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Stanley's says goodbye

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

Stanley's Restaurant, a long-standing staple within Springfield, closed on Sunday. Soon it will be torn down to make room for a Commerce Bank and CVS drug store.

"I remember it was the best place in the world," said Committeeman Sy Mullman, remembering back over 30 years ago, when Stanley's used to have waitresses on rollerskates bringing out orders.

In April, the Springfield Planning Board unanimously approved the Commerce Bank and CVS drug store applications. The building will be erected on the corner of Morris and Springfield avenues, where Stanley's currently resides. The management at the restaurant declined to be interviewed for this story.

Many residents have asked why Springfield needs a second Commerce Bank on Morris Avenue, when the township—already has one approximately a mile away to the west.

"In a particular area we could have two stores very close together, one going into town, one going out of town," said Vice President of Corporate Communication for Commerce Bank David Flaherty. "It's all part of our brand awareness and our retail strategy. We've found the same works for Commerce Bank. We can have branches going into a town, out of a town, that are fairly close together, and they will both do equally well."

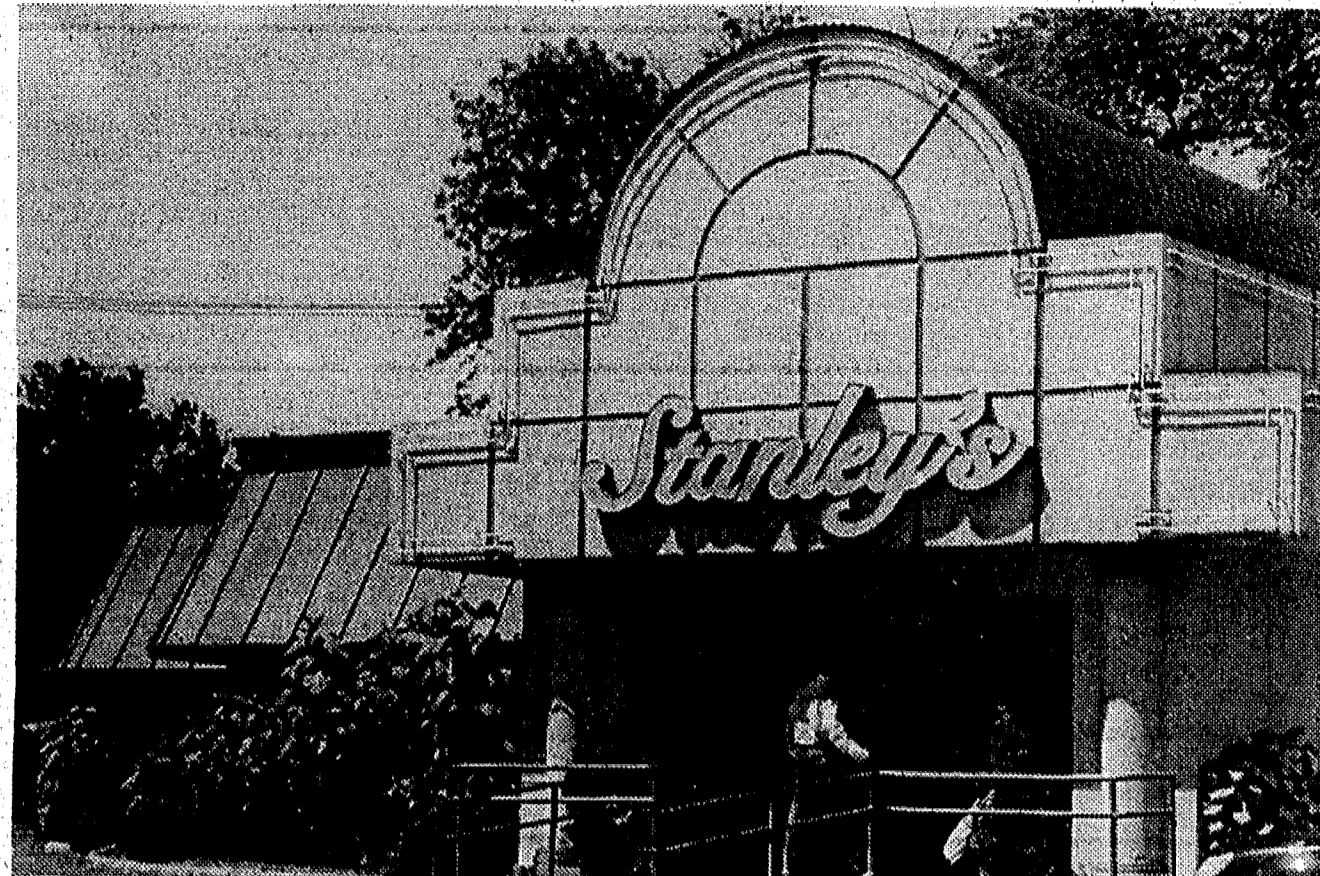


Photo By Jeff Grant

A staple of Springfield for decades, Stanley's Restaurant on Morris and Springfield Avenues closed its doors forever on Sunday, making room for a CVS Pharmacy and Commerce Bank.

Commerce Bank encourages customer traffic, Flaherty said. "In order to make sure that people don't have to wait too long, in order to make sure it's convenient for them, in many cases we'll have three or four branches close together to each other. That's fine because then we're sure that we can always provide people with the kind of service they've come to expect from us," he said.

From its inception in 1973, Commerce Bank has expanded from its original base in Marlton to nearly 200

offices throughout New Jersey, Pennsylvania, metro-New York, and northern Delaware.

"We expect that the new branch will be open sometime in the late fall, early December," said Flaherty.

Depending on the situation, Commerce Bank can build a branch in a matter of a few months, because the majority of the branches all look very similar.

The application for the two new businesses, presented by representatives from Site Development Inc., was originally approved by the Planning

Board on Dec. 5. However, the board asked for several changes to that site plan. Site Development Inc. presented their changes to the board on Feb. 21.

For many, Stanley's was a landmark in Springfield, a place residents went to eat and to be seen.

"It used to be the greatest," Mullman said. "We used to go there every Friday night. You used to go to the movies on Friday and Saturday night and then you'd take your date and you'd all meet up at Stanley's. They used to have the greatest hamburgers in the world."

When school starts, a shiny floor awaits

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

When Springfield athletes enter Jonathan Dayton High School for the start of the 2002-03 school year, there will be plenty of new things for them to take pride in, as the school is set to refurbish many of its athletic facilities.

"It's something to show the kids and the town that we're going to do things for you, we're going to make things better for you," said Dayton Athletic Director and Assistant Principal Dan Gallagher. "That's my promise to you; that we're going to make things better for you."

Gallagher said one of his goals was to give the students better facilities to play at and scoreboards that work.

"Nothing had changed, everything was the same for the seniors for all four years," Gallagher said. "There was nothing upgraded. There was nothing done to spark any pride in themselves or in the school or in the town."

Gallagher's first year at Dayton began last September. "Coming through the door, just looking around, the two main gym scoreboards had to be 30 years old or so," he said. "We were spending quite a bit of money just repairing them. Then, finally, during the middle of the basketball season they quit; they just stopped working all together."

The main gym floor has not been refurbished since the mid-1980s.

"You're not talking about things

that are just a few years old," said Gallagher. "You're talking about things that are quite a bit old that nobody's really taken the time to figure out what really needs to be done and how to do it."

During the past year, Dayton began refurbishing some of the athletic facilities, including turning the auxiliary boys' and girls' locker rooms into a training room and team room. New projects for this year include removing the ceiling tiles in the main gym, replacing the main gym floor, upgrading the public address system in the main gym, putting a new scoreboard at the baseball field, putting in new sections of bleachers at the softball field, painting the ceiling and rafters of the main gym, putting in a new scoreboard at the soccer field as well as the two new scoreboards in the main gym, and purchasing new baseball cages.

The funding for these improvements were all written into and included in this year's budget.

"A lot of people were asking, 'Why don't we do capital improvement or referendum?' " said Gallagher. "The things we did, we can do inside our budget. Just plan well and hopefully everybody has the understanding that things can't be done right away but that you can do things over time. You just address them and put them in a priority order and eventually you'll get there."

The new baseball scoreboard was



Photo By Jeff Grant

The sparkling new gymnasium floor at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield was the result of an effort to upgrade the school's athletic facilities.

acquired through a grant from Union County and the township.

"That's community cooperation," said Gallagher. "Everybody is working together for a common goal and that's how you can get things done."

The main gym scoreboards will be up and running by the beginning of the basketball season, which starts in December.

"I'm very pleased to see that Mr. Gallagher has a multi-year plan in development," said Superintendent of Schools Walter Mahler. "We're actually ahead of schedule. He put

together a four-year plan to improve our facilities, to build school spirit and show people that we do indeed value co-curricular aspects of a student's education."

"We took our time and figured out exactly what we needed to do, what areas needed to be addressed right away, our costs, and we've been very responsible with the money," said Gallagher. "We're not being extravagant with it. We want quality work, something that's good for our kids and good for our town."

