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TWO SECTION

FD says manpower is too low

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

Springfield firefighters march in front of Town Hall with signs and fliers, informing residents of how understaffed the fire department is and how dangerous this is to the safety of not only the firefighters but the citizens they serve.

"Right now, the manpower is not only unsafe, it's inadequate and it's not up to the standards of the state and citizens can't be protected," said Michael Giamella, central district vice president of the legislative committee of the New Jersey State Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association.

According to state fire law, for every two firefighters who are inside a building rescuing people and extinguishing the fire, two additional firefighters must standby outside the building.

"They're not complying with the state laws," said Giamella, while marching with firefighters Monday night. "They don't have the manpower to comply with the state law of two in/two out. So when they show up on the fire ground they can't effectively do anything until the next rig comes, which is an average of anywhere between nine and 11 minutes."

Meanwhile, the fire is doubling in size every two to three minutes.

Township Committeeman Roy Hirschfeld said the feeling from the Springfield fire chief and the firefighters is that the township needs to hire eight additional full-time firemen.

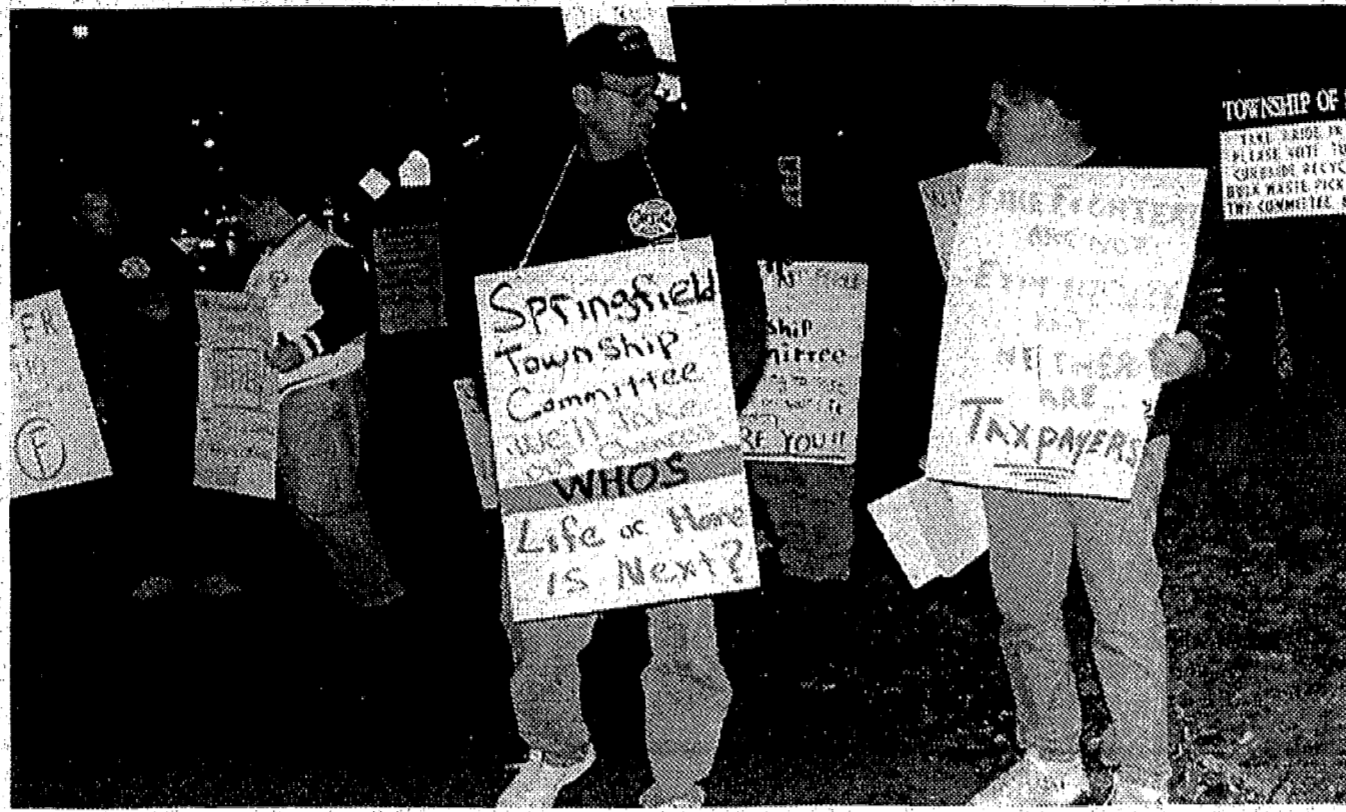


Photo By Barbara Kokkili

With signs in tow and fliers to hand out, Springfield firefighters picket in front of the Municipal Building on Monday night. As they demonstrated over what they call 'critical and unsafe staffing levels' of the township's fire department, they were also joined by FMBA members from surrounding communities and concerned residents.

"The problem with that is it's a tremendous increase in staff and it's a very big tax issue," said Hirschfeld. "We have to evaluate that."

Hirschfeld said a fire department has to be evaluated in terms of the level of risk, whether or not the township wants to take the risk that if there is a fire that there won't be enough coverage.

"I don't know if I want to take that risk," said Hirschfeld. "I think the fire department has shown that they're very important."

On Oct. 11, Springfield firefighters were dispatched to a house fire on South Springfield Avenue.

"The initial crew showed up with three firemen," said Firefighter Carlo Palumbo.

The firefighters could not enter the house because they did not have enough manpower to standby outside the house as two firefighters went in.

Springfield requested mutual aid from neighboring townships. Eleven minutes went by before firefighters could enter the burning house.

"In that 11 minutes, the woman tried to run back inside," said Palumbo. "They had to restrain her. She tried a second attempt and they had to actually tackle her to hold her down."

She was trying to rescue her cat.

Springfield firefighters march up Mountain Avenue with signs and fliers that read "This Time A Cat Died. What About Next Time?"

The township currently employs 21 full-time firefighters.

Two years ago, the township conducted a survey to determine the appropriate number of firefighters the township needs, explained Robert Brower, executive vice president and labor chairman of the FMBA.

The survey was never released.

"In the report that they won't share with us, that they paid for — they spent taxpayers money for that report

Mullman wins his term in committee race

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

Democratic incumbent Sy Mullman won his fourth term as a Springfield Township Committee member in Tuesday's election, beating Republican candidate Michael Montanari by nearly 1,000 votes.

Mullman received 2,691 votes, compared to the 1,765 votes Montanari received.

The Democrats hold all five seats on the Township Committee.

"I'm going to finish this windmill project," said Mullman, referring to his proposal to erect 30 giant windmills in the Houdaille Quarry that may generate enough electricity for Springfield and four neighboring townships.

Mullman has served as Springfield's mayor twice and deputy mayor once. He has been on the Township Committee for nine years and has lived in Springfield for 26 years.

"Our park and playground program is proceeding as we expected," said Mullman.

Mullman also said the land swap between the county and the township, where Springfield would receive the property around Jonathan Dayton High School and the county would receive property on Morris Avenue on the border of Union, is almost complete.

"You get rewarded for the job you do," said Mullman. "The voters knew what I did."

Montanari, born and raised in Springfield and a graduate of Jonathan Dayton High School, could not be reached for comment by presstime. Last year, he was a first-time candidate for Township Committee.

"When the odds are against you it's very tough to win," said Republican Municipal Chairman Bill Ruocco. "Because they have a complete majority on the Township Committee, they have all the patronage and that helps in an election."

Ruocco said he thought Montanari did pretty well, winning in two districts. Republican candidates for Township Committee lost in all 14 districts last year.

"We made some impact but not enough to win an election," said Ruocco. Ruocco said it's way too early to determine what Republican candidates will run next year.

"We haven't given up," Ruocco said. "We will never give up because we always think there's an opportunity."

In the U.S. Senate race, Springfield voters supported Democrat Frank Lautenberg with 2,901 votes, while Republican Douglas Forrester received 1,613 votes.

"I had the gut feeling that once Lautenberg got on the ticket that we were going to lose because Lautenberg won by the biggest margin in Springfield," said Ruocco. "Every Republican candidate went down."

In the House of Representatives race, Springfield voters supported Democrat Tim Carden with 2,540 votes, edging out Republican Mike Ferguson, who

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Mountainside Board of Ed agrees to give builder the boot, end contract

By Joan M. Devlin
Staff Writer

The Mountainside Board of Education met in emergency closed session Monday night, and made the announcement the next day that effective Wednesday, Ciro Randazzo Builders Inc., will be terminated from its construction contract for the work on Deerfield and Beechwood schools.

"The Board of Education unanimously passed the resolution to become effective on a seven-day calendar notice, which is Nov. 13," said Gerard Schaller, chief school administrator. "We have to reach out now to the bonding company and of course, our board attorney, David Rubin, is fully involved for all of this."

Schaller stated what everyone in Mountainside knows, that very little has been done on Beechwood School, and the scheduled opening of November

could never have been met, and Schaller said as things stand, even a January opening was suspect. "There just has not been enough progress, our decision made in closed session was with the approval of both our board attorney and the acting Business Administrator, Fran Tulley," said Schaller.

This dramatic decision comes after months of frustration and outcry from parents and teachers about the broken promises of the contractor. Deerfield School is open and running but under very crowded circumstances; at virtually every recent board meeting, parents were asking for this action.

The formal announcement states that architect Noel Musial, Inc. has advised the Board of Education that sufficient cause exists to terminate the contract between the Board of Education and Ciro Randazzo Builders Inc. and that the board has determined to accept this recommendation, and will direct the board

attorney to prepare a notice terminating the contract, effective seven days from delivery.

"What we are doing is, we are saying to the bonding company, 'make arrangements to get this job done,'" said board President Richard Kress. "The first step is to put them on notice and give them the opportunity to see that the job is completed."

Kress was asked what would happen if they refuse. "Then we can go out to bid again on what is left of the job. Then depending on the money left, award it to another contractor."

The last part of the resolution states the action authorized is without prejudice and is under law, taken in order to protect the interests of the Board of Education and of the public which it serves.

Kress reiterated that this was the absolute unanimous decision of all parties.

With camera in hand and stories to be told

By Brian Pedersen
Managing Editor

The film opens with a sequence of a firefighter walking across North Avenue in Westfield, carrying a bag of donuts and coffee, ready to go to work.

It's an ordinary, everyday image, but by the end of just one day of filming, William McMeekan Jr. found something so extraordinary, it changed his life.

A resident of Summit, McMeekan recently won "Best Documentary" honors at the Digital Visions Film Festival for "Catching Fire," his profile of a day in the life of the Westfield Fire Department.

What McMeekan, a television production teacher at Union High School, found so extraordinary about filming his project was the strength found in the simple story of the lives of these local firefighters. Being an outsider who saw how easily they interacted with one another and how much each of them depended upon each other led McMeekan not only to change his pre-conceived notions of who and what a firefighter is, but to become one himself.

