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## Kurnos to run as Independent; considered bid as Democrat

Other candidates expected to enter mayoral race

By Dennis Schaaf  
Staff Writer

Springfield Mayor Philip Kurnos acknowledged this week that he considered running for the Township Committee next November as a Democrat, but ultimately decided to seek re-election as an Independent.

Kurnos, a Republican who has feuded with the local GOP organization over the past year, said he welcomed the opportunity to make an Independent bid since "it has always been a strong desire of mine to see non-partisan government at the local level."

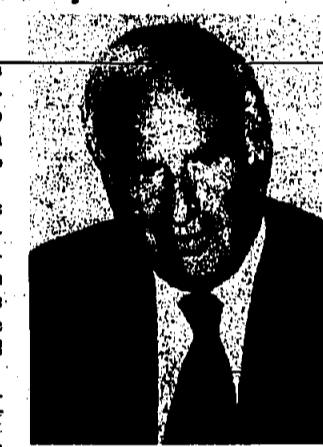
The mayor said he discussed running as a Democrat with members of the local Democratic organization, but "we both decided it wasn't the right thing to do."

He added that certain "factions in the Democratic Party didn't want me in and there were certain factions that I wouldn't really get along with."

He also stated that he "respects" certain elements of both local political organizations.

"It's better for me, because of my background, to run as an Independent," the two-term Republican said. "I feel that I'm doing the right thing and I expect to win."

Local Republican Chairman William Ruocco argued Tuesday night that Kurnos' Independent bid "shows that the Democrats rejected him as



Philip Kurnos will run again

well." The local Republican organization, charging Kurnos with improprieties, "disassociated" itself from Kurnos last year, Ruocco noted.

Democratic Chairman Bruce Bergen could not be reached for comment on Kurnos' decision Tuesday night.

One seat on the five-member Township Committee will likely be contested in November. Candidates face an April 15 filing deadline.

The winner of the November contest will presumably be able to tip the political balance on the committee.

The other four members include two Republicans and two Democrats.

Ruocco noted that those Republicans have expressed interest in running for the slot. The GOP will conduct a screening meeting April 13.

"The people of Springfield deserve more than political mudslinging and back-stabbing that has not only characterized past election campaigns, but has spilled into the Township Committee as well," Kurnos said in a prepared statement. "If I win in November, I can see others running on the Independent ticket, and maybe then we will rid Springfield of the selfish political hacks who are cheating the citizens of our community of the best representation they can get."

Kurnos stated that his current activities as vice president of the Union County League of Municipalities coupled with his contacts with state and federal officials gives him the "track record" to "attack" coming problems before they become a reality.

Republican Chairman Ruocco countered that Kurnos is motivated "for his own personal gain." He recalled that, in the past 20 years, only one person — former Mayor Edward Sito in 1975 — has run as an Independent and that this bid was unsuccessful.

Ruocco maintained that Kurnos' "entire record as the Field Republican Party are less than stellar since "we were inept enough to elect him twice."

## Swinging into spring



Mike Feldman, age 5, of Springfield, hit the swings at the first sign of balmy weather and approaching spring.

## LiCausi, Lubash face off

By Dennis Schaaf  
Staff Writer

As the April 20 school elections draw closer, two candidates vying for one of Springfield's two seats on the Union County Regional High School Board of Education are both possessing experience as a decisive issue.

Incumbent Theresa LiCausi, appointed to the board last July following the death of veteran board member Natalie Wasko, is emphasizing her roughly 20 years' experience on the local and regional education scene.

Her opponent, meanwhile, Samuel Lubash, the owner of a steel construction company in town, hammers home that his years of business experience give him the tools to make the board "spend wisely."

Lubash and LiCausi are facing off to fill the final year of Wasko's expired three-year term. Margaret Hough occupies the other Springfield seat on the nine-member panel.

"It's very important to me that I be able to finish the job I helped to start," LiCausi said Tuesday. "Closing David Hough's term in Kenilworth was the hardest decision I had to make in my life. But I voted that way to benefit all the kids in the six towns. Now that a school is closed we still have a lot of important things to do."

LiCausi argued that the school-closing issue finishes being litigated, then the district will feature three quality schools and "my goal is to continue cost containment."

LiCausi, who backs the board's proposed 1993-1994 budget, contended that her experience on the local education scene — which includes serving as a PTA vice president, acting as the PTO's liaison to the regional board, and being appointed as a regional board member — equips her to serve effectively on the regional board.

"Mr. Lubash has lived in this town for 25 years," LiCausi said. "I've yet to see what he's done for this town."

In outlining his campaign, Lubash argued this week that the "basic issue is cost."

"All I know is that the board spends too much money," Lubash said. "I won't say specifically right now that this program is no good or that program is no good. I have to get in there before I can start ripping items apart." Lubash did note, however, that the regional district spends "10 times as much per pupil on athletics" as do districts in Madison and Orange.

"I've learned to ask why," he added. "Some of those people on the board are puppets."

Lubash feels that he has the business experience to ask tough questions. He hopes to "stimulate people" and "combat complacency."

Lubash revealed that he will "personally" vote against the district's proposed tax levy April 20, but he is not taking a position as to whether district voters should do likewise.

"I think my opponent is a very nice woman who is doing her best," Lubash said. "I think I have the experience to do a better job."

## Offices closed

The offices of this newspaper will be closed tomorrow in observance of Good Friday. We will reopen Monday at 9 a.m.

Deadlines for the April 15 edition follow:

Arts & Entertainment — Today, noon.

Lifestyle — Today, noon.

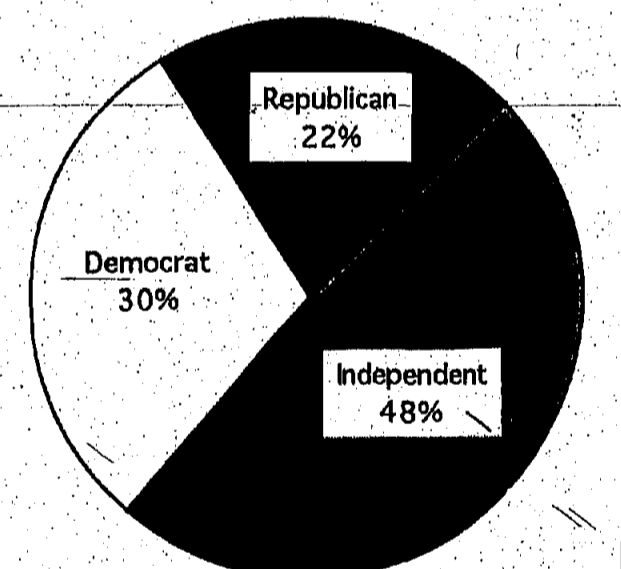
Letters to the editor — Monday, 9 a.m.

Sports news — Monday, 9 a.m.

Display advertising — B section, noon; A section, 5 p.m.

General news releases — Monday, 5 p.m.

What's Going On — Monday, 4 p.m.



A breakdown of registered Springfield voters' political affiliation as of April 2. The figures were provided by the Union County Election Board.

## Can an Independent candidate succeed?

By Dennis Schaaf  
Staff Writer

How tough is it to make a bid for election to the Springfield Township Committee as an Independent?

If failures of voter registration alone were the single factor — obviously they are not — the obstacles at the present time would not appear to be formidable.

According to the Union County Election Board, using figures updated April 2, most voters in Springfield were registered as Independents. Democrats came in second and Republicans notched third place. Following is the breakdown of affiliations among Springfield's 8,791 registered voters:

- Independents, 4,296 — 48 percent;
- Democrats, 2,604 — 30 percent;
- Republicans, 1,891 — 22 percent.

Some other major factors that would come into play in any Independent's bid would include name recognition, organizational backing and resources, the issues, voter habits, turnout and the impact of other contests.

These and other factors played prominent when the local electorate delivered victories to the Republican and Democratic parties in 1991 and 1992 respectively, with the latter taking a majority in every voting district in Springfield last year.

## Local seniors enlist to ease the difficulties of tax filing

By David Brown  
Managing Editor

Figuring out one's tax liability can be a taxing situation indeed. But the Springfield chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons is making it a bit easier for local residents to complete deductions, write-offs, income and overall tax liability that sometimes just doesn't compute.

William Gural, a Springfield resident and one of six local advisers enlisted by AARP and the Internal Revenue Service to staff their jointly sponsored tax filing assistance program, said the free service has seen a healthy volume of taxpayers since it started in mid-February. They are prepared for an onslaught at their last scheduled tax session, April 13.

"You never know," said Gural, a retired attorney who has volunteered his services every Tuesday at the Springfield Public Library to assist senior citizens and young people alike in calculating their tax liability and filing returns properly. Since tax returns must be mailed by April 15, he said, "We may get a flood of people. The session is already full."

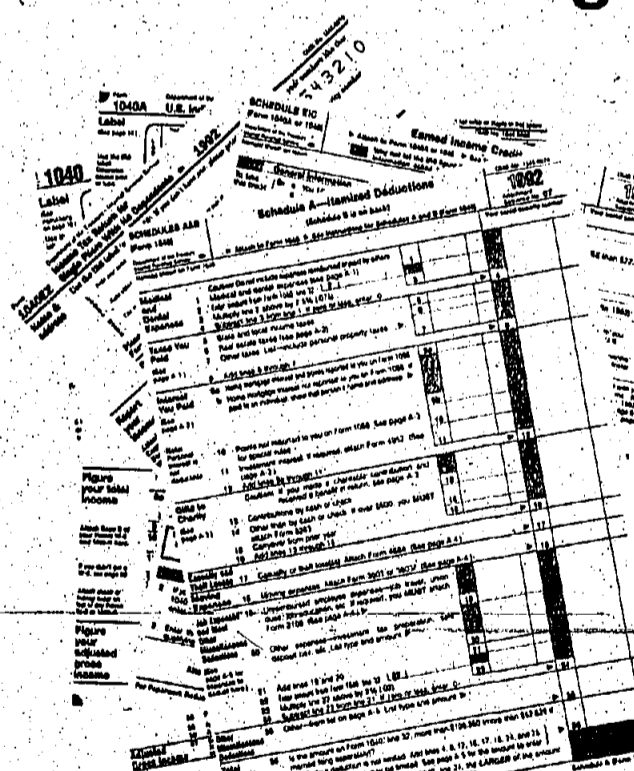
Over 100 residents, mostly seniors, have sought assistance with their state and federal income tax returns through the program so far this year, Gural said.

