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Sports trip

The Recreation Department is offering a trip to the Meadowlands Arena in East Rutherford to see the New Jersey Nets play the Los Angeles Lakers at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 27. This trip costs $33 per person.

Groups for this trip will leave the Sarah Bailey Civic Center at 6 p.m. and return at approximately 11 p.m. For more information or to obtain a registration form, contact the Recreation Department at 912-2226.

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Apple pie opera

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All aspects of this production, themed "Be careful what you wish for, it might come true," including the roles of makeup artists, writers, set designers, carpenters, electricians, costume designers, production manager and public relations, are being handled by the students under faculty supervision.

For more information, contact Gaudineer School at 376-1025, Ext. 235.

Local Assistance Board

The Local Assistance Board, an advisory board to the municipal Welfare Department, will meet Jan. 22 at 4:30 p.m. in the welfare director's office on the second floor of the Municipal Building. The public is welcome to attend.

Assessment list ready

The assessment list for the 1996 tax year will be available to any taxpayer on Jan. 12 at the assessor's office, room 206 of the Municipal Building between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., according to Springfield Tax Assessor Edward N. Galante.

Pasta night

The Ruth Estrin Goldberg Memorial for Cancer Research will hold its annual Pasta Night and White Elephant Sale on Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Temple Sha'arey Shalom.

All money raised will go directly to cancer research. To make reservations, call 974-8348.

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Clarke elected mayor; Ruocco, Blitzer take office

Photo By Jay Hochberg

The newest members of the Township Committee take the oath of office during the governing body's annual reorganization meeting held New Year's Day. Top: Former Mayor William Ruocco places his hand on the Bible his daughter holds, while Township Administrator Helen Keyworth gives the oath. Bottom: Judith Blitzer takes her turn, placing her hand on the Bible held by her husband, Bob. The new committee members are Republicans and join the three incumbent Democrats on the 1996 Township Committee, which unanimously selected Gregory Clarke as its chairman — Springfield's mayor.

By Jay Hochberg
Associate Editor

When the Township Committee reorganized for 1996 Monday, it unanimously selected Gregory Clarke to be mayor, and welcomed Republicans William Ruocco and Judith Blitzer to its ranks.

The five committeemen took turns making speeches for the benefit of the dozens of audience members; four commitmement expressed their willingness to work together as a bipartisan governing body to meet the challenges municipal business will pose this year.

Clarke, facing the crowd as the township's new mayor, read a prepared statement and told the audience of a meeting he and fellow Democrat Roy Allan Hirschfeld had filed Dec. 30 with the incoming Republicans, during which the "agreed to disagree on certain issues," while putting the "best interests of Springfield... in our deliberations."

We have pledged to involve them in all matters coming before us in the coming months, and hope to make use of their knowledge and experience as equal partners in moving to meet the demands of governing the town," Clarke added, referring to the Democrats' promise to work with the GOP. "We agreed to desexualize our attempts to work on the town's problems and hoped for the beginning of a productive relationship."

"I hope that this spirit of cooperation will continue," Hirschfeld said. "We all serve in a sense of unity."

Hirschfeld, who started his second year on the Township Committee, then listed some of the projects that he and the governing body will address in 1996.

"I will not allow taxes to go up," he said. "We must find ways to cut the budget, privatize some services, and make government more efficient."

In addition, Hirschfeld said he will fight the opening of Becker Road to automobile traffic — a scenario suggested by the court appointed master of the township's affordable housing plan.

"We will settle the Mt. Laurel issues in a fair and reasonable manner, not allowing the density to increase significantly in that part of town," he added, referring to the Bolczuk Stone property near Becker Road.

The Republicans expressed their desire to work with the Democrat majority, and said keeping costs and taxes were their priorities also. "We should not be a model market," said Ruocco, of comparisons made between government and business. "As you must do in your homes and businesses, we too must live within our means. If it requires cutbacks in spending, so be it."

Blitzer said she wants the Township Committee to cap the annual fees paid to the township attorney at $50,000, and to have the $5,500 annual retainer cover the costs of telephone conversations between the attorney and members of the municipal government.

"I find it truly inconceivable and repreliensible to see our taxpayers billed and charged for calls from a member of this committee to its own attorney on matters that affect our community," she added. "Can anyone accept that when our township clerk, police or fire chief calls our township attorney, we are billed for the time he spends on the telephone?"

Changing the subject, Herbert Slote, who was selected over Ruocco to serve as deputy mayor, voiced his perceptions of local politics — and this newspaper.

Slote said the *Springfield Leader* "has prostituted itself to the interests of the small group that constitutes the Republican Party," and had censored him by not publishing a letter to the editor he said he'd mailed "immediately before the election... that could have changed the results of the election."

Township Attorney Bruce Bergen also participated. Before the reorganization meeting began, he tried to have the seating arrangements of the Township Committee changed to separate the two Republicans, having them sit at opposite ends of the dais. When confronted by Ruocco, Bergen said he'd been heeding Clarke's request. When asked about it, Clarke said he had no knowledge of the matter.

The statements read by the Township Committee members, edited due to space limits, are published on Pages 6 and 7. Hirschfeld, working from notes, was unable to supply a copy of his complete remarks to this newspaper for publication.

PBA head quits, faults bias case flak

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
Managing Editor

Patrolman Mitchell Fenton, head of Policemen's Benevolent Association Local 76, has resigned that post, claiming that township Police Chief William Chisholm's animosity toward him and other officers was bringing "undue pressure and harm on the local."

Patrolman Steven Hollyfield, formerly vice president of the local PBA, will succeed Fenton.

Fenton, who headed the PBA for a year and a half, said he felt the chief's wrath after he announced his support of Patrolman Walter Brooks Jr. Brooks, the department's only black officer, lost one day's paid vacation time and one year's seniority for arriving to work a total of 118 minutes over two days.

Brooks claims that this disciplinary action was taken in retaliation for an informal complaint he made against Capt. Vernon Pedersen after overhearing him discussing a recent trip to Ireland. Pedersen was heard to say that the best part about Ireland was that there were no "niggers, spics or Jews." A December internal investigation confirmed that Pedersen made the statement.

Brooks appealed the decision before the Township Committee, which upheld Chisholm's decision. Fenton noted that the loss of seniority, the most severe penalty inflicted upon an officer for lateness, will severely affect Brooks' future chances for promotion.

Fenton, meanwhile, is in Superior Court appealing a different township decision. After an appeal before the Township Committee, Fenton is asking the Superior Court to overturn Chisholm's decision to make the patrolman take a three-day unpaid leave because he left a PBA convention early. He alleges that he left to take care of his wife who was nine months pregnant and feeling ill at the time.

According to Fenton, other patrolmen and senior officers have been targeted for retaliation for their support of Brooks. Pedersen, he claimed, controls the vacation time that the officers receive and has been practicing "selective enforcement of the rules."

During a closed session of the Township Committee, this issue was discussed. In a statement released to the *Springfield Leader*, the committee noted that "while they couldn't comment on personnel matters, the disciplinary action taken against Brooks was not related to his complaint against Pedersen."

It continued, stating that "though the Township Committee is not at liberty to discuss the specifics of the internal investigation, the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield has previously made clear its abhorrence of any such incidents and the clear understanding that no such behavior will be tolerated by township employees."

The committee also urged all township employees to "promptly file a complaint should they feel they have been the subject of improper actions and the Township Committee will promptly investigate the matter."

Poor weather postpones budget talk

By Blaine Dillport
Staff Writer

The Union County Regional High School District this week revised its Advanced Placement policy to allow college-level courses to become a regular part of the district's offered classes.

The policy, adopted during Tuesday's meeting, states that the superintendent will be responsible for making sure content and difficulty will prepare students so that they may demonstrate the knowledge of the course required by institutes of higher learning.

The policy's main revision indicates that students enrolling in such courses should be encouraged to take examinations at the end of each course. Also, the need to take the examinations should be stressed prior to registration. This will give students with a passing grade on the AP exams college credits prior to their attending college.

Another item examined for revision was the district's Acceleration policy. For the high schools, the policy will essentially remain the same: If a student achieves far beyond his or her grade level, a teacher may recommend acceleration to the principal.

The principal, teacher and other appropriate staff will consider if the student will benefit from early promotion. The student's parents or guardians will have final say in the decision.

The change made to the acceleration policy is that eighth-grade students in constituent districts who show readiness for high school-level courses may be accepted following certain guidelines. Each student is accepted on a trial basis only. If the student's progress is not up to par by the end of the first marking period, the student may be denied the opportunity to continue.

Transportation for the student is the responsibility of the parents or guardian of the student and the constituent district. Courses will be graded, and grades recorded, although no credit toward high school graduation will be given. Finally, students recommended for the program will be considered on an individual basis only.

For Governor Livingston High School, the board approved funds for use of the Cranford Swimming Pool Utility by the Governor Livingston Swimming Team. There will be 76 hours of practice time at $65 per hour, and six swim meets at $75 per meet. The total cost for the year will be $5,300.

The budget for the 1996-97 school year was scheduled to be discussed during the meeting, but the board decided to postpone the matter until such times as the public would be available to attend. Snowy weather conditions affected meeting attendance. The board, however, does have a budget proposal, although no decisions can be made before the governor's budget message is delivered.

The proposed budget calls for an increase of $142,492 for the 1996-97 school year. This is an increase of .41 percent from last year's budget of $34,377,602. The board has several areas in which it can consider reductions, such as staff, coaches, athletic equipment, dental insurance and custodial overtime. As of now, those are all tentative ideas regarding the 1996-97 school budget.

The budget is on the agenda for the next board meeting that will be held Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

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Native friendship

Courtesy of Caldwell School

Speaker Beverly Friend, third from left, a native Cherokee, teaches a friendship dance to James Caldwell fourth-graders Brett Yankow, left, Anthony Stivalo, Nicole Greten, Rachael DiCocco, Rachel Millman, Ashley Tiss and Katie Pelitto. Friend appeared at Caldwell as a part of a Native American Interdisciplinary Unit.

Board announces nomination deadline

The deadline for filing nominating petitions to run for positions on the Board of Education is 4 p.m., Feb. 26, Ellen J. Ball, a spokesperson for the school board, announced.

The election is scheduled for April 16.

Prospective school board candidates can obtain a School Board Candidate Kit at the local school district office. Published by the New Jersey School Boards Association, the kit includes information about legal qualifications for school board candidacy, campaign procedures, and the role of the school board member.

Information about the New Jersey School Ethics Act, important dates in the school election process, and briefing sessions for school board candidates is also included in the kit.

"I urge citizens who believe they can make a contribution to their schools to consider board of education membership," said Mark J. Finkelstein, NJSBA president. "You don't have to be an educator or have a college degree to serve on your local school board. What you need most is a sincere interest in children and their education."

Church group launches 'divorce' play contest

The Gemini Group announces its inaugural one act-play contest.

The contest, open to all area residents, has a set of rules:

* Only one 20-minute play, either a comedy or a drama, may be submitted by each individual.
* The action must take place in one setting: the foyer of divorce court.
* There must be three characters involved in the action.
* Entries must be typed and double-spaced, with the author's name, address and phone number included on a separate title page.

To be considered, entries must be postmarked no later than Feb. 15, 1996. They should be sent to the Gemini Group, c/o Scott Coffey, 569 Trinity Pl. in Westfield, NJ 07090. Entries cannot be returned but will remain the property of the authors.

Winners will be notified by mail on or before March 15, 1996 and the results will be made public thereafter. The selected plays will be performed by the Gemini Group as part of the company's 1996 theatrical schedule.

Founded in 1994, the Gemini Group's mission is to provide an outlet for playwrights, directors, actors and production people of all levels of experience who have always wanted to work in the theater, who have been away from the theater for a time, or who currently work with other local theater groups but are intrigued by the challenges of presenting local plays by local writers.

For more information, contact Scott Coffey at 654-0054.

Humorist addresses students about drugs

Saying no to drugs is not a laughing matter, but Kevin Wanzer thinks it is.

In his own way, he has made a lasting impact on young people with a presentation unlike others. Wanzer speaks to students about decision-making and drugs. In most schools, that type of presentation would not be too popular with the student body. However, when he talks, students listen.

Why? Through laughter, Wanzer has adapted and developed a presentation to which students of all ages can relate.

"Kids using drugs is not a laughing matter," said the 27-year-old humorist. "The bottom line is you have to understand how young people feel. I simply discuss basic drug education, prevention skills and self-esteem, in an upbeat, positive and entertaining way."

Wanzer, who lives in Indianapolis, will address students at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School and Gaudineer School. He will then offer an evening program to all students and their parents at 7 p.m. in the Gaudineer cafeteria on Wednesday. His visit is sponsored by the Springfield Municipal Alliance.

Wanzer's age, energy and charisma have a lot to do with the fact he he is one of the most effective speakers for young people today.

For 10 years, Wanzer has performed for more than 1 million young people, educators and parents in the United States, Canada and Europe, and was one of the first motivational speakers to reach students and adults in China.

He has been recognized by the White House, along with a variety of national drug-free and educational organizations, for his public service. He has also worked with the NFL, the NBA, and Major League Baseball in conjunction with their anti-drug efforts.

An honors graduate of Butler University in Indianapolis, Wanzer received a bachelor of science degree in radio and television and has spent time serving on the staff of "Late Night with David Letterman."

"Young people need to realize not only why they should say no to drugs, but how to say no," he said. "Many students don't want to hear it. However, if you get them laughing and having fun, while discussing the positive choices they can make, then maybe the message might get through."

For more information, contact Barbara Moller-Ackerman at 376-1025, ext. 328.

Students plan for future

The guidance department of Governor Livingston Regional High School is sponsoring a college planning workshop for high-school students and their parents on Jan. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Davis Hall. The snow date for this event is Jan. 24.

George Gibbs, former dean of admissions at Muhlenberg College, and Michelle Martin and Jack Williams of the Rider University admissions office will be on hand to discuss at length the issues of college admissions and financial aid. In addition, Sharon Lee, a 1990 GLHS graduate and an alumna of Princeton University, will address the topic of alumni interviews. A question-and-answer session will follow the evening's presentations.

Students and parents of Regional High Schools are invited and encouraged to plan for the future by attending this program. For more information, call the guidance office of Governor Livingston Regional High School at 464-3100.

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Past Lions International Director Charles Wiemer, right, presents a Melvin Jones Fellow Award to Ruth A. Grossman of Springfield.

Area Lions celebrate 70 years of service

On Nov. 10, Springfield Lions Club members joined with representatives from other area Lions Clubs at L'Affaire on Route 22 to mark 70 years of active service to the community. Guests of honor included Springfield Mayor Marcia Forman and two past directors of the International Association of Lions Clubs: William F. McCormick and Charles "Chuck" Wiemer.

Courtesy of S. Grossman

Past Lions International Director Charles Wiemer, right, presents a Melvin Jones Fellow Award to Springfield Lion Walter G. Peterson.

The anniversary dinner dance also featured an address by Wiemer, recounting some of the achievements of the Springfield Lions Club since its founding Nov. 9, 1925. Weimer also presented Melvin Jones Fellowship pins to Springfield residents Walter G. Peterson and Ruth Grossman for their long service to the humanitarian objectives of Lions International.

Donald Danser, Springfield Lions immediate past president, was presented with an Excellence Award by McCormick on behalf of Lions International, an award given to club presidents who distinguish themselves on at least 11 of 14 criteria during their terms of office. In addition to fulfilling all administrative duties of president, Danser led the Springfield Lions in completing a charity fund-raiser and a major landscaping project at Camp Marcella, operated for blind and visually impaired children.

Miller-Cory House presents Colonial sausage making

The Miller-Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, will feature early American sausage making on Sunday, from 2-4 p.m.

Sausage was a very popular food during Colonial times and was often prepared using meat or leftover foods such as stew, Cooked grain or bread crumbs were often used as a binder. Mae Franz of Cranford will demonstrate for visitors how sausage was made during the era. Colonial cooks usually used beef, pork or lamb intestines as the casing for the sausage. During the warm summer months, prepared sausages were smoked for preservation purposes.

Step back in history with a tour by costumed docents of the charming furnished farmhouse built in 1740. The Miller-Cory House stands on the "road to the mountains" in Westfield and was named in honor of its two 18th-century owners, both descended from the earliest settlers in this area. The first tour begins at 2:30 p.m.

The quaint museum shop has an inventory that is appropriate to the historical era of the museum and includes educational materials, Colonial reproductions and handcrafts, including cookbooks of Colonial recipes prepared by Miller-Cory volunteers.

Admission to the museum is free for children under 6 years of age. The museum will feature a talk about corn on Jan. 14 by Rosemarie Lewandowski of Scotch Plains.

For more information, call the museum office at (908) 232-1776.

Governor Livingston's Student of the Month

Courtesy of Governor Livingston Regional High School

Monika Szymborski of Mountainside, a junior at Governor Livingston Regional High School, has been named the school's most recent Student of the Month. An excellent student who is very active in her school and community, Monika serves as secretary of the French Club and is an active member of the National Honor Society, Latin Club, Values and Diversity Committee, French Honor Society, Latin Honor Society and Tennis Team at Governor Livingston. She is also an accomplished member of the Governor Livingston Forensics Team and has been featured in several musical and dramatic productions at the school. Outside of school, she performs with the Mountainside Music Association and local community theater groups. In addition, Monika has devoted a great deal of time and effort to her work as a volunteer at Children's Specialized Hospital. After graduation, Monika plans to attend college and pursue a pre-med major and a drama minor. Her career goal is to become a pediatrician.

people in the news

Springfield doctor completes postgraduate course

Dr. David F. Palombi, D.C. of Springfield has completed an intensive postgraduate course on the A.M.A. guidelines to the evaluation of permanent medical conditions, including losses of bodily functions and impairments.

Palombi, a Union resident since 1987, plans to implement these skills to better serve his patients who have been injured in automobile, fall down and work accidents. Not many doctors (chiropractic or medical) opt for training in the rating of permanent impairments.

Township attorney set to appear on Law Journal

The Fen2 Pinto, The Dalkon shield, Breast implants. Will Norplant be the next product liability nightmare?

This Tuesday night, at 8 p.m., attorney Jack Wurgaft of the Springfield personal injury firm Inverheim, Wurgaft and Hicks addresses "American Product Liability: Hall of Shame" on this week's edition of Law Journal. The weekly syndicated television program on the law is hosted by New Jersey attorney Christopher Naughton and can be seen locally on Comcast Channel 59 and Sammons Channel 59 every Tuesday at 8 p.m.

"It's not as if manufacturers have to make their products 'idiot proof,' " says Wurgaft, "but it amazes me how many unsafe products are unleashed on the public and into the stream of commerce that don't belong there." Wurgaft, a certified civil trial attorney in practice since 1968, has dedicated a significant part of his career to product liability matters.

Law Journal is seen live in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania and welcomes viewer phone calls during the one-hour broadcast.

Local artists' work in hospital display

Artwork by Sylvia Clougthy, on display at Children's Specialized Hospital in January, focuses on capturing light shining through transparent and translucent objects, the glitter of wet surfaces in the sun or the appearance of objects beneath the surface of the water in streams and lakes.

Clougthy is a member of the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts and was a member of the Kenilworth Art Association, now disbanded. She has received many awards at local shows, including twice for "Best Watercolor" at the Plainfield Art Festival.

Individuals or groups wishing to visit the display, which is open to the public daily from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., may enter the hospital's East Wing. For more information about the display, call the hospital's community resource coordinator, Susan Baxter, at 233-3720, Ext. 379.

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Hey, Vern, get lost

The fighting among Springfield's police officers has reached a point where a change in personnel is necessary. Since it would be foolish to expect the Township Committee to take action, and because the threat of litigation hinders any likely steps to do what's right, we ask Capt. Vernon Pedersen to resign from the Springfield Police Department.

The debate stems from a comment Pedersen made in front of fellow officers at police headquarters, saying what he had enjoyed most about a recent vacation to Ireland was the absence of "niggers, spics and Jews." The remark was made and repeated in front of Officer Walter Brooks, the one black officer on the Springfield Police Department.

To say Pedersen has disgraced himself and made the township look bad would be an understatement. The irony of racial division in a town with such a homogeneous population speaks volumes, and it would be unnatural for Springfield to tolerate this sort of conduct from any municipal employee — especially a superior officer on the Police Department.

On top of Springfield's internal embarrassment, the *Star-Ledger*, maintaining its commitment to report only the sensational conflicts in the township, has been more than generous in devoting space to the matter. That makes Springfield look ugly in the eyes of other municipalities, but if Brooks' claim to have been contacted by a television network news program is true, then Springfield's shame could become known from coast to coast.

Back in the spring, when this mess first came to the public's attention, a Jewish resident of Springfield telephoned one of our editors to ask why we hadn't used our editorial page to deplore Pedersen's comments. The editor said he would not start a politically correct hunt, because the evidence proving Pedersen had made that remark was not in, and that in any case such condemnation should come first from the chief of police and the Township Committee.

Well, the evidence is in, and since no action will be taken by either Chief of Police William Chisholm or the new Township Committee, we suggest the only possible resolution: Pedersen must leave the department of his own accord.

Pedersen wears the uniform of the Township of Springfield — a community that's home to more than a few of the people he berated. If he's that uncomfortable protecting and serving township residents, we suggest he find employment elsewhere.

Since we doubt another police force would be willing to pay Pedersen the $72,570 per year he's paid here, with any luck Pedersen will just retire.

Party animals

With the Township Committee reorganized for 1996, it has become obvious that the majority-holding Democrats feel nothing but contempt for their constituents.

Bitter and self-righteous to the point of being destructive, Mayor Greg Clarke, Deputy Mayor Herb Slote and Township Committeeman Roy Allan Hirschfeld went out of their way to purge the Planning and Zoning boards of all Republicans but one.

Is everyone supposed to forget that the voters opted for two-party representation when they cast ballots in November? Should anyone remember that the Democrats already had held the majorities of both of those invaluable governing bodies? Must everyone ignore the fact that the Republicans who had been removed offered a wealth of knowledge and experience that none of the Democrats even want to acquire?

The three Democratic Township Committeemen were shameless not to reappoint Marc Marshall to the Planning Board, but when they named Marcia Forman instead, they perpetrated an unspeakable insult to the nearly 1,800 voters who threw her out of office. Of course, one of the main reasons Forman was defeated was her role in drafting and approving the township's deplorable affordable housing plan — the one that took low-income housing units out of her backyard and put nearly 300 apartments on the Bojczuk Stone land.

