

# Automotive

## Chevy Blazer is ready for off-roading

Chevrolet's full-size K1500 Blazer sport utility wagon gets a whole lot of pulling power for extra loads — such as a trailer of up to 7,000 pounds — with the new, optional 6.5-liter LS6 turbo diesel engine for 1994.

This awesome powerplant cranks out 180 horsepower at 3,400 rpm, but even more important for trailer-towing and off-road hill climbing, it delivers 360 foot-pounds of torque at just 1,700 rpm. That's a lot of grunt.

The big Blazer, the top-of-the-line 4x4 from Chevy, gets a bit more stylish for '94 with a new grille, and its overall good looks make it a lot more up-to-date than your average truck product.

Blazers also get side-guard door beams and a center, high-mount rear spotlight, two more significant safety features previously limited to passenger cars.

This is the 25th anniversary of the big Blazer, which was introduced in 1969. It got a cosmetic makeover in 1992.

The luxury version of the K1500 Blazer, as with the Gix pickup and Suburban, is called the Silverado. This trim package comes with custom cloth upholstery, wall-to-wall carpeting, upgraded instrument panel, and AM/FM stereo. Optional are high-back reclining front bucket seats with floor and overhead consoles. Standard is a 60/40 split bench front seat that can handle three adults.

Base price for 1994 is \$21,125; a fully equipped Silverado model with diesel runs close to \$30,000. EPA mileage ratings for the gasoline engine are 12 miles per gallon in the city and 16 on the highway with automatic transmission.

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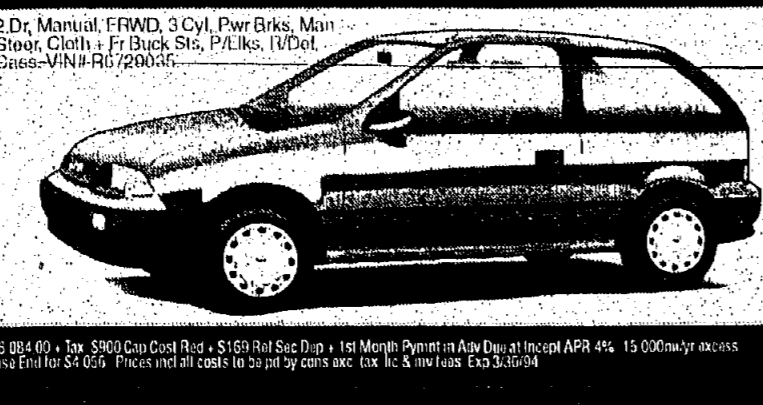
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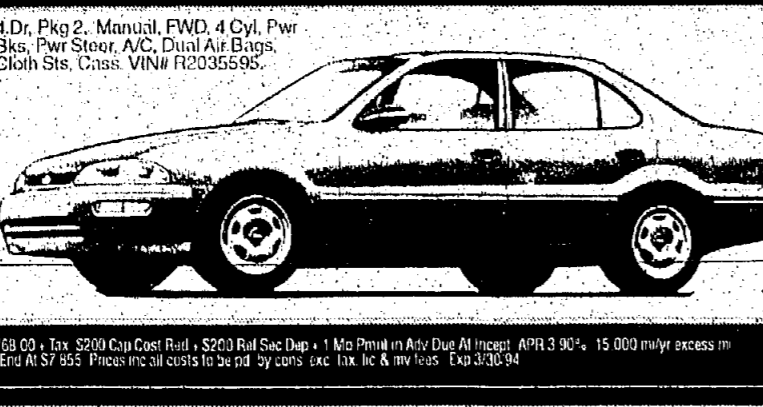
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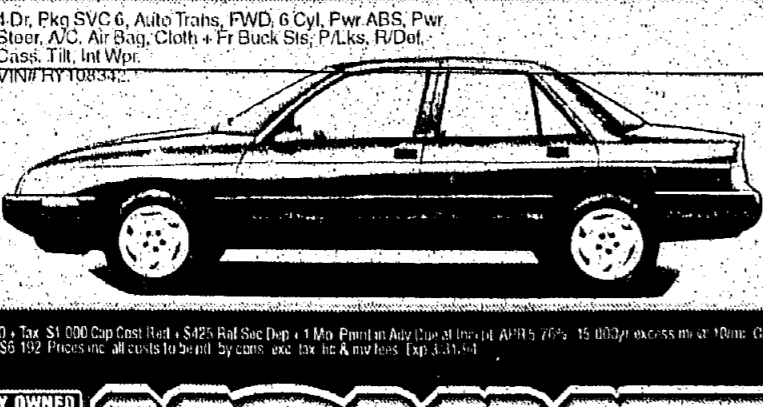
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**Bulldogs in states**  
 Both Dayton Regional basketball teams will be competing in their state tournaments, Page B1.

**An aerial vision**  
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**Baran continues service**  
 Union County freeholders renew Ann Baran's contract for another three year term, Page 7.

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## Community Update

**Recreation deadlines**  
 The Springfield Recreation Department announced that a special Recreation Committee meeting will be held tonight at 8 at the Sarah Bayley Civic Center.

Final registration for Springfield Junior Baseball League K-Ball through Pony League will be March 6 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Gaudinier School gym.

Anyone wishing to umpire Little League games can contact Pete Saylor 376-6850 before March 6.

**Skill improvement set**  
 The Parent Advisory Council of the Union County Regional High School District Basic Skills Improvement Program will conduct a meeting today at 7:30 p.m. in the Instructional Media Center of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Westfield Avenue, Clark.

Parents of students enrolled in the Basic Skills Improvement Program at all three regional high schools — Jonathan Day, Governor Livingston and Arthur L. Johnson — are invited to attend and participate in this meeting. For more information contact program director Betty Ruffley at (201) 376-6300, Ext. 285.

**Bicentennial feled**  
 The Township of Springfield will host a festival for its bicentennial celebration on May 14 and 15.

As part of the event, the committee will run a craft fair. Spaces are \$50 for the two days and will be assigned to first come basis.

Anyone who would like to have a craft table and be part of the celebration may call (201) 912-2200 or (201) 379-2853 for more information.

**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.

Residents of Springfield wishing to nominate a teacher for the award may obtain a nomination form in the main office of each of the four schools or in Town Hall or public library. All parents and community residents are invited and urged to consider nominating teachers for the award. The deadline to submit nominations is March 4 at 3 p.m.

**Literacy: Pass it on**  
 Join the growing number of volunteers who are making a difference in bettering lives. Become a Literacy Volunteer.

Literacy Volunteers of Union County will be holding a two-day training workshop for English as a Second Language. The six-session workshop will be held on the following Saturday mornings: Feb. 26, March 5, 12, 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. These sessions will be at the Summit Library, 75 Maple St., Summit. The workshop will be taught by a certified ESL trainer.

Volunteers ages 18 and over are needed to tutor non-English speaking adults in Union County. No foreign language or previous teaching experience is necessary. There is no charge for the workshop.



Gail Abramson-Lazarus teaches three of her students at Walton School, from left, Barry Cohen, Faith Finlay and Joel Poggi, after she learned about receiving an education award.

## Education group recognizes teacher's 'exceptional' work

By Dennis McCarthy Staff Writer  
 Upon entering Edward W. Walton School you can't miss the huge banner which proudly states, "Congrats to Gail Lazarus — N.J. Special Educator of the Year!"

Early Childhood Special Educator Gail Abramson-Lazarus has been selected by the Federation of Council for Exceptional Children to receive this award on March 4.

"It's really an honor," Lazarus said of the distinction. "The fact that they chose an Early Childhood educator says a lot about everybody in the field of Early Childhood education. We've really made a mark," she said. Lazarus' selfless approach is what earned her this distinction and what has made her so effective in the classroom.

She attributes her own success and the success of the SPROUT, Springfield Preschool Readiness Opportunities for Unique Totz, program to "working as a team with all professionals who are open to learn from each other." She said the support she receives from Superintendent Gary Friedman and Walden Administrator Rosemarie Krowiec has allowed her the "freedom of design to maintain the purity of preschool."

There are no teachers' desks or chairs in Lazarus' classroom, yet there is a minimum of at least five adults working with the 11 students at all times. "We're designing a program that is for the children, not for the adults," she said. "Our expertise is facilitating from where the child is and building on what the child wants to do." She added that the goal of the

teachers is to "interact with the children at their level."