As someone who grew up in Westfield, McMeekan decided to join the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department after discovering the pride and simple joy the members of the Westfield Fire Department had not only for their jobs, but for each other. He completes training on Nov. 16, and said his desire to join has been a direct result of "Catching Fire."

"Even before I looked over the footage, I was surprised by how well they acted," said McMeekan. "The strength of it is these men."

He found qualities he didn't think he would see while filming a day in the life of a fire department. He was surprised by their openness before the

camera, their sensitivity to each others' needs and their unflagging pride in their work.

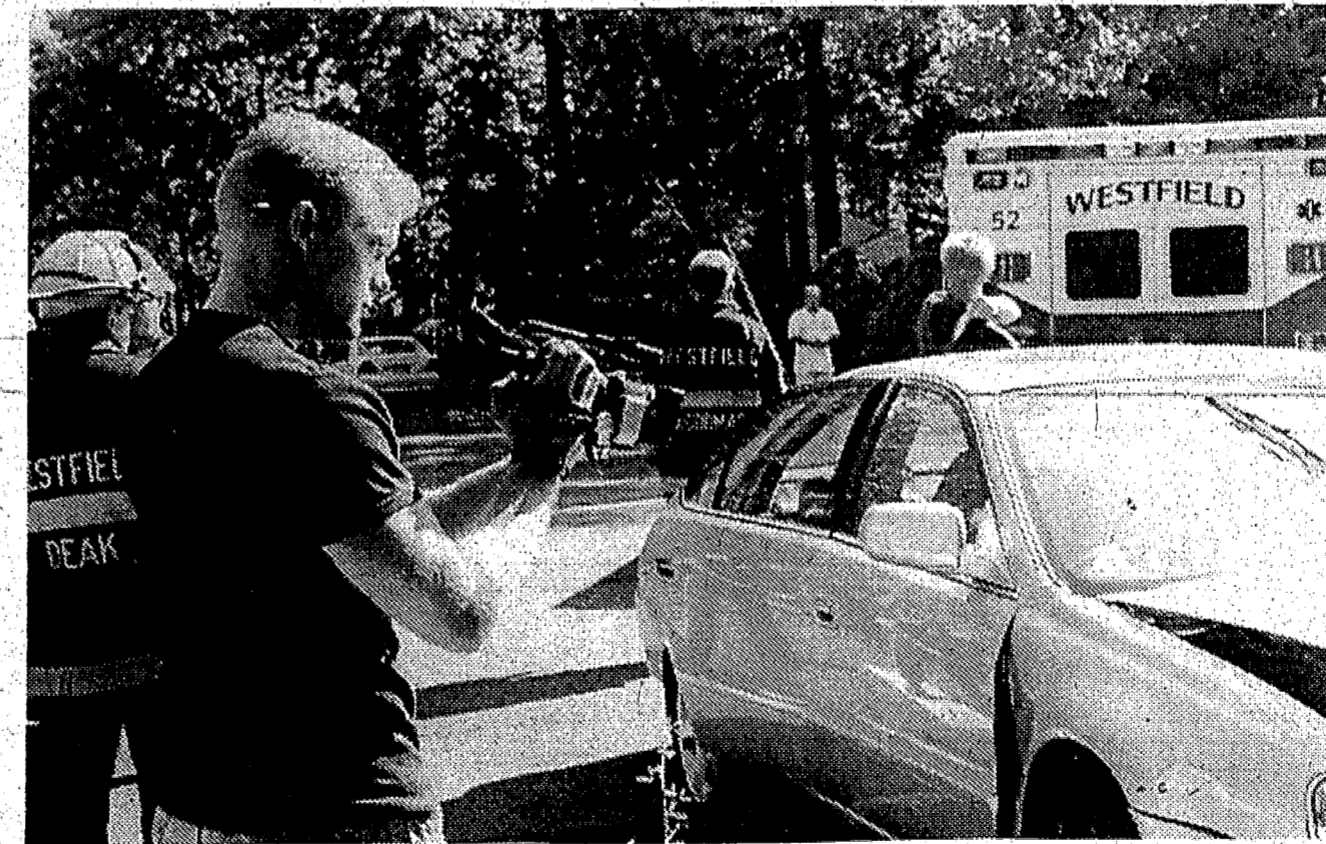
With pictures in his mind of gruff men who rarely speak to each other, McMeekan found himself drawn to how genuinely warm and friendly they were, how their relationship was like a tight-knit family.

"This experience was just amazing," said McMeekan. "I didn't know too much about fire service. These were just great guys who really cared. I just knew the material was going to be really strong because the interviews were so good."

From that first day of filming, back in August 2001, he shot scenes with the Platoon D shift of the Westfield Fire Department, which spends 24 hours together every three days. He remembered how comfortable they were before the watchful eye of the camera, something McMeekan said is often hard to come by, particularly with documentaries where the very presence of a camera often alters the way a person acts and behaves.

What McMeekan shot happened over the course of two and a half months. He knew he wanted to get a typical day in the life of a group of firefighters, but wasn't exactly sure what that was. Once he found the thread of their simple stories, he knew he was onto something special.

The majority of the documentary was shot in August 2001, but when Sept. 11 hit, as shocking as it was, he remembers a moment where he wondered if the documentary should be about the horrific event. Cautious about jumping on any post-Sept. 11 bandwagons and following in the steps of the long line of heroic tributes that followed, McMeekan decided to stay true to his original focus, realizing it was the men, and not national



Filmmaker William McMeekan Jr. shoots "Catching Fire," his award-winning documentary about the Westfield Fire Department. McMeekan recently won "Best Documentary" honors at the Digital Visions Film Festival for his profile of a day in the life of a small fire department. He is currently completing his own training as a volunteer for the Mountainside Fire Department.

events that made his documentary unique.

He did, however, decide to dedicate "Catching Fire" to the New York Fire Department for the many sacrifices they made on Sept. 11.

For "Catching Fire," McMeekan tried a variety of unconventional shots to make the viewer feel as if they are living the life of a firefighter, doing what they do on a daily basis. In one scene, he taped his camera, which somehow remained steady, to the top of the engine while it rode through the town on a call, so the viewer becomes the eyes of those on board the engine rushing to respond.

In another scene, McMeekan placed his camera on the back of a rig

when the firefighters went out on call at 3 a.m. As it rode through town, McMeekan remembers the silence of the night, and his camera captures the desolate street behind them as the town around them sleeps. He also shot a scene from about 90-feet up on the fire engine ladder, which was fully extended to show the heights firefighters need to reach rooftops during rescue missions.

But it's the smaller, more subtle moments that McMeekan likes the most. McMeekan captures firefighters shopping in the local supermarket, vacuuming and mopping the floors and getting into their uniforms. Echoing the opening image, the film ends with a sequence of a firefighter buy-

ing donuts and coffee to bring across the street to the firehouse, as he starts another day in the life of saving others.

It's these simple images that McMeekan feels, gives his one-hour film the most strength. Still, he was surprised by its win at Digital Visions, which features films shot exclusively on video.

"No matter what I do, I have a huge interest in local television," said McMeekan, who sees digital as the wave of the future in filmmaking. "I think you'll see more and more of this. It's more the message than the medium itself."

It was a good year for AP tests

By Joshua Zaitz
Staff Writer

Springfield students who took Advanced Placement exams last school year did better than they had in previous years.

In May 2002, 169 AP examinations were taken by 86 Jonathan Dayton High School students in grades 10 through 12. The students took exams in 15 courses, including U.S. history, studio art, English literature, music theory, and chemistry.

"Several students took more than one exam, which is not unusual," said Assistant Superintendent of Schools Judy Zimmerman. "It's not unusual at all. Sometimes students take two or three, or even four AP courses. They might choose to take two or three of those exams."

Two years ago, the exams became optional and the district provided exams for only those students who wanted to take them. Prior to that, the district required all students who were enrolled in AP courses to take the exams.

"Now we give the students the possibility to let us know if they want to take the exam," said Zimmerman.

Springfield's scores improved from the exams taken a year ago, in May 2001, where 98 AP exams were taken by 53 students.

Fifty-five percent of the students who took the exams in 2002 scored a three or above, on an ascending scale of one to five. Only 41 percent scored a three or higher in 2001 and the score was even less in 2000, where only 35 percent scored a three or higher.

"If you receive a three or above, there is a good chance that the college that accepts you may give you credit

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Echo Leader to inform residents of various community activities and government meetings.

- Today: The Foothill Club luncheon is at B.G. Fields Restaurant in Westfield at noon. The program will feature Lori Gosyla, a Mountaineer resident.
- Monday: Springfield's annual Veterans' Day ceremony takes place at Veterans Memorial Park at 11 a.m.
- Tuesday: The Mountaineer Borough Council convene in the meeting room at Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East at 8 p.m.

Luncheon Video Series with "Wonders, Horrors and Heroes" at noon with "When Dinosaurs Roamed America."

- Nov. 11: The Westfield/Mountaineer Chapter of the American Red Cross offers Adult CPR classes 6 to 10:30 p.m. at the American Red Cross Chapter House, 321 Elm St., in Westfield.
- Nov. 15: Temple Sha'rarey Shalom, 78 S. Springfield Ave. in Springfield, will celebrate Intergenerational Shabbat with a special Klezmer service at 8 p.m.
- Nov. 16: Crafters and vendors are needed for the second annual Holiday Craft Boutique at St. James the Apostle School on South Springfield Avenue in Springfield from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

AP scores improved

(Continued from Page 1) toward you having completed a college-level course, so you can move onto the next level when you get to college," said Zimmerman.

They don't think twice about sharing something this nice

Angela Richard and Julie Spinelli sit in front of the Mountaineer Borough Council, blushing as Bill Biunno reads off their accomplishments.

award. Then the Mabel Young Committee reviews the letters and decides who should be honored with the award. Usually only one person is selected.

Richard said she was honored that her neighbors recommended her for the award. "I went to my one neighbor who said, 'Did you get anything good in the mail?'" said Richard.



At a recent Mountaineer Borough Council meeting, residents Julie Spinelli and Angela Richard listen to the unexpected news from Bill Biunno, who read off their list of accomplishments and designated them as the Mable Young Good Neighbor Award winners for their dedication to the community.

Republicans retain seats on council

(Continued from Page 1) received 1,813 votes. Springfield is part of the 7th Congressional District, which also includes Mountaineer, Berkeley Heights, Clark, Cranford, Fanwood, Garwood, Kenilworth, part of Linden, New Providence, Plainfield, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains, Summit, part of Union, Westfield and Winfield.

guson's bid for re-election to the House of Representatives. He received 1,596 votes, nearly doubling his opponent, Carden, who received 804 votes.