Gallagher said students should not

Committee now has final hiring approval

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor

Clarifying the hiring authority for municipal employees, the Springfield Township Committee agreed to designate itself as the entity that gives final approval in the hiring process.

The committee gave approval of the final hearing, which passed by a vote of 3-2.

"Basically what we are doing here is attempting to go back to a procedure we used for many, many years, and a procedure which is used by the state of New Jersey pertaining to boards of education," said Committeeman Gregory Clarke. "We feel that it would be helpful for reasons of record and a number of other reasons."

Administrative fees set

In other news, the Township Committee agreed to adjust the administrative fees for acquiring certain public records. The adjustments will be made depending upon the nature of the material being requested.

"With the recent implementation of the Open Public Records Act, the legislation allows for a change in fees or an additional fee should a record be necessary to be generated that is unusual in its size, scope or in the media that it is found on," said Township Administrator Richard Sheola.

He explained that the ordinance allows for specific fees that involve the cost of acquiring and producing the requested record.

"That Open Public Records Act is a way by which the public can receive information in what is hoped to be a more easy fashion," said Committeewoman Clara Hareluk. "But since it's going to be more expensive for the township, we therefore have certain fees attached to it."

The law, which took effect July 8, was created in an effort to expand the public's right to have access to government records, but has been tested recently by the many restrictions put forth by Gov. James McGreevey.

Rail concerns

Drawing attention to what he calls a potential problem for the township, Committeeman Clarke spoke of the recent plans of having a reactivated railroad in Springfield.

On June 23, 2000, Clarke said the Department of Transportation, which originally bought 6.7 miles of the trunk railroad line of Rahway Valley Railroad in 1996, had leased that railroad to Union County for the purposes of reactivating it.

"This is something that has come up before in Springfield, and at that time they handled it in a different way," said Clarke. "There were public meetings, all kinds of plans were laid out for the public to view. In this case, no such activity occurred to my knowledge."

Fence proposal denied

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

Several Mountainside residents voiced their concerns during a Planning Board meeting last week, speaking out against a proposed six-foot fence application at a residence on the corner of Cherry Hill and Upland roads. Ultimately, the application was denied.

The application proposed to erect a six-foot fence around the residential property on Cherry Hill Road. The house is situated on a corner lot. The borough considers corner lots to have two front yards and according to a borough ordinance a fence cannot be erected in a front yard.

The residents of the house were seeking a variance to the ordinance, stating that they needed the fence for the safety of their children and dog, as well as to provide privacy for themselves.

"If they're worried about the dog they can get one of those electronic fences like one of my other neighbors has," said resident Mel Krueger. "They have no fence. They have two very expensive, beautiful animals. They go up to the fence and they stop. It works 100 percent."

Krueger said he raised two children in his house without a fence and did not see why not having a fence would be a lack-of-safety issue.

Several of the residents opposing the application said that because of the hill the house resides on, a six-foot fence, when viewed from street level, would come almost parallel to the roof of the house, creating the appearance of a wall.

"I feel that the six-foot fence now being proposed by the new owners on the corner of Cherry Hill and Upland Road would not fit in with the natural beauty of the neighborhood," said resident John Riley. "The height of the fence is excessive."

The residents presenting the application said they would compromise. Instead of asking for a six-foot fence all around, they proposed a five-foot fence at the sides, dropping down to a four-foot fence in the middle.

"It seems to me, by what I've heard so far, that a four-foot fence may not get you the privacy you want; you could always get privacy by putting some shrubbery down as time goes on, but I think it would probably negate the problem," said Board member Robert Weakley.

Administrator to join husband in retirement

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer

She made the announcement at the last Mountainside Board of Education meeting: Florence Shukis will be retiring as of Sept. 1 as business administrator/board secretary. The gentle, soft-spoken but efficient lady will be sorely missed.

"She is very dedicated, follows through with everything that she is in charge of, and has a very nice way of being persistent." Chief School Administrator Gerard Schaller said. "She will be hard to replace." Schaller said the district has just recently been searching for her position and he would be a hard

and figures and an answer, she was there for all the members, and Schaller relied on her for all statistics, as did board President Richard Kress.

"She is indeed a very special lady; she is very loyal; a rare person," Kress said. "On the one hand, you hate to see somebody you like so much leave, but on the other hand, you wish her well and hope she will enjoy retirement with her husband."

Kress told a personal anecdote about Shukis. "You know she loves fly fishing, as does her husband, but she hasn't been anywhere near a trout stream with him for the past two years, because of this job...that shows you how she is."

When Shukis made the announcement on July 25 at the last meeting, she said she had promised her husband to finally join him in his retire-

ment, and have more time to enjoy their grandchildren together as well. She also said she would be at the job throughout the summer, and help with all the work involved with the Deerfield and Beechwood schools' renovations.

Shukis and her husband, Joseph, live in Clark and have two sons; Christopher and Gregory, and five grandchildren, ranging in ages from 5 months to 8 years. She worked for the Clark schools for many years before coming to Mountainside only two years ago.

Joseph recognizes what a special woman she is, as he said, "After our children graduated from college, then she started from scratch and went through college at night; then got her

master's degree in business administration at Kean University.

"What really got me, she did her master's program in two years at night also, which was amazing, and it also made me a good cook."

"It has been a real privilege working for Dr. Schaller, the Board of Education, and especially the children," Shukis said.

"Mountainside is a unique and wonderful community, but I will be beginning a new adventure with my husband. He has been very patient and has waited for five years for me to retire. Our time together is here."

There will be a farewell celebration, but no one would say when or where — it will be a big surprise, for

be the only ones who feel pride; the whole town should as well.

"We're getting things done," he said. "It's not going to happen overnight but we're getting things done."

"This is your money at work," said Gallagher. "This is what we've done. We're working real hard."

"We're looking forward to another great year," the athletic director said.

"We had a banner year last year. We had a lot of teams make the state playoffs. We had a lot of teams do well and we expect the same thing this year."



Florence Shukis

someone who was always in charge of surprising everyone else.

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Route 78 accident brings FD

At 5:43 p.m., the Springfield Fire Department responded to Route 78 East near exit 52 for a multi-vehicle accident Aug. 7.

At 10:29 a.m. Aug. 5, they responded to a Field Stone Drive residence for an activated fire alarm. On Aug. 6, firefighters answered a medical service call at a Brook Street residence at 3:56 p.m.

FIRE BLOTTER

At 1:14 p.m. Aug. 7, firefighters responded to an Independence Way residence for a medical service call. The department answered a call at Farm Road and Route 22 East for a motor vehicle accident with a spill at 2:36 p.m. Aug. 7.

At 3:33 p.m., firefighters went to a Fadem Road business for a medical service call Aug. 8. Also on Aug. 8, they went to a Troy Drive apartment complex for a medical service call.

At 5:49 p.m., they went to Dundar and Farm Road for a medical service call. On Friday, firefighters went to a Remer Avenue residence for a medical service call at 8:36 p.m.

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Dark diagnosis gives one man a mission to feed the needy

Lily's Pantry collects food for the working poor and senior citizens, providing them with breakfast, lunch and dinner for two weeks at a time. "Maybe this is what He wants me to do," DiMurro said. "Help feed the hungry."

Gary Hecht, of the Hecht Family Chiropractic Care of Springfield whose office is on Mountain Avenue, next to the Post Office, and Richard Ferriter, owner of GQ Haircutters also on Mountain Avenue, collect non-perishable food for Lily's Pantry.

By August of 1994, he was told that at most he had two years to live. "I went to church everyday and prayed every night, asking what could I do with the short time I have left," said DiMurro. "A friend of mine said, 'Why don't you come down to the soup kitchen and help us out?'"

On the days DiMurro felt healthy, he and his wife, Patricia, would go down to the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen at St. Paul of the Cross in Jersey City, and help out as servers, cooks and volunteer recruiters.

DiMurro entered Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York for treatment. He underwent an experimental chemotherapy protocol. The chemo was so intense that his body couldn't take it and after six weeks, the tumor had shrunk and was removed.

"Even after the operation, when I was out of the hospital, I walked over there, rain or shine," said DiMurro. "It was just something I had to do." The soup kitchen closed in 1997. Three months later, DiMurro had Lily's Pantry up and running.

"I wanted to know why God kept me here," DiMurro said. "He took a lot of the good people and left me." Lily's Pantry collects food for the working poor and senior citizens, providing them with breakfast, lunch and dinner for two weeks at a time.

"I do have some people who send me a check for \$20 or whatever, and then I leave the shopping up to my wife. Her being a nurse, she's a nutritionist, so for the senior citizens, she knows what to buy," said DiMurro. DiMurro distributes a menu to some of the people who wish to make contributions. The menu includes suggestions for breakfast, lunch and dinner, consisting of instant oatmeal, Parnalat milk, canned fish, canned or packaged soup, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, canned meat, quick rice, egg noodles, canned vegetables and other items.