Children from 14 other school districts are in the SPROUT program at Walton. "Outside districts seek her because she has the ability," Krowiec said. She added that "people are most impressed with her program."

"We can meet the needs of the child here differently than they can in their own school district. What makes us different and special is that we work with the whole child and how the child functions," Lazarus said. She added that being aware of the research and history of early childhood education is critical to the continued success of the program.

Lazarus is vice president of the Division for Early Childhood, which is a part of the National Association for the Education of Young Children. She is also a member of the National Council on Exceptional Children.

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## Committee appoints recreation director

By Dennis McCarthy Staff Writer  
 The Township Recreation Committee appointed George A. Ragone to the position of Recreation director Tuesday night.

"We have a lot of hope for George," Committeeman Jeffrey Katz said. He added that nine people were interviewed from 40 applications of those people were presented to the governing body for final evaluation. The decision to appoint Ragone was "unanimous," Katz said.

Ragone has served as Recreation director in Scotch Plains and in Fairbairn, Pa. He worked in Middle-town for two years before he became available to the Township of Springfield.

Katz said that Ragone's diverse experience is what set him apart from the other applicants. "We were very much aware of what we needed in a director," Committeewoman JoAnn Holthuis said. "We were determined to have a qualified person," she said.

Ragone has been in the recreation profession for 20 years. Katz said that Ragone has a strong background in working with people of all ages as well as experience in working with parks — and even writing grants. According to Katz, Ragone already is preparing to present a five- to seven-year plan for operations which includes capital.

The committee introduced an amendment to the code of the Department of Recreation Tuesday which states: The director shall be appointed by, report to and serve at the pleasure of the Township Committee, with approval of the Township Committee, with approval of the Township Committee, with approval of the Township Committee, with approval of the Township Committee.

The resolution, prepared by Holthuis, states that in recognizing the 50th anniversary of administrator Helen E. Maguire-Keyworth's first hold the position of stenographer in the municipal clerk's office, and in 1973 was appointed the first deputy township clerk. She was the first woman to be appointed municipal clerk in 1987, and also has the distinction of being the first administrator appointed in 1987.

Maguire-Keyworth continues to serve the people of Springfield as registrar of vital statistics, and was responsible for filing and receiving a grant for the Donald Palmer Museum for the 1976 bicentennial celebration. The Township Committee proclaimed the week of Feb. 21 as Helen E. Keyworth Week.

## Company drafts plan to privatize authority

By Heather MacGregor Managing Editor  
 To lower costs, a private water company has submitted a proposal to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority which outlines possibilities of privatizing the RVSA by contracting out the pump-out facility, according to a consultant for the company.

Henry Meyer, a private consultant to US Water, the largest operating water and waste water facility in New Jersey, said privatizing the authority would save municipalities 15 percent to 20 percent in the first year simply by creating a more efficient operation.

"The proposal includes a long-term contract for the operation and maintenance of the authority's treatment facility and would make it run more efficiently because there would be no major capital requirements," Meyer said.

Richard Tokarski, executive director of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority, said the RVSA is probably too large to be privatized because a majority of the problems incurred are solved through experience. Large private facilities are upgrading and have proven unsuccessful in other places, he said.

"I don't know how it would work. We run the place like a business and we don't make a profit," he said. "It is a little bit involved and too large for something like that. The other members of the staff are used for their experience. If they go, the experience goes down the tubes." See WATER, Page 2

## Classes mark halfway point to celebration

By Dennis McCarthy Staff Writer  
 Students in Arnetta La Cioppa's "Incredible Years" program at Caldwell School are covered with the children's colorful creations.

A popular assignment was to cut a candle and 100 blue candles in the hallway just outside of their room. Joan Magoo's kindergarteners marched through the school on Friday in white shirts and blue pants.

The patriotic festivities are part of the assignment and construction of the "Incredible Years" which Principal Dennis McCarthy described as a "winter ice breaker." McCarthy said "Halfway Day" marks the halfway point of the school season. "Because of the excessive snow days this year, it is difficult to determine the exact mid-point of the year. Friday, Feb. 18 was chosen because it is halfway through the month of February, which is halfway through the 10-month school year."

Each year on Halfway Day, teachers are asked to have the students express the "concept of haleness" through a "creative" assignment. McCarthy said as a result, the walls of Caldwell School are covered with the children's colorful creations.

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## Auto dealer charged for deception

The Springfield Autohall was one of three auto dealerships charged Feb. 17 with customer deception in handling, repairing and misleading advertisements and falsifying sales contracts to mislead investigators.

Judge John Boyle issued a temporary restraining order for the companies to cease practices. A full hearing is scheduled for March 14.

In a complaint filed in Union County Superior Court, the companies, which also included Crystal Auto, Mall in Crosswicks and Ocean Chevrolet in Toms River, were charged with 36 violations of the state's Consumer Fraud Act.

Attorneys for the companies said the allegations were misleading.



From left, Laura Fraenkel, Victoria Rizzolo and Marc Esquerra join Springfield's bicentennial celebration and mark the halfway point to the end of school in front of their creations of 100 blue and red candles.

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Affordable housing options increase

(Continued from Page 1) There were six municipalities which had their affordable housing plans certified by COAH during the last six years, including Clark, Fanwood, New Providence, Plainfield, Scotch Plains and Union Township.

Water company submits proposal

(Continued from Page 1) Meyer said it is up to municipalities involved to determine each contract. The goal in privatizing the authority is to make it run more efficiently at a lower cost, not to eliminate existing employees.

The larger the company being privatized, the more room for savings, Meyer said. The RVSA, he said, is not too large for US Water, a subsidiary of North West Water of England.

Meyer said US Water pays for any fine it is responsible for. "What you are really worried about is the plant being operated correctly — if they operate it efficiently and don't have problems," he said.

Private industry pays less than public — another benefit to privatization, Meyer said. Public companies pay higher salaries and benefits packages than private companies, he said.

The biggest problem is political, he said, explaining how the authority in regional and mixes a number of municipalities with separate agendas and various political make-ups.

Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority presented with a similar proposal to the RVSA, which serves Clark, Cranford, Garwood, Kenilworth, Rahway, Roselle Park, Springfield, Westfield and Woodbridge.

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Lazarus receives award

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Students celebrate history

(Continued from Page 1) The Reading Buddies program began between the authority and US Water, but they are scheduled for consideration in the near future, according to Frank Mazarelli, a commissioner.

"I think it's fun," Biondy said. "Halfway Day." "I think it teaches the students to read," he said.

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Rotarians join read with kids program in schools

By Dennis McCarthy Staff Writer Springfield Rotarians are going back to school this semester to participate in a program which the club calls "Reading with Kids."

Members of the local Rotary Club are volunteering their Friday afternoons to read books to second-grade students of James Caldwell School.

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Upper classroom assist students in learning as part of a versallo program in the Springfield school system. From left, Geoffrey Eng, Lisa Horowitz, Jordan Grisoli and Erica Sperber educate each other under the supervision of their teachers.

Regional funding remains undecided

By Andrew J. Stewart Staff Writer While the funding formula for the Union County Regional High School District remains under discussion, it is still too early to tell whether that formula will be changed, according to Schools Paul Orengo said.

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Principal McCarthy added that he is excited about the program because it brings members of the community into the school and lets the children know that those people are willing to give their time for them. He hopes to see other groups get involved at Caldwell School.

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### Science center hosts astronomy event

Trailside Nature and Science Center will host its annual Astronomy Sunday on Feb. 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. for a stellar lineup of scheduled events and ongoing astronomy activities.

Scheduled events will include planetarium shows, speakers, model rocket launches, and a trumpet/synthesizer concert.

At 1:15 p.m. and again at 4:15 p.m., Chris Kendera will present a live trumpet and synthesizer concert titled "Music of the Spheres." "Ecliptic About Ecliptics" will be presented at 1:30 in the planetarium by Bill McCrain and will feature information and instructions on how to view the 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 Hawk-

ing," will take her audience on a guided tour via slides during "Trek 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 1:15 and 4:15 p.m.

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Lillian Buehrer of Springfield admires a panel of photos from a historical retrospective exhibit at an Overlook Hospital convention to boost volunteers. The exhibit included old news stories, props, posters and programs from former folks' and Broadway musical productions and pictures taken of local community auxiliary branches.

### Library joins experience contest

Springfield resident Barbara Boyle recalled that as a child, "the library opened the world for me. My imagination took wing. I knew things that other children didn't seem to. It was like, it was free, it was my treasure."