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Springfield firefighters claim township officials abuse mutual aid requests

(Continued from Page 1) — that report makes a recommendation to them," said Giamella. "That's the question," said Jim Beyer, president of the Springfield FMBA Local 57.

"We pull up to a fire, on a good day, we have four firefighters. The driver doesn't count."

Giamella said volunteer firefighters cannot replace full-time firefighters because when it comes to a fire, every second counts.

township residents, merchants, and business owners on the unsafe and inadequate manpower staffing levels of the fire department.

However, the issue is, does it put the firefighters at risk if there isn't sufficient backup and there isn't an incident commander, someone who can direct what is going on," said Hirschfeld.

Giamella said it's only a matter of time until the dice don't come up in Springfield's favor.

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The Women's Resource Center, 31 Woodland Ave., Summit, has many upcoming fall events aimed at helping people achieve mental, physical and emotional well-being. Unless otherwise listed, all programs will be conducted at the center.



Wendy Graeb

The Girl Project. "Girls Who Write" is an exciting program designed especially for girls ages 9 to 11 who like to write for fun and self-expression.

Dancers invited to workshop

Carolyn Dorfman will present a free dance workshop Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Connection for Women and Families, 79 Maple St. Men, women and youths ages 10 and older who have some dance experience are invited to attend.

Professionals from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, in addition to other choreography honors. She was the first artist to receive the prestigious, and nationally selected, Prudential Prize for Non-

OBITUARIES

Fae Skuratofsky

Fae Skuratofsky, 64, of Springfield died Oct. 23 in the Clark Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center. Born in Newark, Mrs. Skuratofsky lived in Hillsdale before moving to Springfield 28 years ago.

Helen Kinsella

Helen Kinsella, 91, of New Milford, formerly of Mountainside, died Oct. 27 in the Harborview/Glen Hill Health Center, Danbury. Born in Lattin town, N.Y., Mrs. Kinsella lived in Mountainside for 14 years before moving to New Milford in 1995.

Florence Ellenberger

Florence Ellenberger, 75, of Springfield died Oct. 26 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Hillsdale, Miss Ellenberger lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield five years ago.

Thomas D. Carino

Thomas D. Carino, 64, died Oct. 25 of Local 225 of the International Union of Operating Engineers in Springfield Parkway, Edison, when he was struck by a car after stopping to help the scene of a previous accident.

Leonard Claudat

Leonard M. Claudat, 88, of Springfield died Oct. 26 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston. Born in Jersey City, Mr. Claudat moved to Springfield 40 years ago.

Our Lady has blood check-ups



Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Mountainside stands ready to offer free blood pressure check-ups for parishioners every third Sunday after Mass.

Every third Sunday directly following Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 300 Central Ave., Mountainside, parishioners are invited to have their blood pressure checked.

in the process, which simply involves filling out a card with a few patient details, and then are escorted into a private room where volunteer nurses,

OBITUARIES

Catherine G. Lynes

Catherine G. Lynes, 90, of Elizabeth, formerly of Summit, died Oct. 22 in Rahway Hospital. Born in Elizabeth, Miss Lynes lived in Summit and Cranford before moving back to Elizabeth in 1972.

William Good

William Good of Vauxhall, formerly of Summit, died Oct. 23 in the Cranford Nursing Home. Born in Winston-Salem, N.C., Mr. Good lived in Summit, Maplewood and Newark before moving to Vauxhall.

Phyllis Gillespie

Phyllis S. Gillespie, 89, of Basking Ridge, formerly of Summit and Mountainside, died Oct. 19 in Fellowship Village, Basking Ridge. Born in Newark, Mrs. Gillespie lived in Summit, Atlantic City, Greenville, Ohio, and Mountainside before moving to Basking Ridge in 1996.

William G. Dukek

William G. Dukek, 86, of Maplewood, formerly of Summit, died Oct. 15 in Winchester Gardens, Maplewood. Born in Landsdowne, Pa., Mr. Dukek lived in Westfield and for 50 years in Summit before moving to Maplewood four years ago.

Albert T. Miles

Albert T. Miles, 70, a lifelong resident of Summit, died Oct. 24 at home. Mr. Miles was a maintenance engineer with the Summit Recreation Department for more than 30 years and retired in 1999.

RELIGION

Pancake breakfast at Our Lady of Lourdes

The Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes, 300 Central Ave., Mountainside, welcomes members, friends and family to join them at a pancake breakfast Nov. 24 after the 9:30 Mass.

Evangel Baptist has seasonal services

Springfield Evangel Baptist Church, 242 Shunpike Road, will host a Thanksgiving service on Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

SJCC has Torah Story Hour Saturday

The Summit Jewish Community Center, 67 Kent Place Blvd., invites the community to join them for Torah Story Hour on Saturday at 10 a.m. This Shabbat morning program for preschool children through second grade uses stories and folk tales to teach children about Jewish history.

Pancake breakfast at Our Lady of Lourdes

with a special Klezmer service on Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. Featured this year is the music of Sruli Lora and the Oy Vey Klezmer Band.

Jewish Adventure Series

The Summit Jewish Community Center Religious School invites preschoolers to participate in its Jewish Adventure Series. Children 4 years old, pre-K, will experience an enriching, appropriate program to learn about Jewish holidays and the Bible.

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Hi-5 was grand success

Joe McVeigh, 39, of Summit led a field of 318 runners to the finish line of the second annual Summit Hi-5 five-mile road race on Oct. 20. His time of 28:45 was just seconds off last year's course record of 28:27. Linda Flanagan, 39, of Summit, led the women with a time of 31:15. The five-mile run, two-mile fitness walk, and 5K Girls on the Run run, were conducted to benefit the Women's Resource Center, based in Summit. The event raised approximately \$55,000 for the Center. Second and third place in the men's division went to Rob Ulewicz, with a time of 29:22 and Felix Perciari of Bayonne with a time of 30:09. Second and third place in the women's division went to Anne Brit of Summit with a time of 32:07 and Davne Hausman of Summit with a time of 32:36.

In addition to the five-mile run, a two-mile fitness walk drew about 120 participants on the sunny afternoon. A three-mile run for participants in the center's Girls on the Run program saw more than 60 young girls, coaches and parents cross the finish line for the 5-K run with a time of 31:26. She was followed one minute later by Colleen Moran, age 10 of Chatham. Meghan Hernon, 10, of Millburn crossed third with a time of 33:45. The youngest five-mile finisher was Liz Farrell, 12, of Millburn with a time of 55:22, followed by 12-year-



The Summit Hi-5 race through the city was a great success on Oct. 20 thanks to organizers, from left, Bill Halnes, race chairman, Mark Zenobia, race director, and Julie O'Rourke, co-chairwoman.

Reeves-Reed offers upcoming activities

Reeves-Reed Arboretum, 165 Hobart Ave., Summit, has several upcoming events planned. For information about these programs, call 908-273-8787. • "Stately Trees and Gentle Flowers" is the subject of Larry Kerer's nature photographs, hanging at the arboretum through Dec. 18. Kerer, a Chatham Township Art League and the Vailsburg Camera Club of Springfield, He volunteers his photographic talents to assist the Morris Land Conservancy and Habitat for Humanity in their various newsletters. His photographs on view include intimate close-ups of flowers and sweeping landscapes. They may be seen inside Wisner House at Reeves-Reed Arboretum. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The arboretum will be closed Nov. 28 and 29. Kerer will meet the public at a reception Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. For information about "Stately Trees and Gentle Flowers," call Reeves-Reed Arboretum at 908-273-8787. • On Dec. 12, supporters of Reeves-Reed Arboretum can get ideas for the holidays on the arboretum's Holiday House Tour. Five Summit area houses will be on display from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Each house will be uniquely and sumptuously decorated. Advance tickets to the house tour

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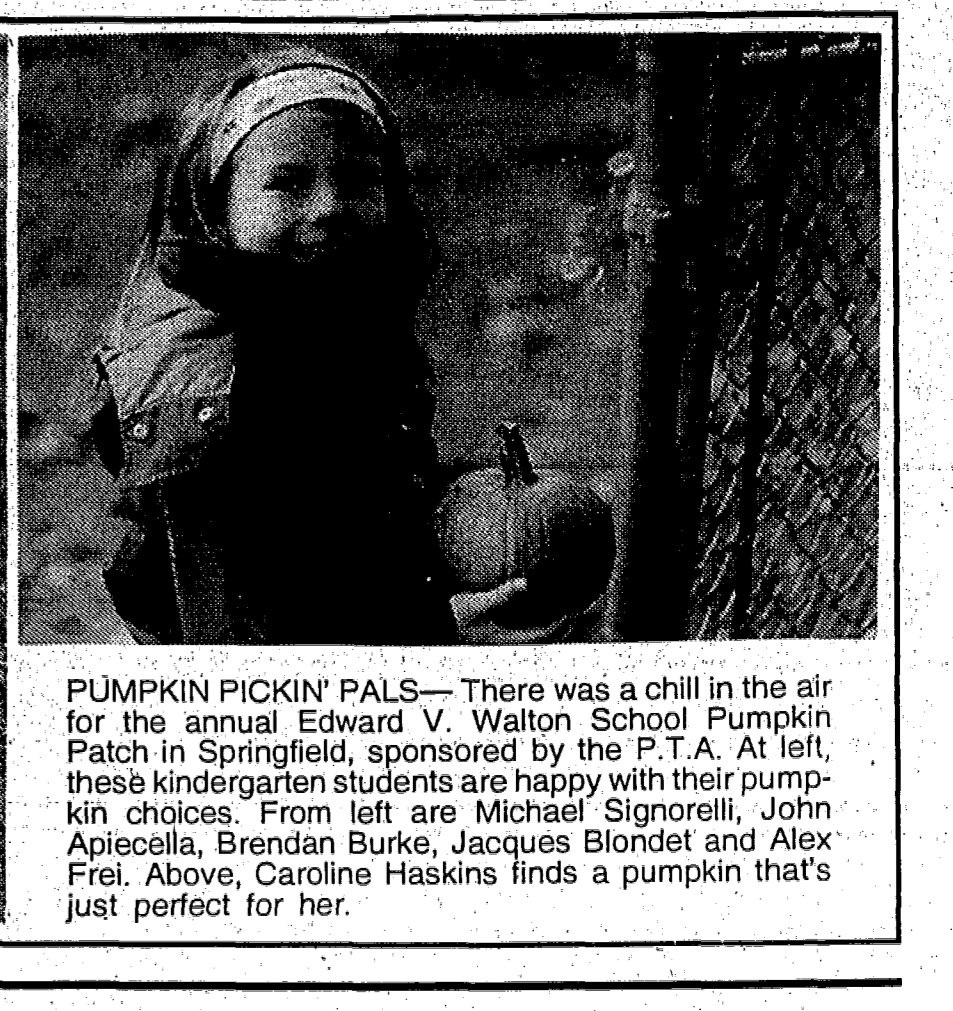
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Jazz it up at YMCA

The Springfield YMCA will offer for the first time beginner jazz dance classes for children during its winter 2003 session, Nov. 18 through Feb. 2. The classes geared for children ages 5 and 6 and ages 7 and 8, will combine stretching, technique and choreographed floor work for the beginner jazz student. The classes, taught by Tracy Gaume, fitness director of the Springfield YMCA, will meet Thursdays 2:30 to 4:15 p.m. for 5 and 6 year olds, and Thursdays 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for 7 and 8 year olds. The fee is \$59 for YMCA members and \$79 for non-members. The Springfield YMCA also offers a beginner tap and ballet class, also Thursdays from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. for 3- and 4-year-olds. This class incorporates movement and coordination development while giving an introduction to the ballet and tap dance form. The fee is \$59 for YMCA members and \$79 for non-members. Registration for upcoming winter 2003 classes has begun at 9 a.m. for family members, and Tuesday, at 7:30 a.m. for youth members and open registration. The Springfield YMCA is located at 100 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield.