Equally troubling is their appointment of former Township Committee candidate Arlene Newman, who bravely once said she would fight "ShopRite," to the Zoning Board. It looks like they're grooming her for another campaign this year.

Well, Springfield, just when you thought Cuba's was the only government in the hemisphere to enforce one-party reign, your own Township Committee has silenced any hope of providing diversity of thought in local affairs.

If you like the mindset that fathered the disastrous affordable housing plan; if you want Stop & Shop attracting thousands of cars into the township; if you prefer a one-sided argument in every matter that deserves open, honest debate, then the 1996 Township Committee will not disappoint.

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OPINION PAGE

Committee members offer ideas for 1996

The five members of the Township Committee took turns during the reorganization meeting Monday to read prepared statements outlining their plans and hopes for Springfield in 1996. Because of space limitations, each essay had to be edited. Committeeman Roy Allan Hirschfeld read from brief notes and delivered an impromptu speech, and unfortunately his comments could not be reproduced here before press time.

With changes, government will work better

Opening Remarks

By Mayor Gregory Clarke

Welcome to the 202nd organizational meeting of the Township of Springfield. We are pleased to see so many of you here to start the New Year with us.

I wish to welcome Bill Rueccio and Judy Blitzer to the Township Committee. Roy and I had a two-hour meeting with them last Saturday to go over our relationship for the next year. Briefly, we agreed to disagree on certain issues, but more importantly agreed to try to put the best interests of Springfield as paramount in our deliberations.

We have pledged to involve them in all matters coming before us in the coming months, and hope to make use of their knowledge and experience as co-equal partners in moving to meet the demands of governing the town. We agreed to decentralize our attempts to work on the town's problems and hope for the beginning of a productive relationship.

I found the meeting positive and hope it becomes the basis for respectful cooperation.

During my past year on the Township Committee, I have made many observations and tried to think of different approaches to the problems confronting the way the committee and local government function.

• The first observation concerns facets and rules. It seems the preponderance of our time in meetings goes to items of immediate importance, the list of which is endless. However, we get so hung up with the rules, little, if any, movement is made on the problems of the forest.

Accordingly, I have suggested and found approval for an additional meeting per month. This will be a work session, hopefully devoted to general problems. Chisholm School, the downtown area, personnel considerations, and future building plans are a few which come to mind.

• A second observation has been a series of problems I have thought about for 15 years. In all humility, I never expected to have a chance to act on these concerns. Briefly, our local government does not seem to function very efficiently.

For example, we go to the effort of forming committees within each of the five basic areas of government. Yet these committees have never met during my time as an elected official, and have not met, I am told, for many years. The reason is the Sunshine Law, which requires that no majority of the Township Committee may meet without elaborate — and therefore unlikely — ritual.

A further example is the fact that, in April, both parties begin the process of selecting and promoting their candidates for the next election. Obviously, sitting committeepersons are torn between doing the town's business and helping elect their colleagues. Sorely needed time, effort and energy are siphoned toward politics, and the town's business suffers.

None of these things are the fault of any person or persons. They are the product of the form or system of our local government.

Accordingly, I have pushed for and have received the endorsement of a government study committee. I believe a study committee may provide the means for focusing on the problems inherent in our form of governance, and that changes may increase the odds for more effective government.

Politics and bureaucracy will not go away, but their negative aspects may be lessened. Further down this road, a charter study committee may be able to suggest forms more conducive to efficiency if a consensus concerning the need for change can be found.

• A brief word on taxes: As many of you may know, the state has set a cap on yearly increases in government budgets at 5 percent. A quick look at your own tax bill will tell you that the average taxpayer's increases have exceeded this by a great deal.

The culprit is a problem in devaluation of real property. We have been receiving tax court rulings, lessening the amount of required taxes for some residents and businesses — amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars. This means that the rest of us have to pick up the tab. We have no control over this phenomenon, and it is a serious issue controlled by market conditions.

A few months ago I was chosen to be mayor of Springfield. In our town, the mayoralty is primarily a ceremonial position and the title passes often. While I have just questioned some aspects of our governmental system, a weak mayor system is a strength in our government, because it prevents a focus of power — especially over a long period of time.

Last year, as a committeeperson, I held a full-time, must-show job. I felt for years, long before the Municipal Building opened, and returned after it closed. I very recently have retired and part of my reason for doing so was to make myself more available to give more time to Springfield. I will have more time for dialogue, more time for fact-finding, more time for deliberation, and more time for all forms of input into the responsibilities of the office of mayor.

I offer this time to Springfield willingly. I want to make use of the time in a legitimate effort to improve Springfield. I will be a friend and will cooperate with those who are of a similar mind, but will oppose those who seek to use Springfield for their own needs and motives.

There is much to be done and we must all work together to set goals and realize them. In the spirit of the New Year and a new beginning, let us hope for the future and move toward it together. Thank you!

Democrat Gregory Clarke is beginning his second year on the Township Committee. This is his first term as mayor.

Reporting in Leader is biased and unfair

Opening Remarks

By Herbert Slote

Whether or not I wanted to be mayor was my decision, and it was made about two years ago. I was never drawn to the job and I do not want it now.

I do not consider myself the ultimate savior of our town, nor do I need the emotional fulfillment, so desperately sought by others, which is supposed to come with the title of mayor.

This should have surprised no one, least of all the *Springfield Leader*, since I declared myself publicly three months ago. In the Sept. 14, 1995 issue of the *Leader*, I declared "I look forward to finishing my term with dignity. I have neither a private agenda nor political ambitions. I need only to speak the truth and serve with honor." Nothing has changed.

Now I have to go on another matter which I believe to be of paramount importance to our community, and which reflects on the way Springfield is viewed throughout the county.

A fundamental precept of democracy is the freedom of access to the avenues of public communication. In our town, we have but a single newspaper, which should be a free-flowing conduit for communication between the municipal government and its citizens.

Whatever its editorial policy, its reporting should be objective and impartial to provide the readers with a balanced view. It should not be a mouthpiece for any particular group in the many ways it can color its reporting, so revealingly described in the Sept. 14, 1995 issue by *Springfield Leader* Regional Editor Chris Gatto.

Precisely because it is the only paper in town, it has a greater obligation to adhere to the highest ethical standards of journalism. This it has not done, depriving the readers of true and complete reportage.

During 1995, the *Springfield Leader* refused to publish three of my communications. One, early in the year, was a summary of the township budget; another was a commentary on the paper's abuse of freedom of the press; the third, immediately before election, was a clarification of the tax situation, a message that could have changed the results of the election.

Other letters, although published, were censored. Key words, sentences and entire paragraphs were deleted. I can't claim special treatment, other correspondents were treated the same way.

Clearly there has been a pervasive disregard for the essence of truth in the pages of the *Springfield Leader*. Meanwhile it unceremoniously prints quotations extolling the freedom it claims for itself but refuses to others.

What is the meaning of the First Amendment? Is freedom of the press to be the constitutional right for us all? Or is it the privilege only to those who control the press?

As we start a new cycle in municipal government, it is appropriate that we consider the roll of truth and honor.

Democrat Herbert Slote is beginning his third year on the Township Committee, and his second year as deputy mayor.

Township is entitled to 2-party government

Opening Remarks

By William Rucoco

I would like to begin my brief comments by wishing everyone here today and in our community a very happy and healthy New Year.

My swearing in today marks the continuation of my 30 years of elected or appointed service to my community. When I was first appointed as a member of Springfield's Industrial Committee in 1963, Springfield was as vibrant as it is today. We continue to be a proud community made up of many different people from all walks of life. Our religious community has worked side by side with each other for the betterment of our township and those who live in it. I am especially proud of that commitment.

Our school system is one of the best in the state of New Jersey. Our municipal employees are dedicated and our public library is a credit to our community. We have everything going for us as a vibrant community.

However, our taxes today are considerably higher than in 1963, and there is no doubt that our residents are more aware of how their governing body is running Springfield.

Both Committeewoman Blitzer and I promised during our campaign that we would work to move Springfield forward. We will keep that promise. We also promised to do everything in our power to reduce taxes, and will keep that promise too.

The voters and taxpayers of our community voted for a change. I believe they sent a loud message to this governing body that from their perspective, Springfield needs to do more in how it runs its affairs and spends their tax dollars. There are those within our community who would look to change our form of government under the guise of perhaps saving money or to have Springfield run more smoothly.

I do not believe these are the reasons, and perhaps we will find out that this is another attempt to manipulate government in our community. Your government is as good as those you elect. Rather than inflicting additional pointless turmoil on our current system, I suggest that we first examine what we are doing right and build from that point. I suggest that we all make a commitment to tighten our belts to the point that we begin to impact taxes in Springfield. I will not vote yes or any proposal to spend one tax dollar without first reviewing the very need to spend it.

I would like to see an immediate freeze on all spending in 1996 pending a full and new review of each item. We all must make a public commitment to work together to ensure that every tax dollar is wisely spent. I believe Springfield has often been compared to running a business.

Political campaign rhetoric on both sides of the aisle have used the expression "the Township of Springfield is not a business."

In the true sense, rather, it is an institution or a $15 million public corporation that collects its revenue from taxpayers for the right to live in this community. In doing so, through taxes, we take your money to provide and pay for various services. We should not be a money maker, and as you must do in your homes and businesses, we too must live within our means. If this requires cutbacks in spending, so be it.

I can state today for the record that never-in-my-wildest-dreams I ever thought that we first examine what we are doing right and build from that point. I suggest that we all make a commitment to tighten our belts to the point that we begin to impact taxes in Springfield. I will not vote yes on any proposal to spend one tax dollar without first reviewing the very need to spend it.

Too often, as I sit during meetings and members of the public asked questions of the governing body, the response was, "I don't know." Most disturbing is, during executive sessions questions are asked by the committee members to our professionals and the same answer is given. If you ask for something...be ready to be asked a lot of in-depth questions before I will say or vote on any matter.

My swearing in today is a very happy occasion, and a day I will remember the rest of my life. In reviewing the many appointments being made today, I am disappointed that the majority on this committee took it upon themselves to remove two-party representation on almost every board by not reappointing many existing members.

Today, Jan. 1, is not a day to dwell upon this subject. For the most part it is a new beginning for both Judy and myself, and many of those who will be reappointed or appointed today, and I wish them the best. I would also thank my family and friends who aid and assist me always. Thank you.

Republican William Rucoco was sworn in as a member of the Township Committee Monday, beginning his fourth term on the governing body.

OP-ED PAGE

We can cut costs and taxes

Opening Remarks

By Judith Blitzer

I want to welcome everyone here today, and wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year. Before I make my brief comments, I want to acknowledge my husband Bob for his patience and fortitude during this past year.

I want to thank the thousands of residents of our community for giving me the opportunity to serve Springfield as a member of this governing body for the next three years. I undertake this position with the knowledge that my actions, as a member of the Township Committee, will assist in molding the future of our great community: Springfield needs to look ahead to prepare for the 21st century.

There can be little doubt that taxes are the number one issue that we will have to deal with in 1996, and in the years to come. We have the obligation to do all within our power to reduce taxes. This will be my top priority. Whatever proposals are in the works, I will review, and will not sit idly by if I see the slightest doubt that there is a better way.

I know that Bill and I will bring to the Township Committee the checks and balances that we promised during our campaign. We are resolved to work with the majority for the betterment of our community. Yes, we will disagree; however, we will talk to each other to come up with reasonable solutions to whatever problems may face Springfield and its 14,000 residents.

I will not support any issue which is based on political considerations. Partisan politics will have no place in the inner-workings of the Township Committee. Once it is brought in, I will voice my objections loud and clear.

I must express my disappointment and disdain over not being advised of who would be serving as deputy mayor and mayor in 1996 until just four days ago. Nor was I informed of who would not be reappointed or appointed to our committee.

I wish to advise the three Democrats in the majority of this committee that this was not in the spirit of their letter to the editor in the *Springfield Leader* this past week, nor was it appropriate to start a working relationship for the new year.

I sincerely hope this will change. I want all my colleagues to know that I do not like surprises, in any form, so I truly hope we will communicate with each other. I also want my colleagues to know that whatever I do as a member of this committee, it will be done by placing the best interests of Springfield and its residents first and foremost.

I ask the Township Committee for support ideas that will truly save tax dollars. I will be asking this committee to support a resolution to cap the legal fees paid to our township attorney at $50,000. Any amount in excess of this set fee must be brought to the entire Township Committee for review and approval before the fact.

I will join with Committeeman Rucoco to ask that the $5,500 retainer paid to the township attorney be expanded to include phone calls from members of the Township Committee and/or township employees.

I find it inconceivable and reprehensible to see our taxpayers billed and charged for calls from a member of this committee to his own attorney on matters that effect our community. Can anyone accept being billed when our township clerk, police or fire chief calls our township attorney — emergencies not withstanding? I cannot and will not accept this arrangement for our town.

We also agree that this Township Committee's first order of business must be to advise all our boards and agencies to return to the base salaries paid their attorneys. These are just a few examples that we, as truly concerned members of the township committee, can do together to begin to attempt to reduce taxes.

However, until several of the items I have mentioned are voted upon and passed upon, this is just rhetoric. Therefore, I am directing the township clerk and the township attorney to have resolutions ready for the next regular meeting of this committee to be acted and voted upon.

I have no doubts that these cost-saving resolutions will receive a second; however, it will be the third, fourth and fifth votes that will guarantee passage or will show who is working to truly reduce taxes within our community. 1996 must be the year of action, not rhetoric.

Our campaign promised that we would be the checks and balances on this governing body. We have not forgotten that promise. We promised the municipal employees that we will listen to, and act on their concerns.

We have not forgotten that promise. There will be communication and much dialogue between us. I can assure you that I will think about bringing any issue to the attention of the public, should I feel there is a need to do so.

I look forward to this new beginning and working with everyone in the best interest of Springfield.

I want to thank my friends, relatives and the many residents that are here today, and I look forward to seeing many of you at meetings in the future.

Again, my best wishes for a wonderful, healthy and happy New Year.

Republican Judith Blitzer was sworn in as a member of the Township Committee Monday, beginning her first year on the governing body.

Paper mills flourished in town

Springfield's History

By Milton Kashen

Odds and Ends

Erwin S. Doeries worked as a mechanic for some time in Pinkava's Garage, then opened a garage and service station at Morris Avenue and Keeler Street. In time it was acquired by Bob Briggs. His sons, Bruce and Jeffrey succeeded him when he passed away several years ago.

The Briggs family was descended from Jeremiah Mulford, who fought with Light Horse Harry Lee in the Battle of Springfield.

A popular figure at the Free Public Library when it opened in 1931, was "Aunt" Phoebe Briggs. She devoted her lifetime to the library and Methodist Church. A sweet little lady, she enjoyed a pleasant relationship with early library users and especially with children. When the library moved from the Brookside Building on Morris Avenue 13 years later to the Sarah H. Bailey House, now the Sarah Bailey Homestead on Church Mall, Aunt Phoebe also transferred with Mrs. Benjamnin Woodruff, first librarian, to the new location.

The ancestors of the Briggs family were among the early settlers of Springfield in the early 1720s.

Bobby Jones at Baltusrol

One of the highlights in the long history of Baltusrol Golf Club took place in the spring of 1930 when Bobby Jones, the golfer, lost the finals of the U.S. amateur championship to George Von Elm.

In 1924, 1925, 1927 and 1928, Jones had won the amateur title, but he met his master in Von Elm. He was U.S. Open champ in 1923, 1926, 1929; and 1930. Before he retired at age 28, he also won the British, Australian and French open tournaments.

It is claimed that Jones was the top golfer in all history, even surpassing Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer. Today's improved golf equipment was far superior to that used in Jones' time, making his record that much more vulnerable.

When his tournament playing was over, Jones turned to the design of golf courses. Not to be compared to Robert Trent Komes, Bobby Jones designed one of the game's leading courses at Augusta, Ga. This is the home of the Master's Tournament, yearly attracting invited golfers from all parts of the world. But Jones never competed in this test, having retired.

William O. Chargotis, architect, 37 Mountain Ave., has been active in Greek-American circles both in this country and abroad. When the Harry Truman Memorial was constructed in Athens, Chagotis was honored by being asked to prepare its plans.

He is the owner of General Green Village apartments. In addition he constructed the General Greene Shopping Center.

From Old Schooldays

In earlier sections of the History of Springfield, Evelyn L. Hoffman of Union told of having graduated in 1924 from James Caldwell School, and means twice yearly with four former friends to recall pleasant experiences in the same class.

For their benefit, we are adding the following list of people connected with Caldwell School in the 1920s, which may be of interest to them:

Edward V. Walton was superintendent of schools and was succeeded by Fred J. Hodgson. The latter's secretary was Ina Haberdank.

The male teachers: Clayton Spahr, John M. Nies, gym; and Benhamin F. Neuswangger, athletics, and later school superintendent. He and John Murray, who taught in a later period, were both former past presidents of the Rotary Club.

Some of the women teachers: Florence M. Gardiner, Edith Quinn, Miss Jakobsen, Miss Smith and Lucy Forsyth.

Charles H. Ruby was president of the Board of Education in the early 1920s. Ten years later the school board was headed by Alvin H. Boss.

Former members include: Jack Potts, James M. Dugnid, Arnold Wright, and August H. Schmidt.

Chief Ed Ruban

Edward Ruban was a school crossing guard at Caldwell School and in addition was the police chief. He drove a three-wheel motorcycle with a sidecar on patrol. It was the only vehicle for the police which was not fully manned 24 hours daily. Not until M. Chase Runyen succeeded Chief Ruban did the police start to have a fully manned headquarters in the fall of 1929.

The Ruban Family

Chief Ruban's two neices were Helen Ruban Smith, former secretary of the Springfield Board of Education and former secretary of the Union County Regional School District, more described in chapter two of the history of Springfield.

Another niece, Rita Geiger, wife of former Committeeman Frank C. Geiger, who established Geiger's Cider Mill and Restaurant, South Springfield Avenue, Westfield, opposite the Echo Lane Country Club.

The maternal matriarch of the Ruban family was Henrietta Meyer of Elizabethport. She was an early subscriber to the *Springfield Sun*. Her summers were spent in Springfield on the east branch of the Rahway River, in the vicinity of Singers' Grove and Evergreen Lodge, Evergreen Avenue.

For the rest of the year, she returned to Elizabethport. She was a keen observer of community affairs.

Paper Mill Flourished

In its early days, Springfield and Millburn, not organized until 1857, had an excellent supply of good water, vital to the existence of paper mills which flourished here.

Milton Kashen was editor and publisher of the first local paper, the *Springfield Sun*, precedessor of the *Springfield Leader*, which started Sept. 29, 1929. He and his wife, Betty, reside at 3306 Aruba Way, Apt H4, Wynmoor Village, Coconut Creek, FL 33066; Telephone (305) 979-0849.

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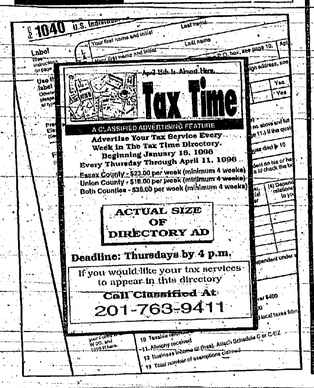

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Senior Lifestyles

Health tips suggested for senior citizens

It is never too late to practice good health habits, according to the New Jersey Division on Aging. Regardless of age, a person's "lifestyle choices and decisions can have a positive impact on your overall health."

Exercise

By implementing exercise regimens, keeping aware of the causes and effects of disease and maintaining a healthier lifestyle, seniors can make the most out of their "golden years."

According to federally sponsored studies, older Americans are nearing the surgeon general's goals for the turn of the century, ahead of their younger counterparts.

In addition, researchers have found many improvements in the health and well-being of exercising seniors, noting that it is "never too late to start," a sentiment echoed by the state Division on Aging.

Exercise, these studies report, helps reduce the chances of debilitating diseases and conditions such as heart disease and stroke, cancer, osteoporosis, diabetes, excessive weight gain, weak immunity, arthritis, depression, gastrointestinal bleeding and memory and sleep loss.

Keeping balanced

According to the National Safety Council, "trips, slips and falls are the most common accidents in the workplace and at home, accounting for 15 percent of disabling injuries and causing more deaths in this country than any type of accident, excluding motor vehicle accidents. The council advises seniors to keep in mind the following:

• To keep safe at work, keep the floor free from items like loose paper, purses, tools and computer cables that might trip you; clean up or report spills; report burned out or inadequate lighting; and avoid wearing high heels or shoes with smooth soles when entering or exiting your building in ice, rain or snow.

• Make sure your home has adequate lighting; on stairways and entrances/exits; keep stairwells clear of loose items; keep throw rugs away from stair landings and tack down loose carpeting; use rubber matting or two-sided adhesive tape for loose-rug backing; keep appliance, extension and telephone cords secured along sides of the room; avoid walking on a freshly washed or waxed floor until it is dry; install handrails on the sides of stairwells; wipe up spills immediately; and use a sturdy step-stool to extend your reach.

• Before climbing a ladder, check it out to make sure its rungs are free from oil or grease; be sure the ladder is on stable ground; never stand on a ladder's top rung; set the ladder one foot away from the wall for every four feet of ladder height you intend to climb; and move the ladder instead of overreaching.

• Exercise to keep in shape — maintaining optimum flexibility can help prevent falls; shorten your stride when walking on wet or slippery floors; and avoid carrying packages that are too heavy.

Healthy Aging

The state Division on Aging offers these Tips For Healthy Aging:

• Eat a balanced diet, exercise regularly and get regular check-ups. Don't smoke. It's never too late to quit.

• Practice safety habits at home to prevent falls and fractures. Always wear your seatbelt when traveling by car.

• Maintain contacts with friends and family and stay active through work, recreation and community.

• Avoid overexposure to the sun and the cold.

• If you drink alcoholic beverages, moderation is the key. When you drink, let someone else drive.

• Keep a positive attitude toward life. Do things that make you happy.

Retirees make a difference in county

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Union County-Catholic Community Services urged older members of the community to take the time to help the needy.

"During this holiday season, we're reminded of how fortunate our lives are, but we also must take time to remember there are families that don't have enough food or shelter. People tend to volunteer at this time of year but there is a great need for service throughout the year. Maybe this year, one of your resolutions might be to encourage your family and friends to volunteer throughout the year."

