Joseph Pepe

Joseph Pepe, 98, of Springfield died Oct. 9 at home.

Born in Italy, Mr. Pepe lived in Milburn before moving to Springfield 56 years ago. He was a construction worker. Mr. Pepe was a charter member and past president of New Jersey Building Laborers Union Local 326 of Milburn, where he worked for 30 years. Mr. Pepe retired in 1966.

Surviving are a son, Matthew J. Sr.; two daughters, Antoinette Pepe Fiorilli and Sue Pepe Riba; 11 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Dr. V.D. Chanllecco

Dr. Vicente D. Chanllecco, 72, of Springfield, a dentist, died Oct. 5 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in the Philippines, Dr. Chanllecco maintained a dental practice in the Philippines before retiring. He was a graduate of the University of the East in the Philippines.

Surviving are his wife, Aurora; two sons, Dr. Jose Manuel Chanllecco and Dr. Reynaldo Juan Chanllecco; four daughters, Dr. Victoria Chanllecco, Rosenda Helen Videna, Sofia Ana Gatten and Gloria Concepcion; four sisters, Trinidad, Patricia, Encarnacion and Carmen, and seven grandchildren.

John C. Petti

John C. Petti, 58, of Tucson, Ariz., formerly of Springfield, died on Aug. 28.

Born in Newark, Mr. Petti lived in Springfield before moving to Arizona. He taught biology at Sunnyside Junior High School and Sunnyside High School in Tucson for 20 years before retiring. Mr. Petti received a bachelor of science degree from Rutgers University and a master's degree from the University of Arizona.

Surviving are his wife, Mary; a daughter, Marci; and a son, Jonathan.

Jo Anne Reilly

Jo Anne Reilly, 72, of Mountaintop and Avon-by-the-Sea, a paraprofessional and teacher of the deaf, died Oct. 13 at her Mountaintop home.

Born in East Orange, Mrs. Reilly lived in Newark before living concurrently in Mountaintop and Avon-by-the-Sea for 44 years. She was a teacher of the deaf at the Bruce Street School, Newark, from 1951 through 1962. Mrs. Reilly also created the Catechetical School for Deaf Children, Newark, under the auspices of the Mount Carmel Guild, a Roman Catholic charity, and served as the school's supervisor. In recognition, Mrs. Reilly received the Cross Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice conferred upon her by Pope John XXIII in 1960.

She received a bachelor's degree in education from Newark State Teachers College, now Kean University, Union, in 1951, and a master's degree in special education from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, in 1954. Mrs. Reilly was a certified specialist in special pedagogy and audiology. She was a member of the American Speech and Hearing Association.

Mrs. Reilly was a founding member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Mountaintop. She served as the recording secretary for the Resary Altar Society for 25 years and taught CCD for many years. Mrs. Reilly also was a Girl Scout leader in Mountaintop.

Surviving are her husband of 44 years, John J. Jr.; two daughters, Maureen Parke and Christine; a sister, Helen Deegan; a brother, Creighton McDermott, and two grandchildren.

Larry Buzin

Larry Buzin, 83, of Monroe Township, formerly of Springfield, retired owner of Cranford Cleaners, died Oct. 14 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick.

Born in Olesza, Russia, Mr. Buzin lived in Springfield before moving to Monroe Township 15 years ago. He owned and operated Cranford Cleaners and retired in 1990. Mr. Buzin served in the Army during World War II as a paratrooper. He was a member of the B'nai B'rith, Essex County and the Cranford Chamber of Commerce. Surviving are his wife, Eve; two daughters, Phyllis Sharpe and Mandy Colbert; a son, Marc; and eight grandchildren.

Esther Corvelli

Esther Corvelli, 90, of Mountaintop, formerly of Elizabeth, died Oct. 15 in the Clark Nursing Home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Corvelli moved to Mountaintop 11 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Genevieve DeLuca and Beverly Collicchio; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

William L. Clermont

William L. Clermont, 89, of Short Hills, formerly of Springfield, died Oct. 2 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Watervliet, N.Y., Mr. Clermont lived in Springfield before moving to Short Hills 40 years ago. He was an engineer with Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Newark, for 42 years and retired in 1975.

Surviving are his wife, Lydia; three daughters, Deborah Bataille, Darel A. Feeke and Susan A. Fordyce; 11 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Dorothy E. Johnson

Dorothy E. Johnson, 85, of Mountaintop died Oct. 4 in the Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center. Born in Ashland, Wis., Mrs. Johnson lived in Mountaintop for 50 years. She is the widow of Chester A. Johnson, a former building inspector of Mountaintop, to whom she had been married for 53 years. Mrs. Johnson was a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Mountaintop. Surviving are a son, Donald M.; a daughter, Nancy K. Rucker, and six grandchildren.

Angelica Palermo

Angelica Palermo, 81, of Springfield died Oct. 6 in St. James Hospital, Newark.

Born in Italy, Mrs. Palermo lived in Newark before moving to Springfield 30 years ago. She was a seamstress at JER Manufacturing, Newark, for 20 years and retired in 1971. Mrs. Palermo was a member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, New York City.

Surviving are a son, Vincent J.; a daughter, Josephine, and two grandchildren.

Laurentine Oppasser

Laurentine Oppasser, 96, of Summit died Oct. 11 in the Ashbrook Nursing Home, Scotch Plains.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Oppasser moved to Summit 40 years ago. She was a manager with Suburban Hotel, Summit, where she worked for 15 years and retired in 1980.

