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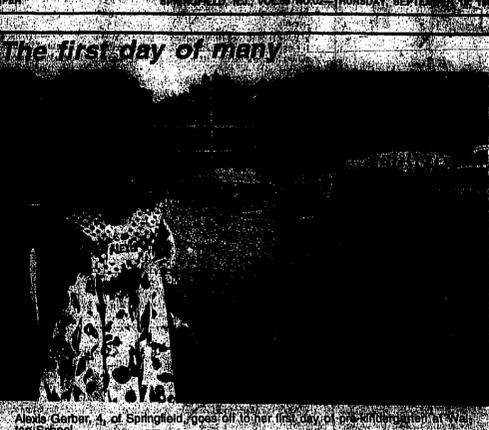
Teams & towns
In this week's insert, the high school football season is previewed.

The doctor is in
Plastic surgeon Barry DiBernardo offers his thoughts on the future of laser treatment. See Page B9.

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Athletic sign-up
The Recreation Department announced plans to sign up for the 1996-97 season. The sign-up period is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Municipal Pool, 1000 Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 9 to 8 p.m. The boys will compete in the Eastern Youth Football League. They will report to the surrounding area. Football is open to boys in grades 4-8. The first game will be on Sept. 29 against Summit at Municipal Field beginning at noon. For more information, contact the Recreation Department at (201) 912-2228.



Alexis Barber, 4, of Springfield, poses off to her first day of pre-kindergarten at Walton School.

Prepare for emergency
The Volunteer Fire Squad reminds residents that they are an important link in the community's emergency response system. The squad responds to more than 1,000 emergency calls each year. The squad has never been called to a fire in the town. The cost of operating this service for the community are significant. Each week, every household and business must fund its financial support to ensure that the squad can maintain and upgrade its equipment to the highest standards.

DPW plans for fall season
The Department of Public Works is preparing for the fall season. The department will be working on a number of projects, including the installation of a new computer system. The department will also be working on a number of other projects, including the installation of a new computer system. The department will also be working on a number of other projects, including the installation of a new computer system.

Rec needs refs
The Recreation Department is looking for people to referee soccer games. The games are played on Saturdays and Sunday afternoons. For more information, contact the Recreation Department at (201) 912-2228.

Hadassah to meet
The Springfield chapter of Hadassah will hold its first meeting of the year on Sept. 26, at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth Ahm. The speaker, Debra Mason, will discuss July's observance of Mitzvah Day, a teacher of English and speech who also directs and writes plays.

Volleyball open
The Recreation Department is offering an Open Play co-ed volleyball program on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Sandmeier School. All residents are invited to participate. For more information, call the Recreation Department at 912-2228.

Board holds committee-forming meeting
The Board of Education held a meeting to form committees. The board will be working on a number of projects, including the installation of a new computer system. The board will also be working on a number of other projects, including the installation of a new computer system.

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Regional board discusses tests

By Christine...
The Regional Board of Education discussed the results of a study on standardized testing. The board will be working on a number of projects, including the installation of a new computer system. The board will also be working on a number of other projects, including the installation of a new computer system.

Township man admits to theft

By Blaine Dillport
A township man admitted to stealing a car. The man was arrested and charged with theft. The man was arrested and charged with theft. The man was arrested and charged with theft.

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Not forgotten



Ex-POW Frank Letta and Commander Ron Maguire of the American Legion prepare to ring the bell at the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield in honor of POW/MIA's of all wars on POW/MIA Remembrance Day, commemorated this Saturday.

Elderly fell victim to thief

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for entire life savings of about \$340,000.

The estate of Peter Sikorski, who died before Madison police began investigating Lefcovich, will be paid \$2,500 in restitution by Lefcovich's wife Karen. Karen Lefcovich was granted permission to apply for pretrial intervention on charges that she conspired with her husband to launder the stolen money through her bank account.

Mark Lefcovich admitted to the judge that he forged checks to withdraw money out of the victims' bank accounts while they were residents of Mrs. L's Real Home, which was owned by his mother Inay Lefcovich. Authorities charged Lefcovich also stole about \$144,000 from the real home's business accounts, but his mother signed a waiver so he would not be prosecuted in conjunction with the stolen money.

Lefcovich was not an employee of Mrs. L's Real Home but he did visit the premises often and had the use of the home's safe.

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Today
• The Westfield Regional Health Department will be providing its usual between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. at the Sarah Bailey Center, 30 Church Hill in Springfield. There is no fee, however seniors who are Medicare eligible are asked to bring their Medicare cards. For more information, call (908) 789-4070.

Monday
• St. James Church located at 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, will hold its third annual parish picnic. The event will take place on or after following from outdoor Mass. Plans for the day include food, soccer, beer, games, music, and more of all, great fun.

Sept. 30
• The Springfield Free Public Library offers training on use of the library's online public access catalog at 7 p.m. Participants will learn how to search the catalog by title, author, and subject. Participants will also learn how to reserve books and check their personal patron records. Classes are limited to 5 adults in each group. Pre-registration is required. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield. For more information or to register, call (201) 376-4020.

Monday
• The Local Assistance Board of Springfield will meet in the Welfare Director's Office on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 4:30 p.m.

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The little girl with the big voice

By Dee Smith
Staff Writer

They call her the little girl with the big voice. And when pretty Kasandra Chantel of Mountaintop, who is 13 going on 14, opens her mouth to sing, the beauty and strength of her voice fills any room in which she is present. Kasandra, as her friends call her, and her mother, Dora Chantel, visited this office the other morning to talk about the youngster's role of Chava, the third daughter in "Fiddler on the Roof." The award-winning musical will be presented by the Linden Cultural and Heritage Committee, and judged by the Linden Vison Players in the Linden High School auditorium on St. Georges Avenue, Linden.

There will be a performance tonight for the senior citizens, and for the public on Sept. 20 and 21, and again on Sept. 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. It is directed by Danny Blum, vocally directed by E. Dorell Chantel, and choreographed by Linda Ann Burt. Kasandra, who has appeared in shows from the time she was 8 years old, was recently seen in the Paper Mill's summer production of "Life on Earth," in which she sang with artistic director Robert Johnson. She also studied with him this past summer.

"Kasandra always used to go around the house singing," smiled her mother. "Her voice was a very winning voice but always loud and on key. She used to sing 'You're a Grand Old Flag' and 'Doc A Deer.'"

"In first grade at Deerfield School we had a talent show," Kasandra recalled. "We were told that we could go anything we wanted. So my dad — Tom Chantel — suggested that I should sing and play my favorite movie was 'Wizard of Oz.' I decided to sing 'Over the Rainbow.' But I had to have a complete outfit with a yellow bag in a basket. Every classroom was doing magic tricks for the talent show, and when I got up to sing, the auditorium was really quiet. I was 7 years old at the time, and my mother's friend said we should have been on Broadway."

At that time, the youngster's music teacher, Howard Kowitz, encouraged her. "He always gave her notes," said her mother, "and he always said she had an incredible voice. Now he has his own studio."

She also took violin lessons at the time, but Kasandra really didn't care for it. "I took the lessons for a few weeks," she said. "I was taking lessons from Mrs. Rock One."

When she was 8 years old, Kasandra was in the Mountaintop Paper Mill on a county level. "She won first place on the beauty level," said her mother, "and then she went to the state level and was disappointed."

"You see," explained the teenager, "something went wrong with the sound system. There were two teenage girls doing the sound system and they didn't know how to fix it. I couldn't hear the music in the back ground, so I decided to drop out of the pageant." At an afterthought, she determined that "it wasn't my thing anyway."

The youngster also sang with her mother in the choir at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Mountaintop. "My mother was in charge of the children's choir. I sang 'O Holy Night' at the Christmas pageant."

"There were changes in the church, and they dismissed the choir," said her mother. "But now she's back singing at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. She carries for the children's mass. They also asked her to be part of the adult choir."

Kasandra admitted that she can't read music — quite yet. "She hears the music by listening to the tape. She played Nancy in 'Oliver' in the last school play. She will be learning music in this year with Jennifer Maruffi and Molly Barber, who was the choreographer of 'Rompers Room.' She just started this school in Westfield. And hopefully she will be studying at the Paper Mill this fall on Monday nights — singing and acting."

"When I auditioned at the Paper Mill this summer," Kasandra recalled, "I had been studying at the Summer Conservatory for Gifted and Talented. I went every day from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. I'm affiliated with the Paper Mill. They're doing auditions of a fall workshop, and I'm hoping to study in the fall."

How did she get the role in "Fiddler?" "There was a boy who was performing for the Linden Vison Players in 'Fiddler's Child,' and he suggested that I audition for 'Fiddler' at Linden High School," said Kasandra. "They were so beautiful, all the teachers in the school. First we had an audition. I had decided to go, and then I got some call-backs. And then they gave me the part of Chava, the third daughter. It fitted me perfectly."

Her mother exclaimed that "it was a miracle." "I was so nervous, but I heard her name, they figured she had a very little voice and probably can't read music yet."

"But when I read for them and then sang for them," Kasandra said, "they were amazed." "Winning this theatrical activity, when does Kasandra do her homework?" "When I'm practicing, I bring my books with me. And I also do my homework after I run every day from five to seven miles. I belong to the Cross Country team. I usually sit down at the high school to finish my homework and wait until my mother picks me up."

But she does miss some of the recent school events. "I had to busy go to some of the school dances," Kasandra admitted. "And I'm going to study in the opening of the football season. I figure I have to make some sacrifices. I want to get where I want to go. 'I like all kinds of music,' said Kasandra, "especially from the 1950s and '70s." And she entertained for a while.

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A 3 pound, 12 ounce son named Craig Andrew, was born Sept. 1, 1998 at Stork Hospital to Todd and Maria Luettner of Springfield. He has a brother, Eric, 2.

Maria Luettner, the former Maria Cangelosi, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cangelosi of Westfield. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Luettner of Cranford, N.J. Maternal great-grandparents are Yolande Tortello of Hillsdale. Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. Harold Riggs of Colonia, N.J.

STUDENT UPDATE

Collins enters Fairfield University
Matthew Collins, son of Diana and Edward Collins of Mountaintop, Jersey Highlands in Monticello, who has enrolled as a freshman in the class of 2000 at Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn.

Regional board discusses tests

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Bradley, the Johnson students down, Kirge School performed best in mathematics achieving a 91st percentile placement. Students placed in the 75th percentile in reading and in the 54th percentile in English.

Students at Lincoln School placed in the 69th percentile in reading, in the 79th percentile in mathematics and in the 77th percentile in English.

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Kasandra Chantel has one of the lead roles in "Fiddler on the Roof" to be staged by the Linden Vison Players Sept. 19, 20, 21, 27 and 28 in the auditorium of Linden High School.

