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## Kids say why they're thankful this season

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

The true meaning of Thanksgiving is not lost on fourth-grade students in James Caldwell School in Springfield, as they took the time to reflect on what they're thankful for this holiday season.

Chris Maslo said he was thankful for the house he lives in because many people "live in boxes on the street like I saw when I went to New York."

Other students were also thankful for their houses, such as Jake Kozlenko and Daniela Kucher, who are both thankful for the shelter they have.

Many students were thankful for their family, such as Jenna Pagnotta, whose father is a firefighter with the Springfield Fire Department and was involved with the rescue efforts on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I'm really thankful for the baby brother that I have," said Arina Balako, talking about her 2-month-old brother Alexander, who cries a lot and keeps her up at night. "There were times when I was younger that I used to wish I'd have a baby brother."

Gabrielle Pypiak is thankful for her 1-year-old sister Kayla, who she helps take care of. "I watch her in the tub when my mom's downstairs."

Sara Alonso is also thankful for her family. She has two older sisters.

Thomas Baker said he is thankful for the people who care for him. "Mom and Dad will give you hugs when you cry."

"I'm thankful for the people who care for me when I'm sick," said Karenn Gonzalez.

Jackie Loeshelle said she's thankful for her education and "kind of" thankful for her teachers.

Taylor McQueen said she is thankful for her talent in dancing.

Mark Vax also was thankful for his talent, only his talent is in his ability to do well when playing hockey. He was also thankful for having a television in his room.

Several of the students were thankful for their pets, such as Alex Melleo who has a bird, fish, two frogs and a snail. Collin Heleno is thankful for his three guinea pigs, five goldfish and a parakeet. He said his favorite pet is his guinea pig Doris.



Photo By Jeff Granit

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, Leah Hirst, a fourth-grader at James Caldwell School in Springfield, says she's thankful for just about everything.

Kirsten Vogt is also thankful for her pets. She has three fish, a cat and sea monkeys. "I call them shrimp," she said of her sea monkeys but her favorite pet is her cat.

Some students, like Tommy Gorgi, are thankful for the good food they'll be eating on Thanksgiving, things like turkey, cranberry sauce and stuffing.

Other students, like Sally Johnston, are also thankful for food, specifically

pepperoni pizza from Pizza Hut. Jimmy Rhodes is also thankful for pepperoni pizza, only he prefers Tom's in Springfield.

Katie Ghilino said she's thankful for nice weather, "a little cool but sunny."

Johan Chebanon said he has two reasons to be thankful for vacations. "One is because I get to do fun stuff and the second is because there's no school."

## GL band plan return to Scotland

By Joshua Zaitz/  
Staff Writer

As Mountainside and Berkeley Heights students join in harmony to form the award-winning Governor Livingston High School Highlander Band, they travel together to competitions and performances in places as far away as Scotland.

Every four years, the Highlander Band receives invitations to perform at Sterling Castle in Scotland.

They also perform in the Cavalcade Parade, which takes place in Edinburgh, Scotland. All of the bands from the countries that used to comprise the British Empire perform.

"They kick off the show the first night with a parade through town and they invite local high school bands and they invite bands from around the world," Frank Vecchione, president of the Governor Livingston Band Parent Organization, said. "They invite us to start the parade and we actually kick that off."

"We marched in front of — I don't know how many people — a lot of people," said Nick O'Sullivan, a Berkeley Heights resident and senior at GL, who plays the telephone and French horn. "We did concerts and other exhibitions."

The band will be returning to Scotland in the summer of 2004.

The Highlander Band consists of more than 60 members, from all four high school grades.

Students at GL take the Highlander Band course as a regular class. They meet during regular school hours, five days a week and also rehearse outside of the classroom; Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 6 p.m.; Saturday afternoons, and Sunday mornings.

Each year, the Highlander Band participates in the Tournament of Bands, one of the largest competitive band organizations in the country. It was founded in 1972 by the National Judges Association. TOB has grown to include more than 400 active schools.

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## Man looks back on life as a survivor

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

Some days, the memories lay in the back of his mind, soft and somber. Other days the memories race forward, jagged and wicked. Still, Norman Salsitz said he has to remember.

"After I survived, I wanted people to know what happened," Salsitz, a Springfield resident, said. "People didn't want to listen. In the beginning nobody wanted to listen."

Salsitz has written, and is the subject of, several books, where he describes his experiences before, during and after the Holocaust.

"When I escaped from Poland I started to talk and to write," Salsitz said. "I thought that people should know what happened."

Salsitz's first three books are "Against All Odds: A Tale of Two Survivors," the story of how Salsitz and his wife Amalie survived the Holocaust, met and fell in love; "A Jewish Boyhood in Poland: Remembering Kolbuszowa," which describes Salsitz's life in Poland before the war; and "Kolbuszowa: Memorial Book," Salsitz's first book, written in Yiddish about the town he grew up in.

Salsitz and his wife's experiences

in the Holocaust were also the subject of Amy Hill Heard's book, "In a World Gone Mad: A Heroic Story of Love, Faith and Survival." The book details Salsitz's life when he joined the Polish army, posing as a Polish Catholic, after he escaped from a German work camp.

"I changed my name," he said. "But being a Polish Catholic you have to have two very important things. The first thing is you have to look non-Jewish because the Polish people would recognize you. And you have to speak good Polish. If you didn't speak good Polish, if you made one mistake, they would find out."

Every Thursday evening for a year, Hearth came to the Salsitz's home and interviewed them.

"She is not Jewish," said Salsitz, speaking about Hearth. "She is the daughter of German immigrants. I wanted to have the book written from the viewpoint of somebody who is not Jewish."

Salsitz's newest book is titled "Three Homelands: Memories of a Jewish Life in Poland, Israel and America." It includes approximately 100 vignettes of Salsitz's life and experiences in Poland, Israel and America. The book

includes 75 photos, some taken by Salsitz before the Holocaust. One of the vignettes is devoted to the telling of how Salsitz went about hiding his photos from the Nazis.

"I wanted each story to have a photo," said Salsitz. "Usually in a book, what they do is take the photos and put them all in the middle. I didn't want that because each story is different. They accommodated and each photo goes to a different story."

Any royalties Salsitz receives from his books he donates to the Holocaust Museum.

Currently, Salsitz is in the process of preparing three other books. "I hope I will finish them before I go away because time is running out," he said.

In one of the books, Salsitz will publish letters between him and his brother, written from 1933 to 1939. The book will be a history of his small town, Kolbuszowa.

"I had a brother in Palestine," Salsitz said. "He went to Palestine in 1933. We used to write to him once a week — everything that would happen in my small town. Then there were about 40 people from our town

with him, they got to him on Saturday, and he read them the letter and then they knew everything that happened in our town."

Another book Salsitz is working on is translating Yiddish songs into English.

"I'm translating the songs because some are beautiful songs that tell you the feeling from the people in the old country," Salsitz said.

The third book Salsitz said he hopes to complete details the stories of Jews who were killed after the Holocaust, when they returned to their hometowns and still faced strong anti-Jewish sentiments.

"This is a very hard book because I am interviewing people about the killing of Jews not during the Holocaust but after the Holocaust," said Salsitz. "When the Jews came home to their towns after they survived, they were killed by Polish people."

Salsitz was born and raised in Poland. During the Holocaust he was captured and sent to a work camp. He escaped. He escaped three work camps.

Salsitz has lived in Springfield since 1957.

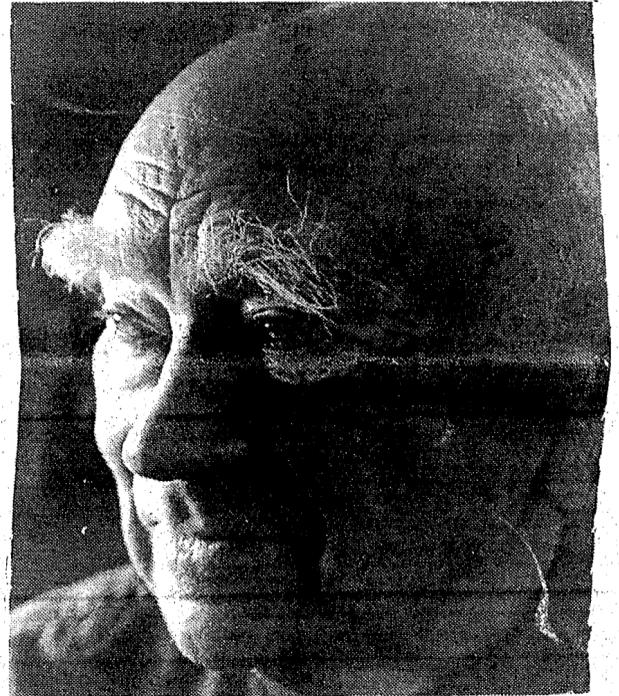


Photo By Bob Helfrich

Norman Salsitz of Springfield is a Holocaust survivor.

