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said Assistant Superintendent of

Human Resources, Dr. Margaret

Dolan, "We would have liked a

scoring on vocabulary, literal and

inferred meaning, and more of a

the bar for kids who test profi-

cient, but not advanced proficient,

In the area of Language Arts,

for instance, 69.2 percent of dis-

trict students scored proficient while 29.8 percent scored advanced proficient. District

administrators want to improve the numbers by addressing

strengths and/or weaknesses in

all proficiency," Dolan said, "But

we would like to see kids who test

proficient move to advanced profi-

"We are pleased with the over-

District educators want to raise

foc us on mechanics.

on the tests.

the curriculum.

Student scores

not as good as

they can be?

By THOMAS SCOTT

state standards

percent respectively.

students.

WESTFIELD - Nearly all dis-

trict fourth-graders scored above

Elementary School Proficiency

Assessment (ESPA) tests admin-

istered last May, school officials

said last week, but administra-

tors are still looking to get a han-

percent, 94.4 percent, and 99.5

type of data provided by the state

was limited and handicapped

their efforts to analyze the results

in ways helpful to teachers and

on the ESPA Language Arts test

into two categories—reading and

The state breaks down scoring

Scores for Language Arts, Mathematics and Science were 99

Despite the strong scores, school administrators said the

dle on ways to improve scores.

THE RECORD-PRESS



Westfield's Danielle Coleman finished third at second singles in the Union County Tournament Tuesday. Westfield won the team title by beating Summit by a point, 68-67. See story on Page C-1.

Briefs

Free bowling party for senior citizens

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains Recreation Commission is sponsoring a free bowling party for senior citizens at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at Linden Lanes.

The event will include bowling and all equipment, instructional help, coffee and dough-

Those interested must register at the recreation office, 430 Park Ave. Participants must provide their own transportation.

Still no agreement for SP-F teachers

SCOTCH Negotiators for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association and the Board of Education met Tuesday, but were unable to arrive at a new contract.

This was the final chance for the two parties to come to an agreement before the negotiations go into arbitration with a state mediator on Oct. 17.

ie biogiess, said D Donald E. Sheldon, president of the Board of Education, "But we didn't get to a final agreement."

Edward Leonard, president of the teachers' union, could not be reached for comment.

Investment advice offered to women

GARWOOD -- Women's clubs and individual investors are invited to a seminar on "The Biggest Mistakes Women Investors Make and How to Avoid Them."

The seminar has been rescheduled from September and will now be 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10 at The Westwood on North Avenue. Speaker is Stewart Ritter, senior vice president/investments for the Westfield office of Prudential Securities.

For tickets, phone Rose DeSimone at (908) 789-7827.

Fanwood book group meets on Thursday

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Memorial Library holds its book discussion group 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

"Cold Mountain" by Charles Frazier is the book to be discussed. Librarian Ruth Ahnert is the facilitator. Copies are available at the North Avenue library for people who need

For more information, phone (908) 322-6400.

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GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Hoofin' it to class

Carolyn Raba, 10, and Amanda Garfinkel, 10, sign a banner at Franklin School in Westfield to show that they walked to school on Wednesday, Walk Your Children to School day.

Victims memorial planned in Westfield

By THOMAS SCOTT THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD-In an effort to recognize and honor the memories of the victims of the World Trade Center attack on Sept. 11, the Town Council is planning to dedicate a memorial to the Westfield

The memorial will be located in a small park near rirst Union Bank. The site is frequented by commuters walking from the trains onto North Avenue and East Broad Street.

The existing flagpole at the site has been painted and a garden put in, said Town Administrator James H. Gildea. Eventually, there will a large rock placed at the site with a bronze plaque attached to it. The names of the Westfield victims will appear on the plaque, subject to approval of the families.

Eight Westfield residents are listed as missing in the attack: Andrew Alameno, Michael A. Davidson, Stephen M. Fogel, Leo Russell Keene, Richard B. Madden, John S. Salerno, See-Wong Shum and Anthony M. Starita.

The memorial will be known as "The Town of Westfield Memorial to the Victims Who Perished in The Destruction of the World Trade Center."

The council's resolution creating the memorial reads in part, the council "condemns in the strongest possible terms the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001, that caused the destruction of the World Trade Center" and "expresses its heartfelt condolences and sympathies to the families and loved ones of the victims."



FON WALTERS/THE RECORD-PRESS

A taste of yesteryear

Fanwood girls dressed in the spirit of the day at Fanny Wood Day Sunday. The event was a tribute to the borough's roots. Winners of the Fanny Wood Day contest were, from left, Anne Whitaker, most sophisticated; Cassie Caminiti, best smile; Rebecca Chaven, most authentic; Susie Gonch, most Fanwood knowledge; Lisa Schardien, best stage presence; Elyse Nussenfeld, best costume; and Kathryn DeCataldo, Miss Fannywood 2001.

Westfield's ward borders under review

By THOMAS SCOTT

THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD - With the 10year U.S. Census numbers in hand, a commission took its first crack at reconfiguring the ward boundaries at a meeting on Tuesday.

The wards must be examined following each census to ensure fair representation. The largest voting district can be no more than 10 percent larger than the smallest district, based on population.

The commissioners are June S. Fischer of Scotch Plains, Mary Ellen Harris of Kenilworth, John

DeSimone of Clark, Teresa M. Hale of Hillside, and town clerk Bernard Heeney, who is also chairman.

Westfield has four wards. Ward 1 has 7,575 people, Ward 2 has 7,190 people, Ward 3 has 7,347 people and Ward 4 has 7,532 people according to the 2000 census.

Councilwoman Lazarowitz of Ward 3 wanted an adjustment in Wards 2 and 3. Currently, the lines meet in the area of Cacciola Place.

"The lines need to go with the natural configuration of the land along the railroad tracks," said Lazarowitz, "Otherwise it looks like we are dividing a neighborhood and constituents feel they are being divided on purpose."

About 529 people south of the railroad track would be affected by the proposed change.

The commission reviewed the ward map to see what adjustments could be made to accommodate

By moving a portion of Ward 2 into Ward 3, a section of Ward 3 from Boulevard to Central Avenue into Ward 2, and moving a portion of Ward 1 from Harrison Avenue and Chestnut Avenue up to Parkview Avenue into Ward 2, the

10 percent requirement would be

met. In resolving the overlap of Wards 2 and 3, however, Town Attorney Robert Cockren noted that it creates two undersized wards on the north side and two oversized wards on the south side.

The commission has requested a colored overlay map for the next

The final decision to change the map belongs the commission but no changes adopted this year would affect elections this year. The commission will meet again at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 18.

Surviving pups ready for adoption

By THOMAS SCOTT

THE RECORD-PRESS

pediatric wing.

WESTFIELD-Some of the newborn puppies found in a brown paper bag on the railroad track bordering Clark on Aug. 18 have beaten the odds and will go to new adoptive homes in the next two

weeks. A litter of seven mixed breed puppies was left on the railroad tracks to perish but were found by police and taken to Noah's Ark Animal Placement and Rescue in

Clark. Suffering from dehydration, the condition of the pupples was poor and they were again transferred to the Lexington Animal Hospital to receive fluids and treatment in the

Three of the puppies died, but the remaining four were nursed back to health by hospital technician Jesse Osada.

"The puppies are wonderful," said Osada Tuesday, "They all go to adoptive homes in two weeks."

The puppies are approaching their 8-week-old mark, a critical time in their development, Osrada

"Corning up to eight weeks the puppies are more independent," she said. "Up till then they still

needed each other for socializa-"We are going to place them so they can stay close and be in

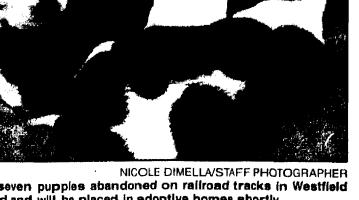
touch," Osada said. Osada will keep one of the pups,

named "Doser," The abandonment of feline litters is more common than puppy litters. Osada said, but the treatment of these puppies was espe-

'Usually unwanted litters are left on the doorstep at the shelter." she said. "There still needs to be more awareness of ... how necessary it is to spay and neuter pets to avoid unwanted litters."

Shelters such as Noah's Ark and Companion Critters have available low-cost spaying and neutering information and offer financial assistance for altering pets.

For more information, contact Companion Critters, PO Box 5883, Clark, NJ 07066, or call (732) 396-0007 or Nonh's Ark Animal Placement and Rescue, PO Box 5734, Clark, NJ 07066, or call (781) 815-1633.



Four of the seven pupples abandoned on railroad tracks in Westfield have survived and will be placed in adoptive homes shortly.

Individual student plans called key

THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — The schools must tailor a plan to focus on each student in the system, said the schools superintendent in a report on Board of Education goals.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Foley laid out a blueprint of six goals agreed upon by the school board at its summer retreat.

The first goal, Foley said, was to make differentiated instruction the standard within the next three years.

For example, with a major shift in the elementary math program this year, teachers will focus on meeting the individual academic needs of the students in understanding the math concepts. "Differentiated instruction is accommodating diverse student needs," Foley said.

At the intermediate level, an in-service day is scheduled Monday for teachers. Smaller groups led by moderators will also meet after school.

Westfield High School teachers will receive in-service training in computer technolo-

The board is also looking to develop a K-12 plan for gifted and talented students. The emphasis this year, Foley said, will be on grades K-8.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jane Edwards will work with Sara Lampe, a consultant with 24 years of experience in gifted and talented education, to develop the plan. The pair will meet with parents on Monday to discuss the first part of the plan.

As part of a yearlong study, Lampe will observe district elementary and intermediate students and meet with a representative committee of parents, teacher and board members. Lampe will also conduct a survey and tabulate her findings to present a report to the board. She will also be responsible for training staff.

The board will also be looking to develop suitable in-district programs as an alternative to out-of-district placements for special-needs students. The district hopes to provide for students more effectively in regular education classrooms and set standards for related services.

Other board goals include creating a citizens' advisory committee to review the equity of funding in sponsored activities, developing a long-range space utilization plan based on enrollment projections for the next five years and developing a multiyear school budget covering six years, including the past two years.

The citizens' advisory committee will examine athletics programs in an attempt to balance financial support for boys and girls activities. Two selffunded teams, the boys ice hockey team and the girls lacrosse team, have been pushing hard for district funding. This prompted the board's interest in reviewing the funding of extracurricular activities.

Other goals include continued review of the high school grading process and examining ways to improve staff reten-



RON WALTERS/THE RECORD-PRESS

Looking for bargains

Not even a persistent drizzle and cool temperatures could keep Suzanne Jaejer of Fanwood from looking for bargains at the sidewalk sale at Fanny Wood Day in the borough Sunday.

Cranford Crossing may soon be reality

By GREG MARX

STAFF WRITER

CRANFORD — Several years after the Cranford Crossing project was originally begun, the township is close to striking a redevelopment deal for the site with Kushner Companies, Mayor George Jorn said Tuesday.

Though there have been serious disagreements about the direction of the project within the Township Committee, the commissioners recently agreed upon "a final compromise offer" to the developer, Jorn said.

And Jorn said he has since been told by township special counsel Joseph Baumann, who has been in contact with Kushner representatives, there is now "a high potential for

and diabetes

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agreement" with the company.

A deal can "definitely" be struck "by the end of the year," said Jorn. "There's a deal to be done. I think it's going to happen, I really do.'

The township's latest offer, Jorn said, called for the climin ation of the fourth floor of the building on the Round Bark

That change, he said, will result in a reduction of the number of apartments at the site, though he did not specify what the new number of apartments might be. Kushner representatives had originally proposed 60 apartments over two buildings on the site, and the density and number of apartments has been a major obstacle to an agreement.

While the anticipated deal

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reduces the residential part of the project, it "preserves the retail component," Jorn said. Kushner's original proposal called for 22,000 square feet of first-floor retail space at the two buildings.

Last week, Commissioner Phil Morin said one of his concerns about Kushner's first proposal was the potential for small retail lots. Much of the downtown consists of small lots, and Morin said he wanted a written assurance of larger lot sizes at Cranford Crossing to allow bigger businesses to move in.

"I want to see it as an asset to Cranford and not just a duplication of what we have now," he

But Jorn said Tuesday he did not expect it to be "a major difficulty" to increase the minimum size of the retail lots.

A deal between Kushner and the committee would remove the township from arbitration proceedings with the original developer, First States Properties. First States sued

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■ Math

the township after its agreement fell through, and the proceedings - which could potentially have cost the township millions of dollars — have been on hold pending the negotia-

Since Kushner entered negotiations with the township in the spring, the deal has had an on-again, off-again quality.

Kushner's proposal gained the support of the Planning Board in a split vote over the summer. But because the project includes a financial commitment by the township for a proposed parking deck, it requires the support of four of the five township commissioners. Up to this point, neither of the Republicans on the committee, Morin or Tom Denny, has been able to agree to a Kushner proposal.

But Jorn, who has supported Kushner's proposal for months, praised his colleagues on the committee. "The Township Committee has worked very well on this together," he said.

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Westfield to host ecumenical training

Presbyterian Church Mountain Avenue is the site for the annual Ecumenical Training Event on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Workshops offer nurture and skills to those involved with religious education and church programs. The event is a joint venture of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), United Church of American Baptist Churches, A.M.E. Zion Church, Episcopal Church and United Methodist Church.

A worship service opens the program 9 a.m. with Rev. Darla Dee Turlington, senior pastor of the First Baptist Church in Westfield, officiating.

Individual workshops follow 9:30 a.m. Patrons can attend any two workshops on the program. The roster and presenters:

"The Rotation Model: Why and How To" for teachers with Rev. Julie Yarborough, associate pastor of Christ Church in Summit.

"Effective Teaching Elementary Classes" with Jan Pedersen, from the Presbyterian Church in Shrewsbury.

"Advent Drama Ministry" for youth ministers, with Laurie Zelman, pastor of arts and communications at the Montville United Methodist Church.

"Missions with Youth," with Rev. Helen Rainier, pastor of the Ocean Grove Presbyterian Church.

"Community Building with

Youth," with Kathy Martinez, youth leader at Park United Methodist Church in Bloomfield.

"Make a Joyful Noise" for children's ministers, with Susan Frey, director of children's ministries at the Ridgewood United Methodist Church.

Bringing Your Classroom Alive with Crafts," Carolanne Aaron and Dawn Burnett, teachers at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Plainfield.

