



news clips

Laser surgery is topic of March MAH meeting

Virginia Petrovic from the Laser Center, Overlook Hospital, will address the Mountaintop Active Retirees on "Laser, the Gentle Surgery" at their March 23 meeting at 10 a.m. in Mountaintop Borough Hall.

During the business meeting conducted by George Welch, president, Anthony Riccardi will announce a day bus trip to N.J. State Aquarium at Camden. It is the largest on the East Coast and second largest in the United States. The trip will be held on April 13 and will include historical points of interest in the Philadelphia area. Anyone wishing to become a member can call 233-4309.

Local Knights to host fund-raiser for Tarullo

Springfield Knights of Columbus are having a benefit for 9-year-old Tracy Tarullo, who is a student at Saint James School in Springfield and resides in Maplewood with her family. Tracy was stricken with a rare form of muscular cancer. She received exhausting treatment at Sloan-Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York and had a bone marrow harvesting operation, and at a later time she will be able to receive the best possible and most compatible transplant of marrow; her own. The insurance company had denied payment for this treatment which is in excess of \$200,000.

The Knights are having a Rosalind B'riith Dinner, March 23, at the Knights of Columbus Home, Old Shampoke Road, Springfield, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., continues serving. The cost for adults is \$12 and dinner pre-purchased tickets are \$10; children under 12 are \$8 at door, \$6 purchased in advance.

B'nai B'rith sets AC trip

The Springfield B'nai B'rith is sponsoring a trip to the Claridge Casino in Atlantic City March 28. The bus leaves from the Edge Plaza Mall at 12:30 p.m. The fee for the trip is \$21. For reservations and more information, contact Jerry Kaman during the day at 657-9120, and in the evening at 277-1953.

CSH Corporate Council talks business fraud

Business fraud has been a hot topic in the headlines recently. But what exactly is it and how do we stop it? "Business Fraud: How to Recognize It" will be presented by Paul D. Hayes at the March 24 Children's Corporate Council. Sponsored by Children's Specialized Hospital. Hayes is a special agent of the FBI and has worked on some famous business fraud situations. The March 24 presentation begins at 8 a.m. at Children's Specialized Hospital, 150 New Providence Road, Mountaintop. The Children's Corporate Council presents quality speakers on topics of interest to business and industry lead-

Sworn in



Springfield resident James Elekes, right, was recently named to the Union County Senior Citizen and Disabled Transportation Advisory Board. Elekes is sworn in by Union County Freeholder Walter McLeod, liaison to the advisory board.

Recent topics have included: "Healthcare Cost Benefit Issues," "Childcare in the Workplace" and "The Business of Baseball" presented by Jeff Torborg of the Mets.

Membership in the Children's Corporate Council is open to interested area professionals and business and industry executives.

For more information about the Children's Corporate Council and the March 24 presentation, contact Philip Salerno at the Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, (908) 233-3720, Ext. 510.

Mountaintop Woman's Club offers scholarship

College Women's Club of Mountaintop is offering its annual scholarship award for the 1993-94 school year.

Applicants must be female, attending college or graduate school, a borough resident or in the immediate family of a member of the College Women's Club of Mountaintop.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement and financial need. Applications and further information are available from Pat Connolly, scholarship chairwoman, 232-1695.

Lifeguard course slated

A Lifeguard Training course will be offered by the Summit Area Chapter of the American Red Cross on Thursday evenings through May 16, from 6 to 8:30, at the Summit YWCA, 79 Maple St.

Candidates must be at least 15 years old, with excellent swimming skills, and current certification in one of the following: Standard First Aid (four hours First Aid + four hours CPR); Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care; Emergency Medical Technician.

A fee of \$125, \$50 for YWCA members, is due at the time of registration at the Summit YWCA. Enrollment is limited to 16 people. The instructor is Donna Matlach.

Tax advice available

Free income tax consultation is available for taxpayers through the tax aid program of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Volunteer counselors, trained in cooperation with the IRS, are operating counseling desks at the Springfield Library, 66 Mountain Ave., from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays through April 13.

The service is designed to help taxpayers understand tax forms and become familiar with special benefits available to them. Assistance also will be available in completing the state income tax form and the Homestead Rebate form.

Taxpayers desiring to utilize this service should call the Springfield Library for an appointment at (201) 376-4930. They should bring a copy of their previous year's federal and state tax returns with their 1992 income report forms.

A tax assistance program is also being sponsored by the Mountaintop chapter of AARP, in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service and the state of New Jersey. The program is available to all area senior citizens through April 14. The Mountaintop library will be the site for preparation of federal and state tax returns each Wednesday from 1 to 5 p.m. Call 233-0115 for an appointment and bring last year's tax returns.

Red Cross schedules first aid/CPR instruction

The Westfield/Mountaintop Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer courses in Standard First Aid and Community CPR on the following dates: March classes: Standard First Aid, March 22 from 6:30 to 10 p.m.; Community CPR class, March 23 from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

All classes are held at the Chapter House, located at 321 Elm St., Westfield, 07090.

For additional information, call the Red Cross office Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at (908) 232-7000.

Conference to address adolescent head injuries Children's Specialized Hospital will present a professional conference, "Specialized Approach to Adolescent Head Injuries," on April 21. The daylong symposium, another in the hospital's educational series, will be held at Children's Specialized Hospital, New Providence Road, Mountaintop, beginning at 8 a.m. The symposium is directed to all medical professionals who work with the head injured adolescent, including physicians, nurses, psychologists, speech therapists, teachers, etc.

Children's Specialized Hospital is accredited by the Medical Society of New Jersey to grant 5.5 hours of Category 1 credit for this activity. For more information, registration fees, contact Sallie Comey, director of education, Children's Specialized Hospital, (908) 233-3720, Ext. 229.