Boyle was one of approximately 200 New Jerseyans who shared their experiences last year when they entered the "New Jersey Libraries Change Peoples' Lives" writing contest, sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association.

The Springfield Free Public Library is participating in the contest again this year and is asking Springfield residents and others to write about library experiences that

have "changed" their lives or had some positive impact.

Poetry or prose submitted to the Springfield Library will be forwarded to the New Jersey Library Association, a nonprofit organization that promotes the use of libraries by all people. NJLA will select 21 winners, one from each county in the state.

From the 21 county winners, six top winners will be selected. These top winners will receive \$100 for the library of their choice, thanks to the support of Jersey Central Power & Light and Public Service Electric & Gas.

Additionally, these six winners will be honored at the NJLA Conference in Long Branch in April, where a

### Augustine appointed to appropriations

Assemblyman Alan Augustine, R-Union, was named to serve on the 13-member Assembly Appropriations Committee to field an assignment on state aid, according to Assembly Speaker Chuck Hayden.

Augustine, a fiscal conservative and staunch advocate of the need for greater accountability and fiscal responsibility in state government, succeeds Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger on the Appropriations Committee. Bagger was appointed in January by Republican legislators to the post of Assembly Conference leader.

"When the Legislature went through the process of reorganizing committee assignments, I put down Appropriations as my first choice, because virtually every key issue related to the operation and administration of state government touches on fiscal issues," Augustine said.

"Besides, sitting on the Appropriations Committee will give me great insight and input on where the public's tax money is being spent."

The 22nd district assemblyman

also serves as a marketing consultant to Sahara Distributors Corporation in Orangeburg, N.Y., where he previously served as vice president of marketing.

In addition to his new role on Appropriations, Augustine has also been assigned to serve — subject to nonconflicting committee schedules — on the Assembly Regulatory Oversight and Assembly Independent Authorities committees.

Augustine, a veteran of municipal and county government, began serving in the Assembly on Dec. 14, 1992 following a special selection process to fill the unexpired 22nd district seat vacated by the accession of Bob Franks to Congress. Augustine was elected to serve his first two-year term in the Assembly on Nov. 2, 1993.

Prior to his nomination to the Assembly, Augustine served as a member of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders from 1982 to 1987 and again from 1991 to 1992. The chairman of the freeholder board in 1987, Augustine served as the

### Postmaster urges resident support

Local authorities and the general public can help the U.S. Postal Service deliver mail as timely and as safely as possible following this year's storm, said Postmaster David DeFranco of the Westfield Post Office.

DeFranco emphasized the need for ice and snow removal from walkways as a major aid in preventing slips and falls to letter carriers. Slips and falls can result in fractures, broken bones or sprains.

Other winter hazards that can

impede mail delivery, according to the postmaster, are ice and snow on streets, roads, driveways, stairways and porches.

The postmaster is asking local authorities and postal customers to keep public and private approaches to residences and mailboxes clear.

He is asking postal customers not to deposit mail into Collection or Express Mail boxes that are obstructed by snow and ice. Instead, customers may give their mail to any letter carrier or deposit it at a local

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## Make it affordable

Difficult economic times have made living conditions intolerable for many New Jerseyans. The American Dream often has become unattainable, and to hold on to what we have sometimes is difficult for citizens in a diminishing middle class.

It has become almost impossible to look with optimism at the future as we see inflation continue to haunt job security and increase real estate prices. The price of renting or buying a home continues to escalate, which makes it difficult for young people to get started.

These problems, however, could be lessened if municipalities would invest energy into affordable housing for low- to moderate-income families. Union County is prepared to address the need for affordable housing and, with the help of local governing bodies and residents, it can be obtained. Officials in the county established a Housing Assistance Corp. to explain the rules and resources available to municipalities to begin local programs. A seminar was held last week to introduce the program to local officials.

Municipalities must begin to educate themselves as well as their citizens about affordable housing and some of the options available before it is developed. Simply, it is housing people that people can afford. It is time to remove the stereotype which has plagued the definition since its creation. The only way the poor image can be eliminated is if people and municipalities open their minds to the need for and the realities of affordable housing.

While governing bodies educate themselves on how to make affordable housing a reality, residents must also take time to learn how they can benefit from an affordable housing program. Affordable housing no longer has to be a crime-ridden, eyesore which takes away from the character of a community. Instead, with careful work and planning, it can be developed into an asset for a township which can lead strength to the area while preserving its established personality.

For starters, affordable housing would assist prospective residents and businesses in the area, which in turn would lower the tax rate for everyone involved. Municipalities should give careful consideration to all of the options available to them including finance, location and design, so when the program is developed, it can work for the community as planned instead of turning into a nightmare.

Governing bodies and residents need to look creatively on this project and must realize they are not locked into any set formula for starting such a program. Since a majority of the municipalities in Union County are classified as almost fully developed, governing bodies should consider turning some of the older, existing buildings in need of rehabilitation into residential units. This would make it possible for funding for revitalizing an area and for creating low- to moderate-income housing.

This program has gone beyond an idealistic theory. It is proven and can be done tastefully with maximum benefits to a community. In Morris Township, a house was built with the same architectural theme of the surrounding houses and was turned into an affordable housing location. There are other locations including Society Hill in Newark and Woodcrest development in Morris County, which have all proven to benefit the community and answer the need for affordable housing.

Removing the stereotype that comes with affordable housing is a long and difficult process. But it is one which deserves serious consideration. If people do not have a place to hang their hat, the vicious downturn of economic struggle will continue. We all need to do our part to rejuvenate the American Dream, which at one time was reachable for everyone.

*"The free, exploring mind of the individual is the most precious thing in the world, the one factor distinguishing us from the uncreative beasts. If this glory is killed, democracy will die with it."*

—John Steinbeck

## Lautenberg faces the potential for defeat

There is an unmistakable feeling regarding the upcoming U.S. Senate race, namely that incumbent Frank Lautenberg is potentially in big trouble.

Consider what a Democratic congressman told me recently: "What's Frank going to do? I brought a lot of transportation money back to the state. That won't help him. After two six-year terms, he isn't really identified with any one issue. Nothing people can point to and say, 'We need to keep Lautenberg there.'" He really doesn't seem to have a rationale for running again.

Out! That furts, particularly coming from a Democrat. If isolated, it would be a big deal. But when combined with pessimistic handpicking coming from insiders and analysts of all stripes, it paints an awful bleak picture for the "junior senator."

Beyond the shadow of our senator, Bill Bradley, and the fact that much of Lautenberg's "committee" work in Washington often doesn't translate into political capital back home, there are his recent votes against the president. More specifically, his refusal to support Clinton on the budget reduction vote — the tax thing — and the North American Free Trade Agreement.

At the time Lautenberg argued that neither Clinton proposal would be good for New Jersey. His supporters said his willingness to stand up to a Democratic president demonstrated

## Screening New Jersey

By Steve Aduabato Jr.

"Independence from the parties." However, many viewed his actions as those of a cynical candidate doing what he thought was necessary to do his job.

David Robovich, a political pundit and Rider College dean, said, "There is really no sympathy among Democrats for Frank Lautenberg. He distanced himself from the president when it was on the line. His budget vote was bizarre. It makes it tough for Democrats like Bradley — who have made the deficit a top priority — to stand up for him and tell voters, 'It's really important to keep Frank in the Senate.'"

By themselves, the Lautenberg votes on the budget and NAFTA probably don't matter much to the average voter. But campaigns are about images and perceptions. Notice Lautenberg wasn't around for the president's big visit to New Jersey last week. Scheduled conflict. Yeah, right! It was embarrassing.

And while Lautenberg has proven that he is a tough campaigner, you can expect his probable GOP opponent, New Jersey Assembly Speaker Chuck

Haysian, to paint the Democratic incumbent as "a guy who can't even stand up for what he believes."

As one observer told me, "Lautenberg has the double whammy. If Clinton's negatives are up, he gets hit for being a Democrat. If Clinton succeeds, he's not seen as part of the team. His move backfired."

Further, as Robovich argues, Haysian can make the argument up for being a Democrat. If Clinton succeeds, he's not seen as part of the team. His move backfired."

Again, if it were just Haysian campaign hitmen saying rotten things about Lautenberg, it would be no big deal. But virtually everyone you ask says Lautenberg is in trouble.