"Sharing Faith Through Children's Sermons," with Kay Weeks, worship consultant to the Reformed Church in America. "An Introduction to the

Church School Computer Lab," with David Soden, computer programmer for St. Mary's by the Sea Church in Point Pleasant. "Education and Nurture for

Adult Learners," with Rev. Carletta Aston, pastor for mission and nurture at the Morristown United Methodist Church.

"Survivors of Cultural Waves," with Rev. Bo-joong Kim, pastor of Rutherford the Methodist Church.

"Walking the Labyrinth," with Rev. Norma Hockenjos, a United Methodist deacon.

Fee of \$8 includes coffee. Books related to each workshop will be available for purchase.

For registration, Turlington at (908) 233-2278 or

Nancy Miller at (908) 276-2211.



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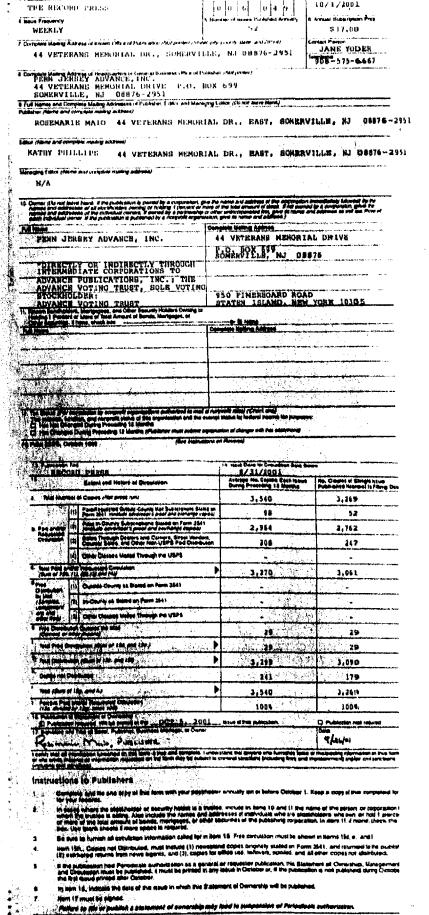


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Doing their part

Maddie Johnstone, Julianne O'Hara, Emily McCue and Sarah Muratore, all of Cranford, made red, white and blue ribbons and sold them to support relief efforts in the wake of the World Trade Center tragedy. Thr fourth-graders at Brookside Place School collected \$227.50 over two days and sent the proceeds to the Red Cross. Brian Foye, along with his brothers John Drew and Tommy, all of Cranford, purchase

Town barbecue benefits victims' families directly

By GREG MARX

THE CHRONICLE

CRANFORD - In the wake of the Sept. 11 tragedy, people wanting to help have a seemingly endless choice of organizations and funds to donate to. It can seem hard to know where one's money will do the most

But township residents wanting to make a difference in their local community have a new opportunity — the Cranford Community Fund.

The fund, formed by the Knights of Columbus, Jaycees and Junior Women's Club, will host a "Cranford Remembers" barbecue this weekend at Unami Park. And, say fund organizers, all the money raised will go directly to township residents affected by the World Trade Center attack.

"If you're interested in helping one of your own, your money will be well spent" at the barbe-

Ave. The assisted-living residence is located near the Scotch

College savings plans and new

laws regarding individual retire-

ment accounts also will be cov-

ered. Elizabeth Fenton, Glenn

Guerin and Doris Kesse of

Seating is limited and regis-

WESTFIELD — The Westfield

Lecture Series moves this month

to a new location: the

Congregational Church at 125

The first lecture 12:15 p.m.

Thursday features Dee Garrison

on "The Making of the Atom and

Hydrogen Bombs." She is a histo-

professor at Rutgers

Admission is \$5; bring a bag

For more information, phone

Other lecturers are John

Fuyuume on Nov. 15 and Charles

WESTFIELD - The Golden

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its 18th annual Craft and Gift

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Dave Mueller at (908) 233-2700,

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Marjorie Deas at (908) 654-5200.

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served afterward.

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Golden Goose Club

schedules boutique

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cue, said Laura LaFronz of the perished in the attack, but will Junior Women's Club.

cue will feature softball, raffles, representative of the fund. a moonwalk, and clowns for children. LaFronz said.

and are currently on sale at The Village Shoe Shop, Crisanti the Cranford Sunoco, Tickets will also be on sale Sunday at

So far, said LaFronz, the fund has no overhead. As a result,

"Everything for the barbecue has been donated," LaFronz sold. said. "If we run out of something, we can run right back into town" to pick up extra supplies from local businesses.

Money raised through the fund will go to the families of the six Cranford residents who

also be distributed to other fam-The barbeque is scheduled for lilies that were economically 1-5 p.m. Sunday. In addition to affected. LaFronz urged all food and beverages, the barbe- affected families to contact a

Following the attack, LaFronz said, many local orga-Tickets are \$20 per family, nizations launched separate support programs, such as delivering food, to help affected fam-Shoes, The Gourmet Deli, and ilies. The fund, she said, was designed as a way to unite those efforts and "raise money for anybody victimized by those events.

In addition to the barbecue, 100 percent of revenues from the organizers are selling the barbecue will go to affected "Cranford Remembers" T-shirts. The shirts, which sell for \$10, are available where tickets are

> Donations can be mailed to Cranford Community Fund, P.O. Box 271, Cranford, NJ 07016.

> For further information or to make a donation, residents can contact LaFronz at (908) 272-

Briefs

Wilf campus offers pool activities

SCOTCH PLAINS American Red Cross Learn to Swim programs are available to all members of the community at the Wilf Jewish Community Campus, 1391 Martine Ave. in Scotch Plains.

Classes are taught for children in levels 1-7 for children ages 5 and older. Younger children can participate in Waterbabies and Seahorse classes. All classes are taught by Red Cross Certified Water Safety instructors. Private lessons are also available.

A water fitness program, both low and high impact aerobics, is also available for adults. Classes meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. and 7:15 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m. and Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. Low impact water workout classes meet Wednesdays at 10 a.m. or Fridays at 9 a.m.

Teen water aerobics classes meet from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

For more information, call Rebecca Rice, aquatics director at (908) 889-8800 ext. 219.

Candidate plans to meet residents

WESTFIELD Ellen teinherg. Democratic candidate for State Senate in District 21 will attend a reception from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14, at the home of Harriet and Mickey Diamond, 490 Otisco Way in Westfield. Residents are invited to stop by and meet the candidate.

Renault Winery trip scheduled for Oct. 26

WESTFIELD

Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip Friday, Oct. 26, to the Renault Winery in Egg Harbor City and Smithville Village north

of Atlantic City. Cost of \$52 includes lunch. The bus leaves 9:15 a.m. from the Municipal Building on East Broad Street and returns around 6 p.m. For reservations, phone (908) 789-

Communion breakfast slated on Sunday

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Altar Rosary Society of St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church holds its annual communion breakfast Sunday, Oct. 7, at The Westwood in Garwood.

The breakfast follows the 9 a.m. Mass in the church at 2032 Westfield Ave. Rev. John Paladino, chaplain of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield, speaks on the topic Now and at the Hour of Our

Cost is \$15. For tickets, phone Clem at (908) 322-5409.

Costume, coat sale at Thrift Shop

WESTFIELD - The Service shop on "Getting the Latest League has two sales in October at the Thrift Shop, 114 Elmer St.

The annual costume sale Wednesday begins Halloween costumes and accessories at a discount. The annual cont sale begins Wednesday, Oct. 10 with gently used coats plus other fall and winter apparel.

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SCOTCH PLAINS - The

Union County Chapter of the

African Violet Society meets 1

p.m. tomorrow at the Scotch

Plains Public Library, 1927

program topic. Anyone interested

"Pretty Up Your Plants" is the

FANWOOD — The Chelsea at

Fanwood is sponsoring a work-

Answers" regarding long-term

care insurance and tax implica-

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Chelsea at Fanwood, 295 South

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In addition, craft dealers have prepared baskets of handcrafted items for display during the boutique. The baskets will be raffled off Oct. 20. Tickets are available during the show or from the Center for Hope Hospice.

JCC schedules trips for adults

SCOTCH PLAINS -- The Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey is sponsoring two trips for adults this fall.

The first trip Thursday, Oct. 18, is to Mohegan Sun casino in Connecticut. Cost of \$30 for JCC members and \$40 for non-members includes a casino package. The bus leaves the JCC 8 a.m. and returns around 8 p.m. Registration is required by Thursday, Oct. 11.

The second trip Dec. 6 is to the Brooklyn Museum. Cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for nonmembers with lunch on your own in the museum café. The bus leaves the JCC 9 a.m. Registration is required by Nov.

For registration, phone Nan Statton at (908) 889-8800, Ext.

Museum highlights 18th century games

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Osborn Cannonball House at 1840 E. Front St. invites children of all ages to play 18th century games 2-4 p.m. Sunday.

Grace hoops, a corncob throw, running hoops, quoits and other games are featured. Jenny Bauer, Laura Percoco and Gwen Zucker will show how these games are played; the girls are Cadettes with Girl Scout Troop 751.

Docents in period dress also will give tours of the 18th century house and surrounding gardens

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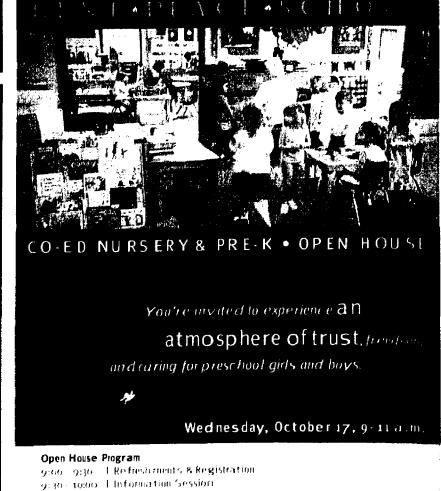
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Commentary

Be a patriot register to vote

In the past three weeks an unprecedented patriotic fervor has swept the county. Many houses are flying the American flag and many people are wearing flag pins because we are rallying together in a time of need. We are singing patriotic songs and we are lighting candles to remember the dead. And many of us are responding unselfishly to the call for military duty by the commander-

But there is something we can do that is more patriotic than flying a flag from a car antenna — we can register to vote and participate in next month's election.

There is no better way to demonstrate to the rest of the world that we are not going to be cowed by terrorism than by turning out in record numbers on Nov. 6. That is the best way we can show how strong our democracy is and how much we value the freedom to determine who governs

Unfortunately, too many of us are not even registered to vote. The deadline to register in this year's election is next Tuesday, Oct. 9. Residents who will be 18 or older by Nov. 6 may register.

It's easy to register. You can call your county clerk's office, your municipal clerk or your county board of elections to learn the details. Some counties even have voter registration forms on their websites.

The strength of our country depends on the citizens taking an active role in government. That means taking the time to become acquainted with the issues and the candidates and determining who you think will be best to gov-

There is a lot at stake in this year's election. New Jersey voters will choose a new governor and members of both the State Senate and State Assembly. In addition, there are many county and municipal elections whose outcomes will have a direct impact on your life.

Voter turnout in this country is disgustedly low, compared to other democratic nations. Whether it is caused by apathy or cynicism is now irrelevant; it is our obligation as patriotic citizens to become actively involved in our democ-

There is no excuse not to be a registered voter. And there is no excuse not to cast a vote in November's election. It is the least we can do to show we have faith in the United States.

The Record-Press is here for you

The following information should help you get your ideas and

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Letters to the editor

NYC's trash train could affect us

To The Chronicle:

The Clark Environmental Commission has become aware of a letter being circulated by Mary Purves, chairwoman of the Linden Environmental Commission. As the letter does not fully discuss the impact of the New York trash train on Union County, it may be missing the proverbial train, in this case the trash train.

Although early reports indicated that the trash train would be routed south from the proposed Tremley Point barge-to-train facility on the chemical coast train, testimony at recent hearings indicates that the alternative routing would take the trash train from Linden to the Oak Island yard near Newark International Airport and then on the Lehigh Valley line through Hillside, Union, Roselle Park, Roselle, Cranford, Clark, Westfield and Scotch Plains before entering Edison near Potters Crossing on Inman Avenue and proceeding into Somerset County.

Ms. Purves seems to have little sympathy for people who purchased homes next to train tracks and does not address the additional accident potential, rail traffic or odors from fermenting New York City garbage that may result. In addition, she does not address the additional traffic impact from the 5,900-foot-long trains when they block the railroad grade crossing at Rahway Avenue in Westfield which many Scotch Plains and Westfield residents use to get to and from the Garden State Parkway.

Additionally, although Ms. Purves touts environ-

mental benefits from moving almost 1,000 trucks from the roads, none of the long-term trash plans proposed by New York City even call for permanent removal of New York City trash by truck across New Jersey.

From an environmental standpoint, Ms. Purves fails to note that the proposed trash train will allow New York City to continue to ignore the need for mandatory recycling and waste reduction. She fails to note the impact of the spillage of sinkable and floatable garbage on New York and New Jersey. She fails to note the potential for the dispersion of rats carried into Linden with the garbage, or the health and disease implications of these rats to human populations in Union County or fragile breeding populations of shore birds in the Harbor Herons complex. She does not note how Linden will keep New York City's illegally discarded, infectious regulated medical waste out of the garbage arriving from New York or the potential health consequences of dispersing such infectious

If you are upset that Linden is involving all of Union, Middlesex and Somerset counties in New York City's garbage problems and causing statewide impact in the process, the Clark Environmental Commission urges you to e-mail those concerns to Acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrancesco as quickly as pos-

> **WILLIAM T. FIDURSKI** Chairman, Clark

College staff needs a fair contract

To The Record-Press:

The faculty, staff, and administrators of Raritan Valley Community College are at an impasse on contract negotiations. The college would like to be the first community college in the State of New Jersey to have employees pick up what they have been paying for on health insurance.

Why are employees objecting? Not only would contributing be detrimental in survival of the basic needs, for some it would be impossible to remain at the college. An example would be the dental plan and the monthly premiums. A single person has gone from \$33.21 to \$38.35 while the college's contribution remains \$13.50. The percentage of increase for the employee is 31.5 percent. On medical, this percentage would be much higher, at first it would be a small contribution but that amount would increase every year.