"Instead of just donating food, he'll give some sample meals, a breakfast, a lunch, a dinner," said Hecht. "He'll say buy all of these dry goods and this gives people something to bring to the supermarket instead of just cleaning out their cabinets and giving us 6-year-old cans, which is sometimes what people do with food items."

DiMurro's organization also has a One to One program, where the food goes directly to senior citizens and the working poor who are in need. "Instead of giving it out to 40 families, I would rather give it out to 20 families and feed them for two, three weeks," said DiMurro. "It's a great savings. These people don't have to buy the essentials. Now they can get themselves a steak or a chicken."

"These are the working poor," said DiMurro. "These are the people who go out and have jobs, making \$5 an hour, single mothers with three or four kids."

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Anthony and Patricia DiMurro of Springfield are happy to help feed the needy with Lily's Pantry, a food donation service which operates out of several local businesses and organizations.

These very bright young people were invited to participate in CTY's talent search because they scored at the 97th percentile or higher on school standardized tests. They then took additional above-grade-level exams, which yielded further information about the verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities of these bright learners.

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Police arrest Newark resident on Rt. 22

On Aug. 8, Harjit Barwa, 51, of Newark, was arrested at 1385 Route 22 East for contempt of a judicial order — an outstanding warrant out of Mountainide.

On Friday, Carlos Monroy, 32, of Plainfield, was arrested on Route 22 East at the Lawrence Ave. U-turn for driving with a suspended license and registration. The court date is set for Aug. 22.

On Friday, Eric Jones, 39, of Newark, was arrested at 1385 Route 22 East for contempt of a judicial order — an outstanding warrant out of Mountainide.

On Saturday, Shawn Cunningham, 31, of Virginia, was arrested on Route 22 East for driving with a suspended license and registration.

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OBITUARIES

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Evangelina Prendergast, 85, of Summit died Aug. 9 in Rumlens Specialized Hospital, Berkeley Heights. She was a clerk at Ciba-Geigy, Summit, for 19 years before retiring in 1988. She was a member of the Rosary Society of St. Teresa's Church and the Senior Citizens, both of Summit.

Alice Simpson, 87, of Mountaintop died July 17 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Roselle Park, Mrs. Simpson lived in Elizabeth before moving to Mountaintop 50 years ago. She was a 1976 graduate of the American University, Washington, D.C.

Emile Bontempo, 96, of Springfield died Aug. 3 at home. Born in Summit, Mr. Bontempo lived in Springfield for most of his life. He was a carpenter foreman for Murray Construction Co., Springfield, where he worked from 1959 through his retirement in 1975.

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Department, and before that, as a brewer at P. Ballantine & Son Brewery, Newark, for many years before retiring. Surviving are a son, Thomas I.; a daughter, Mary Patricia Braun; a sister, Dorothy Coffey; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

William M. Bockus, 33, of Mountaintop died Aug. 9 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. He was a volunteer at Overlook Hospital for 10 years. He was a graduate of Union County Vocational-Technical School in Scotch Plains.

Jane Rose, 85, of Atlanta, Ga., formerly of Springfield, died Aug. 4 in the Haven House Hospice, Atlanta. Born in Huntington, W. Va., Mrs. Rose lived in Springfield for 25 years before moving to Atlanta many years ago.

Nelson E. Kirchner, 68, of Binghamton, N.Y., formerly of Springfield, died July 23. Mr. Kirchner lived in Springfield before moving to Binghamton 12 years ago. He was an Army veteran. Mr. Kirchner worked in the maintenance department at the American Civic Association of Binghamton for the past several years.

Charles L. Baker, 86, of Springfield died Aug. 6 in Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg. Born in Newark, Mr. Baker lived in Springfield for most of his life. He worked for the Springfield Recreation

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YMCA welcomes new trustees

On July 29, the Summit Area YMCA welcomed five new members to its Board of Trustees: John F. Lynes, Frederick Watts and Kelly Kannwischer, all of Summit, and Elizabeth Fritzen of Springfield and David Metzler of Berkeley Heights.



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Kids explore language skills

Exploration 2002, a four-week "mini-camp" for second- through eighth-graders interested in developing English speaking and writing skills, was launched in July at the Summit YMCA. The pilot program, developed by Eva Thompson, Summit Area YMCA Latino Outreach Director, and Celine Benet, a World Language teacher at Washington and Lincoln-Hobart schools in Summit, is geared toward students who are still learning English as a second language.

Rockers hold young Christians captive

Seventy-five children between the ages of 3 and 12 gathered weekday mornings last week to celebrate the lives of Brave Believers to the beat of Captive Free, Youth Encounter's six-member National Band for the North East.



Area children bounce to the beat of Captive Free, a collegiate Christian Band recently featured in the weeklong Vacation Bible Experience jointly sponsored by St. John's Lutheran Church and Calvary Episcopal Church.

Medical group opens sleep center facility this month

Summit Medical Group will be opening its first Sleep Center in August at its new Westfield facility. The group has partnered with Sleep Service of America, a nationally-recognized and franchised sleep disorder laboratory, to create and manage this state-of-the-art, peaceful and inviting facility.

RELIGION

Period of prayer at Fountain Baptist Church

The Rev. J. Michael Sanders, the pastor of Fountain Baptist Church, 116 Glenside Ave., has called his congregation to enter into a period of prayer and fasting for the dual purpose of uniting the fellowship in its quest to acquire seven acres of land and for the healing of the community.



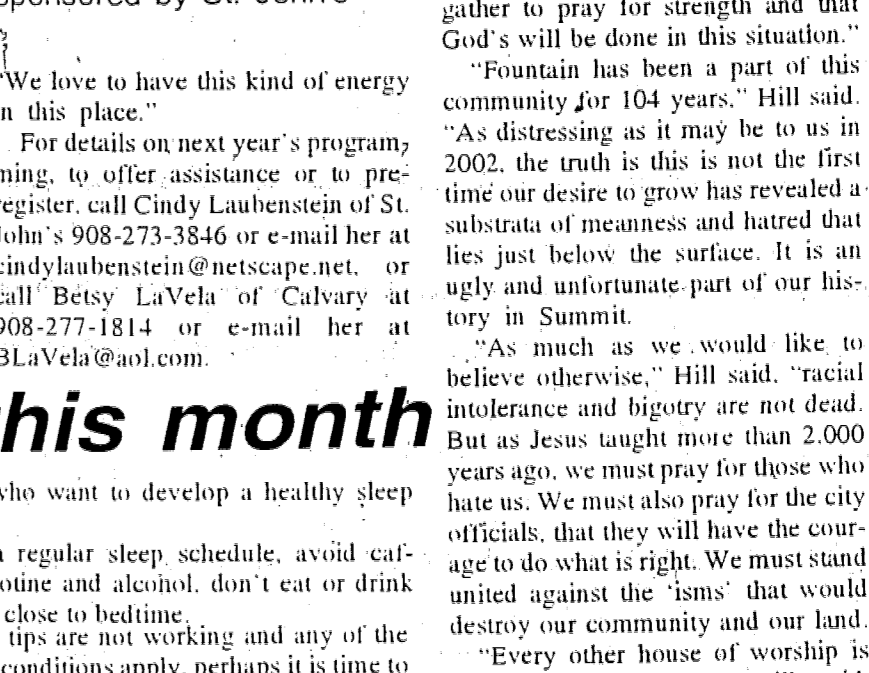
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Wallace Chapel cruise

Conference Workers at Wallace Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, 138-142 Broad St., Summit, sponsor a cruise on the Spirit of New Jersey. Guests can join them Aug. 24 for a spectacular cruise around New York harbor. Take along binoculars and view the skyline.

Walk for Remembrance planned to mark Sept. 11

After the tragic events of Sept. 11, the Junior League of Summit formed a task force to find a way to help the families within its service area. "We wanted to do something for those that were affected, something that would bring the community together to pay tribute and remember those that were lost," said Gary Hollowell, task force member.



Summit Common Council President John A. Muller has been involved in the Walk for Remembrance. "I am very supportive of the Junior League effort. I think it's a wonderful opportunity for our community to show our support and it's a terrific event. It is one of the events that the city is supporting to remember those that we lost on Sept. 11."

Program shows kids principles of safety

The Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad, in conjunction with Central Jersey Technical Rescue Inc., is offering a training program designed to teach children basic principles for staying safe in the outdoors when they become separated from their parents, friends, or caregivers.

Professional Directory advertisement with sections for Adult Wellness, Attorneys, Mortgage, Physicians, Space Available, and Business Services.

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STUDENT UPDATE



Catherine Dymek

Dymek is FMG's Student of the Year

Florence M. Gaudineer School's Student Of The Year recipient for the 2001-02 school year is Catherine Dymek.

Catherine distinguished herself with her commitment and devotion to the Gaudineer School community. As an eighth-grader, she was involved in the Peer Leadership Program, Talented Arts Program and this two-time "Student Of The Quarter" recipient has received acclaim from peers and faculty for her tenacious spirit on the Gaudineer Soccer and Basketball teams.