Medbridge Nursing Home in Mountaintop. I sang with Will Magallo. And I have to give credit to my friend, Cindy West. She got me most of my auditions."

Kasandra has this big following in her home town. "I'm a very confident person. She has a good heart — as beautiful inside as she is outside. And the best part of all of this is that she's humble. She never had a big head. She doesn't boast. Kasandra is real down to earth."

Kasandra's favorite music is the music from "Jesus Christ Superstar." "I love 'My Dream,' said Kasandra, "to be Mary Magdalene one day, and to sing my heart out in a production of 'Jesus Christ Superstar.'"

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Anyone seen Sy?

It's easy to tell when the political season begins in Springfield. The birds migrate south and the local Democrats open their campaign of character assassination, issue evasion and general ugliness that they then accuse their rivals of starting.

This year, their candidate is former Township Committee Sy Mullman, a bright fellow who seems to have memorized the Marla Forman campaign playbook. Instead of offering his vision of where the township should be heading and his plans for governing, Mullman is content to call his opponents names.

We really can't blame him because, just like Forman in '95, he has no record of accomplishment to show the voters. In Springfield, that's intolerable; there are so many problems that have been neglected by incompetent public officials for so long, that Mullman's thoughts on municipal governing can no longer be kept secret.

They must debate

On this page in last week's issue of the *Springfield Leader*, Republican candidate JoAnn Holmes challenged Sy Mullman to debate the issues in the presence of our reporters and those from *The Star-Ledger*.

While we could do without the competition's presence, we certainly do look forward to a face-to-face discussion of township business between the two.

Therefore it is with regret that we predict there will be no such debating. We would be stunned if Mullman accepted Holmes' offer.

Instead, the local League of Women Voters will hold its usual "Forum" sometime next month. Anyone who has witnessed one of these events can attest to the absence of valuable information in the discussion. The forum merely offers the allies of the candidates the chance to hurl curveballs at the opposition and toss softball questions at their friend.

In addition, the candidates are permitted to make any claim, distort any fact and voice any opinion, without fear of being challenged.

That is not a suitable arena, and this year in particular poses a need to find another way. Policemen suing the township, Bruce Berger's role as township attorney, gross mismanagement of recreation facilities, and blundering at almost every level of the local government have become the hallmarks of the Democratic leadership for years.

Because of her record and rhetoric, we know Holmes intends to fix these and other problems.

Mullman, however, remains a mystery.

Use us

As a partial solution, we offer the candidates the use of our presses to reach the voters — but there is a catch. They will have to stick to the issues. That means Sy Mullman will have to use his soapbox if he wants to attack Township Committee William Ruocco for going on his honeymoon, and we don't even want to hear the name Harry Papp this season.

We think every Springfield resident is entitled to know what the candidates have to say about taxes, the chief of police, the township attorney, the proposed township administrator, the pool manager, Chisholm School, the building inspector, the delay in starting capital improvement projects, and many other issues.

If they're interested, both candidates know our address and we'll be happy to supply a schedule of topics to discuss.

Expect a lawsuit

And speaking of the best interests of the public, it seems the American Federation of Teachers' Union County branch is working overtime to undermine the public's will.

We hate to sound naive, but we thought the debate over deregionalization ended when the votes were counted May 14. But, according to the AFT, the fight has just begun, and the union is determined to show it does not believe in the systems of majority rule and home rule that some of its members teach in social studies class.

The union's gripe involves the alleged dislocation of regional high school teachers after the district is dissolved in June. We long have suspected the point is moot because the reopening of Brearley High School surely would help accommodate all of the regional district's faculty.

The union says it is possible that some of its members may not want to switch high schools. That leaves us wondering what the union would have done if the regional district had survived the referendum, closed Dayton High School, and transferred its teachers to Clark and Berkeley Heights?

We doubt it would sue, but that's what is threatening now.

We supported deregionalization in part because it puts education in local hands. It's a shame the teachers' union ranks education behind its petty self-interests.

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OPINION

An old boys network?



Rossale Park resident Esther Alvarez and township resident Barbara Kooz, front from left, tell the press that the law firm founded by congressional candidate Larry Lerner has not hired a woman attorney since 1998. Alvarez, who practices law in Mountainside, and Kooz, who practices law in Westfield, were among a group of women gathered in front of Lerner's law offices in Westfield. Lerner is the Democratic candidate for Congress in the 7th District. For more information and opinion on the matter, see Page 61.

A visit to a town not so Majestic

This past spring, I took a road trip to see Jenner, a former girlfriend who lives in Kentucky. Now I know how risky those reunions can be, but that's not the point of this column. Instead, I'll talk about the town in which she lives, a town that doesn't quite live up to its name.

Majestic, Kentucky lies right over the border from Maleson, Va. All the towns in the area now or were at one time coal mining communities. Just walking along one of the narrow roads which cling tenaciously to the edges of the steep hills, one can see black coal scattered like a carpet of dark stars. These rocks are part of a story that has irrevocably shaped the land and its people.

For decades, the coal companies paid their workers glibly and wages, charged exorbitant rents for company owned houses, and forced them to buy their everyday goods at the company owned store. The coal factories owned the towns, and almost every person was dependent on the mines for their survival. Although I didn't see them, I can almost see that that was a shameful period in the history of American business.

In the 1920s, a terrible battle between the coal miners and the owners in Maleson began over the question of "union busting." Maleson, on the side of the vicious anti-union businessmen and the town lawyers who had sided with the coal owners. John Sykes made a movie about the dispute in the 1980s called *Maleson*. It's a powerful, chilling, check it out if you haven't already.

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Holmes has facts all wrong

As a township committeeman in Springfield I make a concerted effort to think and act with honesty, objectivity and responsibility to the public interest. It is sad that when I read the *Leader* and see JoAnn Holmes present false information, misquote and scapegoat good and honest employees in town, simply to win a election and take from the public. She clearly is trying to make us believe she is the Toffan woman, when the true facts about her actions don't stick. But

Be Our Guest

In reality the rotten eggs she tried to get are slinking and slipping hard. Here are some facts that the public has a right to know.

Every citizen in town should be outraged that Holmes accused Theresa Holmes, our acting recreation director, of poor management skills. For the past 25 years, Theresa has done a commendable job in the Recreation Department and has been an effective secretary and manager of several citizen programs. Theresa has often been called upon to remove the Recreation Department and has been

in a place where flat, bulldoze land is a premium, single and double wide trailers are the standard mode of living. A portion is so well kept as to become "homes," while others reveal the depth of poverty in the community.

But one of the stranger aspects of Majestic is the juxtaposition of wealth and poverty. While there are wealthy people in the town, there is no "rich" or "poor" section. In fact, it is common to see an expensive home next to a "shanty town," or "BHW" (poor) area.

A region that has seen mountains stripped and plundered of all natural resources, to the degree that runoff from rainstorms causes mudslides down the bare slopes of mountains flooding the homes below. It is not surprising to find a lack of environmental awareness. Any bare patch of land is used as a dumping ground for refuse, everything from organic material to old tires and appliances. Often, the back yard, or what little it exists, becomes a personal garbage dump.

There are trash removal services, though they are highly inefficient. Perhaps the greatest tragedy in this legacy of use and abuse of people and land is the lasting effects on the subsequent generations. Jennifer, 12 years old, lives in a full family of five.

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Kate and I share an affinity for sticky barbeque, and I had heard that

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Overlook to honor residents at gala

Distinguished members of the community will be honored for their contributions to Overlook Hospital at the hospital's 90th Anniversary Gala, to be held Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. at Liberty Science Center in Jersey City.

"Our honorees represent the quality that Overlook Hospital has offered to our community for almost 90 years," said Barbara Lozner, Chairperson of the gala. "Our honorees represent the spirit of dedication and giving that makes another's life better than his typical Overlook Hospital, its leadership and employees throughout its history."

Henry R. Liss, M.D., Overlook's retired Vice President for Medical Services and Education, will be honored with the Medical Award.

Liss received his training as a neurologist at the Mayo Clinic and the New York Neurological Institute of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University. He served from 1951-1953 as a neurologist with the First Marine Division in Korea, before joining the Overlook Hospital Medical Staff in 1958. Liss served as Chairman of Neurosurgery at Rutgers Medical School from 1971-1979 and is a clinical professor of Surgery - Neurosurgery, at what is now known as Robert Wood Johnson School of Medicine.

Liss became Vice President of Medical Services and Education at Overlook in 1988, and was instrumental in starting a team of highly qualified neurosurgeons, neurologists, neuroendocrinologists and radiation oncologists to the hospital. In recognition of his leadership role in the field of neurosurgery and in recruiting a highly qualified medical staff, Overlook Hospital named its fifty-bed Neuroscience Center after him in 1993. The Center provides highly specialized care to patients suffering from strokes, head, spine and nerve injuries, tumors, and diseases of the nervous system.

Liss continues his consulting work at hospitals throughout the area, as well as his role as Clinical Professor of Neurosurgery at Columbia's College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The Overlook Philanthropic Leadership Award will be presented to Nancy Deane Kreitler, Kreitler is a graduate of Briarcliff College, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1968, later joining the American Geographic Society as a research cartographer. She is currently a partner in Stark Kreitler Associates' marketing and fundraising consultants.

Kreitler's volunteer service to Overlook Hospital began in 1988 as a Trustee for the Overlook Hospital Foundation, a position she held until 1994. She served as chairperson of the Overlook Hospital Child Care Center Capital Campaign, raising funds for the building of the hospital's Day Care Center. She has also served various committees and functions throughout the hospital, collaborating with her election to the Overlook Hospital Board of Trustees in 1994. She was selected an Olympic torch bearer for this year's Atlanta Olympic Games, after her nomination by the Overlook Hospital Foundation.

Kreitler's community service includes her work for the Junior League of Summit County from 1973 through the present, as a trustee for the Convalescent Fund from 1990 to the present, and as president and executive president of the Summit Child Care Center.

"The Wonderful World of Medicine and Magic" is the theme for the 90th Anniversary Gala. All funds raised from the affair will benefit the Overlook Hospital John E. Reeves Same Day Surgery Center.



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Ciba, Lovelace to tackle epilepsy

Ciba Pharmaceuticals and Lovelace Healthcare Innovations, Inc. announced that they have reached an agreement to collaborate on a disease management program for the treatment of epilepsy.

Lovelace will develop an Epilepsy Episodes of Care Program, a comprehensive healthcare treatment program for the diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy. Ciba will assist by providing educational materials and validation of the program, and will provide educational materials for use in conjunction with Lovelace's disease management guidelines. Ciba and Lovelace also plan jointly to publish articles about their work.

