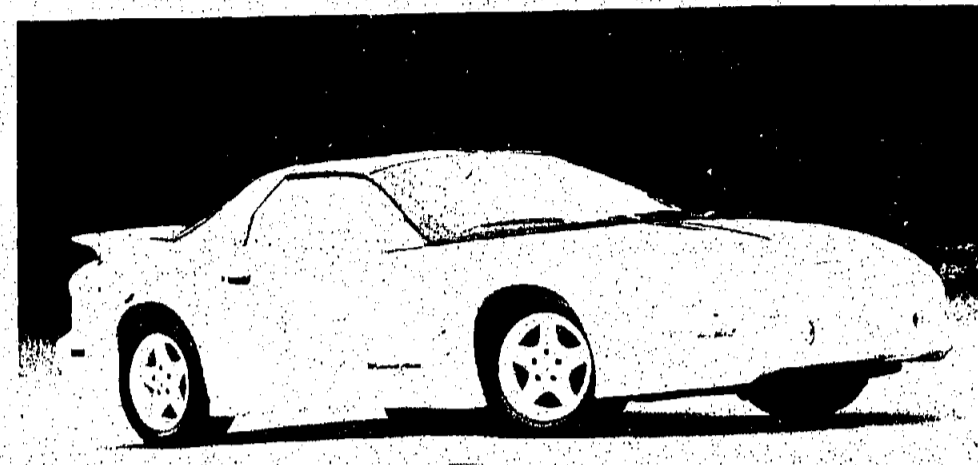


Automotive



The Firebird Trans Am sports car celebrates its 25th anniversary with a special limited edition.

Limited edition marks Trans Am's 25th

Pontiac will celebrate the birthday of its Firebird Trans Am sports car this spring with a special 25th anniversary edition. Production will begin this month.

The Trans Am symbolizes Pontiac's driving excitement at its highest level, and it's for that reason we are introducing an anniversary edition on its 25th birthday. Pontiac General Manager John G. Middlebrook said, "Pontiac will only build around 2,000 of the highly-tuned 25th anniversary Trans Am's."

Anniversary appearance

In addition to the high level of its Trans Am (GT standard features, the anniversary model) includes a bright white exterior, bright blue centerline strip and front fascia emblem, a gray 25th anniversary decal and bright blue

Trans Am four door badge and specific 16-inch, five-spoke white aluminum wheels with anniversary badge on the center caps.

Inside, white-leather seating areas include 25th Trans Am embroidered in place on the seatbacks. The upholstery is also included on the door inserts.

The 10th anniversary Trans Am introduced in 1969, that sported blue racing stripes from nose to tailpipe. Only 697 1969 Trans Am's were built, eight of which were convertibles.

Limited Quantity

Since the Trans Am debuted in 1969, more than 785,000 of these high-performance sports cars have been produced. Through December 1993, once again, in 1994, a very limited number of convertibles will be produced.

The 25th anniversary Trans Am continues a tradition of Pontiac. Three other anniversary Trans Am's have been produced.

In 1979, a 10th anniversary Trans Am featured a silver exterior and matching leather seats with embroidered Trans Am emblems on the interior trim, powered by a turbocharged 190-horsepower engine.

In 1984, the 1,500 15th anniversary Trans Am's again featured white exterior with blue trim, and the 2,301 Trans Am's produced to mark the 20th anniversary were white with camel interior trim, powered by a turbocharged 235-horsepower engine.

This car carried the 1980 Indianapolis 500.

The 1994 limited production model brings forward all of the excitement of the original 1969 Trans Am. Along with the best technology developed over the past two and one-half decades, the 25th anniversary model combines a unique blend of Trans Am GT features with 25th-anniversary-specific content.

Clean fuel filter improves engine efficiency

Your car engine's efficiency and long life are dependent on an uninterrupted flow of clean fuel. That means you should periodically check for signs of fuel leaks. It also means the fuel filter should be replaced along with the air and oil filters as a precaution.

Regardless of the type of fuel your vehicle runs on, that fuel is delivered to each cylinder by a sophisticated fuel injection system.

Of course, since these systems are so sophisticated and so precise, the cleanliness of the fuel that flows through them is critical to their good performance. Unfortunately, since these systems require large, expensive fuel filters, which are often mounted out of sight underneath the car or trunk, many owners neglect to replace the fuel filter regularly. Truth is, replacing a fuel filter every year costs less in the long run than not replacing it.

Before you can replace a fuel filter in a vehicle with fuel injection, you must relieve the pressure in the fuel injection system. To be sure that there is always a ready supply of fuel at the fuel injectors, even when you go to start the engine in the morning, the entire fuel system is constantly pressurized. That means if you simply loosen a clamp at the filter, you start the very real and hazardous risk of being sprayed with a strong jet of fuel. It also means every smallest fuel leak can quickly turn into a dangerous seep.

Some systems have a special valve for the purpose of relieving pressure. However, if your vehicle does not have such a valve, or if you're not sure you can find it, you can't easily and safely relieve the pressure in the fuel system. Remove the line for the fuel pump from the filter shell. Then start the engine and let it run on the fuel that's left in the fuel lines and the filter.

Before removing the old filter, place a rag and a clean container under the filter connections to play it safe. Any clean fuel that ends up in the container can be poured back into the tank or into your lawn mower.

Before loosening the connections on the fuel lines at the filter, wipe them clean to keep dirt from falling into the fuel line at the engine. Carefully remove the fuel lines from the old filter; this may require a special wrench to loosen hex-type fasteners or a screwdriver to loosen a screw-down type hose clamp, or a pair of pliers to squeeze and loosen spring-type clamps. Whatever setup your car has, work slowly and carefully so you do not damage the fuel lines.

Once the fuel lines are disconnected from the fuel filter, inspect the ends of the fuel lines. If they are cracked, handled or otherwise

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Saunders is grand

Dayton Regional basketball player Michelle Saunders scored her 1,000th point last week, Page B1.

Kuo is winner

A grateful cellist thanks his mom for his success at age 21, Page B3.

Baran's contract due

County manager contract expects to be given freeholder approval at next week's meeting, Page 16.

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Community Update

Cooperman triumphs

Cory Cooperman of Springfield, wrestling from the North Plainfield youth team coached by Dennis Pasce and David Boyd, won the 70-pound Middleweight Division title at Sunday's Cranford High School.

The 10-year-old Gahler School student won all three of his matches, two by decision and one by pin.

Cooperman will be wrestling in the Union County Youth Tournament this Sunday at Rahway High School. He will participate in the South Plainfield Tournament on Feb. 19.

Three vacancies

The term of office of three Springfield Board of Education members will expire in April. The three vacancies are for three-year terms. Springfield residents who wish to obtain nominating positions should contact the board office at 376-1025, Ext. 210, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on days that schools are open.

Agging meeting

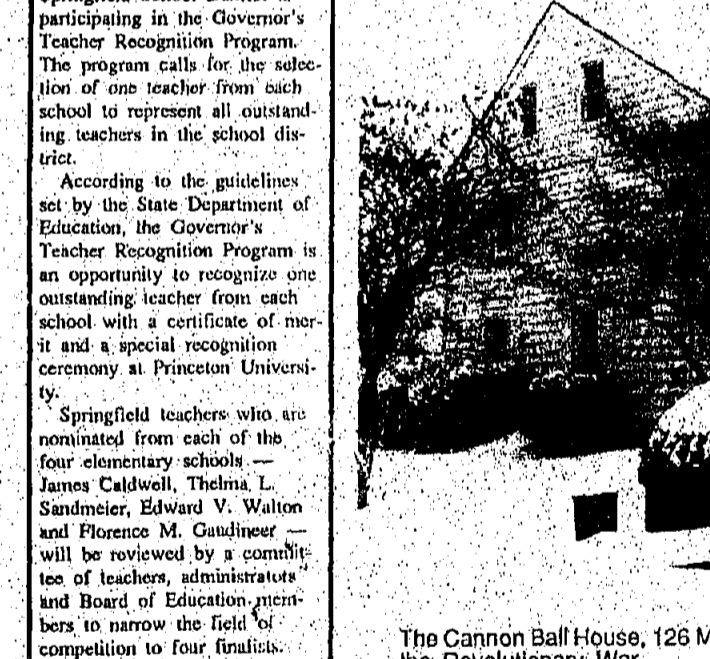
The meeting of the Mayor's Committee on Aging scheduled for Feb. 11 has been changed to Feb. 18 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sarah Bailey Civic Center.

Teacher honors set

Superintendent of Schools Gary Friedman announced the Springfield School District is participating in the Governor's Teacher Recognition Program. The program calls for the selection of one teacher from each school to represent all outstanding teachers in the school district.

The Cannon Ball House: part of Springfield history

Springfield residents where it is located before you actually find its exact location, the Cannon Ball House is one of the most historic parts of Springfield.



The Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Ave., was one of only four houses left standing after the Revolutionary War.

Bergen denies Pappas charges of conflict

Committee member Harry Pappas requested Monday that Township Attorney Bruce Bergen not have any further dealings with a case involving Park Place Condominium because of a potential conflict of interest.

Literacy: Pass it on

Join the growing number of volunteers who are making a difference in bettering lives. Become a Literacy Volunteer.

Community Update

1993 AD 6000 appears new for its title as \$20,000 per week. Call for more details. Car dealer, 201-676-1500.

Squads seek volunteers

Each squad is operated by a private entity. Because service is private, funding comes from various places. For example, Mountaintop's squad recodes donations from United Way of Mountaintop, the borough and private and corporate donations, he explained. There are other squads that conduct annual fund drives, including Springfield, to earn money for equipment, insurance and maintenance.

A major concentration is on the point that the squads' most volunteers or they may not be in existence for much longer, Snowfield said.

"We have our problems out there like anyone else does," he said. However, "this is the time for the citizens out there who have the time to volunteer. They should volunteer their time to help the squads."

To become a certified EMT takes 120 hours, which has to be completed within two years. If a person joins a first aid course squad, they have two years to complete the EMT program.

There are several other programs which the volunteers take to the specialty in certain aspects of the emergency services, including CPR, hazardous material awareness training, infectious diseases exposure control, and driver training courses.

To stay current and fresh on emergency procedures, EMTs are required to take 48 hours of classes every three years. These classes are broken down into two four-hour areas, core and elective training.