Magician Michael Healy will stage his Magic Show and Workshop at the Mountaintop Public Library on March 27 at 2 p.m. Healy has been performing magic for over 18 years. His versatility in the magical arts has enabled him to perform in front of audiences of every age — from pre-school to older "youngsters" of well over 100 years of age.

Michael's act, sponsored by the Friends of the Mountaintop Public Library, includes all types of magic — from "close-up" and "stage magic" to "escape magic" and "mind-reading" using his own special wit throughout his performance. Audiences have enjoyed him throughout the tri-state area as well as Europe and the Soviet Union. Laugh, applaud and be left spellbound as doves and rabbits appear and disappear and the impossible is made to seem possible! Things float, appear or disappear before your very eyes. No two performances are the same. Audience participation makes the performance all the more enjoyable.

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Hearing set for Brearley petitioners

(Continued from Page 1) tunity in May will review the choice plan and 1993-94 enrollment projections-for-desegregation purposes.

Glynn disclosed Tuesday night, following a regular meeting of the regional board in Clark, that most Kenilworth students will send a pro-let letter with their school selection.

She said Kenilworth student selections are "split down the middle" since many of the kids are leaning toward attending classes in Springfield while many of the athletes want to follow their coaches to Clark, where they've been reassigning.

In action at the meeting this week, the regional board voted unanimously to change the location of its budget hearing next Tuesday from Clark to Jonathan Dayton in Springfield. The March 23 hearing will begin at 9 p.m.

The board spokesman said the reason for the change of venue was to give the board access to detailed budget information since the district's central offices are located in the Springfield school.

Call the editors

Ever want to talk about something you think should be in the paper? Know something that might make a good story? Do you know someone who might be the subject of an interesting feature? Do you know of a sports story we don't?

If the answer to any or all of the above is yes, call the editors at 686-7700. General or spot news: David Brown, managing editor. Sports news: Jim Parachini, sports editor. Problems: Tom Canavan, editor.

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Borough updated on action in Trenton

By David Brown, Managing Editor. Mountaintop can expect the same amount of aid from the state that it received last year, according to Assemblyman Richard Bagger, R-Union, who this week briefed the Borough Council on legislative action-in-Trenton.

Bagger told the Borough Council it could expect its budgeting process to be somewhat smoother than last year due to an agreement reached by the Republican-controlled Legislature and Governor Jim Florio. Municipal aid to Mountaintop, he said, should be the "exact same figures" the borough used last year.

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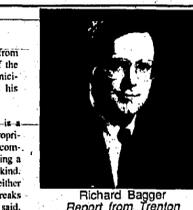
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Richard Bagger Report from Trenton

An Open Letter to New Jersey's Citizens From Schering-Plough Corporation

Pharmaceuticals are one of the high-technology industries that candidate Bill Clinton spoke so highly of during the campaign — the types of firms that, as President, he is pledged to support.

Naturally, we're shocked by the recent negative rhetoric about us flowing from the nation's capital. We thought we were the folks in "white hats" — facing off against such intractable diseases as Alzheimer's, arthritis, heart disease and various cancers.

In New Jersey, the pharmaceutical industry is the largest manufacturing employer — recently lengthening its lead even while the state's production declined during the grueling recession. It is one of the few that helped pull this state through this difficult period. This state's economy will suffer if pharmaceuticals are made to suffer.

As New Jersey's No. 1 manufacturing industry, the health products sector has a huge impact on the lives and livelihood of our state's citizens. In the 1980s, this industry's employment increased 3.6 percent, payrolls increased 90.5 percent, products shipped increased 100 percent, and R&D investment increased 265 percent.

New Jersey hosts 10 of the 18 largest worldwide pharmaceutical companies operating in the United States. Of the 14 pharmaceutical companies listed among the Fortune 500, six are headquartered in the state.

Schering-Plough — one of those leading companies — employs 5,230 people at its six New Jersey locations. These include 1,800 researchers, of whom 500 are Ph.D.s or M.D.s and 450 hold other

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We want to continue to thrive and grow. Pharmaceuticals — often the best and least expensive alternative to surgery, lengthy hospitalization and institutional confinement — are part of the health care solution. As policymakers search for cost-saving options to rising health care costs, they would be well advised to consider the cost-effective and life-enhancing benefits of pharmaceuticals.

As a member of New Jersey's No. 1 industry, we want to join with the President and members of Congress. Mr. Clinton himself has said there is plenty of blame to go around on health care. What is needed are answers, not accusations.

If you share our concerns about the future course of New Jersey's pharmaceutical industry, we urge you to contact our supportive U.S. Senators Bill Bradley and Frank Lautenberg and your local U.S. Representatives. Ask them to insist that their colleagues begin to engage in meaningful and substantive discussions about the real solutions to health care costs and access.

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education

Prom fashions featured

On March 25 at 7 p.m. the cafeteria of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School will be transformed into a showcase for prom fashions.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door or by calling (201) 376-0300. Proceeds benefit program and scholarships sponsored by the Parent-Teacher-Student Organization.

Byrne makes dean's list

Michael Richard Byrne of Mountaintide was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Johns Hopkins University. To be selected for this honor, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Byrne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Byrne and attended Pingry School in Martinsville.

He is majoring in chemistry and will graduate in May.

Deerfield will present 'Charlotte's Web' musical

The Deerfield School in Mountaintide will present a musical production of "Charlotte's Web," tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling the Deerfield School office at 232-8828.