## All it takes is a funny face so her stories can spring to life

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

"I want to see somebody who can look mean. I want to see somebody who can look grouchy, who can point their finger," said children's author Margie Palatini, as she was casting the part of Gritch the Witch from her book "Piggie Pie," during her presentation to Deerfield School second-

graders, as the kids raised their hands screaming, "Pick me!"

"One of the things I try to do is act out the characters because it really helps write them," Palatini said. "I think about what the character is and how they should stand and what they should wear and how they should talk."

Palatini chose five second-graders

from the audience to act as the characters in her book as she read in front of Deerfield students, whose ages ranged from pre-K through second-grade, on Nov. 20.

"You're second-graders pretending to be pigs, pretending to be a duck, a cow, a chicken, and Old MacDonald," Palatini said, who has had more than 20 children's books published.

She said that while her books don't offer a specific lesson to the reader, they are funny and rich with language.

"While they don't have a lesson, they have been used as lesson books in college," she said. "'Piggie Pie' is part of a college curriculum now."

Palatini's book, "Bedhead" is based on her son's many bad hair days. It won the Keystone State Reading Award and was also named Newsweek magazine's best children's book of the year.

"I think kids like it because who hasn't had a bad hair day?" Palatini said. "My son, every day he had a bad hair day, so we lived with that. He has very unruly hair."

Palatini said that when she's writing she tries to focus on second-graders as her target audience.

"I think that's the level for the humor," she said. "For me I think I write for the second- or third-grader I used to be. I try to channel that little person that was in me."

Palatini said she makes 15 to 20 visits to schools per year.

"It's always fun to come to a school because you see the kids and you see their reaction," she said.

Deerfield second-graders had an opportunity to ask Palatini questions.

Which one of your books is your favorite?

"I have a lot of favorites," she said. "You have your favorites because of different reasons. Because they remind you of someone sometimes. You write a book and it's based on a memory or it's based on a person."

Do you get tired of reading books?

"No I don't get tired of reading books," she said. "But writing is tiring. Writing is hard work. There's no doubt about it. But it's really fun too."

Does your hand ever get tired?

"My hand doesn't necessarily get tired because I don't always write freehand," Palatini said. "Sometimes it's on the computer. But your brain can get tired. Because it's your brain that's doing the writing, not really your hand."

Palatini has four new books that will be published next year.



Nicandro Donadio dresses as a cow as part of a skit.

### Offices closed

The offices of this newspaper will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen Monday, Dec. 2.

We will return to our normal Thursday publication on Dec. 5.

Deadlines for that edition will also return to normal. This includes:

- Letters to the editor — Monday, noon.
- What's Going On — Monday, 3:30 p.m.
- Display ads — Monday noon for Section B and 5 p.m. for Section A.
- Sports news — Monday, 9 a.m.
- General news — Tuesday, 9 a.m.



Photo By Jeff Granit

As she reads from one of her books during a visit to Deerfield School students in Mountainside, children's author Margie Palatini can't help but act out some of the character's personalities and expressions.



Enjoying her reading, Matthew Doyle erupts with laughter.

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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.

• A used clothing drive takes place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to benefit Project Graduation for Governor Livingston High School's Class of 2003.

• The Mountaintop TWIG of Children's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary hosts a fund-raiser with Zany Brains, 295 Route 22 East, Springfield, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• The Good Books Discussion Group of the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., discusses "Nickel and Dimed" by Barbara Ehrenreich at 7:30 p.m.

• The power of the press is explored when the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., continues its Luncheon video series at noon with "Absence of Malice," starring Paul Newman and Sally Field.

• The Springfield Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in the Committee Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Ave.

• The Mountaintop Foothill Club luncheon will be at B.G. Fields Restaurant, Springfield Avenue, Westfield, at noon. Guests are welcome.

• The Springfield Presbyterian Church, Parish House auditorium, 37 Church Street, will conduct Santa's workshop from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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• In-person registration for the Springfield Recreation Baseball Program will be available at Florence M. Gaudiner Middle School.

• Edward V. Walton School on Mountain Avenue in Springfield will host its annual book fair, sponsored by the PTA, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m.

• The annual holiday nature craft show will take place at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountaintop, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• The Springfield Historical Society will host a Christmas open house from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Historic Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Ave., Springfield.

• The Mountaintop Board of Education will meet at 8 p.m. in the media center at Deerfield School, 302 Central Ave.

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Firefighters rush to car accident

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On Nov. 16 at 11:44 a.m., Springfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident on Route 24 West near the Route 78 split.

On Nov. 17 at 11:23 a.m., the department responded to a motor vehicle accident with injuries on Route 24 West.

On Nov. 18 at 8:17 p.m., Gregory Barron, 45, of Newark, Erick Wilson, 32, of Newark, and William Mason, Jr., 45, of Newark, were arrested for receiving stolen property.

On Nov. 18 at 10:25 p.m., Aaron Wise, 27, of Plainfield, was arrested on Route 22 West for hindering his own apprehension.

On Nov. 18 at 3:32 p.m., they investigated an activated fire alarm at a Mountain Avenue business.

On Saturday at 1:50 p.m., they extinguished a fire on Route 24 West, mile post 7.

On Sunday at 4:18 p.m., a Short Hills Avenue resident reported that his bicycle was stolen from his garage.

Resident robbed at gunpoint

Mountaintop On Saturday at 11:56 p.m., a West Orange resident reported that three males robbed him at gunpoint.

On Saturday at 12:57 a.m., Mountaintop Avenue residents reported that their house was burglarized.

On Saturday at 9:54 a.m., Frank Croce, 34, of Roselle Park, was arrested for driving while suspended.

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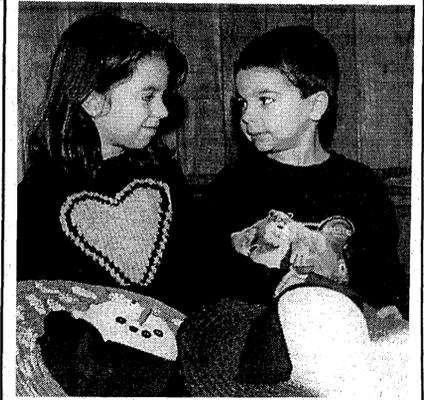
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CREATIVE CRAFTS — Getting an early start on the holidays, the students at Deerfield School in Mountaintop enjoy a fun-filled creative craft fair at the school.

On Nov. 16, Above, Nancy Caffrey and daughter Colleen, 11, dip some vegetables in paint for a festive design to stamp onto an apron.



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School supervisors will decide what courses to add or drop for next year

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer During the next four weeks, Springfield Schools department supervisors will be presenting their proposals for what courses should be added and dropped.

Every year, Dayton releases the booklet to its students. The brochure is constantly being reviewed by Assistant Superintendent of Schools Judy Zimmerman along with department supervisors to make sure that everything is up to date.

Dayton Principal Charles Serson said that the Program of Studies booklet is the guide for the guidance counselors when they help students prepare the courses they will take in their four years at Dayton.

In social studies, Barry Bacheneimer, social studies supervisor, proposed dropping the school's Global Issues course and the Global Geography course.

2: Robotics and Database Design, Introduction to C++, and Advanced Placement Computer Science.

Some of these combined courses include Foundations of Studio Art and Foundations of Crafts, Drawing and Painting, Ceramics.

Serson also proposed adding an AP Art History course because students who are interested in taking the AP art exam need a good background in art history.

TWIG hosts fund-raiser with Zany Brains

The Mountaintop TWIG of the Children's Specialized Hospital Auxiliary will host a fund-raiser with the Zany Brains Springfield store.

On Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Ten percent of the store's total sales for the day will be donated to the auxiliary.

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Traditions get blended in uniforms, style

In the early rounds of TOB, the Highlander Band competes against the northern half of New Jersey. The state has a total of 66 schools who participate in the competition.

"Just standing there getting your score is a lot of fun, meeting new people, just the whole competition experience is great," said Paul Ebert, a Berkeley Heights resident and junior at GL.

Typically, the Highlander Band participates in seven or eight competitions throughout the school year. Last year, the band came in fourth place at TOB.

"When we got to that level of competition we were competing with bands from four states," said Vecchione. "They're like the best 20 bands in four states."