This talented young woman spends her free time running, playing the piano and babysitting. In July, Catherine was acknowledged during a dinner at the Springfield Elks Lodge. The program is sponsored by the Springfield Elks #2004 as part of their Youth Activities Program, which recognizes exceptional students, who are selected by the teaching staff based on their character, leadership, service, citizenship and scholastic ability.

Dayton students earn honor roll

Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield has named its honor roll for the fourth marking period of the 2001-02 school year.

Grade nine: Brandon Baron, Jaelyn Berkowitz, Danielle M. Boettcher, Sadeeah

Bunch, Genevieve L. Cullio, Stacey Fonseca, Tiffany Jo Fraz, Raula Funguera, Anton Galibov, Marisa Gallant, Lauren R. Ginsberg, Jessica A. Grandola, Vered Golin, Daniel B. Kaplan, Nelly Kucher, Elina Lazich, Paul Keokumovich, Christina M. Leshko, Annmarie Licatese, Zachary R. Links, Viviana J. Maciel, Steven B. Mandel, Michael Mannarino, Kena Mena, Amanda Middleberg, Jessica Perez, Alexander Peyster, Ashley Phanor, Dara Poltrook, Carol Rodriguez, Adam M. Ross, Danielle Ross, Ryan M. Russikoff, Jaime Rutkowski, Taylor Sabinsky, Jaelyn N. Salant, Marie Samson, Adrian Saporta, Danielle M. Scheer, Lindsay Schuckman, Lindsay Seagull, Adam Shai, Adam Sherman, Steven Tetamanti II, Cathryn Title, Allyson Trantenberg, Esteban Umanan, Alice Weisman and Jarred Weiss.



Beth E. Barnett Ed.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs for the University of Scranton, congratulates Springfield resident Jessica Rachel Stapfer at a ceremony honoring outstanding members of the university's undergraduate class of 2002.

Care, also in Springfield. Weingard was a childhood friend of the doctor and lost his life on Sept. 11, as an employee of Cantor Fitzgerald financial service group.

The scholarship award of \$300, an annual award, was distributed based upon Weisman's application and winning essay about why he would want to pursue a career in either chiropractic or some other health-related occupation. A plaque was given to the winner and his name inscribed on another plaque on display in Hecht's office next to the post office.

Stapfer earns award for her achievements

Jessica Rachel Stapfer of Springfield was among the 69 outstanding members of the University of Scranton's undergraduate Class of 2002 recognized for their achievement during the university's commencement exercises. Students from the university's four academic divisions were honored for outstanding academic achievement in their fields of study. Stapfer received the Excellence in Elementary Education Award — ex aequo.

Grady gets named to dean's list

Justine Grady, a freshman in the School of Education and the daughter of Michael and Midge Grady of Springfield, has been named to the spring term dean's list at Duquesne University.

Students of the Quarter



Florence M. Gaudineer School's Student Of The Quarter recipients for the fourth quarter of the 2001-02 school year are, from left, eighth-grader Nicole Corigliano, fifth-grader Stephanie Lawson, sixth-grader Stephen Wortman, and seventh-grader Jon Beri. The program is sponsored by the Springfield Elks 2004 as part of their Youth Activities Program, which recognizes exceptional students, who are selected by the teaching staff based on their character, leadership, service, citizenship, and scholastic ability.

Grade 10: Lyndsey Brahm, Theodore B. Chelios, Cheng Cohen, Tina Ngman Cheung, Marc Cichino, Lindsay Coughlin, Lisa Cycar, Danielle Decagna, Anthony Denicolo, Christopher Doryl, Keith H. Dworkin, Lawrence Fish, Amanda K. Garlen, Michael Gleicher, Rachel Goldman, Inez Grzaki, Andrea Kucholiz, Jill Kurzner, Nicole O. Lay, Lisa Lisowsky, Steven Laksenberg, Jeremy Marx, Alyssa Mason, Margaret Mysliwiec, Iliana S. Mahmius, Deviji-Aron Ramdeen, Ana Rodriguez, Erica R. Rosenbaum, Danielle Schwartz, Genny A. Schwarzbarg, Renu E. Sklar, Sara Steinman, Jenny Wong and Zhanna Wuda.

Grade 11: Angela Agostinelli, Jenna Alifante, Diana Anahisa, Jonathan Au, Theresa Bacc, Ana Butler, Lindsey Beckelman, Brett A. Berger, Giuseppe Bianco, Allison Canton, Devon Dorn, Nicole Ehrhardt, Amie Faigenbaum, Marnah Finston, Adam Gilson, Diana Golin, Sherri L. Grobarz, Timothy P. Homlish, Christine Hopson, Allison Lau, Danielle Mack, Staci D. Max, Dina Meller, Jake R. Morano, Jamie L. Neville, Chandni Patel, Jared Preston, Jennifer Rego, Norberto Rivera, Svetlana Sandler, Casey Sauto, Jordan Seagull, Cassandra Smith, Brian I. Sperber, Andrew E. Title, Eliza Walters, Chad Wolf, Theodore A. Young, Mallory Zambolha, Marina Zeliser and Valerie Zlotzky.

Levine graduates from William Smith College

Rebecca S. Levine of Springfield, was one of 256 seniors to graduate at commencement exercises May 12 at William Smith College in Geneva, N.Y.

Weisman awarded

At the senior awards ceremony on May 28 for the graduating Class of 2002 from Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield, a scholarship was awarded to Jared Weisman.

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Creation of Nationals gives more youngsters a chance

For the first time in its existence, Springfield Minute-men baseball fielded two teams for boys ages 9 and 10. The creation of the Nationals, comprised primarily of youngsters age 9 and a few age 10, gave boys who might have previously been excluded the opportunity to play competitive summer ball and improve their skills.

other team in the Suburban Youth League and played its home games at Sandmeier and Roessner. By the sixth game, the progress had become obvious as the Nationals hung tough in an 8-7 defeat against a quality Summit team. "All the kids just enjoyed playing," Lewis said. "Winning and losing was not as important."

From that viewpoint, the Nationals were a great success. Guided by manager Dave Wightman and coaches Dan Kirk, Steven Lewis and Jerry Bongiovanni — a former varsity player at Seton Hall — all the boys made outstanding improvements both on the field and at the plate. "The kids worked their tails off," Lewis said. "They gave everything they had."

By the end of the season, Springfield managed to pull out a victory over Cranford in an unofficial contest. "All of the kids improved tremendously by the end of the season," Lewis said. The benefits of the program are expected to carry over to next year, with the hope that more boys will be encouraged to participate in 2003.

Players included Jesse Bell, Brandon Helfand, Skyler Apicella, Nick Bongiovanni, Evan Krupp, Joseph Wightman, David Wightman, Jonathan Lewis, Kevin Kirk, Jamie Valencia, Nick Pulice, Nick Circelli, Jason Condon and Chris Kempf.

The squad played virtually the same schedule as any



In between races at the Summerfest Swim Meet are Summit Seals team members. From left, top row, are Justin Louie, Jack Bartlett, Charlotte Dillon, Priscilla Barletta and David Barletta. Bottom row, from left, are Michael Schofield, Andrew Kam, Billy Eisenreich, Dennis Burke, Amanda Grywalski and Emily Tato.

Summit Seals swimmers enjoy flashing success

See names in bright lights on scoreboard

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer Swimmers ages 6-18 saw their names flash on the electronic scoreboard, with times calculated by a state-of-the-art Colorado Scoring System.

Other girls that excelled were Charlotte Dillon, Amanda Grywalski and Emily Tato. "Charlotte is in the 11-12 age group and she really shines in the breaststroke and backstroke, while Emily's in the same age bracket and is strong in the butterfly," Buntin said. "Amanda is one of the best swimmers in the 10-and-under group. She's good in all her strokes."

The setting was July 21 at the Summit Area YMCA Hurst Pool as the Summit YMCA Seals Swim Team hosted the second annual Summerfest Swim Meet.

In addition to Summit Seals members, the following area swim clubs and community pools sent competitors: Summit Community Pool and Beacon Hill Club of Summit, Colony, Fairmount Country Club, Fish and Game, Noe Pond Club of Chatham, Crestview, Clearwater and New Providence Pool, Short Hills Club, Raquets Club and Millburn Community Pool, Livingston Aqua Jets, West Essex Red Devils, Berkeley Heights, Caldwell, Madison, South Orange and Springfield.

"The YMCA instituted the honor for the first time this year and I just happen to be the first to be rewarded," Buntin said. "It's a tremendous honor and I'm very overwhelmed by it."

The Summerfest Swim Meet was a great success and was fun for everyone, with the best swimmers going home with medals and ribbons.

Buntin felt even though he was recognized, he's not going to rest on his laurels. "I'm going to try to make the team even better," Buntin said. "It's always good to venture upwards and beyond."