Surviving are a daughter, Joan Bollman; a son, Jack; a sister, Peggy Regnier; eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

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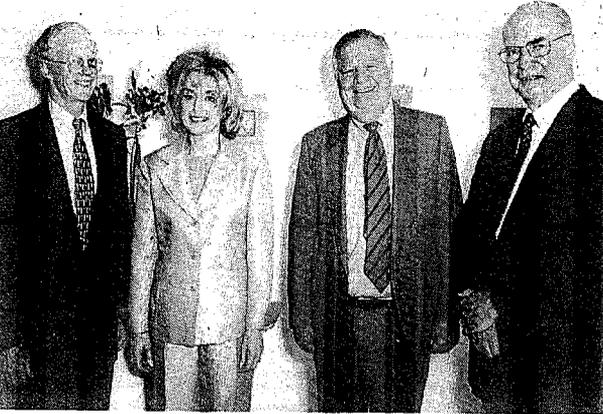
Johnson earns award from NJCVA

After a lifetime as a painter, in 1968, J. Seward Johnson Jr. turned his talents to the medium of sculpture. Since then, more than 200 of Johnson's lifetime cast bronze figures have been featured in private collections in the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia, as well as prominent places in the public realm such as Rockefeller Center and the World Trade Center in New York City, and Queen Elizabeth Park in Vancouver, Canada.

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will present the eighth annual Ann G. Stein Memorial Award, conferred annually upon a person who in the previous year or series of years, has done the most to further the role of the arts locally, regionally and in the State of New Jersey. Criteria for award recipients include furthering the role of the arts locally, regionally and in the State, the creation of significant works of art; encouraging support for the arts by corporations and private citizens, and helping to

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Former recipients include Governor Thomas Keen (1994); Angelo Del Rossi, Executive Producer of the Paper Mill Playhouse (1995); Sculptor George Segal (1996); Painter, Author and Teacher, Faith Ringgold (1997); Lawrence P. Goldman, the first President and CEO of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJ-PAC) (1998); Kathleen Gaffney, Co-Founder, Arts-Genesis (1999); and Michael Graves, Architect (2000).



The Ann G. Stein Memorial 'New Jersey Arts Person of the Year Award' was presented to sculptor J. Seward Johnson Jr. Oct. 3 at the New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts, 68 Elm St. Showing left to right, from left, Bob Dillon, NJCVA President, Joan Duffley Good, executive director, Johnson, and Paul Stein, Summit resident.

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# Dumpster fire sends rescuers

**Springfield**  
On Oct. 10 at 12:07 a.m., the department went to a Victory Road business for a dumpster fire.  
• On Oct. 7 at 4:26 p.m., the Springfield Fire Department responded to an activated fire alarm at the South Springfield Avenue temple; 6:41 p.m., Milltown Road for an activated fire alarm at a residence; 11:59 p.m., to Gandiner School for an activated fire alarm.

## FIRE BLOTTER

• On Oct. 8: 12:21 p.m., to Mountain and Wabeno for a vehicle leaking fuel; 2:00 p.m., to a Wentz Avenue residence for a medical service call.  
• On Oct. 9: 8:17 a.m., to a Kew Drive residence for a medical service call; 10:43 a.m., to a Leape Road residence for an activated fire alarm; 11:28 a.m., to a Meckes Avenue residence for a medical service call; 2:21 p.m., to an Egdewood Avenue residence for a medical service call; 3:36 p.m., to a Mountain Avenue business for an activated fire alarm; 8:02 p.m., to a South Maple Avenue residence for an odor in the area.

• 9:06 a.m., to a Mountain Avenue apartment complex for a smoke detector problem; 10:29 a.m., to Meisel and South Maple for a medical service call; 12:59 p.m., to a Center Street residence for a medical service call; 3:44 p.m., to Hawthorne Avenue for power wires down in the street.

• On Oct. 12: 7:43 a.m., to Route 78 East mile post 47.4 for a motor vehicle accident; 8:54 a.m., to a Skyline Road residence for a medical service call; 9:38 a.m., to a Troy Drive apartment complex for a medical service call; 11:32 a.m., to Route 22 East for a motor vehicle accident; 12:07 p.m., to a Briar Hills Circle residence for a medical service call; 2:32 p.m., all units to a Morris Avenue business for an odor of something burning; 9:40 p.m., a pumper to Summit on a request from Union County Mutual Aid.

• On Oct. 13: 3:45 a.m., to Gandiner School for an activated fire alarm; 10:24 a.m., to a Redwood Road residence to assist the Police Department.

**Mountainside**  
On Oct. 6 at 11:05 a.m., the department went to Forest Hill Way on report of a burning wire; and at 11:49 a.m., to Deer Path on an arcing wire in a tree.

• On Oct. 2: 5:17 p.m., they responded to a residence on Mary Lane.

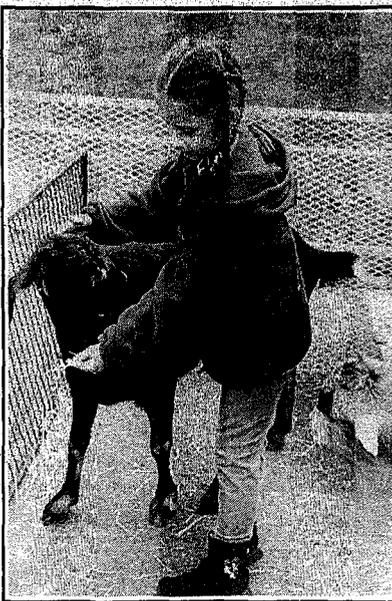
• On Oct. 4: 5:15 p.m., they went to an accidental alarm on Timberland Road.

• On Oct. 5: 8:50 a.m., they answered a call to a Forest Hill residence for an activated alarm.

• On Oct. 6: 10:19 a.m., they were sent to Childrens Specialized Hospital for an activated alarm.

• On Oct. 8: 7:53 a.m., they went to an accidental alarm at Childrens Hospital; and at 10:02 a.m., to an accidental alarm at the church on Central Avenue.