Optimistic artists



Students from the Sandmeier School in Springfield competed in the WNET/Channel 13 Student Arts Festival, which will select 150 winners from over 4,000 entries. Sandmeier's hopefuls are, top row from left, Stephanie Hauling, Kristy Neumeister, Jordan Gerber, Vangle Guillis, Stephanie Lai, Maria Gonnella and Casey Santo. Middle row, from left, Deanne Fiorini, Lauren Montour, Michael Puroro, Alexis Solido, Helene Jesuilo and Stephanie Nisucco. In front, from left, are Jennifer Kari, Janina Grisco, Minal Doshi, Amanda DiCocco, Marisa Bianco and Lisa Cypcar. Not pictured is Jennifer Fiorelli, who also entered the contest.

school lunches

Jonathan Dayton Regional High School

Tuesday: Pizza hoagie, carrot and celery sticks, hot vegetable, pancakes with sausage, syrup and butter, potatoes, chilled fruit, fruit juice refresher, soups, assorted cold sandwiches, desserts, milk.

Wednesday: Kielbasa with sauerkraut on roll, potato salad, fruit cup, hamburger with cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle on bun, potatoes, hot vegetable, chilled fruit, dessert, soups, assorted cold sandwiches, desserts, milk.

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people in the news

Local earns recognition

Springfield resident Gerard M. Russomagnò, an agent with Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co.'s Cranford agency, has been named the company's National Rookie of the Year. This award is given annually to a career agent who has shown outstanding sales achievements during the first year of his or her insurance career.

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Russomagnò is a 1985 graduate of Villanova University. Before joining the company he owned a mechanical contracting firm. He resides in Springfield with his wife, Donna, and their two daughters.



Jerry Russomagnò  
Rookie of the year

Mountainside student joins snowbound volunteers

While other students across the county might elect to spend their spring break basking on a sunny beach, 13 students from The Pingry School will have frigid temperatures and substantial snow as community service volunteers among the children, elderly, and needy residents of Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in Shannon County, S.D. Shannon County, which covers most of the reservation, has been described as the poorest county in the United States.

Alexis Walters of Mountaintide will be among the 13 Pingry students, two faculty advisers, and a Pingry alumna who will make up the band of 16 scheduled to spend March 14 to March 21 working as teachers' aides, tutors, home repairmen, housecleaners, and an ambulance volunteer among the nearly 20,000 Oglala Lakota Indians who call Pine Ridge home.

Walters is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh R. Walters of Mountaintide.

While the volunteer group has been drawn from throughout the entire Pingry student body, it also includes members of Pingry Native American Club which has brought students' attention to the plight of today's Native Americans since it was formed two years ago.

"These students will be helping children as young as 2 in a parent/child development program as well as with the Head Start Program and in the elementary school," noted Pingry science teacher and Native American Club faculty adviser Michelle Pervensky. "We also plan to run the first soup kitchen at Pine Ridge, and one of our students, an emergency medical technician certified in Basic Life Support, will be working with the Pine Ridge Ambulance crew. They will also raise in the evenings in the Bureau of Indian Affairs school dormitories, where they also will be staying, and will visit shut-ins in the village and at the nursing home." Some students, familiarly known as "Pingry Posters for Pine Ridge," have created ceramic pots, which they will combine with gifts of fruit, for the elderly and shut-ins.

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# Twelve from county arrested in raid

Twenty-four men, including 12 from Union County, linked to the Luchese, Genovese and DeCavalcante crime families were arrested Monday following an early morning raid in homes throughout New Jersey and New York.

Union County Prosecutor Andrew Ruzolo Jr. announced the arrests during a press conference Monday afternoon in which he said that the investigation, dubbed "Double Trouble," leading to the raid began in March 1992.

The arrests were a result of an ongoing investigation of twin brothers Anthony and Frank Romano of Springfield, both of whom were charged with being leaders of organized crime. Anthony Romano was also charged with being a leader of a narcotics trafficking network, a crime of the first degree, and 28 other second-, third- and fourth-degree charges. He faces life imprisonment with a 25-year parole disqualifier.

Frank Romano, who also maintains a residence in Toms River, is charged with eight other offenses and faces up to 44 years in prison. Among those indicted was Raymond Tingo Jr. Ruzolo said that on July 31, 1991, Tingo was sentenced to life imprisonment with a 20-year parole disqualifier for the murder of William Earl Mann, Tingo, 39, along with co-defendants, Charles Stango and Louis Pasquarosa, were convicted for the shooting death of William Earl Mann at the Sheraton Hotel on Route 1 & 9 in Elizabeth on Oct. 16, 1980.

Tingo is currently an inmate at East Jersey State Prison. Ruzolo said he has been charged with being a leader of a narcotics trafficking network, a first degree offense. The prosecutor said Tingo conducted his drug activities from telephones located in the prison. A second inmate at East Jersey State Prison, Daniel Catalano, was also charged by the grand jury with conspiracy to distribute controlled dangerous substances.

Ruzolo noted that the investigation would not have been possible without the commitment and cooperation of the Secret Service, FBI, New York Children's Transfer Consignment Boutique NEW and GENTLY WORN DESIGNER FASHIONS. Just a sampling of our large selection: JM Originals • Rapdoodles OshKosh • Guess • Polo • Cilly C.W. Designs • Jessica McClintock Original Little Editions. Special Occasion Dresses & Suits. We accept for consignment maternity clothing, evening, sportswear, equipment, clothing, baby accessories.

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Police Department, State Attorney General's Office, Union County Sheriff's Office, the North Carolina Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Ruzolo made special mention of Union County Assistant Prosecutor Michael Zlotnik and Lt. Colendenski, who spearheaded the investigation, as well as the members of the Union County Prosecutor's Organized Crime Unit and various municipal law enforcement agencies. "Once again we see the successful results of a cooperative effort between law agencies," he said.