The support staff has 36 people who make under \$30,000 a year and many have college degrees. The college provides for Hunterdon and Somerset County, the two counties that were recently named the wealthiest. Many people who work at the college live in these areas but are only able to live check by check. Having an increased deduction for medical would be devastating. Because of the low salaries paid there is a constant turnover that is treated as "employment

opportunities" on the outside. The turnover has increased dramatically over the last few years. The morale has also dropped significantly due to this issue. Raritan Valley Community College expects excellent customer service, but in turn, the college also needs to value their dedicated employees.

The trustees at Raritan Valley Community College are a very devoted group. Over the years their devotion has shown, that is not what is in question. I feel that I have grown up with many of them. I have worked under three presidents and Raritan Valley Community College has always been an institution of higher learning, where students are our primary focus and the employees are valued employees. We take pride in the students, as most are achievers, we need to take pride in our employees, as most are ded-

We are an educational institute, yet we are compared to an industry. Industry and Education are two separate fields and should not be compared. I would say to the trustees, "let's negotiate a contract that is in the best interest of the employees and the school. It is time we get back on track and do what we do best, educating our students with excellence."

BOB BALCERSKI AFT President, Local 4143

Pension plan deserves support

To The Record-Press:

Last April, the State League of Municipalities, a voluntary association of our State's 566 municipalities, unveiled a modest proposal before the Assembly State Government Committee calling for an employee-funded benefit for members of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS).

The enhancement would change the benefit formula, which determines the multiplier applied to the years of service rendered by employees. The current formula is N, which is equal to the number of years an employee works, over the denominator of 60. Our proposal changes the formula to N over 55. The result of the change would be to increase the current multiplier from 1.67 percent to 1.82 percent. This enhancement would be below the national average for employees in this general category but would bring it more in line with the national average. It should be noted that PERS has not received any major structural enhancements since 1953 while other systems have received major benefits. Conversely, public employees have continued to pay which helped cause the significant large surplus PERS currently enjoys.

After nearly eight months of deliberations by the league's Pension and Health Benefits Committee and its 18 affiliate associations, the league's proposal has been embodied in legislation sponsored by Sen. Peter Inverso and Assemblyman Nicholas Asselta, as S-3506 and A-2450, respectively.

The proposal is offered with certain cave ats: 1. The future costs of the enhanced benefit referred

to in the pension nomenclature as "normal annual costs" would be funded from employee contributions.

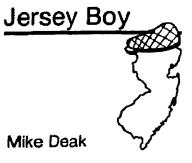
2. The accrued liability which would result by implementing this enhanced benefit would be funded by recognition 20 percent of system surplus assets, which effectively brings every worker to an equal position. Currently, all systems report a material difference between the system's asset value and the current market value based upon the last valuation.

3. The proposed benefit enhancement would flow to retired employees as well as active employees, representing approximately 376,000 active public employees and 129,000 retired workers.

In spite of the recent fluctuations in the stock market, the system is fiscally sound. The fact is that the system's value compared to the market value still reflects more than \$3 billion and when added to the surplus, represents the greater than \$7 billion dollars over funding requirements. Consequently, our taxpayers will not be asked to make contributions toward an enhanced benefit for their employees. Employees will be required to continue to make contributions at least \$200 million a year and, if circumstances call for an increase, the current level of 3 percent can be raised to the 5 percent as permitted by law.

We remain confident that his proposal is a good one and we applaud Sen. Inverso and Assemblyman Asselta for sponsoring this legislation WILLIAM G. DRESSEL, JR.

Executive Director State League of Municipalities



Finding wisdom in large curds

For the first time in more than three decades, I'm eating cottage cheese on a regular basis.

"I didn't know you liked cottage cheese," a friend said after I came back from a salad bar with a quarter plate of large curd goodness.

Cottage cheese is my ultimate and secret comfort food. When I was a kid, every supper was accompanied by cottage cheese. Most of the time it was a side dish (in lieu of vegetables); sometimes it was mixed with mashed potatoes. But it was always there and it was always good.

On my first trip to the supermarket after Sept. 11, I suddenly had a craving for cottage cheese as I walked down the dairy aisle. Though it was more expensive and I didn't have a coupon, I bought a container of non-fat cottage cheese with pineapple. It tasted so good I sighed.

Because I am eating cottage cheese again, I know life is not normal. Three weeks after the most horrifying day in American history, I am trying to return my life to normal, but it's not easy.

It's hard to concentrate. I can't find the energy and motivation to exercise. I go to bed tired and I wake up tired. I do not have vivid dreams, but they seem to be soaked with dread. I do not listen to music on the car radio. I haven't thought about going to the movies or renting a video. Many times I've lost my appetite and skipped a full meal. The never-ending trail of stories about the victims still breaks my heart. Every time I see one of those smiling faces I weep in my soul. It's hard to concentrate.

Like everyone else, I'm conducting an revaluation of my life. Against this background of emotion, perhaps now is not time to decide what is truly important in my life. It's already a dangerous time; I'm on the cusp of 45 and by nature at that age, you are bombarded with doubts and regrets. I find myself asking too many questions that do not have any answers and I find myself thinking thoughts that have no business being in the brain of a middle-aged, supposedly responsible executive editor of a weekly newspaper chain in Central Jersey. Rationality must rule.

I do not know even if I want my life to go back to normal, whatever that may be. And while I agree we should return to our daily routines - we must not allow the terrorists to break our spirit or dictate the way we live our lives — I don't want life to return to the way it was before Sept. 11.

Nobody ever thinks during good times. And while the economy was already beginning to sputter before Sept. 11, we were still all happy passengers on a gilded ship watching the approaching iceberg and wondering how the virgin ice would taste in our single-malt Scotch. We were obsessed with the shallow and trivial; when is the last time you heard anything about Gary Condit? We didn't care much about anything outside the bubble of our private existence.

But what happened on Sept. 11 has forced us to confront life outside the bubble. It's not easy. We do not live in a culture that slows down for retrospection; the fast pace of American life leaves you behind if you pause to ponder the rudiments of your life. The eternal optimism of the American character and the aggressive pursuit of happiness has made us a powerful and rich nation and that should not change. But every now and then, as we find ourselves slouching toward the invisible fringe of decadence, we need a wake-up call that it's time to re-examine exactly what we are doing and why we are doing it.

It's good for the individual soul and it's good for the collective soul of America. And we should not be afraid of what we

Police log

Cash stolen from office

WESTFIELD

\$352 was reported stolen from doctor's office on Elm Street

Medinah Pasha of Newark was charged on Sept. 26 on a Millburn Municipal Court warrant. Pasha was turned over to Millburn Police Department.

David Bustos, 36, of Garwood was charged on Sept. 26 with hindering prosecution. Bustos was

released on a summons.

Police reported an incident of criminal mischief on Sept. 27 to the gazebo in Mindowaskin Park. A lamp was pulled out.

Douglas Cosmetics on Central Avenue reported a theft of \$250 in perfume on Sept. 30.

SCOTCH PLAINS

A Hunter Avenue resident reported Sept. 25 that his vehicle was scratched along the length of the passenger side. The incident occurred overnight while it was parked at the residence.

A Donsen Lane resident reported a burglary on Sept. 26. Entry was gained by kicking in the rear door and several rooms were ransacked. A small amount of cash and jewelry were taken.

Corp.'s fall festival in Cranford Sunday.

An Algonquin Drive resident reported Sept. 28 the theft of a bicycle from an open garage sometime during the past several days.

A motorist reported on Sept. 28 that his vehicle was struck about 10 p.m. on Mountain Avenue near Victor Street by an unknown object. There was minor damage to the vehicle.

Kenneth Boger, 18, of North Avenue West and Kelan Doyle, 19, of Prospect Street, both of Westfield, and William Jeans, 18, of Spruce Mill Lane, Scotch Plains, were charged on Sept. 29 with possession of as controlled substance (believed to be marijuana under 50 grams) pursuant to an investigation by officers of suspicious activity on Knollwood Drive about 12:30 a.m.. Boger, Doyle, and Jeans were issued summons and released.

A Mountain Avenue resident reported Sept. 29 that someone damaged new sidewalks on Mountain Avenue near Rolling Knolls about 9:45 p.m..

There was a report on Sept. 29 of the theft of three pocketbooks from a function taking place at the Scotch Plains Country Club sometime during the evening.

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Gail Decicco of Colonia indulges with a crepe from Maison Crepes at the Downtown Management

Another dead crow had West Nile virus

By CHAD HEMENWAY

STAFF WRITER

BOUND BROOK --- Last month during a council meeting Councilman Daniel Crabone reported that the state Center for Disease Control found that

A dead crow found in the borough was infected with West Nile Virus.

Heather Ross of the Bound Brook Board of Health said crows act as a courier for the virus, and arranged for the crow's transportation to the state lab in Trenton. When the Board of Health receives a call about a dead crow, Ross said they respond to see if the crow had died recently, since a specimen to be tested must be as fresh as possible and without any decomposition. They then notify the county to have the bird tested.

This information was confirmed by Kevin Sumner of the Middle-Brook Regional Health Center which oversees the process in Bound Brook, South Bound Brook, Green Brook, Warren, Watchung and Middlesex.

For some time it remained unclear whether crows submitted for testing had actually tested positive because a new computer program that had been installed at the state level produced some "glitches."

According to Sumner, that problem is now solved and he said the public is well aware of the test results and the dangers associated with the virus.

"The information is provided

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by the state health department Center for Disease Control. People are aware as evident by the fact that questions coming in have declined and there has been less reporting. There has been an enormous effort to educate the public and make them aware of preventive measures," Sumner

Summer said once the state determines a specimen tests positive, it then logs its location and informs mosquito agencies on the state and county levels. Officials there determine whether it is necessary to take further measures,

According to a pamphlet distributed by the New Jersey State Department of Health and Senior Services, homeowners can reduce mosquitoes, the carrier of the virus, by disposing of unwanted containers that can hold water such as tires, bottles, cars, buckets, or barrels, since the mosquito larvae need feed on decaying plant material in standing water.

Homeowners are asked to store unwanted containers in an upside-down position and empty or cover swimming pools when not in use. Water should also be changed weekly in bird baths and troughs, roof gutters should be cleaned so that water does not collect in them and property should be properly graded to eliminate any areas where water

can collect, such as tire ruts. Summer added most dead crows found at this time of year are probably infected. In fact, he said, the state has limited the number of crows a municipality can submit for testing to five.



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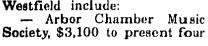
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Local groups win county arts grants

Organizations in Westfield, Scotch Plains and Fanwood have been awarded grants from the 2002 Union County Arts Grant Program.

The applications were evaluated by professional panels and then were reviewed by the Arts Grant Committee before they were acted upon by the entire advisory board.

The winning organizations in Westfield include:





Stirring the pot

Volunteer Susanne Barna of Scotch Plains mixes some brew in preparation for Halloween Hocus Pocus from 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave.. Westfield. The event is for children under age 7. For more information, call (908) 232-1776.

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chamber music concerts with preconcert lectures.

- Choral Art Society, \$2,700, to provide the opportunity for avocation singers to study, learn and perform classical choral music and present two concerts and a holiday sing-

- Community Players of Westfield, \$3,400, to present a series of four productions.

- First Congregational Church of Westfield, \$1,400, to

series of nine free half-hour noon concerts.

Washington Rock Girl Scout Council, \$800, to present a storytelling program for the summer day camps at four sites: Elizabeth, Plainfield, Hillside and Roselle.

In Scotch Plains, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Young People's Theater, \$1,200, to pre-

In Fanwood, the winners include:

Children's Specialized Hospital, \$1,500, to provide instrumental music programs, in conjunction with Suburban Community Music Center, for youngsters with special needs, ages 3 through 8.

Chinese American Cultural Association, \$1,700, to strengthen the artistic level and programming of adult and youth Chinese choral group.

Senior citizen bazaar will feature

Park Tenants Association holds its annual Senior Citizen Bazaar

Camille Farrow and Mary Bemis are co-chairwomen of the bazaar which features handmade articles, clothes, household goods, jewelry and home-baked goods.

Table managers are Mickey Mugavero, Lois Bartik, Florence DePasquale and Jean Pugliese, and Vi Ziener, used clothing;

SCOTCH PLAINS - The

Union County Chamber of

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Chamber of Commerce and the

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ing a Taste of the Towns from 5 to 9

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planned at the event will be donat-

ed to the Sept. 11 Fund of the

United Way of Union County.

Organizers expect the donation will

call John Jacobson at (908) 355-

5200 or visit the Rotary Club's web-

site at www.elizabethrotary.org

For tickets or more information,

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Selling their own merchandise are Ellie Clausen, Harriet Harvey, Marion Koser, Mary Walker and Brian Johnson.

The Tenants Association of Second Westfield Senior Housing will have items at the table run by Miriam Schwartz, Peggy Lindahl, Irene Doslik, Virginia Reddick, Bernice Kaufman, Madge Kobrak, Gert Koplin, Janice Fink and Ruth Mittleman.

Also helping out on Oct. 13 will be Betty Miller, Pat Condelli, Freda Ferraro, Irene Booker, Barbara Davidson, Jacobsen and Tony Ma.

For more information, phone Susan Lampert at (908) 233-1733.

Teachers win fellowships from Schering-Plough

Eileen O'Connor, left, a sixth-grade teacher at Orange Avenue School, Cranford, and Ann Orlando, right, a seventh-eighth-grade teacher at St.

Joseph the Carpenter School, Roselle, examine a Western Blot containing HIV-1 proteins with Julie Strizki, associate principal scientist at

teachers were among those from the awarded fellowships to participate in Schering-Plough Corp.'s Scientific for classroom supplies. Summer Institute for Teachers.

Schering-Plough Research Institute.

Eileen O'Connor is a Somerset resident who teaches at Orange Avenue School in Cranford. Westfield resident Tara Corno is a fifth-grade teacher at Liberty Corner School in Basking Ridge.

The teachers participated in the 160-hour program from July 2 through July 27. Each received a \$2,500 stipend from Schering-

KENILWORTH - Two local Plough and an additional \$1,000. Schering-Plough Research Institute and Fisher

"The greatest benefit of this program for me was doing handson lab work and gaining more background knowledge, which will help me answer more questions from my class," Corno said.

O'Connor said, "This program gives me a chance to gain realworld experience and great new ideas for labs, especially in chem-

Arboretum plans 6th harvest festival

SUMMIT — The Reeves-Reed Arboretum is hosting its sixth annual harvest festival from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13. The festival will be held rain or shine on the arboretum grounds, 165 Hobart Ave., Summit.

Admission is \$5, children under 2 free, and includes face painting, music, crafts, pony rides and a petting zoo.