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**STREET FAIR FUN** — The Springfield Street Fair at Jonathan Dayton High School on Sunday offered a variety of fun, food, activities and games. Above, 11th-grader Phillip Sarracino helps Marie Samson, a ninth-grader, sell flowers for the high school's Volunteer Club. Left, Christina Foti, 6, of Cranford, enjoys meeting a new friend at the petting zoo.

## Flu clinic Oct. 30

The Westfield Regional Health Department will conduct a flu clinic on Oct. 30, Springfield Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave., in the Committee Room, 6 to 7 p.m.

## Free bone density test and seminar Oct. 25

Marriott Senior Living Services and Merck & Co. are partnering to host free, ultrasound bone mineral density tests and a free educational seminar on osteoporosis featuring Dr. Robert Fuhrman, endocrinologist of Endocrine Medical Associates. The event will take place Oct. 25 at

Brighton Gardens by Marriott, 1350 Route 22 West, Mountainside.

The goal is straightforward: to increase awareness of the disease among seniors, encourage those whose bones remain strong to take steps to minimize their risk, and inform those who have osteoporosis about these new treatments.

When it comes to talking charge of your health care, knowledge is the best starting point. If you are interested in attending, register for your free screening and evening seminar.

Bone mass density screening will take place from 9 a.m. to 6 a.m., followed by an educational seminar from 7 to 8 p.m.

## HEALTH

For information, call 908-654-4460.

## Health fair planned

The Roselle Park Board of Health, in conjunction with the Westfield Regional Health Department, is sponsoring a Health Fair for residents of Roselle Park, Garwood, Fanwood, Mountainside, Springfield and Westfield.

The fair takes place at Roselle Park High School, 185 W. Webster Ave., Roselle Park, Nov. 3, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

The program will include the following free services:

- Flu vaccine shots

- Physical consults
- Blood sugar screening
- Arterial screening
- Hearing and vision screening
- Local hospital screening exams
- Pulmonary function testing
- Body fat analysis
- Free samples and more.

In addition, there will be a Laboratory Blood Testing program available, registration required. Tests available at the following costs are: Smauc-26 w/ differential, \$17; TSH-510, T4-55; RH Factor, \$10; Sed Rate, \$10; Total Iron, 55; PSA, \$30. Urine analysis, \$5.

Call the Health Department at 908-789-0770, on or after Monday.

for information on registration for the laboratory tests.

## Speaker series at YMCA

The Springfield YMCA, 100 S. Springfield Ave., has announced the dates for its upcoming speaker series. All sessions are open to the public and free of charge.

"Symptoms and Solutions to Stress," led by Dr. Jason Levy, will discuss numerous solutions to stress including diet, vitamins and minerals, exercises, techniques and other natural remedies, tonight from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For information and to register, call Tracy Gaurin at 908-467-0838 or stop by the YMCA.



Erika Seale then



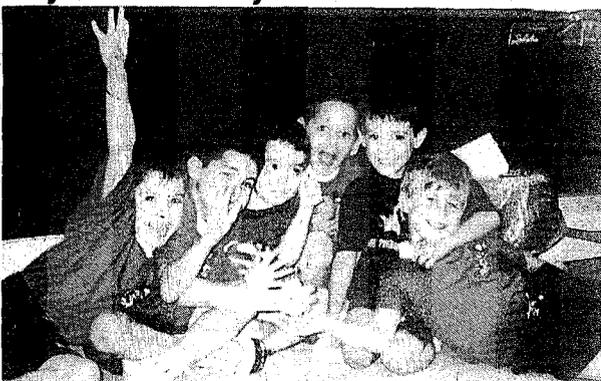
Erika Seale now

## Seale cuts hair to help those without

Erika Seale, a third-grader at James Caldwell School in Springfield, just cut 19 inches off her hair to donate to Locks of Love, the organization that uses donated hair to make wigs for kids with medical hair loss.

Seale, who has had long hair since she was 2 years old, decided to get a haircut. When she was told of this organization, she felt even shorter to help children feel better about themselves.

## Boys will be boys



Springfield's Tiger Cub Scouts recently completed all the requirements for the Tiger Cub Belt Tolem, to be given out by Den Leader Dulce Tonelli. Celebrating their Tiger Cub Rank status are, from left, Danny Tanelli, Anthony Trusso, Michael Tanelli, Gennaro DiMuro, Nathan Starzynski and Michael Ziobro.

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**NEWS CLIPS**

**Aquarium show will offer colorful fish**

On Oct. 27 and 28 at the New Jersey Aquarium Society Show at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Rd., Mountainside, view colorful fish and other aquatic creatures displayed by club members, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.  
Call 908-789-3670.

**Cannonball House offers ghost tour**

The Springfield Historical Society will once again present the annual Ghost Tour of Springfield's Historic Cannon Ball House Oct. 29 and 30 at 8 p.m. The candlelight tour of the circa 1740 house will include accounts of local ghosts from the Revolutionary-era murders from long ago. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$5 each and reservations

are necessary. Call 973-367-4784 for information.

**Halloween giveaways this month at local bank**

Unity Banks offices in Linden, Scotch Plains, Springfield and Union will hold the Great Unity Halloween Giveaway Networking Socials this month.

The Great Halloween Giveaway at the Unity Branch in Springfield will take place Oct. 25 at 6 p.m.

All businesses in the area are invited to attend this first-time event. Each bank will have refreshments. The only admission is a donated door prize. All door prizes will be awarded to one lucky winner. The winner in past events walked away with \$2,000 worth of gift certificates and other prizes.

The Great Unity Halloween Giveaway encourages businesses to come out and network with others in each town. The possibility of winning a

"table full" of prizes is an added incentive to participate.

Donated prizes can be a promotional product from your business, a gift certificate for donated services or something bought from another business. Your business name and the prize will be listed on the program for the event giving the businesses additional recognition.