Consider Bill Berlin, a political science professor at Montclair State College. Ideologically, he and Lautenberg aren't far apart. He's no fan of Haysian's anti-abortion, pro-gun stance. Here's his analysis of the Senate race: "After 12 years in the Senate, people have very little they can identify with Lautenberg. As for Haysian, despite his conservative politics, he's a direct, gregarious guy. I could see people saying, 'I may not like his stand on certain things — but I like him.' Lautenberg has no political persona."

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## Reduce the deficit by cutting spending

Recently, I responded to an open letter from a high school student who expressed his deep concern over the huge federal budget deficit. Having heard a great deal of talk about a proposed balanced budget amendment, he asked what New Jersey's senators thought about the idea, and the budget issue as a whole. Since voting in government spending is one of the most serious challenges facing us today, I'd like to share my reply.

## The Senate Report

By Bill Bradley

A great deal of federal spending cuts are being considered, and earlier this year I offered several amendments that would have reduced federal spending by \$500 million. These proposals would have cut funding for wasteful coal liquefaction research, federal timber subsidies, unrequested federal engineering projects, nuclear reactor research, unrequested Army National Guard aircraft, and the outdated Selective Service System. But despite a lot of talk, the Senate only approved one of these amendments.

Overall, amendments that would have cut spending \$5.8 billion were offered this year on 18 bills. I voted for 10 of them. Most of those budget cuts, but only \$60 million were approved. Put another way, Congress passed just 1 percent of the amendments. An empty promise is no substitute for the honest choices that need to be made to pay back government spending and close tax loopholes.

In fact, procedural limits often invite creative accounting and budgetary gimmicks, as demonstrated by the failure of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law and the less than candid way of handling the savings and loan bailout.

The young man rightly asked in his letter what opponents of the balanced budget amendment would propose as an alternative to reduce the deficit. My answer is simple and practical — cut spending.

The government spends money in several ways — with annual appropriations bills, with entitlement programs that automatically spend money, and with tax loopholes that spend money by agreeing not to collect it from some people. I support cutting spending in each of these categories and voted for more spending cuts in this session per year. Cutting the deficit means making reductions in these categories as well. We will have to look for savings in Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, civil service and military pensions, and special interest tax loopholes. Everything has to be on the table, and the cuts have to be real.

I have also proposed that we establish two sets to measure the size of all spending: one will be the money provided something that is in the general interest, and two, is taxpayer funding the only and most cost-effective way to finance the activity.

Bill Bradley represents New Jersey in the U.S. Senate.

## Incinerator begins trash burn

By Sean P. Carr  
Staff Writer

A day eagerly awaited by some, and long feared by others, finally came as the Railway incinerator began burning municipal garbage Feb. 11.

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

"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."

William Fidurski, chairman of the Clark Environmental Commission, said he is concerned about the effects of incinerator emissions.

"In this area, we have a combined risk that comes from industry, automobile exhaust and incineration," Fidurski said. He also cited concern over cancer risks and mercury emissions.

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

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— Jeffrey Callahan  
Executive Director

it's not safe," he said. "Research on dioxin as an environmental hormone has shown some really frightening things. You can't run an incinerator without producing dioxin."

Caron said dioxin leads to problems with diet, breeding and reproduction. "We're literally transferring this stuff to our children," he said.

Now that the incinerator is operating, Caron said he's still not going to stop. "We're going to continue our opposition to this thing and make sure it's run in the least harmful way and monitor its operation."

Testing at the facility will continue for six weeks. Full commercial operation is expected to begin in March, approximately three months ahead of schedule, the authority announced.

The UCUA may be installing temporary mercury-emissions control equipment by April or May, Callahan said. "The Union County facility will not be part of the mercury problem," he said.

Callahan noted that the facility's current permit does not require the equipment, a carbon injection system. Regulations to mandate their installation by the end of 1995 are being promulgated by the state Department of Environmental Protection and Energy.

the original membership of the authority were in control," said James Fulcomer, now a Railway city councilman.

Fulcomer, who once favored the incinerator project, said changing facts led to his changing his mind. "I reflect the position of my constituents," he said.

"If you're not honest enough to recognize that changes have taken place, then you don't belong in public office," he said. "We were supposed to have the most advanced environmental controls in the world, and we don't have that in Railway. That is a clear violation of the understanding of the referendum," he said.

A 1985 referendum on whether city residents favored having the incinerator passed by a narrow margin.

Fulcomer's wife, Katherine Fulcomer, is a current UCUA commissioner. She once held the council seat now occupied by her husband.

The UCUA, an independent county agency, is responsible for overseeing the construction and operation of the plant. Open Martin Systems of Fairfield has constructed and is contracted to run the facility during its first 20 years of operation.

## Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social. Thursday noon. Entertainment - Friday noon. Sports - Monday noon. Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m. General - Monday 9 p.m.

## Girl Scouts preparing for cookie sale

Girl Scouts throughout Union County and parts of Somerset and Middlesex counties will develop and practice their marketing skills during the Girl Scout Cookie Sale from Feb. 23 to March 13.

The art of presentation, accounting, bookkeeping, sales, public relations and goal-setting will be learned during these two weeks.

The cookie sale is a Girl Scout program that introduces young girls to many aspects of business. It is often their first experience at learning business skills. The girls act individually and also as a team, with the troop setting a goal for their cookie proceeds. "I said Catherine Davis, cookie coordinator for Washington Rock Girl Scout Council.

Last year, cookie proceeds helped troops attend workshops at camp, sleep-in at science museums, and other overnight adventures. Cookie receipts also pro-

vide income to troops that planned service projects such as planting community gardens and feeding the homeless.

The Girl Scout cookie sale also supports the work of the Council Service Center in providing training for leaders and programs for the Girl Scouts.

During the cookie sale — the only one to be held by Washington Rock this year — Girl Scouts will offer the traditional 30-color Shortbread cookie, Peanut Butter Patties, Lemon Pasty Cookies, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Girl Scout Cookies, Thin Mints and the new Strawberry 'N Cream cookie. Girl Scout cookies are made without artificial color and can be frozen for future enjoyment.

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## Organize records before preparing returns

Well organized financial records can make preparing your 1993 tax return less difficult and may also prevent you from overlooking valuable tax deductions, says the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Here's some guidance to help you gather the documents you need for your 1993 return.

First, locate items that identify sources of income, such as W-2 forms provided by employers. These forms indicate how much you earned during the year and how much of your earnings was withheld for federal income tax, state income tax, FICA and Medicare tax, among other things.

Also, locate 1099 forms that document interest and dividend income that you received during 1993. These forms are usually sent to you automatically by the bank, financial institution or stock brokerage house handling your investments. Form 1099 is used by brokers to report sales of stocks or bonds made by you during 1993. You should also set copies of brokerage confirmations, slips, and brokerage statements that can verify the amount of any capital gains or capital loss you may be claiming.

Refunds of state and local income taxes may also be considered taxable income. A Form 1099G and a copy of

As long as you itemize on your tax return, you may be able to claim deductions that can reduce your taxable income. Here is a rundown of what you may be able to deduct and how you can substantiate it on your return.

• Mortgage interest — If you own your own home, you can generally deduct mortgage interest. Form 1098 or a statement from a bank or other lending institution will show how much interest you have paid. Keep this along with your statement of use of

loan proceeds, canceled checks, original promissory note, mortgage, and contract. Generally, you may also be able to deduct any interest you paid on a home equity loan.

• State and local income taxes, property taxes — To claim deductions for state and local income taxes and property taxes, you'll need Form W-2 for withholding of income tax, as well as canceled checks. Form 1098, a statement from the taxing authority, or bank statements that support the amount of property taxes paid on property you own.

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the income tax return for the year the tax is refunded is necessary to verify the taxable amount. If any, of the refund.

Other sources of taxable income for which you should locate appropriate documentation include alimony, pensions, Individual Retirement Account distributions, and annuities, unemployment compensation, Social Security benefits, gambling income, rent, and income from self-employment, trusts, partnerships, or S corporations.

• Miscellaneous expenses — Review your checkbook and credit card statements for miscellaneous expenses, such as amounts paid for uniforms and tools required for a job, union dues, unreimbursed employee business expenses, as well as job hunting costs. An accurate record of when such expenses were incurred and when they were paid, along with canceled checks and receipts, will help you substantiate your claim. Although the deduction for miscellaneous expenses is limited, you may still qualify for it.