Snowfield said he has been a volunteer for 46 years and would not stop as long as he has strength in his health. He urged the governing bodies of the local municipalities to encourage residents to volunteer by offering them incentives including issuing proclamations to honor the area volunteers and explaining how vital the volunteers are to the community.

There are several misconceptions about the services which are provided to the municipalities, including the nature of the calls. Most people think that most of the calls received by the squads are major disasters, but actually they comprise approximately 20 percent of the yearly responses, Snowfield said.

"If someone transferred all of the training and experience of the various squads into dollars and cents, the townships would be very wealthy," he said. He reminded residents if people do not get more involved in the squads, they may no longer exist.

With a first aid squad, taxes would increase significantly, while overall coverage would decrease, Snowfield said. In cities which have paid squads, such as New York, there is a list of calls to which the emergency medical services respond and people often have to wait for extended periods of time because there are not enough people or equipment because of the size involved, he said.

Fire contained



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Pappas alleges conflict

(Continued from Page 1) position of township attorney knowing that the potential for a conflict of interest is not there and I don't want to see this blow up in the Township Committee's face," he said. "Because he has the obligation to walk away from any potential conflict of interest and notify the Township Committee immediately."

House part of history

(Continued from Page 1) meekman and another series of sales took place between 1896 and the World War II. The Cannon Ball House was last owned by C. Harry Caspersen, who sold it to the historical society in the early 1980s. It has remained virtually unchanged from its early colonial beginning. The society was awarded a grant by the county to research how the house should be renovated and they have followed through with the traditional style. Parts of the house, including the kitchen and a bedroom, were renovated in Colonial tradition by the eighth grade at Guilford School as part of a civics project.

The Bicentennial Committee said it will donate money to the house, which is a new roof, if it has money left in its budget from the birthday celebration. There are also T-shirts on sale for the celebration. For more information regarding the historical society, contact Janice Bonagiovanni at 379-2634.

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Authority nears settlement

(Continued from Page 1) By Heather MacGregor, Managing Editor. Optimism surrounded an extended timetable set for a global settlement among Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority, Mountaintide and members of the authority on a lawsuit which the borough filed in 1986, according to officials. The settlement is still on course, but is taking longer because it is not just focusing on Mountaintide issues, but on all the aspects of the suit, said Borough Attorney John Post.

It is too early to talk about the terms of the settlement, he said, but tentatively, Mountaintide will have to pay authority member Cranford \$1,025,000 for additional flow rights to install meters to measure flow and repair sewers where needed. The borough might benefit from the delay because the technology that would have been available 10 years ago has become obsolete and been replaced by more efficient equipment, he said. Previously, for example, small television-like cameras were installed in underground chambers to measure the amount of flow a municipality would have used, he said. Now, the members used are much more efficient. The borough rented these new meters and since they have been in use, the number of gallons counted is much less than earlier anticipated, Post said.

Adult school registration begins: The Union County Regional High School District, announced registration for the Spring 1994 term of the Regional Adult School is under way. Charles Serson, supervisor of adult and occupational education, said copies of the Regional Adult School's Johnson Regional High School in Newark. To obtain a copy of this brochure and/or specific registration information, please call the Regional Adult School office at (201) 376-0300, extension 276, on any school day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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Linden man convicted on murder charge

A Linden man charged last month with the murder of an elderly Clark woman has been additionally charged with committing 11 robberies throughout Union County. Paul Rappisi Jr., 18, had been charged Jan. 1 for the murder and attempted robbery of Ester Feldman, 81, of Clark. Feldman had been found lying unconscious with a head wound outside her apartment complex off Raritan Road on Oct. 28 in what investigators originally believed was an accident. She died two days later at University Hospital in Newark. Evidence from the Clark Police and the Union County Prosecutor's Office supported the case after finding that the woman's injuries resulted from being knuckled to the ground. Rappisi subsequently was arrested.

The 11 additional robberies took place in the fall in Linden, Clark, Kenilworth, Mountaintide and Rahway and a total of \$3,000 was taken, police said. In each case, the elderly female victims were knocked to the ground and their pocketbooks were stolen, reportedly.

Rappisi is being held in jail in Elizabeth on \$385,000 bail. Aroldo Belli, 31, of James Dells, Belli of Bayonne, was charged with the robberies but not with the murder. He was released on a special bail condition, reportedly. Dells Belli was fitted with an electronic monitoring device. Suspects linked to spree: Kenilworth officials responded to a Nov. 1 robbery at 1120 a.m. at the Boulevard and North 10th Street.

The victim, a 66-year-old woman, was knocked to the ground by one of the suspects and her handbag was taken despite her attempts to resist. Fifteen minutes prior, a Mountaintide woman was the victim of a similar incident. Two other incidents, approximately two hours later in Linden, also occurred on that November Monday.

Deloitte and Touche meet reps

By Joseph Niedzelski, Staff Writer. Representatives from the accounting firm of Deloitte and Touche, which was commissioned by five of the six constituent districts in the Union County Regional High School District to undertake a study into the feasibility of deregionalizing the district at the beginning of the year, met face to face with representatives from the regional district on Feb. 2.

The purpose of the meeting was for both sides to ask and answer questions and begin to set appointments for the Deloitte and Touche representatives to assess the valuations of the regional district - an undertaking which is necessary for the completion of phase two of the feasibility study. At the previous evening's meeting of the regional district Board of Education, Janet Gregory, a resident of Cranford, asked the board to look at our facilities.

Local district shows improvement

By Jennifer L. Schlim, Correspondent. The Springfield Board of Education compared the statewide results of the 1993 New Jersey State Eighth Grade Early Warning Test and determined Monday the district fared above average overall. The writing sample portion of the three-day test, which was administered last spring, indicated the students ranked sixth in the state in comparison with the other top districts. Districts are determined by the committee's socio-economic standards, board members explained.

Assistant Supervisor Albert LaMorgese, who announced the results, said, "We are very pleased with their writing sample scores. They have gone up significantly from last year." The purpose of the New Jersey State Eighth Grade Early Warning Test is to see how well a student is prepared for high school on a state-wide level, he said. Students' scores are ranked according to three state-determined levels: Level One: No remedial classes necessary for high school. The student is at an average to above average level of learning.

Level Two: Generally, no additional learning is necessary for the student to function in high school at a normal pace. Level Three: Student is below average. The state mandates that the student get additional help in high school. The test includes three sections: writing, reading comprehension and math. LaMorgese said one full month is devoted for each section. The writing portion of the test is divided into two parts. In the first part, the student is given a paragraph and is asked to write a paragraph and is asked to prepare a written solution within a given time frame. "Springfield's average score for the writing sample was 9.3 out of a possible 12 points," LaMorgese said, noting that it was a three point increase from last year.

The reading comprehension portion of the test is multiple choice and measures a student's ability to read and understand the lines, to read between the lines, and to read beyond the lines. The final portion of the New Jersey State Eighth Grade Early Warning Test is math. LaMorgese said the math portion comes in seven different sections ranging from basic math to pre-algebra and geometry.

Out of the 81 eighth grade students tested last year, the following is a mean breakdown of the students' scores according to the state-determined level: 1.6 percent at the level one, 1.6 percent at the level two, in math, students scored 80.2 percent, 14.8 percent and 4.9 percent respectively. LaMorgese said, noting that it was a three point increase from last year.

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"In other words, everything is on schedule and we anticipate hearing from Deloitte and Touche requesting to set up appointments for their representatives to tour our facilities," Long concluded. Burdge said he had several questions for the consulting firm concerning the way in which the report was formatted and how those involved in the study arrived at their assumptions and calculations.

Most of his questions were answered directly by Deloitte and Touche, said Burdge. Some inquiries, he said, could not be answered by the consulting firm at the meeting because additional data was necessary. Burdge said the meeting ended with Deloitte and Touche asking if they could set up a schedule of meetings.

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David Peterson, a staff consultant with The College Board, spoke to Union County Regional High School students at Jonathan Dayton about the changes and information available for the Scholastic Aptitude Test. He also explained some of the reasons for the changes, how scores are produced, the best ways to prepare for the test, the benefits of coaching and how colleges use the test scores.

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Bagger elected conference leader

Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger, R-Union, was elected Majority Conference Leader on Jan. 27 by members of the Assembly Republican Caucus, replacing Assemblyman Robert Shinn, who was nominated by Governor Christine Whittman to serve as commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy.

The Majority Conference Leader presides during meetings of the Assembly Republican caucus and, together with the Speaker, Majority Leader and Speaker Pro Tempore, comprise the Assembly's senior leadership.

Music collector's show slated

The first appearance in Springfield at one of New Jersey's most prestigious music collector's shows is scheduled for Feb. 19.

The show, featuring nearly 75 northeast dealers, will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel on Route 22 West. The sponsors, Uptown Productions, said the wide range of musical collectibles available at the expo will excite music fans of all ages.

Record, compact disc, music memorabilia, lobby supplies and one of a kind collectibles will be bought, sold, traded or appraised by one of many vendors at the expo. Both new and used music will be sold for below retail prices. Attendees may bring their own merchandise to sell to the dealers. The merchandise available will represent music from the 1940s to the 1990s, from old style music to the newest sounds just released this week. Every format of musical reproduction can be purchased, from old fashioned 78 rpm records to albums and 45s, to the latest compact disc and laserdisc technology. Recordings of artists from Al Jolson to Elvis Presley, to Madonna will be up for grabs. The

Tax seminar set

Free income tax assistance will be available for N.J. residents starting Feb. 8 through the Tax Aide program of the American Association of Retired Persons.

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Deadline nears for regional seat

The Board of Education of the Union County Regional High School District is reminding residents that the deadline for filing a nominating petition to run for a seat on the Regional Board of Education is Feb. 24.

Affair set for the heart

Overlook Hospital and United Jersey Bank step up as corporate sponsors for the American Heart Association's West Union Division benefit auction and dinner, "An Affair of the Heart," on March 24 at 12 Affairs in Mountaineer. The guest of honor will be Katharine Heinen, a sixth grader who was born with congenital heart defects.

Candidates from Garwood, Mountaineer and Springfield elected on this date will be chosen for a full three-year term; while the Clark candidate elected will serve the final two years of an unexpired three-year term. These four seats on the regional board are held by Joan Toth of Garwood, Carmine Venes of Mountaineer, Theresa Licavasi of Springfield and Virginia Muskus of Clark.