RSVP's services include a library cart and a snack cart at the local nursing home; escorting children to therapy; infant day care; after school programs; a food bank; visiting the home-bound; acting as a teacher's aide; reading to the blind; senior adult day care; performing minor home repairs; performing as nursing home advocates; grandparing review; volunteering at the library; taking the responsibilities of a 4-H master food steward; providing support services for the terminally ill; providing support for sufferers of dementia abuse and assisting with income tax.

RSVP also reminds seniors that these services are also available:

• Access Link — curb-to-curb transportation, by appointment, for disabled persons. This service is for persons who live along NJ Transit bus routes but who cannot use the buses because of disabilities. Users must live within three-quarters of a mile from a NJ Transit bus route or must arrange to be picked up within three-quarters of a mile from a NJ Transit bus route and their destinations must be within three-quarters of a mile from a NJ Transit bus route. Call (800) 955-2321. Each prospective customer is interviewed and notified within 21 days if he or she qualifies for the program.

• Mammograms — to locate nearby mammogram facilities certified by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, call (800) 4-CANCER. Early detection of cancer can reduce breast cancer deaths by 30 percent.

• Stop junk mail — send your name and full address to: Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, NY, 11735-9008 and they will tell participating mailers to remove your name from their mailing lists.

For additional information about RSVP services, contact Jo-Ann Crotein at 709-2152.

"Vintage Views" offers help with elderly family members

In January, "Vintage Views," Union County's cable television program for seniors, discusses the rewards and realities of helping elderly family members celebrate holidays.

Lou Coviello, a program coordinator with the Union County Government's Department of Human Services' Division on Aging, discusses the extraordinary opportunities and demands holidays bring to caregivers with Joann Martin, a field representative with the Division on Aging.

"Joann stresses that for those caring for elderly family members, holidays with their reunions and rejoicing can be very stressful," noted Union County Manager Ann Baran. "She points out that communicating with the elderly to learn their holiday needs, advance planning and a flexible attitude can minimize pressure and maximize the fun of these special occasions for the elderly and their caregivers alike."

Those individuals looking for assistance should note that the show includes a host of references to available services for the elderly as well as caregivers support.

"Whether for New Year's, someone's birthday, or family reunions, these times can be hard on the elderly and their caregivers," said Freeholder Linda Di Giovanni. "I hope that everyone with elderly relatives they help to care for will watch and learn."

"Vintage Views" is made possible through the facilities and technical direction of the TKR Cable Co. of Elizabeth. "Vintage Views" is available throughout the county and is broadcast from Elizabeth, TKR Cable, Channel 13, Mon. — 6:30 p.m., Wed. — 6 p.m.; Plainfield, Comcast Cable, Channel 20, Wed. — 4:30 p.m.; Summit area, Comcast Cable, Channel 36, Tues. — 11:30 a.m., Fri. — 11:30 a.m. (other county locations on Comcast Cable, Channel 32, Thurs. — 7:05 p.m.

Persons wanting more information about the topics covered in this "Vintage Views" program, or who want to comment on programming, may call Lou Coviello at (908) 527-4872.

For information on all of Union County's services under one roof, including information on the county's programs or services for the elderly or caregivers, you are welcome to come directly to our new Customer Information Center in the Vendueri Building, 300 North Avenue E., Westfield, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you prefer, feel free to call our new Customer Information Line, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at (908) 558-7000 or fax the hearing impaired, the TTY No. (908) 558-7007.

Services for shut-ins available through Outreach

The Union County Division on Aging, Department of Human Services, has announced its Outreach Services Program schedule for January.

As in the past, the program will provide the isolated elderly with help in applying for vital services such as Pharmaceutical Assistance, Gas and Electric Support; Grocery Supplies (Share and Food Stamps); Counseling on Health Insurance for Medicare Enrollees; Home Energy Assistance and Supplemental Security Income.

Program services will be available on Jan. 18 only at the Elizabeth Family Center, 32-C Pioneer Homes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and at Rosello Borough Hall, Second Floor conference room, 210 Chestnut St., from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Private interviews will be conducted by senior staff from the Department of Human Services, Divisions on Aging and Social Services. For more information on Outreach Services, contact Jo-Ann Crotein at 709-2152.

OWL meeting educates seniors on alcoholism

Up to 25 percent of all hospitalized patients have alcohol-related disorders but a whopping 70 percent of elderly hospitalizations show evidence of alcohol abuse — this is the poorly kept secret of many American families today.

Described as the "hidden epidemic" in a 1992 report by the House Subcommittee on Health and Long-Term Care, alcohol abuse among older women will be the subject of the next meeting of the Central New Jersey Chapter of the Older Women's League. The meeting, which is free and open to the public, will be held on Jan. 13 at the Summit YWCA on Morris Avenue and Prospect Street, starting at 10 a.m.

Alcoholism is the third most prevalent disease in the U.S., affecting 2.5 million older adults," said Carole J. Gordon, who will chair the program. "Increasingly, older women represent a majority of those, as they age."

Chronic alcohol abusers, who have evidenced a lifetime of heavy drinking, about 2/3 of older abusers, will most inevitably suffer long-term health risks, including permanent damage to the brain, central nervous system, heart and other organs. The effects of abuse are compounded when alcohol interacts with medication.

"The alcoholism of an elderly relative, particularly a parent, is often indulged by children on the theory that it makes old age more bearable," said Gordon. "It does not. It only makes loneliness and ill health worse."

OWL is a national grassroots organization advocating for the special concerns and needs of women as they age. For more information call (908) 272-5671.

Police promote safety during cemetery visits

Police are urging residents to take safety precautions when visiting local cemeteries to prevent pocketbook snatchings and car thefts.

For safe cemetery visits, the police suggest the following precautions be taken:

• Do not visit the cemetery alone.

• Be aware of your surroundings at all times. Grief and the rural nature of most cemeteries can lull visitors into a false sense of security.

• If uneasy, go to a part of the cemetery where there are more people.

• When arriving at the cemetery, let caretakers know and tell them what graveside you plan to visit. If the cemetery provides an escort service to the graveside, use it.

• Purses and other valuables should be locked in a car trunk before leaving home.

• Never leave a car running, even if the vehicle is a few feet away from the plot.

• Be on the alert for suspicious looking people, such as those that seem to be lingering without a good reason.

Is your number up?

Your firefighters, first aid and police want to know that you have your address posted on your home.

It is important to them because when they need to find your house, they must do so quickly because they are only called during an emergency.

Help them to help you. Place your address number in your house with numbers at least three inches high. Completing this simple project could some day save your life.

Clinic dates

Due to construction at Borough Hall, the blood pressure clinics will be held on Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Mountainside Library:

Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 1, April 12 (library closed in observance of Good Friday on April 5), May 3 and June 7.

For more information, call Helen Rosenhauer at 232-4466.

Cash advances available for senior home owners

Seniors who own their homes now can request a free workbook titled "HouseMoney," that describes a reverse mortgage plan that provides cash advances based on equity they hold in the home.

The workbook answers questions about reverse mortgages and shows how seniors can use HouseMoney to meet financial and lifestyle needs. HouseMoney plans are designed for people aged 65 and over who have a home valued at $75,000 or more.

These plans are offered by Transamerica HomeFirst in New Jersey.

Seniors interested in obtaining a free copy of the workbook should call Transamerica HomeFirst toll-free at (800) 538-5569, or write the company at 505 Sansome St., San Francisco, Calif. 94111.

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Dinner dance aids school

Area committee members recently held a meeting to discuss the upcoming gala dinner dance to benefit Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit.

The 21st Annual Grand Prix — "An Evening in Provence" — will be held in Oak Knoll's athletic complex, Tisdall Hall, on March 3.

The Oak Knoll Mothers' Auxiliary and the Fathers' Club sponsor this important fund-raiser which will feature a special Grand Prix prize as well as live, silent and "not back" auctions.

For further information on the Grand Prix — "An Evening in Provence," call Suzanne Lewis in Oak Knoll School's Development Office at 522-8105.

Summit residents and members of Oak Knoll's 1996 Grand Prix planning committees take a short break from planning "An Evening in Provence." From left, Donna Grady, chair of the dinner program and volunteers committee; Deborah Belfatto, adviser to the Grand Prix; Joan Piasia, chair of the publicity committee; and Maria-Jose Pulaski, fund-raiser coordinator for the Mother's Auxiliary.

Partnership announced as successor

The Biber Partnership AIA, Architecture, Planning and Interior Design has recently been formed as a successor firm of Chapman & Biber, AIA, Architects, Planners and Interior Designers, founded 27 years ago.

The new partnership is comprised of Peter I. Biber, AIA, president; Theodore B. Kapauchinski, AIA; and Linda S. Patten, IIDA, director, Interior Design.

The Biber Partnership AIA will remain in Summit, actively carrying out projects within the region and throughout the United States.

"We will continue to design buildings that are appropriate for their site while providing the highest level of technical and aesthetic expertise," Biber said.

Library announces list of new arrivals

New arrivals at the Summit Free Public Library:

Fiction: Italo Calvino, "Numbers in the Dark"; Larry Collins, "Black Eagles"; Lee Deighton, "Hope"; Michael Jay Friedman, "Crossover."

Biography: Harrison Kinney, "James Thurber"; Philip Kunhardt, "P.T. Barnum"; Mary Tyler Moore, "After All"; Jim Taylor, "Wayne Gretzky"; Elie Wiesel, "All Rivers Run to the Sea."

Business: Olaf DeGeorge, "The Making of a Blockbuster"; Bill Gates, "The Road Ahead"; David Packard, "The HP Way"; Janice Peteker, "Chaos in Candyland"; Adam Raphael, "Ultimate Risk."

Gardening: David Carr, "Topiary and Plant Sculpture"; Brent Heath, "Daffodils for American Gardens"; Tim Newbury, "The Ultimate Garden Designer"; Allan Rogers, "Peonies," and Warren Schultz, "Shade Gardens."

Science: David Alderton, "Foxes, Wolves, and Wild Dogs of the World"; Jean-Pierre Changeux, "Conversations on Mind, Matter, and Mathematics"; Lawrence Krauss, "The Physics of Star Trek"; David Levy, "Impact Jupiter"; Meredith Small, "What's Love Got to Do with It?"

This is a selected list of new titles received by the library. Other recent titles can be found in the new book area. Questions? Ask a librarian for assistance.

Executive meeting addresses downsizing

The North Jersey Association of Female Executives will meet on Jan. 25 at the Spanish Tavern Restaurant, Route 22 East, Mountainside.

Networking will begin at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. "Before, During and After the Pink Slip" will be the topic of the meeting's program. In this age of corporate "downsizing" and "re-engineering" it is a sad fact of life that there's no such thing as "job security."

Receiving a termination notice can be emotionally and financially devastating. In order to be prepared for this eventuality, attorney Ann Burke will advise those attending of rights in the work place, how to protect those rights and what to do if they are violated.

In addition, she will provide practical advice for negotiating a severance package and termination agreement. For more information regarding the meeting, call the NJAFE hotline, (908) 548-5959, Ext. 4455.

Dinner reservations must be made by Jan. 19. Prepaid costs for dinner and program are $20 for NJAFE members and $24 for non-members. Walk-in costs are $27 for members and $30 for non-members. Reservations may be mailed to NJAFE, P.O. Box 3623, Union, NJ 07083-1894 and must include a check and a daytime phone number.

NJAFE is a local networking chapter of the National Association of Female Executives, serving Northern and Central New Jersey. Founded in 1987, NAJFE has more than 200 members from a broad range of industries and professions.

The organization's Board of Directors for 1995-96 are as follows: President Phyllis Reinhardt of Kendall Park, First Vice President Lenore Ocotovsky of Millburn, Second Vice President Betty Gravois of Clark, Secretary Alice Jeffries of Maplewood, Treasurer Irene Goldie-Peiras of Union, Historian Cindy Burke of Westfield, Resource Librarian Stacie Ritter of Kinnelon, Program Director Denise Werner of Holmdel, fund-raising directors Kay Johnson of Maplewood and Diane Skromyda of Kearny. Doocovsky is also in charge of membership and the printing of the membership directory and Gravois is editor of the monthly newsletter. Board member Kathy Allegro of Union is president of the NJAFE Foundation.

Workshop has Latin-American poems

The work of contemporary Latin-American women poets will provide inspiration for participants in a poetry workshop, "Empowering Women Through Poetry," to be held Jan. 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Resource Center for Women, located in Summit.

Led by Gladys Melendez, an English teacher for the Paterson School District and a poet, workshop participants will learn to listen to their inner voices and to write poems spontaneously and interactively within the group.

The fee for this workshop is $5, $3 for Center members, and the registration deadline is Jan. 12. Those interested in more information should call the office at 273-7253.

The Resource Center for Women, located in Calvary Episcopal Church on the corner of Woodlawn and DeForest avenues in downtown Summit, is a nonprofit, nondenominational organization offering programs and services to all area women.

Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, please write Tom Canavan, editor, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700 weekdays before 5 p.m.

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Single women

Jewish Women International, formerly B'nai B'rith Women, has formed the Shalom Chapter for single Jewish women in their 40s and 50s in Essex, Morris and Union counties. Meetings are held on the first Sunday of every month.

The next meeting will be a brunch on Sunday at noon. It will be held at the Hanover Marriott Hotel on Route 10 East in Whippany. The charge for brunch is $15.

For reservations or more information, call 737-3337 or 736-3947.

Mad scientists

All Mad Scientists, going into grades 4 to 7, are invited to join a club where fellow members are science-sational. Together, participants will do outrageous experiments such as the snail-jell and the earthquake tower.

The club will start on Jan. 18 and will meet twice a month, on the first and third Thursday from 7-9 p.m. in the auditorium of Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County, 300 North Ave. East, in Westfield.

The deadline for registration is Jan. 11. Cost is $10 per youth. To register, make checks payable to New Jersey Cooperative Extension and mail to: 4-H Office, 300 North Ave. East, Westfield, NJ 07090. Space is limited.

Unity meeting

The Unity Group, Inc., a nonprofit advocate group that assists victims of domestic violence, will meet at the Millburn Public Library on Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Jean R. Campbell, an attorney specializing in family law, will present a program on the following topics: basic divorce, custody, equitable distribution, support and alimony, domestic violence and pending legislation that could significantly impact this field.

Campbell, a partner in the Montclair firm of Mcdonough, Kleman & Campbell, has been concentrating her practice in family law since 1984 and is a member of the State Bar Association, Family Law Executive Committee, and the Essex County Family Law Executive Committee.

Among the services provided by The Unity Group, Inc.: are legal and medical aid, assistance in job placement, and relocation to safe housing. Counseling sessions will be held on Jan. 10 and 24.

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student update

Resident chosen for annual scholarship

Philip Allogramento, a senior at Morristown-Beard School, has been named as Edward J. Blountain Distinguished Scholar by the Garden State Scholarship Program. He is the son of Sharon and Philip Allogramento of Summit.

The Distinguished Scholars Program provides, without regard to financial need, a $1,000 annual scholarship award for up to four years of undergraduate study at a New Jersey college or university.

The recipients must maintain continuous, full-time enrollment and satisfactory academic progress. The purpose of the program is to recognize the academic achievement of New Jersey's secondary school students.

To accept the scholarship award, the students must be applying, or plan to apply, for admission to a New Jersey college or university. New Jersey's colleges and universities have many excellent offerings and more than 2,000 degree programs from which the applicant may choose.

Red Ribbon winners

Photo courtesy of C. Fernandez

Jeff Lambert, substance awareness counselor for Summit's elementary schools and middle school, congratulates the winners in the seventh grade Red Ribbon Essay Contest. Students Randy Schwarzmann, Pamela Serratelli, and Lindsay Kellogg, seated, from left, won $50 savings bonds, a gift certificate from Scotty's Record Shop in Summit, Red Ribbon Celebration T-shirts, and teddy bears for their prize-winning essays on the importance of a drug-free life. The contest was part of the Red Ribbon Celebration sponsored by the Summit Municipal Alliance and the Summit Public Schools to educate students about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

From left, standing, John White, Summit High School; Spencer Liang, Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark; Amy Becker, Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School; Mark Mitchell, Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School; and Keriyn Leveque, a juvenile family-crisis officer with Union County Youth Service Bureau. Seated from left, Freeholder Frank Lehr; Ami Fisher, Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School; Maria Todaro, Department of Public Safety, Division of Weights and Measures; Armand A. Fiotelli, County Engineer/Director of Operational Services; and Claudia Shank, Summit High School.

Seniors par'cipate in government

High schools throughout the county selected 45 seniors to participate in the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders' 20th annual "Youth in County Government Day."

Students were selected to participate based on their leadership qualities and academic excellence. The focus of this all-day program is to expose students to county government and how it works.

"The students got a chance to see what county government is all about," Chairwoman Linda DiGiovanni said.

Based upon their areas of interest, we assign them to spend some time in the morning with a specific department or division head, to get a hands-on perspective of what county government is involved in. It would be anything from snow plowing 170 miles of roads to providing hot, nutritious meals to eligible senior citizens."

County Manager Ann Baran said, "We all join back together again for lunch at Galloping Hill Caterers, where they continue to dialogue with the Board of Chosen Freeholders, constitutional officers, department and division heads, and myself.

"Students today will change jobs approximately seven times during their lifetime. Perhaps some of those who joined us today will consider careers in public service," she said.

"The real finale to the students' participation in a regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders," said DiGiovanni. "Before the meeting starts, we each sit with the students who were randomly selected during lunch to serve at the afternoon freeholder meeting — as the nine individual freeholders, county manager, county counsel, and clerk of the board. We try to explain our roles in more detail, and the participation of the items on the day's meeting agenda." The meeting is held at 3 p.m. to accommodate the students.

DiGiovanni noted that the feedback by students at the end of the day "validates the important role 'Youth in County Government Day' serves in increasing students' awareness and understanding of the role county government plays in Union County."

Camp fair is showcase of programs

Hadassah will hold its 1996 Northern New Jersey Camp Fair Feb. 4 at the Saddle Brook Marriott Hotel.

Representatives from local and overnight camps from across the country and across the globe will showcase their programs during the event. Participating camps include day, overnight, academic, travel, teen, pre-K, special skills, special needs, coed, boys and girls programs.

Admission and parking are free, and the fair runs from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The hotel is located at the crossroads of Interstate 80 and the Garden State Parkway.

Camp Fair Co-Director Donna Feigenbaum said the 1995 fair drew more than 60 camps and nearly 1,000 people from Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Passaic, Union, Morris, and Rockland counties, and metropolitan New York. "It was a wonderful, fun, family event that gave people an opportunity to come to one place on one afternoon and find out about dozens of summer programs," she said.

For more information, call 265-5755.

The fair is sponsored by the Paramus Bat-Sheva Chapter of Hadassah, a national women's nonprofit organization whose proceeds from this year go toward research at Hadassah Hospital.

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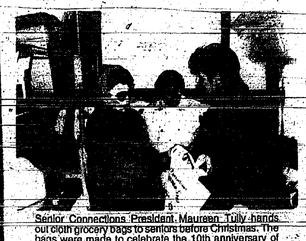

Senior Connections President Maureen Tully hands out cloth grocery bags to seniors before Christmas. The bags were made to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the bus.

Service provides seniors with safe, reliable travel

Senior Connections Inc., a not-for-profit corporation providing safe, comfortable transportation for the well-elderly of Summit, is celebrating its 10th anniversary. Ten years of driving seniors to local grocery stores, area malls, downtown retail shopping, doctors' offices and Overlook Hospital; ten years of providing the Seniors of Summit with a tool for independence, socialization and communication; ten years of dedicated, volunteer boards of directors; and ten years of competent, caring drivers.

Senior Connections was started by the Junior League of Summit with generous contributions from CIBA-Geigy and the City of Summit. Each year funds are raised to pay for the day to day operations of the bus by a solicitation letter to the citizens of Summit and an annual luncheon, fashion show and Chinese auction. In addition, CIBA-Geigy continues to support the bus through generous contributions and the Union County Community Block Grant has allocated monies to the bus for several years.

Anyone interested in further information about riding the bus or volunteering with the corporation should call 273-0088.

Obituary policy

Obituary notices submitted by local funeral homes or families must be in writing. This newspaper cannot accept obituaries by telephone. Obituary notices must be typed and include a telephone number where writer may be reached 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call 686-7700.

Water company encourages winterizing pipes

New Jersey-American Water Company is reminding customers to winterize their water pipes now, if they haven't done so.

"People who have experienced frozen pipes during past winters should take particular care, as they are the most likely to experience difficulties during cold spells," said Terry Carpenter, director of customer relations.

"New Jersey-American is empathetic to the inconvenience and damage that broken pipes can create. Since home plumbing pipes are closer and more exposed to the ground's surface and cold seasonal air, they are typically at risk to freeze-ups. For this reason, we strongly suggest that customers take adequate precautions in advance to prevent freeze-ups. When plumbing freeze-ups occur, the company's primary goal is to restore service to customers in the shortest time possible," said Carpenter.

The company recommends several simple steps to safeguard property from freeze-ups:

• In basements, garages, and crawl spaces, plug up drafty cracks and repair broken window panes to keep out wind.

• Wrap exposed pipes with insulating material. Old rags or blankets can be used in place of commercial insulating materials.

• Remove hoses from outside faucets and drain the faucets if possible. Water left in the pipes could freeze and break the pipes. Lawn sprinkler systems also should be shut off and drained.

• Keep the lid closed on your meter pit. Cold air could get trapped in the pit and freeze the meter.

• Be sure everyone in the household knows where the main water shut-off valve is located, and be prepared to turn it off if a water line breaks.

New Jersey-American also advises that on sub-zero nights or during periods of low-usage during cold weather, a trickle of cold water running from the highest faucet in the house can help prevent service line freeze-ups. This use of water can prevent costly plumbing repairs and water loss caused by broken pipes," Carpenter said.

Carpenter notes that discoloration or particles in the water can be early signs that water lines are beginning to freeze, and precautions should be taken.

New Jersey-American Water Company is the state's largest investor-owned water utility, serving more than one million people in 115 communities throughout the state. New Jersey-American is a subsidiary of American Water Works Company, Inc., the nation's largest investor-owned water utility, providing service to more than 5.4 million people in 630 communities of 24 states.

Precautions necessary when visiting cemeteries

Police are urging residents to take safety precautions when visiting local cemeteries to prevent pocketbook snatchings and car thefts.

For safe cemetery visits, the police suggest the following precautions be taken:

• Do not visit the cemetery alone.