The indictment warrants were signed against the following defendants by Union County Superior Court Assignment Judge Edward W. Beglin Jr. after a five-month grand jury presentation. Those persons arrested Monday morning were:

- Mark E. Cammarosa, 26, of Kenilworth, who was charged with two counts of conspiracy to promote gambling; possession of gambling records; attempted theft; criminal usury; possession of usury records.
- Richard Catalano, 32, of Bloomfield, who was charged with conspiracy to distribute controlled dangerous substances; conspiracy to commit theft; possession of controlled dangerous substances.
- Louis DeLuca, 29, of Springfield, who was charged with two counts of conspiracy to promote gambling; possession of gambling records.
- George Palamidis, 23, of Linden, who was charged with conspiracy to commit credit card theft; credit card theft; theft by deception; fraudulent use of credit card; unlawful use of credit card.

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- Sean Alberti, 23, of Lyndhurst; Frederick Gladis, 28, of Bloomfield; Joseph Perna, 23, of Belleville; Harold Sarno, 27, of Colonia; Gerald Gallicchio, 30, of Belleville; William Praso, 52, of Staten Island, N.Y.; and Vito Anthony Tingo, 34, of Westfield.

In addition, the following individuals are in the process of being served with arrest warrants: Savio Debonis, 51, of North Brunswick; Arnold Giordano, 28, of Union, and Philip Lucini, 43, of Toms River.

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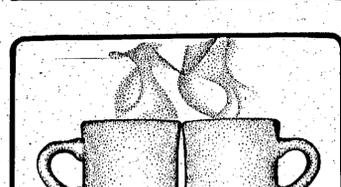
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# County reps gather to support state mandate, state pay

By Jeff Jutz Staff Writer  
Mayors and municipal representatives from eight Union County communities met last week in the Grandford Municipal Building to announce their support for the "state mandate, state pay" concept currently being tossed around the legislative halls of Trenton.

As part of the Union County League of Municipalities, the mayors held a press conference with County Manager Ann Barran and state Assemblymen Richard Bagger, R-Union, and Alan Augustine, R-Union, to raise concerns in the wake of tight municipal and county budgets and required budget cuts.

"The big problem we face," said Springfield Mayor Philip Kurmos, "are the mandates which are forcing us to put in programs we're not ready to do. We can't provide the services without raising taxes."

At its February meeting the league unanimously passed two resolutions pertaining to ACR-2, the state-mandate, state-pay bill, which was adopted by the state Assembly last year and is now pending approval from the Senate. Another resolution was also passed by the league requesting that the state put off its mandatory 911 implementation until each municipality examines the program and gauges the economic impact the mandate will bring to the local community.

"It's been a traditional falling of the Legislature," said Bagger, who added in 1988, 17 of the 21 counties in the state put off-binding referendums on their ballots regarding the state-mandate, state-pay concept. According to the assemblyman, all 17 counties voted "yes" in response to the referendum.

In January 1992, said Bagger, then-Assemblyman Bob Franks sponsored a state-mandate, state-pay bill which was later adopted by the lower house. He said he signed onto the bill in May and added the bill is now pending in the Senate Judicial Committee. If approved, said Bagger, it will face state voters in November.

"If you look closely," said Augustine, "we are trying to keep the number of mandates down. Certainly, we are focused on reducing the burden on county and municipal government." The assemblyman said he would like to see communities "opt out" of certain mandates if they place an undue financial burden on their local budgets.

One of the most vocal supporters of the two resolutions was League President and Winfield Commissioner David Wright. "We are calling on the state to make a fundamental change," said Clark Mayor Robert Ellertson, "on the way in which it deals with funding."

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Members of the Union County League of Municipalities formally voiced their displeasure with increasing state-mandated programs, particularly the 911 emergency response network. From left are members Michael Crittall, mayor of Garwood; Clark Mayor Robert Ellertson; Cranford Deputy Mayor Carolyn Volero and Winfield Commissioner David Wright.

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humorous illustration of his criticism of the state mandate system. Wright's example regarded a requirement that every community have a licensed elevator inspector. The only problem, he said, is that Winfield has no elevators.

"We're almost all one floor," said Wright. "That requires every senator and assemblyman to know what the financial impact on the municipality is going to be."

"We can't do one law for this entire state," said Wright. Winfield Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe submitted a statement regarding his displeasure with what he called "state mandate, state doesn't pay."

Boothe blasted the state for requiring Winfield to pay \$35,000 to administer the hepatitis vaccine to town employees. He also criticized mandated ticket surcharges and additional law enforcement costs, municipal auditing, and other administrative expenses which have strained the town's budget.

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Bill targeting abused defendants clears committee

Assemblyman Monroe Jay Lustbader, R-21, announced that the bill he sponsored, A2101, allowing defense attorneys in criminal homicide or assault cases to offer evidence of child abuse, abandonment, cruelty or neglect committed by the victim in support of a claim of self-defense, cleared the Assembly Judiciary Committee on March 4.

Lustbader said he drafted the bill after learning of vast inconsistencies nationwide in the punishments imposed on defendants in murder or assault cases who claimed they acted in self-defense as a result of a history of physical and/or mental abuse committed by the victims.

"In some cases where the evidence seemed to indicate clear evidence that the murder victim had abused the defendant repeatedly as a child, the punishment imposed ranged from no time served at all to as much as 30 years," Lustbader said. "Pertinent evidence is important if we are to avoid a miscarriage of justice."

Lustbader stressed that the bill will provide defendants "who have withstood a lifetime of abuse, neglect and physical suffering to at least communicate the circumstances of their personal plight so that the jury understands the full background of the accused's history."

Under the bill, a defendant would be able to introduce evidence of child abuse, abandonment, cruelty, neglect or endangering the welfare of a child in order to help establish the accused's belief that the use of force was immediately necessary.