To be eligible to run for the Regional Board of Education, interested individuals must obtain a nominating petition from the office of the board secretary at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Mountain Avenue, Springfield, on any school day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The completed nominating petition must then be returned to the board secretary's office by 4 p.m. on Feb. 24.

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The Board of Trustees will hold a retreat on Saturday, February 12, 1994 at 8:00 a.m. on the East Campus in the Walnut Room. The single agenda item for the education of the Board will be a presentation by the Board Secretary, Kathleen Soudan, following this discussion to consider the need for a new building for the College and its location.

The next public meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, February 22, 1994 at 6:00 p.m. in the Walnut Room.

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Hospital hosts Union, Essex health planners' forum

The future of drug and alcohol treatment finance, substance abuse prevention and controversial needle exchange programs are among the topics of panel discussions planned for the issues forum, "Substance Abuse: For Better or Worse," to be held Tuesday at Union Hospital Community Service Center, 2343 Morris Ave., Union.

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To obtain a "School Board Candidate Kit" contact your local school board office or call the NJSBA Information Office at (609) 278-5202 or (609) 278-5205.

Tax help available

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sites will reopen for the 1993 tax year. The Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Union County volunteers will be on hand from through April 15 to offer free assistance in filing federal and state income tax forms, including the homestead rebate application.

The service is available to low income, elderly and handicapped taxpayers. Individuals seeking assistance should bring with them pertinent tax documents, such as copy of last year's tax returns, W-2 forms, bank interest statements, and the tax package received in the mail. For those filing for the homestead rebate, they will need to know their lot and block number and amount of property tax paid in 1993 and for renters, the name and address of the landlord and amount of rent paid in 1993. The following sites will be open for this free tax assistance:

- Roselle Public Library — Roselle by appointment only — (908) 245-5809.
- Council Hall Convalescent Center — Union by appointment only, (908) 687-7800.
- Ashbrook Convalescent Center — Scotch Plains by appointment only, (908) 889-5500.
- Elizabeth Presbyterian Center — Elizabethport by appointment only, (908) 351-4850.
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Union by appointment only, (908) 686-7887.

• Elizabeth Main Public Library — Thursday and Saturday 9 a.m. to noon, walk in.

• Vauxhall branch Library by appointment only, (908) 688-1078.

from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Art administration building, 1225 South Ave., Plainfield.

The meeting will feature a presentation by Charles Dooley of the Dooley Funeral Home Service in Westfield, titled, "Prearranged Funeral Trust Fund." Dooley will focus on the topic of how to handle prearranged benefits for individuals receiving governmental benefits.

• For more information or directions, call Louis Goldberg at (908) 754-2770.

Support group meets

The regular monthly meeting of the family support group of the Union County Arc will be held Wednesday

Gaelic group meets

The Union County chapter of the African Valed Society of America Inc. will meet Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. in the Scotch Plains Public Library, 1927 Huckle Ave.

The program will be "Lovable Teenies." Refreshments will be served. Anyone interested is welcome in advance.

Gaelic gala scheduled

The Union County Irish American Association will hold its annual "Project Children" dance on Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at St. Catherine's Hall, North Broad Street in Elizabeth.

The \$15 donation includes music by the Willie Lynch Band, refreshments of beer, wine, tea and coffee, Soda Bread and cake.

The dance, held annually, gives children from war-torn Northern Ireland a summer vacation in the United States with volunteer families. Over the years, the Union County Irish American Association has been able to increase the number of children it sponsors. For more information, call (201) 926-5391 or (908) 251-7203.

Companions in need

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Miss Union County, the first step toward the Miss America title, is judged by the same criteria as the state and national competitions: personal interview, evening gown, swim suit, and talent.

The winner will represent the county at the July state competition in Wilkesboro.

The Miss America pageant, the world's largest scholarship program for women, gives \$5 million annually to help educate American females. For more information, call Susan Daugherty at (908) 382-5367. There is no entry fee.

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Franks calls for more control of illegal immigrants

Saying that the United States can no longer afford to be "the land of opportunity for illegal aliens," Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, last week announced two major initiatives aimed at stemming the tide of illegal immigration.

At a press conference in Kenilworth, Franks said that two thirds of the 9,194 people who landed at Kennedy International Airport seeking political asylum in 1992 never showed up for their court dates to

determine whether they could legally remain in the United States.

"The vast majority simply disappeared and became part of the ever-increasing illegal immigration population in the New York-New Jersey region. New Jersey ranks sixth nationally in the number of illegal immigrants. The cost to New Jersey taxpayers of subsidizing a wide range of social services — from health care to public education — for these illegal aliens is enormous. Estimates range

from \$82 million to as high as \$471 million a year."

Franks was joined at the press conference by Somerset County Freeholder Director Rose McConnell and Union County Freeholder Chairman Frank Lehr, who discussed the tax burden of providing social services to illegal immigrants.

In calling for reform of the political asylum process, Franks said, "Political asylum has become a huge con game, a gaping loophole in our

immigration law that allows aliens to take advantage of America's generosity."

Franks has introduced legislation with bipartisan support that seeks to dramatically reduce the number of individuals seeking political asylum. The proposal calls for the United States to negotiate with 150 other nations to develop an agreement whereby political asylum would be granted by the first democratic country an alien enters after leaving his

homeland.

The congressman said, "Many aliens en route to the United States travel through countries that could provide them with a safe haven from political, ethnic or racial persecution. Rather than apply for asylum in one of these nations, they continue to journey to the United States, seeking not only a safe haven but the economic opportunity they see from a prosperous America."

Franks' other initiative involves

toughening the penalties for falsifying Social Security cards for illegal immigrants. It was prompted by a recent New Jersey case in which two former employees of the Social Security Administration in Newark were given jail terms of between three and seven months for falsifying Social Security cards for illegal aliens. The bill, which was introduced this week, would increase the penalty for this crime from a maximum five-year prison term to a minimum five-year jail sentence.

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Assembly Speaker boasts thousands saved

Assembly Speaker Garabed "Chuck" Hayajian says the practice he instituted last session of limiting the number of bills members can introduce at any one time resulted in thousands of fewer bills and thousands of dollars in savings for the taxpayers.

Because the standing limit of 50 bills has been effective in reducing costs and keeping the focus on more important legislative concerns, Hayajian said it will be kept during the 1994-95 session.

"Cutting unnecessary bills not only saves money but leaves more time to devote to the truly important issues," said Hayajian, R-Warren. "If we want to cut the size of government and make it more efficient, we must start right here, with the Assembly. The needs of the people of New Jersey must always come first."

Each legislator has a cap of 50 standing bills they sponsor in the Assembly. When the cap is reached, a legislator can introduce another bill only if a previously introduced bill has been approved or withdrawn.

"We must lead by example," Hayajian said. "This rule compels legislators to

prioritize their agenda and weed out frivolous legislation. It makes little sense to continue to reintroduce bills that, for whatever reason, do not move for lack of support."

Hours of professional and clerical costs are associated with preparing a bill for introduction such as inputting the text into the state's computerized bill library. It also saves on printing and storage costs because hundreds of copies of each bill must be made available for the public.

Hayajian said figures from past sessions show the dramatic difference the new rule has made.

During the 1990-91 session, 5,326 bills were introduced in the Assembly. Some individual members had introduced hundreds of bills.

But since the enactment of the limit at the start of the 1992-93 session, the number of bills introduced dropped by more than 2,000.

"Government has wasted the time and money of the taxpayers long enough," Hayajian said. "In the Assembly, we are committed to working for the people and not at their expense."

Deadline set for board

The Board of Education of the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 set the deadline for filing a nominating petition to run for a seat on the Regional Board of Education for Feb. 24.

Four seats on the nine-member Board, one each from the communities of Clark, Garwood, Mountainville and Springfield, will be contested on School Elections Day, tentatively scheduled for April 19, 1994. Candidates from Garwood, Mountainville and Springfield filed on that date will be chosen for a full three-year term, while the Clark candidate elected on April 19 will serve the final two years of an unexpired three-year term.

To be eligible to run for the Regional Board of Education, interested individuals must obtain a nominating petition from the office of the Board Secretary at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Mountain Avenue, Springfield, on any school day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The completed nominating petition must then be returned to the Board Secretary's office by 4 p.m. on Thursday, February 24.

Tax-cut package to see 'fast action'

Assembly Speaker Garabed "Chuck" Hayajian is pledging fast action on a three-bill tax cut package that includes a 5 percent reduction in income tax rates for all New Jersey taxpayers.

The package also includes a bill to eliminate income tax liability for taxpayers earning \$7,500 or less and a measure that would eliminate the corporation business tax surtax. All three bills are retroactive to Jan. 1, 1994.

Hayajian said the trio of bills demonstrates the Assembly Republicans' commitment to implementing the 30 percent tax cut program outlined by Gov. Christie Whitman in her inaugural address.

"This is a job creation package," said Hayajian, R-Warren. "Its passage will send a signal that we are serious about keeping existing jobs and creating new ones."

"Lower taxes will stimulate economic expansion, attract businesses from other states and encourage existing businesses to expand. There is more work to be found, and with the help

of the Whitman administration, we will find it."

Hayajian emphasized that the three-bill package is only the first installment on a three-year plan to reduce state income taxes by 30 percent and eliminate the telecommunications tax.

"By the time we are done, the tax burden on New Jersey residents will be nearly \$2 billion less than it is today," Hayajian said. "If you factor in the sales tax rollback we approved in 1992 and the business tax incentives we approved in 1993, we will have cut the equivalent of \$2.8 billion in taxes."

"In effect, Jim Florio's devastating tax increase of 1990 will have been wiped away. That's \$2.8 billion more for people to spend and businesses to invest."

Hayajian said the income tax cut bill A-1, which he is sponsoring, will be reviewed by the Assembly Policy and Rules Committee and the Assembly Appropriations Committee in February. He said he hopes to see the package approved by the full Assembly by early March.

The second bill in the package, A-2, would eliminate income tax liability for taxpayers earning \$7,500 or

Reaching 1,000



Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Principal Judith Wickline, left, and Girls Varsity Basketball Coach Arthur Krupp congratulate Michelle Saunders for scoring the 1,000th point of her varsity career at Dayton. She scored 26 points in a recent game against Governor Livingston to bring her career point total to 1,002. She is the first Dayton basketball player to reach and surpass the 1,000-point plateau during her junior year.

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Bicentennial Committee schedules spring events

The next general meeting of the Springfield Bicentennial Committee will be Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Parish House, Church Hill, Springfield.