While Gural said the advisers "don't get into anything too complicated," they will help seniors through the calculations of the 1940 form, Homestead Rebate and various deductions if residents are eligible.

Some tax filing factors unique to seniors, according to the AARP advisers, include deductions for charitable donations; potential liability from pension and IRA income; regular W-2 wages; Social Security benefits over \$3,000 may be subject to tax.

The tax advisers urge taxpayers to file a state income tax return even if no money is owed the government in order to be eligible for the Homestead Rebate program. The rebate form is located on the back of the state tax return form.

Gural, who attended IRS-sponsored training sessions and passed the government's tax adviser



Just a sample of the myriad tax forms residents may struggle through tonight, tomorrow or sometime next week to meet the April 15 filing deadline.

examination, said residents who plan to use the program should bring last year's income tax statements to the session.

Feeling uncomfortable about sharing income information with the volunteer advisers because they are also your neighbor is not uncommon, according to AARP tax advisers. Programs are also offered in Mountaintide, Scotch Plains and Summit among other locations.

Gural said that while the final session at the library was booked, residents may have the chance to experience the program should be prepared to wait, he said.

Mail filing deadline: Taxpayers must file returns by midnight, April 15. Springfield Postmaster William Daniels this week said that his branch does not plan to extend its hours to accommodate late mailings. "It's usually a madhouse here?" No," said Daniels. "But there are always the last minute tax filers, which is a nuisance to anyone," he said.

Daniels said the post office will have clearly marked bins for state and federal tax returns.

The nearest post office branch open until midnight on April 15 is the Cranford Post Office.

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news clips

Naturalists Club to view tour of New England

Echo Lake Naturalists Club will meet April 13 at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church, located on Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

The meeting will feature Henry Moriwether, who will act as tour guide for this return to New England through the slides of club members who toured this section of the country in May 1992.

On April 17 the Naturalists will trek to Jemmy Jump State Forest where leader Kay Miller will take the group through the many habitats of the park which include marsh, meadow and mountain.

Stamp expo scheduled

New Jersey's largest stamp collecting event will take place during the weekend of May 1-2, at the Holiday Inn in Springfield.

With leading stamp, postal history, and poster dealers participating, traveling from the South, the New England states, even coming from the Far West, in addition to dealers from the Tri-State area, this will be an interesting and exciting stamp collecting event.

Springfield pool taking applications for 1993

The Springfield Recreation Department is currently accepting Municipal Pool applications at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center, 30 Church Mall, Springfield, Monday through Friday from 9 - 4 p.m.

The Pool facility includes a 75 meter L-shaped swimming pool, Kiddie Pool, Bathhouse, Recreation House, First Aid Station, Snack Bar, Bocci Courts, Paddleball Courts, Horseshoe Pit, Volleyball Courts, Basketball Court and Staff/Boards.

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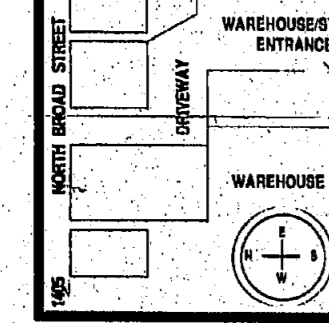
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Courts. Activities include daily and weekly tournament, arts and crafts, entertainment, dances and more. A Day Camp Program is provided for member children between the ages of 3-12 to 10 years of age. Camp hours are Monday through Friday from 1 - 5 p.m. The camp must eight weeks beginning July 5 to Aug. 27. The fees are as follows: Family - \$190, Single - \$125, Senior Citizens - \$50, Non-residents - \$370. Non-residents must be sponsored by a Springfield resident. There is a limit of 250 memberships. Day camps: Ready - \$175, Non-residents - \$250.

Local to be featured on interior design show Vicki Saracino, a Springfield resident and interior decorator, will be a featured designer on an upcoming episode of television travel show "Discover New Jersey" on New Jersey Network.

Saracino participated in a videotaping of the program in Mullica Hill, a southern New Jersey village that is brimming with antique and specialty shops. Saracino and two design associates were taped as they looked at collectibles and antique furniture. They were given a script and had several lines to read.

Through her association with Trans Designers, Saracino has earned several interior decorating awards. "Discover New Jersey" is a half-hour travel show that showcases all the state has to offer in day trips.

Civic Calendar

The Civic Calendar is prepared by the Springfield Leader and Mountaineer. To avoid conflicts in scheduling local events, please post dates, times and places as early as possible and send to P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083, or call (908) 686-7700.

The Mountaineer Borough Council meets at 8 p.m. at the municipal building.

The Springfield Township Committee meets at 8 p.m. at the municipal building.

Upcoming events Springfield and Mountaineer residents will have the opportunity to vote on their respective school districts' 1993-04 budgets, as well as the regional high school districts'.

The Union County Utilities Authority will pick up recyclables in Springfield on April 23.

Residents are requested to set out their recyclable materials by 7:30 a.m. the day they are scheduled for collection. Questions or problems with recycling may be directed to the Recycling Hotline, (908) 862-0101.

activities and attractions. The program airs Thursdays at 9 p.m. on New Jersey Network.

Springfield ID badges require '93 validation The Springfield Recreation Department announced that photo identification badges must be validated for the 1993 season. At no cost, residents may bring their photo IDs into the Recreation Department at 30 Church Mall, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. after April 15 for validation.

Residents may also mail their ID to the Recreation Department for validation, but should include a self-addressed stamped envelope for its return.

According to township ordinance, all residents must have a photo ID to play on all township tennis courts. First-time photo ID badges cost \$10. To replace a lost ID badge, residents must come to the Recreation Department for a new photograph at a cost \$10.

Questions about township ID badges may be directed to the Recreation Department at (201) 912-2228.

Tax advice available Free income tax assistance 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 Ratable form.

The group will sponsor a mystery bus trip on April 20, according to bus chairperson Rose Slijk.

On May 24, a bus will be available to take members to the Hantwood Hills Playhouse to see the comedy "When We Are Married." Call Slijk at 232-4043 for details.

The group's Mother's Day luncheon will be held May 12 at the Mountaineer Manor, Albertina Reil-

Educating the club

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Passover marks Jews' break from bondage

Freedom to learn and practice religion is so common in America that Americans tend to take it for granted. With the holiday of Passover, which begins on the eve of April 5 and will continue until sundown April 13, Jews in America reminisce about the hardships of slavery, and appreciate their freedom. Passover, however, not only marks the transition from slavery to freedom, but also recognizes the trust Jews have developed in themselves and God, the formation of laws and customs, and the independence acquired by ending a "slave mentality."

Passover, along with Sukkot and Shavuot, is one of the Shalosh Regalim, or harvest festivals, and is an agricultural festival marking the beginning of the grain harvest. Passover is known by four names: Pesach, the Hebrew equivalent of Passover; Hag Ha Matzo, the festival of the unleavened bread; Z'man Herutem, the season of our freedom; and Hag Ha Aviv, the festival of spring.

According to Jewish history, Jews were enslaved in Egypt for 430 years. God appointed Moses to be the leader of the Jews in their exodus from Egypt into the wilderness. In their haste to leave, however, the bread Jews were making for sustenance did not have enough time to rise, so they had to eat unleavened bread, known as matzo. Matzo, also known as the bread of affliction, is just one of the commemorative foods Jews eat on Passover.

The holiday of Passover begins on the 15th day of the Hebrew month Nisan and lasts eight days. The first and last two days are full holidays, and the middle four days are half-holidays, known as Hol Hamoadot. On the eve of Passover, Jews search for the remaining leavened bread in their home, a custom known as Bedikat Hametz, and the next morning burn this hametz, called Bior Hametz. On the first two nights of Passover, Jews perform a ritual service known as a Seder, which means order — the order in which the ceremony is arranged. Jews use a Hagaddah, which is a special book read during the service retelling the story of Exodus. Birkat Hametz with prayers, reciting hymns and Jewish folk songs.

One of the most interesting aspects of Passover is the arrangement of the Seder plate, or Ker'as. On one corner is the Zoro, or roasted shankbone of a lamb, the sacrificial animal in honor of the Exodus from Egypt; on the other end is the Betza, or egg, the cycle of life and renewal of spring; in the center is the Maror, or bitter herbs, reminding Jews of the bitterness of slavery in Egypt. The Karpas, a green leafy vegetable, is the symbol of spring and new life which came to the Jews after leaving Egypt. The vegetable is dipped into salt water, a sym-

bol of the ancestor's tears because of the hardships of slavery and the poor nourishment of the Jews while enslaved by King Pharaoh in Egypt. Finally, the Haroset, a mixture of wine, apple, nuts and cinnamon, represents the mortar Jews used as they made bricks for the Egyptians, and is sweet because God's kindness made slavery bearable.

The ancient customs of Passover are celebrated today through the searching for and burning of the Hametz and the arrangement of the Seder. On this day, Jews of America acknowledge their freedom and pray that one day all Jews can be redeemed and attain freedom. To the Jewish people, Passover is like America's Independence Day, a day of sadness for past afflictions and hope for a positive tomorrow.

Carol Smith is a professional Torah reader at Congregation Ner Shalom in Metuchen and Adath Israel in Lawrenceville and Temple Anshe Emet, New Brunswick.