The legislation would also provide the defendant with the right to offer expert testimony regarding the condition of the defendant's mind at the time of the offense.

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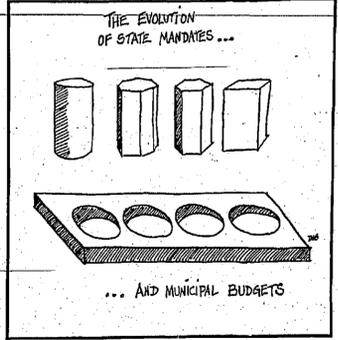
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### State mandates, state doesn't pay?

Last week the mayors and municipal representatives from the Union County League of Municipalities met and announced their displeasure with state and federal mandates — and rightly so.

White state and federal legislators give orders to local governments to institute programs such as the 911 emergency network and the Americans with Disabilities Act, the bill for these, and other costly programs, is borne by the municipalities.

During its press conference, the coalition's appeal to state and federal lawmakers was essentially this: If you're going to mandate programs, draw the money from the state coffers so the cost is spread over a much larger tax base than the municipal property tax.

Municipal officials also complained that many state-mandated programs are edging out their own spending services because of the state-mandated spending limits, or caps, to which local governments must adhere.

Several examples cited by the league regarding the "state mandate, state pay" issue illustrate their gripes: Mayor David Wright of Winfield, president of the league, said his township must pay a state-licensed elevator inspector \$100 a year. The problem? Winfield's municipal operation is all on one floor. There are no elevators.

Mountainside Mayor Robert Vigilanti said the \$200-per-year salary paid to the borough's tax collector jumped some 400 percent in just over a decade due to state certification requirements.

Union County Manager Ann Baran joined the mayors in their displeasure with Trenton, noting that more than 70 percent of the county's \$247 million 1993 budget goes toward mandated services.

Overall, the league is making a very good point. For better or worse, New Jersey has historically had a strong tradition of home rule. Jerseyans have always been suspicious of happenings in Trenton and Washington, and the league's recent rulings on supporting the state mandate, state pay concept is the latest manifestation of this.

State lawmakers should realize that across-the-board legislation, although well-meaning, is often shortsighted and ill-suited to the vast disparity between New Jersey municipalities.

The state should institute a municipal impact review process to collect input from local governments before handing down mandates. We know, we know, not another committee, but an impact study in some fashion would save money through efficiency, and grief through communication.

How much money would be saved, we don't know, but a single dollar would justify the move.

Another, more subjective point: The Legislature should be directly accountable for the programs it mandates. Municipal governments take the brunt of the blame for spending that is mandated by the state. Taxpayers remember to whom they drafted that last tax payment check, and legislators may think longer before handing down more mandates if the state Treasury is the payee line.

Republican Assemblymen Rich Bagger and Alan Augustine of the 22nd Legislative District appear to have signed on to the "state mandate, state pay" movement. Hopefully, they'll not only spread the gospel among their colleagues, they will make something happen.

If it does happen, a probable result will mean a tighter state budget rather than a tighter municipal budget. Since the possibility of tax increases were painfully ruled out following the Florio tax package of 1990, the cuts that will be needed to trim the 1993 state budget may be even more painful and, like any state-mandated program, will be felt across a wider cross-section of New Jerseyans.

The Legislature should buckle down and do two things: review mandated programs for their impact on municipalities on an individual or regional basis; and it should fund the programs it does mandate to spread the cost across a statewide tax base.

# OPINION PAGE

## Union County has rich historical heritage

The following is the first of a three-part series and the beginning of a regular column by William Frolich, a Roselle resident who is a member of the Union County Historical Society and the chairman of the Roselle Central Committee.

Union County as a political entity was established in 1857, but its history as an area goes back far beyond that time. The Leni Lenape Indians were the original people, and peacefully greeted the Dutch traders who came here in the early years of the 17th century. Some of the traders' roads from the Arthur Kill to the Delaware River are still in use today, such as State Highway 27 — St. George Avenue.

As a result of a war between England and Holland, the English acquired the Dutch colonies of the New Amsterdam area, including the present Union County region. The British gave the land to his brother, the Duke of York, who presented the land to Lord Berkeley and Sir George Carteret as payment for his debts to them. In 1664 English settlers on Long Island, wishing to

move to better land, made a deal with the Dutch Governor, and also with the Indian Indians for the rights to the area which became known as the Elizabethtown Tract, and later, Union County. Some of the Indian leaders are remembered today through the names of Matanzo and Warrinanco parks.

The settlers, who called themselves "associates" because of their common needs, set about to lay out a town and divide the property by lot. The center of the town, which they named "Elizabethtown" for the wife of Sir George Carteret, was near Broad and East Jersey streets, not far from the Elizabethtown River, a source of fresh water. The river was also a source of power, and John Ogden, an original settler, built a saw and grist mill at Broad Street, by the stone bridge, near the present Public Library. Houses and public buildings were soon being erected, both of wood and of brick made from the red clay of the ground.

Some of the outlying area was awarded to lot owners for farms to grow the food needed for their families. A church, to be known later as the First Presbyterian Church, was organized and the building on Broad Street was also used as the meeting house. The churchyard cemetery contains the graves of some of the early settlers. Some years later, about 1705, St. John's Episcopal Church was established and members soon began to build a brick church across the street.

As the years passed, the town prospered and the population increased, both by native-born children and by new immigrants. With this growth, new communities developed, some taking their names from their physical position, such as the "West Field" of Elizabethtown, or the Plainfields, where the land was flat. Springfield is still a source of fresh water for the area.