Co-Chairman Jeff Curtis said, "We were pleased with the large turnout at our Jan. 24 general meeting with persons who showed much enthusiasm and eagerness to help. Although we have organized a good-sized committee, if there should be any current or former residents who would like to join, they will be most welcome. We have chosen which require a few or many hours that require persons of all talents."

The next scheduled event is the semi-formal dinner-dance at Balthasar Golf Club on March 21. Committee members are William Grac, Bonnie Beaudin, Cathy Masetto and Wayne Musello. Tickets at \$60 each are being sold exclusively by Kathleen Wieniewski at (201) 912-2202. Checks should be made payable to the Springfield Bicentennial Committee.

Tentatively, for the May 14-15 weekend, the events will begin with a parade including bands and floats, followed by a 200th anniversary ceremony, craft demonstrations and a revolutionary battle re-enactment by the Brigade of the American Revolution. The Brigade will also have demonstrations of Colonial crafts including a military fashion show. Various religious groups have been requested to feature historical themes at their services.

There will also be singing groups and various types of entertainers at a fair and festival with many kinds of foods and snacks. Tables and booths are planning to be offered to be set up in the high school parking lot. A health fair featuring testing equipment and a barn unit will be available. Games and rides for children will prevail to a carnival atmosphere. A historical house, site and garden tour is also being scheduled.

Co-Chairman Tom Ernst said, "I urge these civic, service, religious, senior citizen, and school — PTA, PTO and student groups — organizations that have not already sent at least one or more representatives, to do so for our Feb. 15 meeting. We also would like to establish a youth committee, comprising Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Brownies, etc."

Additional information can be had by calling Publicity Chairman Hazel Hargrove at (201) 376-3348 or Ernst at (201) 467-7000.

Deerfield prepares fall kindergarten registration

Deerfield School announced its registration and screening for 1994-95 kindergarten classes will be held by appointment from Feb. 15 through Feb. 17. Applications for registration and screening will begin at 8:45 a.m.

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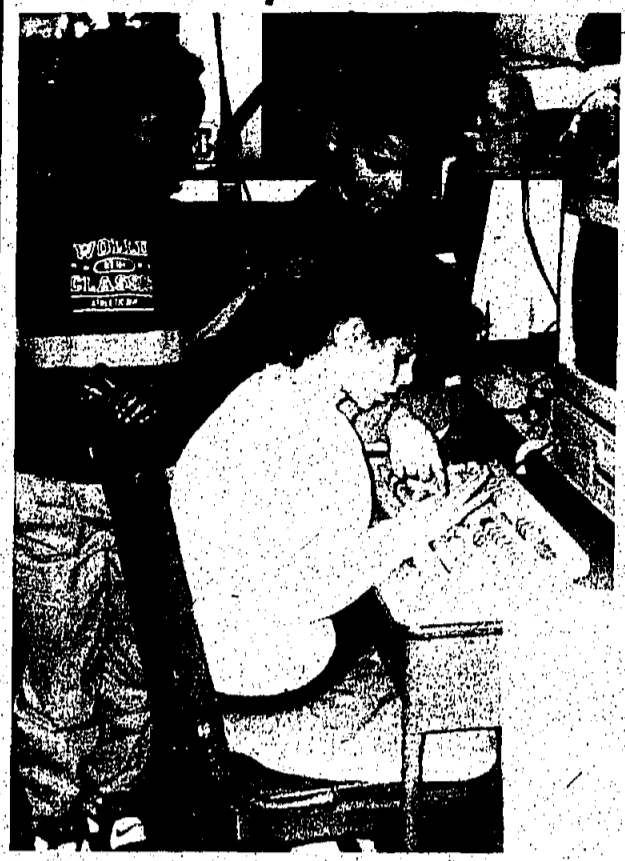
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Board considers adding ROTC in-line with thematic institutes

By Joseph Niedzelski
Managing Editor

In keeping with its movement toward thematic institutes, the Union County Regional High School District is considering broadening its curriculum to include a Junior ROTC program at Governor Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights.

Curriculum supervisor for the district, Kenneth Matfield, presented to the board his findings on the ROTC program at the board's regular meeting of Feb. 8.

According to Matfield, the program could be in place at Governor Livingston for the 1995-96 school year.

Donald Merachuk, superintendent of schools for the Union County Regional District, prefaced Matfield's presentation by introducing the ROTC topic and outlined its place in the district's movement toward thematic institutes which will begin next year with the Business and Marketing Institute at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark.

Merachuk said he hoped the board would consider adding the program. Matfield said the district explored the idea of a Junior ROTC program in 1984. The conclusion then was that enrollment was not particularly high and adequate storage facilities were not available within the regional district's high schools, said Matfield.

Armed forces representatives have toured the Governor Livingston site and, although finding that the district was not a priority district, they concluded that the facilities were adequate to support the program, Matfield said.

Matfield came before the board, not to seek their approval of the program, but rather seeking their approval to submit an application which he said will allow the district to know whether or not they would meet the government's qualifications to offer the program.

The future costs, Matfield said, would be in the \$15,000 range for teacher salaries. The district would be responsible for that amount. The matriculate would be reimbursed by the government for the teacher salaries.

According to Matfield, the district would employ two instructors for the program. One would be hired from an approved list of commissioned officers. The other instructor could be a noncommissioned officer. Both instructors would become employees of the district.

While the district would have to provide insurance for the government's equipment, the armed services would provide uniforms, books and other necessary materials at no cost.

Livingston would not hold the participating students to any military obligation.

Matfield added that last year's state scholarship money for eligible ROTC students went unclaimed and he and other board members felt this could enhance the educational opportunities for its students.

Carmine Vance, the Mountaineer representative on the regional Board of Education, concurred that the program would help students to get scholarships and add to the disciplinary events which could be gained by those who participate.

Board President Burton Zimover, who participated in the ROTC while in college, is in favor of the plan, citing its ability to teach individuals about themselves and to make a mark on an individual's self-confidence.

County incinerator is cleared to burn

By Sean P. Carr
Managing Editor

A day eagerly awaited by some, and long-feared by others, finally came as the Rahway incinerator began operations this week.

The Union County Resource Recovery Facility, as it is officially known, began accepting solid waste Monday and is expected to begin testing by the end of the week, said Jeffrey Callahan, executive director of the Union County Utilities Authority.

According to Callahan, the state Department of Environmental Protection and Energy gave final permit approval at 5:10 p.m. Feb. 8.

A three-day supply of municipal solid waste is needed before testing can begin at the facility. The garbage will be brought to the incinerator from the AMS Transfer station in Linden and the Elmer Transfer station in Elizabeth, Callahan said.

"New Jersey has the strictest environmental laws in the country," Callahan said. "The state's scrutiny and issuance of the permits for this facility supports the authority's conviction that this is the most environmentally sound Resource Recovery Facility in the nation," he said.

"It's my hope that the public will see that the dire predictions of the opponents of the facility went unmet," Callahan said.

Helen Miller, a former chairman and former commissioner of the authority, is also glad that the facility is operating.

"I think it's a tremendous breakthrough," Miller said. "I'm sure it's going to be a benefit, economically, to all the municipalities in the county. I'm anxious to see it operating," she said.

Commissioner William Wolf of Rahway said, "I think it's long overdue. It's been a long process."

Wolf said the facility is necessary. "We have to handle the solid waste and we have to handle it intelligently," he said.

Wolf and 4th Ward Councilman Chester Holmes are the city's official spokesmen to the UCUA.

"We have mixed feelings about it in Rahway," said Katherine Fulcomer, a county-appointed commissioner from Rahway.

Echoing the complaint of several city officials and many anti-incineration activists, Fulcomer said:

"This thing is a disaster. It's going to prove to be a disaster," said Bob Carson, vice chair of the Concerned Citizens of Union County.

A 1985 referendum on whether city residents favored locating the incinerator passed by a sound margin.

Mayor James Kennedy said the facility is "the beginning of a relationship which is intended to bring better things to the community, along with additional revenues."

In a reference to the Concerned Citizens of Union County, Kennedy said, "The group has to understand that it's a reality. It's time to put that behind us and work toward the benefits that it's giving the community."

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High society



The Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School chapter of the National Honor Society welcomed 14 new members during induction ceremonies recently at the school. New members are, front row from left, Jennifer Wollanberg, Lynn Tossor, Heather Marko, Laura Marra, Carrie Davoy and Monica Chang. Back row from left are Kara Thompson, Todd Cohen, Benjamin Axelrad, Raffaele Mazarrella, Seth Axilrad, Robert Moskowitz and Caroline Evans. Not pictured is James Von St. Paul. To gain admission to the academic organization, students must attain a grade-point average of 3.75 or better while displaying a record of leadership, character and service.

Trailside to host astronomy day

Trailside Nature and Science Center will host its annual Astronomy Sunday on Feb. 27 from 1 to 5 p.m.

The Center, located in Mountainside, will provide a stellar lineup of scheduled events and engaging astronomy activities. Scheduled events will include planetarium shows, a keynote speaker, model rocket launches, and a trumpet/synthesizer concert.

At 1:15 p.m. and again at 4:15 p.m., Chris Rendus will present a live trumpet and synthesizer concert titled "Music of the Spheres." "Essential About Eclipses" will be presented at 1:30 in the planetarium by Bill McClain and will feature information and instructions on how to view the upcoming May 10 lunar eclipse safely.

"Hubble Space Telescope Update" by Karl Krisko, captain of a research team using this orbiting space telescope, will be offered at 2:30. Keynote speaker Kitty Ferguson, author of "A Brief History of Stephen Hawking," will take her audience on a guided tour via slides during "Freak to a Black Hole" at 3 p.m. Planetarium show "Winter Wonders" at 3:30 will focus on seasonal constellations and other night sky objects. Model rockets will be launched by the Garden State Space Modeling Society at 4:15 and 4:15 p.m.

In addition, for children grades K-2, Astronomy Sunday will offer planet workshops at 1:45 or 4 p.m., when each child will create a solar system project to take home. This workshop will be led by Anne Anderson, a teacher at Central Presbyterian Nursery School in Summit. Anderson has taught astronomy courses for adults as well, but admits her favorite groups to teach are young children. She also teaches "College for Kids," a Saturday program for ages 5-12 years. Astronomy discovery stations will allow children in the third to fifth grades to drop in between 1:30 to 4:30 and do hands-on activities relating to astronomy. Tickets for each workshop are \$2.50 per child and will be sold at the door.