By David Drown Manning Drumm Springtime is not just for the believers who do not work for the holidays, or holy days, of Good Friday, Easter and Passover. Spring is also for unbelievers.

Atheists of the world, you seem mark the vernal equinox, celebrating the coming of spring and the rejuvenation of life on earth.

"Centuries ago people saw the days getting longer and life beginning again after a long, dark winter," said Ellen Johnson, a regional spokesperson for the American Atheists. "It's one of the most important celebrations of the year for us."

Johnson was quick to call her organization's observance a celebration. "It's not a holiday, or holy day. It's a celebration."

Between 5,000 and 10,000 followers of the humanist or materialist phi-

losophy will celebrate the vernal equinox nationwide, while Jews observe Passover and Christians Easter. Muslims also just finished marking their most solemn time of the year as the month of Ramadan concluded March 24.

Johnson said the goal of her organization was not to infringe upon the rights of others to practice their own religion, but she said atheists "kind of laugh at the holidays of religions."

"A lot of people don't have the guts to stand up and say, 'Hey, nobody can rise from the dead,'" Johnson said, referring to the Christian belief that Jesus Christ rose on Easter after being dead two days.

What, then, do atheists believe? "We say take responsibility for your

life. We don't need to escape into a fantasy world of religion to deal with life," Johnson said.

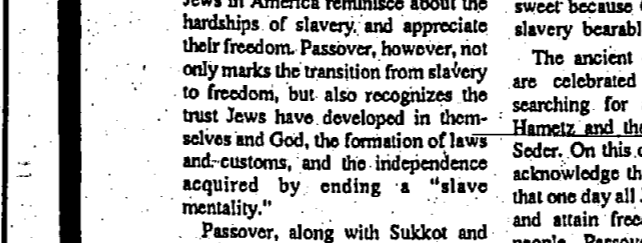
The American Atheists' philosophy, in part, declares: The cosmos is devoid of eminent conscious purpose; there is no supernatural interference in human life; people finding resources within themselves can and must create their own destiny; humans — must prize life on earth and strive always to improve it.

"Basically, it's the supremacy of reason over faith," Johnson said. "We'd like to bring atheists out of the closet," she said, noting the movement appears neither to be expanding nor shrinking. "We're holding our own."

Information about the American Atheists can be obtained by calling (512) 458-5731.

'Mirabile visu'

Truly a 'wonder to behold,' is the banner created by students of the Latin language at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield which earned third place honors statewide at the recent Rutgers University Latin Day. Based on a quote from Virgil's 'Aeneid,' the Jonathan Dayton students were commended for the banner's artistic quality. In addition, the Dayton students teamed with Latin language students from Governor Livingston Regional High School to take third place in a 'disparity-type' academic competition, which tested their knowledge of Latin language, history and culture.



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Atheists, too, view spring as special time

By David Drown Manning Drumm Springtime is not just for the believers who do not work for the holidays, or holy days, of Good Friday, Easter and Passover. Spring is also for unbelievers.

Atheists of the world, you seem mark the vernal equinox, celebrating the coming of spring and the rejuvenation of life on earth.

"Centuries ago people saw the days getting longer and life beginning again after a long, dark winter," said Ellen Johnson, a regional spokesperson for the American Atheists. "It's one of the most important celebrations of the year for us."

Johnson was quick to call her organization's observance a celebration. "It's not a holiday, or holy day. It's a celebration."

Between 5,000 and 10,000 followers of the humanist or materialist phi-

losophy will celebrate the vernal equinox nationwide, while Jews observe Passover and Christians Easter. Muslims also just finished marking their most solemn time of the year as the month of Ramadan concluded March 24.

Johnson said the goal of her organization was not to infringe upon the rights of others to practice their own religion, but she said atheists "kind of laugh at the holidays of religions."

"A lot of people don't have the guts to stand up and say, 'Hey, nobody can rise from the dead,'" Johnson said, referring to the Christian belief that Jesus Christ rose on Easter after being dead two days.

What, then, do atheists believe? "We say take responsibility for your

life. We don't need to escape into a fantasy world of religion to deal with life," Johnson said.

The American Atheists' philosophy, in part, declares: The cosmos is devoid of eminent conscious purpose; there is no supernatural interference in human life; people finding resources within themselves can and must create their own destiny; humans — must prize life on earth and strive always to improve it.

"Basically, it's the supremacy of reason over faith," Johnson said. "We'd like to bring atheists out of the closet," she said, noting the movement appears neither to be expanding nor shrinking. "We're holding our own."

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Christians see Easter as rebirth

By Glenn Fannick and Jeff Joz This week Christians observe Holy Week, which celebrates the perfect dichotomy of joy and sorrow.

Palm Sunday, which was April 4 this year, marks the beginning of the holiday season by remembering Jesus' entrance into the city of Jerusalem as described in the Gospels — also known as the first four books of the New Testament.

Christians celebrate the coming of Jesus among the people who wanted to crown him as king, but five days later, they demanded that the Romans crucify him.

Catholic churches around the world will celebrate Mass today which commemorates the Holy Eucharist at Jesus' Last Supper. Often the feet of 12 parishioners will be washed by the priest to represent Jesus' washing the feet of his Apostles — representing his sacrifice to his people and to dispel the thought that he was king of his people.

On Good Friday, the most solemn day of the year marked by Catholics with traditional fasting and abstinence from meat, all Christians remember the death of Jesus on the cross. Often "living stations" of the cross are held and re-enacted by students who act out Jesus' carrying of the cross through the streets of Jerusalem.

Holy Saturday, which all Christians remember as the day that Jesus' believers await his resurrection from the dead, is marked by quiet prayer and reflection leading to the celebration of his resurrection on Easter.

On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate the most glorious day of their calendar, the resurrection of Christ, which is said to give them and all people eternal life.

When asked if the moral fabric of society would be damaged, torn or non-existent if religion disappeared, Johnson was adamant: "The fabric of society is falling apart because of religion. Religion is the problem," she said, citing strife in the Balkans and Northern Ireland, Muslim extremist involvement in the World Trade Center bombing and the stand-off between federal officials and Christian fanatics in Waco, Texas as examples. "Religion has always been the problem," she said.

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### county news

#### Hopetful come to Union

Three of the Republican candidates seeking to run against Gov. Jim Florio this fall are expected to be on hand for a public forum in Union tonight.

Anthony DiGiovanni, Republican Municipal Chairman for Union, announced that former Attorney General Cary Edwards, Christine Todd Whitman, and former state Senator James Wallwork will attend the forum scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Valentino's restaurant, 1181 Morris Ave.

Morris Township Committeeman James Gilligan, who is also seeking the Republican nomination, was not invited.

"I got them together to come to Union, the largest Republican town in Union County," DiGiovanni said.

The chairman said the three candidates' willingness to come to Union Township indicates that the municipality will play a pivotal role in who will challenge Florio.

DiGiovanni is uncommitted as to who he will endorse for the race, but said he will make a decision within two weeks of tonight's forum.

Sen. C. Louis Bassano, R-Union, the highest office holder among local Republicans, is backing Whitman. Admission is free and all members of the press and public are invited. The event is being sponsored by the Regular Republican Organization of Union.

#### Female execs to meet

The North Jersey Association of Female Executives will hold its second annual "Working in Style" fashion show April 20 at L'Affaire in Montclair.

A cash bar and networking start at 6 p.m. Proceeds of the evenings will go toward the NAFES cancer day program which presents two scholarships each year to young women entering college.

Tickets are \$35 and include dinner. Advance reservations are required. For additional information, call (908) 548-9559, Ext. 4455. To make reservations, send a check made payable to NAFES, P.O. Box 3, Edison, 08818-0003.

#### Job service on TV

The Chamber Job Service, a joint project of the Chamber of Commerce, the Union County Private Industry Council and the Union

County Board of Freeholders, is sponsoring a series of television programs designed to locate jobs for economically disadvantaged individuals.

To better inform the business community and the public about this free service, four TV programs are being produced. The first and second shows have been telecast during February and March.

The third program will air during April and feature two representatives from local employment agencies. The discussion concentrates on ways people have to prepare themselves for getting a job.

Richard O. Leggett, president of Snelling and Snelling Personnel in Summit, and Margaret Rowlett, president of Resources Unlimited in New Providence, have more than 35 years of experience in the placement business.

They and their staff have placed thousands of individuals over the years. They know what companies look for and want from an applicant, as well as what they don't want and what will keep an applicant from getting hired.

Union County - People Working will broadcast on the following channels and dates:

Channel TV 36 weekly - Tuesday 6 p.m. and Thursday at 8:30 p.m.; Channel 32 - April 16 at 6:05 p.m. and April 19 at 9:05 p.m.

#### CPR for sitters taught

Dr. Nicholas Palmieri of Linden is sponsoring a full-day program designed to train baby-sitters and others involved with the care of infants and children.

The course is open to anyone over the age of 12 and will be offered at the Linden Volunteer Ambulance Corps building at 12 N. Siles St., Linden May 8 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Instructors will be paramedics, physicians, firefighters and nurses. Infant and child CPR certification will be issued upon successful completion of the course, and certificates will be issued to all who attend the entire day.

According to Palmieri, this is an essential course for anyone involved in the care of infants and children or those interested in learning these life-saving and practical techniques.

The course is best suited for teen-age and adult sitters, new parents, parents-in-law, teachers and day-care workers. There is a fee of \$35 per student. Pre-registration and pre-payment is required.

#### Seminar targets drugs

"Maternal, Fetal and Neonatal Consequences of Chemical Use and Dependence" will be topic of a seminar to be given April 16 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Union County, Inc., at its offices at 300 North Avenue East, Westfield.

Taught by Evelyn Sullivan, prenatal addictions coordinator at Elizabeth General Medical Center, the course is \$45 and earns participants six credit hours toward certification or recertification.

To register, call the council at (908) 233-8810.