The agreement brings the two different organizations together. Ciba will provide its expertise in epilepsy drug therapies, medical marketing and education, pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research, as well as its long-standing relationships with the neurology community and patient advocacy groups. Lovelace will contribute its expertise in providing comprehensive health-care solutions for the managed-care community, including training and education, as well as development, implementation and testing of disease management programs, clinical trials and information systems.

"Ciba's agreement with Lovelace is a significant step for Ciba and for the managed care community. It marks Ciba's entry into disease management, and it is a program designed to be a true partnership between a pharmaceutical company and an integrated healthcare system," said Diane Decker, R. Ph.D., director of pharmaceutical outcomes research for Ciba Pharmaceuticals. "By combining our respective strengths, we hope to optimize value for our customers and team of opportunities to improve upon the care of epilepsy."

"We've been excited about working with Ciba. This program is a wonderful opportunity for both organizations to learn from each other. We look forward to its success and future projects," said John Dymos, M.D., vice president of quality for Lovelace Healthcare Innovations, Inc. Epilepsy is a chronic disorder affecting over two million people in the U.S., or approximately 1 percent of the population. According to the Epilepsy Foundation of America, while almost 85 percent of all cases can be controlled through proper use of medications, this target can only be achieved for a patient through a well-defined and implemented treatment plan. Without such a plan, treatment may be inconsistent and desired outcomes may be sporadic.

Lovelace Healthcare Innovations, based in Albuquerque, N.M., is a subsidiary of Lovelace Clinic Foundation and a member of the Lovelace family of organizations. LHI coordinates the development and implementation of the Episodes of Care disease management program within Lovelace Healthcare Systems, the largest integrated healthcare system in New Mexico. LHI and LHS are recognized nationally for continued innovation in the delivery of quality, cost-effective health care, including disease management.

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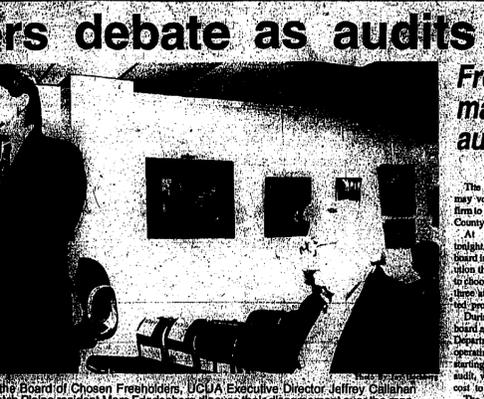
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The children will enjoy pony rides, and a petting zoo. "Pet the Farm" located in the parking area of First National Bank at North and E. Broad Streets.

In addition to the fine crafts exhibition, many local merchants and community organizations plan to participate. Festival attendees meet their local non-profit and service organizations.

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HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

New device assists cardiac diagnosis en route to hospital

The Union Hospital Mobile Intensive Care Unit is equipped with a state-of-the-art device to assist in diagnosing people for heart attacks.

The more information paramedics have, the more they can do for the patient while they are still in the field," explains EMS Educator Ronald A. Jacobs, BA, MSCP, LRT.

Depositing on a patient's condition, a 12-lead EKG can help the emergency physician or cardiologist prepare the proper equipment and staff at the hospital in advance for the treatment of an incoming patient.

"A paramedic's job is to begin emergency treatment in the field and transport the patient to the Emergency Department as quickly and as safely as possible. The 12-lead EKG is often taken en route to the hospital, at the scene where the MICU Unit arrives before the ambulance," explained Mr. Jacobs.

With a device as small as a notebook, weighing less than 4 pounds, the test is taken in less than 3 minutes. According to paramedics, the compact device makes it easy to "take the hospital to the home," giving them more flexibility to provide necessary services to the victim.

"This system works, but it is only as good as the patient who calls 9-1-1," reminds Mr. Jacobs. "Patients need to call as soon as they experience symptoms in order for paramedics to begin immediate treatment with the proper drugs to save heart muscle. Remember, time is muscle."

Union Hospital, located at 1000 Galloway Hill Road, is an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System.

Questions about nutrition and foods can be answered by the American Institute of Cancer Research's toll-free hotline, (800) 843-8114. Calls are returned within 48 hours by a registered dietitian who can provide personalized answers to questions related to diet and health, but not medical advice.

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Rockin' roll to health



During a recent stay at Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, Union resident Lauren Cooper enjoyed a visit by members of the New Jersey Rockin' Rollers professional roller-hockey team.

Walkers extend a helping hand to benefit various health groups

Walkers are invited to join the Union Hospital Foundation in its eighth annual Helping Hearts Walkathon on Sept. 29.

This year, individuals and teams will walk for The Oncology Support Institute, which helps cancer patients purchase necessary medical supplies; SeniorHealth, a free membership program for people age 50 and over; and offers educational lectures and activities; the Union Hospital Patient Care Fund; the new Community Resource Center, which will offer health information and free health screenings in the center of town in Union and the WISE Center, an adult day care center.

Walkers should collect their own sponsors for a minimum of 30 cents per kilometer for the 6.2 mile trek and/or sponsor themselves. The route starts at Union Hospital, 1000 Galloway Hill Road, Union, travels through Roselle Park and Kenilworth and ends at the hospital.

Refreshments will be served at several rest stops along the route. Walkers receive free T-shirts. Prizes will be given to the walkers who collect the most money to pledge. All participants are invited back to Union Hospital after the walk for refreshments, complimentary of the hospital's Food Services Department. Preregister for the Helping Hearts Walkathon, please call the Union Hospital Foundation at (908) 687-1000, extension 2000. Registration the day of the event begins at 9 a.m. The walkathon begins at 10 a.m. Entry registration is encouraged.

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Get to know your local Red Cross Chapter

What is the Red Cross? What do we do? These and many other questions will be answered by volunteers and staff at the Westfield in downtown Westfield on Sunday, September 21, 1998 from 12-7 p.m.

The Westfield/Mountainside Red Cross Booth will be located by Roudon Realty and the Westfield Leader on Elm St. A collage of displays will include videos about the Red Cross programs and services provided. The Chapter's area representative from New Jersey Blood Services, Debbie Krenniss will also be on hand to provide information about blood donation in the Westfield and Mountainside areas and to answer any questions.

Another highlight at the booth will be GlenGate Apparel, a Mountainside based company, who will be showing their line of shirts and sweaters. Glen Gate is best known for their quality apparel throughout country clubs nationwide. One is best known for their quality apparel throughout country clubs nationwide. One is best known for their quality apparel throughout country clubs nationwide.

There will also be some information regarding the 1997 golf outing. Another feature will be a display of the Chapter's new Disaster Response van which is a 1999 Ford Explorer to be used for disaster response and new service starting this winter for household residents.

The vehicle was obtained through various grants and will be on display in front of the Chapter house at 231 Elm St. on the day of the Festival for anyone who wishes to see it. This vehicle will also help kick off a new service being provided by the Westfield/Mountainside Red Cross during the winter months to help the elderly and household residents. For further information, contact the Chapter at 292-7090.

Physician lauded for efforts to improve life for newborns

Shyam C. Sun M.D., Director of Neonatology at Saint Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, recently received the Annual Research Physician of the Year Award from the Center for Home Health Development at ceremonies in Princeton.

The Center for Home Health Department, a non-profit education and research association, honored Dr. Sun for his work to improve the survival and quality of life for premature and critically ill newborns.

Dr. Sun, a recipient of Mountaineer, is a nationally renowned neonatologist credited with developing the first helicopter air transport team devoted to airlifting critically ill newborns and infants to regional perinatal centers. While training over 1,000 medical professionals in life-saving neonatal resuscitation, Dr. Sun led a team of neonatal specialists to create The Statewide Perinatal Service and Research Center. He is also Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey — New Jersey Medical School.

Saint Barnabas is a Level III Regional Perinatal Center, the highest designation attainable. The centerpiece of the perinatal component is the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. The 50-bed NICU, under the direction of Dr. Sun, is staffed by board-certified neonatologists and specialized neonatal intensive care nurses using the latest technologies.

The Union Hospital Foundation, an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, is located at 695 Chestnut Street, Union.

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New laser technology combats old problem

Until recently, wrinkles present under the eyes, around the mouth, and other areas of the face were told-side signs of aging. Even a facelift could not attack these areas.

A new technology, the Ultracise CO2 laser, used for skin resurfacing can now safely and effectively treat wrinkles, scars, acne scarring, and even offer significant improvement to the whole face in the case of damaged, aging or pigmented skin.

In the past, alternatives such as dermabrasion and chemical peel were utilized. Dermabrasion is like "sandblasting" the skin, and was effective for very coarse, coarse irregularities.

Chemical peel removed the upper layers of the skin through a chemical reaction which would result in a crust formed on the surface. Although chemical peel is effective, it lacks the precise control of the laser.

The laser can even irregularities and resurface the skin by vaporizing layer by layer, which not only eliminates the crusting seen in chemical peels, but also aids safety and control in its procedure. This precision with the laser allows for exacting removal of fine wrinkles. Improvement in large pores, and scarring due to acne. This laser removes scars by layer of the skin surface to allow a fresh new layer to replace it. Wrinkles can be

eliminated immediately by shortening the collagen fibers in the dermis of the skin. The result is a smooth, refreshed look.

Since the Ultracise laser is a "pulsed" laser, it can safely be used on the surface of the skin. A laser is a high intensity light of a single wave length. The energy creates the desired effect in the skin. Heat is generated from the reaction called thermal energy. If there is too much heat, thermal damage or scarring can occur.

The advantage to a true pulsed laser is that due to a very short pulse duration, the milliwatts, the intense laser light can never build up enough heat to cause thermal damage. An example of this is too much heat, thermal damage or scarring can occur.

The procedure can be performed with either local anesthesia or a light sedation.

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Breast cancer survivor to speak on climbing back to good health

Rayway Hospital will hold a Breast Health Forum and Luncheon Sunday, Sept. 28, at the Westwood Inn from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. The event is sponsored by Rayway Hospital Foundation which provided funding. There is a \$20 fee for the luncheon only. Laura Evans, author of the new book, "The Climb of My Life," and a breast cancer survivor, will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon.

Commenting on the objectives of the forum, the hospital's vice president for Clinical Services, Arlene Tomasko explained, "The struggle a woman developing breast cancer during her lifetime is one she often battles. Although the odds are dramatic, fear and misinformation are often barriers to carry through which can make the difference when it comes to her survival." According to Tomasko, the program was designed to raise awareness and to help women, make the appropriate choices with regard to their health care needs.