Aside from the music they perform, the Highlander Band also incorporates a Color Guard into their performance.

"We use the flags and we do twirling and dancing," she said. Greeley said she thinks one of the reasons the Highlander Band is so successful is because of the dedication the students have and leadership that band director Danile Kopcha provides.

"We work really hard," said Color Guard member Jocelin Thau, a Mountaintop resident and freshman at GL.

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ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY...

SECTION I - AMENDMENTS
(A) So as to amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield...

- 1-3 The sentence, "The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter" shall be changed to read: "The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter, unless otherwise required by the context thereof."
2-4.2 The word "the" shall be replaced with the word "each"; the word "him" shall be replaced by the words "each of them"; and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "each of their".
2-15.2 The word "the" in two locations, shall be replaced with the words "The treasurer".
2-16.2 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person".
2-17.2 In paragraph (a) the word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the officer"; in paragraph (b) the word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the officer" and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the officer"; in two locations, shall be replaced by the words "the officer".
2-18.1 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "such".
2-20.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "such officer".
2-21.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "to such officer".
2-22.2 In the preamble, the phrase "to him, He shall," shall be deleted; in paragraph (b) the words "to him," in two locations, shall be deleted; in paragraph (c) the words "to him" shall be deleted; in paragraph (d) the words "in his judgment" may require shall be replaced with the words "is necessary".
2-23.1 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "and who", and the two sentences will be combined as one sentence.
2-23.2 In the preamble, the word "he" shall be replaced with the word "and" and the two sentences will be combined as one sentence, separated by a comma.
2-23.3 The first word "his" shall be deleted, and the second word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
2-40.3 In paragraph (a) the word "his position" shall be replaced with the words "the position" and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief".
2-40.4 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief's office"; in paragraph (b) the first sentence shall be replaced with the sentence "The Chief's entire time shall be devoted to the duties of the office," and the word "himself" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief".
2-40.6 In paragraph (b) the two words "his" shall each be replaced with the words "the officer".
2-41.1 The first word "men" shall be replaced by the words "additional firefighters", and the second word "men" shall be replaced by the word "persons".
2-41.2 In the preamble the word "he" shall be deleted, and the words "in places as Chief" shall be replaced with the words "the Chief". The words "of the word" "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Chief"; in paragraph (a) the word "his" in two places shall each be replaced with the word "the" and the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "himself" and in paragraph (c) the word "himself" and the word "he" shall each be replaced by the words "the Chief".
2-46.7 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the department" and the words "his or her duties" shall be replaced by the words "the duties of the office"; in paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the department".
2-79.2 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "The Judge". The first word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a", and the second word "his" shall be replaced by the word "the".
2-79.3 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a"; in paragraph (b) the first word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Judge", and the words "to him" shall be replaced by the word "a".
2-79.4 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a" and the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "The Deputy Court Administrator".
2-85.3 The word "his" shall be deleted.
2-85.5 In paragraph (b) the words "he" shall be deleted.
3-13.3 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such officer".
3-13.4 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief".
4-1.2 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "the Clerk".
4-1.3 In the first sentence the phrase "A Police Officer designated by him" shall be replaced by the words "a designee", and the words "the considers" shall be replaced by the words "is considered"; in paragraph (b) the words "he" shall be replaced by the words "the findings shall be communicated"; and in the third sentence the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the investigator".
4-1.6 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the licensee".
4-1.7 In paragraph (a)(5) the words "himself or his" shall be replaced by the phrase "or licensee".
4-1.10 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "licensee's".
4-1.11 The words "in his own behalf" shall be deleted and the second word "his" shall be replaced by the word "licensee's".
4-1.12 The word "him" shall be replaced by the word "licensee".
4-2.4 In paragraph (c) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
4-3.4 The word "his" shall be deleted.
4-9.2 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person".
4-12.3 In paragraph (a)(7) the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "applicant".
4-12.7 The phrase "any person designated by him" may in his discretion" shall be replaced by the words "a designee, may"; the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person"; the words "any person designated by him" shall be replaced by the words "such person"; and the words "he may require" shall be replaced by the words "that may be required".
4-22.2 In paragraph (g) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
4-27.11 In paragraph (a) in two places the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
5-2.4 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Township Clerk".
5-5.2 The word "him" in two places and the word "he", shall be replaced with the words "the Judge".
5-6.2 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the officer or agent".
5-8 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the person bitten".
6-5 In paragraph (c) in three places, the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "applicant's".
6-9.1 The word "him" shall be replaced with the words "such minor".
6-9.2 The word "him" shall be replaced with the words "such minor".
6-9.3 The word "his" shall be replaced with the words "such persons".
6-9.6 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "such person".
6-2.3 In paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Clerks"; and in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "each person"; in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the".
6-3.4 In paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Clerks"; and in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "the".
12-1.5 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "Construction Official".
12-1.8 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "such person"; in paragraph (b) the phrase "Each subcode official shall, pursuant to any subcode which he administers," shall be replaced with the phrase "As to their respective subcodes, each subcode official shall."
12-1.10 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "such persons"; and the word "his" shall be replaced with the words "the owners".
12-1.15 The word "his" shall be deleted.
12-2.4 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer".
12-2.5 The word "his" shall be replaced in two places with the word "a".
12-2.6 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer".
12-2.7 The word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer".
12-2.10 In paragraph (d) the words "he deems" shall be replaced with the word "deemed"; in paragraph (e) the words "he shall be replaced with the word "he", and the word "he" shall be replaced with the words "the Officer".
12-2.11 In the definition of Landlord, the word "his" shall be replaced with the word "an".
14-3.3 In paragraph (c) the words "by him" shall be replaced with the word "deemed".
14-5.4 In the preamble the words "he deems" shall be replaced with the word "deemed".
14-6.2 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be deleted, the first word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the landlord", and the second word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the landlord"; in paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the landlord".
14-7.1 The word "he" shall be deleted.
14-4.4 The words "him or them" shall be replaced by the words "any owner".
15-7.2 The word "he" in two places shall each be replaced by the words "the officer", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the officer's".
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15-7.5 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
15-7.9 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "an".
15-9 In paragraph (g) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
15-10.3 The word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
17-11.1 The word "he" in two places shall each be replaced by the words "the Chief".
17-11.4 In paragraph (a) the words "his agents" shall be replaced by the words "any agent", and the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "the"; in paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a"; in paragraph (c) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the Chief".
17-14 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "any".
17-15 The word "he" shall be replaced by the word "a", and the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "such person".
19-1.2 In paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such person", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the permittee".
19-1.7 In paragraph (a) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "such"; in paragraph (c) the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the person's".
20-4.2 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be deleted.
20-4.3 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "a".
23-1.4 The word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the applicant".
23-1.5 In the preamble the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the applicant"; in paragraph (a) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the person"; in paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the person"; in paragraph (c) the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "the"; and in paragraph (d) the word "he" shall be replaced by the word "the person".
23-1.6 The word "he" in two places shall be replaced by the words "such person", and the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "the".