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## Letters to the editor

Level of commitment was incredible

To the Editor:

The snow and ice of this hard winter have affected all of us in some way; however, there are few of us who are affected as severely as the homebound elderly of our community. In the best weather, it is difficult for many senior citizens to get out to do the most basic of errands.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the SAGE Meals-on-Wheels volunteers and staff from other SAGE departments who delivered more than 130 meals each day to the homebound elderly of Summit, New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Millburn, Short Hills, Springfield, and the Chatham through snow and sleet and rain. Our volunteers braved the ice and slippery roads and sidewalks to deliver food to those who are in such need. And, despite the weather, our volunteers loaded and delivered these meals with a smile on their faces, with concern only for our Meals-on-Wheels participants — none for their own safety. Their level of commitment was incredible.

I'm sure our communities join me in thanking these Meals-on-Wheels volunteers who bring a vital service to the elderly of the greater Summit area.

Lucky Lyons, Director  
SAGE-Meals-on-Wheels Program

Open up the process

To the Editor:

Editor's note: The following is an open letter to the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. It was sent prior the freeholders' decision last week.

Do not vote in the affirmative position regarding the reappointment of the current county manager. A county position such as this should be open to all qualified county residents. I stress the point of county residents.

Due to the nature of the residence of the current officeholder/reappointment seeker, make one of the John Q. Vesting Public say out, "Yankee go home."



### county news

#### Series teaches coping

The Union County unit of the American Cancer Society will host an eight-week support group series, "I Can Cope," in cooperation with the Kean College Department of Nursing. This educationally oriented support group series will be held on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield.

#### Lupus groups meet

The Union County branch of the Lupus Foundation of New Jersey will hold its monthly meeting on Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Union Hospital, 1000 Gallop Hill Road, Union.

#### Sierra Club meets

The Union County Area Sierra Club is holding a meeting March 3 at the Montmain Public Library. All meetings are free and open to the public.

#### Volunteers sought

The Freed Advocate Program of Union County is seeking volunteers to work with frail, isolated elderly women friends and family are no longer available to help with things such as arranging for services, budgeting and bill paying, shopping and miscellaneous other activities.

#### Rockets are focus

People with disabilities will have no opportunity to learn about the hobby of model rocketry at a series of workshops presented by the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

#### County Division of Parks and Recreation

On March 6, 13 and 20, pre-registered participants will build and launch their own creations at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountmain. The workshops will be presented by Scenicational Workshops Inc. of Columbia.

#### Assessing, Predicting and Intervening in Violent Behavior in the Active Adult

"Assessing, Predicting and Intervening in Violent Behavior in the Active Adult" is the topic of a seminar to be given March 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Union County Inc. at its office at 300 North Avenue East in Westfield.

#### Alliance sets meeting

The next meeting of the local Alliance for the Mentally III will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at the Crawford Public Library on Walnut Street.

#### Secretaries to meet

The Union County chapter of the Professional Secretaries International will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday at the Westwood restaurant in Garwood.

#### Engineers get together

The Professional Engineers Society of Union County will hold its monthly meeting Monday at L'Aubaine restaurant in Mountmain.

#### First Baptist Church

First Baptist Church, Columbia Ave. and Thomson Ter., Union. Dr. Robert A. Berman, Minister. Church phone: 688-0979. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Sunday. Women's Bible Study: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Prayer: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### BAPTIST

CLINTON HILL BAPTIST CHURCH "When the Bible Came to Life" 2415 Clinton Hill, Union. (908) 463-3400. Regular Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST

BARITON ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH 611 Bariton Road, Cranford. NJ (908) 641-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### EPISCOPAL

ST. LUKE & ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 1100 Chestnut St., Union. (908) 683-3414. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### JEWISH-CONSERVATIVE

TEMPLE BETH ANI 60 Temple Blvd., Springfield. (908) 687-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### JEWISH-TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM AMERICAN BRANCH 1000 N. 10th St., Union. (908) 687-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### JEWISH-ORTHODOX

TEMPLE BETH ANI 60 Temple Blvd., Springfield. (908) 687-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### LUTHERAN

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOLARSHIP 2222 Van Allen Rd., Union. (908) 687-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

WELFARE CHURCH 241 10th Ave., Westfield. (908) 687-1111. Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### County nets grant for post-stroke program

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders announced the recipients of a \$50,000 grant from the State of New Jersey to fund a post-stroke exercise program to take place in the spring.

#### Keefe in making the announcement

Keefe, in making the announcement, "The class is designed to improve the physical fitness level of participants," said.

#### Classes will be held

Classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 19 through May 11, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Summit Recreation Center in Summit.

#### Registration is open

Registration is open to all individuals who have had a stroke within the last 12 months. The program is free of charge.

#### For more information

For more information, call Carol at (908) 232-3865.

#### Bicentennial holds dance at Baltusrol

The next event of the Springfield Bicentennial Committee will be a dinner-dance at Baltusrol Golf Club on Monday, March 21.

#### Dinner will be served

Dinner will be served followed by live music until midnight. The dress will be semi-formal.

#### For more information

For more information, call Carol at (908) 232-3865.

#### Trailside hosts a boy, dog & dinosaur

Trailside Nature and Science Center's volunteer support group will host the Mutt Puppethatour on March 27.

#### Completely self-contained

Completely self-contained, Mutt Puppethatour takes the world through the park, performing in the park's auditorium.

#### Tickets for adults only

Tickets for adults only at the door are \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

#### Trailside is located

Trailside is located on Coles Avenue and New Providence Road in Mountmain and is a facility of Union County Divisions of Parks and Recreation.

#### Group: Waste threatens highway safety

By George W. Salmann Staff Writer Are your highways safe? According to a recent report by the New Jersey Public Interest Research Group titled "The Road to Ruin," a significant number of deaths and injuries on state roads result from hazardous waste transportation accidents.

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John O'Keefe and Deborah Scherer
Scherer-O'Keefe betrothal
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scherer of Mountaintop have announced the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Mary, to John O'Keefe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis O'Keefe of Pitts-

clubs in the news

The Ruth Estrin Goldberg Memorial will hold a combination meeting March 14 at 7:45 p.m. in Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Shantique Road, Springfield. The RIGM program will feature a "Quick Self Defense" course. The audience will have an opportunity to participate, it was announced. Members and guests can attend.

religion

Fish dinner slated
Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary Altar Society, Mountaintop, will sponsor its annual fish and chips dinner on March 26. Adult tickets are \$8, and children's tickets are \$4. Dinner will be served from 5:30 to 7:30 and take out is at 5 o'clock. No tickets will be sold at the door. For further information, one can call 233-4272 or 780-8634.

obituaries

Marilyn Danovetsky
Irene H. Schmidt
Marilyn Danovetsky, 65, of Springfield died Feb. 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit. Born in Brooklyn, Miss Danovetsky was a bookkeeper for 27 years. She had been a bookkeeper with the Union County Board of Realtors in Maplewood for five years before retiring five years ago. She had been a bookkeeper with AT&T and Sears Roebuck & Co. both in Newark for many years. Miss Danovetsky was a member of the B'nai B'rith Women, Hadassah, Senior Citizens Association and Garden Club, all of Springfield, and Deborah of Essex County. She was a volunteer at Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, the Kessler Institute of West Orange and the American Heart Association. Surviving is her sister, Merle Davis.

C. B. R. Withington

Catharine B. R. Withington, 85, of Berkeley Heights, formerly of Mountaintop, died Friday in Brick Hospital, Brick Township. Born in Wilmington, Mass., Mrs. Withington lived in Mountaintop, Springfield, and Deborah of Essex County. She was a volunteer at Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, the Kessler Institute of West Orange and the American Heart Association. Surviving are two sons, Arthur B. and Geoffrey; a daughter, Anne Gattler; two sisters, Elizabeth R. Purcell and Anne R. Hess; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

death notices

ANGELONE, Antonio, on Feb. 15, 1994. Beloved husband of Lucy (Candora) Angelone, devoted father of Dominick, Angelone of Garwood, Mrs. Mary Ann (1927) of Mountaintop, Mr. Barbara Smith of Scotch Plains, dear daughter of Joseph and Mrs. Ann (Candora) Angelone, devoted grandfather of granddaughters, Elizabeth and Mary Ann, and grandsons, Joseph and Anthony. Funeral Mass celebrated by St. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, Roselle, 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 21, 1994. Burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Newark. Services conducted by the GIOVINNY Funeral Home, 1079 N. Broad Street, Newark, N.J. 07102.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of the Board of the Mountaintop Municipal Utility District, Inc. regarding the proposed construction of a water main along the Millstone River. The Board is holding a public hearing on the proposed project on February 24, 1994, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J. 07081. The Board is also holding a public hearing on the proposed project on February 25, 1994, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J. 07081. The Board is also holding a public hearing on the proposed project on February 26, 1994, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J. 07081.