McLaughlin gets Prudential Awards

Barbara G. McLaughlin of Mountaintop Financial Inc. received Prudential Community Champions Awards. The 11th annual Prudential Community Champions Awards program, administered by the company's Local Initiatives Division, is recognizing 853 Prudential employees and retirees who excel in volunteer commitment, leadership and service in their communities. "Backroads, New Jersey" by Mark Diltono, "Baseball Buffers 2," "Bob-



PUMPKIN PICKIN' PALS—There was a chill in the air for the annual Edward V. Walton School Pumpkin Patch in Springfield, sponsored by the P.T.A. At left, these kindergarten students are happy with their pumpkin choices. From left are Michael Signorelli, John Apicella, Brendan Burke, Jacques Blondet and Alex Frei. Above, Caroline Haskins finds a pumpkin that's just perfect for her.

New titles available

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., has the following new releases available.

- Fiction**
 - "The Big Dig Yield" by Linda Barnes, "Blessings" by Anna Quindlen, "The Crazy" by Ha Jin, "Esther's Gift: A Midford Christmas Story" by Jan Karon, "Firewall" by Henning Manthel, "The Ice Maidens" by Edna Buchanan, "Jerusalem's Hope" by Bodie Thoenne, "The Last Place" by Laura Lippman, "The Little Friend" by Donna Tartt, "The Murder Book" by Jonathan Kellerman, "Nine" by Jan Burke, "Proof of Intent" by William Jeremiah Coughlin, "Quentins" by Maeve Binchy, and "Stone Kiss" by Faye Kellerman.
 - Non-fiction**
 - "Backroads, New Jersey" by Mark Diltono, "Baseball Buffers 2," "Bob-

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bi Brown Beauty Evolution: The Ultimate Guide to a Lifetime of Beauty" by Bobbi Brown, "Campusdaze" by George Gibbs, "Consumers Guide Car's Truck Test 2002 Cars," "China," "Dare to Repair: A Do-it-Yourself Guide to Fixing (Almost) Anything in the Home" by Julie Sussman, "Do-it-Write: How to Prepare a Great College Application" by G. Gary Ripple, "Drawing Step-by-Step" by Gerhard Gollwitzer, "Freedom and the Court: Civil Rights and Liberties in the United States" by Henry Julian Abraham, "How to Fix (Just About) Everything" by Bill Markham, "IRA's, 401(k)'s and Other Retirement Plans: Taking Your Money Out" by Twyla Slesnick, "Leadership" by Rudolph W. Giuliani, "Lucky" by Alice Sebod, "Real Estate Exam Guide: Designed for ASi Sales and Broker Exams" by William H. Pivar, "SAT Savvy: Last Minute Tips and Strategies" by Marian Martin, "Shalom Y'all: Images of Jewish Life in the American South" by Bill Aaron, "The V Book: A Doctor's Guide to Compelling Vulvovaginal Health" by Elizabeth Gunther Stewart, "Winning Cover Letters" by Robyn Ryan, and "Winning Resumes" by Robin Ryan. Biography "Dwight D. Eisenhower" by Tom Wicker, "Grandmother: A Personal History of Eleanor Roosevelt" by David B. Roosevelt, "Memoirs" by David Rockefeller, and "Sandy Koufax: A Lefty's Legacy" by Jane Leavy.

Dinosaurs roam again with video

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., concludes its Lunchtime Video Series, "Wonders, Horrors and Heroics." Tuesday at noon with "When Dinosaurs Roamed America." Ever, these dinosaurs will both amaze and frighten. By combining state-of-the-art computer animation with live-action landscapes, viewers will marvel as these fearsome creatures roar to life. Leap back in time to prehistoric America when these mighty dinosaurs ruled the continent. From New Jersey to New Mexico, these powerful animals lived, hunted and died in the very place you call home. Watch millions of years of evolution revealed before your eyes. From the giant Dryptosaurus to the ferocious T-Rex and Dromaeosaur, you won't see more authentic and terrifying dinosaurs anywhere...except buried in your own backyard. The video is 90 minutes. Bring a brown bag lunch to the program. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

Book drive gives gift of reading

The Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., has launched its "Books for Kids" book donation drive. Give a child the gift of reading by bringing a new book or books to the library's collection box. Books for children from preschool through age 14 are needed. Last year, thousands of disadvantaged children from all across New Jersey were given the chance to own a book of their very own through this program. Started in 1991, "Books for Kids" is a statewide program sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association's Children's Services Section. This program is undertaken with the hope that all children will be able to experience the joy of reading books of their very own.

Newcomers Club has new events

The Newcomers and Neighbors Club of Springfield will conduct the following upcoming activities: • Friday, 9 p.m., Bowling at Strike and Spare Lanes, Route 22 in Green Brook. For information, call 732-356-0011. RSVP to Simone Miller at 908-608-0679. • Nov. 16, 8:30 p.m., Dinner at Benihana, Short Hills. For information, call 973-467-9550. Send a \$5 deposit per person ASAP to guarantee a spot. Call Simone Miller for information at 908-686-0679. Playgroups are also offered for

Infants and toddlers.

For upcoming dates and locations, call Jodi Silverstein at 908-522-1442. As a reminder, the club's annual dues are \$25 per family, and dues will cover now, through December 2003. The dues are used for publicity, mailings and hospitality. Call MaryBeth Mittz, treasurer, for instructions at 973-376-9035.

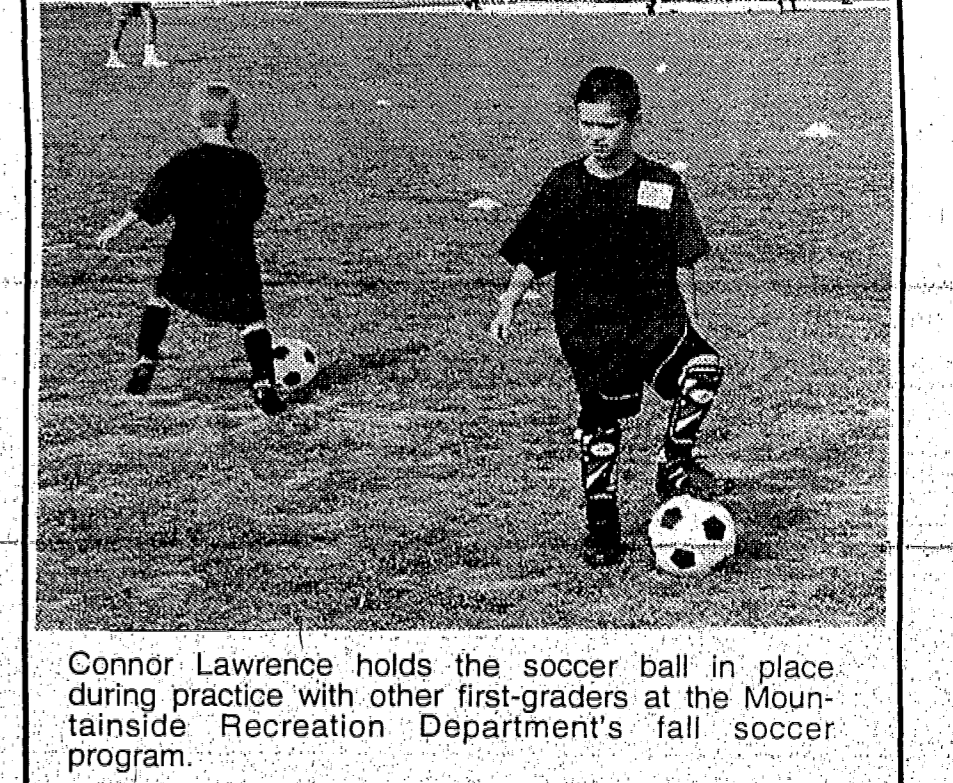
Foothill Club to meet

The Foothill Club luncheon will be today at noon at B.G. Fields restaurant in Westfield. The program will feature Lori Gosya, a Mountaintop resident. Gosya is a volunteer with the Summit Animal Rescue Association. New members and guests are always welcome. For a reservation, call Genevieve at 908-232-3626.

Active Retirees have full slate of events

The Mountaintop Active Retirees has a full schedule of upcoming fall programs. All meetings are to be conducted at 10 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Mountaintop Borough Hall, 1385 Route 22 East, unless otherwise notified. • Tuesday — "Search for Serenity." Karel Hess, local author and speaker and Bridgewater resident, is founder and director of Beacon Light Counseling Center in Watchung. Hess will discuss three aspects of one's being: body, soul and spirit.

On the ball



Connor Lawrence holds the soccer ball in place during practice with other first-graders at the Mountaintop Recreation Department's fall soccer program.

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EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH - "CHRIST OUR HOPE AND PEACE." 242 Shunpike Rd., Springfield. Rev. Frederick Mackey, Sr., Pastor. Sundays: 9:30 AM Bible School for all ages. Nursery through Seniors. 10:30 AM Worship Service and Nursery care. -- 5:30-7:00 PM AWANA Club Program for children ages 4-11. 6:00 PM Evening Service & Nursery care. Wednesdays: 7:15 PM Prayer, Praise, and Testimony. Junior/Senior High Ministry. Adult Youth Ministry; Wide-Range Music Program; Super Seniors 3rd Thursday at 11 AM followed by lunch; Amphibious Church Life provided with assistance. All are invited and welcomed to participate in worship with us. For further information contact church office. (973) 379-4351.

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SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH - 119 Main Street, Millburn. NJ 07041. (973) 376-0688. Sunday Worship: A spoken service of Holy Eucharist with a homily will be held at 8:00 a.m., followed by a Holy Eucharist with choral music at 10:00 a.m. Church School for children in K thru 8th grade and nursery care available at 10:00 a.m. Youth & adult choirs and adult bell choir. Celebrating our 150th year of service to the community. We welcome all people.