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23-1.10 The word "him" shall be replaced by the words "such employee", the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the employee's", and the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "such employee".
23-1.11 In paragraph (b) the word "he" shall be replaced by the words "the employee".
27-6.8 In paragraph (b) the word "his" shall be replaced by the word "at".
28-5.3 In paragraph (b)(2) the phrase "The officer, in his discretion, may" shall be replaced by the phrase "It shall be within the discretion of the officer to".
28-9 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the officers".
32-6.2 The word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Officer".
32-6.3 In the preamble the word "his" shall be replaced by the words "the Officer".
(B) So as to correct formatting and typographical errors in the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted:
1-7 The words "1-7.1. See Established; Description," shall be deleted.
2-5 The section shall be renamed "APPOINTMENTS TO WORKING COMMITTEES", and the subsection designation "2-5.1. Appointments to Working Committees" shall be deleted.
2-6 The section shall be named only "CONFLICTS OF INTEREST"; the current paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) under new section "2-6.2 Recusal".
2-12.5 The two current paragraphs (f) will be combined into a single paragraph.
2-31.1 The phrase "a. Establishment of Position," shall be deleted, and paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d).
2-31.2 The phrase "a. Establishment of Position," shall be deleted.
2-41.1 The word "to" in the last sentence shall be replaced with the word "at".
2-66.2 The designation "a." shall be deleted and the text shall begin on the title line.
4-2.2.4 The designation "a." shall be deleted and the text shall begin on the title line.
5-3 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "5-3.1 Local Fee," and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "5-3.2 State Fee".
5-8 The letter designations for each paragraph will be deleted, the first letter of the first word of each paragraph will be in lower case, and the first two paragraphs will end with semicolons.
Page 508 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 5-9 to 5-7.
Page 512 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 5-9 to 5-10.
6-23 The section shall be renamed as "IMPOUNDING AND DESTRUCTION"; the current paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) under new section "6-23.1 Seizure and Notice," and the current paragraph (d) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-23.2 Disposition of Unclaimed Goods".
6-5 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-5.1 Notice," and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-5.2 Police Enforcement".
6-9 The current paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) under new section "6-9.1 Employment Permit Required," and the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-9.3 Issuance".
6-10 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-10.1 Action After Hearing," and paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d); the current paragraph (f) shall be redesignated in full as new section "6-10.2 Hearing"; and the words "in paragraph (a) above" shall be replaced by the word "therein".
Page 1218.1 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 12-1 to 12-2.
12-3 The words "12-3.1 Adoption of Code," shall be deleted.
13-8 Section 13-8 shall be deleted, the current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "13-8.3 Board of Health Regulations," and the current paragraphs (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b) in new section "13-4.4 Enforcement".
Page 1703 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 17-6 to 17-4.
17-6 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 17-6 to 17-5.
17-5 The designation of each paragraph with a letter will be deleted, and the two paragraphs shall be combined into one, indented at the beginning.
17-11 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "17-14.1 Registration," and paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d); and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "17-14.2 Inspection".
19-2.5 The letter designation for current paragraph (a) shall be deleted and the period at the end of the last sentence shall be replaced by a colon; current paragraphs (b) and (c) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a) and (b); the phrase "Bk-XVII" shall be replaced by the phrase "Bk-XVIII".
20-9.6 In paragraph (b), the phrase "The review process shall be as follows:" shall be deleted, and the phrase "The Department of Public Safety (1) shall have such number designation deleted and shall be placed after the new phrase as part of the same sentence, and subparagraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be redesignated respectively as (1), (2), (3) and (4).
23-1.13 The section shall be moved, renumbered and renamed as follows: "2-89 REMOVAL FOR ABSENTEEISM"; the current paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be redesignated as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d), respectively, under new section "2-89.1 Removal," the current paragraph (e) shall be redesignated in full as new section "2-89.2 Reporting," and the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section "2-89.3 Hearing".
25-19 The first letter of the first word shall be capitalized not lower case.
27-2.3 In subparagraph (b)(4) the word "City" shall be replaced by the word "Township".
28-1 The title "Purpose" shall be changed to "PREAMBLE"; the current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-1.1 Findings," and the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-1.2 Purpose".
28-4 This section shall be moved, renumbered and renamed as follows: "28-5.4 Exemptions"; the phrase "excepted from subsection 28-5.1 shall be" shall be replaced by the phrase "this section shall not apply to"; and the words "shall continue immediately thereafter, with the designation (a) deleted".
28-11 The current paragraph (a) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-11.1 Penalty"; the current paragraph (b) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-11.2 Separate Violation," and the current paragraph (c) shall be redesignated in full as new section "28-11.3 Denial or revocation of site plan."
Page 2099 The section designation at the top of the page shall be changed from 29-2 to 29-3.
32-1 There is established a new section as follows: "32-1 PREAMBLE," and the current sections 32-1, 32-2, 32-3 and 32-4 shall be redesignated as subsections 32-1.1, 32-1.2, 32-1.3, and 32-1.4, respectively, with each of their titles unchanged.
32-5 The current paragraph (a) shall have no letter designation and shall be placed in parentheses as a preamble; the current paragraph (b) shall have no letter designation and shall be placed immediately thereafter; within the definition of Flood the numbers (1) and (2) shall be changed to the letters (a) and (b); and within the definition Substantial Improvement the numbers (1) and (2) shall be changed to the letters (a) and (b).
(C) So as to clarify certain sections of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted:
1-2 In the definition of the word "Resolution," in the second sentence, after the word "insert" the words "Chapter" and "Section," insert the following: "Article shall mean a grouping of related sections within a chapter, designated by a title and a roman numeral."
2-22.2 Paragraph (d), add to the end of the last sentence the words "pursuant to State law."
2-46.5 Paragraph (c), delete the phrase "and Union County Regional Board of Health."
2-66.4 Paragraph (c) shall be deleted and paragraph (d) shall be redesignated as paragraph (c).
4-1.2 Paragraph (a)(1), after the word "address" in two places, insert the words "and telephone number".
4-1.4 Paragraph (a), replace the words "and address" with the words "address and telephone number".
4-3.2 Paragraph (a) delete the phrase "of twenty (\$20.00) dollars for each pump proposed to be installed and maintained."
4-3.3 Replace the words "Police and Fire" with the words "Public Safety".
4-6.5 Delete the words "provided for in subsection 4-3.5" and the entire last sentence.
4-9.5 Paragraph (a) replace the phrase "N.J.S.A. 30" with the phrase "N.J.S.A. Title 30".
4-12.1 Delete the phrase "License Officer" shall mean the Clerk of the Township."
4-12.2 Paragraph (a) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".
4-12.3 Paragraph (a) replace the words "License Officer with the words "Township Clerk"; paragraph (c) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk", and replace the word "and" with the word "or".
4-12.4 Paragraph (a) in two places replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".
4-12.5 Replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".
4-12.7 In two places replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".
4-12.9 Paragraph (b) replace the words "License Officer" with the words "Township Clerk".
5-7 The introductory paragraph prior to section 5-7.1 shall be deleted in full.
5-1 After the phrase "N.J.S.A." insert the phrase "33-1".
5-2.5 The words "Chief Financial Officer" shall be replaced by the words "Township Clerk".
D. So as to substantively correct certain sections of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Springfield, the following amendments shall be enacted:
2-4.5 In the second sentence, replace the words "one (1) hour," with the following words: "(15) minutes".
2-4.7 In the second sentence, replace the words "eight (8) days," with the following words: "12:00 noon on the Friday".
2-23.2 Paragraph (b) shall be deleted.
2-24.2 Delete the following words: "for a term which shall not exceed one (1) year, but which shall expire at the end of each calendar year".
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2-40.9 Delete subparagraph (a) in its entirety.
2-41.1 In the third sentence, replace the words "behavior, efficiency and residence in the Township" with the following words: "behavior and efficiency".
12-1.12 Delete this section in its entirety.
Delete IX Chapter in its entirety.
SECTION II - RATIFICATION
The amendments hereto shall be ratified, all other provisions and terms of the Code of the Township of Springfield shall remain in full force and effect.
SECTION III - SEVERABILITY
If any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.
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In case any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.
SECTION IV - REFPEAL
Any provision of any ordinance which is inconsistent with the modifications of this ordinance is repealed to the extent of its inconsistency.
SECTION V - EFFECTIVE DATE
This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.
KATHLEEN D. WISNIEWSKI
Township Clerk (8387.78)

U4139 ECL November 27, 2002
TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION,
NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF \$7,024,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND SALE
BOOK-ENTRY ONLY BONDS
BANK-QUALIFIED

Table with columns: Year, Principal Amount, Interest Rate. Rows for years 2004-2010 and interest rates of 5.00%, 5.25%, 5.50%, 5.75%, 6.00%, 6.25%, 6.50%.

SEALD PROPOSALS will be received by the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, New Jersey, in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, on December 10, 2002, until 10:00 a.m. at which time the proposals will be received and publicly opened and announced for the purchase of the following Bonds of the Township of Springfield, December 1, 2002, due on December 1, 2012.

Redemption shall be given by mailing by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of such Bonds not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption as provided in the Statement of Intent. The Owners of such Bonds at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept by the Township or a duly authorized agent of the Township. Any failure of the depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to advise any of its participants of any Notice of Redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Township determines to redeem a portion of the Bonds prior to maturity, the Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with the following procedure:

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## Reflections

In his new book, "Personal Reflections of an Historian," released just before his death, author Stephen Ambrose said that his job in exploring about people and what they did was "the most fascinating of all subjects." He also reminds... that everyone's place in history is a subject to review as time changes. Ambrose's view considered, let's do some more "Whatever happened..." to for the holiday weekend.

## Salary increases proposed

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor
Freeloaders, constitutional officers and most department heads will receive pay raises under a salary ordinance introduced Nov. 14 by the Board of Chosen Freeloaders. A public hearing and final vote on the ordinance will take place during the board's regular meeting Dec. 5, starting at 7 p.m. in the Administration Building in Elizabeth.

## Left Out

By Frank Capece
Bassano has been assisting his wife, Joan, who took over the running of his fuel oil business in the 1980s when politics moved from an avocation to a vocation. He also serves on a number of charitable boards.