County allows one-stop absentee voting

Union County voters will be able to drop off completed absentee ballots for the Nov. 6 election at the county clerk's office in Elizabeth.

With this new option, voters will be able to pick up their ballots, fill out their votes in privacy and drop them in a secure locked box, all in the same office. In the past, voters picked up their ballots at the clerk's office but had to return them to the Board of Elections, across town.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, is the last day to register to vote for the Nov. 6 election. Oct. 30 is the last day for registered voters to apply by mail for an absentee ballot

Free bone screenings a vailable Oct. 25

MOUNTAINSIDE - Senior citizens are encouraged to receive a free ultrasound bone mineral density test and attend an educational seminar on osteoporosis.

Dr. Robert Fuhrman, an eradecrinologist at Endocrine Medical Associates, will moderate the seminar.

The screenings will be conducted between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., followed by the seminar from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25 at Brighton Gardens, by Marriott, Route 22 West, Mountainside.

something for almost everyone

and flea market 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, in the community room at 1133 Boynton Ave.

jewelry; Phoebe Leedy and Doris Miller, crafts; Anna Urciuoli, Helen Appezzato, Marge Yuschak Cecile Camera, new and used chandise will be sold by Miriam Telesnick, Pat Frew and Betty

Sharkey, Connie Corno, Ruth Van Benschoten and Libby White.

be purchased at the table run by Shirley Kamler and Ellie Butler.

merchants will participate.

amount to \$2,500.

Briefs

Union County clerk wins service award

ELIZABETH - Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi was awarded the Gill C. Job Award for Outstanding Service at the Officers Constitutional Association of New Jersey annual conference.

Joanne is recognized throughout the state as a leader in women's issues and an advocate for many good causes. She's a great role model for any young woman — any young person considering public service," said Claire French, association president, in presenting the award.

Attorney to discuss long-term care options

SPRINGFIELD ---Estate planning attorney James E. De Martino will conduct a free onehour class for families whose spouse or parent has been diagnosed with a condition or illness which could result in placement in a long-term care facility.

The class will deal v tecting assets and long-term care

The class will be held at 9 a.m. Inn, Route

Springfield.

Mayors establish victims relief fund

The New Jersey Conference of Mayors has established a charitable relief fund to help support families who are victims of the Sept. 11 World Trade Center attack.

The fund will work with state officials and existing relief organizations to direct the funds where they are needed most.

Weekend heritage tour planned Oct. 20-21

Union County's Four Centuries in a Weekend heritage tour is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21. Admission is free to 22 historichouse museums and sites throughout Union County.

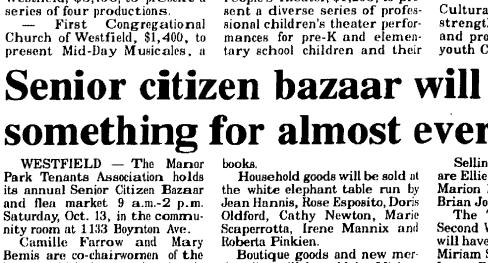
Guidebooks on Union County history, maps and brief descriptions of the 22 sites are available free by calling (908) 558-2550 or writing the Union County Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, Saturday at the Springfield NJ 07202. The guidebooks are 22, available in English and Spanish.

"There's New Hope For Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Sufferers!..."

Union County, N.J. - A controversial free report has just been released which is angering doctors all over the country. If you suffer from symptoms related to carpal tunnel syndrome and are tired of wearing splints, taking pills, or hearing about surgery, then you need this free report. To order your copy of this stunning new report call toll-free 1-800-286-4937 24 hr. recorded message.





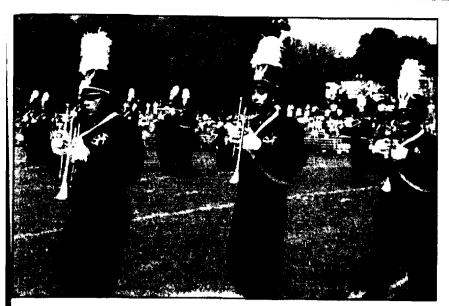


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SCOTCH PLAINS TAXI



Members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Marching Band practice before the school hosts the third annual Marching Band Festival scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 14.

Band competiton slated for Oct. 14

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High school Marching Band will host its hird annual Marching Band Testival Sunday, Oct. 14.

The local band includes 82 usicians and 28 color guard nembers. The Raiders are directed student drum major Laura avinski, drum major Bill Gonch nd band president Catie rombley. Tri-captains Nicole owman, Kristina Eide and nnmarie Klimowicz provide leadship for the color guard.

During the fall, the band pracces for 2 1/2 hours on two week-

KENILWORTH - Four bor-

gh natives will be inducted into

David Brearley Hall of Fame

The inductees, chosen by the

Brearley's home football game

Saturday and again that evening

Melchior received her Ph.D. in

Purdue

Hendrik Van Hill

WESTFIELD — Hendrik Van Los Angeles. He also was associat-

Monica.

at the Hall of Fame dinner-dance.

Obituaries

fill, 71, died Sept. 29, 2001 at

rovidence. He served in the

utch navy and had been an elec-

ical engineer prior to his retire-

therlands and lived in Rolling

Ir. Van Hill was a project engi-

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to Watchung in 1998.

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GREG MARX

day nights. In addition there are other practices on weekends before football games and music competitions.

The Raiders blend musical arrangements, precision marching movements and graceful dance routines. This year's repertoire, Raider Jazz - Songs That Swing, is a medley of classic jazz selec-

Seven high school bands will compete at the high school football field Oct. 14. Gates open at noon and the first band will perform at 1 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students.

University and is nationally-rec-

ognized. Published over 50 times,

she has made significant contribu-

tions to research into the biomed-

Since 1996, Melchior has served as scientific review admin-

istrator at the Center for Scientific

ical basis of alcoholism.

Even little school violence is viewed as way too much

By GREG MARX

THE CHRONICLE

KENILWORTH -- Incidents of violence and vandalism were few and far between in Kenilworth schools last year, Superintendent Lloyd Leschuk told the Board of Education at Monday's meeting. But even so, district officials are working to make the school buildings more secure.

The district had 14 fight incidents in 2000-2001, Leschuk staid, more than half of which were "simple assaults," which can range from verbal threats to a single punch.

"For the most part... these fights are silly things," Leschuk said. He said the district's ratio -14 fights for about 1, 100 students -was low compared to other districts and Kenilworth's previous

The district's one "weapons

incident" occurred when a student brought pepper spray to school. While the student was playing with the spray, Leschuk said, it went off, spraying the student without hitting anyone else.

Leschuk attributed the low violence rate to safety of the broader community and to the district's peer mediation initia-Vandalism at the school build-

ings was also low last year. Leschuk said there were eight incidences of vandalism, costing the district \$1,148. That amount "ticks me off, but

compared to other districts it's peanuts," he said. Leschuk said the heavy use of the buildings, even in the late evening hours, helped to discourage vandals.

At the same time, he added, "Our buildings could be easily damaged in the evening hours... we've been lucky."

That fear is driving efforts to make the school buildings, and especially David Brearley, more secure at night.

Board secretary Vincent Gornella conceded that while building security is now very tight during school hours, "we don't have a mechanism to deal with (evening security) right

The board discussed ways to increase security, including having a custodian manually lock the outside doors every evening and supplying all building users with identification cards.

In response to a resident's complaint, Leschuk said he is not trying to limit residents' access to the building.

"My concern is not to limit people from Kenilworth using (Brearley)," he said. "Right now, we don't know who's coming into the building.

ing disorder in school-age children, Evergreen School.

Plains Public Library.

School No. 1. For more information, phone

Briefs

Religion/science lectures planned

WESTFIELD - A lecture series on religion and science is under way at the Congregational Church on Elmer Street.

The Human Genome: Can We Create Ourselves?" is the topic 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18. "The Promise of Stem Cell Research: Life or Death?" is the topic 7:30

p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8. Speaker for both programs is Rev. John A. Mills, pastor of First

Congregational Church of Closter. Admission is free. For more information, phone (908) 233-2494.

Westfield law firm adds 2 partners

WESTFIELD — The Westfield law firm, Lindabury, McCormick & Estabrook has added two partners to its employment law practice.

John E. Goemant and Ronald Hershkowitz have garnered significant experience in employment and labor law as in-house corporate counsel over the past 25 years.

The timing was right and all of the circumstances came together that enabled John and Ron to join the firm," said managing partner William R. Watkins.

"Their breadth of experience in employment law complements the already strong team Lindabury has in that practice area," continued Watkins.

Lindabury, McCormick & Estabrook is a full-service firm with 41 attorneys. Established in 1954, the firm has been based in Westfield since 1976.

Learning disabilities group plans workshops Feb. 12 - Auditory processing,

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Learning Disabilities Association has announced its workshops for the 2001-02 school year.

All programs are open to the public and begin 7:30 p.m. The schedule:

Thursday, Oct. 4 — Open house and Information Fair, Evergreen School. Children as well as adults are invited. Coffee

chosen to join Brearly Hall of Fame

and soft drinks will be served. Thursday, Oct. 25 — Penny

Dagonetti on Section 504 rehabilitation services, McGinn School. Nov. 29 - Social skills, McGinn School.

Dec. 4 — Workshop for siblings learning-disabled children, Coles School.

Jan. 17 — "When the Chips Are Down" (video), Scotch Plains

Forman has also offered voluntary dental exams for the

Harding School and the

Kenilworth Board of Health, and

offers a scholarship every year to

the senior football player with the

highest grade point average. He

While the inductees are hon-

Saturday, Siragusa will be in

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March 14 - Sensory process-

April 4 --- Video night, Scotch

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hool's Renaissance Committee, Review at the National Institutes has also been active in local Foundation. Christine Melchior '67, Kathi of Health in Bethesda, Md. When Forman steps onto the Jewish organizations. amingo '72, Jerome S. Forman Fiamingo has stayed closer to field for the halftime ceremonies and Tony Siragusa '85. They ored on Brearley's football field ill be honored at halftime of

home since graduating high school. Educated in law at Seton Hall and New York University, she has served as an adjunct professor at Seton Hall and is currently a partner in a Morristown law firm.

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A current member of the

Borough Council, Fiamingo has long been involved in the community. She is a past president of the Board of Education, and has offered probono legal expertise to the David Brearley PTO, the Committee of Concerned Parents and the Kenilworth Education

Saturday, he should find himself in a familiar place. A graduate of Washington University Dental School in St. Louis, Forman began practicing dentistry Kenilworth in 1985 and now serves as Brearley football team

Baltimore, preparing to help the Baltimore Ravens defeat the rival Tennessee Titans.

dentist.

An all-state football player and champion wrestler at Brearley, Siragusa has gone on to a Super Bowl-winning career in the NFL, where he "plays with a sense of pride and determination that began on our fields when he was a Kenilworth Jet and later as a Brearley Bear," said former football coach Bob Taylor.

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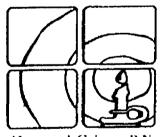
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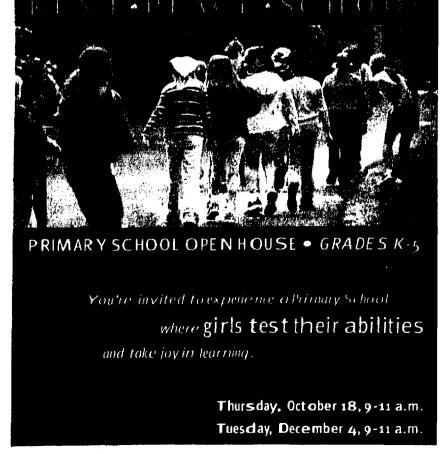
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Cranford production set Oct. 12

CRANFORD Fantasticks" opens the 83rd consecutive season of the Cranford Dramatic Club.

Shows in the theater at 78 Winans Ave. are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27. The long-running Off-Broadway musical had its first Cranford performance in

Starring are Roger Hayden of Westfield as El Gallo, Jen Mintzer as Luisa, Eddie Egan of Cranford as Matt, Tom Pedas as Bellomy, Bob Pells of Cranford as Hucklebee, George Straley as Henry, Frank Lettera of Scotch Plains as Mortimer and Rita DeChillo of Cranford as the Mute.

"The Fantasticks" is directed by Madge Wittel of Westfield, assisted by Donna Schlenker of Cranford. Producers are Liz Marc Chandler of Cranford, set Howard of Cranford and Arlene Wachstein. Choreography is by Mary Webb of Cranford with of Scotch Plains, set construcmusic under the direction of tion; Art Kusiv of Cranford, set Mary Beth McFall. Club painting; Mary McGhee of President Peggy Seymour of Cranford, set decoration and Cranford is the stage manager. makeup; Marilyn Court, props;



Members of the cast of "The Fantasticks" rehearse for the Cranford Dramatic Club's presentation which begins its run on Friday, Oct. 12.

design; Charlie Roessler of Westfield and Jerry Sorrentino

Committee chairmen are Karen Chamis and Leanne Backer, costumes; Ed Wittel of Westfield, sound; Maurice Moran, lighting design; and John Duryee of Cranford, light-

> Admission is \$15. For reservations and directions, phone (908) 276-7611.

Williams play debuts Oct. 13

WESTFIELD - "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" by Tennessee Williams opens the new season of the Westfield Community Players.

Showtimes in the theater at 1000 North Ave. West are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 13-

Featured actors are Charles Azen as Big Daddy, Michael Kerns as the family doctor, Bret Boyle of Kenilworth as "favorite son" Brick, Renee DeLorenzo as Brick's wife Maggie, Patrick Feld as the other son Gooper and Lynn Langone of Cranford as Gooper's wife Mae.

Also in the cast are Sheila Harding, as Big Mama; Mike Losole, as Rev. Tooker; Anitra Younger, as Sookey; Nina Vidakovic of Cranford, Lucy Bacque and Steven Spinelli as the children.

"Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" is directed by Naomi Yablonsky, assisted by Jerry Yablonsky.

Admission is \$12. Coffee and dessert follow the opening night performance.

Season tickets are \$35 for a package of four shows: "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," "Unexpected Guest" in January, "Jerry's Girls" in March and "It Runs in the Family" in May.

For reservations, phone (908)

Westfield hosting art show Saturday

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Art Association will showcase a harvest of art in downtown Westfield for its Art in Westfield sidewalk art show and sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Rain date is Oct. 13.

Local and regional artists will exhibit their original art, including paintings, sculpture, photography, drawings and graphics.