In addition to scheduled events, ongoing activities will include space face-painting for kids, stargazing, telescope equipment and accessories for sale and on display by North Plainfield Chapter of National Space Society.

Light refreshments will be sold, and admission to the event is free. Planetarium shows, however, are \$2.75 per person and are for ages 6 and up. Call (908) 789-3670 for more information. Trailside Nature and Science Center is a facility of Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

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There's no feeling like winning

Johnson Regional hockey team beats Madison 8-0 for first-ever win

By Peter Rosenhal
Assistant Sports Editor

ROSELLE — The first win is always the sweetest. It took some time, but the Johnson Regional High School ice hockey team, in its first year, found the win column for the first time in its history. Johnson, now 1-12, defeated a winless Madison Borough squad 8-0 Monday in front of a small but dedicated crowd at Warinac Park.

The Crusaders' offensive output was a collective effort, with five players registering at least two points each. Defensively, the story was goalie Scott Rendiero who registered his, and Johnson's, first shutout by stopping 20 Madison shots.

Madison fell to 0-17 with the loss.

"Our goaltending has come around," Johnson head coach Dave Gritschke said about the freshman who is a converted street hockey goalie. "He has finally learned how to skate. We also had a real good practice Saturday. I worked his butt off."

Rendiero was aided by what Gritschke said was better passing and less puck handling, especially in Johnson's own end. His cause was also strengthened by Johnson plying a quick lead in the game when freshman winger Josh Goldfarb, a Dayton Regional student, took the opening face-off and skated to the Madison end to score only six seconds in.

Three minutes later another freshman, Dayton Regional student Bryan Eberenz, worked the puck down the left side and when Madison goalie Mike Sine shifted to cover the angle, Eberenz passed to Ed O'Donnell who was wide open for the goal. Johnson, ahead 2-0, then had to do something it never had before, protect a lead.

"We thought we could win this one," senior defenseman Brian Schott, who scored twice and is tied for the team lead with nine goals, said. "We've been playing better since we've gotten to play some games in a row. The first period ended with Johnson still holding a two-goal margin. Schott began the second period barrage with a slap shot — from beyond the redline at center ice — that skipped off the surface onto before finding a home at the back of the net. Both teams had good chances at scoring in the first five minutes of the period during which Sine made five saves.

At 7:10 in the period, Angelo Ruggieri scored. Johnson goal Nic Carter Anthony Kutter did the puck to him in front of the net. Just over a minute after that, Eberenz, who leads the team with 14 points on nine goals and five assists, put a point blank shot through Sine's legs. Goldfarb, who also has 11 points on three goals and eight assists, and Jason Hester assisted on the goal that gave the Crusaders a 5-0 advantage and knocked Sine out of the game. After Johnson survived a two-man Madison advantage for one minute and a one-man advantage for two minutes on consecutive penalties, Hester put back the rebound of an Eberenz slap shot to go ahead 6-0.

Schott scored another unassisted goal and O'Donnell took a pass from Brian don Bennett to put the score at 8-0.

Johnson still has a lot more work to do before it becomes a force, but both the players and Gritschke accept that Gritschke knows he has a crew of solid players on his team. With the exception of Schott, will be returning for at least another year. "It feels great," Rendiero said. "We played a full game."

Saunders passes 1,000-point mark

First Dayton junior to do so

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

OSHTON — It was a bit about her play that she's still able to score the way she does.

The one bright spot that came from last Thursday's loss, which snipped a four-game winning streak, was that the Dayton Regional High School girls' basketball team had itself another 1,000-point scorer.

Michelle Saunders scored 26 points to run her total to 1,002 and became the first player in school history, boys and girls, to reach the grand plateau as a junior.

Dayton may also have a preliminary-round Union County Tournament game scheduled for tomorrow or Saturday. The scoring meeting took place yesterday in Scotch Plains.

Dayton has already qualified for the state tournament in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.

Saunders scored her 1,000th point on a free throw after she missed her first attempt after getting fouled.

"I think Michelle was very relieved when she finally got it," Krupp said. "She's a very humble person and I think she was a little nervous when she did it."

Krupp said earlier in the year that

Working overtime seems to work out for Panthers

Both of Roselle Park's overtime victories to date, the Panthers were 2-0 in overtime games at the start of the season

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

OSHTON — It has been very good to Roselle Park High School sports teams this year.

The football team won its second consecutive sectional championship by overtime this year and the boys' basketball team won in overtime for the second straight. Thursday last week in posting a big conference victory.

Mike Rotman's layup at the buzzer in overtime propelled Roselle Park past Middlesex 54-52 last Thursday, handing Middlesex the first Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division defeat. And who should be the one that made the pass to Rotman? None other than senior point guard John Schiessl, his field goal gave Roselle Park its state championship football win over New Providence.

Both of Roselle Park's overtime victories to date, the Panthers were 2-0 in overtime games at the start of the season in addition to its overtime win at home against Roselle. With the score tied 28-28, Saunders scored four of the team's final six points.

"We were able to qualify for the state tournament for the second year in a row and that was a goal of mine," Krupp said. "We're now looking to win a couple of games in the county and state tournaments. We feel we can."

The win, Roselle Park's 10th straight, put the Panthers in first place in the MVC-Valley Division with an 8-1 record. Roselle Park took an overall mark of 10-1 into Tuesday night's game at New Providence. The Panthers previously defeated New Providence 86-61 in Roselle Park on Jan. 13.

Roselle Park hosts Manville tonight at 7 p.m.

Middlesex fell to 5-1 in the MVC-Valley and 8-2 overall with last Thursday's loss. Middlesex will host Roselle Park this evening, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m., a makeup game.

"We're very happy with our winning streak," Lalley said. "A goal of ours was to be in contention to win the conference and we are. We want to be able to keep improving as the season goes on."

The Union County Tournament seeding meeting took place yesterday in Scotch Plains, with preliminary

Boys' Basketball

The week with long winning streaks, Elizabeth was unbeaten at 13-0 prior to Monday's game at home against undefeated Livingston

Elizabeth was unbeaten at 13-0 prior to Monday's game at home against undefeated Livingston. St. Patrick's began the week at 9-6, having won six straight after a 3-6 independent-schedule start. Linden had won 10 straight and was 11-2 before Tuesday's game at Hillside, the last team to defeat the Rams.

And of course, Roselle Park began the week with a 10-game winning streak.

"We're just taking one game at a time," Lalley said. "I think the success we've had in overtime will help us down the stretch in close games. We're just going to see how far we can go."

One key to holding down Middlesex was the defensive play of

Tournament time here as R. Park prepares for UCT

Cranford had good teams and Westfield has some good individuals. Governor Livingston has a fine season so far and it might come down to them and Union.

By J.R. Parachini
Sports Editor

Tournament time is here for high school wrestling fans.

The 19th Union County Tournament will be held tomorrow night and Saturday afternoon at the Dunn Sports Center in Elizabeth. Roselle Park has won the championship three of the four past years with crowns in 1990, 1991 and 1993.

The following Saturday (Feb. 19) will feature the NJSSAA's Group titles after sectional champions are determined. Then we go to the districts (Saturday, Feb. 26), the regional (Saturday, March 5) and the state (Saturday, March 12).

Roselle Park won last year's UCT crown for the fourth time overall behind Outstanding Wrestler award winner Pat McCafferty. The senior won the 145-pound title after winning the 140-pound title in 1992 as a junior.

Roselle Park, which tied Cranford 36-36 last Saturday, has a repeat champion in senior Anthony Barra. He defeated Cranford's Dave Kosonoff 44-13 for the 152-pound title last year.

Barra entered last night's match at Middlesex with a 13-1 record. He only lost once in the year, a 4-3 overtime defeat by Bjorn Ekl of Scotch Plains.

"He's wrestling his best now and peaking at the right time," Roselle Park head coach Sam Appello said.

Roselle Park's top wrestlers at the moment are senior Mike King at 125 (12-2), senior Frank Taramino at 125 (14-0), junior Tom Hinkle at 130 (11-3), Barra, sophomore Bob Harn at 189 (9-2) and senior Ryan Vandecy at heavyweight (8-3).

"We have a young team this year and I don't know if we have the depth to win the tournament," Appello said. "Union is well-rounded, Rahway and

H.S. Wrestling

103 — Dave Bubenowski, Union, dec. Chris Blank, Gov. Livingston, 14-9.

112 — John Cuccolo, Cranford, dec. Brian Klein, Summit, 3-2.

119 — Tom Warrick, New Providence, pinned Pat Barlett, Scotch Plains, 3:34.

125 — Jose Huerfano, New Providence, dec. Chuck Ott, Rahway, 15-5.

130 — Rick Orsini, Gov. Livingston, dec. Jon Sachel, New Providence, 11-5.

135 — Corey Posey, Westfield, dec. Kevin Logan, Summit, 6:31.

140 — Mike Marcovecchio, Scotch Plains, dec. Corey Posey, Westfield, 4-3.

145 — Pat McCafferty, Roselle Park, pinned Meget McGaw, Summit, 2:46.

152 — Anthony Barra, Roselle Park, dec. Dave Kosonoff, Rahway, 13-3.

160 — Keith Appello, Roselle Park, won by forfeit.

171 — Dan Halsey, Rahway, dec. Roy Pitta, Johnson, 7-5.

180 — Steve Baginski, Rahway, pinned Ryan Vandecy, Roselle Park, 1:47.

Heavyweight: Seth Coen, Westfield, pinned Sam Richardson, Cranford, 3:27.

Stracey swims to butterfly victory

The Dayton Regional High School girls' swimming team, behind champion Christine Stracey, finished sixth at last Saturday's Union County Swimming and Diving Championships at the Dunn Sports Center in Elizabeth.

Stracey won the 100-yard butterfly event in 1:02.73 to help the Bulldogs gain 131 points. Westfield was the crown for the second consecutive year with 300.6.

Westfield won the boys' title for the 36th consecutive season with 311 points. Union finished second for the sixth straight year with 241. Dayton finished 10th with 48.

Stracey finished fifth in the 50-yard freestyle which was won by Jill Smith of Westfield.

Beth Trombly of Dayton finished second in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:13.88. Lisa Olden of Westfield won in 1:12.71.

Christine Johansson of Dayton finished third in the 100-yard backstroke in 1:23.42. Caroline Parillo of Scotch Plains won in 1:01.01.