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As the colony thrived, the ties to England remained strong, and even Jonathan Boucher, the Royal Governor in 1751, lived in Elizabethtown, making it the capital of East Jersey. Local merchants exported goods to London, and imported what could not be produced here. On Broad Street Princeton University was founded in Elizabethtown as the "Academy" and listed among its students the names of Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton. Barracks were built near the river at West Jersey and Cherry streets for British soldiers of the French and Indian War.

It was this war, however, that helped create the break with England.

Coming next: The war with England and the harsh consequences of a region divided.

## The Way It Was

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As the colony thrived, the ties to England remained strong, and even Jonathan Boucher, the Royal Governor in 1751, lived in Elizabethtown, making it the capital of East Jersey. Local merchants exported goods to London, and imported what could not be produced here. On Broad Street Princeton University was founded in Elizabethtown as the "Academy" and listed among its students the names of Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton. Barracks were built near the river at West Jersey and Cherry streets for British soldiers of the French and Indian War.

It was this war, however, that helped create the break with England.

Coming next: The war with England and the harsh consequences of a region divided.

## Who must pay the alternative minimum tax?

The alternative minimum tax is actually a separate tax system created by Uncle Sam to ensure that you pay your fair share of taxes. However, the AMT does not apply to corporations. The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants offers the following guidance to help you determine whether your income is subject to the AMT.

The AMT is imposed on both corporate and non-corporate taxpayers and is based on your regular income tax. Generally, the AMT applies to taxpayers who receive significant benefits from certain tax deductions for AMT purposes, such as state and local income taxes, real estate taxes and personal property taxes. Other circumstances may also make you liable for the AMT.

To determine whether you have an AMT liability, compute your taxes under the regular tax system and under the AMT system. Then compare the two results. If your AMT is higher than your regular tax, you must pay your regular tax, plus the difference between your AMT and your regular tax.

The starting point in computing your AMT is determining your alternative minimum taxable income. To arrive at your AMTI, compute your regular income and income tax. This income will then be increased or decreased by adjustments and increased by tax preferences.

Under AMT rules, you can't claim the standard deduction or other deductions for personal exemptions, so you must add those items to your taxable income. Also, the AMT prohibits many itemized deductions allowed under the regular tax system. Those include real estate and personal property taxes, state and local income taxes, and medical expenses that total less than 10 percent of your adjusted gross income. Also prohibited are miscellaneous deductions. For AMT purposes, adjustments are made for non-passive activity losses. Additional AMT adjustments, too numerous to include here, relate, for example, to depreciation, incentive stock options, and mining exploration and development costs.

Once you have modified your taxable income based on AMT adjustments, the next step is to consider tax preference items. For each of these items, you must add back to your regular taxable income the "tax preference" — the difference between the amount permitted for regular tax and that permitted for the AMT. The list of tax preferences to be considered when computing your 1992 AMTI includes the following:

- Apportionment of charitable deductions of capital gain property made before July-1, 1992;
- Tax-exempt interest from private activity bonds, such bonds issued by a state or local government after Aug. 7, 1986;
- Accelerated depreciation or amortization of property placed in service before 1987;
- Intangible drilling costs and percentage depletion for those engaged in the oil and gas industry.

Depending on your income and filing status, your AMTI may then be reduced by an exemption. The exemption amounts are \$40,000 for married individuals who file a joint return, \$30,000 for single individuals, \$50,000 for heads of households, and \$20,000 for married individuals filing separately. Be aware, however, that these exemptions are phased out for certain high-income taxpayers. A tax rate of 24 percent is then applied to AMTI less the applicable exemption, if any.

CPAs point out that careful tax planning can help you to minimize or avoid the AMT. For example, in a year when you are likely to be subject to the AMT, you may want to postpone deductions not allowed in computing AMTI until the following year. For more information about how the AMT affects you and your adviser, contact your tax advisor.

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## letters to the editor

### Silent majority speaking out

To the Editor:

Last year, when the Engleton Survey asked our opinion about closing schools in the Union County Regional High School system, they did not provide us with information on how to make our opinions heard. The Engleton Survey made disturbing discoveries about the abnormally high expense of our Regional High School system.

In 1993-94 budget, which includes closing one of our four high schools (Kentwood), cost per pupil is projected to be \$5,000. Our cost per pupil will be almost \$18,000. This is still 40 percent higher than our neighbors. What we will be voting on in the April 20 election only covers the portion we pay for in our real estate taxes. It doesn't include the monies received from the state and federal governments which we pay for in our other taxes.

One method for reducing costs is to find out how other school districts with standards equal to ours manage to have costs that are less than ours. An independent unbiased committee could contact the appropriate school districts to see how they do it. Then we should use this information to help in reducing our own costs.

I believe in quality education for our children based on the most efficient use of our tax dollars. Quality should not be measured by the number of dollars spent.

After attending meetings of the Union County Regional High School Board, I have come to realize that important issues, such as financial ones, are discussed in private sessions. The public petitions primarily advise us of the board's conclusions.

I've been a member of the silent majority for many years, and I don't want to be silent any longer.

Sam Lubash  
Candidate for Union County  
Regional High School Board  
Springfield

### Yeshiva story inaccurate

To the Editor:

I have been reading the Springfield Leader for approximately 15 years, ever since my family moved into town. I have also provided for Springfield since that period. During that time I have never read a story so inaccurate and offensive as "See" use of home speaks examination" (March 4, 1993). The reporting is inaccurate and the use of language inappropriate. The story was designed to vilify rather than report.

The Yeshiva is not a "sect." It is not "ultra-Orthodox." The Davidians and David Koresh are a sect. The Yeshiva represents mainstream Orthodox Judaism, which probably constitutes 50 to 60 percent of Orthodox Judaism in the New York Metropolitan area.