More than \$1,500 in awards will be presented to the winning artists. In addition to the Awards of Excellence, Awards of Merit and Honorable Mentions, the show will feature a Purchase Award for a scene of Westfield which will be permanently exhibited in the offices of the Downtown Westfield Corporation and the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

Lawrence Cappiello Rahway has been selected to judge the show. Cappiello has been involved with The Arts Guild of Rahway since 1997 when the organization was formed. A founding member, he is the first and current executive director. Under his guidance, The Arts Guild has initiated three core programs: an on-going series of monthly art exhibits, a yearly series of concerts, and a rapidly growing art class pro-

Capiello received a bachelor's degree in art from Colby College in Waterville, Maine, in 1974. While living in New York City, he studied with Stella Adler. He performed Shakespeare and classics in repertory and tours. He studied painting, drawing and anatomy at the Art Students League in Manhattan. In 1998, he received a masters degree in art from Kean University.

Artists participating in the show will highlight florals, landscapes, figurative work, still life and contemporary themes. The exhibitors include: Jane Annis, Fran Azzara, Patricia Brentano, Clark Carroll, Charlene Cheng, Roseann Chester, Ray Chester,

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Musical entertainment will compliment the Performing in front of i to eye, 214 E. Broad St., at 1 p.m. will be the Dixie All-Stars. At 2 p.m., the Brass Ensemble will play in front of the Gap, 207 E. Broad St. Ensembles from the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, under the direction of Dr. Theodore Schlossberg, will greet the public with a range of musical styles at 150 E. Broad St. throughout the day. The Hal Hirsch Trio, a three-piece instruments group and vocalist will perform from noon to 2 p.m at Bombay on Central Avenue. The Soul Jazz Trio will play at Elm and East Broad Street in front of the Town Bank between 12:30 and 2:30

For information about the Westfield Art Association visit www.westfieldnj.com/waa or call (908) 232-7058 or (908) 687-2945. The show is co-sponsored by the Downtown Westfield Corporation and the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce. For a Discover Jersey Arts in Westfield October Arts Events Calendar, visit www.westfieldnj.ataclick.com or call (908) 789-

includes the Cloisters, the

Cathedral of St. John the Divine

cathedral of St. John the Divine and Grant's Tomb, Oct. "Family Day in Philadelphi Nov. 8; "A Day at the Opera," No. 10; Longwood Gardens and the Brandywine River Museum, Nov.

24; the Norman Rockwell exhibit

at the Guggenheim Museum,

Nov. 27; and Christmas Pops at

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Sleeping Beauty' auditions scheduled The Blue Faun — Baritone, late soprano/dancer, adult. The most teens to mid-20's. Half-mortal, down-to-earth Good Fairy and the

CRANFORD — The Cranford Dramatic Club has scheduled auditions for its Children's Theatre presentation of "Sleeping Beauty." Auditions will be 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16 in the club's space at 78 Winans Ave. Prepare a song of your choice and be able to learn a dance rou**tine**, **Readings** are from the script.

Characters and their require-

half-faun: mute until the final scene, when he turns into a handsome prince. Must move and pantomime well.

Phoebe - Soprano/dancer, adult. Leader of the Good Fairies. Sybil — Soprano/dancer, adult. A Good Fairy, ethereal and a bit

Minerva Alto most comedic.

The Royal Herald — Baritone, adult. The court announcer, elegant with grand bows and a commanding voice.

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The Queen - Soprano, 30's-50's. Regal but with warmth and kindness, played in Shakespearean style.

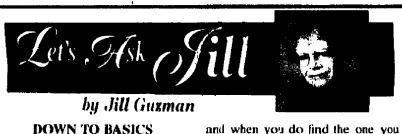
Princess Melisande - Lyric soprano, looks age 16. Becomes the Sleeping Beauty. Youthful with courtly grace and charm. Must move well.

Trollarina - Baritone or alto. adult. The Bad Fairy with villainous tantrums. Must move well and be played very broadly with dynamic transitions of good and

"Sleeping Beauty" is directed by F.J. DeRobertis and Hope Weinstein. Choreography is by Jenn Eisenberg of Cranford. Music is under the direction of Shayne Austin Miller.

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Performances are scheduled Dec. 8-9.



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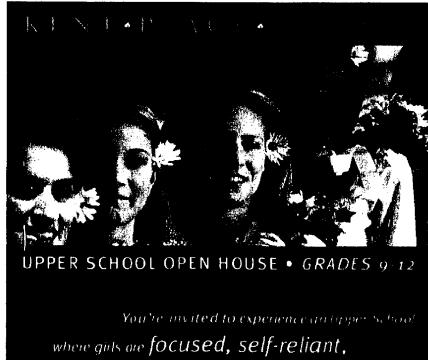
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Relief efforts bolstered by local residents

residents responded in a big way to the humanitarian organizations that have borne the brunt of relief work following the Sept. 11 attack in New York City.

More than 500 people, including doctors, nurses, mental health counselors and computer experts, have volunteered their time to the Westfield office of the American Red Cross.

To accommodate the crush of help, four new phone lines have been installed and manned by newly trained volunteers who manage the steady flow of calls from people wishing to volunteer, donate blood or make financial contributions.

Due to a huge response from residents to volunteer blood, the Blood Center of New Jersey has reached full capacity. The local office of the Red Cross was able to compile a list of 2,000 potential blood donors. The donors will have an opportunity to donate at future drives; they will be notified by phone.

The Westfield chapter has also received financial donations from youngsters who ran a lemonade stand, schools and Girl and Boy Scout troops. Local businesses are accepting donations in canisters provided by provides grief counseling.

The New Jersey Division of the Salvation Army has established several canteens in both New York and New Jersey, to serve meals to the workers and those missing family members. Grief and pastoral counseling is also available at the canteens.

Camp Tecumseh, the Salvation Army's residential camp in Pittstown, has become a temporary home for relief workers from out of state.

Donations of goods and equipment was so overwhelming that the Salvation Army had to secure a warehouse in Bayonne to sort, inventory and store the items. Volunteers came from all over the state to man the canteens, load and unload trucks, and staff the divisional headquarters in Union.

Funds raised by the Red Cross following the attack on the World Trade Center are financing the establishment of shelters for those displaced from their homes and food for both the displaced and the rescue workers. The funds also insure the available supply of blood, including a strategic blood reserve. The chapter also



Sara Dankosky, Annie Swayze and Teresa Dankosky headed a team of Cranford voungsters who made flag pins and ribbons and raised \$1,800 for the Red Cross relief



Cranford residents Melissa Evans, Kathleen Foster, Lisa Gessner and Corey McCarthy, seniors at Roselle Catholic High School, were among more than 40 students who packed and delivered comfort kits to the Union County Red Cross for the rescue workers at the World Trade Center site. Roselle Catholic students contributed more than 300 comfort kits and \$500 to help in the relief effort.

county residents still quaking after tragedy in New York City

By THOMAS SCOTT

Cranford.

WESTFIELD - Residents voiced strong concerns for their safety in the aftermath of the World Trade Center terrorist attacks at a community forum held at St. Helen's Catholic Church Monday night

"The World Trade Center Tragedy: An Evening of Understanding, Healing and Hope" explored a number of themes such as law enforce-

ment's response to the events of Sept. 11 and ways in which individuals can heal themselves and the community.

The event, co-sponsored by the Union County Human Relations Committee and the Union County Prosecutor's Office, was moderated by Deputy Attorney General Robin Parker and featured a panel that included: Union County Prosecutor Thomas Manahan; Westfield Police Chief Bernard Tracy; Dr. Frank D. Papandrea,

a licensed professional counselor; Emam Abdul-Wali Mohammed from Masjidullah Mosque Plainfield; and Elaine O'Neal. coordinator of the Union County Victim Advocacy.

The threat of bio-terrorism was very unsettling to one member of the audience who asked the panel if there were a county plan for such an event.

Manahan said there is a county emergency management on children was also on the plan, but nothing is a guaran-

teed safeguard.

He said he grew up at a time when his biggest nightmare was the mushroom cloud of an atomic blast. As a child he would hide under his desk at school during air raid drills.

"I feel we will get through this but I don't think we can live hiding under a desk," he said, "If we do the terrorists will have

The impact of current events minds audience members. "I'm fearful for our children," said to suffer the economic and emoone mother, "What do we say to them, how do we help them,?"

Panelist Papandrea stressed the resilient powers of young

"Parents are the first line of alert," said Papandrea, "Acting out in anger toward someone else might be sign of deeper rage or wanting to be alone or withdrawn might be a sign of depression."

One member of the audience pointed out that as people begin tional consequences of events of Sept. 11, people's anger could

NICOLE DIMELLA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

easily turn to rage. The panel addressed the difference between a hate crime and bias related acts. Manahan defined hate crime as a criminal act with a bias element and a bias act as a ethnic or racial slur." Chief Tracy added that all bias acts should be reported to the police even if they are not criminal acts so they can be followed up.



NICOLE DIMELLA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Singer Michelle Goldberg performs at a candlelight vigil Friday night at Memorial Field in

Students to honor the fallen

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Office of Counseling Services is hosting an evening of Reflection and Renewal at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the new gym in the high school on Westfield

The program will include original poetry, music and other presentations to remember and honor the victims and heroes of the Sept. 11 attack on the World Trade Center in New York.

At least one of the school's alumni was lost in the tragedy. Matt Horning was a 1993 graduate. He was at work in the Twin

Towers when the planes struck. The program is open to the public without charge.



NICOLE DIMELLA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Joseph Zito, 3, holds a candle as he sits on his mother's lap at the candleight vigil at Memorial Field in Cranford on Friday night.

Erna Hoffman

WESTFIELD — Erna A. Hoffman, 81, died Sept. 26, 2001 at Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights. She once was the secretary to the chief medical officer of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Lyons.

She was born in Newark and had lived in Westfield since

Mrs. Hoffman was the secretary to the chief administrative officer of the Newark Air Base during and after World War II. The airfield was the location of the Atlantic Overseas Air Technical Service Command.

A 1941 alumna of the former Upsala College in East Orange, Mrs. Hoffman received certificates from the Katharine Gibbs School and the Washington School for Secretaries.

She was a member of Amity; Fund.

Mizpah Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star: the Gardenaires: the Questers; the College Women's Club of Westfield; the Woman's Club of Westfield; and the Westfield Historical Society.

Mrs. Hoffman accompanied her husband of 56 years, Arthur K. "Red," on his travels as a golf reporter for daily newspapers and an aide to golf course architect Robert Trent Jones. She visited every continent except Antarctica.

Also surviving are two daughters, Loren Kyle of Southwick, Mass., and E. Lisa of Cranford.

Private arrangements were by the Memorial Funeral Home in Fanwood. Donations may be sent to People for Animals, the Scholarship Fund of the College Women's Club or the Miller-Cory House Endowment

Elaine Marcia Leone

Leone, 78, died Sept. 30, 2001 at Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights. An animal lover, she was tireless in rescuing and caring for stray animals.

Mrs. Leone was born in Leonia and lived in Plainfield before moving to Fanwood in 1958. She had resided in Berkeley Heights since 1992.

She also was a nurses' aide at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Lyons prior to her retirement.

Her husband, Domenic A., died in 1970.

Surviving are a son, Richard (and wife Lorraine) of Fanwood; NJ 07114.

FANWOOD - Elaine Marcia two brothers-in-law, Anthony (and wife Ann) of Scotch Plains and Joe Micale of Piscataway; a sister-in-law, Rose Freitag of Scotch Plains; and a grandchild.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Scotch Plains, following services at the Memorial Funeral Home. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Donations may be sent to Plainfield Area Humane Society, P.O. Box 3074, Plainfield, NJ 07063 or Associated Humane Societies, 124 Evergreen Ave., Newark,

Minnie Gordon

WESTFIELD — Minnie M. Gordon, 84, died Sept. 26, 2001 in Plainfield. A native of King and Queen County, Va., she lived in Westfield before moving to Plainfield in 1940.

Mrs. Gordon was a member of the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Plainfield.

Surviving are three sons, Bruce H. Sr. and Ronald A., both of Plainfield, and Alfred M. of North Plainfield; two daughters,

Patricia N. Walls and Barbara Ann Tucker, a brother, Charles R. Thomas, and two sisters, Kattie Luck and Elva Heatherine Doyle, all of Plainfield; 18 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, two greatgreat-grandchildren and two great-great-great-grandchil-

Services were held Monday at Judkins Colonial Home in Plainfield.



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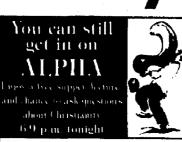
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Benjamin Armando Jr.

FANWOOD - Benjamin Lenny" Armando Jr., 54, died Sept. 28, 2001 at his home. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War and for the past 24 years owned Domlen, a printing machinery company Garwood.

Mr. Armando was born in Kearny and lived in Nutley before moving to Fanwood in 1973. He attended the former Rutherford campus of Fairleigh

Dickinson University.

Surviving are his wife, Janice E. Mitchell Armando; and two daughters, Elizabeth C. and Catherine M., both of Fanwood.

Services held were Wednesday at the Memorial Funeral Home, Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Westfield.

Donations may be sent to Plainfield Area Humane Society, P.O. Box 3074, 75 Rock Ave., Plainfield, NJ 07063.

Harry E. Perrine

SCOTCH PLAINS - Harry E. Perrine, 94, died Sept. 26, 2001 at Genesis ElderCare-The Woodlands Center in Plainfield. A former school custodian and business owner, he was one of the last known ceiling tinsmiths in Central New Jersey.

Mr. Perrine was born in Scotch Plains, the last survivor from a family of 15 brothers and sisters. He lived in Plainfield, Mountainside and Wappingers Falls, N.Y., before returning to Plainfield in 1997.

He was a custodian in the Plainfield school system for 40 years before owning the Bremmer Sheet Metal and Roofing Co., also in Plainfield. Mr. Perrine was a civil defense officer in Plainfield during World War II and the Korean War; he also was a member of the North

Plainfield Police Reserve.

A fisherman and golfer, Mr. Perrine bowled in many bowling leagues in Union and Somerset counties.

His wife, Margaret, died in 1972. A daughter, Shirley G., died in 1933. A son, Charles W., died in 1997. A grandson, Christopher, also is deceased.