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Table with columns: Position, 1997 salary, 1998 salary, 1999 salary, 2000 salary, 2001 salary, 2002 salary, Increase. Lists various positions like Fireholders, Treasurer, etc.

Due to their appointments earlier this year as part of a reorganization, the county manager, deputy county manager, director of economic development, county counsel, director of operations & facilities and freeloader clerk will not receive increases.

## Ads on cop cars?

Idea is up for a debate
By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor
The Union County Division of Police, under the auspices of the Department of Public Safety, replaces about three to five of its 20 squad cars each year. Each Ford Crown Victoria costs about \$25,000, Vaniska said, but once radios, computers, video cameras and emergency lights are added, the cost can reach \$35,000 per car.

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Photo by Jeff Grant
Can you picture an advertisement on this vehicle? Cpl. Gilberto Zayas stands near a county police patrol car. A North Carolina marketing company offers police cars for \$1 in exchange for allowing ads on the vehicles.

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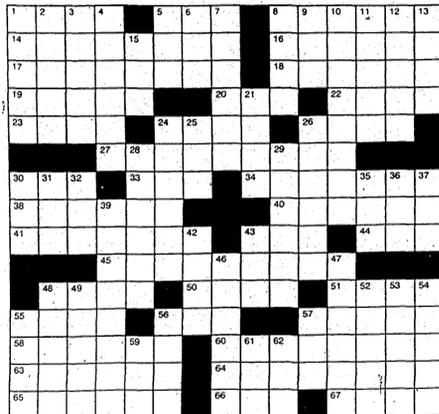
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ICE TIME A NICE TIME — Nancy Bischoff and daughter Daisy, 7, above, skate through the fog with hands raised high during a visit last week to Warnanco Ice Skating Center in Roselle. Eight-year-olds Deborah Venuti and Sarah Roth, left, stay close to the boards before mastering the ice. Photo by Barbara Kerkhals

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# What's Going On?

**FAIR**  
December 7th, 2002  
EVENT: CRAFT FAIR  
PLACE: Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road, Clark, NJ  
TIME: 9am-4pm  
PRICE: Admission is Free!! "Peppermint Boutique" - 150 Crafts! Food available. For information 908-789-3029.  
ORGANIZATION: Mother Seton Regional High School Parents' Guild

**FLA MARKET**  
December 7th, 2002  
EVENT: Big Indoor Flea-Market  
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, 1 Rantan Road, Roselle  
TIME: 9am-4pm  
PRICE: Free Admission. Call for information 908-245-2395.  
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School

**SAURDAY**  
December 7th, 2002  
EVENT: Flea Market  
PLACE: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington  
TIME: 9am-12:30pm  
PRICE: Free Admission, New and Used Items  
ORGANIZATION: Redeemer Lutheran Church

**SUNDAY**  
December 8th, 2002  
EVENT: Flea Market & Collectible Show Indoors & Outdoors  
PLACE: Bloomfield High School, 160 Broad Street (corner of Belleville Ave.) Bloomfield  
TIME: 9am-5pm  
PRICE: Over 100 vendors selling jewelry, toys, sweats, kids clothing, perfume, gifts, sports items and much more. For information call 201-997-9535  
ORGANIZATION: Bloomfield High School Key Club

**SAURDAY**  
December 7th, 2002  
EVENT: Holiday Jewelry & Giftware Sale  
PLACE: New Eyes for the Needy, 549 Millburn Avenue, Short Hills  
TIME: 10am-3pm  
PRICE: Free Admission - Antique & costume jewelry watches, silver, fawcett crystal and porcelain at reasonable prices. For information call 973-376-9903.  
ORGANIZATION: New Eyes for the Needy

**FRIDAY**  
December 6th, 2002  
EVENT: Open House followed by a clinical presentation "You've got to attach before you can separate"  
PLACE: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey (PCNJ) 769 Northfield Avenue, Suite LL2, West Orange  
TIME: Open House 7pm-9pm Presentation 8pm-9:30pm  
PRICE: Free informational Open House re courses for mental health professionals, teachers, parents. Speaker Alice Weintraub, Psychoanalyst, Faculty Member, PCNJ. CE credit available for mental health professionals and teachers. Call 973-736-7600 for reservations or further information.  
ORGANIZATION: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey

**SAURDAY SUNDAY**  
November 30th, 2002  
EVENT: Holiday Gift Show  
PLACE: Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Avenue, Belleville  
TIME: Saturday 9am-5pm Outdoors & 6pm- Midnight Indoors; Sunday 9am-5pm Indoors & Outdoors  
PRICE: Over 100 dealers with a large selection of stocking stuffers & gift items. Have your picture taken with Santa Saturday 7pm-9pm, bring your camera. For information call 201-997-9535  
ORGANIZATION: Graduation Celebration & SEPPCO

**REUNIONS**

- The following reunions have been registered with Reunions Unlimited. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1977, 25th reunion, Saturday.
- Union High School Class of 1983, 20th reunion, 2003.
- Union High School Class of 1993, 10th reunion, 2003.
- Westfield High School Class of 1992, 10th reunion, May 4.
- Abraham Clark High School, Roselle, Class of 1950 is searching for classmates in preparation for its 52nd reunion. For information, call Jerry Blier 954-360-0666 or send e-mail to joanjerr@aol.com.
- Elizabeth High School Class of 1982 is organizing a class reunion. For information, or to volunteer for the planning committee, call Kim
- Trotman-Lewter 973-623-3314 and Sandra Holmes at 732-381-2541.
- Rahway High School Class of 1977 is searching for classmates in preparation for the 25th reunion. Members of this class are asked to call Charlene Rankins-Jackson at 908-490-1543 or Bob Brandler at 732-821-5774.
- St. Mary High School, Jersey City, Classes of 1960, '61, '62 and '63 are planning a reunion. For information, call Ken Giordano at 732-549-6600 or 732-946-7075.
- David Brearley Regional High School, Kenilworth, Class of 1982 will conduct its 20th reunion Saturday
- at Reppitt's in Kenilworth. For information, call Janet Greve at 732-574-1653.
- Hillside High School Alumni Association of Florida will conduct its reunion Feb. 16 in Boynton Beach, Fla. For information, contact Marvito Kaley, Class of '55, via e-mail at hhaafla@yahoo.com; by mail at 466 Briarwood Circle, Hollywood, FL 33024; by phone at 954-967-0199 or 954-967-8500, or by fax at 954-967-0890.
- Battin High School, Elizabeth, Class of 1968 will conduct its 35th reunion in the fall of 2003, for all 1968 classmates that attended Edison

## NJPAC launches its annual statewide search for young talent

The third annual New Jersey Performing Arts Center "Young Artist Talent Search" got under way recently.

Initiated two years ago, the weekend event, conducted by NJPAC's Arts Education Department, provides artistically talented young people opportunities to audition for more than 190 openings in any of its six arts training programs. Auditions will be conducted April 5 and 6 at the Lucent Technologies Center for Arts Education on the NJPAC site. Last year, more than 500 young artists from every corner of the state auditioned for the two-day weekend.

Through the "Young Artist Talent Search," students will audition for participation in *The Star-Ledger* Scholar for the Performing Arts, Jazz for Teens, Jeffrey Carollo Music Scholarship, Summer Youth Performing Arts and the Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative Theater-NJPAC Summer Musical Production.

"The Young Artist Talent Search provides the opportunity for the state's young artists to participate in some of the best artistic training programs in New Jersey," said Philip S. Thomas, vice president for Arts Education. "On audition weekend, NJPAC will identify some of the finest of these young performers in the artistic disciplines of vocal music, instrumental music, theater and dance."

According to Thomas, applications have been mailed to all New Jersey middle schools, junior high schools and high schools. Applicants may register without charge through Jan. 1. A \$10 application fee must accompany forms postmarked on or before Feb. 1. Final applications must be postmarked by March 1, and must include a \$15 fee. Further information and applications may be obtained by calling the Young Artist Talent Search hot line at 973-353-8009.

This program was made possible in part by the NJPAC Women's Blood Association and the Independence Community Foundation.