#### Scholarships available

The Suburban Cablevision Scholarship Program will accept scholarship applications of college-bound high school seniors through April 23 at 5 p.m. Scholarship applications and brochures must be obtained through high school guidance departments.

Suburban Cablevision will award five \$8,000 college scholarships to high school seniors residing in one of the 42 communities serviced by the cable operator. Applicants do not have to be cable subscribers to apply.

Awards are determined based upon academic achievement, extracurricular activities and demonstrated financial need. A maximum of three applications per school is allowed, and detailed information is available through high school guidance departments or by calling the scholarship coordinator at (908) 851-8924.

#### Minister talks to group

The American Cancer Society will feature a special guest speaker at its monthly breast cancer support group.

Robert L. Henry, director of First Baptist Church in Westfield, will speak on "Breast Cancer and its Impact on Your Relationship" on April 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church on Elm Street in West-

field. This is a unique support group meeting, as husbands and/or significant others are encouraged to attend.

Call (908) 354-7373 for more information or directions.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives from cancer, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education and patient services.

#### Historian to speak

Robert B. Burnett of Linden will speak April 18 at 3 p.m. to members and guests of the Union County Historical Society at the Abraham Clark House on Chestnut Street and West Ninth Street in Roselle on "Sports and Leisure in Victorian New Jersey."

Burnett, who will illustrate his talk with slides of period illustrations from such sources as "Harper's Weekly" and Frank Leslie's "Illustrated Newspaper," will examine the century's changes wrought by such phenomena as organization, transportation and industrialization.

He will explore such pastimes as hunting and fishing, ocean bathing, baseball, cricket, boat racing, tennis, polo and bicycling. He also will highlight the development of the Jersey Shore resorts and will describe how recreation became a social activity.

Burnett holds degrees in history from Albright College and the University of Delaware. He teaches history at Bloomfield College and the County College of Morris. He is the former director of publications for the New Jersey Historical Society. He formerly taught at Stevens Institute of Technology and at Elizabethtown College.

Burnett is the author of many articles on history and "Belleville: 150th Anniversary Historical Highlights, 1839-1989" and "Pictorial Guide to Victorian New Jersey."



New elected officers in the Union County Regional Environmental Health Commission are, from left, Kevin Schuurman, Anthony Deigo, Kimberly Zagorski and Eugene Galens.

#### Health commission names 1993's slate of officers

The ninth annual reorganization meeting of the Union County Regional Environmental Health Commission was held in February and the elections resulted in the following appointments: Anthony Deigo, representing Rahway, chairman; Kimberly Zagorski, representing Summit, vice chairman; Eugene Galens, representing Fairwood, treasurer; and Kevin Schuurman, secretary.

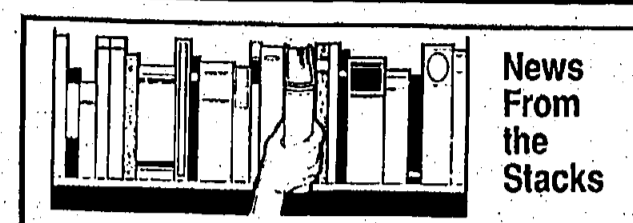
Following the election, Deigo and Schuurman presented a plaque to Dr. Dominick Pisano for his "outstanding service" as chairman in 1992. The commission consists of 20 of the 21 municipalities in Union County. Commission inspectors act as liaisons for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Entry in enforcing state air pollution and noise control codes.

Inspectors also enforce county codes in air pollution, noise control and solid waste/land-dumping. In 1993, the commission is working to implement an NJDEP certified Hazardous Substance Control Program. The commission hopes to establish a cooperative effort with the Union County Office of Emergency Management to ensure the most effective utilization of resources.

#### Say yes to your life

Alcohol is a drug, and you can get hooked on it. The younger you start, the more addictive it is and the more damage it can do. To find out more, call the Roselle Park Information and Crisis Center hotline at (908) 241-HELP. Assistance is available to help you break the habit.

### education



The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Public Library will feature the paintings of Philip Moskowitz and the ceramic sculpture of Kevin Heller through April 30.

Museum hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 66 Mountain Ave. in Springfield. For further information, call (201) 376-4930.

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library will hold a lobby sale April 23 and 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the meeting room of the library. Donations of household items such as china, ceramic, plastic, glass or metal dishes or knick-knacks; cooking utensils; silverware or stainless steel eating utensils; small pieces of furniture; tools and many other garage sale-type merchandise are now being received.

No clothing will be accepted, and books should be saved for the Friends' book sale, which is held in the fall. One popular feature of this sale has been the jewelry table. Donations of costume jewelry are especially encouraged. A "treasure chest" for donating jewelry has been set up on the circulation desk.

The public is urged to support the Friends in this activity by bringing their valuable items to the library between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to bring their calendars for the dates of the sale.

Proceeds from this project are used to underwrite special performances and lectures, and purchase reference materials not included in the library's budget.

Thursdays for Preschoolers The Mountaineer Public Library will conduct Preschool Storytime for children ages 3 and 4 on the following dates at 2 p.m.: April 22 and 29; May 6, 13, 20 and 27. The program will feature picture books, folk tales and special activities for preschoolers. The session lasts approximately 30 minutes.

The program will be led by librarian Anne Lujan. Registration is required and may be done by phone at 233-0115, or in person.

Mountain-side and Springfield residents may seek tax advice from their local public libraries. Mountaineer's final tax advice session is scheduled for April 13. Although the final April 12 session at the Springfield Public Library will, coordinators say they will try to accommodate everyone. The program is a joint venture of the Internal Revenue Service and the American Association of Retired Persons.

#### A university, right around the bend?

When you go to graduate school, you step into your car and travel to some local university, look for a parking space, wait in long lines to register and then repeatedly rush up stairs into a third-floor classroom, right? Wrong.

It used to be that way before the Springfield Public Schools became an off-site campus for Keen College. Now, graduate classes are offered in the comfort and convenience of the board conference room in F.M. Gaudin School. Even registration is minimized to a brief completion of forms on the first night of school.

Two courses, "Cooperative Teaching" and "Cooperative Learning and Education in New Jersey: Critical Issues" are being taught by Albert LaMorgese and Pamela Gray, respectively. Both instructors are staff developers for Springfield Public Schools.

"Cooperative Learning" is composed of many strategies that enable students to work together respectfully in a spirit of positive interdependence. Students remain accountable for their own learning but are also accountable for the learning of members in their cooperative learning group. This form of cooperation strengthens social skills as students work together much as adults do in problem solving.

The "Critical Issues" course contains many strategies to motivate students accustomed to action-packed television programs and Nintendo games. Such strategies address the challenge of today's teachers who want to create learning people, not just learners. Such learning makes education a life-long pursuit.

Future plans for Springfield's off-campus site will extend graduate course offerings to include Behavioral and Social Foundations of Teaching, Inquiry Teaching & Thinking and Creativity; Practicum for the Gifted.

#### A web of success



Dearfield School in Mountaineer presented a successful production of "Charlotte's Web: The Musical" in March. Cast members included, from rear left, Melissa Stalle, Monika Szymborski, Brian Cantagallo, Elizabeth DeAnna, Adam Perda, and Scott Keller. From front left, Bro Dan Antram and Leah Lee. The musical was directed by Jenny Lucas.



Students at Springfield's James Caldwell School recently viewed a presentation of "Robin Hood and the Water Crusaders" by performers from the Small Change Original Theater.

#### Play teaches students about the environment

Students at James Caldwell School in Springfield recently had the opportunity to learn about water conservation and the environment when the Small Change Original Theater presented "Robin Hood and the Water Crusaders."

"New Jersey-American Water Co. is sponsoring this free pilot educational program to enhance our existing youth education program," said Bonnie 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 featured a live theater production for grades K-6. The producers, Small Change Original Theater of Minneapolis, are 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, from little-helm-William-at-Warwick and Sir Scarlett, learns how important

the earth's supply of water is and the things citizens can do to keep it clean and ensure that it is not wasted.

"We're really excited about this pilot program," Reed said. "The schools were chosen on a lottery basis, and performances were scheduled on a first come, first served basis." Presentations were given at 13 schools in Essex, Morris, Somerset, Union and Warren counties in March. New Jersey-American is sponsoring performances at a total of 55 schools throughout the state.

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## Get extension if you cannot meet deadline

Don't risk making costly errors by hastily preparing your 1992 tax return. The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants says you can easily obtain an automatic tax-filing extension that will give you four additional months to complete your tax return — but not payment of tax.

To request an automatic extension, simply complete Form 4868 and send it to the Internal Revenue Service Center designated for your state along with payment of any tax estimated to be due. The form must be mailed by April 15. This will automatically extend your tax-filing deadline until Aug. 15.

If you can't meet the extended Aug. 15 deadline, the IRS may be willing to give you more time to complete your tax return, provided that you have a good reason, such as illness of yourself or a family member. The reason must be stated in Form 2688, Application for Additional Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Returns. CPAs point out that you must

## Money Management

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## County government: efficient, ineffective or an appendix?

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If county government is going to survive the 1990s as a part of the New Jersey landscape, it must take a new direction.

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## Around The Table

By Bob Vignanti

to the county. It is then easy to see how local government could pay for its own road repair with no major tax impact.

Thus, what is left for the county to do? Well, Councilsout said nothing and county government was abolished there many years ago. Here in New Jersey, county government has survived — but for how long? If the above services can be placed at the state or municipal level, the function of the register, surrogate, election board, tax board, prosecutor, vote-tech school and Union County College can exist under a state umbrella and be supported by a wider tax base. There has even been discussion of privatizing many county services such as the Watching Stables, golf courses, and Runnels Hospital. Due to the economic conditions in New Jersey and the United States, county government may not be the best solution. This should occur not only because of the economy but because it makes good business sense. The county should exist to provide creative, cost effective,

regional services to its residents and municipalities. It must become a proactive leader of services and not a reactive drain of tax dollars. We must insist that gone are the days when one would say, "Don't let county government get involved."