Some of the prizes already donated include Inflexum USA L.P. flashlights and beach bags; Sandra Santiago Beauty Consultant's gift certificates for beauty analysis and makeover; Rainbow Cruises, one piece of carry-on luggage; Unity Bank, American Express gift check; Key Travel Associates, travel gift certificate; Union County Economic Development, toiletries bag; and Hecht Family Chiropractic Center, lumbar support cushion.

For reservations and more information, call Susan at the Union County Chamber office at 908-352-0900.

**Mountainside Red Cross in search of volunteers for armed forces**

Do you like helping others in their time of need? Do you want to get involved in your community? Do you want to do something meaningful with your time? How about becoming a Red Cross Volunteer? The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross is currently looking for people to become volunteers with the Armed Forces Emergency Services. This provides emergency-related services to members of the U.S. Armed Forces, and their families in times of personal

emergencies and crisis.

This service area is a must for all Red Cross chapters. It provides emergency reporting services to strengthen the morale of the members of the armed forces and their families, to provide accurate reports for service members about home situations and it provides military authorities with verified information so they can make decisions that affect service members and the command.

Volunteers are needed to help field

incoming calls during the evening and early morning hours, still allowing the Red Cross to provide armed services with nonstop communication. Volunteers provide this service directly from their home. No previous experience is needed and the Red Cross will provide the training and support.

If you are looking to get involved or would like more information, call the chapter at 908-232-7090 or stop by at 321 Elm St. in Westfield.

**A helping hand**



Through a grant from the Mountainside Clean Communities program, the Mountainside PTA sponsored two assemblies Oct. 5. Myra of Myra's Amazing Puppets performed two shows titled "The Litterbug Giant" and "The Giving Tree" for MOPPET through fourth-graders. The shows reviewed information about the importance of recycling in the community. Here, second-grader Billy Worswick demonstrates using an alligator hand puppet while simultaneously throwing his voice under Myra Neugeboren's guidance.

**EVENTS**

**Temple Beth Ahm hosts senior event**

Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, will be launching a new social program for seniors 55 years old and older. "Not Just Lunch" will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, from noon to 2 p.m., beginning Wednesday.

Noted musician Tuvia Zamber will lead participants in a sing-along of old times at the initial session. Group leader Marian Levenberg will emcee the biweekly programs, which will feature a kosher dairy lunch to be followed by recreation and social program. There is a charge of \$6.50 for lunch.

For those needing assistance with transportation, rides will be provided by volunteer drivers or by Union County Paratransit, for those needing wheelchair accessible accommodations.

The program is open to members of the community and is funded by a grant from the Grota Foundation for Senior Care.

To register, call the synagogue office at 973-376-0539.

**Brunch set for Scotty's on Sunday**

A paid-up membership brunch will be at Scotty's in Springfield Sunday at 11:30 a.m. by the Ruth Estrin Goldberg Memorial for Cancer Research. Call Elaine Colliccio at 973-376-3714 for information. R.E.G.N. is a non-profit organization.

**Rummage sale Friday**

The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield will conduct its annual rummage sale Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to noon, at the Parish House on Church Mall, opposite the Foodtown Shopping Center on Morris Avenue.

Men's, women's and children's clothing will be for sale along with curtains, drapes, dishes, kitchenware, bric-a-brac and other miscellaneous articles.

For information, call the church office at 973-379-4320.

**Halloween party Oct. 27**

The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield, 37 Church Mall, will sponsor a Halloween dance Oct. 27 from 6 to 10 p.m.

A professional disc jockey will provide decades of music selections for listening and dancing pleasure, and coming in a costume will provide even more color to the decorated Parish House auditorium. Adding to the festivities will be a light buffet including delicious desserts.

**Winners of the fourth quarter**



Florence M. Gaudineer School's 'Student of the Quarter' recipients for the fourth quarter of the 2000-01 school year are, from left, fifth-grader Lisa Mlynarski, sixth-grader Janine Kahooni, and seventh-grader Lauren Bernstein. Eighth-grader Christina Leshko is not pictured. The program is sponsored by the Springfield Elks 2004 as part of its Youth Activities Program, which recognizes exceptional students.

**Timely history lesson**



Sixth grade social studies students at Deerfield School recently viewed and discussed Microsoft PowerPoint presentations on the topics of the Islamic religion and geographic and demographic regions of Afghanistan, in light of the Sept. 11 tragedy. From left are Courtney Bento, Chelsea Arano, Giancarlo Arpino, teacher Joseph Picca, Sara Boyle; and Maha Kazim.

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By J.R. Parachini  
 Sports Editor

With three weekends to go that count toward the state playoffs, it appears that three area teams will qualify and possibly a fourth.

Elizabeth is a lock in North 2, Group 4 and Johnson lock in North 2, Group 2. Roselle Park appears to be on its way to a second straight berth in North 2, Group 1.

Summit, owners of a three-game winning streak, is attempting to qualify in North 2, Group 2 for a second straight season.

Other Union County teams that should qualify include Westfield and Plainfield in North 2, Group 4; Scotch Plains in North 2, Group 3 and New Providence in North 2, Group 1.

If the eight above teams all qualify, as many as half of the Union County schools (8 of 16) will be playing playoff football in November.

Not bad. Elizabeth, with this weekend off, has now won 12 in a row, 17 straight at home, and remains the only undefeated team in the county at 6-0. The only other two undefeated teams in Elizabeth's section — North 2, Group 4 — are Montclair and Morristown, both 5-0.

Johnson, seeking to get back to the North 2, Group 2 playoffs, posted the biggest win during head coach Bob Taylor's tenure by routing Bound Brook 64-0 last Saturday in Clark.