Nor do I know what "ultra-Orthodox" means. I do know that by labeling the Yeshiva an "ultra-Orthodox sect" you have portrayed it and its constituents in an extremely unfavorable light and may have prejudiced the outcome of the hearing.

Examples of your poor reporting:

- You report that the "applicant" was founded in Brooklyn several years ago, but that he reported that Yeshiva there was founded in Springfield in Springfield on Morris Avenue for almost two years. How could a responsible reporter

omit this? This omission is an attempt to create the false impression that the Yeshiva just appeared on the scene in Springfield from Brooklyn, rather than the truth, which is that they have been a good citizen in Springfield for two years.

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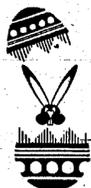
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### Sommer Leah Engler

A 9-pound, 6-ounce daughter, Sommer Leah, was born Feb. 3 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Engler of Rahway.

Mrs. Engler, the former Susan Stanco, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stanco of Kenilworth. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Engler of Union.

### Dillon and Devin Geoghegan

Twin sons, Dillon Michael and Devin Michael, were born Feb. 17 in Overlook Hospital, Summit, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Geoghegan of Kenilworth.

Mrs. Geoghegan, the former Dawn Cronin, is the daughter of David Cronin of Kenilworth. Her husband is the son of Morgan and Lois Geoghegan of Roselle Park.

### Brittney Marie Furer

An 8-pound, 1-ounce daughter, Brittney Marie, was born Feb. 11 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Furer of Roselle Park.

Mrs. Furer, the former Patty Becker, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Becker of Roselle Park. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Furer of Springfield. Maternal great-grandparents are Margaret Susak of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

### Michael Joseph Bluffield

A 7-pound, 9-ounce son, Michael Joseph, was born Feb. 7 in Overlook Hospital, Summit, to Dr. and Mrs. Steven Bluffield of Kenilworth. He joins a brother, Matthew, 2.

Mrs. Bluffield, the former Kim Triano, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Triano of Roselle Park. Her husband is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Bluffield of Westfield. Maternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Raffaella Triano of Roselle Park and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mangio of Elizabeth.

### Joseph Nelson Johnston

A son, Joseph Nelson, was born Feb. 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Johnston of Mountaintide. He joins a brother, Bobby, 10, and a sister, Almoe, 8.

Mrs. Johnston, the former Vanessa Ann Barnard, is the daughter of Mrs. Mary E. Barnard of Mountaintide.

## lifestyle



Carol Guerrizio and Al Martino

### Guerrizio-Martino troth

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guerrizio of Roselle Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Carol, to Al Martino, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Martino of Roselle Park and the late Mr. Larry Martino.

The bride-elect, who was graduated from Roselle Park High School and Kean College of New Jersey, Union, where she received a bachelor of science degree in occupational therapy, is an occupational therapist at the Rehabilitation Institute, Morrisstown. Her fiancé, who was graduated from Roselle High School and New Jersey Institute of Technology, where he received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering, is self-employed as director of field engineering/service at FIT Group Inc. A May 1994 wedding is planned in the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, and a reception will follow at the Ritzfield Regency, Verona.

## Water conservation is topic of troupe

School children in Union, Essex, Morris, Somerset and Warren counties will soon have the opportunity to learn about water conservation and the environment when the Small Change Original Theater presents "Robin Hood and the Water Crusaders."

"New Jersey-American Water Company is sponsoring this free pilot educational program to enhance our existing youth education program," said Dennis Reed, community relations assistant for the water company. "We feel it is our responsibility to educate the youth of today about what they must do now, and in the future, to ensure that we always have a safe, dependable supply of drinking water."

The program features a live theater production for grades K-6. The producers, Small Change Original Theater of Minneapolis, is a troupe of actors and educators who have provided important and informative programs for schools all over the country on a variety of topics.

"Robin Hood and the Water Crusaders" returns children to those thrilling days of yesteryear, with knights in shining armor, damsels in distress, and men in pickle suits' Robin, the grandson of "THE" Robin Hood, with the help of Wilhemina Water and Jill Scarfen, learns how important our earth's supply of water is to us and the things we can do to keep it clean and ensure that it is not wasted.

"We're really excited about this pilot program," said Reed. "The schools were chosen on a lottery basis, and performances were scheduled on a first come, first served basis."

Presentations will be given at 14 schools in Essex, Morris, Somerset, Union and Warren counties from March 11 through today. New Jersey-American is sponsoring performances at a total of 55 schools throughout the state.

New Jersey-American Water Co. provides approximately 300,000 customers in 109 communities throughout New Jersey. Locally, the company provides water service to approximately 80,000 customer accounts in Morris, Essex, Warren, Union, Hunterdon, Passaic, and Somerset counties.

## County lunch program set

The following is the menu offered by the Union County Nutrition Program for the Elderly, for the Springfield Senior Citizen Nutrition Lunch program, today through March 24.

**March 18**  
 Meat loaf with gravy, Brussels sprouts, mashed potatoes, fruit cocktail, tomato soup, bread, margarine, milk.

**March 19**  
 Cheese omelet, stewed tomatoes with zucchini, potato gema, pear halves, orange juice, bagel, margarine and jolly milk.

**March 22**  
 Knockwurst with mustard and sauerkraut, green beans, potato pancakes, applesauce, vegetable juice, bread, margarine, milk.

**March 23**  
 Pepper steak with gravy, sliced carrots, rice, pear halves, cream of tomato soup, bread, margarine, milk.

**March 24**  
 Roast turkey with gravy, broccoli, herbed stuffing, pound cake, chicken gumbo soup, dinner roll, margarine, milk.

Reservations made by made by calling 912-2233 on day in advance from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The donation is \$2. The program is sponsored at the Chisholm School on S. Springfield Avenue.