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JEWISH-ORTHODOX
CONGREGATION ISRAEL OF SPRINGFIELD - 339 Mountain Avenue, Springfield. 973-467-9666. Chaim Marcus, Rabbi; Alan T. Yabl, Rabbi Emeritus; Solomon Oshenfeld, President; Congregation Israel is a Modern Orthodox synagogue. There are two daily weekday morning Minyan at 6:15 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Daily, weekly, Mincha/Maariv services are also held. Call the club office for dates. There are two Shabbat morning services at

LUTHERAN
HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH 639 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, 07081, 973-379-4255, Fax: 973-379-8887. Remo Madanes, Pastor. Our Sunday Worship Service takes place at 10 a.m. at JONATHAN DAYTON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about our midweek children, teen, and adult programs, contact the Church Office Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:00 p.m.

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THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Summit is located in the heart of town on the corner of Kent Place Boulevard and DeForest Avenue. Church School and Bible Study is held at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Worship (973) 378-3387. Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi; Amy Danieli, Cantor/Education Director; Nina Greenman, Pre-School Director; Mindy Schreff, Family Life Educator; Claire Duffner, President. Temple Shikarey Shalom is a Reform congregation affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). Shabbat worship, enhanced by volunteer choir, begins on Friday evenings at 8:00 PM, with monthly Family Services at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning Torah study class begins at 9:15 AM followed by worship at 10:30 AM. Religious school classes meet on Saturday mornings for grades K-7; on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for 4-7; and Tuesday evenings for post-barbat mitzvah students. Pre-school classes are available for children ages 2 1/2 through 4. The Temple has the support of an active Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Renaissance Group and Youth Group. A wide range of programs include Adult Education, Social Action, Interfaith Outreach, Singles and Seniors. For more information, call the Temple office. (973) 379-5387.

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Hospital begins holiday toy drive

The 2002 Holiday Season is approaching quickly and Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside is getting ready by launching its annual Holiday Toy Drive.

"We have been fortunate over the past years to be able to distribute the toys and goodies, which have been generously donated by the community to more than 1,300 children in our care."

Donations of toys and clothing must be new. Residents are asked to note that Children's Specialized Hospital's Infection Control Policy prohibits the hospital from accepting stuffed animals or used toys.

Below is a holiday gift wish list for your consideration when making donations:

- Infant rattles, toys and teething rings in black/white, high contrast
Crib mobiles/mirrors
Crib bumpers and crib sheet sets
Baby bibs/large plastic bibs

- Multi-cultural washable baby dolls and clothes
Multi-cultural Barbie dolls and clothes
Hero/wrestling figures
Legos for ages 1 to 8

Children's Specialized Hospital will also readily accept donations of holiday gift wrapping paper and assorted gift bags.

Other items that can be donated include:

- Bubbles
Baby books-heavy cardboard
Seek and sound auditory books
Large picture coloring books/art pads

Sharing a laugh



N.Y. Mets All-Star Pitcher Al Leiter was a big hit with the patients of Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside during a recent visit.

Houses of worship forming a council

The seniors organizations of Springfield's three synagogues have joined to form a coordinating council called the Jewish Seniors of Springfield.

The Jewish Seniors of Springfield is sponsoring a fall and winter lecture series, "American Presidents from Washington to Bush II."

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SPORTS

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Goldberg on team



Zach Goldberg of Springfield was a member of the JCC MetroWest ages 13-14 baseball team that competed at the JCC Maccabi games in Baltimore in August.

Record-setting year for the Hilltoppers

A record-setting year. That's been theme for the Summit High School girls' soccer team and its leading scorer Jana Lee.

The Hilltoppers tied the school record for wins with 15 by beating visiting Hanover Park 2-1 Monday in Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division play.

High School Girls' Soccer

Summit is now preparing for the state playoffs as it earned the top seed in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.

Summit swept West Essex in conference play. The Hilltoppers finished second in the Hills Division behind Mendham, which they lost twice to.

On Sept. 23 at home, Summit beat West Essex 3-0. Jan. Gina Scioscia and Monica Jones scored. Lee had an assist and Dickey made seven saves for her second shutout.

On Oct. 17 at West Essex, Summit beat the Knights 2-0 as Jones had a goal and an assist and Lee scored. Dickey stopped 12 shots for her sixth shutout.

"That is the way to the top seed, but I don't put any emphasis on it," Summit head coach Matt Lachman said.

In last year's semis, Summit lost 2-1 to visiting Chatham. Chatham is the second seed this season and will host the winner of the sixth-seeded Caldwell at third-seeded Governor Livingston quarterfinal.

"I can see us playing either Chatham or GL in the final," Lachman said. "They're both very good teams."

Prior to Summit's victory over Hanover Park, the Hilltoppers led a heart-breaking 2-1 decision to Westfield in the semifinal round of the Union County Tournament last Saturday at Union High School.

The game was decided by a penalty kick shootout, with defending champion Westfield prevailing by a 4-3 score. Westfield also defeated Summit in last year's semifinals, beating the Hilltoppers 3-0 at Union.

Summit reached the county semifinals for the fourth consecutive season. The Hilltoppers are still in search of their first UCT title.

"That, in itself, is a big accomplishment," Lachman said. "Only Westfield has attained the same feat."

On Halloween, Summit pulled off another eerie record as Lee recorded her seventh career "hat trick" in a 4-0 victory at Dover.

With the three goals, Lee upped her career total to 73, which places her 13th all-time in Union County.

"Jana is a true leader besides being a great goal-scorer," Lachman said. After opening the season at 1-1, Summit went to a 6-0-1 streak to improve to 7-1-1. The last victory was a 3-0 shutout win at Union on Oct. 7.

Lee scored in the first half, while Coffield connected in the second half on direct kick. Dickey was brilliant in net by making 15 saves, which included stopping a penalty kick with 10 minutes left. The Hilltoppers held a 22-12 advantage in shots.

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After losing their third game of the season, the Hilltoppers went on to win four straight to improve to 14-3-1. The second win was a 2-1 decision over visiting Cranford in the quarterfinal round of the UCT.

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King having stellar season for TCNJ. The King of Mountainside, a former Governor Livingston gridiron standout, is having a stellar season as a member of The College of New Jersey football team.

Prior to a 42-7 home win against New Jersey City University two weekends ago, King was leading the Lions' (4-3) in sacks, tackles for losses and total tackles.

He had five sacks for minus 30 yards, nine tackles for losses of 44 yards and 21 total tackles.

Summit girls' hoop tryouts Monday. Summit Recreation 7th grade girls' traveling basketball team tryouts are Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the main gym of the Summit Middle School.

The team will compete in the Tri-County Basketball League, comprised of teams from many surrounding communities.

Due to the competitive nature of the league, the number of players representing Summit will be limited. Any questions regarding this matter can be directed to assistant director Mark Ozoroski.

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini Sports Editor

Summit, which will be the top seed in North 2, Group 2, is the No. 1 team in the county at the moment.

Summit had another magical victory, beating Parsippany Hills 14-7 in overtime at Tatlock Field last Saturday.

Elizabeth had an 18-game, regular-season winning streak snapped when it lost at home to Shabazz 7-0 at Williams Field last Friday night.

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Summit football team pulls another victory out of hat

Hilltoppers will be top seed in North 2, Group 2

An interesting contrast from one week to another. That has definitely been the case for the Summit High School football team the past two weeks.

On Oct. 25, the Hilltoppers were an offensive juggernaut in a 34-32 victory at Hanover Park, while last Saturday afternoon's 14-7 overtime win over visiting Parsippany Hills featured a defensive struggle.

Robbie made some adjustments because we felt we had some receivers open earlier in the game," DiGrande said.

"The Hanover Park game was an offensive highlight film with both teams going up and down the field," first-year Summit head coach George DiGrande said.

Summit's last two come-from-behind victories extended a winning streak to six. The Hilltoppers (7-1) will be the top seed for the upcoming North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs.

Although Summit qualified the last two years, both times the Hilltoppers exited in the quarterfinals on the road.

Summit will be at home for all of its playoff games this year — hopefully three — and is seeking its first playoff victory since 1995.

Summit will close its regular season with an Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division game at Dover tomorrow night at 7. The Hilltoppers and Mount Olive (7-1) have only one loss in conference play.

Trailing 7-0 with under a minute remaining, Summit forced Parsippany Hills to punt after a three-and-out.

Receiving the ball on its own 18, Summit drove the length of the field on three plays in 30 seconds.

On first down, junior quarterback Robbie Schroeder hit wide receiver Dwight Reid with a 26-yard pass to the Summit 44.

"It was a nice catch and run by Dwight," DiGrande said. "Will's point after was just as critical because without it, we don't tie the game."

"The game then headed into overtime, much to the delight of the many fans at Tatlock Field."

"When we tied the score, we were confident and knew it was just a matter of time," DiGrande said. "We were really pumped up."

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Thunder, Scorpions tie at 1-1

The following are Springfield youth soccer results from last week: 10-and-under

Thunder 1, Summit Scorpions 1 (tie); Elias Zhouk scored for the Thunder (4-2-2), with an assist from Nicky Puller. Also playing well for Springfield were goalies Peter Bianco and Zachary Glemann and Daniel Wilkfield. David Wasserman, Mark Blando, Ronnie Herman, Stephen Karas and Jeffrey Sablosky.

Fire 4, New Providence Avalanche 0; Justin Grant, Ryan Doremus, Martin Gimenez and Tyler Bujnowski scored for the Thunder (6-0). Also playing well for Springfield were Salvatore Basile, Jason Berch, Johan Chabanon, Steven Dombrowski, Johnny Ferreira, Ben Miller, Jeffrey Sommer, Max Webb and goalkeeper Carl Koriochea.

West Morris 6, Stingers 1; Ryan Schweiker scored the Stingers' lone goal off assists from Joe Policastro and Sergio Annunziato. Also playing well for Springfield were Ross Komesky, Brian DiFlore, Nico Izzi, Ryan Cutino, Zach Corey, Jack Finnegan, Jesse DiCocco, Tyler Schaefer, Ryan Rinderman and goalkeeper Jake Rudolph.

Montville Mavericks 2, Storm 0; playing for Springfield on Sunday were strikers Casey Meechick, Dylan Curry, Rami El-Daly and Deirdr McElroy; in the middle were Michael Masi and David Yablonsky and on defense were Cara Bibbo, Tristen Fekete, Connor McCormick and goalkeeper Adam Kennedy, who made eight saves. Springfield is scheduled to host undefeated division leader Mount Olive this Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Minutemen B Team victorious

The Springfield Minutemen B Team defeated Perth Amboy 7-0 last Saturday night in Perth Amboy in Suburban League play.