Criteria for the programs are as follows:

- Jazz for Teens is open to New Jersey high school students, ages 15 to 18, as well as advance 13- and 14-year-olds. Jazz for Teens was created six years ago in collaboration with WBGO Jazz-88 Radio and is sponsored by First Union National Bank and the Surden Foundation.
- Due to the overwhelming success of this program, NJPAC is offering both fall and spring semesters for the first time. Students can attend one or both semesters, with 10 Saturday classes each. Classes include jam sessions, ensemble work, instrumental and vocal instruction and concert field trips under the direction of a faculty comprised of accomplished jazz artists. The fall semester culminates with a professional studio recording session and the spring semester concludes with a public concert performed on stage at NJPAC.
- Jazz for Teens will offer instruction in saxophone, trumpet, trombone, piano, bass, guitar, drums and voice. Students will study jazz theory, varied styles of jazz, instrumental and vocal techniques, and gain experience in improvisation, sight-reading and accompanying. Participants will also attend WBGO Children's Jazz Concerts at NJPAC and other Newark venues.
- The NJPAC/Jeffrey Carollo Music Scholarship at the Newark School of the Arts is a community-based, student-centered organization committed to providing access to comprehensive arts education and performances. The school has developed outstanding leading artists, including Savion Glover, Keisha Putnam of "The Cosby Show" and Derek Lee Ragin.

School of the Arts is offered to students younger than 18 who are accomplished vocalists or instrumentalists on clarinet, trumpet, percussion, guitar, piano or string instruments. Expanded this year to 12 recipients, the scholarships provide comprehensive training including private lessons, music theory, music history and ensembles. The scholarship recipients will perform at NJPAC in Spring 2004.

The NJPAC/Jeffrey Carollo Music Scholarships is made possible by the Amelior and MCJ Foundations. The scholarship, administered by NJPAC's Arts Education Department, was established in the fall of 1997 at the behest of Nicholas and Judith Carollo of Toms River, in honor of their late son, Jeffrey, a gifted musician.

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• Summer Youth Performance Workshop is a five-days-a-week, five-week program that provides budding young singers, actors and modern dancers, ages 13 to 18 — and advanced 11- and 12-year-olds — a unique opportunity to study with top professionals. For summer 2003, the program has been enhanced so that participants selected for the program will study all three artistic disciplines. To round out the intensive training, the curriculum includes appearances by guest artists and field trips.

Classes will be held June 24 through Aug. 1. The program will culminate in a public performance at NJPAC's Victoria Theater. Summer Youth Performance Workshop is sponsored by the Turrell Fund and Independence Community Foundation.

• WYACT/NJPAC Summer Musical Production is a collaborative effort to offer young people a first-hand opportunity to learn about musical theater by participating in a full-scale professional-level musical production.

The preliminary audition of cast and orchestra applicants is in preparation for open auditions, to be held later in April for the upcoming WYACT/NJPAC Summer Musical Production. Students who attend the Talent Search may be called back in the final round of auditions.

WYACT, a well-known nonprofit theater group, provides a high-quality education to aspiring young thespians in musical theater, both in the performing and technical areas.

This program is made possible in part by support from the Turrell Fund.

• The Star-Ledger Scholarships for the Performing Arts are tuition scholarships offered to college-bound Newark high school seniors awarded on the basis of artistic talent, academic potential and financial need. The three scholarships provide financial assistance for a degree program at an accredited undergraduate institution.

Three scholarships will be awarded. One student will be designated a Scholar Intern who will receive a \$10,000 scholarship per year for four years and an NJPAC internship. Two additional students designated as Scholars will each receive a \$10,000 scholarship per year for four years.

## New edition of 'Chicken Soup' recalls kids' Christmas

The Salvation Army has teamed up with "Chicken Soup for the Soul" books, published by Health Communications Inc., and Verizon SuperPages as corporate partners.

The Salvation Army will benefit from their newest release this holiday season, "Chicken Soup for the Soul Christmas Treasury for Kids." Together, they have created a campaign, "Inspire an Angel," designed to bring awareness of the Army's Angel Tree Program to kids — the next generation of Salvation Army volunteers.

"Chicken Soup for the Soul Christmas Treasury for Kids" is currently in stores. A portion of the proceeds from sales of this inspirational book for kids and families will be donated to the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program in the form of special edition paperback books. To help bring awareness to the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program and to encourage kids to read with their families, the "Inspire an Angel" campaign will distribute the book to an Angel Tree Kid this holiday season.

"A Christmas Treasury for Kids," by co-authors Patty Hansen and Irene Dunlap, is more than a book. It offers 25 stories for families to read together, one story for each day approaching Christmas — from Dec. 1 to Dec. 25. Each story has a beautiful lesson and can lead to open and inspiring communication for family members. The attributes of reading together are many, but most precious of all is that parents find that their children become more trusting and open, and children find new ways to view their parents.

There are stories about kids and families who take advantage of this special holiday season to start or continue family traditions. "Our hope is that these stories will prompt other families to start similar traditions that create special meaning to the season. This experience is one that will be remembered and possibly carried on through out their lives," says co-author Patty Hansen.

Some stories in "Christmas Treasury" tell of the most rewarding traditions for this season. They are about families who created projects that involve giving and volunteering. Co-author Irene Dunlap fondly explains that, "Each story that focuses on a family experience reveals that the activities of volunteering together brought them closer and created a sense of love and respect for all of humanity."

The lead story in "Christmas Treasury" describes how a 5-year-old girl inspired her mother to become more compassionate. After

stayed in their local mall the past Christmas. The following December and for 12 more since, the two have volunteered to buy gifts and volunteer for the program, making it a family tradition that they couldn't imagine living without.



VOCALIST MICHAEL FEINSTEIN will appear in concert at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark Saturday. For information, see the "Concerts" listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B9.

## Choral Art Society welcomes singers

Singers of all voice parts are invited to join the Choral Art Society of New Jersey Inc. in celebrating its 40th anniversary.

Based in Westfield and under the direction of James S. Little, the Choral Art Society, a nonprofit community chorus, is dedicated to the study and performance of great choral works.

Rehearsals are held weekly on Tuesdays from 8 to 10 p.m. from September to May and take place in the choir room of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, located at the corner of Mountain Avenue and East Broad Street. Singers interested in joining are invited to attend a rehearsal and meet with James S. Little, the society's musical director.

The 2002-03 season will start Dec. 13 at 8 p.m., with the annual Messiah Sing at the First Baptist Church, Elm Street in Westfield.

## HOROSCOPE

**Dec. 2-8**  
ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get your head out of the clouds, and become more aware of what's going on. What you see may not be what you'll get. Avoid self-delusion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Review a financial proposal with the help of an experienced accountant. A closer look reveals many previously hidden weaknesses.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): A partner or mate has nothing but kind words and positive things to say about you. Strive to live up to his or her expectations and make it all true.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Analyze and organize are your key words for this week. Make a list of all your

duties and responsibilities and formulate a plan of action.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The emphasis is on social activities. Think of different or unique ways to entertain yourself and a loved one without going too far over your budget.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't waste time in a negative emotional situation. Forgive, forget and move on to a more productive project. Surround yourself with light.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Open up and talk to a friend and let him know exactly what's in your heart and on your mind. From now on, your relationship will be different.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Work to improve your level of self-confidence. You deserve the best and should never settle for second best. Stand up and claim what's yours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Opportunities that come your way this week are timely and fun. Put your best foot forward and act on them without

hesitation or fear or doubt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Use this period for soul-searching. Meditation helps you to understand what drives you. Take control of the wheels of your mind and go!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Assume a leadership role in a club, group or organization. Get used to calling the shots, and don't be afraid to try something new.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Build your career on a solid and logical rock. Take care of legal, pressing or important business matters before moving on to operations.

If your birthday is this week, a solar eclipse in your sign indicates a period of personal crisis and development. Be aware of what adjustments should be made and what needs need to be planted in order to reap a successful crop down the road. You may have to take a few steps back in order to move one step forward, but it's OK. Partners are very supportive and will also provide sound guidance.

Also born this week: Lucy Liu, Julianne Moore, Marisa Tomei, George Armstrong Custer, Dave Brubeck, Eli Wallach Jr. and Kim Basinger.

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# Leisure Lifestyles The Cook's Noobs

## Diets need not be broken with healthy, festive Hanukkah treats

Commitment to a healthy lifestyle lasts longer than the eight days of Hanukkah, and the celebration of this holiday marks a perfect time to start a new eating and exercise plan — a gift — for the whole family!

Weight Watchers, the leading name in weight loss, offers a few "lite" takes on the traditional holiday fare.

"Holiday celebrations are an important part of family tradition and the food we prepare and eat is a big part of that," according to Maria Walk, senior nutritionist for Weight Watchers. "Intentionally creating lighter versions of family recipes by replacing high-calorie ingredients with healthier substitutes is a simple and easy way to modernize and cut unwanted fat and calories from a dish."