Summit Seals tryouts are scheduled for Sept. 3-5 at the six-lane Hurst Pool, located at 67 Maple Street in Summit. On Sept. 3, tryouts will take place for youngsters age 8 and older at 5 p.m., and for those ages 13-18 at 7 p.m. On Sept. 4, tryouts for ages 9-10 will commence at 5 p.m. and for ages 11-12 at 7:30 p.m.

With 220 swimmers, the Summit Seals are one of the larger-sized teams in New Jersey. The Seals rank in the top seven among YMCA teams.

On Sept. 5, makeups for all ages will begin at 6:30 p.m. A youngster's age as of Dec. 1, 2002 determines the age group for tryouts.

"The team is mainly made up of children from Summit, New Providence, Berkeley Heights and the surrounding area," Buntin said.

Some of the Summit Seals standouts include the Wilson brothers of Summit, Brian, 13, is considered one of the best swimmers in the country in his age group, while younger brother Kevin, 11, is an up-and-coming aquatic performer himself.

"Brian is very unique and is definitely a blue chipper," Buntin said. "He holds many state and YMCA records."

The Summit Seals practice under the direction of a knowledgeable and experienced coaching staff. The low coach-to-swimmer ratio allows coaches to tailor training techniques to best suit each swimmer.

Excellent in the butterfly, which Buntin considers his best event, Brian Wilson took first place honors in the 100 butterfly in the 11-12 age group a year ago.

Buntin's coaching career spans more than 35 years. Under his direction, swimmers develop their physical skills and strengthen values which can be utilized in all aspects of their lives, not just in the pool.

"Kevin also finished in the top four in four other events," Buntin said.

Even though all Seals train together in their age groups, the swimmers are divided into three girls' and two boys' teams. These teams vary in swimming intensity and competitiveness, providing the appropriate level of challenge and competition for each group.

At the Summerfest Swim Meet, Kevin broke his older brother's record in the 50 freestyle event.

As members of the Summit Seals, swimmers will compete in meets against other YMCA teams, as well as swim in USA meets. There are also opportunities to swim in state, regional and national meets.

"Another standout family combination includes Priscilla and David Barletta.

More information about the Summit Seals may be obtained by calling 908-273-3330, ext. 150.

"Priscilla is in the 11-12 age group and excels in the butterfly and the individual medley. She's really outstanding in all her strokes," Buntin said. "David is her younger brother that participates in the 8-and-under category. He's very good in the breaststroke."

Other boys that impressed were Justin Louie, Michael Schofield, Dennis Burke and Billy Eisenreich. "Justin is an outstanding swimmer in the 11-12 age group. He's developing into a good individual medley swimmer, but his strengths are the breaststroke and backstroke," Buntin said. "Michael is good in the breaststroke, while Billy excels in the freestyle. Dennis is strong in the butterfly and individual medley."

Mountainside All-Stars win Suburban L. playoff crown

The Mountainside age 10 All-Star baseball team put the finishing touches on an outstanding 11-2 first-place summer season July 31 when it captured the Suburban League playoff championship.

Mountainside outscored three opponents by an impressive 40-10 margin. Wins came against Madison 15-3, vs. New Providence 12-6 and against Florham Park 13-1. Here's a look at all three victories:

Mountainside 15, Madison 3: Paul Mirabelli pitched a solid game, allowing only three hits among the 14 batters he faced. Chris Trimmer came pitched well in relief and did not allow a hit while retiring six batters. At the plate, Frank Rubino, Mirabelli, Trimmer, Dylan Turner, Michael Miller and Zack Worswick belted doubles. Bobby Hilogos, Gerard Fenn and Josh Thompson banged out singles. Mountainside 12, New Providence 6: Gerard Fenn pitched an outstanding game, holding New Providence

scoreless the first three innings. Trimmer got Mountainside going offensively as he blasted a home run in the first inning. Fenn, Paul Mirabelli, Michael Miller and Josh Thompson smacked doubles; Bobby Hilogos belted a triple to center field and Zack Worswick, Frank Rubino and Dylan Turner also hit safely. Mirabelli and Rubino played well defensively, while Thompson finished the game with two spectacular innings of mound work.

Mountainside 13, Florham Park 1: Paul Mirabelli successfully fought off bases loaded twice in the contest as he gave a solid effort on the mound. Frank Rubino and Bobby Hilogos blasted home runs. Zack Worswick and Rubino belted triples and Mirabelli, Josh Thompson and Hilogos connected on doubles. Gerard Fenn, Chris Trimmer, Michael Miller and Dylan Turner hit singles as Mountainside accounted for 19 hits.

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Senator hosts forum

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The new federal regulations "wouldn't have happened without the latter stages" of Tyvo, WorldCom and Martha Stewart, he said, with Enron only getting things started.

"Now we ought to let the SEC do its job."

The senator admitted he hopes there are plenty of lawsuits against corporate offenders, so some of the people who facilitated the fraud and abuse end up paying in order to recoup at least some of the money lost, although not all can be.

"Some of the hype of investing stock never really should have been sold as certain an exercise that the public began to believe," Corzine said. Job losses have been quite severe of late, and he expected it will take some time to rebuild those industries.

On the issue of security, Corzine emphasized the importance of bringing various federal agencies under one umbrella to coordinate intelligence, immigration and other matters

Family Court volunteers

Volunteers are needed for a vital program serving the Superior Court, Family Division — Family Court — in Union County. There is a particular need for bilingual volunteers.

Nancy Spano Yurek, coordinator of the Union County Juvenile Conference Committee Program, is seeking adults willing to spend one or two evenings a month volunteering for their local Juvenile Conference Committee.

The Juvenile Conference Committees serve under the authority of the Superior Court, Family Division. A JCC is a six- to nine-member citizen volunteer panel appointed by the Family Division judge that acts as an arm of the court. In a confidential manner, the JCC hears and decides such matters involving alleged juvenile offenders as the court refers to it.

The juvenile, the parents and/or guardians and the complainant are invited to discuss voluntarily with the committee the offense and other related factors.

The committee considers the facts and then makes a recommendation to the judge for a resolution that aids in the juvenile's rehabilitation. If the judge approves, the recommendations become a court order which is monitored by the JCC. Upon successful completion of all conditions set down in the recommendations, the case is dismissed. If the obligations are not fulfilled, the case is returned to the courts for further disposition.

Juvenile Conference Committee members are fully trained citizen volunteers. Members are expected to attend two county-level training sessions before they are allowed to sit on a Juvenile Conference Committee panel. JCC volunteers are assigned to work on the JCC that serves the municipality in which they live.

Union County has 22 Juvenile Conference Committees. Each municipality is represented by a Juvenile Conference Committee. There is also a committee which serves the entire county. Committees generally meet once per month, however, this may vary from committee to committee depending on the size of the caseload.

Interested adults may call Yurek at 908-659-3360 or write to her at the Family Court, Union County Courthouse Annex, fifth floor, Elizabeth, 07207.

Senate race just got a little closer

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crat said of the Torricelli-Fortester race. "In Union County, we need that cushion; we don't get the benefit of coat tails," adding that one might see Republicans winning in Union County, making a difference in towns like Clark, Cranford and Union.

Historically in Union County, GOP freeloader candidates have done well during this election cycle, with U.S. Senate at the top of the ticket. Frigerio said, with an overriding issue at the top of the ballot and a strong second line with Mike Ferguson running for Congress, it bodes well to get first chance to win a county freeloader seat in seven years, the chairman said.

"The overriding issue that has given us the opportunity is the Senate race. It's probably the single most important aspect of Union County freeloader race," Frigerio said.

But to DeFilippo, races at the county level will be more about the issues and records of the candidates. "I think it's going to be about Democratic performance versus Republican perfor-

Mothers & More meet

The Union County Chapter of Mothers & More, a local support group for moms who have chosen to alter their career paths to stay at home with their children, will host an open forum, "Ask a Pediatrician," Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford.

Dr. Alan Meltzer, a practicing

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pediatrician in Madison, will host this informal question-and-answer session giving mothers an opportunity to receive qualified feedback on concerns relating to their children. Meltzer is director of the Division of General Pediatrics and associate director of Pediatric Medical Education at Atlantic Health Systems.

All moms naturally have medical concerns regarding their children's health, so participants should come prepared with their list of questions. You need not be a member of Mother's & More to attend.

Inquiries regarding this event, or the group itself, may call Patty at 908-497-1286 or Heidi at 908-810-7165.

Mothers & More offers many social outings for moms and their children as well as providing a wide variety of information to members through lectures and meetings on topics of interest.

Union County Senior Nutrition Program at 908-527-4877.

Community blood drives

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

- Today, 4 to 7 p.m., Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Park Avenue and Randolph Road, Plainfield.
- Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., John L. Rudy VFW Post 7363, 6 Broadway, Clark.
- Aug. 23, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union.
- Aug. 28, 3 to 8 p.m., Linden Firehouse No. 4, 2400 N. Wood Ave., Linden.
- Aug. 31, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union.