There are numerous services which the county can and should provide either solely or in cooperation with local government. Animal control, cooperative buying, road maintenance contracts, maintenance of traffic control lights, regional solid waste and recycling services and composting. The county should do away with those services it provides inefficiently or uneconomically and concentrate on the true regional needs of all our communities.

Here the county should take the same positive active role that it took in the building and running of the leaf composting program. By my perspective, this is an excellent ongoing program that now must be expanded to include grass clippings. Many may say that the biggest single disaster in recent county history was in the area of garbage. I'm not here to cast stones at any individual, party or employee but from the go-go, this program has certainly had a positive impact. In hindsight, and remember in hindsight we are all Einsteins, I'm not so sure that I would have placed this tremendous responsibility in the hands

of an authority. Or at least not in the very beginning. To be fair to the UCUA, they were given the ball very late in the game. Why this occurred has never been quite clear to me, but so, let it be. A major reason for forming the UCUA was that the borrowing capacity of the county would not need to be utilized. The county could not handle the debt at the same time they did the jail. Also, if the incinerator falls there will not be a drain on county funds, unless the freholders choose to help. Here it appears that almost overnight we were going to correct 100 years plus of not respecting our environment and overnight correct our landfill problems. Putting its rocky start aside, this agency must get its act together. The recent confusion regarding recycling contracts is still another point that critics will continue to view with skepticism. I'm not sure of the legal formation of this agency, but it certainly appears they need some additional oversight from the freholders and or county manager's office. By their budget and area of responsibilities, they are certainly one of the biggest county agencies and play a vital, major role in our futures.

By past performance, the county has not been all that bad — on the other hand they have not been all that good. The county is blessed with funds, perhaps thousands of good dedicated caring employees — and, yes, like any large corporation it has its share of incompetents, malingers and "political hacks." The difference is that if a private company wishes to put up with non productive staff they have the right; however, the county is spending taxpayers' money and lack of productivity cannot and should not continue. Remember, when a private company messes up, they go out of business, but when the county or any other governmental agency messes up, they just raise your taxes!

What must occur with a tremendous force, in a most orderly manner, the county must start taking a greater leadership role and plan with the municipalities to create more expansive, regional programs, such as the leaf program. It must stay away from the actions that created the confusion, mistrust and politics of the UCUA.

The county has had good leadership. Bob Vignanti was an excellent leader. The freholders have been quality individuals from both sides of the political aisle. Both parties have suffered from self serving people seeking and sometimes winning elections. Unfortunately, this is part of the American process and I always hope that the voters will see this and vote that kind of person out of office. This doesn't always work or it sometimes happens too late.

I would strongly recommend to the freholder board that they, along with the county manager, set up an active, ongoing relationship with the municipalities. Certainly the first step has been taken. Harold Gibson, deputy county manager, has been a dedicated attendee to the Union County League of Municipalities and has given and taken valuable input from this group. This spirit of cooperation must be expanded where the UCLM and the county set up, on a regular basis, a small group from each to talk positive programs and courses of improvement. I don't intend for this to supersede the authority of the freholder board, but to serve as a standing board and an environment where municipalities' services, along with the county's, may be expanded and improved, with reduced cost of government to the taxpayer.

Union County: Efficient? Yes in many areas; Ineffective? Yes in fewer areas. An appendix? I hope not, for if it did become a mere appendix, it would and should be cut out like any ruptured appendix.

Bob Vignanti is mayor of Montclair and a panelist on Worrall Community Newspapers' Union County Roundtable.

## Law must send clear message to terrorists

By Gov. Jim Florio

Whenever you run into a situation that you think shouldn't be allowed to exist, a common response is to say, "There ought to be a law."

This is how I felt when I recently toured the wreckage at the World Trade Center. You would have to stand three and a half miles away to fully appreciate the devastation caused by the bomb that blew through the building. In the end, all Florio could say was, "The Legislature was not going to let the pensions be shifted to the districts." Some fighter.

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## State We're In

By David F. Moore

The decision to sacrifice some 600,000 hard-won acres of farmland was related in a recent story in the New York Times.

This helps to underscore my surprise and gratification to discover that the Netherlands, a nation famed for diking and draining bits of the Atlantic Ocean, has begun to sacrifice some of that land to create freshwater wetlands!

The reasons for keeping and restoring wetlands in Holland are the same as for saving them in New Jersey. These include preserving surface and ground-water quality, protecting wildlife, abating pollution and enhancing air quality.

All of this comes in the face of some 100 centuries of enlarging the Netherlands by draining marshlands and, as I noted, actually creating land from the sea. Sections of the country are 20 feet below sea level.

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## The road to safety

As children, we all hopped on our first bicycles Christmas morning or on a birthday and, with a push from mom and dad, we were off, nervously wobbling away along the sidewalk or road, precariously hugging the curb and hoping for the best.

The Springfield Community Conference Group, the Springfield Police Benevolent Association Local 76, and the Union County Traffic Safety Program recently helped take the wobble out of bicycling with its Bicycle Safety Rideo.

Teaching, as it did, our young riders to safely operate their 5- and 10-speed bicycles, dirt bikes and tri-cycles, complements the statute requiring helmets for riders under age 14.

Riding a bike is one thing. Riding a bike safely is another. The Springfield community has done well to put its youngsters on the road to safety.

## Republican feud: a Greek tragedy?

The Union County Republican Party's internal feud makes for a great Greek tragedy, or is it a comedy?

The players:  
• Belaguered GOP county Chairman Frank McDermott.  
• At least 200 members of the Republican County Committee.  
• GOP Freeholder Lou Santagata, overlooked for re-election.

Springfield Township Committeeman Harry Pappas, a former Democrat, picked to run in Santagata's stead.

The setting: Union County, a small hamlet of mixed political affiliation.

Act One: The dialogue and action is laden with semantics and irony. Santagata is pushed offstage and replaced by Pappas in a quick coup de grace, to the surprise of the audience and many party members on stage.

While many rank and file GOP members question — by voice and by pen — the method by which its leadership selected the 1993 freholder ticket, McDermott claims not to understand the dissenting position's written request to review the process as the deadline to register candidates nears.

The battle of words begins. The verse, for the most part, is pure political poetry.

Intermission: The audience at the play's opening night does not know which direction the plot will take. McDermott's motive for dispensing with an open convention is the focus of intermission talk. McDermott, some speculate, is privy to information that justifies his stubbornness. Others guess he has been pressured into taking and holding his position. The audience is convinced of only one thing: McDermott is a savvy, seasoned party leader. His decision to dispense with an open convention, therefore, is neither arbitrary nor uneducated.

Milling about the lobby at intermission, a majority of the audience guesses the play is a tragedy. "Oligarchical Democracy" some renamed the play — democracy by the few.

Others, however, have been given a good laugh by the semantics and obvious irony in the dialogue and action, and believe the play is a first-class comedy as they file back into the theater for Act Two.

## Florio knew how to play 'gun ban' game

By all indications, Gov. Jim Florio won a smashing victory a couple of weeks ago when the GOP-dominated Senate voted overwhelmingly against an ill-fated, NRA-financed effort to override Florio's veto of legislation that would have repealed the 3-year-old ban on assault weapons.

This came after the Assembly, also run by the Republicans, did in fact override the Florio veto. Aside from making the GOP look like idiots and stooges for the gun lobby, despite the Senate vote, this issue was like a dream come true for the governor.

Imagine: Florio trounces the same Republicans who once said he was "independent" in the legislative process. He got to be on the same side of a high-profile issue with the public — 70 percent supported the ban — who would still vote for Florio's "independent" over him. Finally, he is seen as a tough populist willing to stand up to the big, bad NRA bullies.

There was the governor in the press "interview" at every dinner he was photographed with the family of a loved one who was killed by these "weapons of war." Florio posing side by side with cops of all shapes and

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### obituaries

**Michael A. Spalletta**  
Michael A. Spalletta, 74, of Mountaintop, a mechanical engineer and owner of two Springfield firms, died March 24 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

**Phillip D. Torrisi**  
Phillip D. Torrisi, 69, of Clark, formerly of Springfield, a civic leader in Springfield, died Monday in his home.

**Margaret C. Kuel**  
Margaret C. Kuel, 94, of Middlesex, formerly of Mountaintop, died Monday in the Greenbrook Manor Nursing Home, Green Brook.

#### death notices

**Corbello, John**, on April 3, 1993, beloved husband of the late Rose Marie Corbello, died at the age of 68. Burial will be held at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Springfield, N.J., on Thursday, April 8, 1993, at 10 a.m. Friends are invited to call at the funeral home of the late Mrs. Corbello, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J., on Thursday, April 8, 1993, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Burial will be held at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Springfield, N.J., on Thursday, April 8, 1993, at 10 a.m. Friends are invited to call at the funeral home of the late Mrs. Corbello, 1500 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J., on Thursday, April 8, 1993, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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### lifestyle



Patrick Kelleher and Jodi Malia Horn

### Horn-Kelleher engaged

Mrs. William Horn of Bloomfield has announced the engagement of her daughter, Jodi Malia Horn, to Patrick Thomas Kelleher, son of Mrs. Patrick Kelleher of Roselle.

### clubs in the news

Pay Miller, president of B'nai B'rith Women, Northern New Jersey Council, will preside over a luncheon April 18 at the Marriott Hotel, Newark.

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the legal voters of the Borough of Roselle in the Township of Springfield in the County of Union, New Jersey, are hereby notified that the legal voters of said district in the election of a member of the Board of Public Works for the term ending on June 30, 1993, shall be held on Wednesday, the 21st day of April, A.D. 1993, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at the Municipal Office, 1201 Stuyvesant Avenue, Roselle, New Jersey.

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### stork club

**Mollie Rosenkrantz**  
A 7-year-old, 1-ounce daughter, Mollie, was born July 27 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenkrantz of Mountaintop.