Johansson finished second in the 200-yard individual medley in

H.S. Roundup

22:187 behind Donna Restivo of Union's winning time of 2:17.39.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Roselle Park won both of its overtime last week to stretch its winning streak to four and clinch a state tournament berth in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1.

The Panthers, who were scheduled to host New Providence Tuesday and today will play at Manville, defeated Manville 47-30 at home on Feb. 1 and Middlesex 33-30 on the road last Thursday.

Adrienne Appello hit one free throw with 24 seconds remaining and Kristin Vordman two more, with eight seconds left during last Thursday's game against Middlesex, which was knotted at 30-30 with less than a minute to go.

The winner Roselle Park's overall record at 8-4 and tied for Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division mark at 5-2. The Panthers began

Area football players headed to Triple, Page B2.

Area athletes find their Temple

By J.R. Parabol
Sports Editor

"I'm going to college, mom. Can you get dad to help me with my bags? I've only got two hands and one's holding a football and the other my scholarship."

"Sure thing, son. We don't want you to drop either. Hold on son, hold on."

Who was it who said that, "I'd rather be anywhere but Philadelphia." Well, Philadelphia, Pa. will be the place to be this fall for a number of talented area athletes.

Five top high school football players from North Jersey, four of which hail from the Wood-Ridge Community Newspapers readership area, were fortunate enough to earn scholarships. They will become teammates at Temple University in the fall.

Another standout from the WCN area, Union's Sean Matthews, will attempt to make the team as a walk-on.

"He has the ability to see the whole court and the whole field, which is so important. He has great instincts and his top two abilities are his feet and quickness and his ability to see the entire field. He has great vision."

All were sought by former New Jersey high school football coach Greg Acocello, who just completed his second recruiting season for the Owls and last year made his college coaching debut as the man in charge of the linebackers at Temple. Paravlecchio's recruiting efforts helped Temple sign eight players, the past two signing periods. This year's class includes Lamont Adams, Kyle Hillside, Roger Chamone of Linden, Paul Segro of Johnson Regional of Clark, Greg Acocello of North Bergen and Chris Marshman of Irvington. Union's Sean Matthews will attempt to make the team as a walk-on.

Last year's class included Adamson Singleton of Irvington, Kyle Berzoff of Seton Hall Prep and Dan LaPointe of Hanover Park.

"The two main reasons kids think about attending Temple is that they have an outstanding chance to play right away and because of the conference they would be playing in the Big East," Paravlecchio said.

Paravlecchio, 33, knows a thing or two about North Jersey football. The former Seton Hall Prep (1978) and Penn State (1982) standout linebacker began his coaching career in 1986 following an all-union, injury-plagued career — as the defensive coordinator at Governor Livingston Regional in Berkeley Heights.

After one year there he took over as the head coach at Bloomfield. Some said he was crazy for taking over that program. All he did was produce Bloomfield's first win in five seasons in his second year, got the Bengals in the playoffs for only the third time and the first time in 12 years his third year and win a share of a conference title in that same season.

Paravlecchio took over at Irvington in 1991 after four years at Bloomfield and led the Blue Knights to a 9-9 mark in two years, including the school's second winning season since 1976 when Irvington finished 5-4 with a three-game winning streak in 1992.

"There's a lot of talent in the entire state of New Jersey," Paravlecchio said. "There always has been and always will continue to be."

Temple struggled in 1993 under first-year head coach Ron Dickerson, losing its last 10 to finish 1-10. Dickerson, one of only three black coaches in Division I and a former assistant under Joe Paterno at Penn State, knows that it will take Temple

some time before it can really compete with its Big East opponents.

"We play a lot of true freshmen last year, kids that were from playing high school right to playing the likes of Miami, West Virginia and Syracuse," Paravlecchio said. "This program is in the right direction and the youngsters we're able to get from North Jersey will help tremendously."

Here's what Paravlecchio had to say about each of this year's signees:

Lamont Adams, Hillside (5-11, 175): "He's an inch too short to go head-to-head with the Penn State and the Southern Cal, but he has outstanding hips and great speed. He's tremendously quick on his feet and is evident when you see him play basketball."

Adams, who runs a 4.6 40, will have the opportunity to make the team as a walk-on.

"He has the ability to see the whole court and the whole field, which is so important. He has great instincts and his top two abilities are his feet and quickness and his ability to see the entire field. He has great vision."

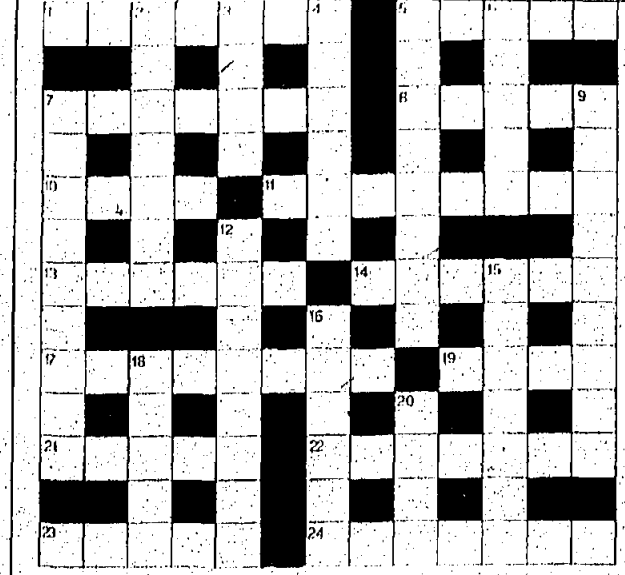
Plus, he's been a winner in both football and basketball. He's played for two outstanding coaches in John Kaye (football) and Morris Griffin (basketball) and has been training with the Owls' defensive back for the Owls. Adams paced Hillside, 7-2 in 1993, with six pass breakups and had 23 punt returns.

Chamone was a member of one of the highest offensive lines in the state this year. He plays on both sides of the ball and helped Linden go 6-2-1. He also considered Maine and Massachusetts. Chamone played for Rucky McDonald.

Segro proved to be one of the state's best pure-power blockers. He chose Temple over I-AA programs Hofstra, Boston University and New Hampshire and helped the Crusaders finish 6-3.

"He played for Matt Theodosios (1991, 1992) and Bob Taylor (1993). Marshman, always seemed to come up with top efforts in the big games, as he played extremely well in a win over Union and a tie against Linden — snuffing off both games by returning the opening kickoff for a touchdown. He was among Irving-

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Matthews also caught three touchdowns from his wide receiver position.

"With a little more experience, I wouldn't be surprised if he made it down there," Retino said.

Retino said Matthews would go to attend Temple from the outset.

"He's a good student, also plays basketball and is an outstanding member of the band," Retino said. "Temple will invite him down there early and he'll try to make the basketball team. I think he's another kid with his best football ahead of him. He would probably reinitiate if he made the team."

Matthews had to fill a void in Union's secondary last year, and proved to be one of the better cornerbacks in the Washington Conference at season's end.

"He showed tremendous improvement over the season went on," Retino said. "He didn't give up many interceptions against him. He has good speed and good feet."

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Cellist attributes success to mom

By Bea Smith
Lifestyle Editor

Kenneth Kuo of Union, a professional cellist, a Juilliard School student and winner of the 1993-94 Young Artists Competition sponsored by the Livingston Symphony Orchestra, is looking at the world today through rainbow-colored glasses.

And well he should — for the 21-year-old musician has everything going for him — a superbly gifted mother, a dedicated, inspirational father, a supportive, encouraging career, classes at Juilliard School in Manhattan, which he loves, a girlfriend-piano accompanist, whom he loves, and a dedicated, inspirational mother, whom he respects and adores.

The Taiwan-born Kuo, who began his study of the cello at the age of 4 in 1974 in the city of Taipei, and came to Union in 1986, has won numerous awards. He was the winner of the Cello Soloist State Competition in Taipei for three successive years, 1984, 1985 and 1986. He came to the United States in 1986 and studied with Marion Feldman at the Manhattan School of Music, where he won the Concerto Competition in 1987. The following year, he won the Rondo Chamber Orchestra Concerto Competition under the direction of Albert Markov and in 1991, won the Philadelphia Symphony Concerto Competition.

Kuo was a winner and finalist in many other competitions including the American String Teachers Association National Biennial Solo Competition. He toured Japan in 1993 and gave recitals in Tokyo and Nagoya. He has worked with David Geber of the American String Quartet and is a student of Harvey Shapiro of the Juilliard School. A winner of the Livingston School Competition, Kuo will receive a \$1,000 scholarship donated to the orchestra by Dr. and Mrs. Rupalnik Gontcharenko of Livingston. Additionally, he will be featured soloist with the orchestra at its final concert of the season on May 20.

"So much has happened to me," Kuo admitted the other afternoon, "and it all has culminated with the Livingston School Competition. It has meant a great deal to me, and I believe," he said seriously, "a great deal to my mother, Su-Hua Low. It makes me happy to know that she is so proud of me."

Kuo became interested in music when he was a little boy in kindergarten. His mother had enormous interest in classical music just like the rest of his mother's side of the family. She played a little piano when she was young, so when I was in kindergarten, it happened that there was a cellist teacher who came to the kindergarten and held private lessons there for his students.

"My mother saw that the cello might be for me, so she got a quarter-sized cello — a very cute one — for me to play," Kuo laughed. "I never knew what a cello was, I thought back then that I was going to have some fun by putting the instrument flat on the floor and plucking the strings. I thought that would be the most fun! But when I got lessons and started classical instruction, well, once I started to play..." he shrugged.

Kuo continued with pride. "My mother was constantly behind me, making sure I practiced for hours and hours. Every day, I got a half-size cello, then three-quarter size, and then a full-sized one. There were times when it was very difficult because I had a very difficult teacher, constantly putting pressures on me, playing the things I was not able to play."

Kuo said he and his mother came to the United States on a visa in February 1986 and lived in Englewood Cliffs for a year before coming to Union in the summer of 1987. She bought a house on Tucker Avenue at Five Points. "She went back last April, and gave the house to me."

"You know," the young man said peacefully, "my mother devoted her life to my music. I can compare this to Carolee Pabio, who was one of the greatest cellists in the history of music. His mother was also his inspiration."

"I love school," he exclaimed. "I love it because it is one of the greatest things a person can get. Imagine going to school all the time in different places and with different teachers. There are new things every day."