• Be aware of your surroundings at all times. Grief and the rural nature of most cemeteries can lull visitors into a false sense of security.

• If uneasy, go to a part of the cemetery where there are more people.

• When arriving at the cemetery, let caretakers know and tell them what gravesite you plan to visit. If the cemetery provides an escort service to the gravesite, use it.

• Purses and other valuables should be locked in a car trunk before leaving home.

• Never leave a car running, even if the vehicle is a few feet away from the plot.

• Be on the alert for suspicious looking people, such as those that seem to be lingering without a good reason.

• Don't visit the cemetery early or late in the day when there may be fewer people around.

• Keep car windows rolled up and doors locked.

• If approached by someone who you feel could cause you harm while in a car, then sound the horn immediately and steadily.

Enrollment period approaching for Part B

Anyone who is 65 or over and doesn't have Part B Medicare coverage will have a chance to sign up for the Part B medical insurance coverage during the 1996 annual enrollment period, according to George Dearness, Social Security manager in Elizabeth.

Every year, the government offers a three-month open enrollment period from Jan. 1 to March 31.

"This period is to give you a second chance if you didn't enroll when you were first eligible or you dropped your coverage in the interim," said Dearness. For anyone who enrolls during the current sign-up period, their coverage will begin July 1. For 1996, the cost for Part B coverage is $42.50 per month. Most delayed enrollees pay a 10 percent surcharge for each year they could have been enrolled but weren't.

Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctors' care, outpatient hospital visits, and other medical services. People are offered the option of signing up for Part B at the same time they are automatically enrolled in Medicare's Part A program. Part A helps pay for inpatient hospital care and certain other services.

People who want to sign up for Part B Medicare coverage should call the Elizabeth Social Security office or call Social Security's toll-free number, (800) 772-1213 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. any business day. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call at other times," said Dearness.

Toll free number for Social Security information provided

"I used the 24-hour touch-tone service, gave my name and address and the form came in the mail a few days later. It was really fast."

"It was a Saturday and I was surprised to hear the phone answered. I ordered a Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement right then and there."

"The phone was answered immediately and I was able to make an appointment to come into the office."

These are responses from people who called Social Security recently, according to George Dearness, manager of the Elizabeth Social Security office. "The responses became remarkable only when you realize that the service was delivered inter alia business hours — 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday," callers said.

Those people were using Social Security's toll-free 800 number, which has certain services available 24 hours a day.

That number is (800) 772-1213. Pre-recorded messages tell you how to:

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NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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ASSOCIATED BIBLE STUDENTS, meeting at Knights of Columbus Lodge, 1912 Morris Avenue Union, NJ. God has a plan and we invite you to join us for a study of this wonderful message. Sunday, 1:30 pm Sermon/Topical Study; 3:00 pm - Bible Study/Topical Study. Sunday School available for children. For more information call (908)686-1923.

MOUNTAINSIDE CHAPEL 1150 Spring Drive, Mountainside. 232-3456. Dr. Gregory Hagg, Pastor. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: SUNDAY 9:15 AM - Sunday School for all ages/ 11:00 AM - MORNING WORSHIP—with Dr. Hagg. Nursery is provided for newborn to 2-year-old. Children's Churches for 2-year-olds through third grade. 6:30 PM Evening Service (First and third Sundays Care Groups meet). MONDAY 7:00 PM - Junior and Senior High Youth Groups. WEDNESDAY: 7:00 PM - MID-WEEK SERVICE - Family Night Bible Study with Dr. Hagg. Christian Service Brigade STOCKADE for boys in third through ninth grade. PIONEER GIRLS Program for girls in first through ninth grades. 7:45 PM Prayer meeting. Choir Rehearsal.

PRESBYTERIAN

CONNECTICUT FARMS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH established 1730, Stuyvesant Avenue and Route 22, Union. Regular schedule September 10 to June 2, Sunday worship at 10:45 am. Child care provided during the Worship Service. Sunday School and Adult Forum 9:30 am. We have an Adult Church Choir. Second Sunday for the hearing impaired. Coffee hour follows the service. Ample parking is provided. Presbyterian Women Circles meet Monday, Bible study group meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:30 p.m. The Living Room, a support group for those coping with aged persons, meets 4th Thursday of the month. Half program of Scouting provided. Everyone welcome. Weekday Nursery School for 2-, 3- and 4-yr. olds available. 964-8344. For additional information, please call Church Office at 686-3164. Serving Church Community for 265 years. Rev. R. Sidney Finch, Pastor, 688-3164.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Morris Ave. and Church Mall, Springfield, 379-4320. Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:00 a.m., Sunday morning Worship Service 10:15 a.m. with nursery facilities and care provided. Opportunities for personal growth through Worship, Christian education, Choir, church activities and fellowship. Scripture Church School - 9:00 a.m., Worship - 10:15 a.m.—Communion first Sunday of each month; Ladies' Benevolent Society - 1st Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m.; Ladies' Association Group—2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; Koffeehouse - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Choir - every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Charles L. Hale, Jr., Interim Pastor.

TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Salem Road at Huguenot Avenue, Union. Worship and Church School Sundays at 10:00 A.M. Nursery Care during all services. Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month. We offer opportunities for personal growth and development for children, youth, and adults. We have three children's choirs and an adult Chancel Choir. Our Presbyterian Women are divided into six circles which meet monthly. Worship with friends and neighbors this Sunday. Townley Church is a growing congregation of caring people. For information about upcoming events and programs, please call the Church Office, 686-1028. Dr. Brehm Lackhoff, Minister.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JAMES 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081 201-376-3044. SUNDAY EUCHARIST: Sat. 5:30 p.m., Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:00 Noon. Reconciliation: Sat. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Weekday Masses: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.

ST. THERESA'S CHURCH 541 Washington Ave., Kenilworth. 272-4444. Rev. Joseph S. Brigiewicz, Pastor. Sunday Masses: Sat. 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m.—11:30 noon. Weekday Masses 7:00 - 9:00 am. Miraculous Medal Novena following 7:00 am Mass. ST. JUDE PERPETUAL NOVENA - Wednesdays, 12 Noon and 7:30 pm. Holy Hour for vocations and special intentions. Share His power. fol. intercessions.

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obituaries

E. B. Heineken

E. Beatrice Heineken, 89, of Springfield, retired as an elementary school teacher in Newark, died Dec. 22 in her home.

Born in Newark, Miss Heineken lived in Springfield since 1954. She was a teacher for the Newark school system in the Miller Street School and the Mt. Vernon School for 30 years before retiring. Miss Heineken was a graduate of the Newark Normal School and received bachelor's and master's degrees from Columbia University, New York City. She was a descendant of the Heineken family of Dutch beer brewers. Miss Heineken was instrumental in having the First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, listed as an historial site.

Surviving is a sister, Audrey.

Vincent Kramer

Vincent Kramer, 81, of Toms River, formerly of Rahway and Springfield, died Dec. 25 in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Camden.

Born in Newark, Mr. Kramer lived in Rahway and Springfield before moving to Toms River several years ago. He was the owner of Kramer Trucking Co., a contract motor carrier, in Elizabeth for 25 years and retired in 1982.

Surviving are his wife, Catherine; four daughters, Patricia Bergamo, Kathleen Oma, Mary Breen and Margaret; a son, Vincent; a brother, Justin. 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Hazel Johnson

Hazel Johnson, 86, of Mountainside died Dec. 27 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Brooklyn, Mrs. Johnson moved to Mountainside in 1935. She was a secretary for the Provident Mutual Insurance Co., Clark, for 10 years until her retirement in 1974. Mrs. Johnson was a member of the Mountainside Senior Citizens Club, the Mountainside Board of Elections and was president of Mobile Wheels of Westfield.

Surviving are a son, Harry; a sister, Grace Swenson, and six grandchildren.

Anne N. Mucci

Anne N. Mucci, 63, of Middlesex, formerly of Springfield, died Dec. 28 in her home.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Mucci lived in Bloomfield and Springfield before moving to Middlesex a year ago. She was employed for 35 years as an executive assistant for CGS Coverages Inc., Parsippany.

Surviving are two sons, Ralph and Vince; two daughters, Cheryl Resch and Marisa Curran; a sister, Geraldine DiFrancesco, and six grandchildren.

Fred Waldorf

Fred Waldorf, 93, of Springfield died Dec. 28 in the Daughters of Israel Geriatric Center, West Orange.

Born in Russia, Mr. Waldorf lived in Irvington before moving to Springfield 40 years ago. He was a manager with Consolidated Lamhedex, Newark, where he worked for 40 years before retiring 27 years ago. Mr. Waldorf was a member of the Ben Zion Family Circle in Newark and was a past president and cemetery chairman of the Erste Oesterreicher KUV, Newark.

Surviving are a daughter, Rosa Zandell; a son, Barry, and three grandchildren.

John J. Flood

John J. Flood, 79, of Springfield died Dec. 28 in Gettysburg Lutheran Nursing Home in Pennsylvania.

Born in Newark, Mr. Flood lived in Springfield for 77 years. He worked for 31 years for Sherwin-Williams Co., Newark, and retired as a sales manager in 1970.

Surviving are his wife, Harriet; two sons, Jack and David, and four grandchildren.

Renee Moss

Renee Moss, 63, of Springfield died Dec. 28 in Morristown Memorial Hospital from injuries received in an auto accident in Livingston.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Moss lived in Maplewood before moving to Springfield 15 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Richard; two daughters, Kathy Harkins and Donna; her father, Dewey Last, and two grandchildren.

religion

Preschool workshops teach about holidays

Congregation Beth Hatikvah will continue the preschool program it initiated last year with a series of holiday workshops.

Programs will be available for children aged three and up who have not yet entered kindergarten. Through stories, crafts, and special foods and activities, each workshop will help children understand and enjoy a different holiday.

Workshops in the series will teach preschoolers about the history and customs of Purim, March 2, and Passover, March 23.

Preschool holiday workshops are available to members of the public as well as congregation members.

All sessions will be held at Beth Hatikvah's facilities in the Friends Meeting House, 158 Southern Blvd., in Chatham.

In addition to programs for preschoolers, the temple offers weekly religious instruction for children from kindergarten age through Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

For more information concerning holiday workshops or religious school, call religious school committee members Jill Merves of Berkeley Heights at 464-1678, Joan Brody of Morristown at (201) 984-6864, or Debbie Kallowitz of New Providence at 665-0765.

Temple Sha'arey Shalom welcomes Antioch Baptist

Temple Sha'arey Shalom and Antioch Baptist Church are initiating a series of programs intended to foster understanding and friendship between blacks and Jews in Springfield.

Coinciding with the time in which we celebrate honors the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., both congregations have begun plans to establish an ongoing relationship. "In developing that relationship," said Rabbi Joshua Goldstein of Sha'arey Shalom, "we want to generate a potent answer to those who now despair of Dr. King's vision."

Both Goldstein and the Rev. Clarence Alston of Antioch Baptist Church have challenged their congregations to discover friendship with one another despite well-published tensions on the national scene.

The series begins on Jan. 13 at 8:30 p.m. when Sha'arey Shalom will welcome members of Antioch Baptist Church to the temple on South Springfield Avenue. At that service, Alston will offer the guest sermon and the choirs of both congregations will be combined. All are welcome.

Mended Hearts hears about emergency rooms

The Union-Essex Chapter of Mended Hearts will be held Jan. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Springfield First Aid Squad building on North Trivett Avenue.

Guest speaker will be Stanley Parman, a leader in the field of emergency care. His topic will be "Care in the ER." Parman has been medical director of a group of 47 emergency room physicians covering eight hospitals in northern New Jersey including Overlook, and has been called upon by authorities as an expert witness. He is also medical director of two Care Stations in Springfield and Linden.

Mended Hearts is a support group designed to help those, as well as their friends, with heart problems.

For more information call 201-376-0592.

Student named Garden State Scholar

James Lopes of Mountainside is one of 12 Newark Academy seniors named Garden State Scholars by the New Jersey Department of Higher Education based on academic achievements, class standings and Scholastic Assessment Test performances. Lopes is one of Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars; the highest achieving students, who are eligible for annual awards of $1,000 without regard of financial need.

Evening Group

The Evening Group of the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield will meet on Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House on Church Mall.

Trudi Lindenfeld, chairperson, will hold the business meeting and refreshments will be served by Dora Speicher and her hospitality committee.

Famed author, lecturer visits congregation

Miriam Adahan, famed autor, lecturer, psychotherapist and originator of the EMETT SYSTEM will appear at Congregation Israel of Springfield on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

EMETT stands for "Emotional Maturity Experienced Through Torah," and is a system for coping with life and its crises.

Admission is $10. All proceeds go to the Miriam Adahan Tzedakah Fund, which assists impoverished families and battered women in Israel.

The topic will be "How to Get Children to Cooperate With Coercion."

For more information, call the synagogue office at (201) 467-9666.

Holiday harmonies

Courtesy of Deerfield School

First-graders Nora Kinney and Francesca Montalvo were among the soloists in Deerfield's Dec. 7 Holiday Concert.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.
Pursuant to the New Jersey Public Meetings Act, Law 1975, Chapter 231, the 1996 Regular meetings of the Township Committee are held in the Council Room, Workshop Sessions and Executive Meetings are held in the Planning Board Room, Municipal Building, they are as follows:

JANUARY		
8th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
9th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
15th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
22nd MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
FEBRUARY		
5th MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
12th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
13th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
26th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
27th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
27th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
MARCH		
4th MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
11th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
12th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
12th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
25th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
26th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
26th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
APRIL		
1st MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
8th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
9th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
9th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
22nd MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
MAY		
6th MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
13th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
14th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
14th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
28th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
28th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
JUNE		
3rd MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
10th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
11th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
11th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
24th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
25th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
25th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
JULY		
1st MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
8th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
9th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
9th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
22nd MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
23rd TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
AUGUST		
6th MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
12th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
13th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
13th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
26th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
27th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
27th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
SEPTEMBER		
9th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
10th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
10th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
23rd MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
24th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
OCTOBER		
7th MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
8th TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
8th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
21st MONDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
22nd TUESDAY	Executive	7:30 p.m.
22nd TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER		
4th MONDAY	WORKSHOP	8:00 p.m.
12th TUESDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
12th TUESDAY	Regular	7:30 p.m.
25th MONDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
26th TUESDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
26th TUESDAY	Regular	8:00 p.m.
DECEMBER		
2nd MONDAY	WORKSHOP	6:00 p.m.
9th MONDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
10th TUESDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
10th TUESDAY	Regular	7:30 p.m.
23rd MONDAY	Executive	7:00 p.m.
23rd MONDAY	Regular	6:00 p.m.

Any changes or additions to this calendar will be announced pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. All Executive meetings scheduled on Mondays are held in the Planning Board Room.

HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
(Fee: $84.50)

U3916 The Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE

Resolution No. 95-01
Township of Springfield
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
WHEREAS, a budget audit is required by N.J.S. 40A:5-4; and
WHEREAS, funds are not available for this purpose; and
WHEREAS, the Local Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, must be advertised; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield that Robert D. Cappuccio of the firm of Gagliano, Clooney and Company be appointed Township Auditor and the contract be awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Public Contracts Law as bids are not required under N.J.S. 40A:5-11, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published in the Springfield Leader as required by Law within ten (10) days of its passage.
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Organizational meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Monday afternoon, January 1, 1996.
HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
U3905 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $13.50)

Resolution No. 95-16
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO KOLLER & KIRKPATRICK, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for the services of a Township Engineer, to perform services for the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey;
WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and that the contract be filed and available for inspection;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and the Clerk of the Township of Springfield be hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an Agreement with Kolter & Kirkpatrick, for the services of Robert C. Kirkpatrick, P.E., as Township Engineer for the Township of Springfield, at a monthly fee of $2,500.00 per month, plus mileage, at an hourly fee of $60.00, as specified in Contract. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1) (a) (i) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
BE IT NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Organizational meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Monday afternoon, January 1, 1996.
HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
U3906 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $19.50)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Resolution No. 95-17
Township of Springfield
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
WHEREAS, a budget audit is required by N.J.S. 40A:5-4; and
WHEREAS, funds are not available for this purpose; and
WHEREAS, the Local Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, must be advertised;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield that Joseph Maltese of the firm of Rowbyn Gilbert & Draper be appointed Township Attorney and this contract be awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S. 40A:5-11, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published in the Springfield Leader as required by Law within ten (10) days of its passage.
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Organizational meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Monday afternoon, January 1, 1996.
HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
U3904 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $13.50)

RESOLUTION NO. 95-15
TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DONALD J. MOSKOWITZ, M.D., BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD.

TAKE NOTICE, the Municipal offices of the Township of Springfield will be closed on the following holidays in 1996.
These holidays are in accordance with the Municipal Employee's Contract.

ew Year's Day	Monday	January 1st
Martin Luther King Jr.	Monday	January 15th
Lincoln's Birthday	Monday	February 12th
Washington's Birthday	Monday	February 19th
Good Friday	Friday	April 5th
Memorial Day	Monday	May 27th
Independence Day	Thursday	July 4th
Labor Day	Monday	September 2nd
Columbus Day	Monday	October 14th
Election Day	Tuesday	November 5th
Veterans Day	Monday	November 11th
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 28th
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	November 29th
Christmas	Wednesday	December 25th
Employee's Birthday		

HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk/Assistant
(Fee: $10.00)

U3901 The Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Schedule for Monthly Meetings of the Planning Board of the Township of Springfield for the year 1996 will be held the first (1st) Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise noted. Meetings will be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey at 8:00 p.m. and are as follows:

Wednesday January 3, 1996	
Wednesday February 7, 1996	
Tuesday March 5, 1996	
Wednesday April 3, 1996	
Wednesday May 1, 1996	
Wednesday June 5, 1996	
Wednesday July 3, 1996	
Wednesday August 7, 1996	
Wednesday September 4, 1996	
Wednesday October 2, 1996	
Wednesday November 6, 1996	
Wednesday December 4, 1996	

The meeting for January 1997 will be held Wednesday January 1, 1997.
All special meetings of the Planning Board will be advertised separately.
Robert C. Kirkpatrick,
Planning Board Secretary
U3911 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $14.75)

Resolution No. 95-14
TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to appoint a Township Attorney and
WHEREAS, funds are or will not be available for this purpose; and
WHEREAS, the Local Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, must be advertised;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield that Joseph Maltese of the firm of Rowbyn Gilbert & Draper be appointed Township Attorney and this contract be awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S. 40A:5-11, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published in the Springfield Leader as required by Law within ten (10) days of its passage.
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Organizational meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Monday afternoon, January 1, 1996.
HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
U3904 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $13.50)

PUBLIC NOTICE

COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is desirous of contracting for the services of Township in advice and represent the Township of Springfield concerning labor matters; and
WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bidding and that the contract be filed and available for inspection;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, be hereby authorized, respectively to execute and attest to an agreement with Rodgers, Casey & Glickman, P.C., for the services of their firm to the Township of Springfield for advice and representation in labor matters at an hourly fee not to exceed $125.00;
AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional services contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Contracts Law and a copy of same shall be published according to law.
TAKE NOTICE, that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Organizational meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, held on Monday afternoon, January 1, 1996.
HELEN E. KEYWORTH
Township Clerk
U3903 Springfield Leader, January 5, 1996 (Fee: $20.00)

SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFF'S NUMBER: 95-CH-752101
DIVISION: CHANCERY
COURT: CHANCERY
DOCKET NO: 275095
PLAINTIFF: LASALLE TALMAN HOME MORTGAGE CORPORATION
DEFENDANT: NICHOLAS CONTARDO ET ALS
WRIT OF EXECUTION DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 1995
SALE DATE:
WEDNESDAY THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY A.D. 1996
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose to sale by public vendue, at the SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Administration Building, 4th FLOOR, in the Administration Building in the City of Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.
The property to be sold is located in the TOWNSHIP of SPRINGFIELD, County of UNION and State of New Jersey.
NEAREST CROSS STREET: 72 LINDEN AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, NJ 07081.
Tax Lot No. 13 in Block No. 39.
Dimension of Lot: approximately 85.71 feet wide by 100 feet long.
Nearest cross street: Chelsea Avenue
Situated at a point in the westerly side of Linden Avenue. Distance approximately 589 feet northerly from its intersection with the northerly sideline of Chelsea Avenue.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO DOLLARS AND NINETEEN CENTS ($86,882.19)
ATTORNEY:
LEON, SUCH KAHN & SHEPARD
SUITE 201
7 CENTURY DRIVE
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054
SHERIFF: RALPH PESSOLANO
NOTE: A $10,000.00 DEPOSITION IS FILED AT THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.
NINETY-ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS AND EIGHT CENTS
TOTAL JUDGMENT AMOUNT
U3873 The Springfield Leader, Dec. 14, 21, Dec. 30, 1995, Jan. 5, 1996 (Fee: $64.00)

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SPORTS

LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

The Union County Baseball Association's Hot Stove Dinner will celebrate its 60th anniversary Wednesday night at the L'Affaire Banquet Center on Route 22 in Mountainside.

Seven men will be inducted into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame and the outstanding male and female athletes of the year will be honored at the annual dinner, which helps fund the Youth Baseball Leagues for over 400 children each summer in Warinanco Park.

The guest speaker will be former Mets first baseman Keith Hernandez.

THE HALL OF FAME inductees include longtime sports editor Bill Kennedy, Alexander "Dick" Krakow, a star on the Union County diamonds in the 1920s and 1930s, Bruce Moran, Union County and state baseball writer for *The Star-Ledger*; Thomas F. Sinnott Sr., a standout at St. Patrick's in Elizabeth; Mort "Lefty" Richie, a minor league pitcher with the Cincinnati Reds and Pittsburgh Pirates organizations; St. Mary's and Seton Hall University shortstop Joseph Ritter and Fred Henry, who starred for the Plainfield Driers of the Twilight League for 15 years.

The Chris Zusi Memorial Award for Union County's outstanding male athlete of the year will be shared by Frank Malta of Elizabeth, a slugger for the Kean College baseball team and Chris Wojcik, a Westfield resident who is captain of the Harvard men's soccer team.

TAMECKA DIXON, A FORMER All-State performer at Linden High School and now a starter on the University of Kansas women's basketball team, is the recipient of the Joseph Lombardi Memorial Award as Union County's outstanding female athlete of the year.

Kris Williams, who pitched and batted Westfield High School to the Union County Tournament championship last spring and earned All-State recognition, will be honored with the Edward Cooper Memorial Award as Union County's top scholastic player in 1995.