Hanukkah is a wonderful holiday of renewed dedication, faith, hope and spiritual light. It's a holiday that says, "Never lose hope." Known as "The Festival of Lights," the holiday celebrates the miracle that a day's worth of oil lasted for eight days, allowing the Jews to clean and rededicate the temple.

In the spirit of the holiday, Weight Watchers has a new take on some old favorites, which are lower in fat but just as delicious.

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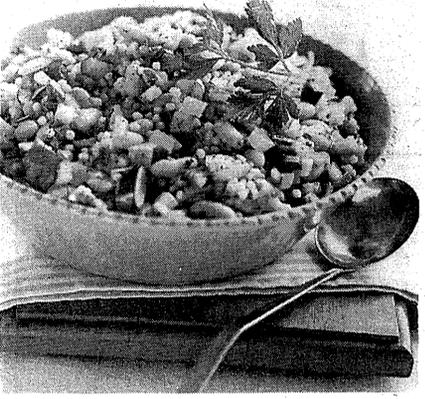
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Meanwhile, grate the zucchini on a double layer of paper towels; let stand 3 minutes. Combine the zucchini with the onion, egg, flour, salt and pepper in a large bowl. Drain the potatoes, pat dry, then coarsely grate. Stir into the zucchini mixture.

Heat the baking sheets in the oven until hot, about 4 minutes. Drop scant 1/2 cup measure of the potato mixture onto the baking sheets, forming a total of 16 3-inch pancakes, lightly flatten each.

Bake until browned on the bottom, 8 to 9 minutes. Brush the tops of the pancakes with the remaining 2 teaspoons oil, then turn and bake until cooked through, 5 to 7 minutes.



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1 small red onion, finely chopped  
1/2 cup minced flat-leaf parsley  
6 dried apricot halves, chopped  
1 tablespoons fresh lemon juice  
2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper  
1/4 cup sliced almonds, toasted

Bring the couscous and water to a boil in a medium saucepan. Reduce the heat and simmer, until tender, about 8 minutes; drain. Place in a large bowl.

Add the cannellini beans, bell pepper, onion, parsley, apricots, lemon juice, oil, salt and ground pepper to the couscous; mix well. Serve while still warm or at room temperature.

## GET TO KNOW OUR STAFF

Carol Anne Patterson, PT, OCS, graduated from the physical therapy program at The University of Scranton in 1993. She has dedicated her career to the treatment of orthopedic injuries. Through advanced training, focused education and extensive experience, Carol Anne has proven herself as a skilled and knowledgeable clinician. She has a special interest in injured workers with cumulative trauma and repetitive strain injuries.



In 1999, Carol Anne achieved National Board Certification as a Clinical Specialist in Orthopedic Physical Therapy by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties. She is one of 38 physical therapists in the state of New Jersey to attain this recognition. To obtain board certification, candidates must submit evidence of required clinical practice and successfully demonstrate a specialized knowledge and advanced orthopedic proficiency.

Carol Anne's high ethical standards and exceptional treatment skills are a perfect fit to ADVANCED Physical Therapy Associates' philosophy of excellence. She is both a resource and role model for our entire staff.

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# Stepping Out

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**BOOKS**

NEW JERSEY AUTHOR, MICHAEL HILBERSO will appear at the Town Book Store of Westfield Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to sign copies of his new book, "Coney Island: The People's Playground." The Town Book Store is located at 255 E. Broad St., Westfield. For information, call 908-233-3535 or visit [www.townbookstore.com](http://www.townbookstore.com).

**CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL** in Mountainside will exhibit works by members of the Raritan Valley Arts Association throughout the month of November.

CHS is located at 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside. For information, call 908-782-0275.

**DIVERSITY ART GALLERY** in Clark will sponsor an exhibit through Saturday commemorating veterans and their artwork.

Gallery hours are Mondays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. The Diversity Art Gallery is located in the chapel building of the Union County Baptist Church, 4 Valley Road, Clark, just off the Clark Circle. For information, call 732-574-1479 or visit [www.diversityart.com](http://www.diversityart.com).

**MARVELS OF THE COLORADO PLATEAU**, works by photographer Joel Simpson, will be on exhibit through Dec. 4 at the Los Malamut Art Gallery in Union.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Los Malamut Gallery is located in Union Public Library, 1980 Morris Ave. in Frberger Park, Union. For information, call 908-851-5450.

**ANNUAL MINIATURE ART SHOW AND SALE** will be sponsored by the duCret School of Art in Plainfield Dec. 8 through 13, featuring works of art no larger than 12 inches square. An opening reception takes place Dec. 8 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The duCret School of Art is located at 1030 Central Ave., Plainfield. For information, including show hours, call 908-757-7171.

**MEMORYMYTHOLOGY**, encaustic painting and mixed-media artwork by Karen Nielsen-Fried and Lori Field, will be on exhibit through Dec. 13 at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway.

Gallery hours are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and by appointment. For information, call 732-381-7541 or visit [www.rahwayartsguild.org](http://www.rahwayartsguild.org).

**BEARING WITNESS**, the works of photographer Helen M. Stummer, will be on exhibit in the Tomasevic Gallery in the Kenneth MacKay Library at Union County College in Cranford through Dec. 19.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Tuesdays to Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. UCC is located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. For information, call 908-709-7155.

**EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITERS' CIRCLE**, led by Cheryl Racanelli, meets at Barnes and Noble in Clark the second and fourth Monday of each month. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

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

**NEW ART GROUP MEMBERS** Nancy J. Orl and Jim Fuess will have their works on exhibit through Jan. 1 at the Bouras Galleries in Summit.

Gallery hours are by appointment only. Bouras Galleries is located in Bouras Properties, 25 Delorest Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-277-8054.

**NUOVA FACULTY EXHIBITION** will be on display through Jan. 8 in the Palmer Gallery of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tours are available upon request. NUOVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121 or visit [www.njova.com](http://www.njova.com).

**MIXING MEMORY AND DESIRE**, the works of Carole Alter, will be on exhibit Dec. 6 through Jan. 9 in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library in Springfield. An opening reception will take place Dec. 7 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Gallery hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Springfield Public Library is located at 68 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

**WORLDS**, the works of Jane Thompson, will be on exhibit Dec. 6 through Jan. 16 at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in Union Public Library. An

each month through June at two locations in Union County.

Dec. 14: David Roth, Westfield  
Jan. 18: Commonwealth, Springfield  
Feb. 15: Eric Schwartz, Westfield  
March 15: Dan Crist, presents ...  
April 19: Amy Carol Webb, Springfield  
May 17: Kevin Bridy, Springfield  
June 21: GrooveLily, Westfield

All concerts begin at 8 p.m. Westfield concerts are at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, 11 E. Broad St., Springfield concerts are at Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, 40 Church Hill. Suggested donation is \$12 with proceeds benefiting various local charities. For information, call 908-232-9723, or visit [www.coffeewithconscience.com](http://www.coffeewithconscience.com).

**ARLO GUTHRIE** will appear in a Thanksgiving concert Friday at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$13 to \$49.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**CATCH 22** will appear in concert with Squad Five-Strong, Senses Fall and Arch Arm-0, along with a local showcase on the side stage, Saturday at The Replex, Elizabethtown Center. Replex is located off Exit 13A on the New Jersey Turnpike, next to I-KEA. For more information, call 877-REPLEX or visit [www.replexconcerts.com](http://www.replexconcerts.com). Tickets are also available at Ticketmaster locations.

**MICHAEL FEINSTEIN** will appear in concert Saturday at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$16 to \$69.

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**MID-WAY MUSICALES** will present its "Musical Gift to the Community" in the coming weeks.

Dec. 4: Harpists Toni Stern and Karen Stern and organist Barbara Thomson

Dec. 11: The Tenor Tones, with tenors William Dembaugh, Charles Broadhurst and Jeffrey Broadhurst, and pianist Janie Broadhurst

**MORNING STAR COMMUNITY TABERNACLE CHOIR** will appear in concert Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$12. UCCAC is located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call 973-376-4343 or visit [www.uccac.org](http://www.uccac.org).

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**SUMMIT CHORALE** will present its holiday concert, "Buen Natale: The Holidays in Italy," at three locations in early December.

Dec. 6 p.m.: The Presbyterian Church of Madison, 18 Green Ave., Madison

Dec. 7, 8 p.m.: Our Lady of Sorrows R.C. Church, 217 Prospect St., South Orange

Dec. 4 p.m.: Our Lady of Peace R.C. Church, 111 South St., New Providence

Advance-sale tickets for all concerts are \$18 for adults, \$15 for students and senior citizens; at the door, tickets are \$20 and \$17 for adults. For information, call 973-762-8486 or visit [www.summitchorale.org](http://www.summitchorale.org).