**Rebecca Mindl Rosenberg**  
A daughter, Rebecca Mindl, was born March 12 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenberg of Mountaintop.

**Matthew and Marisa Bunis**  
Twins, Matthew Scott and Marisa Ariel, were born March 12 in the Carolina Medical Center, Charlotte, N.C., to Jill and Marc Bunis of Charlotte.

### Charge for pictures

There is a \$10 charge for wedding and engagement pictures. Glossy photos suggested. Black and white preferred. Story and photo must be submitted with the pictures for the wedding photo. Photos cannot be returned by mail and must be picked up at Union Leader office, 1201 Stuyvesant Ave., within three months of publication.



She wins award. Marian Charvat, a member of the Mountaintop Woman's Club Inc., the current New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs first place holder in Advanced Oils, stands with her award-winning painting. The club will meet April 21 at noon at L'Affaire Restaurant, Mountaintop, to display its works of arts, crafts and hobbies.

### Echo Lake to host walking tour benefit

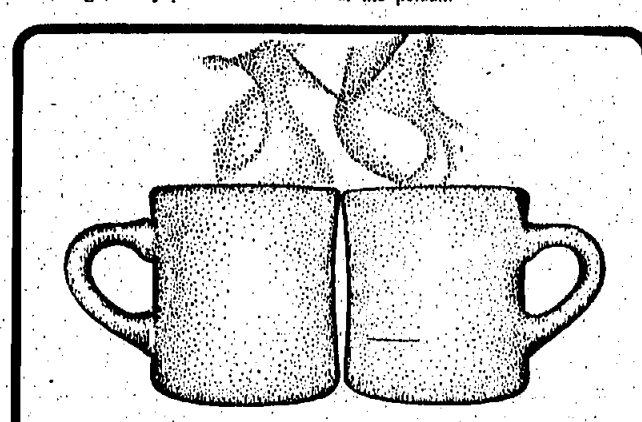
A community-wide walk for local hunger will take place on April 18, to raise funds for the hungry in Middlesex, Union and Somerset counties. The walk will culminate at Echo Lake Park, Mountaintop, where Rep. Bob Franks will address the crowd. A drama group from Morristown, "The Primeval Rhinoceros" and the Crawford High School Jazz Band will provide entertainment.

### RECYCLING NEWS

Do not throw away those HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES. The Union County Utilities Authority/Advanced Recycling Technology Systems Inc. will begin collecting household batteries as part of the Regional Curbside Recycling Program. Battery recycling will begin in SPRINGFIELD Friday, April 23, 1993. Residents are asked to place household batteries, including "AA", "AAA", "C", "D", "9-volt, lantern and button cell batteries, in a red plastic clear plastic bag.

### Common sense tips for personal safety

Below are some tips residents should follow to maximize personal safety. Pickpockets. Pickpockets rely on speed and their victim's inattention. Thieves often occur when the victim's attention is diverted. Victims are often unaware that their habits invite pickpockets. People who cash checks at the same time every week or fan out money to count it as they leave a bank are prime targets for pickpockets. Therefore routines should be varied and money should not be counted in clear view of the public.



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# Marlins open Little League season with impressive win

The Marlins opened the 1993 Union Little League baseball season with a 15-0 victory over the Borgals last during Opening Day last Sunday. Winning pitcher Kenny Street hurled a one-hitter and was 3-for-3 at the plate. Teammate J.R. Becht showed his power by hitting a two-run homer that shattered a car windshield. Becht went 3-for-4.

### Umpires needed

The Springfield Recreation Department is seeking umpires for its Girls' Softball Program. Candidates must be at least 14 years of age and have baseball/softball experience. Umpires earn \$12 per game.

Anyone interested or seeking further information may call the recreation department at 908-912-2226.

### Recreation Supervisor Needed

The recreation department is accepting applications for a recreation supervisor at the Springfield Municipal Pool. The candidate must be available weekends and holidays.

Teachers and recreation majors are preferred. The salary ranges from \$2100 to \$2500, based upon experience.

Interested candidates may call the recreation department at 908-912-2226.

Pool facilities available May 3 at Cranford, 4:00; May 4 at North Bergen, 4:00; May 5 at Linden, 4:00; May 7 at Union Catholic, 4:00; May 10 at Plainfield, 4:00; May 11 at St. Benedict, 4:00; May 12 at East Side, 4:00; May 14 at Oratory Prep, 4:00; May 17 at Elizabeth, 4:00; May 19 at Kearny, 4:00; May 21 at St. Patrick's, 4:00; May 24 at Irvington, 4:00; May 26 at Westfield, 4:00.

### R. Park schedules

The following are the varsity baseball and softball schedules for Roselle Park High School:

**Baseball**  
April 1 at Ridge, p.p.d.  
April 6 at Johnson, 4:00  
April 8 at New Providence, 4:00  
April 13 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 15 at St. Patrick's, 4:00  
April 16 at Cranford, 7:30  
April 17 at Bound Brook, 4:00  
April 18 at Roselle, 4:00  
April 19 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 20 at Bound Brook, 4:00  
April 21 at Middlesex, 4:00  
April 23 at Ridge, 7:30  
April 24 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 25 at St. Mary's, 7:30  
April 26 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 27 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 28 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 29 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 30 at Irvington, 4:00

**Softball**  
April 1 at Middlesex, p.p.d.

**Card Show**  
The Roselle Catholic High School Men's Association will host its fifth annual Comic, Sports Cards and Collectibles Show Saturday, April 17 in the Roselle Catholic gym. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 and all proceeds will benefit the Roselle Catholic athletic program.

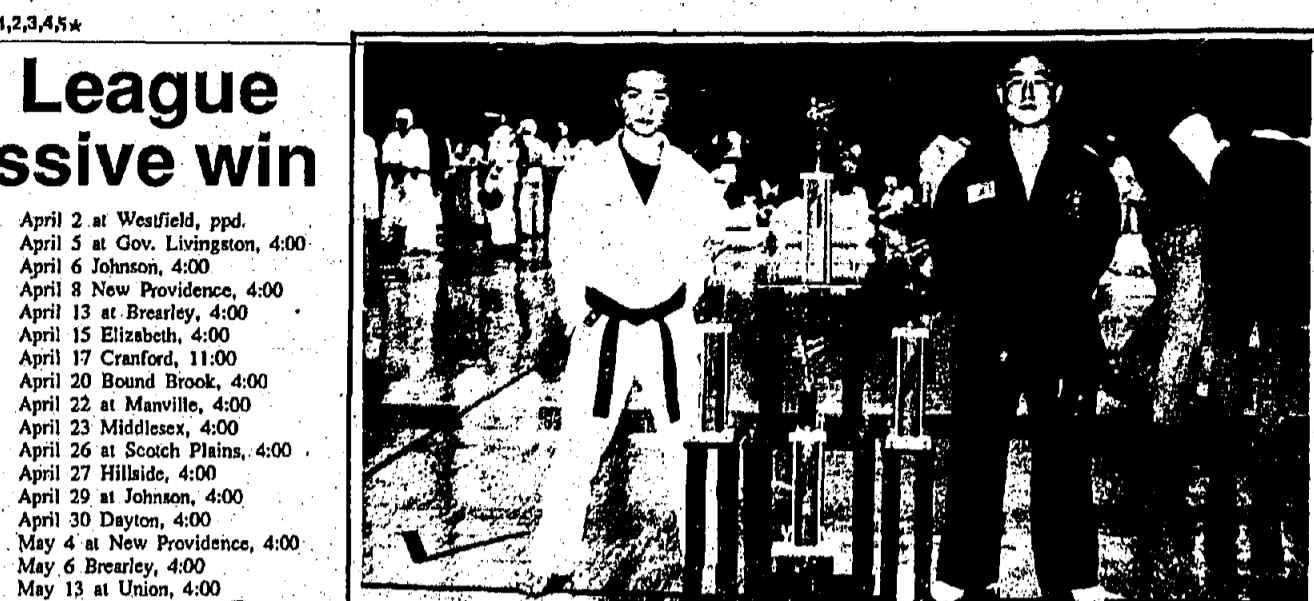
**Former Major League players** like Wood, Bobby Shantz and Bobby Richardson will be on hand to sign autographs.

Those interested in directions or additional information may call Joe at 908-245-1279 or Red at 908-241-5377.

**Union schedules**  
The following are the varsity baseball, softball and boys' tennis schedules for Union High School:

**Baseball**  
April 1 Linden, p.p.d.  
April 5 East Side, 4:00  
April 7 Westfield, 4:00  
April 8 Morristown, 11:00  
April 12 at Irvington, 4:00  
April 14 Kearny, 4:30  
April 16 at Elizabeth, 4:00  
April 17 at Livingston, 11:00  
April 19 Bloomfield, 4:00  
April 21 at Linden, 4:00  
April 23 Elizabeth, 4:00  
April 24 J.P. Stevens, 10:30  
April 26 at East Side, 4:00  
April 28 at Westfield, 4:00  
April 30 Irvington, 4:00  
May 3 at Kearny, 4:00  
May 6 Hanover Park, 7:00  
May 7 Summit, 4:00  
May 10 at Union Catholic, 4:00  
May 12 Cranford, 4:00  
May 17 at Plainfield, 4:00  
May 19 Rahway, 4:00  
May 24 at Scotch Plains, 4:00  
May 28 Shabazz, 4:00

**Softball**  
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April 5 at East Side, 4:00  
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MARTIAL ARTISTS AWARD WINNERS - Winning awards at the 29th annual presentation of the All American Open Karate, Kung-Fu and Tae Kwon Do Championships held last month in Flushing, New York were Yum Young Sun, left, a sophomore at Union High School and Yum Il Do, who gave a spectacular exhibition. A total of 2,000 people attended the Open.