Sportswriter Ed Lukas, an administrator at St. Joseph's School for the Blind in Jersey City, will receive the Jerry Molloy Memorial Award for outstanding service to baseball.

Kennedy was sports editor at the now-closed Elizabeth Daily Journal for a decade. Through his association with UCBA president Jim Iozzi and executive secretary Mike Myska, he helped in the development of the Hot Stove Dinner.

AFTER A STANDOUT collegiate career as a pitcher for William Paterson College, Henry won 23 games and a league most valuable player award for Driers of the Union County Twilight League in the 1957 season. A Little League umpire and coach, Henry boasts an eight handicap in golf.

Simnott was a four-year starter for St. Patrick's, earning All-State baseball honors twice. He was a standout for the Elizabeth American Legion team and for the powerful Question Marks of the Union County League.

Richie was 16-0 pitching for the Elizabeth Falcons before signing a contract with the Cincinnati Reds organization. In the 1949 season, he posted a 21-3 record with two no-hitters for one of the Reds' minor league teams.

Tickets are priced at $28 each and may be obtained by calling 908-527-4200.

Dayton squads get first win

Bulldog hoop teams net holiday victories

It took a few games for both Dayton Regional High School basketball teams to reach the win column. But reach it they did.

The Bulldogs' boys' and girls' teams recorded their first victories of the 1995-1996 season during holiday tournament action that took place last week.

Dayton's boys' team defeated McKee of Staten Island 48-37 Dec. 28 in the first round of the Roselle Park Tournament at Roselle Park. The Bulldogs finished second in the tournament after falling to Roselle Park 48-39 in the final.

Dayton began the week at 1-4.

Dayton's girls' team snapped a four-game losing streak to start the season and five-game losing streak dating back to last year by defeating St. Mary's of Elizabeth 44-33 last Friday in the consolation game of the Panther Pride Tournament at Roselle Park.

Dayton began the week at 1-4.

Dayton's boys' squad played outstanding on defense in the second and third quarters against its Staten Island foe by limiting the team to just 11 points in the two quarters. McKee took a 15-11 lead after the first quarter before Dayton rebounded to outscore it by a 13-7 margin in its second period and then 10-4 in the third.

Ryan Nelson scored six of his game-high 20 points in the second quarter when Dayton took the lead for good. Nelson connected on three three-point baskets.

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Chris Loeffler, Dayton's leading scorer through the team's first five games, also scored in double figures, pouring in 14 points. Loeffler had 64 points through five games for a 12.8 average.

Dayton's girls' squad also played much better on defense in its tournament. Dayton lost a close game to Roselle 42-35 Dec. 28 and received 16 points from Dawn Woodruff.

The Bulldogs had given up 66, 66 and 74 points in their first three losses before yielding just 42 and 33 in the Panther Pride Tournament.

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Both Dayton squads were scheduled to play Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division foes yesterday and today.

The boys' had a game at home against Hillside yesterday and today are scheduled to host Johnson Regional in a 7 p.m. start.

The girls' had a game at Hillside yesterday and today are scheduled to play Johnson in Clark in a 7 p.m. start.

The boys' team will remain at home for two games next week. Dayton will host Newark Central at 4 p.m. on Tuesday and then Roselle on Friday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.

The girls' team will remain on the road for two games next week. Dayton will play at Newark Central at 4 p.m. on Tuesday and then travel to Roselle to face the Rams on Friday, Jan. 12 at 4 p.m.

Photo By Norm Sclaris

Dayton's Amanda Schultz attempts to take a shot while being covered by Roselle's Adrianna Ward during last week's Panther Pride Tournament at Roselle Park.

Dayton wrestlers to tangle with Crusaders tomorrow

Bulldogs host two matches next week

The Dayton Regional High School wrestling team was scheduled to host non-conference foe Millburn Wednesday afternoon, the Bulldogs' first dual-match of the season, weather permitting.

Dayton's home match that was scheduled against Watchung on Dec. 20 was snowed out.

The Bulldog grapplers competed in the North Brunswick Tournament over the holiday break and previously most of Dayton's wrestlers participated in three matches in the Hopatcong Tournament at the start of the season.

Dayton's top returning varsity wrestlers this season include senior Earl Glasco at 112, senior Andy Dein at 125, junior Eric Handler at 135 and junior heavyweight Scott Reino.

The Bulldogs are scheduled to face Johnson Regional in Clark tomorrow in a noon start. Dayton has two home matches scheduled for next week, the first against Sussex Tech on Wednesday night at 7, followed by a match against North Plainfield on Saturday, Jan. 13 beginning at noon.

Photo By Norm Sclaris

Dayton's Theresa Lyle, right, tries to keep up with Roselle's Zakiyyah Evans in last week's Panther Pride Tournament.

Clinics offer excellent instruction

This year's 23rd annual "Be the Best You Are" baseball clinic returns to Cherry Hill after a year in Atlantic City.

Scheduled for Jan. 18-20 at the Hilton Hotel, the clinic will feature Montreal Expos pitching coach Joe Kerrigan as well as a staff clinic led by Andy Baylock and his assistant coaches from the University of Connecticut.

There will also be Ultimate Rap sessions on Jan. 19 when eight speakers offer 25-minute sessions on everything from pitcher preparation to hitting walk-through drills.

The "Be the Best You Are" baseball clinic is considered the best in the land and annually attracts more than 1,500 youth, high school and college baseball coaches.

More information may be obtained by contacting Jack Hawkins at 908-528-5392.

A week after the "Be the Best You Are" baseball clinic leaves the Hilton Hotel in Cherry Hill, the softball and soccer clinics will follow.

Featuring some of the top clinicians in the nation in both sports, the clinics will offer Ultimate Rap sessions and the same high quality speakers they have at their baseball clinic.

The soccer and softball clinics are scheduled for Jan. 25-27.

Photo By Norm Sclaris

Dayton players Michelle Lyle, No. 14, and Christine Johns, No. 22, try to snare rebound away from Roselle player.

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Deer population at Watchung Reservation comes under fire

The county this week will implement a state-approved program to reduce the population of white-tailed deer in the Watchung Reservation.

The program, which will begin Wednesday, is designed to reduce the population to a density of 20 deer per square mile. Surveys conducted from an airplane with infrared photography and from the ground with spotlights revealed that approximately 100 deer per square mile currently live in the reservation.

Under the terms of a plan formulated by a citizen advisory committee and adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the county must remove a maximum of 189 deer per year during a three-year period, or 120 deer per year over five years. These goals have been established in order to reduce overbrowsing of vegetation in the Watchung Reservation, reduce the damage to residential landscaping surrounding the reservation, and reduce the incidence of deer-related motor vehicle accidents.

Thirty agents, chosen by lottery from among experienced licensed hunters who have demonstrated a proficiency in marksmanship have been selected to carry out this program. One third of the agents are law-enforcement officers. All participants will serve on a voluntary basis. Any agent who contributes at least 20 hours of service will receive a small portion of dressed venison at the program's conclusion. Most of the venison will be distributed to the needy and homeless through the Community Foodbank of New Jersey.

The deer reduction program will generally operate during the hours of 6 to 9 a.m., and 3 to 6 p.m. on weekdays only. Teams of agents will be supervised by the Union County Police and representatives from the New Jersey Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife. Although the permit issued by the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife allows for deer removal activities through March 31, this program will conclude after 30 separate days of operation or the removal of 189 deer, whichever comes first. Anyone found hunting on any county park property, outside of this program, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

The public should note that the Watchung Reservation will not be closed during the deer reduction program, however, some portions of roadways inside the park may be closed for periods of up to two hours if necessary.

Dayton senior Jonathan Gordon of Springfield, seated second from right, and Doris Anderson, a representative of Governor Livingston High School in Berkley Heights, seated right, join other high school seniors, representatives of the regional district staff and Municipal Division Manager for the Office of the Court Administrator Wyllys Cass in the 20th annual "Youth in County Government Day."

Realtor helps builders and buyers

With new housing starts expected to rise throughout the state in 1996, the Prudential New Jersey Realty's New Homes Division is poised to offer builders and buyers of new homes the finest possible support in Union County.

"According to the National Association of Home Builders," said William O. Kelcher Jr., president of the Prudential New Jersey Realty, "new residential construction contracts in New Jersey will probably rise from about 24,600 in 1995 to 26,600 in 1996. The economy is stabilizing, and we expect mortgage rates to remain close to their present level. All of our sales professionals are superbly prepared to be advocates for both buyers and sellers in this dynamic market, and our New Homes Division helps all the associates throughout the company to serve buyers who are specifically interested in building new homes."

The New Homes Division is the fulfillment of a dream for Vice President of Realty Irwin Zimmerer, who is director of this office. A former advertising executive, Elmhurst is a real estate broker with 25 years experience. "We opened this office with its specialized focus to offer builders a full range of low-cost services, ranging from sales associate support to brochure and ad designs, in-house interior decorating consultation, a World Wide Web site and other many other features," he said. "So far, the response from builders has been very positive. They like our flexibility, the range of our resources, and our association with the International Prudential Real Estate Affiliates network. With Prudential, we get referrals from 1,300 agencies throughout North America, a solid corporate relocation program, and the benefits of Prudential's national advertising campaigns."

Not only builders are served at this facility. "New home buyers also love our services," Elmhurst said. "We offer a central location and a good overview for buyers to educate themselves about new construction. We have all the resources they need to explore housing options, financing packages and the latest developments in interior design. Best of all, we are working with many of New Jersey's finest new subdivisions, such as Turnberry Hills in Milltown. Offerings include The Meadows, Laurel II, Foxborough Hunt and Fox Hill East."

Roz Smith, assistant New Homes Division director of marketing, is pleased with the close cooperation between her office and the other 18 offices of the Prudential New Jersey Realty. "We do a lot of referring between our offices," she added. "This way, we serve the customers in the most efficient way. Many of our offices have associates who are certified new homes specialists, and they form a fantastic network of support for new homes buyers throughout central and northern New Jersey."

Builders and purchasers alike are invited to explore the resources and support that the Prudential New Jersey Realty is uniquely equipped to give by calling 446-6633 or by logging onto the Prudential New Jersey Realty's World Wide Web site at http://www.njrprop.com/njrealty.htm

Seniors join 'Youth in Government Day'

High schools throughout the county selected 45 seniors to participate in the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders' 20th annual "Youth in County Government Day."

Students were selected to participate based on their leadership qualities and academic excellence. The focus of this all-day program is to expose students to county government and how it works.

"The students got a chance to see what county government is all about," Chairwoman Linda DiGiovanni said. "Based upon their areas of interest, we assign them to spend some time in the morning with a specific department or division head, to get a hands-on perspective of what county government is involved in. It would be anything from snow plowing 170 miles of roads to providing hot, nutritious meals to eligible senior citizens."

County Manager Ann Baran said, "we all join back together again for lunch at Galloping Hill Caterers, where they continue to dialogue with the Board of Chosen Freeholders, constitutional officers, department and division heads, and myself."

"Students today will change jobs approximately seven times during their lifetimes. Perhaps some of those who joined us today will consider careers in public service," she said.

"The real finale is the students' participation in a regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders," said DiGiovanni. "Before the meeting starts, we each sit with the student who were randomly selected during lunch to serve at the afternoon freeholder meeting — as the nine individual freeholders, county manager, county counsel, and clerk of the board. We try to explain our roles in more detail, and the particulars of the items on the day's meeting agenda. The meeting is held at 3 p.m. to accommodate the students.

DiGiovanni noted that the feedback by students at the end of the day "validates the important role 'Youth in County Government Day' serves in increasing students' awareness and understanding of the role county government plays in Union County."

Library offers puppet show, new hours

Connecticut puppeteer Robert Rogers will bring Aesop's Fables to life Saturday at 11 a.m. The puppet performance, geared for ages four to adult, will be dramatized with humor and music. Five of the more than 100 ancient fables will be included, including two of the best known stories, "The Tortoise and the Hare" and "The Grasshopper and the Ants."

Admission is free but registration is required. Call the Children's Department at the library at (201) 376-4930 for more information.

New Sunday hours

The members of the Board of Trustees are pleased to announce the opening of the library on Sundays on a trial basis beginning Jan. 21.

The library and the Donald B. Palmer Museum will be open from 1-3 p.m. If deemed unsuccessful or too costly, the service may be withdrawn.

During the trial period, library staff will keep statistics of circulation of library materials, number of persons using the library and costs. The Board of Trustees will examine the data and determine if it is feasible to continue the service.

This decision was based upon requests from patrons and funding. The library was previously opened Sunday from 1989 through 1993. The service was cut in 1993 as a result of increased costs and level funding.

On opening day, the museum will feature a performance by performance artist Flash Rosenberg. Funding for this program has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State.

Female execs get termination advice

The North Jersey Association of Female Executives will hold its next meeting on Jan. 25, at the Spanish Tavern Restaurant, on Route 22 East, Mountainside. Networking will begin at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

"Before, During and After the Pink Slip" will be the topic of this evening's program.

Attorney Ann Burke will advise those attending of rights in the work place, how to protect those rights and what to do if they are violated. In addition, she will provide advice for negotiating a severance package and a termination agreement.

Friends and co-workers are welcome.

For further information on this meeting, call the NJAFE Hotline, 548-5959, ext. 4455. Dinner reservations must be made by Jan. 19. Prepaid costs for dinner and program are $20 for NJAFE members and $24 for non-members. Walk-in costs are $27 for members and $30 for non-members. Reservations can be mailed to NJAFE, PO Box 3623, Union, New Jersey 07023-12894 and must include a check and a daytime phone number.

NJAFE is a local networking chapter of the National Association of Female Executives, serving Northern and Central New Jersey. Founded in 1987, NJAFE has 200 members from a broad range of industries and professions. It provides this group of professional women who make up its membership with networking opportunities, information pertaining to business and personal issues, and opportunities for moral support.

The NJAFE Foundation provides scholarships to women in the community along with an extensive school program featuring mentoring and a Career Day which is held at NJIT in March.

HEALTH CARE PLANNER

In Health INFORMATION

Overlook Hospital

January

99 Beauvoir Avenue, Summit, NJ 07902

*Unless otherwise noted, all programs and screenings require pre-registration. To register, please call: 908-522-2323.

Ongoing Fitness Programs

Several options available for all ages including: personal counseling, class instruction of nutrition and/or exercise programs. Please call us to determine a fitness program suitable for you.

Teens & Adolescents

January 22
SHAPEDOWN
Orientation;
a weight management program for teens
Center for Community Health
5:00-6:00 p.m.; Free

January 29
SHAPEDOWN
10-week, family-based program to assist children and teens in adopting a healthy lifestyle
4:30-6:00 p.m.; Fee: $250 (Employees $150)

Seniors

January 15
Here's To Your Health
"Advanced Directives"
Speaker: Alice McKenna, R.N., Home Care
Wallace Auditorium; 9:00-11:00 a.m.; Free

January 26
Senior Supper Club
Grand Opening Celebration
Guest Speaker, 3:30: Wallace Auditorium; Entertainment Immediately following in Cafe Overlook
3:30-4:30 p.m.

Screenings

January 9
Cholesterol Screening
Center for Community Health;
9:00-11:00 a.m.; Fee: $9

January 20
Stroke Screening
Award-winning; individual review of risk factors, carotid check, blood pressure, cholesterol, evaluation/consultation;
Ages 50 & over, or those with family history of stroke;
Wallace Auditorium;
9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Free

January 24
Cholesterol Screening
Center for Community Health;
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; Fee: $9

Health Courses

January 16
HealthyLife® Weigh
12 weeks; Class Tuesday evenings, Exercise Tuesday & Thursday evenings;
Medical Arts Center, Suite 405; 6:30-7:30 p.m.;
Fee: $195, $295 with exercise class
(Senior Citizens $150/with exercise $236; Employees $137/with exercise $175)

January 25
Smokeless
Five-session smoking cessation course;
Center for Community Health;
Jan. 25, 29, 30, Feb. 1, Feb. 6;
7:30-9:00 p.m.; Fee: $99
(Senior Citizens $85/Employees $75)

January 29
Living Well with Diabetes
"Getting Off on the Right Foot";
Speaker: Dr. Gary Kaplan, DPM
Center for Community Health;
2:30-3:30 p.m.; Free

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From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

Sen. Wynona Lipman praised Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi for her contributions to the people of Union County and the state. She cited Rajoppi's donation of time to charities, her advocacy of open government and her willingness to serve as an elected official on behalf of the people.

Lipman neglected, however, to tell the audience during Rajoppi's swearing-in ceremony on Monday that the new county clerk wants almost $20,000 per year more than the Board of Freeholders is willing to pay her. She also neglected to tell the audience that Rajoppi would bring a lawsuit against the county if she doesn't get it.

Rajoppi, a Democrat who was elected county clerk in November and faces the potential merger of the clerk's and register's offices in 1996, neglected to tell the audience in the courtroom that she was not willing to accept the salary reduction approved by the freeholders in September — before she was elected — and that she wants her position to remain as the highest paid county clerk in the entire state — even without the duties that became the responsibility of the state last year.

Rajoppi should be ashamed to have asked for a $94,919 annual salary when the Board of Freeholders reduced that figure to $77,000 in September, more than one month before the election. In the wake of the retirement of former Clerk Walter Halpin, the freeholders realized they had an opportunity to review the salary of the clerk and make an adjustment in an effort to cut costs. Whether it was Rajoppi or her unsuccessful challenger, Paul O'Keeffe, the salary would have been $77,000 per year.

Consider that of the four counties that have separate clerk's and register's offices, Union County was paying the highest salary to its county clerk. The Essex County clerk is paid $71,000 per year, the Passaic County clerk is paid $68,000 per year, and the Hudson County clerk is paid $55,000 per year. Even with the reduction, the Union County still would be paying the highest salary.

Even in counties that have combined the offices of clerk and register, Union County would have been paying the highest salary. Closest is Camden County, which pays its clerk $91,000, and Bergen County, which pays its clerk $88,000.

Freeholder Linda Stender, a Democrat, introduced a resolution during the reorganization meeting to adjust the salary of the county clerk to $94,919. Of course, with a Republican-controlled board, the measure failed, but it took a lot of nerve on Stender's part to interfere with the Republicans' attempt to control costs on behalf of taxpayers. Perhaps Stender should read Sunday's *Record* of Bergen County, which contains an article saying that a large number of people fear becoming homeless because they're afraid they can't afford to pay their mortgages and taxes. Perhaps then, this Democrat would

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Freeholders look ahead to change in 1996

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

Republican freeholders this week quashed an attempt by Democrats to increase the salary paid County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, who was sworn in as clerk prior to Monday's freeholder meeting.

The measure, sponsored by Freeholder Linda Stender, if approved, would have resulted in a $20,000 salary increase for Rajoppi who had not yet served a day as clerk. The proposal was defeated 5 to 4, with the vote predictably going along party lines.

Most outspoken against the proposal were Freeholders Henry Kurz and Frank Lehr, with Lehr saying he would favor such an increase if the county decides to merge the offices of the clerk and register.

Rajoppi, a Democrat, has threatened to sue the county should it not grant her a salary increase. Rajoppi, who ran for the clerk's office prior to completing her term as register, upon her election formally requested that freeholders consider allowing her to oversee the register's office while filling over as county clerk.

Stender, in responding to comments made by Lehr and Kurz, said she was "amazed" at how they had changed their position. Stender said there was a consensus to approve Rajoppi's request and grant her a pay hike a month earlier, and questioned why Republicans changed their minds.

"Apparently we're back to nasty partisan politics," said Stender, noting that moments earlier a pledge had been made by county GOP Chairman Frank X. McDermott to work together with Democrats. Accepting Rajoppi's offer would ensure a "smooth transition," said Stender.

Kurz responded by saying the "story" was "only half told" by Stender. He emphasized that freeholders discussed the matter a month earlier only because it had been brought forth by Rajoppi.

He conceded that it originally had been agreed to by freeholders that Rajoppi serve in a dual capacity, but Kurz noted that it was subsequently discovered that the State Constitution forbids such a move. The Constitution, according to Kurz, requires that if a county has separate offices for that of clerk and register, then those offices must be supervised by different individuals.

As a result, Kurz said Rajoppi would be paid the $77,580 set by the board prior to Rajoppi's election.

Lehr noted that at the current time, pending a merger of the two offices, the clerk's office only employs about eight to 10 people. Many of the employees previously under the supervision of the clerk are now employees of the court system, which was taken over by the state earlier this year. Freeholders, at that time, upon learning of longtime County Clerk Walter Halpin's intent to retire, agreed to a reduction in the clerk's annual salary.

Lehr said the county already could have begun moving ahead with the proposed merger had it not been for Democrats at the state level who have opposed approving a bill calling for officers of county clerks and county registers in New Jersey to be merged.

Republicans opposed a second resolution proposed by Stender calling for Joan Kennelly to be named acting register with no additional compensation. That resolution was defeated 5 to 4, with Republicans saying the acting register should be given a pay increase since she will be overseeing the day-to-day operations of the office rather than Rajoppi.

Freeholder Chairman Edwin Force said that just because Rajoppi will not be designated as supervisor of the registrar's office, it doesn't mean her input will not be sought regarding consolidation of the two offices. "I think the transition will be as smooth as we can possibly make it," he said.

Photo By Joe Long

Daniel Sullivan, from left, Carol Cohen and Walter McNeill prepare to be sworn in as members of the Freeholder Board prior to Monday's reorganization meeting.

New chair envisions 'gateway'

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

Newly appointed Freeholder Chairman Edwin Force, in a State of the County report issued this week, announced his intent to make it known "loud and clear" that Union County is the "gateway" to the northeast corridor.

Force, in his 20-minute speech presented during the freeholders reorganization meeting New Year's Day, referred to the county as the "gateway" to New Jersey, as well as to the northeast corridor."

The county's progress is dependent upon the governor's approval of a proposed dredging project of ports Newark and Elizabeth, said Force, who noted that "without the dredging of our ports, our state's economy will shut down.

"If the governor remains adamant against dumping dredged material into the ocean, perhaps we should consider funding a task force of scientists to come up with alternative solutions," he said. "The bottom line is that we're ready to do whatever it takes to open up our gateway."

Many have indicated the importance of Port Elizabeth's dredging in order to keep business in the area as well as to lure new ones.

Force was unanimously appointed freeholder chair, replacing outgoing Chair Linda DiGiovanni, who remains on the board. Freeholder Henry Kurz was appointed vice chairman by a vote of 8 to 0 among his peers, with Kurz thanking on his appointment.