Although it doesn't appear that Linden will qualify for a third consecutive season in North 2, Group 4, all the Tigers need to do is win one more game to give head coach Bucky McDonald his 100th victory there. McDonald has guided Linden since 1985, winning the North 2, Group 3 crown his first year with the Tigers.

Summit has a big game at home Saturday against Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division rival West Essex. The Hilltoppers are 3-2 after an 0-2 start, while the Scarlet Knights are 5-1.

### WEEK SIX GAMES

Friday, Oct. 19  
 Shabazz at Union, 7 p.m.  
 Roselle Park at Bound Brook, 7  
 Roselle at North Plain, 7  
 Scotch Plains at Kearny, 7  
 Rahway at Ridge, 7

Saturday, Oct. 20  
 Manville at Brearley, 1 p.m.  
 Johnson at Hillsdale, 1  
 East Side at Linden, 1  
 Cranford at Plainfield, 1  
 Westfield at Irvington, 1  
 Immaculata at New Prov., 1  
 West Essex at Summit, 1:30 p.m.  
 Elizabeth is off.  
 GL forfeit win over Dayton.

### WEEK FIVE SCORES

Friday, Oct. 12  
 Elizabeth 28, Linden 18  
 Westfield 17, Union 6  
 East Side 21, Cranford 14  
 Ridge 45, Roselle 20  
 R. Park forfeit win over Dayton  
 Saturday, Oct. 13  
 Scotch Plains 21, Irvington 6  
 Johnson 64, Bound Brook 0  
 Summit 42, Parsippany 14  
 Gv. Livingston 16, Rahway 0  
 Immaculata 17, Hillsdale 0  
 New Providence 30, Brearley 8  
 Plainfield was off.

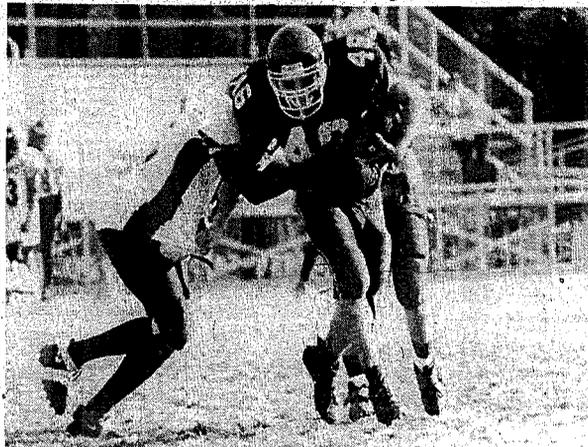
### PICKS FOR WEEK SIX

Union over Shabazz  
 Roselle Park over Bound Brook  
 North Plainfield over Roselle  
 Scotch Plains over Kearny  
 Ridge over Rahway  
 Brearley over Manville  
 Johnson over Hillsdale  
 Linden over East Side  
 Plainfield over Cranford  
 Westfield over Irvington  
 Immaculata over New Providence  
 Summit over West Essex  
 Last week: 7-3  
 Season: 42-19 (.689)

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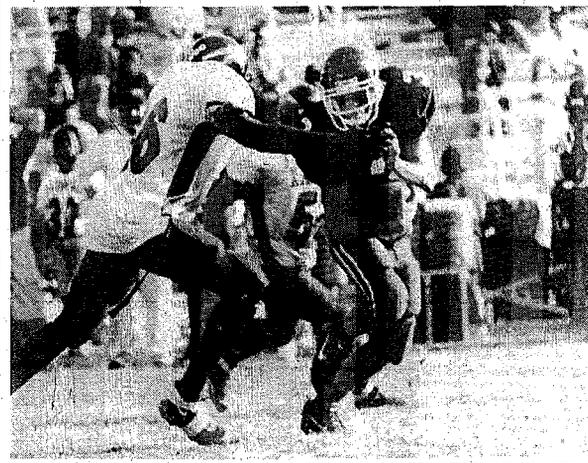
1. Elizabeth (6-0)  
 2. Plainfield (4-1)  
 3. Westfield (4-1)  
 4. Scotch Plains (4-1)  
 5. Johnson (4-1)  
 6. Roselle Park (4-1)  
 7. New Providence (3-2)  
 8. Union (2-4)  
 9. Summit (3-2)  
 10. Linden (1-4)  
 Gv. Livingston (2-3)  
 Hillsdale (2-3)  
 Roselle (1-4)  
 Rahway (1-4)  
 Cranford (1-5)  
 Brearley (1-4)

## Running to victory



Photos by Barbara Kokkalis

The Governor Livingston High School football team snapped a three-game losing streak by blanking Rahway 16-0 last Saturday in Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division play in Berkeley Heights. Above, senior fullback Brian Dressel (No. 46) tries to escape the clutches of two Rahway tacklers. Dressel rushed for a game-high 103 yards and scored GL's second touchdown on a three-yard run in the fourth quarter. Below, senior fullback Mary Moroney (No. 3) looks for yardage. GL will receive a forfeit win against Dayton this weekend to improve to 3-3. The Highlanders will then play at Johnson Oct. 27 and at Manville Nov. 2.



## Level of UCT competition tougher for Dayton squad

### Boys' soccer seeks to qualify for states

By Jeff Wolfrum  
 Staff Writer

UNION — The competition in the first round of the Union County Tournament was much tougher for the Dayton High School boys' soccer team.

The Bulldogs entered Saturday's match against 1999 champ Union a bit overmatched. The Farmers, who lost to defending champion Scotch Plains in the semifinals last year, proved to be a bit too much for Dayton as they went on to post a convincing 5-0 victory.

"This was a different level game," Dayton head coach Felix Fabiano said. "We were hoping they wouldn't score the first two goals right away."

The second-seeded Farmers, 7-5-1 as of Monday, got on the board early in the contest as senior left wing Gabe Rimolo tallied for a 1-0 advantage.