For more information, call 1-800-BLOOD-NJ, or 1-800-652-5663, Ext. 140.

Senior Farmers Markets

The Union County Division of Aging in the Department of Human Services has announced the August locations of the Senior Citizens' Farmers Market nutrition program.

The Senior Farmers Market makes locally grown fruits and vegetables available to eligible participants age 60 and older.

Union County representatives will be available at several locations throughout the county during the month of August to help residents complete the necessary application for the Senior Farmers Market program. Eligible seniors will be able to select fresh fruit and vegetables following their registration at the following locations:

- Friday, Union Senior Center, 968 Bonnel Court, Registration begins at 9 a.m.
- Wednesday, Ann Ferguson Towers, 1601 Hill St., Linden. Registration begins at 9 a.m.

Farm fresh fruits and vegetables will be available at each location from 10 a.m. until noon.

The farmers market vouchers are limited and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Staff members from the Division of Aging and the Division of Social Services will conduct private interviews on request. A bilingual staff person will be present.

For more information about the Senior Farmers Market, call the

Volunteers needed to be rape crisis advocates

Caring, supportive and committed individuals are wanted to volunteer to assist rape survivors during day, evening and weekend shifts at the Union County Rape Crisis Center.

There is especially a need for bilingual and multilingual individuals. Training will prepare advocates to respond with support and information on the 24-hour hotline, provide emotional support and accompaniment at the hospital, police department, prosecutor's office and/or court.

The 40 hours of specialized training to become a rape crisis advocate, which is mandated throughout the state, will be scheduled twice a week from Sept. 24 to Nov. 21. Training addresses the different types of sexual assault, the trauma experienced by sexual assault survivors, their family members and related issues.

In addition to serving as a rape crisis advocate, volunteers may become involved in making educational presentations to schools or to groups in the community on sexual assault topics.

The Union County Rape Crisis Center is located at 300 North Ave. East in Westfield. The center is a

Passport fees to rise

Federally-mandated fee increases for passport services will go into effect nationwide on Monday. The changes are a result of an independent fee study conducted on behalf of the U.S. State Department.

Passport applications for adults will rise from \$60 to \$85.

Passport applications for those younger than 16 years of age will rise from \$40 to \$70.

Passport renewal fees will increase from \$40 to \$55.

The fee for emergency or expedited services will rise from \$35 to \$60.

Passport application forms may be obtained at the County Clerk's main office in the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth and the annex at 300 North Ave. East, Westfield. The main office in Elizabeth is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and can be reached by calling 908-527-4966.

The Westfield annex is open from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and can be reached by calling 908-654-9859.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Mystic Vision, Triple Threat lead Perry nominations

Amateur theater is alive and well in the Garden State, as evidenced by the 39 New Jersey community theaters earning nominations for the 2002 Perry Awards.

The nominations for this year's Perry Awards were announced in an informal gathering Saturday at Westfield Community Players. The awards will be presented during a gala ceremony in Woodbridge Sept. 29.

Leading the nominations, with an even dozen each, are Mystic Vision Players of Linden, eight of which were received for last summer's production of "Pippin," and Triple Threat Foundation for the Arts of Cherry Hill. The Perry Awards, presented by Recognition of Excellence in Community Theater since 1998, are awarded annually to honor the work done by the Garden State's community theaters.

Cranford Dramatic Club's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "South Pacific" earned nine nominations. Among them is a nod for Outstanding Production of a Musical, an award CDC picked up in 2000 for "Mame."

Other theaters scoring multiple nominations, either for single productions or various shows, were Sayreville Main Street Theater Company, 11; the Villagers of Franklin, Attie Ensemble of Jersey City and Cranford Dramatic Club, nine each; 4th Wall Musical Theater of Morristown, Chatham Community Players and Over the Rainbow Productions of Hoimdel, with eight each; Players Theater of Westwood, Somerset Valley Players of Somerville, Westfield Community Players and Show Kids Invitational Theater of High Bridge, seven each, and West Orange's Theater Under the Stars, Teaneck New Theater and Playhouse

And the nominees are ...

The nominees for the 2002 Perry Awards were announced Saturday at Westfield Community Players. The Perry Awards have been presented by Recognition of Excellence in Community Theater — R.E.C.T. — since 1998.

Editor's note: Bold type indicates artists or theaters from Union County.

Outstanding Production of a Musical

"Children of Eden," Sayreville Main Street Theater Company (SMSTC); Mark K. Iardi, producer

"The Civil War," Triple Threat Theater; Michele Ashwell, producer

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," Over the Rainbow Productions; Dan Hunt, producer

"A New Brain," 4th Wall Musical Theater; Kathi Iannaccone, producer

"Pippin," Mystic Vision Players; Rita Greco, producer

"South Pacific," Cranford Dramatic Club; Elizabeth Howard, producer

"Violet," 4th Wall Musical Theater; Kathi Iannaccone, producer

Outstanding Production of a Play

"Don't Drink the Water," Studio Players

"A Real Good Man," Triple Threat Theater; Barbara Katz, producer

"The Girl on the Via Flaminia," Teaneck New Theater; Harriet Gottlieb, producer

"The Importance of Being Earnest," Villagers; Michael Driscoll and Catherine Rowe, producers

"The Mousetrap," Yardley Players; Marge Swider, producer

"Sylvia," Playhouse 22; Jay Sundell, producer

"Toys in the Attic," Attie Ensemble; Marie Bahr, producer

Outstanding Production of an Original Musical

"American Rapture 2001," Mystic Vision Players; Anthony Greco and Barbara Greco Brady, producers

"Dorian," Playhouse 22; Adam Neary, producer

"Magic to Do: A Community Revue," Smiling Rhino Theater; Carmela Wolosz and Eric Holgerson, producers

"Once Upon a Slipper," Park Players; Alice Faila, producer

"Viviana," Over the Rainbow Productions; Debby Schwartz and Mike Schwartz, producers

Outstanding Production of an Original Play

"But Only Say the Word," Villagers; Norm Halverson, producer

"Family, Frying Pans and The FBI," Attie Ensemble; Marie Bahr, producer

"Friends: Not the TV Show," Alliance Rep; Jeff Strager and Jerry Marino, producers

"A Millennium Christmas Carol," Over the Rainbow Productions; Dan Hunt, producer

"Retirement Stinks," First Avenue Playhouse; Joe Bagnole, producer

"Roommates," First Avenue Playhouse; Joe Bagnole, producer

"Unresolved," Narrows Drama Theater and Over the Rainbow Productions; Debby Schwartz, producer

Outstanding Direction of a Musical

Bob Cline, "A New Brain," 4th Wall Musical Theater

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical

Greg Allen, "A New Brain," 4th Wall Musical Theater

Kevin M. Brady Jr., "Pippin," Mystic Vision Players

Eric Harper, "Children of Eden," SMSTC

Eric Harper, "Pippin," Mystic Vision Players

Roger Hayden, "South Pacific," Cranford Dramatic Club

Tom Newman, "Fiddler on the Roof," Show Kids Invitational Theater (SKIT)

David Weitzer, "Jekyll & Hyde," Brundage Park Players

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Musical

Nicole Frey, "Once Upon a Mattress," SKIT

Nicole Gonzalez, "The Wizard of Oz," Center Players/Bayonne JCC

Jennifer Hanselman, "Dama Yankees," Theater Under the Stars

Krista Pioppi, "Annie Warbucks," MOC Musical Theater

Catherine Rowe, "Nunsense," Brook Arts Center

Wanda Toro, "Children of Eden," SMSTC

Alena Trapp, "Anything Goes," St. Catherine's

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical

Noah Brendemeuhl, "Jesus Christ Superstar," Park Players

Sergio Candido, "Once Upon a Slipper," Park Players

Christopher Fitzgerald, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," Over the Rainbow Productions

Tom Hallett, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," Dover Little Theater

Jim Reddy, "Pippin," SMSTC

Dan Reed, "Anything Goes," St. Catherine's

Michael Rush, "And the World Goes 'Round," Players Theater

Outstanding Featured Actress in a Musical

Robin Joyce, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," Dover Little Theater

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Lee Lessack

Lessack is 'too marvelous' at Manor

Life is a Cabaret

By Bba Smith
Staff Writer

One of the most romantic evenings ever experienced at The Manor's Le Dome in West Orange took place Aug. 8 when the tall, handsome, talented young singer, Lee Lessack, brought forth in his own inimitable style, the music of Johnny Mercer.

Well, not all 1,100 songs that Mercer had written, alone and in collaboration, but a select 25 to 30 matched the title of Lessack's program, "Too Marvelous for Words: The Songs of Johnny Mercer."

The rooftop nightclubbers swayed to such music as the title song and "That Old Black Magic," where one could actually feel Lessack's passion; "Dream," a song of love, which this reviewer grew up with; "Moon River," "I Remember You," "Skylark," "Autumn Leaves" — why, one could go on and on; And everything was made even more enjoyable when Tedd Firth, a jazz pianist, accompanied Lessack, complementing his fine talents.