Evans has survived stage-three breast cancer for more than five years and in 1995 successfully led an American team of breast cancer survivors on a 23,000 foot climb of Argentina's Mt. Aconcagua. The story of her new book, "The Climb of My Life," also is in wide demand as a motivational story and was featured at the annual meeting of the American Cancer Society and at the annual meeting of the computer giant, IBM, held in Puerto Rico in June.

Deborah L. Toppenwayer, MD, assistant professor of Medicine, UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and co-director of the Breast Tumor Study Group for the Cancer Institute of New Jersey, will begin the morning presentations with her perspective "Genetic and Environmental Risk Factors For Breast Cancer."

Following Dr. Toppenwayer, two specialist members of the Rayway Hospital Medical Staff will offer presentations in easy to understand "Layman's" terms. Charles A. Santowick, MD, an attending in radiology, will discuss "Mammography as a Diagnostic Technology" and Marc S. Mandel, MD, associate attending in surgery, will demonstrate "The Importance of a Yearly Professional Examination and Overview of Surgical Options."

Registered nurses from Rayway Hospital and Rayway Regional Cancer Center will be on hand to demonstrate with breast models, on a one-to-one basis, the techniques every woman should employ in monthly breast self-examinations. Everyone who attends the forum will receive a coupon for complimentary mammography at Rayway Hospital under the guidelines of the American Cancer Society, according to Karen Farrell, the hospital's Community Outreach coordinator.

To register for the Breast Health Forum or receive further information about this offering and other Community Outreach initiatives, call the Community Outreach Information Line (908) 499-6193.

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Boasting a sporty, redesigned exterior and increased interior space, the 1997 Saturn Coupe just arrived at Saturn of Danville/Morrisstown/Livingston. The entry-level Saturn Coupe 1 and upscale Saturn Coupe 2 reflect the company's commitment to serving customers' practical demands of comfort and safety as well as their more indulgent desire for style and performance in a sport coupe.

"A sleek look and more room on the inside don't usually go hand in hand, but the new coupe successfully delivers both," Mike Kinn, general manager of Saturn of Morrisstown, said. "The new 1997 Saturn Coupe has more headroom, more elbow and leg room and features the second-most legroom and maneuverability our customers want in a sport-coupe."

The latest entry into the small, affordable, sporty subcompact market, the 1997 two-door coupe shares the larger wheelbase and underbody structure of Saturn's sedans and wagons, laying the foundation for a roomier and more comfortable ride.

Both personal and vehicle safety were a priority in designing the second generation coupe, as the Saturn Security System has been enhanced to provide greater theft protection, vehicle immobilization and personal security.

The vehicle security system activates when the doors are locked, with an interior indicator lamp that signals to outsiders that the alarm system is activated. When the system is armed, the starter system is interrupted to prevent starting the vehicle. Any ignition or door activity triggers the alarm, which the driver can disarm at the touch of a button.

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Also with safety in mind, all models have fixed exposed headlamps and daylight running lamps, with a reduced intensity light beam.

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The latest entry into the small, affordable, sporty subcompact market, the 1997 two-door coupe shares the larger wheelbase and underbody structure of Saturn's sedans and wagons, laying the foundation for a roomier and more comfortable ride.

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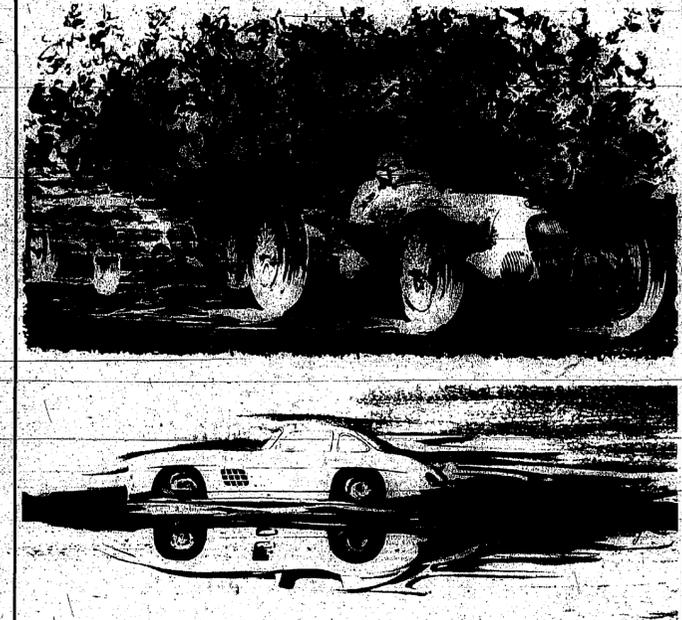
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Automotive art



The Mercedes Collection, an innovative program which provides auto-related accessories through Mercedes-Benz dealerships, will begin offering the automotive fine art of Dennis Hoyt, whose work has been showcased in such magazines as Road & Track, Automobile Quarterly and the Road Report. His first work for the Mercedes Collection, called "Power Play 1937," at top, is a limited edition of 300 lithographs featuring the historic Mercedes-Benz Formula One race car of the 1930s. Hoyt also has created a limited run of 100 unique cast-paper sculptures entitled "Echoes of Excellence," at bottom, showing mirror images of the legendary 300SL "Gullwing" and the 300SLR racer of the 1950s.

Airbags improve safety; children still are at risk

Air bags have proven to be effective in saving lives and reducing injuries for adults in front-end crashes. They may not, however, protect children in the front seat.

For adults, a 1991 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study showed the driver deaths in frontal crashes were 28 percent lower in air bag-equipped cars, which only had lap-shoulder safety belts. The study also said that drivers of cars with air bags were 25 to 29 percent less likely to have moderate to severe injuries and 24 percent less likely to be hospitalized.

Air bags provide a high degree of protection for the head, neck, and chest in front-end crashes and have been so effective that some automobile companies are starting to make "side air bags," Volvo has already implemented side air bags in some

models of their cars and Ford is in the process of doing the same. Other car manufacturers are expected to follow this trend.

Most cars today are equipped with front-end driver-side and passenger-side air bags. Problems occur when children are sitting in the passenger seat, whether they are in a child safety seat or not. Unfortunately, many parents who are driving with only their child and no other adult, prefer to have their child, especially an infant, sit close to them in the front seat.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board both say that infants in rear-facing safety seats may be injured if struck by a deploying passenger air bag. The bags deploy at an average speed of 130 mph to nearly 200 mph. Air bags can exert 1,100 to 2,600 pounds of pressure on passengers.

Autoguarders will be allowed to install cutoff switches for passenger-side air bags to prevent injury to small children in car seats. These switches will only be permitted in cars that have no rear seat or a rear seat that is too small for a child safety seat. Other solutions are still being investigated.

Officials feel that the easiest way to solve the problem is for parents to place their children in the rear seat at all times. For children sitting in forward-facing safety seats who are placed in the front, the seat should be slid back as far as possible. Older children who do not need safety seats should also have the seat pushed back as far as possible and always wear shoulder and lap belts.

Air bags are to be used in conjunction with seat belts, not alone, in the case of children and adults. Seat belts keep passengers in a position where an air bag can protect them against injury.

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Sport utility vehicles buyers will want to get to know a Chevrolet/Geo Tracker that has two more doors, a handsome new interior, more safety and performance features — and the familiar affordability that's a hallmark of the Geo line.

The new Tracker four-door LSi Hardtop has a 97.6-inch wheelbase, 11 inches longer wheelbase than the two-door version. That extra length translates into more interior space — three inches more rear hip room and up to 12.1 more cubic feet of cargo capacity.

The entire Tracker 1996 line has a rugged look with new fascia, grille and hood design. A new instrument panel incorporates standard dual air bags and ergonomically designed instrument panel controls. A new convenience package available on four-door LSi models adds the luxury and convenience of power windows, door locks and mirrors. There is a new aluminum wheel as well. Electronic speed control is also available. Stereo speakers mounted on top of the instrument panel enhance the performance of the available audio systems.

New Tracker safety features include standard daytime running lamps, child security rear-door locks on the four-door models, available four-wheel ABS and standard dual air bags. The 1996 Tracker also boasts an evolutionary, second-generation On-Bord Diagnostic System, OBD II. Like its predecessor, OBD II signals malfunctions system malfunction — but for 1996 — new levels of sophistication have been added which also can be compatible to many larger sport utility vehicles. Optional automatic locking hubs available on all models, make four-wheeling easy. The 1996 Tracker lineup includes

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Four-door Tracker can be equipped to tow up to 1,500 lbs. — plenty of capacity for a camping vacation. The two-door Geo Tracker offers the enjoyment of top-down motorcycling and the safety of four-wheeling in its base models, uplevel 2000 available in uplevel models. Scottsdale fabric protector and intermittent wipers are standard on all models.

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Chevy 'family' offers variety, choice

The Chevrolet Venture is a minivan that gives customers unique features while retaining the minivan qualities they love. Chevrolet offers exclusive features in several key areas — seating, space/storage, power and "creature comforts" — all housed in a minivan that customers in research clinics describe as "classy" and "spacious."

Chevrolet Venture features include:
• Dual-mode sound system: Front seat passengers can listen to the radio while rear seat riders listen to tapes or CDs or video tapes.
• More standard horsepower: Venture has more standard horsepower, 180 HP, than any other minivan. A powerful 3000 V6 engine with horizontal fuel injection is teamed with an electronically-controlled four-speed automatic transmission.

Available in regular and extended lengths, Venture features a comprehensive standard safety package that includes dual air bags, a four-wheel anti-lock brake system, a rigid steel safety cage surrounding the entire passenger compartment and automatic Daytime Running Lamps. Traction control is optional.
Attention to detail is evident throughout Venture. A single windshield keeps Venture's interior 20 degrees cooler on a hot, sunny day compared to tinted glass, and functions in the sun. Venture's optional load-leveling suspension has an air pump that can be used to inflate tires, balls and other toys.
Like Goldilocks searching for the perfect bowl of porridge, it's hard to find one that's "just right" for everybody. Understanding this, Chevrolet has its "Family of Vans" — a vehicle lineup that offers variety to the growing and diverse van market.
"As vans go, one size does not fit all," Middlebrook said. "Customers need choice, and Chevrolet provides more choices than any automaker to satisfy van buyers — whatever their needs."

Leading cargo is easy. To stow as many as 14 grocery bags, removing seats is unnecessary — just slide the third seat forward. Remove seats for even more cargo space in way too many places to list in the lightest in the industry. Venture can accommodate 4-by-8-foot sheets of plywood with the power folded flat, with the seats out in between the wheel wells, and with the liftgate closed.
And travel is always easier if you have a place for your stuff. The Chevrolet Venture has 26 storage areas, more than any other minivan: built-in storage pockets in all doors — even the sliding doors, a convenient seat between the front seats and cargo nets along the side rear trim panels. The driver's seat even folds forward so packages can be stowed behind it and coat hooks can be used easily.