**SOPRANO SNEZANA BULLJ**, flautist, Janet Axelrod and pianist Mitchell Vines will appear in concert of chamber music Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church in Summit, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Tickets are \$15 for students and senior citizens. For information, call 908-273-3245.

**THE JOHN PIZZARELLI TRIO**, featuring Ray Kennedy and Martin Pizzarelli, will perform a special benefit concert for Partnerships for People Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway. All proceeds from the event will go toward creating new, accessible housing for individuals with developmental disabilities. Tickets are \$35, \$55 and \$65. Tickets for \$75 include a post-concert reception with the artists. For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit [www.uccac.org](http://www.uccac.org).

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**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.

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**THEATER**

PAPER MILL: The State Theater of New Jersey will present "Annie" by Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse and Martin Chamin through Dec. 8. Shows are Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 7:30 p.m.; matinees are Thursdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 to \$62. Student Rush tickets are available daily at performance for \$15 with current ID.

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By Mark Maynard  
Copley News Service

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Saturn thought outside the box SUV and provides some innovations in its compact VUE and in its TV advertising.

The TV spots present the VUE as smaller than live, with fast-moving footage showing the VUE outrunning and eluding the big cats of the jungle. It's good PR to diminish the impact of the battered SUV image and present a vehicle that appears light and nimble, whether it is not.

The compact, five-passenger VUE is a move-up vehicle for Saturn car owners, and the future-tech styling is contemporary enough to divert young

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Sold in three models with a starting price of \$16,900, one skeptic will pause for a closer look.

The base four-cylinder model comes with a 134-horsepower, four-cylinder engine, five-speed manual gearbox and other basics such as air conditioning, four-speaker AM-FM radio, height-adjustable driver's seat and dual visor vanity mirrors.

The cargo area is 4 feet wide. The rear seat is divided 70/30, and it matches up with the front passenger seat that folds forward to create an alley of capacity, from surfboards to long boards from the lumber yard.

Wrap it all in Saturn's trademark plastic body panels and VUE has a handy simplicity. But it borders on coarseness, tempered by price.

The base four-cylinder's fuel mileage rate of 23/28, more manageable insurance rates and Saturn's down-home sales policy and 30-day money-back guarantee are deal-closers for anyone on a budget.

VUE's Upperwear durability is appropriate on an inexpensive model, but stepping up to the V-6 leaves a perception of cheapness in materials and quality of construction when compared with some of the imports, such as the Hyundai Santa Fe or Subaru Forester.

It could be argued that content outweighs the quality.

Scan the feature list and it is evident that this VUE is a foundation of some leading General Motors' engineering.

The top-line V-6 model, today's test car, is a sophisticated offering

with a 181-horsepower V-6, five-speed automatic transmission, all-wheel drive, electric power steering, 16-inch tires on alloy wheels and the option of a continuously variable automatic transmission and air bag curtain.

Put all of these desirable features on a vehicle that was budgeted for young and first-time buyers, and the \$23,375 test VUE looked cheaply made on the inside and felt like it on the highway, with above-average road noise and road-surface texture transmitted to the cabin.

For a small sport utility, the suspension was surprisingly trucky, with noticeable body lean pulling into driveways and rounding corners. And this is from the same brain trust that designed the flat-handling Chevy Trailblazer and GMC Envoy.

The five-speed automatic is a high light in this price range. The gearbox gives smooth transitions, but is the uptake of the electric throttle can be abrupt, resulting in lumpy starts.

Acceleration can feel sharp, but painful for the engine.

Step hard on the throttle for a double-downshift of passing power and the V-6 gulps hard to process the demands of shifting and acceleration, then it lets out a wail that sounds painful. Nothing like an anguished sounding engine to take the fun out of enthusiastic driving.

The electric steering is light but prone to oversteer in evasive maneuvers. The easy touch, however, is a big help when maneuvering tight parking lots.

Unpainted gray plastic bumpers, plastic body panels and mealy 16-inch tires stand up to the scrapes and grocery carts of city life.

The interior is smartly packaged with lots of head and elbowroom, cup holders and enough storage areas. Despite the compact quarters, Saturn added folding front-seat armrests, a trick Subaru should try. But carpeted floor mats are a \$70 extra.

The wide base of the outside mirrors can create a blind spot big enough to hide a motorcycle. Youngsters might have to tug at the outside door handles that pull upward, which is of little concern to taller adults.

The back seat has spacious head and legroom, but no theater seating to give kids a better view, a design that has been a GM strong point in its minivans.

The on-demand all-wheel-drive system is an option on the four-cylinder model and standard with the V-6. During normal driving on dry road surfaces, all traction is to the front wheels. When the front wheels slip, power is piped to the rear wheels. The system is mainly for on-road stability, but will enhance traction in light off-road driving.

I haven't tried the VTI continuously variable transmission, but the design provides an infinite number of gear ratios for seamless shifting and better fuel economy than a traditional automatic. There was a slight delay in its availability as the engineering was perfected, but the CVT has been available since May.

With all the trucks and SUVs that General Motors makes, you would think there would be a code of consistency for features that work and those that don't. New SUVs shouldn't be an experimentation, but Saturn appears to be cavorting about for the right mix of features.

Are Saturn people really that different from other GM customers? VUE is a good first effort, but it will take a few years to dial in refinement.

## 2002 Saturn VUE AWD V-6

Body style: 5-door, 5-passenger compact sport-utility vehicle; welded steel space frame with bolt-on front and rear subframes; steel roof, liftgate; polymer door and fender panel; thermoplastic bumper fascias.

Drive system: On demand all-wheel drive. Engine: Transverse dual overhead-cam, 24-valve, 3.0-liter V-6; aluminum head, cast-iron block. Horsepower: 181 at 6,000 rpm Torque: 195 at 4,000 rpm Transmission: 5-speed automatic. Acceleration: 0-60 mph, 8.4 seconds. EPA estimated fuel economy: 19 mpg city, 25 highway.

Fuel tank: 15.5 gallons; regular unleaded recommended.

Standard equipment: Air conditioning with pollen filter, height-adjustable driver's seat, fold-flat front passenger seat, reclining rear seat and 70/30-split folding rear seat, 6-speaker AM-FM-CD system, power locks-mirrors-windows, rear window washer-wiper, cruise control, map lights, center console with cup holders and storage, auto-dimming rearview mirror, 12-volt power outlets, cargo area storage bins and tie-downs, two lights in the liftgate and fog lights.

Safety equipment: Front air bags, 3-point belts at all positions, 5 mph front bumpers, LATCH child-seat anchors and 2-way adjustable front headrests.

Dimensions: Wheelbase: 106.6 inches. Length: 181.3 inches. Width: 71.5 inches. Height: 66.5 inches. Front head/shoulder room: 40.4/41.2/41.3 inches. Rear head/leg/shoulder room: 39.9/36.4/55.3 inches. Curb weight: 3,491 pounds (base model 3,179 pounds).

Cargo capacity: 30.3 cubic feet, behind second seat. Tow capacity: 1,000 pounds (without trailer brakes). Ground clearance: 8 inches. Chassis: Suspension: 4-wheel independent with front struts, coil springs and stabilizer bar; rear trailing arm with three lateral locating links, stabilizer bar and coil. Steering: Electric-power-assisted rack-and-pinion; 38-foot turning circle. Brakes: Power-assisted front discs, 11.7-inches, and rear drums with ABS. Tires and wheels: P235/65SR-16 Bridgestone Dueler all season touring blackwall radial (standard with 4-cylinder AWD and V6); P215/70SR-16 Bridgestone Dueler all-season touring blackwall radial (standard with 4-cylinder engine with FWD); space-saver spare. Pricing: MSRP: \$23,085, including \$510 destination charge; price as tested, \$23,375. Options on test car: Floor mats, \$70; upgraded in-dash audio with cassette and CD, \$220. Where assembled: Spring Hill, Tenn. Competition: Subaru Forester, Toyota RAV4, Honda CR-V, Mazda Tribute, Ford Escape, Hyundai Santa Fe. Pluses: Thinking outside the box SUV for innovative features; 70/30-split rear bench and fold-flat front passenger seat creates an 8-foot alley for hauling. Cargo area organizer easily unfolds the floor to contain grocery bags, beach toys and more. Minuses: Cheap plastic interior trim; road noise on the interstate; unsettling oversteer; V-6 model deserves 4-wheel disc brakes. Performance: 0-60 acceleration: 4-cylinder manual FWD: 11.0 seconds. 4-cylinder VTI FWD: 10.2



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