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Important games upcoming for slumping Roselle Park

Panthers visit Middlesex tonight in key Valley clash
After seeing its 12-game winning streak come to an end last week in the first round of the Union County Tournament, the Roselle Park High School boys' basketball team is ready to get back on a roll again. The Panthers dropped their third game in four tries Monday, falling to St. Mary's 71-60 in Elizabeth. Roselle Park had previously defeated St. Mary's 63-40 in the Conger Classic final Dec. 29 and then topped St. Mary's 53-39 at home Jan. 14. Monday's loss dropped Roselle Park's overall record to 13-14. More importantly, it tied the Panthers' Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division first-place mark to 11-2. Middlesex began the week in second place at 8-1. The two look up tonight at 7 in Middlesex for the second game of their Group 2 playoffs next week as the Valley Division first-place mark is 11-2. Middlesex began the week in second place at 8-1. The two look up tonight at 7 in Middlesex for the second game of their Group 2 playoffs next week as the Valley Division first-place mark is 11-2. Middlesex began the week in second place at 8-1.

SPORTS



STATE PLAYOFFS AHEAD — Dayton Regional and Hillsdale will be participating in next week's NJSLA North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs. Dayton earned the 10th seed and Hillsdale the 11th.

Both Dayton squads looking forward to state tournament

Girls' continue to roll, while boys' are struggling
Both Dayton Regional High School basketball teams can look forward to the NJSLA North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs next week as the girls' squad hopes to continue its recent success, while the boys' look to rebound from its recent woes. Dayton's girls' team improved to 11-6 by defeating Roselle Catholic in a 61-52 Monday in Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division action in Springfield. Leading scorer Michelle Saunders scored a season-high 47 points. The junior guard scored 45 in the season-opener against Holmdel Regional. The boys' team, however, is still struggling. They lost to Roselle Catholic in a 61-52 Monday in Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division action in Springfield. Leading scorer Michelle Saunders scored a season-high 47 points. The junior guard scored 45 in the season-opener against Holmdel Regional.

Seven Sports Camps to be offered this summer at UCC

Seven Sports Camps — instruction in softball, baseball, basketball, soccer and tennis — will be offered by Union County College this summer for area youngsters. Registration is underway for the Seven Sports Camps which will be held at the UCC campus from July 11-15, 1994. The camps will be held at the UCC campus from July 11-15, 1994. The camps will be held at the UCC campus from July 11-15, 1994. The camps will be held at the UCC campus from July 11-15, 1994.

H.S. Basketball

Here's a look at the seedings in the boys' and girls' North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 section:
Boys: 1-Holmdel, 2-Millburn, 3-Hillsdale, 4-Mountaintop, 5-Roselle, 6-Dover, 7-Governor Livingston, 8-Chatham, 9-Caldwell, 10-Dayton, 11-Morris Hills.
Girls: 1-Morris Hills, 2-Chatham, 3-Hillsdale, 4-Mountaintop, 5-Roselle, 6-Dover, 7-Governor Livingston, 8-Chatham, 9-Caldwell, 10-Dayton, 11-Morris Hills.

Roselle Park can win conference championship with victory today

The Roselle Park High School girls' basketball team bounced back nicely from its Union County Tournament loss by edging New Providence 47-46 last Saturday in Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division action in Roselle Park. The Panthers dropped their third game in four tries Monday, falling to St. Mary's 71-60 in Elizabeth. Roselle Park had previously defeated St. Mary's 63-40 in the Conger Classic final Dec. 29 and then topped St. Mary's 53-39 at home Jan. 14. Monday's loss dropped Roselle Park's overall record to 13-14. More importantly, it tied the Panthers' Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division first-place mark to 11-2. Middlesex began the week in second place at 8-1. The two look up tonight at 7 in Middlesex for the second game of their Group 2 playoffs next week as the Valley Division first-place mark is 11-2. Middlesex began the week in second place at 8-1.

Girls' Basketball

Here's how the seedings went:
1-North Warren, 2-Whitpany Park, 3-New Providence, 4-Madison, 5-Bloomfield Tech, 6-Newark Science, 7-Glen Ridge, 8-Roselle Park, 9-Piquanock, 10-Newark Tech. Roselle Park will play at Cranford on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. The Panthers will play at Cranford on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. The Panthers will play at Cranford on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m.

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# Area athletes putting on a pretty impressive show

By J.R. Parachini Sports Editor  
There are a number of talented collegiate athletes from the West Coast Community Newspapers' readership area and many of them receive press with the help of their sports information directors.

Parents are urged to have their son or daughter give their respective SID their attention newspaper address. All information should be mailed to J.R. Parachini, sports editor, Worrall Community Newspapers, Union County, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J. 07083.

In the news this week are Andre Makinow, Lesley Hendricks, Kevin Smith, Kashim Simmons, Frank Acqua and Frisla Belenus of Union, John Ranieri, Keith Appello and Scott Sexton from Roselle Park and Marcie Gormstein of Springfield.

## College Corner

At Union, Makinow earned first-team All-County and second-team All-State honors.

Hendricks, Smith compete Lesley Hendricks of Union, a member of the Shippenburg University women's swimming team, competed last weekend at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Championships. Prior to the meet, Hendricks had best times of 5:27.47 in the 500 freestyle, 2:02.14 in the 200 freestyle and 1:11.22 in the 1,650 freestyle.

As of last week, the junior Ranieri is 16-15 on the season and the freshman Appello 9-8.

Simmons' second Katonow University junior Kashim Simmons of Union placed second in the 55-meter dash in 6.64 seconds during the Delaware Invitational earlier this month. Simmons is a member of the Katonow men's indoor track and field team.

Acqua victorious Frank Acqua of Union won the 200 freestyle event in 2:01.33 to help the Katonow men's swimming team to a 75-32 victory over Rutgers-Camden.



AWARDED GRAND CHAMPION - was Young Sun Yum, left, at the Freepart Recreation Center in Long Island, N.Y. Yum was also awarded \$1,000 cash in Korean Hwa Rang Do Form. To achieve this, the third-degree black belt defeated first-place winners in Chinese, Japanese and other Korean-style martial arts. Derrick Williams, right, is a sixth-degree black belt who won first-place honors in Japanese Shoto Kan Karate.

# Union, Roselle Park bested in sectional tourney action

Union and Roselle Park have had their first meet complete on Feb. 21 at the sectional final of last year's sectional final in Roselle Park. The match was won by Roselle Park 10-7.

## H.S. Wrestling

Union won 10 of the 13 bouts against Roselle Park in the sectional final. Union's top wrestler, Dave Bubnowski, won his match 10-0.

# Union's Ross 7th in state high jump

Junior trackster clears 6-4 on first attempt  
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Aerial photographer Owen Kanzler integrates interests in art career

By Bea Smith Lifestyle Editor  
It's a rare and wonderful thing in a person's career to be able to utilize creatively one's most avid childhood interests. And when there is more than one interest, and one can happily integrate both in a single lifetime, it becomes even more rare and wonderful.

Owen Kanzler of Linden has realized his lifetime ambitions. In fact, he's gone even one step beyond. The man, who had been obsessed with airplanes and cameras as a young boy, and who has his own aerial photography business, has discovered a new career — an aerial photography career — that integrates his interests in art and photography.



Aerial photographer Owen Kanzler of Linden climbs aboard his airplane at Linden Airport to take off on another photo flight in the skies. His aerial pictures will be shown at the Les Malmont Art Gallery in Union from Sunday through April 7.

While Kanzler was in college, "I got involved in a project of documenting what was happening to the Upper Delaware River Valley in Northern New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania. It was in the wake of the Tocks Island Dam Project. Before it was destroyed by the Army Corps of Engineers, I spent the better part of the next two years living in that valley in North Jersey called The Mininkick.



Joshua Nelson will present gospel music concert Sunday afternoon in the First Congregational Church, Union.

## Gospel music due

Joshua Nelson, a musician who has been singing the songs of faith since he was 8 years old, will present a program of gospel music on Sunday at 2 p.m. in the First Congregational Church, 1340 Burnet Ave., Union.