It didn't take Union long to make it 2-0 as it scored at the 10:00 mark.

Junior Felipe Oliveira connected off a corner kick for the goal. Senior Michael Piccuito had the assist on the play. Piccuito had three assists on the day.

"After going into a bad slump in our three previous games, we came out and picked it up a lot," Piccuito said. "We had real good crosses, diagonal balls and touches."

Dayton, which fell to 5-5, had a chance at the 18:00 mark, but Luis Soto's blast from 10 feet out on a breakaway was snared by Union senior goalkeeper Erik Green.

The 15th-seeded Bulldogs had another opportunity two minutes later as junior midfielder Brad Shortall missed wide left after receiving a beautiful crossing pass from senior forward Mo Abdelziz.

At the 27:00 mark, it was Union's turn once again as it applied pressure but came away empty. The Farmers blasted three shots on goal that were turned away by Dayton junior keeper Mike Nitello.

Shortall had a breakaway attempt smothered at 35:22, as Green came out and jumped on the ball.

With less than three minutes left before intermission, Rimolo made a bid for his second goal of the game, but his turnaround shot from just inside the crease was snared by Nitello.

Union added pressure in the final minute and its persistence paid off as it scored again.

Senior captain Maurizio Rojas knocked in a header from five feet out off an assist from Piccuito to give the Farmers a 3-0 halftime lead.

"I was just in the right place at the right time," Rojas said.

Union almost had a 4-0 lead just three minutes into the second half as sophomore Michael Tevnan's blast from 20 yards out hit the right post and deflected away.

Three minutes later, Tevnan had another chance but came away empty as his shot sailed high over the net.

With 30 minutes remaining in the second half, the forward wouldn't be denied as he scored off a free kick from 18 yards out. Piccuito noticed his third assist of the game on the play.

"Most of the game we were playing back of the ball," Piccuito said. "That's how we scored."

A minute later, Union changed goalies, as Green gave way to freshman Brett Axelrod. Green made four saves in the contest.

The Farmers closed out the scoring with 25:19 left as freshman forward Andrew Gagliardo connected on a header off a cross from Tevnan to give Union its 5-0 lead.

Axelrod was challenged only once in the contest as he snared a shot from Soto off a corner kick.

With less than two minutes left, Gagliardo just missed making it 6-0 as his shot hit the crossbar and bounced away.

Dayton was scheduled to host Summit Monday, play at New Providence Tuesday, host Oratory today at 4 p.m. and also host New Providence this week.

The Bulldogs, who defeated Summit in a UCT prelim contest, are seeking to qualify for the North 2, Group 1 playoffs. Tomorrow is the cutoff date.

"We have a 50 percent chance of making the states," Fabiano said at the start of the week.

### Girls' improved to 7-4-1

Who's the hottest goalie in Union County? Perhaps Dayton girls' soccer standout Sara Steinman.

The sophomore keeper stopped 12 shots Monday to earn her seventh shutout of the season in leading the Bulldogs to a 1-0 Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division victory over host Manville. Kara Christmas scored the game's only goal off a pass from Lindsey Brahm early in the first half.

Steinman made eight saves in a 0-0 tie at home against Manville last Friday. The Bulldogs, 7-4-1 as of Tuesday and assured of qualifying for the North 2, Group 1 playoffs, lost at Cranford 8-0 Saturday in the first round of the Union County Tournament.

## Summit notches 3rd straight win

### Columbo: West Essex is huge; our Super Bowl

By Jeff Wolfrum  
 Staff Writer

Inching closer to the playoffs. That's what the Summit High School football team is doing after winning its last three games.

"We're in a must-win situation every week," head coach Mike Columbo said. Summit defeated Parsippany 42-14 last Saturday night in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division play in Summit.

"The crowd at Tatlock Field was big and noisy," Columbo said. "It really helped to get us up."

The Hilltoppers (3-2) got the fans into it early, as senior wide receiver Matt Williams returned the opening kickoff 88 yards for a touchdown. Senior Keith Schroeder booted the extra point and Summit was on top 7-0.

### High School Football

"That play really set the tone for the game," Columbo said. The highly recruited 6-4, 210-pound Schroeder then put his team up 14-0 early in the second quarter as he connected on a nine-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver J.P. Coviello. He then drilled the point after to give Summit a 14-0 advantage.

Parsippany cut it to 14-7 midway through the quarter on a five-yard run and successful point after conversion.

"We gave up 45 yards in penalties on that drive," Columbo said.

The Hilltoppers answered right back on their next possession as Schroeder hooked up with junior wide receiver Evan Chang for a 52-yard touchdown strike. Schroeder hit the extra point and Summit was ahead 21-7.

Schroeder finished the contest 7-of-15 for 123 yards and two touchdowns. "In addition to his leadership, Keith brings invaluable intangibles," Columbo said. "Defenses are weary of him and design many different types of coverages against us."

Just before halftime, Summit boosted its lead to 28-7 as Schroeder scored on a keeper from 15 yards out and then followed with a successful extra point.

"Getting that last touchdown before the half was huge," Columbo said. "It really slammed the door on them."

"Both teams played well defensively in the third quarter, especially the Hilltoppers."

"We played great defense all game long," Columbo said. "We had them pinned on their side of the field for most of the game."

Summit added to its lead early in the fourth period as junior running back Brad Dolyn scored on a 55-yard run. Schroeder connected on the point after to give the Hilltoppers a 35-7 lead.

"We played outstanding on both sides of the ball," Columbo said. "We also excelled in the kicking game."

The Hilltoppers would score their last points of the game midway through the last period, as backup quarterback Rob Schroeder, Keith's brother, threw for a touchdown.

The junior signal-caller hooked up with Williams on a 21-yard strike. The elder Schroeder booted the extra point to give Summit the 42-7 lead.