When Kuo applied for the Livingston School Competition, he said, "I

had been preparing for the Dvorak Cello Concerto, a piece I wanted to play for a long time. I picked up the piece a month before the competition. I had had a lot of success with that piece, so I got a pianist, Rikiko Izumi, to accompany me. She gave me a lot of courage to do this piece. I went in and did it, and I won, and she is my girlfriend," he said, all in one sentence.

"Additionally in the Livingston School audition was exhilarating," he said. "The sound I could produce on the cello was more than I was expecting. It's a great hall. And the piece is very special to me personally, and I could listen to myself playing. And it led me to give my best. The bounce back of the music from the walls — well, it's a great feeling."

Kuo said there were about 30 people competing. "They told me it was one of the most competitive times. And I won the \$1,000."

The cellist said that it's "a wonderful feeling to win the \$1,000 scholarship. But," he declared, "for me, whether you win or lose, that should not be the goal. The key point of playing is not winning, but savoring your music with the world."

"For me, if I win, I don't look forward to the money or the prize. I look forward to performing and playing with the orchestra, or playing before a large audience. That is the most fulfilling."

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Puente scheduled

Tito Puente, who received a presidential commendation for a "distinguished" career, prolific composer and world class band leader and four-time Grammy winner, will appear Saturday with his orchestra on the stage of Railway's 1,300-seat West County Arts Center. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Considered a child prodigy in Spanish Harlem at the age of 13, the New York-born Puente was already both a celebrated Latin musician and distinguished World War II Naval aviator when he completed his formal music education at Juilliard in 1947. About 20 years and many hit records later, he was invited to perform a program of his original compositions at New York's Metropolitan Opera House. Later, he was awarded the key to the city by New York's then mayor, John V. Lindsay.

In the 1980s, Puente made a guest appearance on TV's *Cosby Show* and appeared in two films: Woody Allen's "Radio Days" and "Armageddon" with John Candy. In 1990, he was voted to receive his own star on Hollywood Boulevard.

In 1991, Puente can his 10th LP, "El Numero Cien," on the RMM label for distribution by Sony. The four-time Grammy winner had been nominated for that honor more times than any other artist in the Latin music field. It was reported.

Reserved seat tickets for the Puente concert are \$15, \$17 and \$19.50 and are available at the Arts Center box office 1601 Irving St. They can be reserved by calling (908) 499-8226.

The Union County Arts Center is a professionally restored national landmark, situated at the junction of Irving and Main streets and Central Avenue.

Aerial photos due for Union showing

"A Personal Vision From Wings Above" — An Exhibit of Aerial Photographs by Owen Kanzer — will be the next show presented at the Les Malarmet Art Gallery in the Union Library, Friberg Park, Morris Avenue, Union. There will be an opening reception on Feb. 27 from 2 to 4 p.m. for the photographer who resides in Linden. The public is invited. The show will remain open through April 7.

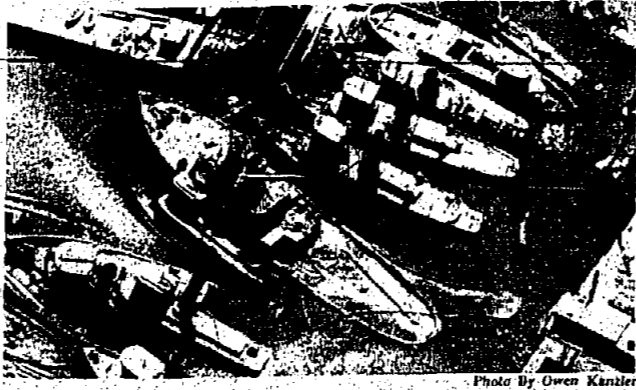
Kanzer is an aerial photographer and pilot who resides in Linden. He has specialized in this branch of photography since 1978, and has been a professional photographer since 1968. His involvement with photography began in 1959 when he received his first camera as a gift at the age of 10. He became involved with aviation in the mid 1970s when he met and became friends with the late Ulysses Fritts, a retired aerial photographer from Dover, who inspired him to take his photography career into the skies.

Today, his services are regularly sought after by commercial, industrial, real estate, and agricultural clients throughout the state, as well as by homeowners who want a "unique aerial portrait of their home and property."

"A Personal Vision From Wings Above" will feature images that were not conceived for any client. It will be a selection of color aerial photographs that were made for purely personal and creative reasons. These are scenes that he has discovered, and has been inspired to capture on film while flying along in his plane to, from, or between commercial assignments.

The aerial photos were made "simply for the joy of making them, and with the hope that they could one day be shared with viewers who might also enjoy this unique perspective of details of our natural and social landscape."

Most of Kanzer's photographic skills have been developed through independent study and experimentation.



'Boat Graveyard: Arthur Kill' will be one of the photographs in the photographic exhibition at the Les Malarmet Art Gallery, Union, Feb. 27 through April 7, called 'A Personal Vision From Wings Above' — An Exhibit of Aerial Photographs by Owen Kanzer of Linden. Spotlighted will be a side of Kanzer's work that is rarely seen.

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FLEA MARKET SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1994. EVENT: Flea Market. PLACE: Redwood Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Ave., Irvington. TIME: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ORGANIZATION: Redwood Lutheran Church.

ART FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1994. EVENT: Art Auction and Wine & Cheese Party. PLACE: Knights of Columbus, 1034 Jannotta Ave., Union. ORGANIZATION: Union High School P.T.A.

Film series slated

The first segment of a three-part film series of rarely-shown movies spanning the 1930s through 1950s, will feature "Stormy Weather" at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday at Union County College's Elizabeth campus. The film series is one of 40 special events held during the current academic year to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the college's founding.

Play opens "The Glass Menagerie," Tennessee Williams' classic play about "the human spirit," will be performed at Keen College of New Jersey, Union, Wednesday to Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 20 at 3 p.m.

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Artist from Roselle exhibits specialties

A permanent exhibit of artwork by Roselle DiMatteo is on display at Children's Specialized Hospital, Mount Pleasant, during this month. The artist, a resident of Roselle, has donated three pieces of artwork to Children's Specialized Hospital.

Amette Juliano's January exhibit also will continue through this month. Individuals or groups who plan to visit the display, which is open to the public Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., can enter the hospital's East Wing entrance.

Open auditions slated by Celebration Singers

The Celebration Singers will hold open auditions for all four voice parts on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Cranford United Methodist Church. The year's spring season is called "Broadway Magic," telling the story of the Broadway musical from its beginning to the modern stage.

Poetry event set Barnes and Noble of Springfield has announced a special Valentine's Open Poetry Reading Tuesday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

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For week of Feb. 13
ARIES — March 21 to April 20
 Take the initiative to patch things up with a family member you have been on the "outs" with for some time. If you don't make the effort now, the relationship could be severed permanently. The weekend will feel like an emotional rollercoaster ride. Good news comes in the mail.
TAURUS — April 21 to May 21
 This will be a good week all around. Something you've been waiting for will finally be yours. This will give you reason to celebrate. You will realize, once again, that hard work does pay off. Romance looks good. You expect to meet a fascinating Scorpio of the opposite sex.
GEMINI — May 22 to June 21
 You'll find satisfaction in planning ahead and taking control of upcoming events. With a little more time on your hands, you'll be able to get things done the way you want. Time spent with friends and family will be enjoyable. The advice you give a friend will be very encouraging.
CANCER — June 22 to July 22
 Because of an unexpected special, a new romance could happen when you least expect it. Aquarius and Gemini are likely candidates for a new love.
SCORPIO — Oct. 24 to Nov. 23
 You'll be able to get through work assignments more quickly and easily than you have in a while. Tackle the personal projects you've been putting aside. Don't let jealousy get in the way of a good thing. Your partner is likely to understand the intensity of your feelings.
SAGITTARIUS — Nov. 23 to Dec. 21
 You will get encouragement and appreciation for all the hard work you've been doing. A Pices friend will play an important role in the week's events. You will see this person in a different light. Unnecessary

family quarrels get in the way of an otherwise happy weekend.
CAPRICORN — Dec. 22 to Jan. 20
 Be prepared to make an important decision. Weigh pros and cons carefully, but don't take too long to decide or an opportunity could be lost. Seek the advice of an expert. If you feel it could benefit you, don't divulge personal information to people you hardly know.
AQUARIUS — Jan. 21 to Feb. 19
 Your optimistic attitude cheers up a friend who's been feeling down. You will find enjoyment in your work and may come up with a very clever idea. A social function this weekend could lead you to an important business contact. Your natural curiosity could get you in trouble on Saturday.
PISCES — Feb. 19 to March 20
 Prepare yourself for a busy week. If working under deadline pressure, be sure to keep your priorities straight. Social engagements may have to be cancelled in order to get your work accomplished. By the end of the week, you can breathe a sigh of relief for a job well done.
Your Birthday This Week: This year will be a happy one. Your health will be better than it has been for some time. You'll feel much more energetic and fit. A family member will reach a major milestone. This happy event — probably a wedding — will bring you much joy. Many of the worries you've had throughout this past year will be eliminated by the onset of spring. Taking a class for enjoyment will be good for you. Consider learning about astronomy, philosophy or something else that fascinates you. Romance looks promising. A Sagittarius of the opposite sex will play a significant role in your personal life.

Nai-Ni Chen due Sunday

Taiwanese choreographer Nai-Ni Chen will bring her dance company to Union County Arts Center, Rahway, for a one-time maine performance Sunday at 3 o'clock.
 Formed in 1988, the Nai-Ni Chen troupe performs in traditional and contemporary styles, and frequently with the emphasis on ancient Chinese themes and legends. In their performances, the dancers reflect their varied backgrounds in traditional Chinese dance, ballet and modern dance. At a typical Nai-Ni Chen performance, audiences are introduced to the "Ribbon Dance" and "Fan Dance," interpretations of traditional Chinese forms, and even martial arts movements are seen in some of the performances.
 "The dance company's colorful costumes will be complemented by the County Arts Center's meticulously restored interior featuring elaborately sculptured walls and ceilings and liberal use of gold leaf in the re-created vintage decor," it was announced.
 Declared an official national landmark in 1986, the 1,300-seat Rahway showplace was opened as a luxurious vaudeville-movie entertainment palace in 1928 and has since been extensively restored and upgraded for the presentation of contemporary stage shows.
 Reserved seat tickets for the Nai-Ni Chen engagement are \$15 and can be purchased at the Arts Center's 1601 Irving St. box office or advance ordered by calling (908) 999-8226.