## American Ball benefit slated Saturday night

The Westfield Symphony will feature special entertainment Sunday night at the "An All American Ball," an annual fund-raiser, at the Hilltop in Short Hills.

### Bea Smith, Editor

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### Mime, pianist set for Russian show

Sinan Sharpo, mime, clown, tap dancer and magician, will entertain at the Y-M-YWHA of Union County, Green Lane, Union, March 12 at 8 p.m. in the third of a series of Russian performances held this year. "Each concert features the talents of Russian emigres, who excel as pianists, cellists, guitarists, vocalists and actresses," it was announced by Myrna Friedman of Springfield, series coordinator.

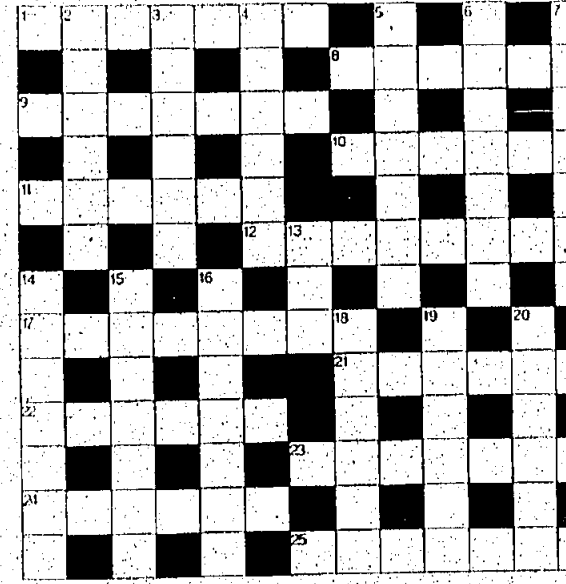
### 'Byrne Irish Show' due on Arts Center stage

Billed as "The Jimmy Byrne Irish Show," a special musical event scheduled for Saturday at the Union County Arts Center, Railway, is a reminder that St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner and a timely showcase for the talents of one of New Jersey's most beloved home-grown entertainers.

### Workshop planned

Consultant Alvin H. Reiss will conduct a workshop, "Beyond Mere Survival: The Art of Fundraising and Promoting the Arts" Saturday from 8:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. at the Elizabethan Gas Co., Liberty Hall Center, Morris Avenue, Union, opposite Kean College of New Jersey.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### horoscope

For week of Feb. 27 - ARIES - March 21 to April 20 The work week will seem easier than usual. A project that has been haunting you is not as time-consuming as you thought.

### Aaron's Band appears on TV

The David Aaron 20-piece Swing Big Band will appear on Channel 32, Suburban Cablevision, beginning Monday at 9:35 for a full half hour.

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### Feldshuh slated

Broadway and screen star, Tovah Feldshuh, who added the cabaret genre to her former credits several years ago in New York City, will bring her "Tovah Crossroads" From Broadway to Cabaret" to Union County Arts Center, Railway, for an exclusive one night only, March 5 at 8 o'clock.

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# Automotive

## Chevy charts new course with Lumina, Monte Carlo

The 1993 Chevrolet Lumina and Monte Carlo represent an important new direction for General Motors in vehicle development and manufacturing. They will be built in less time with significantly fewer parts in a more flexible and synchronized assembly plant. The object: lower cost, higher quality.

For more than two years, a team of employees from the Ottawa, Ontario, assembly complex — home for both Chevy — has been working with vehicle engineers at the GM Technical Center in Warren, Mich. Together, they translated customer desires into a "dimensional plan" — a virtual mathematical road map detailing how every part of the car reduces to every other part. Guided by the plan, the team created prototype tools, prototype vehicles, and even a prototype manufacturing process.

Over the months, the team simplified the vehicles and made the manufacturing system compatible with GM mid-size vehicles still on the drawing boards. Processes were tailored for flexibility in order to accommodate quickly-changing in buyer tastes.

Costs were reduced by using common parts. For example, 163 kinds of

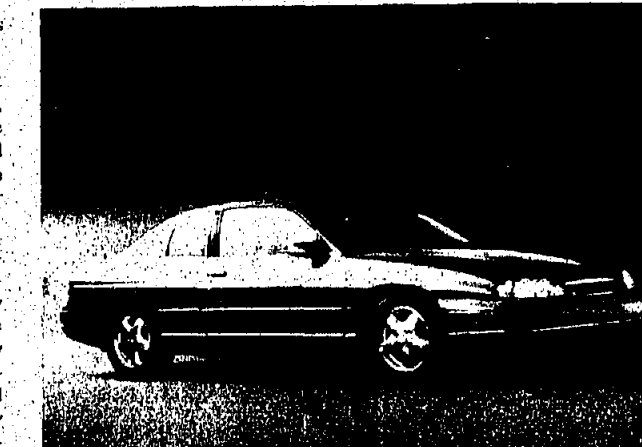
nuts and bolts specified for previous models were eliminated.

Entire sub-systems were rethought and re-engineered. For example, doors for both the Monte Carlo coupe and the Lumina sedan are produced from the same tooling cell. And each door has fewer parts than previous models.

The team also worked with component suppliers to test-built fully functional vehicles from production-ready parts at normal line speed rates. The cars were built on a regular assembly line by plant employees working side-by-side with engineers and validated against the dimensional plan as early in the process that any necessary tooling changes became relatively inexpensive.

The functional builds also permitted precise quality checks of the components well in advance of pilot assembly — ensuring not only that parts were correct, but that the entire vehicle would come together properly.

In a departure from long-standing practice, 50 pilot cars were built on the Ottawa assembly lines last fall using mostly production parts. Line



1993 Chevrolet Lumina

rates were accelerated as the assembly process was refined and rehearsed. The final pilots were produced at regular production rates.

The pilot fleet hit the road in October. Logging more than 5,000 miles apiece in just two months, the cars were part of a rolling customer research exercise from Des Moines, Iowa to Seattle, Wash., to Phoenix, Ariz.

As final adjustments were made in

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## Suburban offers size and power, but remains easy to handle

In a search to place a label on General Motors' Suburban, truck is adequate, but it's also been called a "Texas limo."

It's built on a C/K pickup platform, and even in terms of front sheet metal is a C/K pickup. The difference is Suburban's roof and passenger hauling credentials don't stop at the back of the cab.

All this pickup enhancement results in a vehicle weighing in at 4,657-5,114 pounds, in the half-ton 1500-series versus and 5,002-5,406 pounds in the three-quarter-ton 2500-series.

Suburbans also are long, spanning

the tape at more than 18 feet. Backing up or turning into tight places can be intimidating during the gas-assisted period with the Suburban, but maneuvering it soon becomes a second nature.

In a Suburban, there's no need to stay on the alert for low clearance as you do in a large van. Standing roughly between 5 feet 10 inches and 6 feet, it slips in well under the danger zone for garages, service station awnings and other low-clearance problem areas.

Since teaming up with the C/K pickup in 1992, Suburban has also benefited from a sleeker body with better aerodynamics and less body mass, and grants that its hulking predecessor.

"What hasn't changed is Suburban's ability to haul big passenger and cargo loads.

At the front, a three-passenger 40/60 split bench is standard and beckons you out. A maximum of nine passengers can be hauled if the three-passenger split bench second seat is supplemented by an optional third three-passenger bench that can be removed to meet cargo-hauling demands.

With the third seat out and the middle seat folded down, cargo volume expands to an impressive 145.9 cubic feet. Cargo can be accessed from the rear through a choice of standard panel doors or fold-down tailgate.

Keeping the Suburban's cabin heated and cooled is most efficiently with the optional rear heating and air-conditioning systems. These systems offer second-seat passengers the convenience of adjusting their own air and heat via overhead controls.

Another luxury option befitting a "Texas limo" is a leather package, which became available for the first time on '93 Suburbans. With the focus on trucks these days for personal use, this option for \$1,555-\$1,920, with maximum seating, should be a coast-to-coast hit.

Most Suburban buyers with towing needs and centers to sell. For the tried-and-true standard 5.7-liter V-8 powerplant, the version of the 5.7-liter fitted into the 1500-series Suburban produces 200-horsepower at 4,000 rpm and 310-foot-pounds of torque at 2,400 rpm.