Justin Lam scored the game's only touchdown on a one-yard run in the fourth quarter. John Mannerino ran deep to catch a 35-yard pass to extend the drive.

Lam and Alec Silverman ran the ball well to get it to the one-yard line. The game ended with Minutemen defensive back Jimmy Guarino making an interception. Also playing well for Springfield were Brandon Cherry, Chris Farnabas, Danny DiCocco, Pete Mongiello, Kadeem Hill and Matt Byk.

Summit girls' hoop tryouts Monday

Summit Recreation 7th grade girls' traveling basketball team tryouts are Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the main gym of the Summit Middle School.

The team will compete in the Tri-County Basketball League, comprised of teams from many surrounding communities.

Fire safety comes first



Third-grade students at Deerfield School participated in a Fire Safety and Prevention program at the school. Here are students from teacher Elizabeth Lee's class talking with Officer Jack Connors of the St. Barnabas Burn Foundation and Mountainside Fire Department about safety in the home.

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COUNTY NEWS

Scouting for Food

Boy Scouts, Webelos and Cub Scouts from communities throughout Somerset and Union counties will be collecting food for the benefit of local food banks in Scouting's annual Good Turn called Scouting for Food. After more than 10 years, this community service by the Scouts has become an important part of the food-supply picture in many community food banks.

On Saturday, parent-supervised Scouts and Cubs will distribute specially marked bags, or descriptive requests, to homes in their assigned neighborhoods and will pick up the bags on Nov. 16. In some towns, a week-long schedule may be used.

Homeowners are asked to fill a bag with nourishing, non-perishable, not-in-glass food products that can be stocked at a food pantry and to put the bags out for pickup before 9:30 a.m. on the pickup Saturday — or as directed in a note with the bag. The Scouts will return to the same homes they visited previously to take the bags to a local food pantry, such as a church or a community facility. The food will be used to prepare Thanksgiving baskets and to serve the needy families throughout the winter.

The Scout units participating in the food drive at this time are part of the Mountaineer-based Patriots' Path Council, BSA.

Legal forum Wednesday

The Kean University Criminal Justice Program, in cooperation with the Union County Bar Association, presents a criminal justice legal forum on Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Little Theatre on the campus of Kean University, 1000 Morris Ave., Union.

A distinguished panel of Union County attorneys will speak on a variety of topics including sexual-assault, domestic violence, child abuse, restraining orders, illegal possession of drugs and driving while intoxicated. The panel consists of William Daniel of Linden, Carol Jeney of Scotch Plains, Robert Jeney of Scotch Plains and John Esmeraldo of the Union County Prosecutor's Office.

The program is free and open to the public. Parking for the event will be at the Kean Visitor Parking Area.

Community blood drives

The Blood Center of New Jersey and the Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor the following blood drives:

- Today, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Elizabeth Rehabilitation Center, 1000 Morris Ave., Elizabeth
- Friday, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union
- Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Masonic Lafayette Lodge, 1550 Irving St., Rahway

For more information regarding the garage sale or the spectrum of services offered by The Arc, call The Arc of Union County's Resource Development and Community Outreach Office at 908-754-7826.

For e-mail, contact poineil@arcunion.org and for more information about this event and other countywide events, visit the web site at www.arcunion.org.

- Nov. 14, 1 to 6:30 p.m., Red Cross chapter house, 203 W. Jersey St., Elizabeth
- Nov. 17, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Immaculate Conception, 424 Union Ave., Elizabeth
- Nov. 26, 3 to 8:30 p.m., Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, 875 Raritan Road, Clark

Annual Irish dance Saturday in Elizabeth

The Joseph Nugent Sr. Association of Union County will sponsor its 69th annual dance on Saturday at St. Hedwig's Church Hall, Clarkson Avenue, off Bayway Avenue, in Elizabeth from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Founded by Joseph Nugent Sr. in 1933, the Nugent Association is the oldest independent Irish-American organization in New Jersey.

The Willie Lynch Band will provide entertainment. Admission is \$20, which includes beer, wine, coffee, cake and tea. There will also be a cash bar.

This year the following people will be honored: Irishman of the Year, Frank Halloran of Clark; Irishwoman of the Year, Carol Martin of Linden; Nugent's Finest, retired Detective Jim McCarron of Brick; Nugent's Justice, retired fireman Bob Houston of Elizabeth; and Greta Sheridan Memorial Community Service Honoree, Monsignor Hugh O'Donnell, pastor of St. Genevieve's Parish in Elizabeth.

Arc Trickery Tray Nov. 30

The Arc of Union County will sponsor a Trickery Tray for The Arc MHDC at the Vocational Services Department and the Plaintiff Opportunities Program on Nov. 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

This recognition indicates the Arc of Union County's high standards and commitment to enhance the quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

Board seeks volunteers

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Program helps families build long-term wealth

Union County families will soon have a new way to build long-term wealth. An Individual Development Account matched savings program is scheduled to begin early next year.

Participant saving and match dollars can be used to help purchase a home, start or expand a business, or to pay for higher education. A family that saves on a regular basis for three years can have up to \$4,500 — \$1,500 per year — of its savings matched dollar for dollar.

To be eligible for the program a family must reside in Union County, have at least one dependent child, and have a earned income that is less than 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines.

The innovative program is being administered at the state level by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. On Sept. 24, grant awards were presented in Trenton by DCA Commissioner Susan Bass Levin to eight nonprofit agencies located throughout the state.

The Union County IDA Coalition, led by the Gateway Institute Community Outreach Partnership Center of Kean University and PROCEED Inc. of Elizabeth, received a \$237,376 grant to establish and administer a countywide program. PROCEED is the program's lead administrative agency.

Most of the grant dollars will be used to match participants' savings. Thus, some additional funding is needed to help operating expenses.

The Union County IDA Coalition consists of 13 member agencies. Besides PROCEED and the Gateway Institute, coalition members include Fleet Bank, the City of Elizabeth, the City of Plainfield, the YWCA of Plainfield, Brand New Day Inc., the Elizabeth Development Company, the Union County Economic Development Corporation, Union County Alliance, Kean University Small Business Development Center, the United Way of Greater Union County, and the Elizabethport Presbyterian Center.

For more information call Art Lersch, manager of the COPC Virtual Business Incubator at 908-737-5880 or Joseph Diaz, director of Operation and Community Development at PROCEED Inc. at 908-351-7727.

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Ash Brook, Galloping Hill close for winter

Golfers are known to take to the links whenever they can. Rain, heat or even snow does not deter the most dedicated "duffer." However, the change in seasons does bring schedule adjustments to Union County's three public golf courses.

"We seasonally alter our courses according to the change in daylight hours but this year we have decided to close Ash Brook Golf Course in Scotch Plains and the front nine at Galloping Hill in Kenilworth for the winter season," said Freeholder Chairman Lewis Mingo Jr.

"Each year we give some of our golf courses a turn to rest," added Freeholder Deborah Scanlon, liaison to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. "With the recent improvements made to Ash Brook and Galloping Hill, we decided to give them a turn." The closure will begin Dec. 23 and continue until March 1, weather permitting.

Eighteen regulation holes will continue to be available throughout the winter at Oak Ridge Golf Course in Clark, and 18 holes at Galloping Hill Golf Course will also be operational, weather permitting. Determination of playability will be made by the supervising greenskeeper of the course in question. Winter hours of operation at both courses, from Nov. 30 through March 1, will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hours of operation during the month of November are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends.

Golfers are reminded that even if they are not playing a round of golf during this time period, all the courses are open for identification card purchases and renewals.

Beginning Jan. 2, golfers should renew their ID cards at one of the courses. Early renewal will help avoid delays in the spring when everyone wants to take to the links.

All ID cards purchased in 2002 will be deactivated by the golf course computerized photo ID system on Dec. 31. It is important for golfers to keep these cards and bring them when renewing for 2003.

When purchasing a new card or renewing last year's card, golfers must show proof of Union County residency with two forms of identification: a driver's license and either a current annual lease, tax, utility or credit card bill, or a bank statement. Non-residents who own property in Union County may also purchase ID cards upon providing a current tax bill showing the address, lot and block number of the property. All ID card renewals or purchases must be done in person.

For more information about Union County's winter public golf schedule or identification card purchase, call the Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4900.

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Catherine Cox, who plays Miss Hannigan, and who resembles Carol Burnett, all but steals the show with her shrewishness. Her comic portrayal of a selfish, nasty, hateful, frustrated orphanage manager is a made-to-order role. No one could have played it any better than Cox, and when she sings "Little Girls" and "Easy Street," she offers the type of character one loves to hate.

Rich Hebert, as the bald-headed billionaire, Oliver "Daddy" Warbucks, is properly gruff and tender, all at the same time, and is especially kind to Annie in his Fifth Avenue mansion. His rendition, with others in the cast of "You Won't Be an Orphan for Long," "N.Y.C." and "Tomorrow," is appropriately effective.

The lovely Crista Moore, who plays Farrell, has a beautiful voice and endears an audience with her musical numbers and her sweet character.

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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.

While the period from Thanksgiving through New Year's is traditionally known as a slow time for the employment search, it can be the best time to hone your career search skills in preparation for the onset of 2003.

Many job seekers actually find positive results during the holiday season as their competition is lessened due to fewer application submissions. Use this scenario to your advantage by attending one or all three single-session workshops in resume-writing and job-interview techniques to be held during late November and early December at Union County College.

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In its conclusion, the report implores the county to "heed to the adage that the first choice is the best choice" when weighing the "societal benefit of preserving a stand of trees against the societal benefit of freeing the hungry or comforting the ill, the aged and the infirm."

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Grants aid county arts, artists

Awards given to 46 recipients

Forty-six Union County organizations and presenters of arts programs will receive a total of \$94,700 from the 2003 Union County Arts Grant Program.

"That sum represents the majority of the grant of \$163,778 awarded by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts to our Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs," said Freeholder Chairman Lewis Mingo Jr. "The remainder and a cash match provided by the Board of Chosen Freeholders will enable the division to hire staff and present technical assistance workshops, the Teen Arts Program, the Senior Citizen Art Show and other services for the benefit of Union County artists, cultural organizations and residents."

"The New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, has designated the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, in our Department of Economic Development, a Major Service Organization for the sixth consecutive year," said Freeholder Vice Chairman Mary P. Ruotolo, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "Recognition as a Major Service Organization singles out the division as one of the anchor institutions that contribute vitally to the quality of life in New Jersey."

"We are very excited by the quality and variety of programs available to county residents through these programs," said Conrad Person of Plainfield, chairman of the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "The applications were initially evaluated by professional panels and then reviewed by the Arts Grant Committee in a highly competitive process before being acted upon by the entire Advisory Board."

Organizations receiving grants through all grant programs administered by the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs will be honored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders at a reception that celebrates National Arts and Humanities Month.