Surviving are two other daughters, Barbara A. of Neshanic and Phyllis E. Van Holten (and husband Gunther) of North Port, Fla.; two other sons, Frederick L. (and wife Noelle) of South Plainfield and Harry R. Jr. of Tuckerton; 11 grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

Services were held Friday at the McCriskin Home for Funerals, in South Plainfield. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Francis A. Rotondo

SCOTCH PLAINS — Francis A. Rotondo, 75, died Sept. 26, 2001 at his home. He had been a decorated Army staff sergeant in World War II and a liquor store owner after the war.

He was born in Plainfield and had lived in Scotch Plains since

Mr. Rotondo owned Rotondo's Oakridge Liquors and Deli from 1970 until his 1997 retirement. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Rider College in 1952.

He was awarded a Purple Heart for wounds suffered in wartime combat. Mr. Rotondo was a member of the Disabled American Veterans; the Father Nelligan Council, Knights of Columbus; and the Holy Name Society at Immaculate Heart of

Mary Roman Catholic Church. Surviving are his wife, Mary

K.; three sons, John F. of Scotch Plains, Stephen J. and Christopher M., both of Edison; two daughters, Ann Marie and Mary Frances, both of Westfield; and six grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday at the Memorial Funeral Home, Fanwood, followed by a funeral Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Entombment was in the Good Shepherd Chapel Mausoleum at St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Donations may be sent to American Diabetes Association, Northwest Region Chapter, 19 Schoolhouse Road, Somerset, NJ 08873 or Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

John E. Lybik II

WESTFIELD — John Edward Lybik II died Sept. 27, 2001 at the Tower Lodge Care Center in Wall. He retired in 1988 as district manager of sales for the Formedic Co. of New Brunswick.

Mr. Lybik, who was born in Michigan, lived in Westfield and Lakewood before moving to Wall. He was a past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus council in Westfield and a second lieutenant in the Army during the Korean War.

Surviving are two sons,

Stephen P. and John E. III; four daughters, Galla Passaflume, Joyce Karen Martin, Valerie Jo Arlyn and Carol H. Webster; and 15 grandchildren.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. today at the Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Arnytown.

Arrangements are by the Ely Funeral Home in Neptune. Donations may be sent to the Westfield Knights of Columbus or American Red Cross.

Jane C. Bender

WESTFIELD Cunningham Bender, 74, died Sept. 26, 2001 at her home. She had been active in Westfield PTAs and was a longtime volunteer at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Mrs. Bender was born in Elizabeth and had lived for more than 40 years in Westfield. She was a member of the Echo Lake Country Club and a former member of the Junior League of Westfield.

Surviving are a son, James

Augustus Bender of Sleepy Hollow, N.Y.; two daughters, Diane and Lisa, both of New York City; and five grandchildren.

Her husband, Augustus John Bender, died in 2000. Another Stephen Cunningham Bender, also is deceased.

A funeral Mass was offered Saturday at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church, following services at Higgins & Bonner Echo Lake Funeral Home. Burial was in Rosedale Cemetery, Linden.

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Thomas W. Street

WESTFIELD - Thomas W. Street, 85, died July 3, 2001 at Overlook Hospital in Summit. An accountant and lifelong Westfield resident, he served two tours of duty in the Army during World

War II. Mr. Street retired in 1981 after 40 years as a cost accountant in Manhattan with the former Western Electric. He earned a bachelor's degree from New York University in 1940.

A Boy Scout leader in Westfield, Mr. Street was a member of the Westfield Historical Society and a director of Camp Brett Endeavor in northwest New Jersey. He was a master sergeant in his first tour with the wartime

Army and a warrant officer junior grade in his second tour. His parents, Thomas A. Street and Ruth Walton Street, are

deceased. Surviving are seven cousins. Elizabeth Eggebrecht and Eugene Walton, both of Long Island, N.Y., Muriel Stensland of Chama, N.M., Carolee Stewart of Albrightsville, Pa., Deborah Wood of Lillian, Texas, Howard McDowell of Kingston, Mass., and

Mountainside. A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Sunday in the chapel at the Presbyterian Church, 140 Mountain Ave. Arrangements are by Gray Funeral Home.

McDowell

Helen W. Wyman

Richard

WESTFIELD — Helen W. Williams Wyman, 93, died Sept. 23, 2001 at Irvington General Hospital. She had been a past president of the Miller-Cory House Foundation, which operates the Miller-Cory House Museum on Mountain Avenue.

Mrs. Wyman was born in Newark. She lived in Dunellen, Westfield and South Orleans, Mass., before moving to Maplewood in 2000.

She also was a deacon at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield and a past president of its Women's Club. Mrs. Wyman was a member of the Mountainside Garden Club; the United Fund of Westfield; and

the auxiliary at Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis, Mass. She attended Wheelock College

in Boston. Her husband, William Earl

Wyman, died in 1998. Surviving are two daughters, Nancy W. Horner and Jane W. Gregory; a son, William W.; a sister, Catherine Wilens; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Saturday in the chapel at the Presbyterian Church with arrangements by the Gray Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to Wyman Family Scholarship, c/o Westfield Foundation, P.O. Box 2295, Westfield, NJ 07091.

Elizabeth Brackman

WESTFIELD — Elizabeth McSweeney Brackman, 38, died Sept. 29, 2001 at Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune. She had been an insurance representative with RMH Teleservices in Long Branch.

Ms. Brackman was born in Westfield and had lived in Lavallette since 1981. She graduated from Westfield High School and Ocean County College.

Surviving are her mother, Marguerite Mulshine McSweeney of Spring Lake Heights; a daughter, Megan, and a son, Timothy, both of Lavallette; four sisters, Kathleen Funeral Home.

Cotter of Alexandria, Margaret Ann Myers of Biddeford Pool, Maine, Maureen Luke of Rocklin, Calif., and Susan Ulmes of Holland Township; and two brothers, William McSweeney of Clinton and Brian McSweeney of Windsor, Calif. William P. Her father,

McSweeney, and another brother, Robert McSweeney, are deceased. A funeral Mass was offered

Wednesday at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery with arrangements by the Gray

Noel J. Foster

was a vice president and produc-World Trade

Mr. Foster was born in American Oceanside, N.Y. He lived in New Association. state, Harrison, Bridgewater and Scotch Plains McDonough, is deceased. before returning to Bridgewater in 1999.

His career included stints with the LDG Management Co. in George Manhattan; Zimmerman & Co. in Mendham; Guy Carpenter & Co., the New England Agency and the Kronish Agency, all in Manhattan; and

Aon since 1997. Mr. Foster earned bachelor's degrees in journalism and politi-

SCOTCH PLAINS - Noel J. cal science from Moravian Foster, 40, died Sept. 11,2001. He College in 1982. A 1978 alumnus of the New York Military ing broker for the reinsurance Academy in Cornwall-on-division of Aon, located at 2 Hudson, N.Y., he served in the Center in Army from 1978-80.

He was a member of the Special

His father, James P.

Surviving are his wife of 10 years, Nancy Rabbitt Foster; his mother, Marion; his stepfather, John; two daughters, Megan C. and Nicole C.; and nine nieces

and nephews. A memorial service was held Sunday at the Shrine of St. Joseph in Stirling. Donations may be sent to Megan and Nicole Foster Education Fund, P.O. Box 181, Martinsville, NJ 08836.

William J. Kruze

J. Kruze, 88, died Sept. 30, 2001 at Union Hospital. He had been a retired captain in the Linden Police Department and a former zone chairman for District 16E of Lions International.

A native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., he lived in Newark and Linden before moving to Scotch Plains in

Mr. Kruze joined the Linden police in 1953 and held the rank of captain on his retirement in 1978. He was a past president of Knights of Lithuania Council 113 Policemen's Benevolent Association Local 42, both in Linden, and the Linden Lions

He also was a third-degree knight with Knights of Columbus Council 2859 and a member of Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 913. both in Linden. Mr. Kruze was an

SCOTCH PLAINS - William usher for Masses at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Roman Catholic Church in Linden and a member of his parish's Holy Name Society.

His wife, Catherine Gudelis

Kruze, and a daughter, Elaine Sosinski, are deceased. Surviving are two grandsons, Charles W. Sosinski Jr. and

James Sosinski; three greatgrandchildren and two nieces. Services were held yesterday at Krowicki McCracken Funeral Home, Linden, followed by a funeral Mass at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church, Burial

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Founder's Day at historic house

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The dwelling originally was built in Franklin
Township on what is now
Route 27. The earliest section, with its hand-hewn
wooden beams and pegs,
indicates that portion was
built before 1760. The front
was added around 1820.

Since 1979 the Six Mile Run House has been part of East Jersey Olde Towne, the historic village in the Piscataway section of Johnson Park. The house has been closed to the public for nearly 10 years but will be reopened as part of Founder's Day 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7. Admission is free.

Dr. & Mrs. Harry Grossman, former owners of the Six Mile Run House, will be honored on Founder's Day. Tours of the dwelling will follow along with a reception open to the public.

Registration is recommended; phone (732) 745-3030. East Jersey Olde Towne is located off River Road at the stop light with Hoes Lane West.

Funding for Founder's
Day and the restoration
were provided by the
Middlesex County Board of
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and Heritage Commission,

Crafts festival this weekend

FLEMINGTON — The Flemington Crafts Festival, featuring more than 300 exhibitors and showcasing the talent, skill and ingenuity of some of America's most gifted and creative fine artists and craftsmen, returns to the Flemington fairgrounds for the 31st time next month.

Show hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7.

Central New Jersey artists participating in the festival are Debra Betancourt of Bound Brook, ceramics; Mary Gotz of Edison, window decorations; Ellen Rosenberg of Edison, jewelry; Mary Westcott of Edison, stained glass; John Dragula of Fanwood, wood; and Sherry Lane of Scotch Plains, jewelry.

Admission is \$6 for adults and free for children under 12. For more information, visit www.unitedcraft.com or phone (908) 782-2413. The fairgrounds is on Route 31 North across from Hunterdon Medical Center.

Williams play opens new season

WESTFIELD — "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" by Tennessee Williams opens the new season of the Westfield Community Players.

Showtimes in the theater at 1000 North Ave. West are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 13-Nov. 3.

Featured actors are
Charles Azen as Big Daddy,
Michael Kerns as the family
doctor, Bret Boyle as
"favorite son" Brick, Renee
DeLorenzo of Metuchen as
Brick's wife Maggie, Patrick
Feld as the other son Gooper
and Lynn Langone as
Gooper's wife Mae.

Also in the cast are Sheila Harding, as Big Mama; Mike Losole of North Plainfield, as Rev. Tooker; Anitra Younger, as Sookey; Nina Vidakovic, Lucy Bacque and Steven Spinelli as the children.

"Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" is directed by Naomi Yablonsky, assisted by Jerry Yablonsky.

Admission is \$12. Coffee and dessert follow the opening pight performance.

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After the flood

Professional storyteller to tell the story of Hurricane Floyd

BY CHAD HEMENWAY

WEEKEND PLUS

BOUND BROOK—September 17, 1999 will surely be a day no one in the borough will forget.

Hurricane Floyd flooded downtown Bound Brook, in some places more than 10 feet high. The flood affected everyone from those who merely had to boil water for a week to those who had to deal with losing most of their belongings.

Professional storyteller Susan Klein initially spoke with six victims of Hurricane Floyd for four days only about six months after the flood, compiling their experiences to be used by at The Heritage Trail Association's Third Annual Storytelling Festival Oct. 13 at the Somerset County Vo-Tech High School in Bridgewater. Since then she has spoken to about 20 residents who lived through the hurricane.

With the second anniversary of the flood passing quietly due to the recent events in New York City and Washington, Klein's intentions are to convey the human element and drama found during the disaster, as well as the stories of courage, heroism, and resilience.

"Stories are how we make sense of the world. It's what people do. History is built on story," Klein said

The meetings with the victims resulted in stacks and stacks of transcripts. Klein said she leans on all five senses to etch memories into her mind as those who experienced the disaster relied on during their trying times. She said the dialogue she shared with the victims of the flood was intense. Now Klein has the responsibility of putting together all of the stories into one, representing and honoring the people who lived it and, in the meantime, providing a means for heal-

"I am at the whim of whatever is going on," said Klein of the storytelling process, "It comes in images that bring themselves together. But this story is particularly difficult because there is more than one protagonist."

"There are a number of storylines that have to be put together and honored. I have the frame for the story but I'm still not sure where this is going to take me," she said.

Klein, a native of Martha's Vineyard, started as a kindergarten school at age 26 in the 1970s. It was around this time that she received what she calls a divine calling to the profession of storytelling while listening to a storyteller with her pupils

It was at this time that she packed her Chevrolet Chevette with \$300 in her pocket and was gone for seven months on a journey that took her to truck stops, tobacco fields, and even Alaska. She has been on the road now for 19 years with a theater background and an ever developing career as one of the world's top oral storytellers, featured repeatedly at the National Storytelling Festival and 70 other regional festivals.

"When we tell stories that are important to us, either from personal experience or from external sources, we are speaking the truth as we know it. Consequently, our psyches are sparked and we are warmed by a sense of commonality — the sense that we belong to something larger than ourselves," Klein explained.

Her storytelling is for grownups. "It's an adult art form," she said.

The common misconception is that storytelling is exclusively for children; however, the adult form of the art is disappearing although its origins can be traced as far back as speech, capturing the human drama before the invention of the written



at The Heritage Trail Association's Third Annual Storytelling Festival Oct. 13 at the Somerset County Vo-Tech High School.

word. In every culture the storyteller was the keeper of knowledge and history, said Klein.

Klein, 50, remembers her mother reading aloud to her when she was young. She would create images from the words she heard and found comfort and

security in her mother's voice.

"Listening to the human voice is a potent way of getting things we needs for our souls. Telling stories can be emotionally intense. If we're not feeling, there's really no reason to be vertical," she said.

l'he Heritage

Association (HTA) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to creatively celebrate and preserve Somerset County's history. It strives to promote Somerset County's rich cultural and historic past for the benefit of present and future generations, pointing the way to sites of historical importance.

Klein's debut of the flood story will be part of the Storytelling for Grownups evening performance that begins at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 13. Admission for the night is \$20 and includes a performance by Odds Bodkins.

RV show this week in Edison

EDISON — The 13th Annual Fall New Jersey RV show will be held Oct. 5-7 at the New Jersey Convention Center in Raritan Center.

RV dealers from throughout the region will display more than 200 RVs in both 2001 and 2002 models, said show director James B. McLaughlin. They will range from inexpensive pop-up trailers to luxury Class A motorhomes and include a variety of travel trailers, fifth-wheel models and park models.