Suburbans are available in two-wheel and four-wheel drive, and are fitted with either M160-E or 4L80-E four-speed automatic transmissions. A four-wheel anti-lock braking sys-



The GM Suburban

tem is standard on all Suburbans, and operates in both two-wheel drive and four-wheel drive.

Rate price for the Suburban 1500 series is \$20,806 with two-wheel drive and \$23,057 with four-wheel drive. The 2500 series starts at \$22,038 for the two-wheel drive models and \$24,257 for the four-wheel drive version.

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**Wrestlers advance**  
Three Dayton Regional wrestlers advanced to this week's Region 3 competition, Page B1.

**'Tale' unfurled**  
An authentic adaptation of classic Dickens novel seen at Mill, Page B3.

**Wedding bells ring**  
Our bridal section offers tips for the bride and groom as they prepare for life together. See tab.

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## Community Update

**Bicentennial feted**  
The Springfield Bicentennial Committee will hold its 14th general meeting on March 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Parish House on Church Mall. The public is invited.

The next event will be a semi-formal dinner-dance at the Balmist Golf Club on March 21.

Tickets can be purchased at the Springfield Town Hall from Kathleen Wisniewski. Tables for six or 10 people are available or arrangements for single persons or couples can be made for seating with others.

Hours of service will be served starting at 6:30 p.m. At 8 p.m. a table service dinner will feature fine cuisine with a choice of two entrees. The chef at Balmist Golf Club is creating a special Springfield Bicentennial Dessert. Live music for dancing will be supplied until midnight.

There will be a cash bar throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$60. More information is available through Wisniewski at (201) 912-2202.

The Township of Springfield will host a festival for its bicentennial celebration on May 14 and 15.

As part of the event, the committee will run a craft fair. Systems are \$50 for two days and will be assigned on a first come basis.

Anyone who would like to have a craft table and be part of the celebration may call (201) 912-2200 or (201) 378-2853 for more information.

## Clerk-administrator celebrates 25 years

By Dennis McCarthy  
Staff Writer

Helen E. Keyworth has served the township of Springfield for 25 years and was recently honored by the Township Committee with a proclamation declaring the week of Feb. 21 as Helen E. Keyworth week.

"She really knows more about the town, in many ways, than the township officials," Mayor Marcia Freeman said Tuesday. "She's particularly valuable because she's seen all facets of Springfield as we have grown over the past 25 years. She's got a historical or arrangements for single persons or couples can be made for seating with others.

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## Questions linger as final hearing nears

By Heather MacGregor  
Managing Editor

While a final hearing to declare parts of Springfield's Special Improvement District is scheduled for March 8, a \$52,000 Community Development Grant application remains in question.

The township originally thought it was applying for a \$350,000 grant to "rehabilitate" the downtown area. According to Township Planner David Zimmerman, the grant was unique because access used to have to be labeled blighted to apply and since Springfield never qualified before, it stood a good chance of receiving the money, he said.

Shortly after the application process began and the Township Committee agreed to pay Zimmerman no more than \$10,000 to fill out the application, the amount for which was being applied dropped to \$52,652 over the next few years. Members of the governing body were told that they might not even receive the entire amount they applied for, yet the price to fill out the application was approximately \$9,500.

Resident Richard Coan said he plans to voice his concerns over the plan during the hearing, as he has done consistently since its beginning. Coan has already found several procedural errors made in the plan, including not giving enough notification for public hearings on the ordinance.

The March 8 meeting will mark the second final hearing on the ordinance because notice was not served properly for the original meeting.

Keyworth's son, Robert Maguire, lives in Florida. Her daughter, Kathleen Olsen, lives in Roselle Park with Keyworth's grandchildren, Coleman and Kevin.

"I've enjoyed being here," she said. "I've always had a goal to reach. My next one is to retire," she said, laughing. Truthfully, she has no definite plans for retirement. Her real goal is to continue traveling with her husband, Allan.



Helen E. Keyworth

## 3 run unopposed for seats on board

By Dennis McCarthy  
Staff Writer

Robert Fish, Ruth Birren and Jackie Shanos are big three incumbent candidates who will run unopposed in this year's Springfield Board of Education election on April 19.

Fish, who will begin his fourth year on the board, said Tuesday. "Our overall focus will be to continue to provide a quality education to the children in our district at the most cost-effective means available to us."

"The fact that we are running unopposed tells me that the constituents are happy with the job that we're doing," he said. "We will continue to work for their support and approval."

He added that he's spent the last three years "working very well with

## Walton orientation

The Springfield Board of Education announced "Parents' School Orientation" at the Edward V. Walton School, 601 Mountain Ave. from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. March 10.

"Reflections on Imperfection"

The Adult Education Committee of Temple Beth Ahm, 200 Springfield, will present a 10-part course called "The Dis-abled: Reflections on Imperfection in God's World" beginning on March 5 and continuing through May.

Spiritual Leader Rabbi Perry Raphael Rank will present the Shabbat session following Kid-dush using Rabbi Carl Astor's work, Who Makes People Different: Jewish Perspectives on the Disabled. The course will deal with issues concerning the disabled in Jewish literature, and how our obligations to the disabled differ from our obligations to others including whether a mentally disabled person can be converted to Judaism. If conversion requires consent.

The sessions are free and the public is welcome. For more information and dates, call the temple office at (201) 376-0530.

## Sandmeier 3rd-grader wins poster contest

By Dennis McCarthy  
Staff Writer

Third-grader Casey Sarno is the winner of the Great American Smokey Bumper Sticker Design Contest, and the clever slogan, "Please don't smoke or you will croak."

Sarno was honored at Thelma L. Sandmeier School on Friday by Joan Howland, program director for the Union County Unit of the American Cancer Society. "We thought you did an outstanding job," Howland told Sarno. She added that everyone who made a bumper sticker for the contest deserves to be congratulated.

Sarno's sister, Jodi, and her parents, Vicki and Tony Sarno, are particularly proud of Casey for being chosen out of more than 3,000 third-grade students in Union County. "Casey loves art," Vicki said.

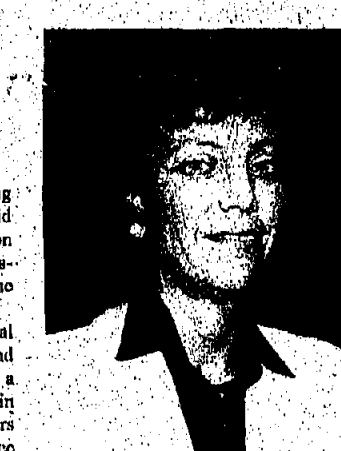
All entries to the contest were submitted to the judges on Nov. 15, 1993. The purpose of the contest was to educate the students on the importance of ending smoking. The goal of the American Cancer Society is to promote an anti-smoking message all year long, not just on the day of The Great American Smokey.

The contest was open to all public and private schools in Union County, and the theme was, "Together we can put an end to smoking."

Funding to produce the bumper stickers was provided by the Ciba-Geigy Corporation in Summit. "We gave a contribution," said Ciba-Geigy Manager of Public Relations Terry de la Flor. "We've been happy to support them," she added.

A total of 5,000 bumper stickers were produced and will be distributed to third-graders in Union County, as well as displayed in public venues.

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Ruth Birren



Robert Fish



Jackie Shanos

## Skills results reported low

By Heather MacGregor  
Managing Editor

Students who graduated from the Union County Regional High School District and attend college in New Jersey are reporting low scores in English, elementary algebra and math computation on the New Jersey College Basic Skills Placement Test results.

The basic skills test is taken by students who enroll in New Jersey public colleges and universities to determine their placement and possible need for remedial classes.

Emilia Tunaj, deputy assistant chancellor of academic and fiscal affairs for the department of higher education, said the basic skills tests are taken only by students who attend institutions of higher education in New Jersey.

Of the 136 students who graduated from Jonathan Dayton in 1992, 54 took the basic skills test; of the 137 graduates from Governor Livingston, 32 tested; of the 126 graduates from Arthur L. Johnson, 54 tested; and of the 98 graduates from David Brearley, 43 tested.

There were 355 students who went on to four-year colleges — 140 in state and 215 out of state. Another 100 students went on to two-year schools — 96 stayed in state and four enrolled out of state.

The category on which students scored the lowest on the basic skills test was English.

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## Board opts to save by early retirement

By Heather MacGregor  
Managing Editor

Administrators in the Union County Regional High School District will have 25 years of service and voted in the Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund are being offered an early retirement incentive plan to save the district money.

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