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Chevrolet's van family is comprised of the full-size Chevrolet and Chevy Express, the midsize Astro and the Chevrolet Venture — Chevy's new entry into the minivan market. This combination of vans offers customers options in size, power, economy and utility. "We want Chevrolet vans to be as successful as Chevrolet sport utility vehicles," said Middlebrook. "Our family of SUVs covers the market like none other. From Tracker up through Tahoe and Suburban, we offer more and can satisfy buyers better than any of our competitors."

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Cover Story

Some things to look for in 1996

By J.R. PARACHINI
Editor

There are a number of twists pertaining to our 11 area teams as the 1996 high school football season commences this weekend. Three area squads open tomorrow night as Union Hills, Linden and Elizabeth welcome Newark East Side in Watchung Conference action. Our other eight area schools will open next weekend.

Here's a look at some of the changes — on the local front — for the 1996 season:

- Watchung Conference schools will be exchanging hits with Hudson County Interscholastic Athletic Association teams this year and next with home-and-home series.
- Several area teams moved to different conference divisions or conferences. Among the schools moving were Dayton Regional and Summit.

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• We all lost a great football coach and more importantly a better person when longtime Union mentor Lou Rattino succumbed to cancer March 22, passing away at the age of 54.

This year's Football Preview is dedicated to the memory of Lou Rattino, who was one of the most respected and hard working high school educators the state of New Jersey has ever known. He will ALWAYS be missed and his presence will be felt at Cooke Memorial Field — the home of Union Farmers Football.

• John Johnston takes over the reins at Union, previously a successful coach at Harrisonburg and Reading high schools in eastern Pennsylvania. Johnston, 47, is a Duke graduate with additional college coaching experience, including a three-year stint at Penn State.

• There are some exciting matchups involving Watchung vs. Hudson teams this year including Union at North Bergen, followed by Elizabeth at St. Peter's Prep — all four perennial playoff-bound schools.

The other pairings include: Westfield vs. Dickinson; Linden vs. Fortis; Irvington vs. Memorial; West New York; Kearny vs. Lincoln; Plainfield vs. Bayonne; Shabazz vs.

Marlet; Scotch Plains vs. Emerson; Rahway vs. Snyder; Cranford vs. Hudson Catholic and Newark East Side vs. Union Hill.

Summit was scheduled to play Hoboken before moving out of the Watchung Conference-National Division and into the Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division. Out-of-area Watchung Conference school Westfield moved to the smaller National Division, replacing Summit.

Dayton Regional moved from the Mountain to the smaller Valley Division of the

Mountain Valley Conference, trading places with North Plainfield.

The Watchung Conference is considered one of the toughest Group 4-3 conferences in the state and now members will have additional, non-conference games against very demanding North Jersey foes.

"It's a great chance to get another Group 4 team on our schedule," Elizabeth head coach Jerry Moore said. "We know this make's our

• Johnson won on the road against Caldwell 14-0 and Summit 21-6 to win the region and Summit hosted visiting West Essex 7-0 to reach the final. Elizabeth fell to visiting Montclair 27-26 in the semifinals.

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- 2 — Elizabeth (8-2)
- 3 — Linden (6-3)
- 4 — Union (7-2)
- 5 — Summit (8-3)
- 6 — Roselle Park (6-3)
- 7 — Rahway (5-4)
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- 9 — Hillside (4-5)
- 10 — Roselle (4-5)
- 11 — Dayton Regional (1-4)

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No. 1 Johnson was unbeatable

Here's a look at how our 11 area teams were ranked at the conclusion of the 1995 campaign.

Johnson Regional, which captured its first-ever sectional playoff championship and posted its first-ever 11-0 season, outscored opponents by a whopping 424-24 margin, allowing only four touchdowns. The Crusaders posted seven shutouts (three consecutive twice) and the starting defense allowed only one touchdown all season long.

Union outscored opponents by a 252-69 margin despite not making the state playoffs for the first time in the 1990s.

Playoff teams included Johnson and Summit in North Jersey; Section 4, Group 2 and Elizabeth in North Jersey; Section 2, Group

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Ferguson, Glover among most talented

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Two of the top running backs in the state highlight a steady local senior class.

The two swift ground-gainers are Corey Ferguson (5-11, 200) of Union and Darrell Glover (6-9, 185) of Elizabeth.

Ferguson rushed for 1,105 yardage, 175 carries (6.7 average) last year and scored 16 touchdowns. Also a capable receiver with excellent hands, Ferguson had an even better sophomore campaign, gaining 1,583 yards on 192 carries (7.2), with 20 touchdowns.

After rushing for over 900 yards as a sophomore, Glover gained 1,026 on 108 carries (9.5) and scored 11 touchdowns in 1995.

He also caught nine passes for 92 yards. New Jersey analyst Dennis McCarthy, who was the North Atlantic States (McCarthy Report), had Ferguson and Glover rated high two years ago before both entered their sophomore campaigns.

McCarthy is also high on these area seniors: Union's Leonard Nii-Moi, Billy Tut-

lock, Mike Pascoe and Nick Forconi; Elizabeth's Haklert Stewart, Jairo Labrador, Anthony Martin; Linden's Steve Johnson; Rahway's Louis Campbell; Bay District's Johnson; Regional's Guester; Krysner;

Roselle's Rafael Rodriguez; Hillside's Raven Myles; Dumont's Robert...

Last year was considered top of the best — if not the best — senior classes in New Jersey.

"This year's line positions are the strongest," McCarthy said. "Last year was a special year because we had so many top-high players at so many different positions."

There are always several important dates during the season and this 1996 campaign starts later than usual, mainly because Thanksgiving is later this year — Thursday, Nov. 28.

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Union High School Farmers

Johnston era ready to take off

By J.R. PARACHINI

UNION — For the first time in 20 years Union will be under the direction of a new head coach.

Previously a highly successful mentor in the Pennsylvania ranks, John Johnston inherits a Farmer squad that has some quality sections remaining among a mix of experienced and inexperienced varsity athletes. Former head coach Lou Rottino, one of the most successful and respected high school educators in the country, died March 22 after battling stomach cancer for nearly four years.

"I would've considered going for one year at Elizabethtown (1975) and I'm both honored and proud to be following him here," Johnston said. "I think it's a tremendous challenge to follow all that he achieved here and I know what kind of love Lou had for the game."

Johnston is fully aware of the fact that he is now in charge of a program that has an unparalleled history of championship football. He was the head coach at Harrisburg and Reading high schools in Pennsylvania, both Class AA schools and similar in size to Group 4 Union — and has coached on the college level as well, including Penn State. "I'm not intimidated in any way and am very confident in my ability to continue the success Union has had here in football," Johnston said.

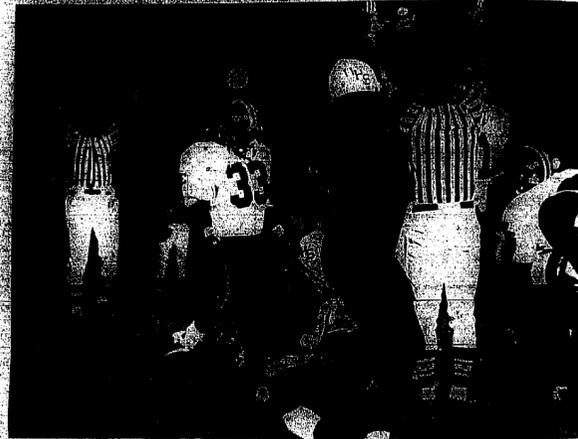
Johnston's first squad should be a little more hungry this year based on the fact that Union failed to make the playoffs in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 last year for only the fourth time since 1977.

Although Union finished 7-2, the Farmers lost at Linden 12-7 on the playoff cutoff weekend. It was Union's first loss to Linden in nine years and the Farmers' first road loss in seven years.

Union opens its season at home tomorrow night against Linden at 7. The Farmers should also be very motivated for their Game Two opponent, that being North Bergen. This is the first year that Watching Conference schools get a chance to mix it up with Hudson County teams.

"We're still going through the transition, but now the kids have to start executing and that's what we're striving for," Johnston said.

Johnston, who will serve as the team's offensive coordinator, will have senior Nick



Corey Ferguson, No. 35 on the ground, scored the first of his 16 touchdowns last year in Union's season-opening victory against visiting Elizabethtown. Union opens the 1998 campaign at home tomorrow night vs. Linden, a team it hasn't beaten the past two years.

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JUNIORS: Brian Yawick, S/C/B, (5-8, 150); Damien Lowe, QB/S, (5-6, 147); DeShawn Crockett, T/B/C, (5-4, 146); Alan Thomas, WR/DB, (5-8, 155); Scott Friedman, T/E/D, (6-2, 170); Wayne Peterson, T/E/D, (6-1, 185); Ed Izbicki, C/D/T, (6-0, 216); James Boyer, FB/LB, (5-11, 160); Sand Baker, FB/LB, (5-10, 160); Kenny Holland, CB, (5-10, 132); John DeFrancisco, O/D/E, (6-0, 215); Mike Stanton, O/T/D, (6-2, 215).

SOPHOMORES: Nyglen Galtoun, T/E/LB, (6-0, 220); Mike Pollock, O/T/D, (6-1, 237); LaForest Knox, WR/DB, (6-0, 150); Victor Bebo, T/E/LB, (5-8, 200); John Sobral, O/T/D, (5-10, 215).

Ferguson (6-2, 203) running his Multiple Pro offense, one that will include running out of the I-Formation somewhat. This will be Ferguson's first season as the starting quarterback and Union will be getting away from being a true Wing T.

"We want to be able to spread some people out and that includes a pro-style passing game," Johnston said.

Union will have one of the most talented backfields in the area, with seniors Corey Ferguson (5-11, 200) and Lookal Nii-Moi (6-0, 185).

Ferguson, Union's fullback, rushed for 1,165 yards last year after gaining 1,383 as a sophomore. He has scored 36 touchdowns in two varsity seasons.

Nii-Moi rushed for nearly 800 yards last year and, like Ferguson, is a capable receiver out of the backfield.

Sophomore Nyglen Galtoun (6-0, 220) will be the tight end and the receivers include senior Hanker Shann Johnson (5-8, 160) and junior split end Brian Yawick (5-8, 150).

Union's all-senior offensive line includes Ron Zieser (6-0, 236) at center; Mike Luzzi (6-2, 180) at right guard; Mike Passero (5-11, 190) at left guard; Billy Tullock (6-4, 220) at left tackle and Garrett Nann (5-11, 205) at right tackle. Passero and Tullock are returning starters.