The reception, hosted by Scherling-Plough at its world headquarters in Kenilworth, took place Oct. 29 at 6 p.m. and was open to the public. Entertainment for the evening included performances by baritone Richard Hobson and Latin Grammy Award nominee Allison Brewster Franzetti, which is provided through the Alliance Artist Program at Kean University; the A.T.D. Grants, provided by the Urban League of Union County, and the Westfield Community Center.

For more information about the grant program and other services offered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, contact the division by mail at 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth 07020; by telephone at 908-558-2550; NJ Relay users dial 711; or by e-mail at scoen@unioncounty.org.

- **Union County Arts Grant Program FY 2003 Recipients**
 - **Berkeley Heights**
 - Louny Brice, Raritan Valley Chapter, The Links: a spring Black History Mixtape of the Arts, \$1,700.
 - Cranford
 - Dennis Jenkins, Celebration Singers; popular music programs performed by adult and children's choruses, \$2,400.
 - Adele Gilman, Cranford Housing Board; musical stage show for seniors by seniors, \$1,200.
 - Walter Stern, Cranford Public Schools; presenting the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra of seniors and students, \$3,300.
 - Doug Brown, Rahway Valley Jews; performing, preserving and expanding the quality of harshness singing including a youth Outreach Program, \$2,500.
 - Mark Spina, Theater Project of Union County College; performances by the Union County College Theater Project and summer project, \$2,700.

- **Elizabeth**
 - Kathy Smith, BridgeWay; visual arts instruction from local artists for beginning and advanced artists with disabilities, \$3,500.
 - Eileen R. Carroll, Community Access Unlimited; photography classes for adults with disabilities and at-risk youth, \$1,850.
 - Rod Spearman, Elizabethport Presbyterian Center after-school dance series for youth, \$2,500.
 - Joseph Keenan, director, Elizabeth Public Library; series of adult and children's programs, \$3,400.
 - Carol Spiege, St. Genevieve School; artist-in-residence, enrichment program featuring dance, art and music, \$1,500.
 - YWCA of Eastern Union County; Gladys Martinez; art classes to clients culminating in a display, \$2,300.

- **Plainfield**
 - Natasha Sutherland, Central Jersey Alumnae; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; the Delta Multi-discipline Arts Festival; Celebrating Diversity in the Arts, \$1,850.
 - Frank Brooks, city of Plainfield Senior Citizens Services Center; visual art instruction and supplies for seniors culminating in a fine art exhibit, \$2,700.
 - Alan G. GaNun, Crescent Concerts; concert series of varied repertoire, \$2,800.
 - Harry Ailster, Historical Society of Plainfield; Summer Home Tour featuring artists and musicians, \$1,000.
 - Wan Chang, Honslick Authority of Plainfield; cultural enrichment program for residents through the arts and dance, \$1,000.
 - Sandy Spector, New Audiences of Plainfield; artist showcase promoting "Cultural Plainfield," \$1,000.
 - Tim Espar, Plainfield Symphony; series of performances of classical symphonic music, \$4,000.
 - Rev. James Colvin, United Church of Christ; "Rainbow Experience;" an intergenerational church/community theater project, \$1,500.

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- Lawrence Cappelletti, Arts Guild of Rahway; jazz music series featuring New Jersey artists, \$2,700.

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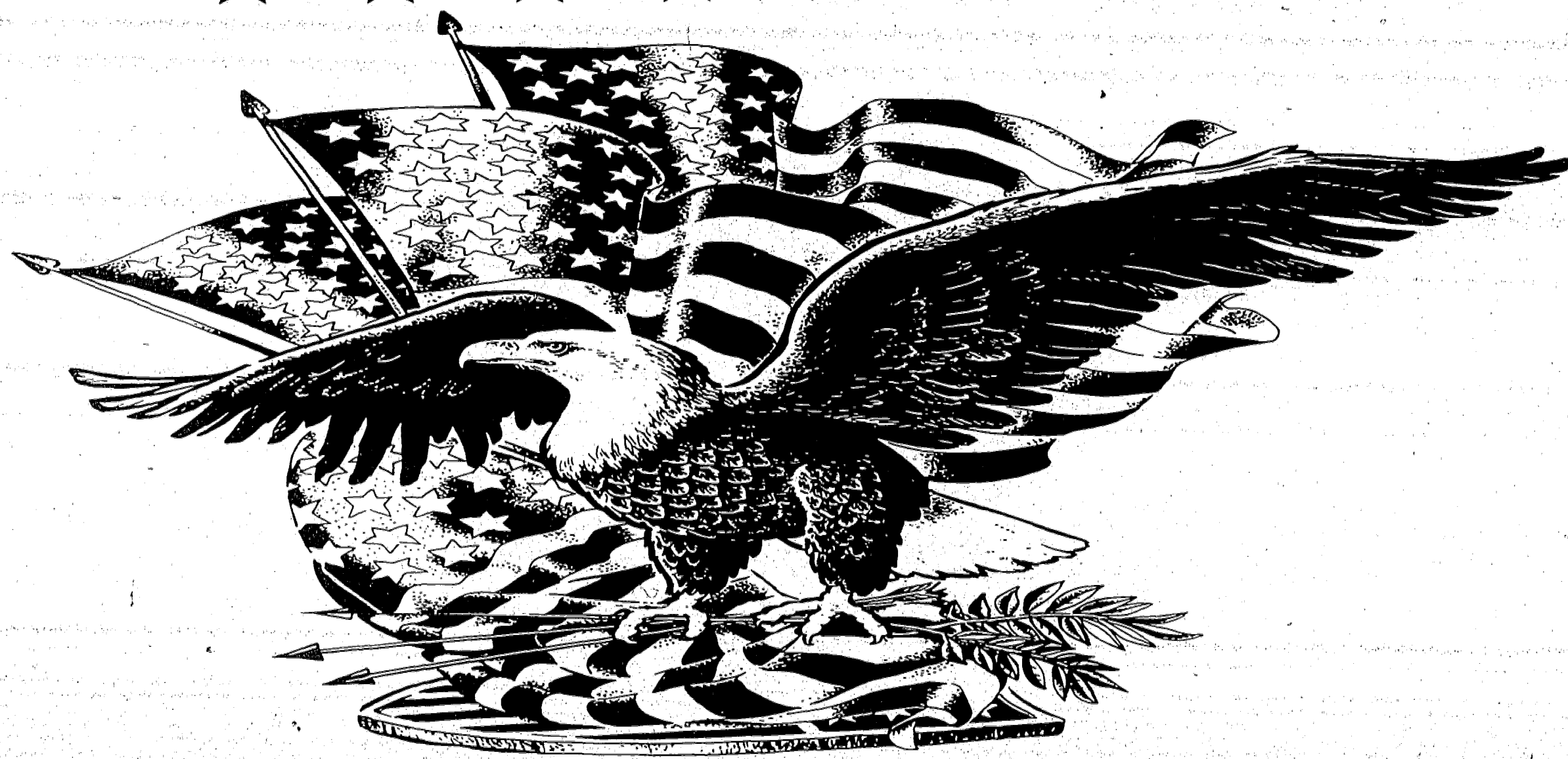
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Leisure Lifestyles The Cook's Nook

Cornucopia of recipes to be found in the pumpkin patch

By Cerise A. Valenzuela
Copley News Service

There's so much more to pumpkins than meets the eye. Consider cooking the orange orbs rather than cutting them for jack-o'-lanterns only to waste all that food one week later.

The seasonal squash has a sweet and buttery pulp. Add a bit of spice to baked pumpkin and you've got puree that will last for months in the freezer. But its use isn't limited to spreads and dessert.

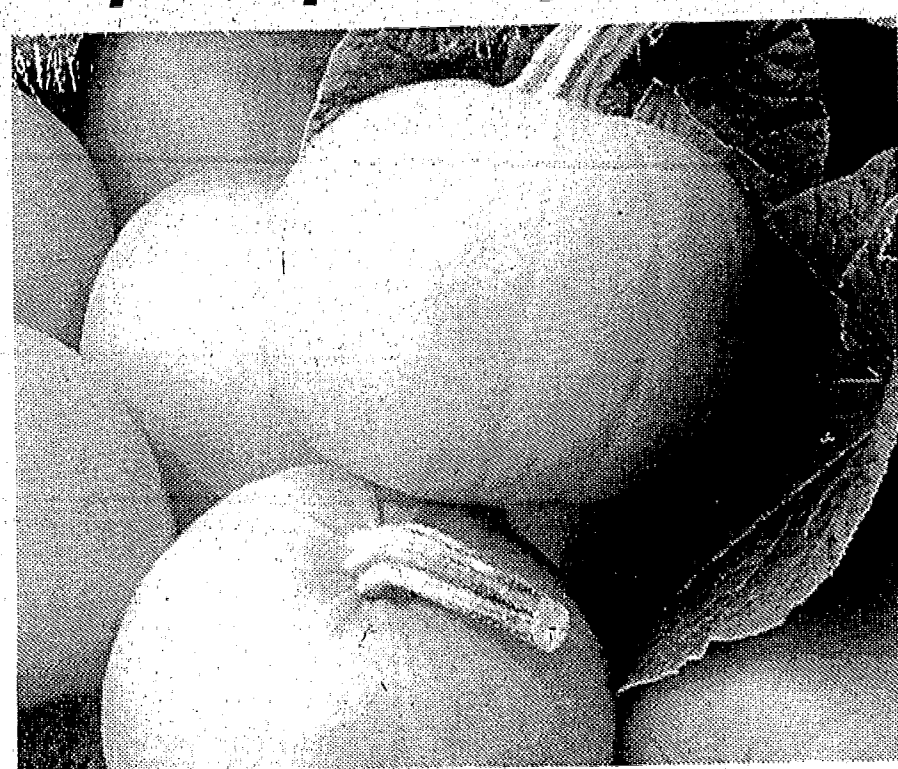
Bring out the pumpkin's tender side by baking, boiling or microwaving. Hearty winter squashes including acorn, butternut and Kabocha can be cooked the same ways.

Bake: Quarter a small pumpkin or squash—about 2 to 3 pounds—and wrap in foil. Bake at 350 F for 1½ to 2 hours. Remove, cool and unwrap the foil. Then spoon out the seeds from

each piece. Scoop out the pulp and mash.

Boil: This method is best if the squash is young and already tender. Cut it in half, scoop out the seeds and remove the skin. Boil or steam about 30 minutes.

Microwave: Halve the squash and place cut side down in a microwave-safe dish. Sprinkle with water to moisten the skin. Cover and microwave for 30 minutes. Let cool and then spoon the cooked flesh into a measuring cup or directly into your recipe.



'Orange Smoothies' is one way to describe the versatility of pumpkins in a variety of recipes. You can bake, boil or microwave pumpkins to discover their softer side.