Force noted that the county this year will reap some of the benefits of the 1.5-million-square-foot MetroMall project slated for Elizabeth. "Beside bringing a regional mall to Union County, this project will generate thousands of construction jobs, as well as hundreds of thousands of tax dollars in revenues," he said.

The chair also foresees continued work with the Union County Alliance, a public-private partnership created by freeholders in 1993, in securing future projects. The alliance was instrumental in the MetroMall planning.

Force noted that the alliance has been holding roundtables on business, culture and the arts, the environment and other assorted subjects. All of the information gathered during these sessions will be used to develop a Master Plan and strategic economic plan for Union County.

Expanding the county's Police Academy, which Force referred to as already being a "first-class facility," is also on the agenda for 1996. The expansion will eliminate the need to send cadets to Fort Dix for state-mandated training, since an indoor firing range will be constructed.

County entrance signs, a new Juvenile Justice Center, and Union County Conservancy that will preserve the Watchung Reservation and county's ecosystem, as well as Galloping Hill Golf Course renovations also are slated. At the same time, Force envisions keeping the "tax rate as low as possible, while maintaining services."

County Dems excited about make up of board

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor

An accountant, an attorney and a computer expert are the newest members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and that is part of the reason why county Democratic Chairwoman Charlotte DeFilippo is "excited."

DeFilippo, co-master of ceremonies for Monday's swearing-in of newly elected county officials, borrowed a line from Freeholder Walter McNeill, who was sworn in on New Year's Day by saying she was "excited" to have McNeill, Daniel Sullivan and Carol Cohen on the freeholder board.

The county chair noted that years ago it had been thought that a "butcher, a baker and a candlestick maker" historically have been the ideal political servants, but "an accountant, an attorney and a computer genius" would be more suitable for today's society.

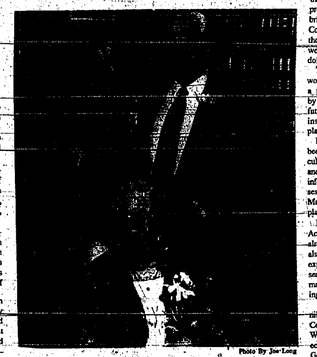
McNeill, the so-called "computer genius," write on cue told the audience during his speech that he was "excited" about the fact that he was being sworn in as a freeholder. DeFilippo had quipped early that it had become so commonplace for McNeill to say he was "excited" during his campaign for freeholder that it became a friendly joke among members of the Democratic campaign team.

McNeill, who provided an e-mail address for constituents who wish to contact him, following a brief speech was met with a suggestion by DeFilippo that he switch to America On Line where he could be known as "Excited Oni."

McNeill and Cohen joined Sullivan, who served the unexpired term of Casimir Kowalczyk last year, on the nine-member freeholder board. They, along with Freeholder Linda Stender, make up the board's minority.

Prior to the freeholder's swearing-in, Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich was sworn in to a seventh term of office. He said the positives have outweighed the negatives he has experienced during his 18 years of office.

Joanne Rajoppi, who was sworn in earlier that week, said she was "very proud" to be the first woman elected to that office in the 138 years the post has existed. She said she campaigned for a merger of the register's office — which she headed prior to Monday's ceremony — with that of the clerk and noted that she intends to keep that mandate.



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Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich is accompanied by his wife, Marlene, and mother, Henrietta, seated. Froehlich was sworn in to a seventh term Monday.

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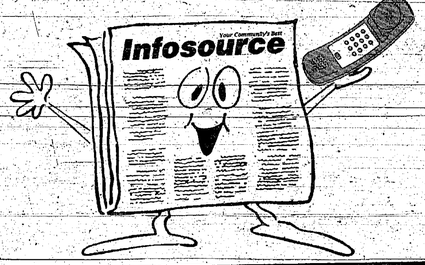

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COUNTY NEWS

Development, technological advances top '96 list

Following are excerpts from the speech delivered by Edwin Forrest upon his being appointed chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

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Beside working with our municipalities; we have also been working with the Union County Alliance to better our communities and our county. The alliance, created by the Republican freeholders in 1993, is a partnership of government, local, county, state and federal elected officials, labor, education, industry and religious leaders.

Since its inception, the alliance partnership has had a number of successes, most notably the ORION Project, a 1.5-million-square-foot Megamall being built on a reclaimed landfill in Elizabeth. Beside bringing a regional mall to Union County, this project will generate thousands of construction and permanent jobs, as well as hundreds of thousands of tax dollars in revenue.

Another alliance undertaking which will come to fruition this year was the development of a Master Plan.

For the last 12 months the alliance has conducted a series of roundtables on business, culture, and the arts, workforce readiness, the environment, and health care, as well as Hispanic and African-American issues. Two more roundtables, on social services, and public safety and crime prevention, are scheduled for early this year.

The information gathered at these roundtables will be used to create a Master Plan and strategic economic plan for Union County. These plans will provide vigorous support for the efforts of existing organizations and act as a catalyst so objectives that are not clearly within the jurisdiction of any single group can be achieved. They will insure the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, and will guarantee the economic viability of our county, with a careful eye to insure that sustainable development occurs.

Focused on the present as well as the future, the alliance last year entered into a partnership with Schering-Plough Corp., Elizabethtown Gas Co., Kean College, the New Jersey Transportation Authority, Union Township and Union County to fund a study to evaluate Route 82, Morris Avenue from Elizabeth to Springfield, for improvements in traffic flow, and the possible development or redevelopment along that corridor.

Once implemented, the recommendations from this study, as well as the proposed construction of the Townley Train Station on the site of the Reisen Lumber Company, will substantially improve our mass transit system and significantly eliminate traffic congestion on that roadway, reduce our reliance on fossil fuel, and help meet our goals toward the Clean Air Act.

Also an alliance project, the proposal Transportation Development District, for the Route 1 and 9 corridor, will assure prudent planning and a sharing of the cost to improve and expand the infrastructure associated with its development. This program will guarantee that the increase in tax revenue generated by new development will not be used to correct problems created by these new developments.

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While the alliance has been preparing to chart our county's future course, we have already taken steps into our future through ... GIS and GPS.

GIS or Geographic Information Systems and GPS or Global Positioning Systems are allowing us to access information at a fraction of what it use to cost. The municipal or county GIS map land base — the cost of which was in the millions only a few short years ago — can now be implemented at figures approaching 1/10th of those costs.

Through GPS surveys, which utilizes our satellites in space, we are able to get accurate, real time collection of geographic features such as roadways, centerlines, tax maps, utilities, and street easements. Through GPS, we can, for instance, define the 32 miles of trails in the Watchung Mountains, quickly, accurately and inexpensively.

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We look forward in 1996 to the expansion of our Police Academy which is already a first-class facility. To feature an underground, indoor firing range topped by a gymnasium, the expansion will eliminate the need for us to send our cadets and sworn officers to Fort Dix or North Jersey for this state-mandated training. In addition, we will be dedicating a part of the parking lot of the academy for a high-speed driving course, to ensure all our police are properly trained in this area.

We look forward in '96 to the establishment of a four-year magnet high school for the intense study of science, mathematics and technology. This state-of-the-art high technology facility, to be located on the campus of our voc-tech school, and operated by the vo-tech staff, will prepare our exceptionally talented young people to enter the workforce and help us turn our economy around.

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Working to preserve all our natural resources, we intend this year to move forward on the recommendations of our Waterways Master Plan forthcoming shortly, so we can restore the pristine beauty of our lakes, streams and rivers. We will progress, with the renovation underway at the Galloping Hill Golf Course, and tackle the tough and still unresolved dredging problem which poses more of a threat to our economy every day. We need to make the governor acutely aware of the price we will pay if we do not dredge now. We need to make it known, loud and clear, that Union County is the gateway to New Jersey, as well as the gateway to the northeast corridor, and that without the dredging of our ports, our state's economy will shut down.

If the governor remains adamant against dumping dredged material into the ocean, perhaps we should consider funding a task force of scientists to come up with alternative solutions. The bottom line is that we're ready to do whatever it takes to open up our gateways.

Video library helps train county's police officers

From "Cold Weather Confrontations" to "Domestic Violence" and "Use of Force," the burgeoning videotape library at the John H. Stamler Police Academy is helping to provide training for 1,600 police officers from Union County.

Acting Prosecutor Edward M. Neafsey said the collection of video training programs has grown into a well-utilized library containing more than 600 instructional tapes.

"I'm getting nothing but positive feedback from the cops who are watching the other tapes at our academy or borrowing them to show to other officers," Neafsey said, pointing out that the police chiefs in the county are interested in every effort to keep their officer supplied with state-of-the-art training.

Paul Skaff, who supervises the audio visual taping, supplies and equipment of the academy, said agencies from throughout the state have come to Scotch Plains to take advantage of the library, which is offered to all law-enforcement officers without charge.

First Assistant Prosecutor Michael J. Lapolla said the videos, which include such subjects as "Analyzing Doorways," "Courtroom Testimony" and "Cultural Awareness," can be borrowed for one week.

"The library is really becoming a resource center," said Skaff, who has filmed many roll call videos and reenactments for in-service training over the last several years. "It's starting to catch on, and many of the training officers from the departments are familiar with the offerings and are using them to supplement updates for their organizations."

Correction

A photo caption which appeared in the Dec. 29 edition of this newspaper identified the individual in that photo as Muriel Smith. The photo was incorrect.

The photo that was to appear included Smith accepting a plaque from Ken Dolan, executive director of the New Jersey Home Care Council, in honor of Smith being presented with the Distinguished Service Award by the Visiting Homemaker Service of Central Union County during a retirement luncheon in her honor.

From the Editor's Notebook

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reconsider introducing a resolution that pays another Democrat almost $20,000 more than what the Republican freeholders want to pay the clerk.

Stender also introduced a resolution naming Joan Kennelly as acting register to fill the position vacated by Rajoppi. If we were to draw a logical conclusion, we could say that Stender wants the county to pay Rajoppi almost $20,000 more per year for nothing.

Perhaps newly sworn-in freeholder Walter McNeill, another Democrat, wouldn't act as if the resolution were a joke. When asked to acknowledge that there would be fireworks during the reorganization meeting, McNeill cavalierly said, "Oh, some. But then we'll act as gentlemen."

The first lesson McNeill should learn is that the role of freeholder should not be taken lightly, that he has the power to raise, stabilize or lower taxes, the latter of which is what his constituents demand.

If Rajoppi does not get what she wants, she has indicated that she would consider a lawsuit against the county. Just what taxpayers need — spending more and more tax dollars for government to defend itself in a lawsuit.

Rajoppi is certainly qualified to do the job of county clerk, and more qualified if the duties of the register are turned over to the clerk.

During a time when many local and county government leaders are doing their best to reduce the financial burden on taxpayers, it seems Rajoppi is being counterproductive and making it more difficult for the free in Union County.

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Poco, featuring founding members Rusty Young and Paul Cotton will appear in concert at the Club Bene Dinner Theatre Jan. 12 for one show at 9 p.m. Tickets for the show are priced at $17.50. Club Bene is located on Rt. 35 in Sayreville. For further information or to reserve tickets, call at 727-3000.

Poco, Special EFX billed at Bene

Poco, featuring founding members Rusty Young and Paul Cotton will appear in concert at the Club Bene Dinner Theatre, located on Rt. 35 in Sayreville, on Jan. 12, for one night only. On this evening they will perform one show at 9 p.m. with an optional dinner being served at 7 p.m.

Poco has appeared at the Club Bene many times over the years and has always played to and elicited their fans.

Poco was the first group to blend country harmonies with a driving rock beat. It was charter member Rusty Young's pedal steel guitar work which played a major part in the inspiration for the formation of Poco by founding member Richie Foray. And it was Rusty who stuck it through, making sure that each incarnation of Poco satisfied the band's original desire to mix stirring melodies with gorgeous vocal harmonies.

Releasing 19 albums over the years and garnering a Grammy nomination, Poco's music stands for hope and optimism, for goodwill and good feelings.

Their first Top 20 hit singles: "Crazy Love," featuring Rusty Young and "Heart Of The Night," featuring Paul Cotton, from their 1979 platinum album "Legend," provided the band with the commercial radio success which catapulted them to worldwide popularity.

Poco's most recent album, "Legacy," has been certified gold and produced two hit singles, "Call It Love," and "Nothin' To Hide."

Tickets for the dinner and show are priced at $30; for the show only, tickets are $17.50.

George Jinda's Special EFX will be appearing in concert at the Club Bene Dinner Theatre, located on Rt. 35 in Sayreville, on Jan. 14, for one night only. On this one evening Special EFX will perform one show at 8 p.m. with an optional dinner being served at 6 p.m.

Special EFX is touring in support of their latest release on JVC records titled "Body Language," an apt title for this collection of tunes, which manages to capture so many emotions by the sheer power of the music. "Sometimes you don't have to speak," Jinda said, "You just have to move, or make facial expressions or a hand movement, and people will understand what you're thinking."

"Body Language is another stopover on a musical journey that continues to be unpredictable, adventurous and, as Special EFX's many fans will agree, always entertaining.

Although visually he appears a stern figure, George Jinda has a potent sense of humor. In addition to both conventional and exotic tools, blocks, bongos, chimes, cymbals, rattles, shakers, timbales, toms, whistles; his signature sounds include custom instruments such as Nigerian talking drums, Udo drums, tuned wood blocks and energy chimes created by John Stannard of Om Percussion, and various bells created by Pete Engelhart of Pete Engelhart Metal Percussions.

Just a few of Special EFX's records include "Catwalk," "Modern Manners," "Global Village," "Play," "Confidential," "Mystique," "Slice Of Life," "Collection," and on and on.

Tickets for the dinner are priced at $12.50; for the show, tickets are $17.50.

For further information on these two performances or to reserve tickets, call the Club Bene at 727-3000.

Cranford Rep auditions for 'mattress' production

The Cranford Repertory Theatre has scheduled auditions for its production of "Once Upon a Mattress," a play based on "The Princess and the Pea."

Parts are being cast for a high boy soprano or high tenor for the minstrel; soprano and baritone princes and princesses; a wicked queen; a wizard mastering in magic; a tap dancing jester; a pantomime king; a nightingale; and a strong-voiced tomboy to be Princess Fred. Strong tap, ballet, and jazz dancers are also needed.

Children aged 10 and up may audition on Jan. 7 from 6-8 p.m. Adults may audition at 8 p.m. or Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m. All tryouts will be held at the Cranford United Methodist Church, at the corner of Lincoln and Walnut avenues in Cranford.

Adults should bring a prepared Broadway tune. Children should also be prepared to sing a familiar song, preferably Broadway. All auditioners should dress comfortably for dance tryouts.

Also, anyone interested in working behind the scenes should send a resume to 1245 Orange Ave., Cranford, NJ 07016.

Performances of "Once Upon a Mattress" have been scheduled for April 18, 20, 21, 25, 27, and 28. The show is being directed by Michal Goldberg and choreographed by Cindy Smith.

Kean hosts King tribute

Singers add music to civil rights leader's written words

A group of performers will join entertainer Clint Holmes in "Words of Elegant Wisdom: The Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr." on Jan. 17.

The free program, a staged reading with music of some of King's statements, will take place at Kean College's Wilkens Theater at 7:30 p.m.

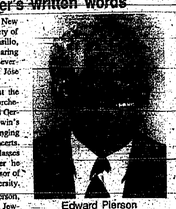
"The County of Union is proud to be among the cosponsors of this important program," said Freeholder Linda Lee Kelly, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "We wholeheartedly support the inclusive message of Dr. King, and look forward to welcoming New Jersey Secretary of State Lonna R. Hooks, who is honorary chair of the event."

Among the readers of King's words will be Cantor Martha Novick of Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, and African-American singer Edward Pierson of Elizabeth.

Novick, who lives in Springfield, is well known not only in central New Jersey, but also nationwide. She performed leading roles in opera for the Metropolitan Opera Association, the National Shakespeare Theatre, CBS and PBS television, WNYC radio, the Center For New Music in New York, and the Liederkranz Opera Workshop.

She has been soloist with the Musicat Hebraica Sets and the Hebrew Arts Chorale, and has performed various concerts and recitals across the United States and in Israel. She was the first female cantor to perform in a traditional cantorial concert in a major concert hall in New York.

Edward Pierson has been thrilling audiences for more than 25 years, performing professionally in opera and on Broadway. Pierson's stage experience includes 15 years in the New York City Opera singing a variety of roles which included Don Basilio, Iokanaan, and Scarpia, often sharing the stage with such notables as Beverly Sills, Placido Domingo and Jose Carreras.



Edward Pierson
Veteran opera performer

He has performed throughout the country with major symphony orchestras, and toured in Belgium and Germany singing the role of Gershwin's "Porgy." With his voice, the singing actor brings artistry to his concerts.

Pierson conducts master classes and vocal workshops wherever he performs. He is assistant professor of music at Montclair State University.

Along with Novick and Pierson, there will be African-American, Jewish and Christian participants of all ages. Among them Jack Weinstaider of Clark; Helen Mosley of Elizabeth; and Westfield High School students Josh Sigel, Sara Becker, Seth Hall and Kate Haggo. Lee Roth, of Colonia, a member of the B'nai Brith Youth Organization at the JCC will also participate. Other performers are Kathryn Holmes of Piscataway, Horace Jackson of Orange, a student at Kean College, and Belinda Scott-Smiley of Plainfield.

The performance, which is free and open to the public, will be sign interpreted and takes place in a handicapped-accessible site. Created and directed by Summit resident Brenda Holmes, a former PBS producer, the tribute features Clint Holmes whose autobiographical show called "Comfortable Shoes," will have its world premiere Feb. 14 at the Pegasus Playhouse, where it will play through March 24.

"Words of Wisdom" is supported in part by a grant from the New Jersey State Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, Department of State.

The program also is supported by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs through a grant from the New Jersy State Council on the Arts and the Union County Prosecutor's Office. For additional information, call 558-2550.

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Teen Arts tour comes to Plainfield

The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation, announced the Plainfield Public Library will host the Union County Teen Arts Touring Exhibit in January.

The exhibit consists of 23 pieces of art selected from the 500 visual arts works shown at the 1995 Union County Teen Arts Festival in March at Union County College.

The students works displayed in the Teen Arts Exhibit are an important expression of their personal and cultural identity," said Linda-Lee Kelly, member of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Advisory Board.

The Plainfield Public Library is located at Eighth and Park avenues in Plainfield.

The exhibiting students are:

From Clark: Barbara Jua, of Mother Seton High School.

From Elizabeth: Melinda Soto, of Benedictine Academy; and John Paul Gorgoroso of T.C. Reilly Middle School.

From Hillside: Ching-Yu Hsieh, of Hillside High School.

From Linden: Monika Smerdel, of Linden High School.

From Mountainside: Chrissy Spider, of Deerfield School.

From Rahway: David Loza, of Rahway High School.

From Springfield: Michael Hawkins, of Gaudineer Middle School.

From Summit: Siho Shon, of Summit Middle School; and Gladys Ting, of Oak Knoll School.

From Union: Lori Wade, of Burnet Middle School; Diane Camara, of Kawameee Middle School; Denise Lalevee, of Union High School; and Tuong Phan, of Union High School.

The Union County Teen Arts Program is supported by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders; Amalgamated General Agencies, Westfield; Barnes and Noble, Springfield; Bayway Refining Company, Linden; Bell Atlantic-New Jersey, Union; Brounell-Kramer-Waldorf-Kane Insurance Agency, Union; Chas Gelgy, Summit; Exxon Chemical Company, Linden; Hausmann and Roimer Corporation, Springfield; Ironbound Bank, Newark; MacArthur Fuel, Clark; Matsushita Consumer Electric Co-Panasonic-Technics-Quasar, Secaucus; PSE&G, Cranford; Schering-Plough, Kenilworth; Suburban Cablevision, Union; Suburban News, Clark; Summit Bank, Chatham; Tuscan Dairy Farms Inc., Union; The Union Center National Bank, Union; United Jersey Bank, Hackensack; Weisglass Charitable Trust, Elizabeth; Westfield Sheet Metal Works inc., Kenilworth; Altenburg Piano House, Elizabeth; Bergen Camera Exchange and Studio, Cranford; Central Lowmar Finn Paper Co., Newark; Crafton Percussion Works, NYC; Elizabeth Board of Education, Elizabeth; Leisure Arts center, Springfield.

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Bolshoi Ballet, BB King to play Celebrity Series

An assortment of musically diverse performers will highlight the Friday Evening Club's Celebrity Series in 1996.

From Russia, the Bolshoi Ballet and violinist-conductor Vladimir Spivakov will join American blues icon B.B. King, the Kingston Trio and jazz pianist Ellis Marsalis strong alone in the line-up.

Ushering in the second half of the season, the Letterman singing trio will perform Jan. 14, at 3 p.m. in the Morris Knolls High School auditorium theater, located off of Franklin Avenue in Denville.

Distinguished by their softly harmonious rendition of "The Way You Look Tonight," and many other romantic ballads first heard in films, the Letterman recently recorded their 60th album, "At the Movies," featuring memorable theme songs of films released in recent years. Joining with lead singer and founder Tony Butala, baritone Donovan Tea and Darren Dowler complete the trio.

Next on the club's 1996 schedule is premier modern jazz pianist Ellis Marsalis, who will perform with his trio at the Morris Knolls auditorium Feb. 24 at 8 p.m.

Marsalis is closely identified with the new generation of jazz musicians not only as father of sons Wynton and Branford, but also as mentor of such other accomplished musicians as Harry Connick, Jr., Terrence Blanchard and Donald Harrison, who he'd taught at his New Orleans Center for the Creative Arts.

Spivakov, who toured the U.S. after his debut as a violinist in 1975 with the New York Philharmonic, will be featured as conductor of the Moscow Virtuosi, a leading world chamber ensemble, in performance March 1 at 8 p.m. in the historic Community Theater on South Street in Morristown. Spivakov, organized the Virtuosi in 1979 by selecting its members from the principal chairs of major Soviet orchestras.

Later in March, Prima Ballerina Natalia Bessmertnova of the Bolshoi Ballet, will lead the stars of the ballet ensemble in a performance March 22 at 8 p.m. in Morris Knolls High School.

The appearance of B.B. King and his orchestra is set for March 28 at 8 p.m. at the Community Theater. For King, acclaimed as the King of the Blues, it will be a second appearance in the Morris area in as many years under Friday Evening Club auspices.