Union's defense will be anchored by the play of Ferguson at inside linebacker. He registered 10 hits last year, adding to his 69 as a sophomore, leading Union in tackles the past two seasons.

Johnston said that his defensive alignment, which will have a 4-4 back, will be determined following Union's scrimmages. Union scrimmaged at St. Joseph of Montvale and then faced Phillipsburg before its game scrimmages, which was scheduled to take place at home last Friday against St. Peter's Prep.

"The kids have to be focused and be a hungry football team," Johnston said. "After our first two scrimmages there were some bright spots but still a lot of question marks. We still have an awful lot of work to do."

Union opens the season at home against Linden tomorrow night at 7 at Cooke Memorial Field.

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Summit High School Hilltoppers

Best players will be on field

By KATHY AGRAN
SUMMIT — Four straight appearances in the North Jersey Section 2, Group 2 title game, winning the championship twice, breeds a certain feeling of comfort and confidence. For head coach Ray McCrann and his Hilltoppers, the return of only five players who saw significant game action a year ago is not a concern. Good programs just keep the players coming.

"We don't have a lot of seniors," McCrann said of his five-man class. "But if you've done a good job with your program, you should have the people to step in. We think we have a very good program here."

That type of approach, combined with a firm belief that the best 11 players, regardless of age or experience, will be on the field, gives McCrann a level of comfort few can enjoy. Just a few days into practice, McCrann didn't seem the least bit concerned about replacing his entire backfield or about any other area for that matter.

"You're going to have to show us consistently that you're the best," McCrann said. "Yes, we are approaching this thing with a lot of young names, but we're not looking at it as a rebuilding season."

The I-formation, Multiple-Set offense will get its third new look in the last three years, what with Junior Scott Schroeder taking over the helm at quarterback. Two years ago, the Hilltoppers rode a dominant tailback in Torrie Fogg and last year the arm of a top dropback quarterback in Steve Schroeder. With the younger Schroeder running the show, McCrann thinks the 5-10, 160-pounder can give them an option look.

"Scott can really run the option," McCrann said. "He has different qualities than his brother. That's our offense, though. We're very flexible and diverse. Depending on the strengths of our players, we can go to those strengths."

Behind Schroeder at tailback will be another new starter in Junior John Brown (5-11, 180), although Brown did make major contributions on special teams a year ago as a kick returner. Sophomore Dominic Farnio (5-9, 160) has stepped forth during camp and is also expected to get carries.

Junior Jason Flores (5-10, 175) and sophomore David Anderson (6-0, 230) are wearing a special hat for the fullback spot. Senior co-captain Peter Torres (5-10, 170), called by McCrann "one of the team's better athletes," will man the slotback position, one which is handled with versatility in

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Nov. 28 at Mendham, 10:30	

mind and should be aptly named by the returning Torres. Junior Joe Morosack (5-9, 160) is also very much in the receiver picture, and can float between slotback and split end. Junior Jeff Stewart (5-11, 175) has also been working at split end and should see considerable action. Senior tri-captain Corey Ballantyne (6-1, 200), last year's backup QB, has been shifted to tight end and has made the transition smoothly.

McCrann was unable to confirm any offensive line starters just yet, but does expect to see returnees such as the "Weather" brothers, senior tri-captain Martin (5-10, 200) and Junior Jeff (6-1, 180) and junior James Lamboy (5-10, 230) among his top blockers. Sophomore Andrew Busati (5-11, 240) and Junior Steve McDermott (5-9, 200) have the edge for the remaining spots.

The eight-man front on defense will feature a bundle of two-way players, reaffirming McCrann's belief that the best will play. Martin Weathers and Lamboy will be inside on the defensive line, flanked by Anderson and senior Greg McDermott (5-11, 165) on the ends.

Ballantyne returns to his post at inside linebacker, where he'll be joined by Peter Jeff Weathers and Schroeder will be the outside backers. Brown is the free safety and Morosack and Stewart will play the corners.

A move to the North Hills Conference-Hills Division, the smaller of the two divisions, should be an interesting one for the Hilltoppers. Their schedule includes only teams in their division and is made up mostly of Group 2 schools from Morris County.

Summit has a good recent history against HC-Hills Division schools, having defeated Mendham in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 championship game in 1993 and 1994 and having defeated Hanover Park during the regular season the past two years. Both Hanover Park and Mendham are on Summit's schedule this year.

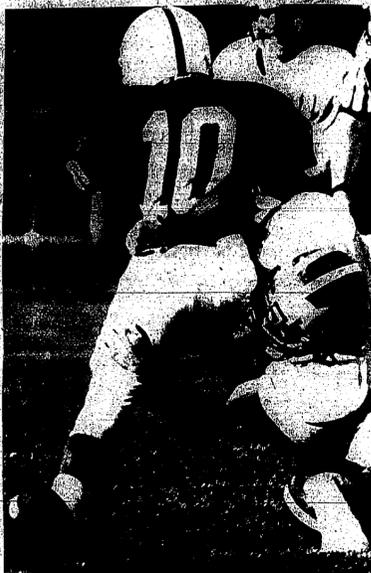
"Because everybody we play is in our division, we're going to have to be on top of our game week in and week out," McCrann said. "But we know the kind of football they play in that league."

Head Coach: RAY MCCRANN
 At Parsippany: Head coach (1981-1993), assistant (1975-1980)
 At Summit: 18-4 (818) — 2 seasons (1994, 1995)

Opponents not so new
 Summit is now the only Union County school in the North Hills Conference, one of 10 teams in the smaller schools Hills Division.

The Hilltoppers play division foot Dover, Mendham, West Essex and Hanover Park, teams they faced the past four seasons while a member of the Watchung Conference-National Division.

Summit lost to Dover in the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 final in 1992 and defeated Mendham in the title game in 1993 and 1994. The Hilltoppers defeated West Essex in the sectional semifinals last year and hosted Hanover Park the past two years in non-conference regular-season action.



Summit head coach Ray McCrann calls senior tri-captain Peter Torres, shown here jarring the ball loose from a ball-carrier after delivering a jarring hit last year, "one of the team's better athletes." Torres will man the slotback position, one which is handled with versatility and should be aptly named by Torres, a returning starter.

SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS
SENIORS: Colin Ballantyne, TE/LB, (6-1, 200); Greg McDermott, OL/DE, (5-11, 165); Jim Russo, OL/DT, (6-1, 210); Peter Torres, SB/OLB, (5-10, 170).
JUNIORS: John Brown, TB/S, (5-11, 180); Danno Datta, QB/DB, (5-10, 150); Steven Evans, OT/DT, (5-9, 250); Jason Flores, FB/LB, (5-10, 175); James Lamboy, OL/DT, (5-10, 230); Steven McDermott, OT/DT, (5-9, 200); Joe Morosack, SB/DB, (5-9, 160); Scott Schroeder, QB/OLB, (5-10, 160); Peter Soccodato, OL/DE, (5-9, 180); Jeff Stewart, SB/DB, (5-11, 175); Matt Trombley, TE/LB, (5-9, 163); Jeff Weathers, C/OLB, (6-1, 180).
SOPHOMORES: David Anderson, OL/DE, (5-11, 175); Matt Anderson, FB/DE, (6-0, 230); Greg Barh, OL/OLB, (6-1, 160); Andrew Busati, OT/DT, (5-11, 240); Matt Dill, SE/DB, (5-11, 150); Greg Edgerton, SB/OLB, (5-10, 140); Dominic Farnio, TB/LB, (5-9, 160); Brandon Irvin, SB/S, (5-6, 135); Joong Kim, TE/DE, (5-9, 160); Tom Martin, SE/DB, (5-5, 125); Reggie Miller, OT/DT, (6-0, 200); Billy Motzko, OG/DE, (5-9, 180); Neil Osdorff, OG/DE, (6-2, 185); Francisco Rojas, C/DT, (6-0, 200); Kylan Thompson, TB/DB, (5-9, 150).

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Mountainside lends helping hand

By J.R. PARACchini
BERKELEY HEIGHTS — A much-improved Governor Livingston squad, one that finished with a winning record of 5-4 last year that included three shutouts, is strengthened this year by a budding sophomore class featuring a number of Mountainside residents.

One senior and four juniors from Mountainside also dot the varsity roster, providing added depth for head coach Joe Hubert. "We're starting to see some good numbers from Mountainside," said Hubert, in his 11th season at the helm. "The sophomores are part of a very strong class."

The lone Mountainside senior on this year's squad is split end/defensive end Brian Cutagallo (5-9, 160).

"Brian will be in our rotation at split end," Hubert said.

Juniors include center/defensive end Chet King (6-3, 200), offensive guard/defensive tackle Brent Oberbauer (5-11, 210), offensive guard/defensive tackle Joe Leone (5-11, 195) and halfback/corner back Jim Debbio (5-8, 170).

"Chet was our starting center last year and Brent has been coming on strong in practice," Hubert said. "Leone is our utility guy on defense and can play anywhere on the line. He can really make things happen."

"Debbio is our third offensive back and will see time on offense."

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Dayton Regional High School Bulldogs Second step about to be taken

By J.R. PARACHINI
SPRINGFIELD — The first step was taken last year for Dayton Regional. With only four seniors on the squad, first-year head coach Ed Ryscavage knew his team would be lacking in veteran leadership and varsity experience.

What he and his staff needed to do was mold very green junior and sophomore classes, prepare them both physically and mentally for what they were about to experience on the varsity level.

The Bulldogs took their lumps in 1995, winning just once, but now are ready to dish out some of what they received a year ago. "We were knocked off the ball because

we were weak," Ryscavage said. "Hopefully, this year we'll knock someone off the ball and cut down on mistakes made because of inexperience."

Dayton has a nice balance of nine seniors, 15 juniors and eight sophomores on its varsity roster this year.

"So far our preseason has been pretty good," Ryscavage said. "It took the kids time last year to get used to our offense, but this year we're moving right along. That's allowed me to put in more things to do on both sides of the ball."

In charge of running Ryscavage's Combination I-Back, 2-Back and Wishbone offense again is junior quarterback Mark

Armento (6-1, 190), last year's starting signal-caller.

"He was to quite a few camps this summer and has looked good so far on both sides of the ball," said Ryscavage, who also uses Armento at safety.

Providing the necessary blocking for Armento whether he throws the ball or hands off will be sophomore center Mike Harms (6-11, 240), guards Jon Zika (6-2, 195 junior) and Jerry Gossett (5-11, 230 senior) and tackles Mark Pichasovich (6-0, 250 senior) and Barry Kaveric (6-0, 250 junior). Junior Joe Rizzo (5-10, 235) is cut with an injury and is expected back for Dayton's second game.