"Our offense is very dangerous," Columbo said. "We just have to find out the personality of the team."

Parsippany closed out the scoring late in the game on a five-yard run and successful conversion.

"That last score came against the second-string defense," Columbo said. "Overall, I was really happy with the effort."

Summit faces a real stiff challenge on Saturday as it hosts West Essex (5-1) at 1:30 p.m. in IHC-Hills Division play.

Both teams are vying for North 2, Group 2 berths. "This game is huge," Columbo said. "It's going to be our Super Bowl."

The Hilltoppers will be looking to avenge a 42-24 loss they suffered against West Essex last year.

"They're big and strong," Columbo said. "We're hoping to get back at them this week."

Summit has a road game against Mount Olive on Oct. 26 and a home contest scheduled for the playoff cutoff weekend of Nov. 3 against Hanover Park. Teams with a .500 record or better on the cutoff date will qualify for the states.

"If we win, it puts us in a nice situation," Columbo said. "So I'm really looking forward to it."

### Summit's Dates helps NJCU football team defeat Kean

Diane Dates of Summit, a Summit High School graduate and former football standout for the Hilltoppers, is a member of the New Jersey City University football team.

The senior punter booted a ball that Jose Sanchez of Kean fumbled in the air on the return at the 10 yard line. The botched return was recovered by freshman linebacker Amir Wornack and the play helped set up NJCU's first touchdown in a 21-10 win last Saturday at Kean.

The victory was the first for NJCU as it improved to 1-4 overall and 1-2 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference.

### Minutemen fall to Summit

The Springfield Minutemen C Team was defeated by Summit 21-12, while the A Team was downed 21-10 in youth football action last Sunday in Scotch Plains.

Springfield's C Team, which lost for the first time, charged to a lead on the first play of the game as Jimmy Quairno raced 65 yards for a touchdown after a quick toss to the flat from quarterback Jason Cappa.

Summit answered by scoring a touchdown of its own and made the extra point to take a 7-6 lead.

Summit scored twice more in the first half to take a 21-6 lead. The Hilltoppers scored their second touchdown on a quarterback sneak and their third on a well-executed 50-yard pass play.

Cappa scored Springfield's second touchdown, bringing the score to 21-12 in the second half.

Playing well for the Minutemen on defense were Robert Annazzone, Eric Dworkin, Cappa, Jon Cubukco and Matt Netta. Cubukco recovered a fumble in the second half, while Netta suffered an injury late in the game.

Playing well for the A Team were quarterback Ryan O'Reilly, running backs Dave Turillo and Jeff Fedor and Jake Floyd on defense.

### Tornadoes boot two foes

The Soccer Club of Springfield 8-and-under Tornadoes squad defeated Montville 3-2 and Rockaway 1-0.

Zachary Haliczek scored the winning goal against Montville, with the other goals coming from Mike Disko and Evan Krupp.

Brandon Moss played well in goal in the second half to earn the victory. "Also playing well for Springfield were John Balboni, Andrew Homish, Matt Lynn, Christian Schmidt, Nicholas Pearl, Eyan Boclin, Max Kotler, Ben Hirsch, Brendan O'Reilly and Peter Yabonsky."

Boclin made one save to goal on Rockaway's only shot to help Springfield blank its Morris County opponent. Disko scored the game's only goal, which came in the second half off an assist from Moss.

Homish and Pearl each blasted three shots against Rockaway, while the Tornadoes improved to 4-1 with the two one-goal triumphs.

**RELIGION**

**Choral singers invited to 'Requiem'**

In remembrance of the events of Sept. 11, choral singers are invited to join in a non-denominational Community Singing of Brahms' "Requiem," taking place on Sunday at 3 p.m. at Calvary Episcopal Church, 31 Woodland Ave.

James L. Little, minister of music at Calvary Church, will conduct using the German text. Sandor Szabo, minister of music at Glen Ridge Congregational Church, will accompany on the organ. The soprano soloist will be Andi Campbell, with the baritone soloist to be announced.

Singers are urged to bring their own scores, if possible. A limited number of scores will be available at the door. Non-singers are also welcome. Admission is free.

For information call 973-325-7732.

**Rachel Shabbat increases awareness**

In an effort to increase awareness of domestic abuse in suburban Jewish households and its devastating impact on the children who live in these homes, two Springfield synagogues will be participating in the third annual Rachel Shabbat to coincide with October's National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

On Friday, Rabbi Joshua Goldstein of Temple Sha'arey Shalom, will address the congregation on this issue from the pulpit at Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Ave. Due to conflicts in schedule, Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, will participate in Rachel Shabbat 2001 with a volunteer guest speaker presentation during Friday evening services on Nov. 16.

Rachel Shabbat 2001 is in conjunction with the Rabbinic Cabinet of MetroWest. For information, call Sylvia Heller, program associate, at the Rachel Coalition, at 973-765-9050.

The Rachel Coalition is a grassroots partnership of nine local organizations providing a comprehensive response to victims of domestic violence in the MetroWest Jewish community and the community at large. Among its services are a 24-hour crisis intervention hotline, an emergency suburban Safe House — with Koster provisions under the supervision of the Va'ad of MetroWest — on transition planning, individual and family counseling, legal and medical support, outreach and educational programs.

If you or someone you know needs help, call 973-765-9050 and ask for "Rachel." All calls are confidential.

**Hadassah speaker set**

Lois E. Kaish of Springfield, a prominent activist in combating domestic violence, will be the Springfield Hadassah's guest speaker today at 12:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield.

Co-Presidents Irene Chotiner and Dorothea Schwartz said Kaish's topic will be "Domestic violence in the Jewish community."

Kaish, who is active in numerous major women's and Jewish groups, has spoken extensively about domestic violence at dozens of conferences, meeting of numerous organizations and synagogue functions.