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## clubs in the news

A joint meeting will be held sponsored by Springfield Chapter of Hadassah, the M'ayaz Gila Hadassah, B'nai B'rith Women of Springfield, sisterhoods of Shalom Shalom, Congregation Israel, Temple Beth Ahm, and the Nursery School Temple Beth Ahm, Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Beth Ahm, Springfield.

Corporal Dan Nading of the Springfield Police Department will discuss ways for women to protect themselves in the 1990's.

Evelyn Gingsell of Springfield Hadassah will preside.

## Photo charge

There is a \$10 charge for wedding and engagement pictures. Glossy black and white preferred. Story and photo must be submitted within eight weeks of the wedding date. Photos cannot be returned by mail and must be picked up at Union Leader office, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., within three months of publication.

## happy birthday



Dori A. Strober

Dori Allison, daughter of Alan and Donna Strober of Springfield, celebrated her fourth birthday on Feb. 11. Joining in the celebration were her sister, Dana; her grandparents, Anthony and Dorothy Tamborno of Union; great-grandmother, Dorothy Saltzer of Union, and Barney the Purple Dinosaur, who entertained her friends from the Children's Academy at Don's in Livingston.



Tara Motyczka

Tara, daughter of Gary and Carol, is Motyczka of Roselle Park, celebrated her fifth birthday on March 1. Joining in the celebration were her sister, Michelle; her grandparents, Carmella and Neil Palmieri of Roselle Park and Grace and Henry Motyczka, also of Roselle Park, and aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.



Alycia M. Tell

Alycia Marie, daughter of Marilyn and William Tell of Roselle Park, celebrated her third birthday on March 16. Joining in the celebration were her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Russo of Roselle Park and Mrs. Matilda Tell of Scarsdale, N.Y.

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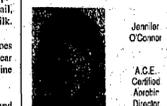
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Fish, chips offered

The Springfield Emanuel United Methodist Church, 40 Church Hill, will hold its annual fish and chips dinner in fellowship hall tomorrow from 5 to 7 p.m.

Camp events planned

Boys and their families will be introduced to the summer camping programs of Northern Frontier, a Christian Service Brigade Camp, located in the Adirondack Mountains of New York March 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mountaineer Gospel Chapel, 1180 Spruce Drive.

worship calendar

ALLIANCE

THE ORCHARD PARK CHURCH 1264 Vassar Ave., Union, 67-0344. Regular Service: 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall, 10:30 a.m.; Morning Service: 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD 963 W. Hudson St., Union, 96-1141. Regular Service: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.

BAPTIST

CLINTON HILL BAPTIST CHURCH "Where the Bible Comes Alive" 2115 Morris Ave., Union, (908) 687-8440. Regular Service: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.

CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST

BARITAN ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH 611 Baritan Road, Cliffside, N.J. (adjacent to the Bay Inn). Telephone: 272-7088. Pastor: Steve Nish. We are a Bible-centered, family-oriented ministry. Our curriculum includes Sunday Morning, Youth Time at 9:00 a.m., Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship Service and Children's Church at 11 a.m., Sunday Evening Bible Study at 7 p.m., and Evening Prayer at 7:30 p.m.

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regardless of religious or ethnic background. Located near the source of the Hudson and a 90-foot waterfall, highest in the Adirondack Park. The program will feature camping, hiking, canoeing, water sports and Bible study.

Workshops planned

The Temple Beth Ahm Religious School Board, under the direction of the school principal, Miriam Lugin, has scheduled the first in an ongoing series of Parent Leadership Workshops. The purpose of these workshops is to provide a forum for interested parents to meet and discuss areas of Jewish interest.

workshop calendar

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Gaining on its goal



The Westfield Twig presented a check for \$10,000 to the Children's Specialized Hospital, raised at the 1992 Westfield Craft Market Champagne Benefit. Twig members presenting the check are, from left, Judy Jessup, Mildred Orlando, Deborah Celogy and Robert Fottman. Accepting the check is Richard Anfield of Mountaintop, hospital president. The funds will toward the TWIG's \$50,000 pledge for a two-patient room on the long term care unit. To date, the group has raised \$35,000 toward the effort. The Twig II is a local volunteer group in service to Children's Specialized Hospital.

MORAVIAN

BATTLE HILL COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH 771 Liberty Avenue, Union, 686-2342. Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey D. Gierke. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.

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CONGREGATION ISRAEL 139 Mountaintop Avenue, Springfield, 372-0911. Regular Service: 10:30 a.m.; Shabbat Services: 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

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obituaries

Jessie M. Kenely

Jessie Milner Kenely, 85, of Manassas, Va., formerly of Roselle Park, died March 9 in the Annaburg Manor Nursing Home, Manassas.

Robert Wood

Robert Wood, 65, of Springfield died March 4 in his home. Born in Newark, Mr. Wood lived in Springfield for many years. He had 50 years of the Community United Methodist Church, Roselle Park.

Angelo Mozzicarella

Angelo Mozzicarella, 97, of Roselle Park died March 10 in St. Peter's Medical Center, New Brunswick.

Rose Hunter

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An extensive study was done recently by a team of exercise experts in Germany, and you as a member of the health club industry are being asked to participate in a survey. The survey is being conducted by the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and the International Health, Racquet & Fitness Institute (IHRF).

When choosing the right health club, it is important to follow these steps to ensure making proper decisions. The average person who comes into a health facility has already been a member of three to four other clubs.

A good health facility will let you pay an enrollment fee and then let you pay as you go for the time that you use it. In clubs that induce you to lifetime membership, the service tends to be very minimal, you are still obligated to pay. As a result, out of 100 percent of the people who join a health club, only 10 percent stay.

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