# Union grads Zawacki, Ceterko continue to star on next level

By J.R. Parachini Sports Editor  
Two 1992 Union High School graduates, Wake Forest University women's tennis player Terry Ann Zawacki and Columbia University pitcher Steve Ceterko, continue to impress on the college level.  
Both freshmen were recently honored for outstanding spring performances.  
Zawacki moves up to No. 1 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) rankings, moving out of a tie for 70th up to 40th. That's a high for her ever been this year, having originally been ranked 42nd in the preseason poll.  
The No. 40 ranking is likely to continue upward because Zawacki had a terrific match scheduled at Clemson last Saturday.

The Deacon Deacons were scheduled to face Georgia Tech in another conference match last Saturday in Georgia.  
Ceterko Rookie of the Week in the Ivy League last week. The right-hander got his first collegiate victory when he made a long-relief appearance against Pennsylvania. Entering the 10-4 decision in the fourth inning, Ceterko held the Quakers to just one hit and one run. He struck out four and walked four in his second appearance of the year.  
Columbus entered last week's play with a 1-3 record in the Gelrig Division of the Ivy League and was 3-9 overall.

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Family physicians are trained to treat 85 to 90 percent of their patient's medical needs. They can treat patients of all ages, from the newborn to the elderly. In most of these visits, the family physician is able to treat the patient on the first encounter without the need to refer to another specialist.  
One of the keys to having quality, cost-effective health care is to make sure there are enough well-trained family physicians, so everybody can have a personal physician. Right now, many parts of the nation don't have enough family physicians. These areas include many rural communities and cities like Newark - places that often depend on family doctors for primary health care services.  
A great deal of special training goes into becoming a family physician.

This training is required to meet the current standards for full membership in the American Academy of Family Physicians.  
The additional three years of training in a residency program gives family physicians hands-on experience in treating patients of all ages for a wide variety of illnesses and injuries, everything from sore throats to broken legs, and from obstetrical patients to geriatric patients.  
After completing the family practice residency program, the doctor can take a rigorous examination given by the American Board of Family Practice. Doctors who pass this exam become board-certified family physicians. They're re-examined every six years to keep their board certification. They must also meet standards for licensing in the state where they practice.  
For many patients, the board-certified, residency-trained family doctor is the physician of first contact: the one who evaluates all of their health care needs, and provides personal medical care. When a patient has to be referred to another specialist or has to be hospitalized, the family physician prescribes continuity of care for the patient, and coordinates the course of that patient's medical care.  
The five characteristics of a family physician's care are:  
1. Accessibility.  
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Accessibility means a physician must be available to a patient within a reasonable amount of time, and, for a reasonable period of time. A family doctor who's committed to providing

### Network seeks donors

The New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network (The Sharing Network) suggests a promise that doesn't require any willpower: signing an organ and tissue donor card.  
"By signing your name to a donor card and discussing your feelings about donation with your family, you can help alleviate the critical shortage of organ donors," said Denise Payne, executive director of The Sharing Network.  
More than 800 New Jersey residents and 28,000 Americans are currently awaiting transplant operations. Despite encouraging advancements in organ and tissue transplantation, countless people die each year because there are not enough available organs to save them, according to The Sharing Network. The reason: not enough donors.  
One organ and tissue donor can save and enhance the lives of up to 75 people, according to The Sharing Network. While The Sharing Network experienced a 78 percent increase in the number of organs recovered during the past five years, a serious gap still exists in New Jersey between the number of organs recovered for transplantation and the number of people on waiting lists. Vital organs were received from only 73 donors and tissues from 50 donors in 1991.  
The Sharing Network is asking residents to sign organ donor cards on the back of their driver's licenses, and let their wishes be known to family members.  
The Sharing Network is a federally-designated, state-certified procurement organization responsible for recovering organs and tissues for New Jersey residents in need of transplantation, as well as those on waiting lists nationwide.  
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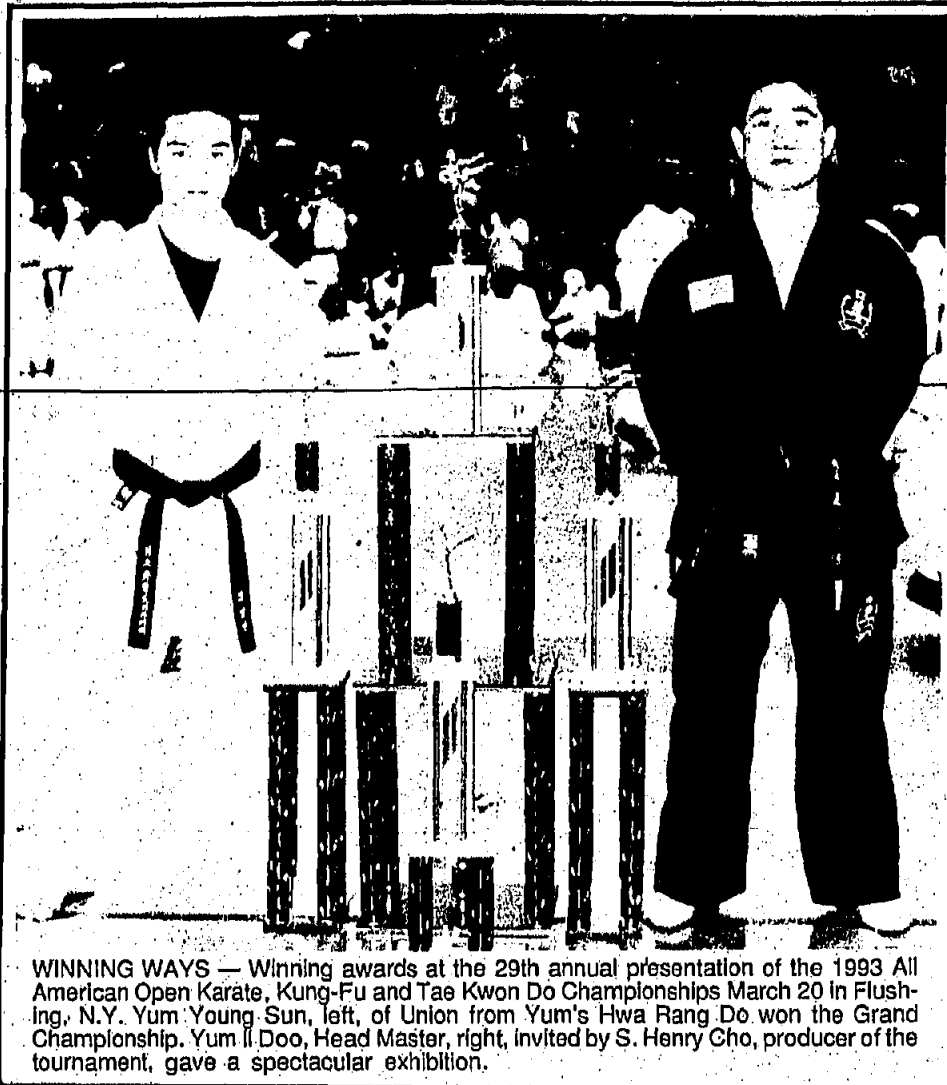
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# GOOD HEALTH NEWS



**WINNING WAYS** — Winning awards at the 29th annual presentation of the 1993 All American Open Karate, Kung-Fu and Tai Kwon Do Championships March 20 in Flushing, N.Y. Yum Young Sun, left, of Union from Yum's Hwa Rang Do won the Grand Championship. Yum Il Doo, Head Master, right, invited by S. Henry Cho, producer of the tournament, gave a spectacular exhibition.

## Mental health agencies join together

Mental health agencies in Union County have joined the Mental Health Association's nationwide campaign to increase public awareness about clinical depression and its treatments. The campaign will feature three weeks of television, radio and newspaper advertisements during April and May that will help people understand the symptoms of clinical depression and urge them to seek treatment. The Union County advertisements will include the names, locations and phone numbers of all the local mental health agencies that do depression screening.

A free booklet on clinical depression is offered to those who call the National Mental Health Association at 1-800-469-1515 and a free guide to mental health services in Union County can be had by calling the local chapter at 908-272-0300.

"Clinical depression will strike 25 percent of women and 10 percent of men sometime during their lifetime," said Ed Murphy, executive director of the Mental Health Association in Union County. "That means that over 85,000 of our friends, colleagues and neighbors in Union County are at risk for this serious medical illness. It is important they know there are effective treatments to help them."

More than the "blues," clinical depression is a medical illness that affects a person's mood, feelings, sleeping and eating patterns. It makes them feel worthless, hopeless and guilty. If they have several of these symptoms for two weeks or longer, they should see a doctor or a therapist. If left untreated, the illness can interfere with their job and family life and is often accompanied by alcohol and drug abuse.

Clinical depression also takes its toll on the economy. According to Murphy, "This illness costs employers millions of dollars a year in work-ers absenteeism, loss of productivity and health care costs. We want to do our part to make sure that friends and colleagues know where they can get proper treatment for clinical depression."

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If the symptoms on this list sound familiar, call your local Mental Health Service because if you have several of these symptoms for two weeks or more, you could have Clinical Depression. It's an illness that can be effectively treated in four out of five people who seek help.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Blue' is a brilliant novel

on the shelf

By Dan Smith  
Lifestyle Editor

When Dani Shapiro, a former Hillside resident, first came upon the literary scene several years ago with a smashing, brilliant first novel, "Playing With Fire," this reviewer became her biggest fan.

She is continuing in the same vein with a second novel, "Fugitive Blue," published this year by Nan A. Talese/Doubleday, and it has already made its way toward a Book-of-the-Month selection. For a comparatively new author, Shapiro is completely at home with flashbacks, and rather than being confusing, they actually enhance a reader's interest and the novel's impact to tremendously high levels.

She also writes effectively in future tense, which even the most seasoned writers sometimes have second thoughts about.

Shapiro's complex characters are humanly that the reader feels a desire to reach out and touch, or comfort, or at least cry in frustration.