Tortellini With Pumpkin Alfredo
Yields 6 servings

1½ cups cooked fresh pumpkin or other winter squash pulp
8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter
1 shallot, minced
1 small leek, washed, trimmed,

halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
½ cup chicken broth
¼ cups heavy (whipping) cream
½ cup white wine
1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
¼ cup cream cheese
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh sage leaves
¼ teaspoon finely chopped fresh thyme
¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
¼ teaspoon white pepper
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon brandy
1 pound fresh tortellini or other fresh stuffed pasta, cooked, drained and set aside in warm place
¼ cup hazelnuts, toasted and coarsely chopped
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
Mash pumpkin pulp in food processor or with fork and set aside.

Preheat oven to 325 F.
Butter and flour 2¼-quart Bundt pan.
In medium bowl, sift flour again with salt and baking soda. Set aside.
In large bowl of electric mixer set on medium speed, cream butter. Add sugar, about ½ cup at a time, and beat mixture until it is light and fluffy. Add eggs 1 at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in pumpkin puree, sour cream, vanilla, apricot brandy, orange liqueur and rum until thoroughly combined. Turn speed to medium-low and beat in reserved flour mixture.

Go ahead and butter them up

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Butter is back!

Home chefs are cooking with butter again. In California kitchens, its use is as much as 10 percent over the last three years, according to the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

Melt butter in large pot. Add shallot and leek and saute over medium-high heat until wilted, 2 to 3 minutes. Whisk in broth, cream, wine and lemon juice. Bring to a boil and cook over high heat for 2 to 3 minutes, until slightly thickened.
Add cream cheese, sage, thyme, nutmeg, pepper, salt, brandy and pumpkin puree. Bring to a boil, whisking to smooth, and remove from heat.

Four batter into prepared Bundt pan and bake cake in middle oven for 1 hour, 10 minutes, or until cake tester inserted in middle of cake comes out clean. Let cake cool in pan on wire rack for 1 hour, then turn it out onto rack and let it cool completely. Dust with confectioners' sugar and transfer to cake plate.

Chef Ron Siegel of Masa's in San Francisco has created this savory butter blend — Pumpkin Spice Butter. It's a perfect match for Pumpkin Bread, or Rachel's Pumpkin Muffins, from "Cafe Beaujolais" by Margaret S. Fox and John Bear (Ten Speed Press).

From "Smith and Hawken: The Gardeners' Community Cookbook" by Victoria Wise (Workman Publishing Co.)

Place pumpkin puree in medium-size bowl and beat in reserved flour mixture.
Pour batter into prepared Bundt pan and bake cake in middle oven for 1 hour, 10 minutes, or until cake tester inserted in middle of cake comes out clean. Let cake cool in pan on wire rack for 1 hour, then turn it out onto rack and let it cool completely. Dust with confectioners' sugar and transfer to cake plate.

Flavored butters keep for months in the freezer. Keep them on hand for dinner parties or as gifts for surprise guests.

Whisking this mixture is key to baking smoothly, creamy and moist cheesecake.
Pumpkin Swirl Cheesecake
Yields 12 servings

Pumpkin Spice Butter
Yields about ½ cup

2½ cups graham cracker crumbs
2 cups fresh or canned pumpkin puree
Grease and flour bottom only of two loaf pans. Mix all ingredients until blended. Divide batter evenly between pans. Bake at 350 F. for 1 hour, 15 minutes.

1 small sugar or New England pie pumpkin (see note)
6 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
¼ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon brown sugar
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
¼ teaspoon ground ginger
¼ teaspoon freshly grated or dried nutmeg (see note)

Crust:
2½ cups graham cracker crumbs
¼ cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, melted
Cheesecake:
4 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
1½ cups sugar

Cut pumpkin into quarters and place cut-side down in shallow baking dish. Using 2 tablespoons butter, dot each piece and season with salt. Cover with foil and bake at 350 F. 1 to 1½ hours or until pumpkin is tender. Remove pumpkin from oven and let cool. Once cooled, scrape pumpkin meat from rind. Discard rind and mix pumpkin meat with remaining 4 tablespoons of butter, sugar and spices in food processor for 2 to 3 minutes. Serve with warm muffins or atop vegetables.

Whipping this mixture is key to baking smoothly, creamy and moist cheesecake.
Pumpkin Poundcake
Yields 10 servings

Keep remaining butter tightly covered in refrigerator up to three weeks.

3 cups sifted all-purpose flour
¼ teaspoon salt

Note: A tablespoons canned pumpkin puree can be used in place of fresh pumpkin; ¼ teaspoon of pumpkin pie spice can be substituted for cloves, ginger and nutmeg.

Whipping this mixture is key to baking smoothly, creamy and moist cheesecake.
Pumpkin Bread
Yields 2 loaves

¾ cups flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
¼ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons cinnamon
2 teaspoons nutmeg
¼ teaspoon ground ginger
4 eggs
3 cups sugar
1 cup oil
½ cup water
2 cups fresh or canned pumpkin puree

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ART SHOWS

OUR VIEW: A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE on Life in Union County, a traveling exhibit sponsored by Community Access Unlimited, features the work of 10 adults with developmental disabilities.

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: The Merck 2002 Juried Union County Art Show will be on exhibit through Friday at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway.

THE COLORS OF INDIA: The works of photographer Sylvia Frazzolon Sewerance, will be on exhibit through Friday at the Kent Place Gallery in Summit.

SKULSKI ART GALLERY in Clark will exhibit the works of Krystyna Brzezucha and Joshua Benor through Nov. 22.

MARVELS OF THE COLORADO PLATEAU: Works by photographer Joel Simpson, will be on exhibit through Dec. 4 at the Les Malmud Art Gallery in Union.

MEMORIAM: Monochrome, graphic prints and mixed-media artwork by Karen Nielsen-Fried and Lori Field, will be on exhibit Nov. 17 through Dec. 13 at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway.

BEARING WITNESS: The works of photographer Helen M. Sumner, will be on exhibit through Friday at the Kenneth MacKay Gallery at Union County College in Cranford.

NEW ART GROUP MEMBERS Nancy J. On and Jim Fussa will have their works on exhibit through Jan. 11 at the Bouras Galleries in Summit.

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Jersey Youth Symphony rehearsal hall, 570 Central Ave., New Providence. A Dec. 18 performance is planned. For information, call 973-361-4799 or 908-522-1954.

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TOVAH FELDSSHHU will appear in her one-woman show, "Tovah: Still Out of Her Mind" Nov. 16 in the Chase Room at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center.

Students are available the day of performance at \$15 with current ID.

Special events and performances are the Conversation Series, Thursdays at 7 p.m. today through Nov. 21.

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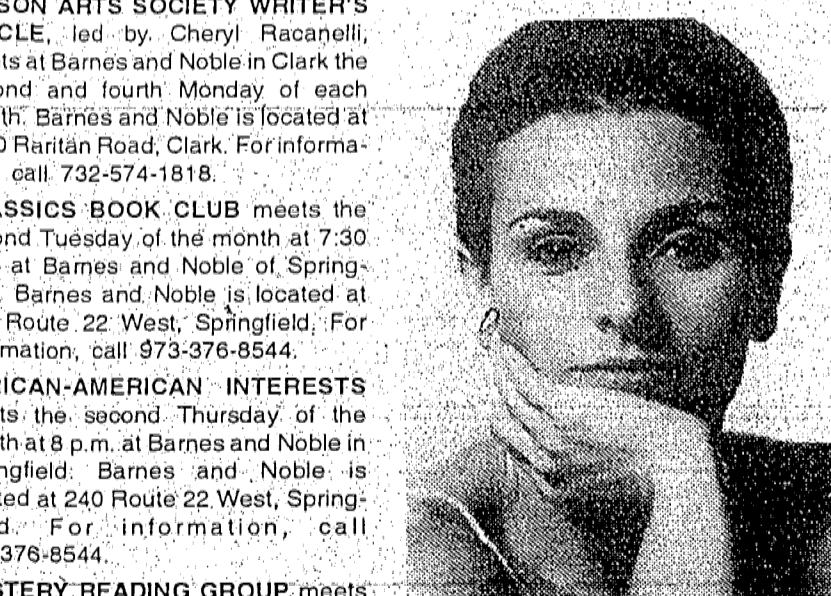
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Elizabeth Bataille

Bataille maintains rank

Elizabeth Bataille, a consistent top achiever in the Burgdorff ERA Westfield Office, has been honored as Salesperson of the Month for the third time this year, awarded for the month of August 2002 with 4.5 units. Bataille was also honored for the prior month, July, with five units.

A New Jersey native, Bataille is eager to share her personal knowledge of the area with clients. As a resident of Union County, she can give first-hand information about local school districts, neighborhoods, commuting, shopping, recreation and more. The opportunity to help others find the perfect home is just one of the many reasons Bataille has found her calling as a Realtor. Her caring, respectful

service is combined with integrity and professionalism.

Bataille is a member of the New Jersey Association of Realtors Million Dollar Sales Club from 1989 through 2001 and has achieved Bronze Level in 1989-96 and Silver in 1997-2001. She also has attained the Burgdorff ERA Awards for Leader's Circle in 1999-2001 and the Distinguished Sales Club in 1999-2001. She also ranks in the top 1 percent in closed units for sales year to date. This percentage is a ranking among Burgdorff's 700 full-time sales associates. In addition, she has achieved placement in the top 5 percent in sales dollar volume year to date. Attaining top ranking in both these areas is a tremendous accomplishment. Bataille is also a member of the company's elite

President's Club for the year 2002. You can contact Bataille on her direct line at 908-518-5294 or send e-mail to her at Elizabeth.Bataille@burgdorff.com.

Judith A. Sagin, vice president and manager of Burgdorff ERA's Westfield office, stated, "Elizabeth is an extremely knowledgeable agent in our office and has taken advantage of our cutting-edge training and focus sessions to help her clients and expand her own production."

Thakkar joins RE/MAX

RE/MAX Action Group Realty in Roselle Park announced that Rasila Thakkar has recently affiliated with

its successful network of top real estate professionals.

Serving as a broker/associate, Thakkar will be specializing in the listings and sales of residential properties in various locations throughout Union, Essex and Middlesex counties.

"I joined RE/MAX because it offered me a chance to gain better business opportunities while working with top professionals in the industry," said Thakkar. "I enjoy the freedom and flexibility that comes with being a RE/MAX agent and I find that this organization offers an inspirational and progressive approach to the real estate business."

A former affiliate of Weichert, Thakkar has more than five years of

experience in the real estate industry. Currently working toward her Certified Residential Specialist designation, she is already a Graduate, Real Estate Institute and a Certified Real Estate Instructor. Thakkar, a resident of Union, speaks English and several Indian dialects fluently, allowing her to interact with a large segment of the consumer population.

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