Running the ball for the Bulldogs will be senior Ian Telfer (5-11, 195) and juniors Kevin Burns (5-11, 195) and Paul Testa (6-3, 175). Burns missed the beginning of last year and is one of the more talented runners in Union County.

Capable receiving targets for Armento include first-year varsity player Eric Hensley (6-4, 195 senior) at split end, and juniors Anthony Chang (6-3, 185) and Burns at tight end.

"We've gained quite a bit of experience from last year and expect a big improvement," Ryscavage said.

Dayton's Even-Front defensive scheme will place junior Kevin Hogan (6-2, 190

and Kaveric at ends and junior Joe Cappiglano (5-10, 210), Gossett and senior Josh Goldfarb (5-11, 225) at tackle.

Junior Mark Dempsey (5-10, 195) and Telfer are the inside linebackers with Burns and junior Chris Loeffler (6-4, 205) at outside.

Armento, senior Mike Chonko (5-8, 165), junior Jimmy Sweigart (6-0, 185), junior Eric Fishman (5-11, 185) and Testa make up the secondary.

Head Coach: ED RYSCAVAGE
Lifetime: 30-52 (.356) — 9 seasons (1986-1990, 1992-1993)
Also head coach at Irvington (1986-1990) and Runston (1992-1994)
One year at Dayton: 1995 (1-8)

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Oct. 18 at "Rough" Creek, 7:00
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Linden High School Tigers Time for newcomers to contribute

By KEITH AGRAN
LINDEN — His returning quarterback and halfback won't be with the team this fall, yet Linden Tigers coach Bucky McDonald still has some options he can utilize about.

Anthony Thomas and Robert Avshin, both no longer in school at LIS, will not be available to help Linden creep closer to a playoff berth, one they missed narrowly a year ago after posting a 6-2 mark by the cutoff date.

A small roster number who has not meant that quality has been diminished. McDonald still likes what he sees from many of his returnees and some impressive new faces, many of whom are being forced to try positions they have not played before.

"I'm just trying to get as many of my top kids on the field as possible and put my best 11 out there," McDonald said.

Three players are battling hard for the opening day quarterback nod, and much like the preseason situation last year, all give the team a different and an option dimension out of their Wing-T look.

Senior Mike Tunaliann (5-7, 155) and junior Keith Blazowaky (5-9, 175) both back the size of Thomas, and have little-to-no action a year ago and are joined by sophomore Chris Rayford (6-0, 165) in a three-way battle that appears likely to go down to the last day.

The running backs, what with Archie gone, will all be new as well, ensuring that the Tigers will boast a completely new set of faces behind the offensive front. Senior Josh Brown (5-9, 165) did carry the ball some last year and is engaged in a battle with fellow senior and fellow returning letterman Allen

Hay (6-1, 170), who is making his first foray into the backfield. Sophomore Rashem Starling (5-11, 175) is right in the mix as well for one of the two running back spots.

McDonald will choose between three players who have looked solid so far to fill the fullback yard. Sophomore Charles Lovreite (5-10, 225), a Shabazz transfer, has thrown his hat into a ring that includes senior Ethias Williams (6-1, 205) and junior Patrick Zyzalio (5-11, 205), with the hard-running Lovreite most likely stepping up early in camp.

"We pretty much lost all of our backs (from a year ago)," McDonald said. "Right now we're fly-flopping kids around to get a combo that fits."

Some experience on the offensive line can be found in three seniors — Steve Filop (6-1, 180) at center, Simon Zlobko (5-10, 230) at guard and Steve Johnson (6-2, 245) at tackle. Junior Justin Williams (6-1, 220) appears to have the lead for the other tackle spot and sophomore Ernest Strothers (5-10, 205) in competition for the remaining guard spot.

McDonald likes what he sees in tight end, as junior Deenan Brown (6-2, 215), a Rice-taway transfer, enters the program with experience from the strong Chief program. Senior Grant St. Fleur (6-1, 190) has also impressed McDonald.

Junior Antonio Chapman (5-8, 175) and Waytek Stratford (5-10, 165) are the candidates at wide receiver, with Chapman leading the pack.

"Along the defensive line, McDonald has been pleased with Johnson and Lovreite and Hay and Deenan Brown on the ends. Hay is moving from outside linebacker and Brown brings quality defensive experience. St. Fleur is also expected to see time at the inside linebacker spot, while Williams and Starling appear to have secured the outside backer spots. Senior Rich Mezoff (5-7, 160) and sophomore Travette Jackson (6-0, 175) will add depth.

Josh Brown is the lone returnee to a secondary which will need to adjust quickly, as Tunaliann and Rayford step in along with sophomore Edwin Charton (5-7, 165).

Head Coach: BUCKY McDONALD
Lifetime: 74-30-2 (711) — 11 seasons (1985-1995)

LINDEN TIGERS

SENIORS: Josh Brown, HB/DE (5-9, 165); Steve Filop, C (6-1, 180); Allen Hay, HB/DE (6-1, 170); Steve Johnson, G (6-2, 245); Rich Mezard, OLB (5-7, 160); Grant St. Fleur, TE/DE (6-1, 190); Mike Tunaliann, QB/DB (5-7, 155); Ethias Williams, FB/OLB (6-1, 205); Simon Zlobko, OLB/LB (5-10, 230).

JUNIORS: Keith Blazowaky, QB/DB (5-9, 175); Deenan Brown, TE/DE (6-2, 215); Andrie Chapman, WR (5-8, 175); Waytek Stratford, WR (5-10, 165); Justin Williams, OT/DT (6-1, 220); Patrick Zyzalio, FB/LB (5-11, 205).

SOPHOMORES: Edwin Charton, DB (5-7, 165); Travette Jackson, OLB (6-0, 175); Charles Lovreite, FB/DT (5-10, 225); Michael Lordi, OG (5-10, 180); Chris Rayford, QB/DB (6-0, 165); Rashem Starling, HB/OLB (5-11, 175); Ernest Strothers, OG (5-10, 230).

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Roselle High School Rams

Football can be fun this year

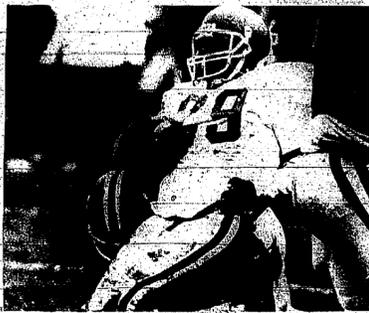


Photo by Michael Ziegler

Eric Neely, a junior who played some varsity last year, gives Roselle what head coach Lou Grasso calls, "tremendous speed" at the tailback position.

By KEITH AGRAN

ROSELLE — The catch phrase around the Roselle Rams fall camp appears to be "football can be fun," this judging from the positive vibes head coach Lou Grasso exudes about his group of kids this year. "It's been an enjoyable season so far," Grasso said of the first two weeks. "This is a nice bunch of athletes and a nice bunch of kids."

How much of that enthusiasm transfers to the field will depend, according to Grasso, on how things go early for his rosters, many of which will be starting fall-camps for the first time. From an undefeated freshman team of a year ago, enter five sophomores who Grasso feels could be immediate and solid contributors in the quest to improve upon last year's 4-5 mark.

"We're a bit young and will take some lumps early, but I think that experience will be good for the future," Grasso said. Grasso was unable to name definitive starters at many positions, saying there were still "a lot of positions open," many of which would only be decided after the scrimmage season ends after this weekend. He was pleased, however, that the team was displaying "good competition among ourselves."

Grasso will decide among sophomores Howard Jones (5-7, 140) and Jamel Dumas (6-2, 185) for the starting quarterback role in the Multiple-Set offense. Both being different things to the table and Grasso wasn't prepared to make the call at press time.

The rest of the backfield, not unlike other areas, will be manned by relative newcomers. Juniors Eric Neely (5-8, 170) and Jarrett Drake (5-9, 160) did see some action last year and give Grasso what he calls "tremendous speed" at the tailback position, something he feels is a clear strength across his offense. Sophomore Ascor Clay (5-7, 155) has looked good as well and is right in the fray for one of the two starting spots. Senior Chris Clemens (5-6, 150) and junior Joseph Gordon (5-9, 140) add depth.

"At wideout, a battle is being waged among six players, all of whom Grasso said have "good speed" and can give the Rams some versatility on the outside. A player Grasso is openly counting on is junior Kirk Hopson (6-5, 185), who returns 100 percent from a broken foot suffered a year ago that forced him to miss most of the season. Senior Marc Carmichael (6-0, 170), a Piscataway-transfer, has also impressed early on, but seniors Jamel Dorsey (5-9, 155) and Brian Stevens (5-6, 150), junior Tareen

Johnson (5-11, 150) and impressive sophomore Ernest Chandler (6-3, 175) have not disappointed from the picture by any means. Senior Bengoe Winbush (6-0, 190) is a returning starter at tight end, but sophomore Jason-Jean Battista (6-2, 175) has had a solid camp and is likely to see some action.

The offensive line, one which Grasso feels "confident can get the job done" has several returnees, including senior center Rafael Rodriguez (6-0, 205) and senior guards Troy Mickens (5-11, 205) and Claudio Pastor (6-2, 215). Two seniors, Turg Ogieter (6-2, 265) and Tyson Knight (6-3, 235) and two juniors, Ryan Dolosich (6-3, 235) and Telfair Rahman (6-3, 245), are vying for the two tackle spots.

Junior James Jenkins (6-1, 200) and transfer Marcus Williams (6-1, 270) also are competing and add depth and continued size to what is surely one of the bigger offensive line units in the area.

Out of their 50 series on defense, Grasso will look for leadership at inside linebacker, where Rodriguez and Mickens are both returning starters. Winbush is another returning two-way player at defensive end, and the three provide a tririvernate of senior positions which will be valuable to the new faces.

Junior Mike Turner (5-8, 150) has moved to nose guard from defensive back, and will be flanked by two out of a group consisting of Pastor, Knight, Chandler, Rahman, Jenkins and Williams. Dolosich appears to have the best on the other end spot, but both Chandler and Battista are threatening for time there.

The secondary includes Hopson at safety and Neely and Drake at cornerback.

Head Coach: LOU GRASSO
Lifetime: 94-64-3 (59%) — 17 seasons (1979-1995)

ROSELLE RAMS	
Sept. 28 at Newark Central, 1:00	
Oct. 5 at Hillside, 1:00	
Oct. 12 Gov. Livingston, 1:00	
Oct. 19 at Roseland, 1:00	
Oct. 26 at Manville, 7:30	
Nov. 2 North Plainfield, 2:00	
Nov. 9 at Hillside, 1:00	
Nov. 16 at Millstone, 1:00	
Nov. 28 at Roselle Park, 10:30	

ROSELLE RAMS

SENIORS: Marc Carmichael, WR, (6-0, 170); Chris Clemens, RB, (5-6, 150); Jamel Dorsey, WR, (5-9, 155); Turg Ogieter, OT/DT, (6-2, 265); Tyson Knight, OT/DT, (6-3, 235); Troy Mickens, OG/OLB, (5-11, 205); Claudio Pastor, OG/DT, (6-2, 215); Rafael Rodriguez, C/ELB, (6-0, 205); Brian Stevens, WR, (5-6, 150); Bengoe Winbush, TE/DE, (6-0, 190).