Unquestionably, the "marvelous" show was enough to help my companion and me digest the fantastic dinner that was served in the Terrace Lounge several hours earlier when Sami Odeh, the perennially polite, smiling maitre d', escorted us to an intimate table right across from the piano. And Javier, head waiter, began our evening of delight with a most unusual delicacy, provided by executive chef Jochen Voss. It was a wonderful-tasting chilled cantaloupe soup in a tiny finger cup, a petite lamb patty and cucumber and tomato salad.

And while Voss offered his unbelievable dessert of chocolate parfait served in a rich chocolate cone with honey sabayon and plum compote, petit fours, water-thin peanut brittle and great Manor coffee, Richards was offering "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered," "The Second Time Around," "True Love," which brought Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly to mind, and one of this reviewer's favorite, "Begin the Beguine," which brought Tony Martin to mind. He prepared us for a romantically musical evening with "So in Love," "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" and "Just One of Those Things."

Up at Le Dome, that fine singer with the boyish smile that captivated the audience, further captivated the audience with his renditions of the music of one of the greatest songwriters in the world, Johnny Mercer. The audience was treated to "Just Too Marvelous," "That Old Black Magic," and one could see Sinatra's face; "Laura," and with goose bumps, one could see the mystic face of Gene Tierney; a medley of "Free and Easy," "On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe," "Jeepers, Creepers," "Glow, Little Glow Worm" and "I'm an Old Cowhand" — Gene Autry; — and a beautiful song sang in English and in French.

With "I Hate to See October Go," the audience hated to see Lessack end such a beautiful evening. But, he explained, he'd appeared some years ago at The Manor, and even though his busy schedule is taking him all over the country, perhaps one day, same time next year, he will be romancing and thrilling Le Dome audiences once more.

New HQ set to break ground

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begin in 1999 for renovations of the headquarters but by fall 2000 plans were presented for an entirely new facility at about the same cost, \$16 million.

The plan now is to demolish the building that currently houses the county police. A new, 51,000-square-foot, three-story facility will house the police, forensic lab, emergency management and satellite office for the county clerk. Parking would provide for nearly 170 cars.

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Local librarians are eligible for New York Times awards

The New York Times has announced the expansion of the second annual New York Times Librarian Awards to several counties throughout the tri-state area.

'Illusion' continues the 'Grand Magic' at festival

Continuing on its 40th anniversary season theme of "The Grand Magic," New Jersey Shakespeare Festival presents the third in a series of mainstage plays celebrating the art and alchemy of theater.

Longtime company member Paul Mullins directs "The Illusion," Tony Kushner's witty adaptation of Pierre Corneille's hitman in 17th-century France.

Memorable turns in "Three Sisters," "Blithe Spirit," "The Winter's Tale," "The Homecoming" and "Diary of a Scurfleur," among many. He has appeared Off-Broadway at the Drama Department and New York Shakespeare Festival, and regionally with Steppenwolf, The Shakespeare Theater, Yale Rep., Portland Stage, Indiana Repertory Theater and American Stage.

Setting the stage for the mystical world "The Illusion" are set designer Michael Schweikardt, costume designer Michael Giannitti and sound designer Jason A. Tratta. Fight direction is provided by Richard Sordelet.

Tickets and information Running through Aug. 25, regular performances of "The Illusion" are Tuesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m., Wednesdays at 2 p.m., today at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Aug. 24 at 2 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m., and this Sunday at 7 p.m. Regular tickets range from \$22 to \$41.

The festival also offers a symposium performance, which includes an engaging post-play discussion with the cast and artistic staff, Saturday at 2 p.m. Regular tickets prices apply.

Craftspeople and artisans sought

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is looking for artists, craftspeople and food vendors to demonstrate colonial or Native American crafts and work skills and to sell their wares at Union County's 21st annual Harvest Festival Sept. 29.

This popular autumn event is a celebration of colonial and Native American life featuring music, Native American dancing, a Revolutionary War encampment, children's crafts, colonial foods, games and much more," said Freeholder Rick Proctor.

The Harvest Festival draws approximately 5,000 visitors each year. By participating, vendors and demonstrators will receive excellent exposure and have the opportunity to educate others about their craft or work skill and the colonial time period in general.

For details, call the Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4900.

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program; the deadline for nominations is Sept. 6.

One award will be given to a librarian from each borough of New York City and one from each of the counties involved. The award honors librarians who provide outstanding community service on a consistent basis.

Winners will be selected by committee and announced in The Times in October. Each will receive \$2,500 from The Times in recognition of his or her achievements.

"The Times is very pleased to be able to honor librarians in and beyond New York City this year," said Alyse Myers, vice president of marketing

services for The New York Times. "Last year's awards program was very well received by the public as well as by the library community and made clear to us how important libraries are in people's lives. We are excited to expand the awards this year to much of the tri-state area and to broaden The Times' demonstrated commitment to libraries and the communities they serve."

Nomination forms for the awards are currently available in public libraries in participating areas. The form can also be accessed at www.nytc.com/community.html and responses e-mailed to libraryawards@nytimes.com. For more information, calls should be made to 212-556-4520.

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ARTIST RON HEDRICK will have his work on exhibit at Evelyn Dunn's Gallery, 549 South Ave., Westfield. Gallery hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. For information, call 908-232-0412.

IN PRAISE OF HAWAIIAN LANDSCAPES, an exhibit of photographs, and an exhibit of sculpture titled "Gods and Magical Creatures" will be displayed at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library through Aug. 22.

Gallery hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The library is closed Saturdays in August. Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

MURALS CREATED FOR NJ TRANSIT'S Secaucus Transfer Station will be on display in a preview exhibit in the Palmer Gallery at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit through Aug. 22.

Gallery hours are Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVLA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121.

SUMMER VISIONS, the work of members of the Drew Art Association, will be on exhibit in the Wisner House at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit through Aug. 29.

Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-273-8787.

OIL PAINTINGS BY JOHN RELLY will be on exhibit at Bouras Galleries in Summit throughout August.

Gallery hours are by appointment only. Bouras Galleries is located in Bouras Properties, 25 DeForest Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-277-6054.

A COLLECTIVE PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEW OF THE GREAT SWAMP will be on exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit through Sept. 3. An artists' reception will take place Aug. 25 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Gallery hours are Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVLA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121.

2002 TEEN ARTS TOURING EXHIBIT will be on display at the Hillside Municipal Building through Sept. 12.

The Hillside Municipal Building is located at JFK Plaza at Liberty and Hillside avenues. Hillside, for information, including exhibit hours, call the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs at 908-558-2550; Relay Service users dial 711.

AMERICAN VIEWS, black-and-white and color photographs by Raymond E. Silva of Union, will be on exhibit at the Las Madrazo Art Gallery in Union Public Library through Sept. 18.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., in Fibergar Park, Union. For information, call 908-851-5450.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL in Mountainside will exhibit the works of James A. Clark, Margie DeAngelo and Bill Krauss throughout the months of August and September.

CHS is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside. For information, call 888-244-5373.

LIGHT AND SHADOW, the works of Helen N. Jacobs, will be on exhibit at Swain Galleries in Plainfield Sept. 14 through Oct. 13. An Opening Reception will take place Sept. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. Gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Swain Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call 908-756-1707.

BOUQUET: "Flower Paintings by Mary Wickliffe" will be on exhibit in the Members' Gallery of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit Sept. 5 through Oct. 4. A reception will take place Sept. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. Gallery hours are Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVLA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121.

ENDING OF AN ERA: "Asbury Park Boardwalk," photographs by Barbara Virkus, will be on exhibit at the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library Aug. 23 through Oct. 4. An artists' reception will take place Sept. 5 from 8 to 10 p.m. Gallery hours are Mondays, Wed-

nesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The library is closed Saturdays in August. Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

DRAWINGS 2002, the works of several area artists, will be on exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit Sept. 6 through Nov. 3. An Artists' Reception will take place Sept. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. A Panel Discussion will take place Nov. 3 from 3 to 5 p.m. Gallery hours are Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVLA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121.

AUDITIONS PAPER MILL: The State Theater of New Jersey will conduct open auditions for New Jersey between the ages of 6 and 13 for "Annie" Wednesday at 10 a.m.; sign-ups begin at 9:30 a.m. Auditions will be conducted at the theater, Brookside Drive, Millburn. Show dates are Oct. 20 to 27.

SUMMIT CHORALE will conduct auditions for the 60-voice SATB chorus' 2002-03 season Sept. 10 and 17 by appointment. For information and to schedule an audition, call 908-665-9788 or visit www.summitchorale.org.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP at Union Public Library will meet the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. through Nov. 20.

Wednesday: "My Antonia" by Willa Cather. Sept. 18: "Three Women" by Marge Piercy. Oct. 16: "Alive: The Story of the Andes Survivors" by Piers P. Read. Nov. 20: "All the Kings Men" by Robert Penn Warren.

Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., in Fibergar Park, Union. For information, call 908-851-5450.