The show also will feature Native-American storyteller Kenneth Little Hawk, who brings Native-American culture and traditions to his audiences through lectures, the telling of stories and musical demonstrations performed on flutes, drums and rattles. Little Hawk will make appearances Saturday and Sunday.

"The RV business has remained very hot. All of the dealers that I have spoken with have been extremely busy with new sales through late September," McLaughlin said. "The RV buying audience has continued to broaden and become younger and the RVs on display at the show reflect that change."

The 13th Annual Fall New Jersey RV Show also will feature a selection of 2002 park models to be displayed by Hitcharama RV. The Turnersville RV dealer will display new additions to the park model lines of Canterbury, Kropf and Layton. All three manufactures have redesigned the floor plans in the 2002 models and are offering special programs.

The 13th Annual Fall New Jersey RV Show will be open 1-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6 and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7.

For additional information about the show, contact McLaughlin Associates (800)332-3976 or visit the company's website; www.macevents.com.

Cranford Dramatic Club presenting 'The Fantasticks'

CRANFORD — The music, dance and romance of the classic music, "The Fantasticks," will come alive on opening night, Oct. 12 for the Cranford Dramatic Club.

Performances are at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 12 and 13, 19 and 20, and 26 and 27. All tickets are \$15.

The theater is located at 78 Winans Ave. in Cranford off Centennial Avenue. For reservations and more information call (908) 276-7611.

This simple, timeless tale of young love, directed by veteran Madge Wittel of Westfield stars Eddie Egan of Cranford, as Matt, "The Boy" and Jennifer Mintzer as Luisa. "The Girl."

Mintzer, who just completed a run of "Fantasticks" played Luisa at First Avenue Playhouse in Atlantic Highlands, said, "Luisa is probably one of my favorite characters in all of musical theater. I am hoping to bring some of her spontaneity, vivacity and warmth to the CDC stage. I am lucky to be surrounded by a very talented cast, and hope above all else that we can bring some of the joy we experience doing this show to our audiences."

The beautiful lyrics of Tom Jones and music by Harvey Schmidt, including favorites "Soon It's Gonna Rain" and "Try to Remember" are delivered by the talented cast of vocal performers. Egan has been singing since the fourth grade in choruses such as New Jersey All State Honors Choir, and has appeared in several stage musicals from his first role at age 11 as the Pickpocket/Orphan in "Oliver" at Cranford Repertory Theater (CRT), to Perchick in "Fiddler" with CRT, "Aladdin" at Forum Theater in Metuchen, Mr. Bumble in "Oliver!" at Seton Hall Prep, Tony in "The Boyfriend" at Oak Knoll School in Summit, Woody in "Finian's Rainbow" with Mystic Vision Players, and The Page in "Amahl and the Night Visitors" with the Celebration Singers in Linden. His favorite role was Joseph in "Joseph" at Hillside Avenue School in Cranford.

"This was really my first lead," said Egan, "and it was entirely singing. As well as being a test of my acting ability, it was also a test of my vocal performance and stamina."

Most recently Egan has appeared in "New Voices: 2001" at Paper Mill Playhouse, an intensive five-week theatrical training program which culminated in a Rodgers and Hammerstein theme show at Paper Mill.

Mintzer, making her debut performance at CDC, also showed interest in the performing arts at an early age, beginning dance classes at age 3. She has studied ballet, jazz and tap and vocal performance at Boston University, graduating magna cum laude. Mintzer's leads include Maria in "West Side Story" at Saxtons River Playhouse in Vermont, Chava in "Fiddler" at Yorktown Stage in New York, and Maggie in "A Chorus Line" and Sarah Brown in "Guys and Dolls," both at Saxtons. She has performed with Boston University's Opera Institute in "Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Romeo et Juliette." Mintzer is a member of The Atlantic Theater Company's acting program in Manhattan and studies voice with Liz Caplan.

Roger Hayden of Westfield is looking forward to the challenge of portraying the roving bandit El Gallo. "It is definitely a fun role with some great songs, but the challenge is to create some background, thinking about what motivates his emotional involvement in the scheme that plays out in the show."

Hayden has a music degree in vocal performance and has sung the parts of Rigoletto and Marcello in "La Boheme," among several others, with opera companies such as Amato Opera, Bronx Pera and New Rochelle Opera. Hayden also sings occasionally with two local choral groups, the Oratorio Singers in Westfield and the Crescent Avenue Singers in Plainfield.

Bronze sculpture by Jersey native featured at gallery

PLAINFIELD — "Figurative Bronze Sculpture" by Charles Hahn, each figure about 25 inches and posed informally, will be exhibited Oct. 6-31, at Swain Galleries in Plainfield.

In the 1970s Hahn began and

In the 1970s, Hahn began and has continued working in bronze. Enduringly smooth, bronze appeals to this tactile perception and he likes "the way bronze brings up the contrast in my clay original with its soft dark and its highlighting shine," the sculptor stated. He added that the shine itself gently overlays a sculpture's planes and edges.

Describing his work, he commented, "My figures are meant to convey a gestural impression. My work is not too tight so it is not strictly representational."

Hahn likes to show how the weight of people affects objects. A chair cushion compresses beneath a slouching figure, clothing follows gesture and hard edges and surfaces require the body's adaptation. In his "Standing Ready," a soldier hugs the rifle's muzzle while a slightly bent knee pushes somewhat aside the three-quarter coat. The expression is weariness. By a pool, a woman tucks one legunder while her other hangs over and she leans back on her hands as if trying to remain buoyant on an unforgiving plank.

Raised and educated in Roselle Park, Hahn changed his academic environments to absorb whatever he needed to advance his talent. From courses at the Art Students League, New York City, he changed to a liberal arts major at Trenton State College, followed by matriculation at the Johnson Atlier School of Sculpture in Princeton where he also taught. It was in the foundries that he learned the most.

Hahn explained: "I learned more from the foundries than I did from schooling. I would see something I really liked, ask how it was done, work it to my own satisfaction and end up wanting to just keep going and do more and more."

A member of the Salmagundi

A member of the Salmagundi Club, New York City, he was juried as an artist member of Allied Artists of America, New York City, after winning a 1998 award from the alliance. In 1999 he received the Leonard J. Meiselman award from the American Artists Professional League, New York City, and an honor award for sculpture from the Academic Artists Association.

Hahn's "Figurative Bronze Sculpture" will open with a reception on Saturday, Oct. 6, 5-7 p.m. and continue Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m., Saturday to 4 p.m. at Swain Galleries, 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For details, call (908)756-1707.

Hahn now resides in Massachusetts.

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Throughout the different seasons of the year I have sent along recipes for pasta, meat and dessert. For a change of pace I am sending along a recipe for fish.

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If you purchase frozen shrimp it has gone through the



cooking process and some of the flavor is lost. If you purchase raw shrimp, defrost it in cold water at least 30 minutes before you begin cooking, then peel and devein it. Rinse thoroughly to remove any black lines that are usually on the top curve. Fresh and frozen raw shrimp have a truer flavor.

If you have any questions, fax them to (908) 272-2974.

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1 1/2 pounds jumbo shrimp,
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1/4 cup olive oil
2 cloves garlic, peeled
and chopped

1. Mix flour and bread crumbs in a deep bowl. Dip shrimp into mixture, centing wall Shake off my excess

well. Shake off any excess.

2. Dip shrimp into egg batter, conting well. Dip shrimp into bread crumb mixture, coating well. Set eaids

ing well. Set aside.
3. Heat olive oil in a large

skillet over medium heat. Add garlic and saute 2 minutes until golden. Remove garlic.

4. Add shrimp to skillet; cook 1 1/2 minutes on each side or until golden brown. Remove with a slotted spoon.

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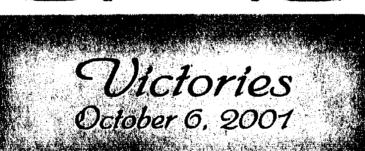
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Sports

Devils win county tournament

Bennett, Kieler win first doubles title to clinch team championship

By DANIEL MURPHY

RECORD-PRESS

PLAINFIELD - Nobody told Ali Bennett or Katherine Kieler just how important their first doubles final at the Union County Tournament Tuesday was, but they had a sneaking suspicion.

Avoiding any nervousness that comes from playing not just for an individual title, but a team title as well, the Westfield duo defeated Summit 6-1, 6-4 to capture the first doubles crown at the county tournament, and secure the team title for Westfield 68-67 over Summit.

Westfield grabbed a second place finish, two third place finishes and a fourth place to clinch it's 10th county title, and first since 1998.

The second doubles squad of Emily Sharpe and Lauren Stellar took second, falling to Summit in the final 6-2, 6-3 after defeating a team from Roselle Park 6-1, 6-2 in the

semifinals. Danielle Coleman fell in the second singles semis to Erica Ollinick 6-0, 6-4, but came back to win her consolation final over Nicole Signorella of Johnson.

Erin Corbett also fell in the semifinals at third singles, but rebounded for an important third place finish, defeating Julie Matheny of Summit. Brittney Miller took fourth at first singles, dropping a difficult three set match to eventual champ and top seed Erin Arnold of Summit 6-0, 3-6, 6-2 in the semis, then falling to Scotch Plains' Elizabeth Pilkington in the consolation final.

After the first day of competition Westfield held the inside track to the county title, advancing the entire squad to the semifinal round, while Summit advanced just four. But it still all came down to the final match of the day, as the two top teams and the two top seeds met to decide the outcome of the entire tournament.

us," said Kieler. "It would have put more pressure on us."

The duo was already feeling some pressure, being the top seeded team. They knew in order to win the team title the Devils would have to win at least one flight, and that meant them. But they were able to shrug off the pressure, race out to a surprisingly easy 6-1 victorv in the first set and grabbed a 4-1 lead in the second. Summit battled back to cut the lead to 4-3, but Bennett and Kieler responded to win 6-4.

"It feels really good to have gotten the doubles title, but knowing our match had so much input into the team title makes us become champions and win the team title - it makes everything that we worked for come together," said

"Nobody expected us to win (the team title)," said Bennett. "After we won our match, and everyone said we had won the

"I'm kind of glad no one told team tile, that meant a lot more."

Bennet and Kieler were able to serve well throughout the tournament and hit there ground strokes consistently, enabling them to be aggressive at the net.

"They really just did everything well," said Head Coach Ed Tirone. "They served well, returned serve well, they had good ground strokes, good reaction at the net. They hit some real good shots on clutch points and got a lot of first serves in. They won some big points in the first set which set the tone and was able to finish (Summit) off in the second after they battled back."

The Blue Devils now set their sights on the state tournament, which kicks off Thursday. Westfield garnered the third seed in North Jersey Section 2 Group 4, and will face Montclair in the opening round. The semifinals are slated for Oct. 16 with the finals Oct. 18.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/RECORD-PRESS

Westfield's Danielle Coleman took third place at second singles in the Union County Tournament Tuesday, helping Westfield capture its 10th

Rested Raiders ready to get back on winning track

By DANIEL MURPHY

RECORD-PRESS

LINDEN - After taking a week off to iron out a few wrinkles, improve the basics and lick a few wounds, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High football team is set to get back to its winning ways tonight.

After suffering a 21-19 setback to Westfield Sept. 22, Scotch Plains is champing at the bit to get back on the field and erase the disappointment of its only loss of the season.

The Raiders travel to Linden

for a 7 p.m. meeting with the Tigers. The game was originally scheduled for tomorrow, but was pushed up to tonight. Linden Cranford romped 34-13 Saturday to improve to 1-2.

"Coming off the Westfield game, I think the team is going to be ready to play," said senior offensive lineman Rob Mattar. "We're going to come out ready to play. Everybody will be pretty fired up. We've got to rebound. We've got something to prove. I know we're going to come out and play the best football we can.'

cessful, Raiders will have to slow down a power-Linden rushing attack. The Tigers are

led by senior Andre Sumner, but feature a trio of talented runners. Antonio Wilson and Michael Roman are competent runners, and have the talent to burn you if you concentrate too much on Sumner. Wilson scored one touchdown on a 17 yard run Saturday, while Sumner scored



of 35 and 10 yards. "They're great football team," said

from 22 yards

out and Roman

scored on runs

Scotch Plains Head Coach Steve Ciccotelli. "They've got talent, speed, size. It's always a good game. They've got one of the best backs in the state, who we have to stop, and a physical defense.

"They're tough because they have three good backs. Sumner is on a level of his own, but the

two other kids are good also. All three are talented and the quarterback throws the ball real

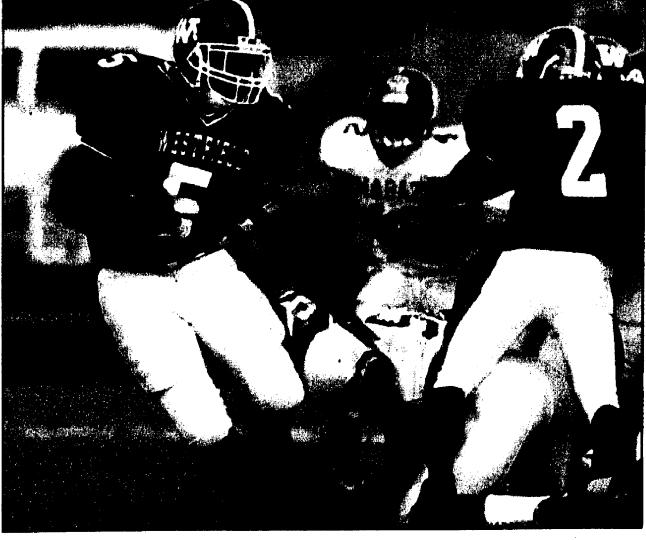
Scotch Plains will also have to play better offensively. Confused and frustrated by Westfield's zone coverages, the Raiders dropped passes and were out of sync in the passing game. Kyle Adams ran well, but both the running and passing games will have to return to form to knock off a difficult conference foe.

"We need to play how we know we can play," said senier captain Andrew Pavoni, "We need to play

with our heads on our shoulders. We need to read our keys on defense. Offensively we need to do everything the way we are supposed to. If we do that we can win."

The week off certainly helped the Raiders, as they were able to heel some nagging bumps and bruises, refocus and improve their fundamentals.

"We went back to the basics," said Ciccotelli. "We got back to running our basic stuff, we lifted, ran. We went back to the basic plays and base defense - funda-



GEORGE PACCIELLO/RECORD-PRESS

Terrence Jenkins and the Blue Devils found very little running room after their first possession against Shabazz Saturday.