JUNIORS: Kyle Adams, OG/OLB, (5-11, 180); Ryan Dolosich, OT/DE, (6-3, 235); Jarrett Drake, RB/DB, (5-9, 160); Joseph Gordon, RB, (5-9, 140); Kirk Hopson, WR/DB, (6-5, 185); James Jenkins, O/DT, (6-1, 200); Tareen Johnson, WR, (5-11, 150); Eric Neely, RB/DB, (5-8, 170); Telfair Rahman, OT/DT, (6-3, 245); Mike Turner, OG/AG, (5-8, 150); Marcus Williams, OT/DT, (6-1, 270).

SOPHOMORES: Jason-Jean Battista, TE/DE, (6-2, 175); Ernest Chandler, SE/DE, (6-0, 175); Ascor Clay, RB, (5-7, 155); Jamel Dumas, QB, (6-2, 185); Howard Jones, QB, (5-7, 140).

Rahway High School Indians

Punko: We're cautiously excited

By KEITH AGRAN

RAHWAY — After finishing 5-4 with a close win over arch-rival Linden last season and returning what he is calling his biggest and most experienced team in years, Rahway Indians head coach Mike Punko is taking the wise and cautious approach early in fall workouts.

"Cautious is the right word for it," Punko said of his sizable returning corps. "We really hope to avoid injuries above all, but we are certainly cautiously excited about our size and experienced level." Experience is in an 11-man senior class full of players who either started or saw significant action a year ago. After spending most of last year as a student of the quarterback's frustration, senior Louis Campbell (6-2, 180) returns behind a veteran offensive line to lead the Multiple-Set Indian offensive attack again. Backing up Campbell will be sophomore Brandon Thomas (6-1, 165).

"Campbell is a three-year varsity player who has quick feet and is very good at deception," Punko said.

Battling Campbell are a bevy of returning players intermingled with some promising youngsters still making an impression. Senior Omer Francis (5-9, 158) returns as a multi-threat type of player, who has been seeing some work at running back, as does senior Marvin Hill (5-10, 165), who Punko expects to see some work on the field for sure, possibly at wideout.

Senior Isaac Sellers (5-11, 185) has been looking good at fullback according to Punko and gives the coach "a boost" as a fullback for the first time in four years.

Squarely in the tailback mix are juniors Eugene Jeter (5-11, 158) and James Draper (5-9, 165) and sophomore Lavar Tulloch (5-8, 133), all of whom are likely to see carries, with Jeter and Draper performing solid enough early on to threaten for a starting spot.

The veterans on the line, a contingent Punko sees as his biggest and most experienced by midseason.

RAHWAY INDIANS	
Sept. 28 Snyder, J.C., 1:30	
Oct. 5 at Kearny, 1:30	
Oct. 12 Westfield, 1:30	
Oct. 19 at Shabazz, 1:30	
Nov. 2 at East Side, 1:30	
Nov. 9 at Plainfield, 1:30	
Nov. 16 Cranford, 1:30	
Nov. 28 Linden, 10:30	

RAHWAY INDIANS

SENIORS: Louis Campbell, QB/S, (6-2, 180); Omer Francis, RB/DB, (5-9, 158); Danny Fitzharris, OT/DT, (6-5, 250); Ray Giacobbe, OT/OLB, (6-2, 205); Marvin Hill, TR/WR/DB, (5-10, 165); Isaac Sellers, FB/LB, (5-11, 185); Matt Thomas, OG, (5-9, 162); Bobby Vieira, OG/DT, (5-10, 205); Abdul Wilks, TE/LB, (6-2, 206); Wacil Wynn, SE/DB, (5-10, 163); Shaun Young, TE/DE, (6-2, 195).

JUNIORS: Mikal Ali, OT/DT, (6-2, 260); Jason Crutchfield, WR/OLB, (5-11, 165); James Draper, TB/OLB, (5-9, 145); Antonio Gamy, OT/DE, (6-2, 235); Eugene Jeter, TB/DB, (5-11, 158); Tom O'Reilly, DL/DE, (5-10, 192); Jake Switzer, C/DE, (6-1, 180), DB, (6-11, 158); Brandon Thomas, OG/DT, (6-1, 165); Brandon Thomas, QB/DB, (6-1, 165); Lavar Tulloch, TB/OLB, (5-8, 135).



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Louis Campbell, a 6-2, 180-pound senior, returns to lead Rahway's offense as the Indians' starting quarterback.

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Johnson: Winning can become contagious

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sophomore Mike Fink (5-9, 235) who vying for the other.

New faces can be seen at tight end and wide receiver as well, where junior Brian Drake (5-11, 170) has won the tight end spot and junior Nick Spagnolo (6-1, 162) one of the wideout slots. Junior Jim DeTollo (5-10, 170) and sophomore Ryan Garpor (5-9, 145) are back and neck on the other side.

An active five-man front is the key to the Crusaders' defensive scheme and Taylor is able to combine a good amount of size with quick ends and linebackers. Kryszon and Derillo anchor the middle of the line along with either Nicholas or senior Curtis Dick (5-8, 200) at middle guard. Sophomore Matt Deach (5-11, 240) and Fink will provide depth.

The speedy and athletic Prokes and Zamboni will man the ends, and have ample size and speed behind them in linebackers Drake and Guesner. DeTollo and Garpor are poised.

Hillside: Senior leaders needed

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"We have a lot of hitters and some good size."

Sellers took over the reins last year and Hillside finished 4-5, unable to put together back-to-back wins and falling in its last two contests.

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Elizabeth High School Minutemen

Big and strong squad returns

By J.R. PARACCHINI

ELIZABETH — Despite the loss of a very talented senior class, Elizabeth still figures to be one of the top teams in North Jersey this year.

Although the Minutemen will miss the services of four-year varsity players Al Hawkins and Quinton Spowood and other key players from last year's squad that included Julian Hambrick, Leo Miller, Quarrun Rogers and John Dangel, Elizabeth has a solid squad returning and remains a threat to capture its first North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 title, since the 1980 team went 11-0 and was ranked No. 1 in the state.

"This will be our first year without Hawkins and Spowood in four years and we lost a lot of experienced players," said head coach Jerry Moore, in his 12th season at the helm. "We do have some players back with quite a bit of experience."

Key returning players, all seniors, include running back Darrell Glover, tight end/indefiner Hackson Stewart and two-way lineman Anthony Marlinj and Jalro "Labrador."

Glover rushed for 1,026 yards on 108 carries (9.5 average) last year and scored 11 touchdowns, four in one game. He gained over 500 yards as a sophomore.

Stewart and wideouts Tobias Daniels (5-10, 170) and Maurice McClain (5-11, 170) are capable receivers and will pick up



Darrell Glover, shown here throwing an option pass during last year's game against Linden, is Elizabeth's No. 1 tailback and the senior has rushed for nearly 2,000 yards the past two seasons.

the slack left behind by Spowood, now a wide receiver at Syracuse.

Assad Abdul-Khalig (6-0, 170) steps in as Elizabeth's starting quarterback. The junior started last year's season-opener at Union and did quite well, pitching in as Hawkins could only play a couple of series of downs at quarterback because of a sore shoulder.

Khalig completed a touchdown pass to Spowood and was able to get a bit of varsity experience before Hawkins returned for the rest of the way.

"Asad went to Rutgers Quarterback Camp and that helped him a lot," Moore said. "He's a very intelligent young man who has a lot of potential."

Although Elizabeth lost to Union 15-12, the Minutemen went on to win seven straight and finished 8-2 overall in 1985, qualifying for the playoffs once again.

"I really like the attitude of this team and we're the biggest we've been up front in years," Moore said.

Running a Multiple offense that includes the Pro Land Split Backs, Abdul-Khalig, not as big as Hawkins, should be well protected by a massive offensive line consisting of Marlinj (6-2, 245) at center, John McBryde (6-1, 238) and Clement Joachim (6-2, 225) at guards and Craig Sporer (6-4, 270) and Labrador (6-1, 220) at tackles.

That offensive line will be pushing forward opposing defenses so that Glover and

ELIZABETH MINUTEMEN

- SENIORS: Anthony Marlinj, C/D/E, (6-2, 245); John McBryde, O/D/T, (6-1, 238); Jalro Labrador, O/T/D/T, (6-1, 220); Hackson Stewart, TE/M/LB, (6-1, 235); Anderson Dorthins, O/T/D/T, (6-4, 278); Julian Gibson, O/D/T, (6-3, 270); Victor Curtis, C/D/E, (6-1, 230); Gustavo Barco, C/D/E, (5-7, 160); Keith Pustosh, O/C/D/T, (6-3, 270); Darrell Glover, TB/DB, (6-0, 185); Karim Hill, TB/DB, (5-7, 160); Johnny Kemner, TB/DB, (5-7, 145); James St. Forte, FB/O/LB, (6-0, 220); Tobias Daniels, WR/DB, (5-10, 170); Kamel Brown, TB/DB, (5-9, 165); Rafael Santiago, WR/DB, (5-7, 155); Walter Papp, TB/O/LB, (6-5, 165); Marcelino Desapaigne, O/G/D/T, (6-0, 260); Yous Holmes, O/T/D/T, (6-5, 300); Raheem Orr, TE/O/LB, (6-3, 200); Peter Czakowski, TE/M/LB, (6-4, 195); Maurice McClain, WR/DB, (5-11, 170); Pedro Domingo, WR/DB, (5-11, 165); Loren Taylor, WR/DB, (6-0, 170); Adam DB, (5-11, 165); Assad Abdul-Khalig, QB/P, (6-0, 170); Tyshon Adams, FB/M/LB, (5-10, 180); Gershon Cherillen, FB/O/LB, (5-11, 170); Luis Gueta, TB/DB, (5-9, 165); Omar McCoy, FB/DB, (5-7, 160).
- SOPHOMORES: Basim Santiago, QB/FB/RS, (5-11, 175); Tylic Austin, TB/LB, (6-0, 180); Michael Origa, TE/FB/LB, (6-3, 245); Corey Uzelli, TE/O/LB, (6-2, 190); Heroldo Privado, O/T/D/T, (6-0, 210); Carter Orduy, TE/O/LB, (6-3, 195).

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