Requests for information and tickets for the 1996 events are accepted by phone, fax or mail at the box office, where all major credit cards are honored, as are personal checks with proper identification. Call (201) 538-6413 or fax (201) 267-0178.

Orchestra of objects to play at church

On Sunday, at the Unitarian Church in Summit, a group of classically trained musicians will be hanging, blowing and bowing on instruments made from, well, just about anything.

This is not "Mary Had a Little Lamb" played on the garden hose. The music was written especially for instruments made from pipes, pots, bits of wire, string and boxes.

The group's philosophy says, if it exists, it can be turned into something musical. Some of the instruments will be displayed at Lincoln Center later in the month.

The group's founder, Skip La Plante, majored in music at Princeton and later spent time in Bali, where his wife studied dance. The Southeast Asian influence is evident in some of his compositions.

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Dining Review January 5, 1995

Broadway Diner

An impressive list of homemade desserts.

Nicholas Buyard, a waiter at The Broadway Diner and Restaurant, and hostess Christina Penn look over the menu.

By Lisa Ann Batitto
Staff Writer

Choosing a restaurant is often difficult, when members of the party have conflicting tastes.

This dilemma can be solved with a visit to The Broadway Diner and Restaurant, 55 River Road, Summit.

This establishment is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and features everything from omelettes to triple-decker sandwiches to hamburgers to seafood and steak to Italian specialties. There is also an impressive list of homemade desserts, which include cheesecake with a choice of fruit toppings, black forest cake and apple strudel.

Deciding what to order at the restaurant is dizzying, with each turn of the menu's pages adding to the confusion. On a recent visit, my friend and I went our separate ways: she selecting breakfast fare while I went for a complete dinner — which begin at $7.95 and is one of the best bargains to be found anywhere.

My friend was swayed by the restaurant's claim to have the "world's best pancakes." The menu gave her a choice of chocolate chip, raisin, blueberry, strawberry, apple, pineapple, cherry, ham and French apple but she went for the traditional buttermilk. She also ordered a scrambled egg and bacon, which came with toast and homemade potatoes.

My friend raved about the pancakes, which were light and fluffy yet withstood a saturation of syrup. I snack a taste and found them to be as good as homemade. She proclaimed the scrambled egg was cooked to perfection, the bacon crisp and plentiful, and the potatoes delightfully crisp on the outside and soft on the inside. She chased her food down with a vanilla milkshake, which she called "divine."

My dinner began with a cup of chicken soup with rice, a hearty offering overflowing with chicken, vegetables and rice. This was accompanied by warm and crusty dinner rolls that are positively addicting.

My entree came with a complimentary glass of wine — a classy touch — and a homemade potato knish. My dinner contained numerous large shrimp, and every type of vegetable imaginable: carrots, broccoli, snow peas, string beans and water chestnuts — uniformly fresh and the flavors blended together perfectly. Additionally, the portion was large enough for two meals.

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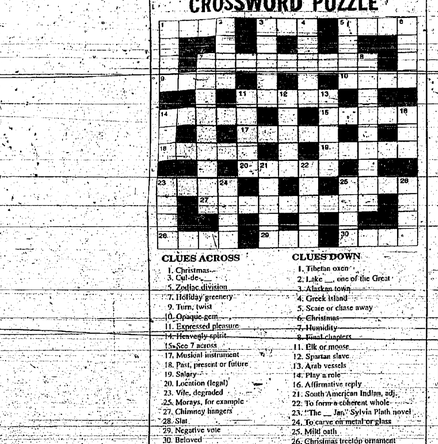

CLUES ACROSS

1. Christmas
3. Cell de ___
5. Zodiac division
7. Holiday greenery
9. Turn, twist
10. Opaque gem
11. Expressed pleasure
14. Heavenly spirit
15. See 7 across
17. Musical instrument
18. Past, present or future
19. Salary
20. Location (legal)
23. Vile, degraded
25. Morays, for example
27. Chimney hangers
28. Slat
29. Negative vote
30. Beloved

CLUES DOWN

1. Tibetan oxen
2. Lake ___, one of the Great
3. Alaskan town
4. Greek island
5. Scare or chase away
6. Christmas
7. Humidity
8. Short chapters
11. Elk or moose
12. Spartan slave
13. Arab vessels
14. Play a role
16. Affirmative reply
21. South American Indian, adj.
22. To form a coherent whole
23. "The ___Jar," Sylvia Plath novel
24. To carve on metal or glass
25. Mild oath
26. Christmas holiday ornament

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE—

SOLUTIONS ACROSS

1. Gabor
5. Bebop
8. Thorium
9. Maine
10. Overbearing
11. Endows
12. Bonier
15. Hard
17. Fad
18. Barb
20. Rabid
22. Bagpipe
23. Bared
24. Desists

SOLUTIONS DOWN

1. Get-together
2. Bookend
3. Rainbows
4. Pampas
5. Bamboos
6. Being
7. Pleasurable
13. Italics
14. Daybed
16. Rub
19. Egos
21. Dud

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For The Week of January 7–13

ARIES
March 21–April 20
Intellectual pursuits prove rewarding. Be certain that you do not neglect material concerns if you get caught up in the thrill of the chase. Concentrate your energies on a specific goal.

TAURUS
April 21–May 21
A social gathering is hectic but fun. Sneak off to a quiet corner if you start to suffer sensory overload. A favorable business deal could result from your patience and common sense. Pay close attention to your health this week.

GEMINI
May 22–June 21
Impulse buying could prove problematic today. Ask for a few days to consider all the angles, or take a trusted friend for advice. Romance looks promising—but don't make any promises you can't keep.

CANCER
June 22–July 22
An out-of-town adventure could first entice be more than you can handle. Keep the gas tank full and check the tires and oil before you leave. An ounce of prevention is worth much more than a pound of cure.

LEO
July 23–August 23
Watch for a great investment opportunity coming your way—then check it out thoroughly. You can't go wrong by getting a second opinion. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

VIRGO
August 24–September 22
Fulfill past promises to clear the slate for an exciting event. Your productivity and single-mindedness could bring a project back on track—if you use tact and don't offend a key member of your team.

LIBRA
September 23–October 23
Now is a good time to spend some "quality time" with a friend or loved one. A chance encounter leads to some surprising developments. Go with the flow but keep your eyes and ears open as well.

SCORPIO
October 24–November 22
Stay within your sphere of expertise this week. Someone may ask for your opinion on an unfamiliar subject. Resist the temptation to show off—it could backfire and cause irreparable repercussions.

SAGITTARIUS
November 23–December 21
Treat yourself to a small luxury to improve your mood throughout the week. Wants can have a powerful influence—are you choosing yours carefully? Consider alternate possibilities.

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 20
An entirely opportunity deserves a second look. It could be just the thing to change your outlook. Don't let fear of the unknown govern your decision. This is a good week to focus on developing your personal resources.

AQUARIUS
January 21–February 18
Physical activity helps you banish the post-holiday blues. It doesn't have to be strenuous to be healthy. Invite someone you haven't seen recently over for an evening of conversation. This too can help boost you out of those doldrums.

PISCES
February 19–March 20
Someone whom you think is all wet could be on the right track. Listen carefully to see if you could be missing the point. A complicated difficulty resolves itself easily. Now is a good time to concentrate on your own needs.

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Panillio, a Philippine native, came to the United States in 1979. The owner of a landscape design business by profession, he has spent recent decades pursuing his love for antiques and crafts of the Philippines.

Also highlighted will be Alibasa, a Philippine cultural ensemble, who will perform traditional Filipino music. This young and dynamic Filipino group, led by the talented Lerrick Santos, has performed recently at the Jacob Javits Convention Center for Philippine President Fidel Ramos' official New York visit. They also have performed at the Joseph Papp Public Theater and the Philippines' consulate in New York. The ensemble's repertoire consists of various traditional Philippine musical forms, from ethnic to jazz, from romantic to patriotic.

Refreshments, including some traditional Philippine foods, will be served.

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ORGANIZATION: Redeemer Lutheran Church.

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Thank you!

For three weeks in December, the Union, Maplewood, Orange and Bloomfield offices of Worrall Community Newspapers opened their doors to collect donations of clothing to benefit the homeless. Thanks to the employees and subscribers of Worrall Community Newspapers, the 1995 Holiday Clothing Drive was a tremendous success!

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Surgery may not cure gum problems

From the Dentist's Chair

By Dr. Vincent Tavormina

To many people, advanced health care means expensive equipment, sharp operating rooms and a surgeon fully-dressed in mask, gown and gloves. Thankfully however, advanced dental health doesn't have to mean any of those things.

Take, for example, the battle against a very common dental foe: periodontal — or gum — disease.

According to studies done during a 30-year period by the National Institute of Health, gum surgery may not be the best way to effectively treat gum problems.

And while the NIH viewpoint is not accepted by everyone, we believe that for the benefit of our patients it is worth considering.

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Some bacteria pose a greater risk than others. Harmful bacteria can cause an infection of the gums, resulting in the formation of "pockets" between the tooth and the gum tissue. These pockets actually can lead to tooth loss.

The traditional approach to these pockets is to surgically remove gum tissue and clean the tooth roots. Our approach is much gentler.

If we determine that infection-causing bacteria are present, we first clean beneath the gums. Then we apply antibacterial solutions to the affected areas. We also recommend an effective program of home-care and additional hygiene treatments over a period of time. We find that this approach can even prevent the return of gum disease, by attacking the bacteria — the cause of the problem.

Recently, we have begun using dental string, that has been coated with antibacterial solution, to overcome the harmful microbes. The dentist places this string under the gums, reducing or eliminating the infection for up to six months.

Obviously, these gentle approaches will not work for everyone, but we believe in taking the easier, less expensive approach to gum disease whenever possible.

We know it works in most cases — and it may encourage people who fear surgery to have treatment now instead of waiting. It's a way people can save their teeth. And that's important.

Dr. Vincent Tavormina has been in general family dental practice for nearly 20 years. He also specializes in dental implants and is a national leader in implant dentistry. Tavormina will speak on the subject of dental implants on Thursday and on Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. in his office at 744 Galloping Hill Rd. in Roselle Park. Call 245-2110 for more information, or to register.

Trans-Hudson health

David B. Skinner, president and chief executive officer of New York Hospital, and Stanley Bergen, president of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, announce the formation of an alliance between subsidiaries of their respective hospitals. The New York Hospital Care Network and the University HealthCare Corp. will become partners in providing health-care services to people who live and work in New York and New Jersey. The team will offer a combined staff of more than 1,400 practitioners on both sides of the Hudson River. The arrangement, linking two academically based health-care organizations from two states, is the first of its kind.

Hospices merge programs

The Hospice, Inc. and Hospice of Morris County, Inc., announced that they will merge their respective programs to form a new nonprofit corporation: the Center for Hospice Care, Inc. Each program will continue to operate as a division and community-based hospice at its current location.

"By maximizing our staffing resources, the merger will enable us to quickly respond to our patients' health and managed care companies," said Lorraine Sciara, president and CEO of the Center for Hospice Care, Inc.

"Our hope for the future of the Center is that by combining the two agencies, we will be able to offer even more people the supportive and nurturing services of hospice care," added Ann Liebers, executive vice president of the new Center for Hospice Care, Inc., and president and CEO of the Hospice of Morris County.

As a result of the merger, the Center for Hospice Care, Inc. will now serve terminally-ill patients and their families living in the counties of Morris, Passaic, Hudson, Union, Somerset, Bergen, Essex, Sussex and Warren.

Hospice is a philosophy devoted to caring for terminally ill individuals whose life expectancy has been measured in months. The desired goals of hospice care are to maximize patient and family member comfort and to enhance the quality of life when cure no longer seems a realistic expectation. Hospice care offers a comprehensive program of services, including physical, emotional and spiritual support for the patients and their families. Access to care is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Incorporated in 1981, The Hospice, Inc., began serving the community funded by private grants and donations. The hospices of five sponsoring hospitals — Chatham Medical Center, Montclair Community Hospital, The Mountainside Hospital, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and Saint Barnabas Medical Center — was critical to the early development of the agency.

Within a decade, the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations placed it in the top 10 percent of accredited organizations. The hospice has received numerous awards for excellence in volunteerism and education.

Incorporated in 1982, Hospice of Morris County, Inc. can trace its roots to the first freestanding hospice in the United States — the Riverside Hospice in Bounton.

Chilton Memorial, Dover General, Morristown Memorial, Riverside and St. Clare's hospitals, as well as the Morris County Board of Freeholders, were influential in the development of the agency. Hospice of Morris County, which eventually became the first New Jersey hospice to be certified by Medicare, became an independent, community-based hospice in March 1995.

Both agencies are Associate Members of the New Jersey Hospice Association and are nonprofit Provider Members of the National Hospice Organization and the New Jersey Hospice Organization.

Kidney ailments to be discussed

"Impotence in the Renal Patient" will be the topic of discussion at the next meeting of Impotence Anonymous on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The monthly meetings are held in the Island Auditorium of Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston.

Stanley Bloom, a urologist and director of Impotence Anonymous, will discuss how impotence can result from renal failure, renal transplant and in the diabetic patient with renal disease.

"Impotence can be an unwanted side effect of many types of diseases and conditions, but, with all of the treatment options available today, most impotence can be cured," Bloom said, explaining.

Remarks will also be made by Shamkant Mulgaonkar, nephrologist at Saint Barnabas.

The monthly IN meetings are open to the public at no charge. Registration is not required. Free parking is available at the hospital and refreshments will be served.

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Caring, sincere, honest, attractive male, 5'10". Like the outdoors, travel, movies, and music. Looking for someone with similar qualities for friendship and a possible long term relationship. BOX 31143

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Single white male, 38, 5'11", 175 pounds, brown hair and eyes, good natured and fit. Enjoy long walks, movies, dining out, antiques, and good times. Seeking for a party companion for friendship, and light hearted fun times. BOX 30833

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Single male, 28. Looking for a young and attractive female, 21 to 25, to hangout, go for walks, go for a drive, go to movies, to be outgoing, spontaneous, open and honest. BOX 30059

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24 year old male, 5'9", brown hair and eyes. Looking for a female who has a good personality and is easy going. Enjoy clubs and the outdoors. BOX 30532

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Young, attractive, stable, nonalcoholic white Christian male, 29. Looking for a single white female, 18 to 25, who is Christian, honest, and not afraid to have a relationship. Christian is a plus! BOX 30535

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I am an adventurous, mature, blue collar lover. Looking for divorcees, widowed, professional females. Hope to hear from you soon... BOX 30127

ARE YOU SINCERE?
33 year old, accountant, white male, 5'9", 168 pound father of two. Enjoy dining out, quiet evenings at home, sports, movies and more. Looking for an attractive, fit, petite white female who is sincere and down to earth. BOX 30800

WHO'S COMMITTED?
Good looking, romantic, honest, sincere, intelligent, brown haired and blue eyed guy would like someone to cuddle up with on a cold night and have a good time. Would like to meet a single white female, 28 to 35, who is sincere, caring and seeks a long term relationship. BOX 30401

ARE YOU COMMITTED?
40 year old, single white male, 5'9", 175 lb and weight about 186 pounds with a hunky build. I am handsome, easy going, the personality and sense of humor. Don't smoke and drink occasionally. Enjoy music, antique/all movies, dining out, music, outdoors, sports, and travel. Looking for someone who is open and honest, for compatibility and a possible lifetime relationship. BOX 30040

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR ...
If you are an attractive, romantic, single black female age 30 to 45, who seeks a handsome, caring, generous, single white professional male, call BOX 30051

ATT: UNWED MOTHERS!!
I am a hardworking, white christian professional, single male, 35, who is responsible of a ready-made family. Looking for a woman who is more than looks. Let's see what we have in common... BOX 30074

ANYTHING THAT'S FUN!
39 year old, 5'8 1/2", 170 pound, single white male. I am romantic, caring and a smoker. Looking for a long term relationship with that one special female age 25 to 40. Enjoy dining out, quiet evenings at home, fun weekends, long walks on beach and anything that is fun. BOX 30080

LET'S MEET SOMETIME
Looking a companion. Like sporting events, movies, music, etc. I am petite, strong and romantic. Let's meet sometime soon... BOX 30082

SHY GUY
5'7", Latin/Italian, 29 year old male. Love reading, history, quiet evenings, walks, etc. Handsome, honest, and very sentimental. Looking for a petite female with similar interest. Someone who does not mind holding hands in public, calling and being affectionate. BOX 14060

FEEL THE LOVE...
21 year old single white male, 6'10" with a husky build. Enjoy movies, the show, bowling, video, fishing, dining out, etc. Looking for a single white female 18 an up, who is sincere, caring and seeks with the same interests. Want someone who is not afraid of a commitment, to get serious with, kids okay. BOX 30437

STILL LOOKING
45 year old gay white professional male, healthy, attractive and drug free, 5'10" and 155 pounds. Discreet, outgoing non smoker. Seeking gay white male, age 40-50, who is fit, fun loving, discreet and seeking a friendship. BOX 14142

ARE YOU THE ONE???
46 year old, professional, single gay white male, 5'8" and weight about 180 pounds. Have brown hair and blue eyes. HIV negative and healthy. Looking for a sincere, honest, romantic, monogamous, long term relationship. ARE YOU THE QUEEN. Want a caring relationship, leading to a stable long term relationship. BOX 14251

SINCERE AND CARING
43 year old, single gay white professional male, 5'9", 150 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, healthy, good looking and fit. Seeking a similar guy, age 35 to 45, for a long term relationship. Want someone age 40 to 55. BOX 15469

UNION COUNTY MAN
43 year old, bi white professional, 6'10" and weigh 185 pounds. I am healthy, a romantic, and a good conversationalist. Look for a discreet friendship with a bi or gay white male, age 40 to 55. Want someone who is easy going, honest and not professional. BOX 10733

EDUCATED MALE
Gay white male, 33, 5'9", 160 pounds, brown hair and eyes and a muscular build. Looking for a white male, 30 to 40, for friendship and long term you. BOX 27803

ON THE LOOK OUT
Gay white male, 5'9", 160 lbs, 36 yr old, 5'9" husky build, brown hair/ hazel eyes, non smoker, well educated, healthy, easy going. Looking for gay white male, 30 to 45, educated, healthy, easy going, long term relationship. Living in New York City and shop, read, travel, dance, not interested in bar scene, smokers or going to jail. BOX 31011

GIVE ME A CALL
Gay white male, 5'8", 185 pounds, 6' like the gym, seeking a white male, 18 to 40, for get together and more. BOX 30921

YOUNG MALE
19 year-old white male. Looking for other Gay males, 18 to 40, to become friends with, and have fun. Possible relationship. BOX 30922

FULL OF EXCITEMENT
Attractive, 21 year old male, straight acting. Looking for other straight acting males, 17 to 25, for fun and friendship. Must be outgoing and physically fit. Race unimportant. BOX 30923

LOOKING FOR THE RAMM
Gay white male, 6'1", 175 pounds, 170 pounds. Seeking a male between 30 and 40 years old, who is very clubbed in shape. BOX 30236

DREAM LOVER
21 year old black male, 6'1". Seeking a young white male, single, and fun/fit. BOX 13291

GIVE ME A CALL
White male, 5'9", brown hair and eyes, looking for a good time and satisfaction. Seeking similar in a lasting friendship. Looking for someone up to age 55. BOX 30934

ATTENTION GAY GUY
Athletic male, age 27. Like dining out, the arts, cuddling, snuggling, and quiet life. Looking for a dark haired male, age 25 to 35, who is easy going and fun. Let's talk soon... BOX 30250

LOOKING FOR YOU
21 year old, black male. Looking to meet a white male, 18 to 35. BOX 27734

MR. UNIQUE
23 year old black male, 6'1". Looking for a white male, 18 to 25. BOX 27707

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23 year old, white male, 5'9" and 166 pounds. Seeking a young good looking male who wants to teach the teacher. BOX 30250

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LET'S MEET
45 years old, 5'and 200 pound male. Clean cut, GWM, looking for fun and have sex with a younger male. No long term relationship. BOX 30417

IN GOOD SHAPE
Curious male, 5'8", 145 lbs, weigh 150 lbs. Looking for a male who is clean and discreet for a relationship. BOX 30271

WANTED: REAL MAN
Handsome, well built 5'10" and weigh 170, 30 years old male seeking the same. BOX 29228

FUN TIMES
Gay white male...dominant, good looking, 5'9", and 165 pounds. Looking for a cute, adventuresome male with a good body. Safe fun guaranteed. BOX 30931

WOMEN SEEKING WOMEN

CURIOUS FEMALE
29 year old black, bi curious female, 145 pounds, 5'4". Looking for a black female, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 30932

I LIKE BEING PAMPERED!
Single black female, 23, 5'4", 160 pounds, demanding and dining. I am mature, intelligent and respectful. Looking for a single female for friendship, dating and possible relationship. BOX 30085

MATURE, INTELLIGENT...
Single black female, 23 year old. Enjoy dining, dancing and more. I am mature, intelligent and respectful. Looking single female for friendship, dating and maybe relationship. BOX 30086

THINKING OF YOU
Single black female. Looking for a single female who is understanding, respectful, honest, loving, and caring. Friendship first. BOX 30310

SPORT PARTNERS/FRIENDS

SEEKING FIRIENDS...
Single white female seeking friends in the Union and Essex county area. Let's get together sometime soon. BOX 10803

LOVE TENNIS...
Oriental female, in my early 50's. I'm a humorous person and love to cook. Looking for a tennis player. Work is non smoking, professional male who is a non drinker, will nurse my hubby if you want a companion/friend...let's talk. BOX 10760

MALE WANTED!!
Looking for a theater and movie partner who is 40 something and fun. I like to go to off-Broadway shows, off Broad Wayshows, movies and New York city. BOX 10803

LET'S ENJOY WEEKENDS ...
54 year old, single, slim white male, owner. Looking for a younger, single white female who is slim size, with a car, like to go to the beach, mall and camping trips. Take someone I feel comfortable. Would like to share expenses... BOX 12781

LET'S GET TOGETHER!!...
41...year old...professional and business owner. Enjoy sports, arts, travel, dining, etc. Looking for someone who is willing to share all kind of things. I love to travel and enjoy life...let's talk. BOX 10444

MEN SEEKING MEN

ARE YOU PEMPHIRE?
30 year old, 5'10", smoking male. Looking for a white male, 30 something, with a little bit of everything. No effeminate, no drugs, no drinking. BOX 13231