Concert slated by Russian unit  
The Ivy Hill Jewish Senior Center, 250 Mt. Vernon Place, Newark, will present a concert tomorrow at 11:15 a.m. featuring Russian musicians, and guests, who now reside in the Ivy Hill Apartments, Vailsburg. They will raise money for the children of Russian emigrants who are living in Israel.

All money received will be sent directly to Israel, it was announced. Featured will be a violinist, a pianist and a vocalist.

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Dani Shapiro

one another and share a deep love which, tragically, cannot be fulfilled because of his homosexuality. It causes her pain because when his life ends in disaster and tragedy.

Then there is theatrical director Nigel Eason, her British lover of 10 years, whose career falls by the wayside as Joana climbs up the ladder to success. He eventually deserts her, and she is left, turning to drink because of what fate has dealt her. Ultimately, she finds the strength to put her life back together again when her mother in her illness reaches out for her help.

"Fugitive Blue," as a novel, is a unique experience for an avid reader. In fact, after devouring more than three-quarters of the book, this reviewer felt a definite sadness because the book would soon end. But there's always the satisfaction of reading such a marvellously readable novel. Needless to say, this reviewer is waiting with bated breath for Shapiro's third amazing tome.

"Fugitive Blue," as a possible movie, would be Oscar material from the start. Hollywood should snatch it up because such a script is long overdue. Definitely not a soap, this is a serious work which would certainly appeal to a high level audience, and the dramatic roles of Joana Hirsch, her mother, Georgie, Billy and Nigel, should attract excellent actors who would welcome the opportunity to portray such personalities.

It would be a special gift to Hollywood from the literary world and from this new and exciting author, Dani Shapiro.



Traveling Theatrical Troupe, featuring residents from the New Jersey Geriatric Center of Workmen's Circle, Elizabeth, and children from Egonoff Early Childhood Center, Elizabeth, will appear in the musical, "Bye Bye Birdie," Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the New Jersey Geriatric Center, April 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Plaza Nursing Home, Elizabeth; April 30 at 11 a.m. at Kean College of New Jersey, Union, and May 5 at 1:30 p.m. at Cornell Hall Convalescent Center, Union. Back row, from left, are Sonya Utwak, Jane Minzberg, Bernard Kessler, Paul Deutsch, Mae Cohen, Edith Newton and Elinu Lazarov; middle row, from left, Hildred Kaufman, Maryann Battell, choreographer, Laura Paulman of Union; director, Julia Hayman, Fannie Sherman, Paul Sherman, Anna Mandel, Helen Bloomer, Yvette Shauger, Mae Federbusch; front row, from left, Jason Worldis, Sol Schactzman, Gregory Marsal, Rose Greenberg, Saldah Golnes, Rose Hymowitz, Melissa Beauvoir, Frieda Dolinko, Fred Lichtenstein, Johnathan Lawrence, Jean Simandi; seated on floor, back row, from left, Katherine Garcia, Magnum Luccopus, Sergio Monoz, Robert Salamanc, Jessie Calhoun, Andriyne Pflanz; front row, from left, Terrance Benjamin, Josue Zamor, Gordon Kemtlan, Nancy Salem and Chrissy Rodriguez.

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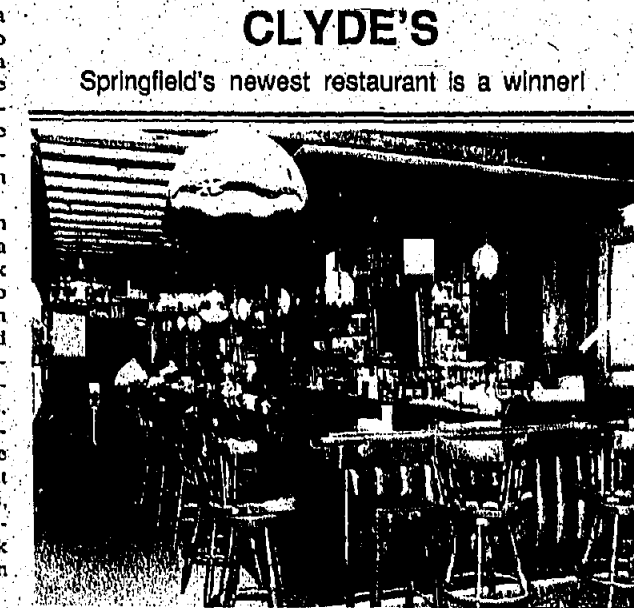
By Lillian Abbraccamento  
Sometimes you don't appreciate a good thing until it's gone. But not so in this instance, since Springfield-area residents will once again get the chance to sample a cozy, casual atmosphere and authentic, home-style cooking at Clyde's. Mr. Leo's Kitchen at 250 Morris Avenue in Springfield.

Clyde's reopened in downtown Springfield three months ago after a seven-year absence. Owner Frank Baldan, a veteran of the business who previously called the shots at such locales as The Springfield House and Widow Brown's Inn, located in Madison, has been prodded out of retirement by his admiring culinary fans.

As our warm and charming waitress, Ria McNary, a longtime Springfield resident who worked at Clyde's eight years ago, informed us, the Surf & Turf combos, seafood specialties and hearty prime rib and steak offerings are even more appealing in the current reincarnation.

The dinner menu at Clyde's includes excellent pub fare with generous portions that provide excellent value for your dollar. The luncheon menu, with burgers, chicken wings, Sloppy Joe's and ham and cheese sandwiches in the \$4 to \$5 range, is an even greater steal.

My favorite appetizer included the Linguini with White Clam Sauce, the Stuffed Mushrooms and the Clams Casino.



In Clyde's comfortable and inviting bar, owner Frank Baldan, left, consults with Dom Giordano and bartender Chip Longo before the evening guests arrive.

Baldan surveyed the room this evening and commented on the many satisfied customers watching a ball game at the bar and enjoying their steaks at the tables.

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## Malamut Gallery to mark 5th year

The fifth anniversary of the Les Malamut Art Gallery in the Union Public Library, Morris Avenue, Union, will be celebrated April 18 at a special reception at 5 p.m. Artists who have displayed their works in the gallery during the past years will join in the festivities.

It also will be the occasion of a reception in honor of the founders, including Malamut, and members of the board, in addition to the present artist, Susan J. Puder of Union. She is showing her photographic works, "Natural Images," April 18 through May 20.

The gallery, which originally opened in February, 1988, was first called the Wheelchair Gallery. It was rededicated on Nov. 5, 1989 as the Les Malamut Art Gallery.

Viola Meskin, the current chairman, succeeded Gloria Giacosa, Stephen Parise and the late Mr. Seymour Meskin.

There have been 40 exhibitions since the gallery opened five years ago including the current one by Puder. The first exhibition featured works by two Unionites, the late Mr. Eugene Gauss, a sculptor, and Hele Belin, a painter. They were both associated with the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Art.

The gallery membership spans all segments of the community, it was reported. It raised funds from service clubs, businesses, school children, government grants and other sources. The project spent \$200,000 for the gallery, an all floor elevator for the library and modification of toilet facilities.

The founding members were responsible for fund raising and long term planning. They include Lillian Abramson, Joseph Catalano, Elinora Detmer, Jack Davis, Kathleen Dunn, Louis J. Giacosa, Caroline Hach, Warren B. Hehl, Leslie Heilmann, Lester Malamut, Stephen P. Parise, James T. Schaefer, Florence Walsh, who had been the librarian at that time, the late Mr. Seymour Meskin and the late Oliver Young.

When the gallery was opened other committee members included Jeanette Chubavovskiy, Genevieve Di Venuto, Phoebe Lane, Dora Pelen, Florence and Sidney Schwartz, Rose Simpson, Cheryl Wasserman, Sylvia Bricker and Judy Weidman.

Today's membership also includes Jeanette Chubavovskiy, Genevieve Di Venuto, Phoebe Lane, Dora Pelen, Florence and Sidney Schwartz, Rose Simpson, Cheryl Wasserman, Sylvia Bricker and Judy Weidman.

This story was researched and compiled by Bea Smith, Lifestyle Editor.

Rededication plaque presented. On Nov. 5, 1989, the Wheelchair Gallery name was changed to the Les Malamut Art Gallery at the Union Public Library, Filtborg Park, Morris Avenue, Union. James Schaefer, executive director of the Union Chamber of Commerce, left, is seen presenting the name change plaque to Les Malamut, one of the founders of the art gallery.

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## 'Lady' set at Mill

Lerner and Loewe's hit musical, "My Fair Lady," starring Simon Jones as Professor Higgins, and Judy Blazer, as Eliza Doolittle, the Cockney flower girl who is transformed into a lady, opened Wednesday at the Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn. George S. Irving is featured as Eliza's father, Alfred P. Doolittle.

The "glittering new revival" at the Paper Mill is being presented, in large part to a \$75,000 grant from the Blanche and Irving Laurie Foundation. It was announced by Angelo Del Rossi, president and executive producer of the Paper Mill.

Last season, the foundation contributed \$50,000 toward the Paper Mill's sold-out production of Rodgers and Hart's "Oklahoma!" It was announced that the Paper Mill "values this level of philanthropic commitment which enables the Playhouse to maintain the high level of artistic quality which audiences have long associated with the Millburn-based theater."

Founded in 1983 by Irving Laurie to honor his late wife and their daughter, Edith, the foundation has "furthered family interest in theater by forging relationships with several arts organizations in New Jersey." Gene R. Korf, executive director and trustee of the Laurie Foundation, and the chairman of the tax department at the Hancock Weisman law firm, guides the foundation in its grantmaking process. In addition to the Paper Mill, the Laurie Foundation provides support to other theaters including Circle in the Square, McCarter, the State Theater in New Brunswick, and the George Street Playhouse, also in New Brunswick.

Over the years, the foundation has co-produced presentations of classic American plays and especially musicals which showcase the work of American composers.

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