College offers arts courses

Eight non-credit courses dealing with various aspects of the arts will be offered at Union County College in Cranford with classes opening Feb. 22 and continuing in various segments throughout the semester.
 Among the non-credit arts offerings are "Watercolor," "Oil and Acrylic Painting," "Acting: An Improvisation Workshop," "West African Art," "The Cloisters Museum and the Cathedral of St. John the Divine," "Drawing and Sketching," "Black and White Photography," and "Color Photography."
 "Watercolor" will introduce students to the brush, ink and wash technique, with emphasis placed on attaining successful value and when to use certain colors. Participants can select from two sections from 6 to 8 p.m., either on Thursdays, Feb. 24 through April 21, or May 5 through June 23 at the college's Cranford campus.
 "Oil and Acrylic Painting" will familiarize students with basic techniques in oil painting, using both traditional and modern concepts. Participants can select from two sections from 8:10 to 10:10 p.m., either on Thursdays, Feb. 24 through April 21, or May 5 through June 23, also in Cranford.
 "Acting: An Improvisation Workshop" will enable people who are intrigued by acting, but who are hesitant to obtain formal training, the opportunity to use simple improvisations. They will learn what the essential elements are that can make a scene come to life. Participants may select from two sections, either 8:10 to 9:40 p.m., on Wednesdays, Feb. 23 through April 20 in Cranford or 6 to 7:30 p.m., on Thursdays, May 5 through June 23 at the college's Elizabeth campus.
 "West African Art" will examine the diverse artistic traditions of West African peoples and the significance of their art in their culture, lives and history. It will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Mondays, Feb. 28 through April 25 at the college's Plainfield campus.
 "The Cloisters Museum and the Cathedral of St. John the Divine" will include a bus trip to these New York City landmarks. A 90-minute tour of the Cloisters will be followed by free time to explore the medieval treasure. The tour group will visit the cathedral, Feb. 28 through April 25, on Tuesdays, May 4 through June 22, both in Cranford; 6 to 7:45 p.m., on Tuesdays, either Feb. 22 through April 19, or May 3 through June 21, both in Elizabeth, or 6:30 to 8:15 p.m., either on Fridays, Feb. 25 through April 22, or Thursdays, May 5 through June 23, both in Plainfield.
 "Black and White Photography" will provide beginning photographers with practical experience with camera and the black-and-white darkroom. Lectures and demonstrations will cover camera techniques, and black and white film developing and printing useful for entry-level employment in the photography industry.

Fit-Well Exercise Co. sets Saturday opening

The Fit-Well Exercise Co. in Springfield will open for business Saturday, culminating years of hard work and determination.
 Owner and operator Christopher Seltio, formerly of Aerobics Plus in Short Hills, has taken the best elements of his health and fitness experience and combined them with his own innovative ideas. Together, they create an exercise philosophy that puts a different twist on the all-too-well-known "health club scene."
 His newly renovated 3,000-square-foot facility offers many programs for the beginning exerciser to the advanced health enthusiasts, such as: h/w aerobic, and his own choreographed and widely recognized "Power Party Workout."
 Personal training sessions are conducted at the facility as well, in uniquely designed private training studios that allow the client to receive the undivided attention of the trainer, focusing specifically on helping the client to attain his or her personal goals.
 Specialty programs such as body sculpting, stretching, yoga and private massage provide diversity to the health conscious individual who is looking for more than just a "workout class" to attend. Also included at the facility are babysitting services for mothers and ample parking in the rear of the building.
 Aerobic classes are "drop-in," pay-as-you-go at \$5 per class, with 20 percent and 25 percent discounts for members with regular, long-term attendance. Personal training fees are also pay-as-you-go at \$45 per one-hour session, with discounts "incentives" between 10 percent and 30 percent off on session packages.
 Seltio holds certification from the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America in personal training and aerobic instruction. He also is an AFAA consultant.
 His staff of personal trainers and fitness instructors also hold certifications with several industry leaders, including the American Council on Exercise and American College of Sports Medicine. All trainers and instructors regularly maintain their certifications through continuing education, seminars and workshops. Current CPR certification is also required.
 "My goal for this new fitness facility is to provide a comfortable, friendly environment for the individual to come to, whether they are an advanced exerciser, or someone just starting out," Seltio said.
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Christopher Seltio, owner and operator of The Fit-Well Exercise Co. in Springfield, prepares for its grand opening Saturday.

Union Hospital offers 'preventive' programs

Union Hospital has developed a number of programs that help individuals stay healthy.
 A number of preventive programs are featured at the hospital, including a new smoking cessation program, called But Out. This six-week program teaches individuals to live smoke-free. The hospital also offers an Outpatient Diabetic Education Program that helps patients learn to control diabetes and to prevent complications that may be caused by the disease. Planning is under way for the start-up of a diabetes support group. Monthly cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and advanced life-saving courses also are taught at the hospital.
 Many health education and screening programs also are available through the hospital. For example, Union sponsors various educational lectures on topics such as cancer, diabetes, stress and heart disease through its Educational Institute and the Union Hospital Speakers' Bureau. The Speakers' Bureau provides community and civic organizations with health care professionals who speak on health-related issues; free of charge. In addition, the hospital offers Project SafeGuard in conjunction with the Union Township Department of Health. Project SafeGuard is a free health screening program.
 As a special service, Union Hospital is offering a series of monthly health screenings throughout 1994. The free programs are in celebration of the hospital's 50th anniversary. The schedule of programs include blood pressure screenings, a body fat analysis, podiatry screenings, screenings for diabetes, a hearing test, a vision screening and a cardio-pulmonary function screening. Health fairs are another valuable public service offered by Union Hospital. Screenings for hypertension, breast cancer, cholesterol, pulmonary function, cancer, hearing, sight, glaucoma and podiatry are offered at fairs held at the hospital, as well as at sites in Cranford, Kentwood, Hillside, Elizabeth and Roselle Park.

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Valentine's Day. Love & kisses,
Grandma Joyce and Pop-pop.

AMY, AOLANMW, Mom and
Dad,

ANTHONY, What do we do now
that the holidays are over? Guess
I gotta put up with you, huh?
Laura.

BALLERINA, Roses are red, vio-
lets are blue, sugar is sweet and
you are too! Happy Valentine's
Day with love, Mom.

BOBBY SMITH, You are the best,
and I love you, I love you.

CARLOS, Can't wait till we're
married. I love you very much.
I want to spend my life with you!
Amy.

C.J., You make it so much fun
being a Grandma and Pop-Pop.
Happy Valentine's Day. Love and
kisses, Grandma Joyce & Pop-
Pop.

DEAR MOM AND DAD,
You are the best parents in the
world and you are loved more
than you will ever know. Mom
and Pop-Pop, I love you so much,
Happy Valentine's Day! Love
always, Joyce, Reese and
Jonathan Dar.

DEAR M.P. Roses are red, vio-
lets are blue, one of those days,
I'd like to be with you! Love, Ray.

DEAR STEPHANIE, You are my
best buddy in the whole world. I
love you Piggy. Happy Valen-
tine's Day. Love, Mommy.

DOROTHY, Beachin', Love,
Auntie "M".

EDWARD, You mean everything
to me. We'll be together forever.
Happy Valentine's Day. I love you
loaf! Stephanie.

EMILY, Believe in yourself,
sweetheart, and learn as much as
possible! We love you, Little
Pumpkin. Love, Mom and Dad.

GENE, I have shared the greatest
moments with you and I would
trade you for the world! Love you,
Joyce.

GEORGE, Happy Valentine's
Day! With love from me to you!
Stacie,

GRANDPA SMITH, Boop! Do
Boop! We love you. Happy Valen-
tine's Day! Love, Paige, Scott,
Erik and Branton. Hugs to you!

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our favorite guy. Love from your
girls, Molly, Sadie, Anne and
Whooops Wills.

JOHN, You are the most perfect
person to spend a lifetime with.
Happy Valentine's Day. I love
you, XXXXXX, Jean.

JAKE, Roses are red, daisies are
dry. Happy Valentine's Day to a
wonderful guy. Love, Lynda,
Michelle, Milton, Meghan-Rose,
Kerry-Lyn.

JOHN, I love you with all my
heart and soul. Have a Happy
Valentine's Day. Remember I
love you, Always!

JONATHAN, I love you with all my
heart. Yours forever, Anthony.

KENNETH, I love you with all my
heart and soul. Have a Happy
Valentine's Day. Remember I
love you, Always!

LOVE, I'm really glad to see. Let's
make it last. Chiquita, Uff,
Grazi! Sweetie Love you, Kathy!

MAMA, You're the best and
prettiest grandma in the world.
We love you Ryan, Amanda,
Zachary and Baby-To-Be.

MELISSA CORSON, I love you! I
love you! I love you! I love you!
Guess who? XXXX.

MICHAEL, What did you love
about me today? You're a great
daddy and I love you so much!
Love, Dawn.

MIKE, To a very special person
my life I love you forever. Always
Happy Valentine's Day. Love,
Eileen.

MY SWEETIE, I love you. You
make me very happy. Thanks for
the sparkle. I love it. Love, Your
Sweetie.

PAUL, What more could we ask
for? We have each other forever.
You are truly my soulmate, Lynn,
Maureen.

PHIL L. Happy Valentine's Day!
You are the best! I love you, Rosal!

PORKY, Another year passes
and you have brought me more
love, happiness, and best of all,
our daughter, Love, Porky.

SOME BUNNY, I'm happy that
you are still my Valentine every day
of the year. Love, Bunny Bunsy.

TIGER, It's not what you do or
have in life. It's who you have
beside you. I love you, Princess.

To all my family, Lots of love,
much, much, smooch, hugs and
Happy Birthday. Love, Pup.

To Barbara, the best wife a man
can ask for. Love you with all my
heart. Yours forever, Anthony.

To Lean and Mom! Happy Valen-
tine's Day. I'll even let you wear
your black socks. Love, Mac.

To my hubby, Erwin and kids, Lil'
Erwin and Lynnanna. You are
my world. Loving you always!
Happy Valentine's Day.

To 'SWEET PEA', Happy Valen-
tine's Day to the best boyfriend a
girl can have. Csh. I love U,
MaBull!

To Jessica, Happy Valentine's
Day to the best little girl in the
whole world! Love Mom and Dad.