She is co-chairwoman of the 2001 Rachel Coalition concerning domestic violence. She was the 1995 national chairwoman of "Women's Action to

End Domestic Violence" sponsored by the Leadership Conference of Major Jewish Women's Organizations.

A former president of Springfield Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women, now called Jewish Women International, she has been the recipient of numerous awards.

The public is invited. Coffee and cake will be served.

**Temple Beth Ahm marks 50th anniversary**

Temple Beth Ahm of Springfield will host a gala dinner dance on Sunday. The temple will be celebrating its 50th anniversary and honoring past president Mark Samuel Ross.

Ross has been involved in the Jewish community for almost 30 years since he was a teen-ager in the early 1970s. His formal education includes a bachelor of arts degree from Rutgers University, a juris doctorate from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law and a Diploma from the American Academy McAllister Institute of Funeral Services.

Ross was named Man Of The Year by B'nai B'rith of Springfield for 1995. He was profiled in "Who's Who In America" and "Who's Who in American Law." He is the senior director and co-owner of Menorah Chapels Funeral Homes in Union and Teaneck.

Ross, his wife Robin and his children Adam and Danielle, have been and will continue to be a valuable asset to Temple Beth Ahm and the entire community.

To attend this milestone event, or for more information, call the temple office at 973-376-0539, Ext. 11.

**Resource Center helps parents and children**

This fall, the Women's Resource Center in Summit has a full schedule of programs and workshops to help parents and children meet a variety of challenges, some designed especially for parents.

"Best Friends" Guide to Maternity Leave: Making the Most of Your Precious Time at Home" is a one-time

workshop designed for working mothers-to-be. Author Betty Holcomb will give mothers-to-be her sisterly advice on a variety of issues to help with ways to get paid maternity leave, the emotional return to work, and tips for bonding with infants.

Copies of "Best Friends Guide to Maternity Leave" will be available for

signing by the author. The workshop is scheduled for Oct. 25, 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$15 for Center members, and \$20 for non-members.

To register, or get more information, call the Women's Resource Center at 908-273-7253 or go to www.womenresource.org.

**Workshop honors Grandparent's Day with writing tools for remembrance**

One of the greatest gifts a parent or grandparent can give their children or grandchildren is the story of their life. But capturing memories on paper is a daunting task for many. That is why Spend-A-Day Adult Day Health Center in Berkeley Heights recently chose to sponsor a free family documentary workshop in honor of Grandparent's Day and Adult Day Services Week.

Summit resident Bob Max, founder of "Remember Me? A Family History Documentary" service and co-chairman of the Senior Legislative Issues Coalition of Union County, emphasized the two-hour workshop.

Max emphasized techniques that make the writing process easier. Among his many suggestions were to begin by breaking down the life cycle into six distinct periods and to concentrate on one particular segment. The six periods include: the early years, the formative years, the slifting role to independence, mid-life, planning for your later years, and acquiring senior status.

"Whether writing comes to you easily or not, there are some basic guidelines that not only ease the process but help to deliver a more readable product," Max said. "Talk-

ing with a family member or someone close to you over the years, for instance, can help trigger memories of an event or situation that should be included."

Be selective with the events or details that you choose to write about. Consider what will interest others and don't get bogged down in irrelevant detail. Finally, your finished piece, along with photographs and memorabilia, should be compiled in a notebook, folder or portfolio, Max offers for sale gift chest that can help preserve your stories and mementos.

The Remember Me? Package includes a 56-page guide to writing your autobiography, a high-quality hard-bound three-ring portfolio, 20 acetate sleeves for photographs and mementos, 120 index cards for note-taking, personal philosophy stationary, a gold pen for personalizing the portfolio, model autobiographies, and a practical writing guide. The gift chest is available for \$45 plus tax, shipping and handling. To order, call 908-273-4850.

For more help and ideas for developing your personal history, visit the Remember Me? web site at www.rememberme.com.



Doris Cort, left, displays the 'Remember Me? Gift Chest,' her prize for writing the winning entry at the Remember Me? Workshop. With her are, from left, workshop leader Bob Max, Doris' husband Robert, and SAGE Director Jackie Vogelmann. SAGE Spend-A-Day sponsored the workshop in honor of Grandparent's Day and Adult Day Services Week.

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Toothbrushing and Dental Health

By Harish B. Patel, D.M.D.

Angled heads, raised bristles, oscillating tufts, handles that change color when you use it; you name it, toothbrushes come in all shapes and sizes, promising to perform better than the other. No scientific evidence exists to show one is better than the other.

Many people don't brush long enough, most brush less than a minute, ideally 2-3 minutes is best. Angle the bristles 45 degrees to the gum line, with a small circular motion for maximum removal of plaque.

The toothbrush head should be small (1" by 1/2") for easy access, with soft nylon bristles so it does not damage your gums.

Be sure to change the tooth brush every 3-4 months, or when the bristles are splayed and/or frayed. Not only are old toothbrushes not effective but can harbour harmful bacteria.

Electric toothbrushes aren't much better, but are useful for people who have limited manual dexterity or to motivate those reluctant brushers!

Children should be shown how to brush properly, positive reinforcement is a good way to motivate a child.

Remember good oral hygiene is the best way to prevent dental disease, don't forget to visit your dentist regularly!

As a final point of interest the first toothbrush was invented in China around 1000 AD. It was an ivory handled toothbrush, with bristles made from a horses mane. Tooth brushes became popular among the Victorian affluent in the 19th Century. The advent of nylon and mass marketing made the toothbrush popular in the 20th Century. In some parts of Asia a "natural" tooth brush is used, a twig from a certain species of tree is chewed upon to splay out 'bristles' then used to brush the teeth. This is still done in rural areas of Asia today!

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