SMILE FOR ME...
Gay white male, 5'9", 155 pounds, attractive and fit. Looking for cute, bodybuilding males to get together with and have fun. BOX 13252

ESSEX COUNTY
Healthy, fun, good looking, executive white male. Seeking a discreet, intimate relationship with a fitness, robust male age 24 to 40. I like the theater, reading, poetry and music. BOX 13413

READY TO LEARN!
Single white male, age 24. Have brown hair and brown eyes, 5'6" with a medium build. Looking for first time, Gay experience; possible relationship... BOX 13516

GRAY, HERY, DOC!
Gay black male seeking attractive male age 18 to 25. If you are interested call me sometime. BOX 13231

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21 year old black male, 6'1", with hazel eyes. Looking for a single white male 18 to 30. If you are interested call me. BOX 13291

DREAM LOVER
Age 21 black male. Looking for sophisticated, sincere, honest, educated, strong white male. BOX 13800

KEEP WARM...
Tall, 30 year old fit curious black male. Looking for a fit curious or Gay male, 18 to 30. If you are interested call me. Looking for cold winter nights, call and leave a message. BOX 30025

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Gay white male, 5'0", 111", and 159 pounds. Enjoy bowling, music, card games, and dining out. Looking for a nice, fun seeking male, 35 to 60. If this sounds like you, please give me a call. BOX 30435

LET'S HANG OUT...
Curious white male, age 21, 5'0" with a heavy set build. Looking for a fit curious or Gay white male, 18 to 21, for hanging out and good times. Possibly a first time experience... BOX 30013

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6', 120 pound male, black hair and brown eyes. Looking to have fun with another male. BOX 30034

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23 year old, 5'8 white male. I am clean cut and drug free. Looking for another fit white male to get together with. Not looking for anything long term. Race unimportant. Prefer age 18 to 25. BOX 30037

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Very good looking, Gay white male, age 35, 5'9" red weight 150 pounds. Like handcorns, in shape and fun. Looking for a cute, boyish, Gay white male under 35, under 6' and 170 pounds. Decided to be leading relationship... BOX 30070

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Gay white male, 6'2, 5'11", 185 pounds. Enjoy travel, music, card games and dining out. Looking for a thin, non smoking male, 35 to 60. BOX 30111

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NEED A COMPANION
White male, 38, 5'9", 180 pounds with a "KISSY BODY BUILD". Clean cut, attractive, with a great personality and sense of humor. I'm easy going, outgoing, and considerate. Enjoy sports, movies, music, dining out, outdoors, parks, malls, museums and romantic places. Looking for a female who is fun. Seeking a woman, 30 to 50, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 30401

CENTRAL JERSEY
White male, 6'1", around 215 pounds. Enjoy travelling, dining out, music and the outdoors. Looking for a single white female, 48 to 58, with similar interests. BOX 11356

NEED A COMPANION
Tall, dark- and handsome- single, white professional male, 37. Looking for a witty, single white female, 25 to 35, who is outgoing fun loving, family oriented. Enjoy music, travel, Atlantic City, and spending time together. Want to know more, call and leave a message. Hope to talk to you soon. BOX 29436

ITALIAN/IRISH MALE
Single white male, age 40, 6' and weigh 200 pounds. I am handsome, good humored and easy to get along with. Looking for a very attractive, single black female, for a long term relationship. Age unimportant. Like long drives, romantic sports, dining out, etc. Let's talk soon... BOX 30902

SECRETIVE ROMANTIC
Widowed white male, age 60, 6'6" and weigh 235. Looking for a witty female who is adventurous, fun to be with and knowledgeable. Like dining out, dancing, etc. A great sense of humor. BOX 30223

GOOD TIMES...
25 year old male, blonde hair and blue eyes. Looking for a young female, 21 to 25, who is fun to be with. Like to go out and have a good time. BOX 30403

FOR REAL...
Single white male, 36, 6', 190 pounds, and physically fit. Enjoy travel, dining and quiet relaxing times. Looking for a single white female, 28 to 38, who is also in search of humor and a good time. BOX 30410

CLUB KID
Single male, 5'7", stocky build and good looking. Looking for a Hispanic female, 18 to 24, for fun times and possible relationship. Most importantly, you must have a kind heart and a warm personality. Enjoy free style biking, DJ and clubbing. BOX 29413

OLD FASHIONED VALUES
33 year old white male, 6'0", 195 pounds, separated, not father of two. Enjoy long walks on the beach, quiet nights, movies, and romance. Looking for a mature, 40 white female who is caring with good family values. BOX 30414

ONE IN A MILLION ...
33 year old white male, blue eyes and reddish brown hair. Enjoy the outdoors, rock and country music, concerts, romantic times, and a good time. Looking for a female, honest, and caring. BOX 30657

WANT JOLLY CHRISTMAS
Appealing 29 year old, 6', 200 pounds, single white male. Looking for a single white female, non smoker, 24 to 35, who enjoys fun, easy going, romantic guy. Interests include good conversation, resting or going to the movies, amusement parks, flea markets, comedy clubs, shooting pool, bingo, bowling, restaurants or take out food. BOX 30756

ENCORE MALE
Caring, sincere, honest, attractive male, 5'10". Like the outdoors, travel, movies, and music. Looking for someone with similar qualities for friendship and a possible long term relationship. BOX 31143

GOOD HEARTED MAN
Single white male, 38, 5'11", 175 pounds, brown hair and eyes, good natured and fit. Enjoy long walks, movies, dining out, antiques, and good times. Seeking for a party companion for friendship, and light hearted fun times. BOX 30833

CALL ME...
Attractive, 5'8" single male. Looking for a Hispanic female, 18 to 24. If this is you, call and leave a message. BOX 30024

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Clark

Wenzer R. Klemm sold property at 95 Cornell Drive to Patrick S. Hotchmeister for $150,000 on Oct. 16.

Edward S. Glazobbe sold property at 61 Fairview Road to William A. Giacobbe for $125,000 on Oct. 19.

Frances E. Miele sold property at 960 Lake Ave., to Louis R. Miele for $185,000 on Oct. 23.

Elizabeth

Avco Financial Services of New Jersey sold property at 701 Jefferson Ave., to Gentil Pereira for $135,000 on Oct. 6.

Angelo and Lorraine Mateijo sold property at 241 Vine St., to Julio Isidoro for $200,000 on Oct. 19.

Kenneth Jonas sold property at 955 Anna St., to Owen Wimberley for $90,000 on Oct. 19.

Carlos Stafford sold property at 226-28 Hillside Road to Dennis Cassidy for $92,600 on Oct. 23.

Hillside

Elliian Silber sold property at 161 Bailey Ave., to Antonio C. Azevedo for $55,000 on Oct. 9.

Catherine Domerski sold property at 1559 Bond St., to William H. Bradley for $119,000 on Oct. 16.

Frank J. Cangialosi sold property at 123 Valley View Road to Wilfredo F. Bijoomla for $145,000 on Oct. 16.

Gregory J. Menza sold property at 587 Locust Ave., to Leon Jones for $104,900, on Oct. 17.

Kenilworth

Edward and Nancy DePaola sold property at 8 Park Drive to Beverly A. Fuchs for $155,000 on Oct. 23.

Sheriff and County of Union sold property at 355 Maplewood Ave., to Northeast Recovery Systems Inc. for $74,576 on Oct. 26.

Julia Kuch sold property at 10 S. 22nd St., to Donald J. Rica for $50,000 on Nov. 3.

Linden

Nodine Trust sold property at 135 Birchwood Road to Joseph O. Principato for $123,000 on Oct. 1.

Edward F. and Estelle Ryek sold property at 5 Elmwood Terrace to Martin E. Westerfield for $190,000 on Oct. 2.

New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finances sold property at 517 Harrison Place to Pankajkumar J. Mehta for $74,600 on Oct. 5.

Mountainside

Michael J. and Michele Listo sold property at 1380 Knollwood Road to Thomas P. Morgan for $270,000 on Oct. 9.

Jon Davishi sold property at 154 Loont Ave., to Christopher J. Dobbie for $145,000 on Oct. 11.

Barbara Shrank sold property at 500 Bayberry Lane to John G. Friedrich for $377,000 on Oct. 23.

Rahway

Patricia A. McGann sold property at 212 Tehama St., to Felipe A. Guinsatto for $135,000 on Oct. 10.

Willie J. and Doris M. Moore sold property at 1834 Brady Court to Pierre McLean for $148,000 on Oct. 10.

Anthony R. Zazzarino etux etal sold property at 463 Jaques Ave., to Dorothy D. Zazzarino for $60,000 on Oct. 12.

Roselle

Charles L. Carr sold property at 219 E. 9th Ave., to Dorothea Carr for $22,000 on Oct. 10.

Diego and Graciela Polanco etal sold property at 137 W. 1st Ave., to Betty Milton for $90,000 on Oct. 12.

Terrance M. and Sao A. O'Rourke sold property at 927 Washington Ave., to Ivan R. Romero for $106,000 on Oct. 13.

MNC Mortgage Corporation sold property at 737 Sheridan Ave., to Eleanor S. Ellison for $92,500 on Oct. 16.

Roselle Park

Gayle Wiesner sold property at 830 Pine St., to Mizan Roman for $118,000 on Oct. 11.

Robert C. and Kathleen J. Clavin sold property at 537 Oak St., to Arthur Wright for $132,000 on Oct. 12.

Janice and Gertrude M. Avena Sr. sold property at 325 Reindel Place to Robert Schwalb for $144,000 on Oct. 16.

Springfield

Richard C. and Joan Hector sold property at 11 Cayuga Court to Robert Frei for $264,000 on Oct. 2.

Michael A. and Janet Gort sold property at 64 Briar Hills Circle to Andrew L. Jonas for $264,000 on Oct. 12.

Macy W. Greenspoon sold property at 9 Gall Court to Paul S. Weissman for $251,000 on Oct. 12.

Summit

Geoffrey J. Francolini etux sold property at 118 Mountain Ave., to David F. Brundley Jr. for $435,000 on Oct. 18.

Lois C. Reynolds sold property at 52 Colt Road to Vincent DiMassimo for $725,500 on Oct. 31.

Christopher Stavrakos etux sold property at 18 Oak Ridge Ave., to John A. Orazio for $565,000 on Nov. 2.

Eric B. and Stella L. Holmgren sold property at 196 Woodland Ave., to Jesse Karpman for $320,000 on Nov. 2.

Anthony and Linda C. Novembre sold property at 645 Summit Road to Iris Montan-Peralta for $155,000 on Oct. 2.

Joseph A. and Gail R. Yankosinskas sold property at 2576 Jackson Ave., to Osborne Kirkland for $158,000 on Oct. 6.

Theresa Casso etal sold property at 250 Salem Road to Edwin J. Mitsmoros for $125,000 on Oct. 9.

NEW JERSEY MORTGAGE RATES

Lender, City, Phone		APP FEE	30 YR FIXED RATE	30 YR FIXED PTS	30 YR FIXED APR	15 YR FIXED RATE	15 YR FIXED PTS	15 YR FIXED APR	OTHER RATE	OTHER PTS	OTHER APR
American Savings Bk, Bloomfld	201-748-5600	350	7.00	2.50	7.25	6.63	2.50	7.03	4.70	0.00	6.70 F
Banco Popular FSB	800-401-2265	100	7.50	0.00	7.53	7.25	0.00	7.30	6.50	0.00	7.99 A
Capital Funding, Parsippany	800-525-6700	0	7.50	0.00	7.50	7.25	0.00	7.25	5.38	1.00	6.12 A
Columbia Savings Bk SLA,Lndn	800-982-4285	295	6.75	3.00	7.08	6.25	3.00	6.78	6.63	1.00	7.46 G
Corestates Mortgage Services	800-999-3585	325	6.75	3.00	7.09	6.25	2.50	6.79	6.00	3.00	7.70 C
First DeWitt Bank,West-Caldwell	800-537-0070	400	7.50	0.00	7.51	7.25	0.00	7.26	5.63	0.00	7.43 A
First Fidelity Bank	800-436-7332	375	6.88	3.00	7.19	6.38	3.00	6.69	5.13	3.00	7.94 A
First Savings Bank SLA, Edison	908-226-4460	350	7.63	0.00	7.63	7.00	0.00	7.00	6.63	0.00	7.51 C
Freedom Mortgage Corp	800-220-8700	350	6.63	3.00	7.11	5.88	3.00	6.85	N/P	N/P	N/P
Hudson City Savings Bank	908-940-4040	375	N/P	N/P	N/P	7.13	0.00	7.17	7.00	0.00	7.43 H
Ivy Mortgage Corp.	800-489-8383	325	6.75	3.00	N/P	6.25	3.00	N/P	4.13	3.00	N/P A
Kentwood Financial Services	800-353-6895	150	7.25	0.00	7.30	7.00	0.00	7.10	N/P	N/P	N/P
Lehigh Savings Bank SLA,Union	908-688-0003	350	7.50	2.00	7.77	6.88	3.00	7.49	6.75	2.00	7.20 E
Morgan Carlton Fnl,Ridgewood	800-562-5719	0	6.63	2.68	6.84	6.13	2.68	6.34	3.60	2.68	4.38 A
Natwest Home Mortgage	800-558-6761	375	7.00	3.00	7.30	6.88	2.00	7.68	5.00	2.50	N/P A
New Century Mtge,E Brunswick	908-390-4800	370	7.13	1.50	7.26	6.63	1.50	6.67	5.38	1.50	5.51 A
Premier Mortgage, Union	908-687-2000	375	6.88	3.00	N/P	6.63	3.00	N/P	5.50	0.00	N/P A
Provident Savings Bank	800-446-7765	350	7.50	0.00	7.50	7.13	0.00	7.13	6.88	0.00	7.96 C
Pulse Savings Bank,South River	908-257-2400	350	7.50	0.00	7.50	7.00	0.00	7.00	6.00	0.00	7.91 A
Source One Mtge Svcs, Cmfrd	800-870-4637	300	6.75	3.00	7.10	6.50	3.00	7.07	6.50	3.00	6.85 K
Sterling National Mtge, Clark	800-582-8725	295	7.38	0.00	7.40	7.00	0.00	7.04	6.00	0.00	8.01 B
Union Center Nat'l Bank, Union	908-688-9500	350	6.88	3.11	7.19	6.50	2.34	6.88	7.25	0.00	7.25 J
United Jersey Bk,Ridgefield Pk	800-932-0811	325	6.75	3.00	7.05	6.25	3.00	6.73	5.00	2.50	7.54 M
Valley National Bank, Wayne	800-522-4100	450	7.50	0.00	7.58	7.00	0.00	7.10	7.50	0.00	7.58 O
West Essex Bank, FSB	201-575-7040	350	7.63	0.50	7.83	7.25	0.50	7.25	7.50	0.50	7.68 H
W.F.S. Mortgage, Warren	908-834-1004	0	7.25	0.00	7.25	7.00	0.00	7.00	5.50	0.00	N/P A

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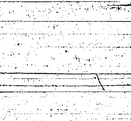

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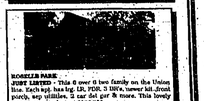
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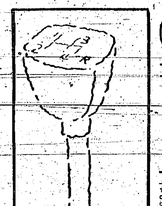

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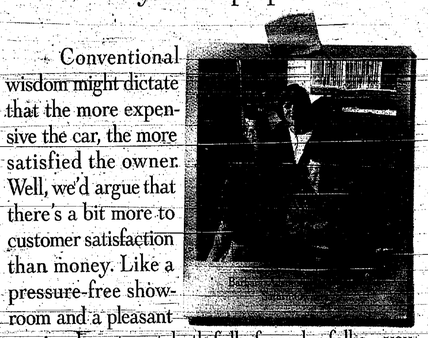

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Sports trip

The Recreation Department is offering a trip to the Meadowlands arena in East Rutherford to see the New Jersey Nets play the Los Angeles Lakers at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 27. This trip costs $33 per person.

Groups for this trip will leave the Sarah Bailey Civic Center at 6 p.m. and return at approximately 11 p.m. For more information or to obtain a registration form, contact the Recreation Department at 912-2226.

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Apple pie opera

Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School will present an opera designed and produced by its seventh-grade students on Friday at 1 p.m.

All aspects of this production, themed "Be careful what you wish for, it might come true," including the roles of makeup artists, writers, set designers, carpenters, electricians, costume designers, production manager and public relations, are being handled by the students under faculty supervision.

For more information, contact Gaudineer School at 376-1023, Ext. 235.

Local Assistance Board

The Local Assistance Board, an advisory board to the Municipal Welfare Department, will meet Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the welfare director's office on the second floor of the Municipal Building. The public is welcome to attend.

Assessment list ready

The assessment list for the 1996 tax year will be available to any taxpayer on Friday at the assessor's office, Room 206 of the Municipal Building between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., according to Springfield Tax Assessor Edward N. Gelante.

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Unit seeks vols

The Union County unit of the American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers for its Road to Recovery Program.

Road to Recovery is a free patient service program whereby volunteer drivers escort individuals to and from cancer treatments. It is a flexible volunteer opportunity for anyone who has a car and some spare time to help someone in need.

Contact Carolyn Fabiglio, service director, at (908) 354-7373 for additional information on joining the lifesaving crew of volunteer drivers.

Springfield in 'good shape' after Blizzard of '96

Photo By Nicki Sciacca
Raul Fumaguera takes advantage of the Blizzard of '96 and tubes down a Springfield hill.

By Blaine Dillport
Staff Writer

The Blizzard of '96 has come and gone through our area leaving behind mountains of snow. For those who enjoy the snow this may be the perfect winter, but for those who have to remove this heavy blanket of snow it presents a challenge.

To battle the treacherous conditions, New Jersey was placed under a state of emergency until Tuesday, with Gov. Christine Todd Whitman closing the roads to allow emergency vehicles unobstructed access when needed and to give the state time to clear away the mounds of snow accumulating everywhere. The Garden State Parkway and the New Jersey Turnpike remained closed for plowing and snow removal until 5 a.m. on Tuesday.

Luckily for the residents of Springfield, the township was up to the job. "We are holding up well in Springfield. We have the whole town open and look to be in good shape," said Sylvester Boettcher, director of Public Works.

Although schools were closed, it seems many kids did not go out shoveling after the blizzard. "We have gotten a lot of calls to Public Works to see if we know of anyone available to plow private residences, but we were not really able to help them," said Boettcher.

One problem Public Works ran into was snow being pushed back into the street by shovelers.

"The main problem we're having is that the contractors that the people are getting in to plow their driveways and sidewalks are pushing the snow back into the street. This is making some streets look as if they were not plowed at all, and we are trying to tell people that this is not the thing to do because the snow will freeze in the street and become even more hazardous," said Boettcher.

"We are keeping our fingers crossed that we will not get any snow later in the week, but if it comes, we are prepared to handle it and have plenty of salt and other supplies to take care of the job."

Emergency services felt the brunt of the storm's wrath, with extra hours and extra manpower being called upon to keep the township operating.

Fire Chief William Gras noted that the Fire Department was operating as of Tuesday, at three times its normal staff, with many of these firefighters devoting a great deal of time to uncovering the township's 385 fire hydrants buried under snowdrifts.

Gras noted that it would be in residents' and merchants' best interest to aid in the digging out of these hydrants, as they represent the water supply for their areas and the only source of water the Fire Department uses.

The coordinates for all of the hydrants are located in the Fire Department headquarters, located in the Municipal Building; during an emergency, valuable time would be lost if firefighters had to call back to headquarters to retrieve the coordinates and then dig out the local hydrant.

A major delay such as this, especially when hydrants are buried under 5 or 6 feet of snow, could result in a loss of life and property in an emergency. Gras added that "every effort is being made to get the hydrants uncovered before Friday's predicted snow."

Gras also noted that some of the firefighters, as of Monday night, had not been home since the previous Friday, some working three to four shifts in a row. With cots set up in headquarters and men sleeping on trucks to relieve the fatigue of long and strenuous hours, this is the "most major demand for our services since I've

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Photo By Nicki Sciacca
Vito Saggese clears massive snowdrifts from his roof on South Gate Road in Springfield.

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Zoning Board schedules meeting to set Stop & Shop hearing date

By Kathryn Fitzgerald
Managing Editor

Residents of Springfield, Short Hills and Millburn will soon learn whether or not their neighborhood will be the next location of the Stop & Shop supermarket chain.

The Springfield Zoning Board of Adjustment has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday to determine an available date for the hearing, as well as to decide what should be done about the request for a call for the recusal of Chairman Ralph Devino from the hearings.

Taking place in Jonathan Dayton Regional High School at 8 p.m., the hearing will address the supermarket chain's appeal of a ruling made by Morris Sorio, Springfield's zoning officer, in 1994 specifying that the two zoning ordinances held by the previous owner of the property, Sake Fifth Avenue, would not pass to the land's next occupant.

The front portion of the property is zoned for commercial use. The rear portion, lying adjacent to residential property, is zoned for residential use. The variances at the center of this issue allowed the retail store to use the property of the nearly 10-acre tract of land for a parking lot.

Stop & Shop first faced community opposition when it announced that it would endeavor to purchase the property in 1994; residents raised concerns that the traffic, pollution and noise brought by this chain would damage the community. Stop & Shop representatives have argued that their store would would make every effort to be a responsible and beneficial neighbor.

The Zoning Board will also face a call for the recusal of Devino from his former attorney, Brian Fahey, now the attorney representing Millburn municipality in the proceedings. Fahey requested that Devino step down at the last Stop & Shop meeting on Nov. 21, explaining that he had represented Devino in several legal matters and, therefore, a conflict of interest existed.

Stop & Shop public relations representative Stephen Reid noted that statute is on the side of Stop & Shop, citing that the conflict of interest would be on the side of the attorney, who then should be the party to step down.

Stop & Shop also announced on Tuesday that its insurance carrier has determined that the supermarket must put an end to providing their property to commuters. The insurer's directive forbids the "unregulated parking of vehicles at vacant properties," according to Reid.

Barriers will be erected Monday to prevent access to the property; any vehicle remaining on the premises will be towed at the owner's expense before the barriers are installed.

"It is unfortunate our insurer came to this decision," said Michael Blazoski, Stop & Shop's senior real estate manager. "We were happy to permit commuter parking as a courtesy to the community. However, this is a courtesy that Stop & Shop can no longer provide, at this time."

Adopt a hydrant

Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

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