SUMMER READING GROUP at Barnes & Noble in Clark meets Wednesdays throughout the summer to discuss a different book each week. Wednesday: "The Awakening" Aug. 28: "On the Road"

Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

SUMMER READING GROUP FOR LIBRARIANS for children 8 to 12 years old will conclude at Barnes & Noble of Springfield next week. Wednesday: "The Trouble With Miss Switch" by Barbara Brooks Wallace

Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

AUTHOR PAUL WILDER will appear at Barnes & Noble of Clark Aug. 22 at 7:30 p.m. to sign copies of his book, "Overcoming Depression and Manic-Depression: A Whole Person Approach." Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes & Noble in Springfield. Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

THE LORD OF THE RINGS' READING GROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes & Noble in Clark. Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITERS' CIRCLE, led by Cheryl Racanelli, meets at Barnes & Noble in Clark the second and fourth Monday of each month. Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

CLASSICS BOOK CLUB meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble of Springfield. Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERESTS meets the second Thursday of the month at Barnes & Noble in Springfield. Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

MYSTERY READING GROUP meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble in Clark. Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

JEWISH BOOK LOVERS meets the third Monday of each month at Barnes & Noble in Springfield. Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD Reading Group meets the third Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble in Clark to read a Shakespeare play out loud. Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 973-574-1818.

WOMEN'S READING GROUP meets the last Wednesday of each month at Barnes & Noble in Clark. The selection for Aug. 28 is "Native Speaker" by Chang Rae Lee. Barnes & Noble is

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COLLECTIBLES

THE WESTFIELD STAMP CLUB meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Westfield Municipal Building, East Broad Street. For information, call 908-233-3045 or send e-mail to 8685@comcast.net.

CONCERTS

UNION COUNTY FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES will be sponsored by the Board of Chosen Freeholders July 3 through Aug. 28 in Echo Lake Park, between Springfield and Mountain avenues, Mountainside. All concerts are at 7:30 p.m. and are free. Wednesday: The Party Dolls Aug. 28: Barachois, Acadian song and dance

In case of rain, call 908-352-9410 after 3 p.m. the day of the concert. For other information, call 908-527-4900. For information, call 908-522-1700.

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, will present musical performances throughout the year. All concerts are from 8 to 10 p.m. in the cafe section. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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CRAFTS

THE HARVEST QUILTERS of Central New Jersey meet the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Cozy Corner Creations Quilt Shop, Park Avenue in Scotch Plains. For information, call 908-755-7653.

DISCUSSION

JOURNAL WRITING GROUP, led by professional life coach Jami Novak, meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at Barnes & Noble in Clark. Barnes & Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road. For information, call 973-574-1818.

WRITERS' WORKSHOP will meet Monday at Barnes & Noble in Springfield, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. The group meets every Monday. For information, call 973-376-8544.

FILM

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY will conclude its Luncheon Video Series next week. Videos are Tuesdays at noon. Participants should bring a bag lunch, coffee and cookies are provided.

Tuesday: "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" Springfield Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor its International Film Festival Tuesdays through Aug. 27. Tuesday: "Butterfly," Spanish Aug. 27: "Chunghyang," Korean

Films are shown at 2 and 7 p.m. All films are subtitled. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., in Fibergar Park, Union. For information, call 908-851-5450.

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor a series of free film classics at the Main Branch. All films begin at 10 a.m. The Main Branch of the Elizabeth Public Library is located at 11 S. Broad St. For information, call 908-354-6060.

HOBBIES

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC. meets at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, behind Home Depot on Route 22 east. The club is open to the public Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For information, call 908-964-9724 or 908-964-8888, send e-mail to TMRcinc@aol.com or visit www.tmrcl.com.

KIDS KINGDOM TRAVELING JUBILEE, sponsored by the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation, will tour the county in the coming months. Sept. 4: Nomahegan Park, Cranford, in conjunction with the Jersey Jazz by the Lake festival

All Kids Kingdom events are noon to 6 p.m. Admission is free; there is a nominal fee for some activities. For information, call 908-527-4900.

SUNDAY PLANETARIUM SHOW at Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside will present "Summer Skies" Sundays at 2 and 3:30 p.m. through Aug. 25. Programs are for children 6 years old and older. Tickets are \$3.25 per person, \$2.80 for senior citizens. Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside. For information, call 908-789-3670.

'CATS, DOGS & MAGIC' will be presented by Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. The program is for children 4 years old and older. Tickets are \$4 per person. Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside. For information, call 908-789-3670.

For information, call 908-277-0220.

MOLLY MAGUIRE'S IRISH PUB, formerly Casual Times, in Clark will present entertainment in the coming weeks. Thursdays are Ladies Nights and Sundays feature NFL games and \$2 drafts.

Molly Maguire's is located at 1085 Central Ave., Clark. For information, call 732-388-6511.

TAVERN IN THE PARK in Roselle Park will present Teddy Halek in "An Evening of Frank Sinatra" Saturdays at 9 p.m. Tavern in the Park is located at 147 W. Westfield Ave., Roselle Park. For information, call 908-241-7400.

VAN GOGH'S EAR CAFE, 1017 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, will present a series of musical events. Tuesday

For information, call 908-964-4828.

POETRY

POETRY OUT LOUD! will take place at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT takes place the second Sunday of every month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, at 7 p.m. For information, call 973-574-1818.

RADIO

TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION will meet at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. The group meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays of every month. For information, call 908-241-5758.

SINGLES

DINNER DATES and Entrepreneurs Group invite business and professional singles to dinner at a local restaurant, wine and mingling is at 8 p.m., dinner is at 9 p.m. Two age groups are available. For information on dates and locations, call 732-852-9796 or visit www.dinnerdates.com.

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield. Donation is \$2. For information, call 908-889-5265 or 908-889-4751.

THEATER

NEW JERSEY SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL will present "The Illusion" at Union County Public Library. For information, call 973-408-5600 or visit www.njshakespeare.org.

VARIETY SECOND STARBUCKS COFFEEHOUSE will take place the second Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Summit Unitarian Church, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Featured will be an "open mike" forum of music, poetry, comedy and performance art. Refreshments are served. Donations are suggested to cover expenses. Talent is sought for future dates. For information, call 908-773-3245.

THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will present "The Back Porch" every Tuesday at 9 p.m. and karaoke every Thursday night. The Back Porch is located at 1505 Main St. in Rahway. For information, call 732-381-6455.

CROSSROADS, 78 North Ave., Garwood presents a series of jazz, blues and comedy concerts, as well as football-themed nights. Every Sunday: Sunday Football, noon to closing, see all the games with \$2 domestic drafts and wing special. Every Monday: Monday Night Football.

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Volkswagen, Audi launch safety program

While 96 percent of parents believe they install their child safety seats correctly, it is estimated that an astounding 85 percent of children who are placed in such seats are improperly restrained.

Volkswagen of America Inc. and Audi of America Inc. have become among the first automakers in the United States to offer an ongoing dealer-based child passenger safety program in which dealership employees will become certified child safety seat inspectors.

Under the new program, called Sit Safe, Volkswagen and Audi are offering dealership employees a comprehensive training course to make them certified experts in the field of child passenger safety.

Sit Safe will allow parents to learn proper installation techniques, and have their child safety seats inspected by certified professionals at Audi and Volkswagen dealerships across the country. All vehicle type and brands are welcome.

Sit Safe initially encompasses a four-day education program in which Volkswagen and Audi will put select dealership employees through 32 hours of classes, using the curriculum approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The training program covers child passenger safety laws, as well as hands-on training in the proper inspection and installation of child seats. Each four-day session ends with a Sit Safe event where members of the community are invited to have their child safety seats inspected by a trained dealership employee. From there, each participating dealership will offer free inspections at their respective facilities on an ongoing basis.

"Safety is a primary concern for parents and for us," said Gerd Klaus, CEO of Volkswagen of America Inc. "Our program will serve as an educational and safety-focused resource for our drivers. Sit Safe will allow parents to bring and make and model vehicle to their nearest participating Audi or Volkswagen dealership, confident in the certified specialists who will be examining their child safety seats."

The Sit Safe initiative is being launched in the southeastern region of the United States. Training will continue at Volkswagen and Audi training centers across the country over the next several months. Training is provided by Partners in Prevention Inc., a not-for-profit organization headquartered in Michigan, with offices in Colorado and Wisconsin.

Founded in 1955, Volkswagen of America Inc. is headquartered in Auburn Hills, Mich., and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Volkswagen AG, the world's fourth-largest automaker. As America's top-selling European brand, Volkswagen markets a full line of vehicles through a network of 600 dealers in the United States.

Audi of America Inc., headquartered in Auburn Hills, Mich., set an all-time U.S. sales record of 83,283 cars sold through 260 Audi dealers in 2001, the company's sixth consecutive year of double-digit growth. Its parent company, Audi AG, is headquartered in Ingolstadt, Germany, and markets a line of luxury cars built in plants in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm, Germany, and in Gyor, Hungary.

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