No fourth quarter magic as Devils fall to Shabazz

RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD - The fragile ground the Blue Devils had treaded on for three unbeaten finally collapsed weeks Saturday.

The Westfield High football team fell behind 12-6 in the first quarter to Shabazz Saturday. and was unable to muster any of the fourth quarter heroics which led it to three victories in the first three weeks. Shabazz held off the Blue

Devils for the final three quarters for a 12-6 win, dropping the Blue Devils to 3-1 heading into their bye week. Westfield will be idle this weekend, before preparing for an Oct. 12 contest with the Farmers, under the lights in Union.

"This was a bad loss," said Westfield Head Coach Ed Tranchina. "There's not much else you can say. It's just a bad loss. Three fumbles and a kick return, you can't win like that."

While the Blue Devils felt they could be undefeated they are happy to be heading into

their bye week with a 3-1 record, tied for fourth with Roxbury in the North Jersey Section 2 Group 4 power point standings with 24 points.

"You've got to be realistic about," said Tranchina. "We had four very close games and we were able to win three."

Westfield will use the offweek to fix their mistakes and work on special teams before beginning preparations for Union Monday.

"After you lose you always want to get back out there," said Tranchina. "We'll iron out the mistakes we made against Shabazz. It's not about adding new stuff, it's about doing the stuff we do better."

Westfield opened the game strong, marching down the field at will on its first possession and securing a 6-0 advantage on a 13 yard touchdown reception by Diano Reavis from Louis Mercer.

But the lead would be short lived as Shabazz needed just seconds to answer back. Amir Pinnix returned the ensuing kickoff 82 yards to tie the score 6-6, after the Devils stuffed the a two-point conversion attempt.

Four minutes Westfield began hurting itself, fumbling the ball at it's own 45-yard line. Four plays later Barry Pinkney carried in from nine yards out to give Shabazz a 12-6 lead.

In the second half Westfield marched into Shabazz territory on all five of its possessions, including reaching the 15 yard line with 3:50 left in the third quarter and the 24 yard line with 4:16 left in the game following a Jay Cook interception.

But the Westfield offense stalled each time thanks to a hard hitting Shabazz secondary and a strong pass rush. The Blue Devils mustered just 166 yards in total offense and turned the ball over four times. Matt Daly led the Blue Devils offense with 90 yards rushing on 15 carries and Mercer was 8for-13 for 46 yards.

Westfield's defense held Shabazz to just 168 yards in total offense, holding the talented Pinnix to just 35 yards on 10 carries. Stokes was 0-3 passing with two interceptions.

Devils looking to take advantage of opportunities

By DANIEL MURPHY

RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD - It's been slow going through the first month of the season for the Westfield High field hockey team, but the squad is beginning to come together and realize its potential as the Union County Tournament creeps clos-

Due to rain outs and cancellations, the Blue Devils played just five games in the month of September, compiling a 2-2-1 record against some tough competition. Westfield took on rival Cranford Wednesday, a game scheduled originally Monday, faced Union yesterday

and the seedings for the county tournament were to be decided last night.

Westfield hosts Piscataway 11 a.m. Saturday and Vernon 4 p.m. Wednesday, County tournament play is slated to begin Oct.

"We've been playing very well," said Head Coach Maggie McFadden. "We're right where I thought we'd be right now. I think we're getting better each

Westfield earned victories over a strong East Brunswick team and Old Bridge, tied Johnson despite dominating play, and fell to Voorhees and Oak Knoll, two undefeated squads considered among the best in the state by 1-0 scores. It front of her. Melissa Walsh also has played well on both sides of the ball, but just needs to convert a few more of its scoring opportunities.

"We've played some pretty tough competition and have done well," said McFadden.
"We've held our own. We're a pretty inexperienced team, so we've made a couple of mistakes and we haven't taking advantage of some opportunities, but we're getting better as a team."

The Devils' defense has played exceptionally well so far this season. Junior Molly Gibbons has played well in goal with seniors Heather Fishberg and Miriam Zichlin and junior Karen Castaldo operating in

rotates into the defensive line-

Going into the senson I thought defense might be our weakness, but they have played very, very well so far," said McFadden.

The midfield has also been solid, led by seniors Caitlin MacDonald and Lauren Solon and junior Tracy Rood.

I think the midfield has been the strongest part of the team," said McFadden. "They're pretty solid - dependable. They don't do anything too flashy, they just get the job done."

Starting at the forward positions have been seniors Christina Popola and Katherine

Hild and juniors Alex Maus and Emily Kahn, with Christine Sarah Rounds and Meredith Ruseinky rotating in.

"We lost two 1-0 games and had a 0-0 tie," said McFadden. "Those are games where I wish we could put the ball in the net more consistently, but it's something we're working on and they're getting better at it. Against Johnson they really played well and had some great shots, but Johnson's goalie just played an outstanding game."

Though the county tournament is just a week away, McFadden isn't looking past Saturday. The Devils continue to improve and can be one of the top challengers to Oak Knoll for the county title, but McFadden isn't about to start looking down the road.

"We just have to take it one game at a time," said McFadden, "and we'll see what happens from there. It all depends on how well we play. We certainly have a lot of potential and we've played much better than I anticipated at this point.

"If we continue to play well good things can happen and they are starting to believe they can do those things. At the beginning of the season they weren't too sure they could do the things we were hoping to do. know they're beginning to believe they can do those things."

Rebels roll to two more victories

On Sunday, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Rebels U-10 girls soccer team met the Flemington Lady Fireballs in Flemington, cruising to a 4-1 victory.

The Fireballs came out attacking, sending an unrelenting barrage of shots at Rebels' goalie Ali Prestridge, who aggressively turned back the first four shots, but was unable to stop the fifth shot which put the Fireballs ahead 1-0.

Once the Fireballs scored, the Rebels were ignited. Cassie Zito and Morgan Burke played aggressive offense but were turned back by the Fireballs. The Fireballs attempt for another score were thwarted by the outstanding defense of Colleen Sweeney and Devon Daly. As the first quarter was coming to a close, Kathryn Dinizo scored off of an assist by Michelle Goldberg to tie the game.

In the second quarter Sarah Canfield, Lyndsey Douglas and Kim Many shut down the Fireballs offense. Becky Krakora sent a precision pass to Colleen Sweeney, who booted in a 15 yard winner to put the Rebels up 2-1.

Sweeney added an unassisted goal in the third quarter to put the Rebels ahead 3-1, Despite repeated Fireball offensive attempts to get back in the game, the Rebels defense of Jen Kickenweitz, Sarah Canfield, Morgan Burke and Ali Prestridge did not allow any shots on goal. Lyndsey Douglas sent an unassisted and unstoppable shot into the net to close out the game and cap the Rebels 4-1 victory.

Rebels 6, Rahway 2 - The Rebels rolled to a 6-2 victory over the Rahway Hurricanes for their

second victory of the season

Sept. 23. The Wildcats scored first, but were quickly answered with a goal by Morgan Burke on an assist by Cassie Zito. Colleen Sweeney consistently applied offensive pressure and put the Rebels ahead with an unassisted

In the second quarter the teams battled back and forth with neither squad able to get a ball into the net despite excellent play by Sarah Canfield, Kathryn Dinizo, Ali Prestridge and Jennifer Kickenweitz.

In the third quarter, the Hurricanes tied the game on a penalty kick that was a high shot, unstoppable for Rebels goalie Morgan Burke.

When the third quarter ended, Rebels coach Joe Krakora gave the girls a pep talk which sent them out roaring for the fourth quarter. Michelle Goldberg sent a pass to Morgan Burke, whose shot hit the crossbar and rebounded to Kim Many, who sent in the go-ahead goal. Morgan Burke then had an unassisted goal to put the Rebels up 4-

The Hurricanes defense was overwhelmed by the tenacious Lyndsey Douglas, whose persistent shots on goal finally over-whelmed the Hurricanes goalie and put the Rebels up 5-2. Becky Krakora capped the scoring for the Rebels with a 20 yard blast to put the score at 6-2.

PYTHONS JUST MISS The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Pythons U-10 boys soccer team began its season in the highly

Mid-New Jersey Youth Soccer League with a tie and a loss. Each game was hard fought, however, several golden opportunities sipped away from the Pythons that would have altered each games out-

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The Pythons opened the fall season against a much improved team from North Brunswick. The first half was a see-saw battle with both teams trying to control the middle of the field. Chris Freeman created several scoring opportunities with well placed passes across the goal mouth only to be turned away by a stingy Rebel defense. At the close of the first half, the Rebels scored first to take the lead at the break.

The second half saw the Pythons begin to mount offensive attacks with Scott Keogh and Louis Mazzella keeping the ball in the offensive end of the field. Kuchinski Finally, Stephen scored the first goal of the season after he deflected a shot by Steven Bello into the net. The Pythons had two golden opportunities to score later in the half, but failed to convert. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

In the second game of the season, the Pythons encountered the Jaguars from Tewksbury. The Jaguars shocked the Pythons in the first half by scoring three unanswered goals. However, the Pythons did not hang their heads, as the midfielders led by Gary Binkiewicz, Steven Bello, Matthew O'Donnell and Greg Stein began to win loose balls and feed the forwards. Just prior to halftime, Stephen Kuchinski scored his second goal of the season on a fast break by beating the

The Pythons maintained the pressure in the second half of the game with John Maxwell solidifying the defense and Rory Szeto and Donavan Garrett applying offensive pressure. Scott Keogh made the score 3-2 by knocking in a header off a penalty kick from the right side. However, time ran out on the Pythons, but not before they sent a barrage of shots upon the Jaguar goalie, only to be turned away.

SPARX WIN, TIE

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Sparx U-11 girls soccer team played the Hillsborough Challengers Sunday in a light rain that grew steadier as the game progressed, and a winner couldn't be decided.

In the first half both teams were scoreless and played a very physical game that had both teams constantly on the move. The Sparx had shots on goal by Becca Von Langen, Saxony Nielsen, Jenna McGarry and Allison Goldberg turned back by the Challengers' defense.

Traci Rigano, Kim Shelus, Sheryl Markovitz and Stephanie Glover led a formidable defense that continually thwarted the Challengers' offense. Goalie Jaclyn Law earned high marks for her determined defense of the Sparx goal.

In the second half the rain became heavier and the field slippery with the ball hard to control. Sheryl Markovitz, Samantha Bremer, Stephanie Glover and Jaclyn Law provided tough defense. Traci Rigano, Corrine Walker and Jenna McGarry were unrelenting in the midfield, pushing the ball up to the offensive line, but the front line of Jennie Altman, Erika White, Olivia Francavilla and Jen Gassler were repeatedly frustrated by the tough Challenger defense.

Finally, with less than 10 minutes remaining, Jenna McGarry sent a targeted pass to Brittney Veeck, who sent a blistering shot into the net to tie the game. In the final minutes, neither team was able to convert and the game ended 1-1.

Sparx 1, Wildcats 0 - The Sparx pulled out a thrilling 1-0 victory over the Piscataway Wildcats Sept. 23.

The two teams were equally matched for the first quarter, with the ball continually moving up and down the field, keeping the midfield of Jenna McGarry, Brittney Veeck and Allison Goldberg constantly on the move.

In the second quarter the Sparx had several scoring opportunities called back by offsides penalties. The Wildcats were turned back from scoring by tough defense by



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Emma Foley and the Westfield Freedom U-9 girls soccer team played well Sunday, but fell to the Cranford Colts 3-0. The Freedom will take on the East Brunswick Blasters on the road Sunday.

Sheryl Markovitz, Erika White and Samantha Bremer, with a great save by goalie Saxony Nielsen ending the scoreless first half.

In the second half, both teams continued to battle back and forth with shots on goal b Corrine Walker and Jenna McGarry turned back. Stephanie Glover saved a Wildcat breakaway by chasing and outrunning her opponent half the length of the field at which point she used her excellent footwork to steal the ball and push it back to Sparx territory.

Jaclyn Law used her great skills in goal and was backed up by tough defense by Kim Shelus, Sheryl Markovitz, Samantha Bremer and Traci Rigano. The Wildcats continued to turn back offensive plays by Becca Von Langen, Olivia Francavilla, Jennie Altman and

With less than five minutes left in the game, the Sparx were determined to come out on top. When Brittney Veeck took a throw in for the Spark, she threw back to midfielder Jenna McGarry, who passed to forward Allison Goldberg who was near the goal box. When the Wildcats' goalie came out of the goal, Goldberg's precision pass found Saxony Nielsen in the corner. The goalie attempted to go after Nielsen but was too late, as she sunk a goal in the corner for a 1-0 Sparx victory.

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Schultz sparks Devils in overtime The Westfield High boys soccer 10 a.m. Saturday and Union 4 HIGH SCHOOL WRAP

team continued to surge, captur- p.m. Wednesday before traveling ing its fifth straight win Monday when Billy Schultz broke a 1-1 with a free kick early in the sec- their chief rival. ond overtime session to push the Blue Devils past East Side 3-1.

Anthony Tomasso and Dan Caprario also scored for the Blue Devils.

Westfield will get the chance to see how it stacks up against some of the best competition in the state the next two weeks. The Blue Devils faced traditional power Kearny Wednesday, will host state power East Brunswick

to Scotch Plains for the second showdown of the season with

Westfield 1, Elizabeth 0 -Dan Caprario converted a penalty kick midway through the second half for the Blue Devils.

Scotch Plains 3, East Side 0 - Jeff Hensal, Terrence Charles and Taylor Cole each scored a goal for the Raiders in a 3-0 victory over East Side Sept. 26.

Union Catholic 5, Hillside 3 -The Vikings got two goals in overtime to edge Hillside 5-3 Tuesday.

Paulo Olivero completed his hat trick with a goal in the extra session, after scoring two first half goals. Brendan Pitts added an overtime goal and John DaSilva converted a penalty kick.

GIRLS SOCCER

Scotch Plains outshot Kearny Monday, but fell to the Kardinals

Scotch Plains held a 12-4 advantage in shots but couldn't find the back of the net.

Scotch Plains 8, East Side 0 The Raiders blitzed East Side for an 8-0 win Sept. 26.

Jill Koscielecki scored twice, Stephanie Heath had a goal and three assists and Megan Reddington, Michelle Fishcer, Kellie LaForge, Lauren Bianco

for the Raiders.

Westfield 9, East Side 0 - Saturday. even different Westfield players scored in a 9-0 romp over East Side Monday.

Carrie Hubbard scored twice and had an assist, while Susan Williams had two goals for the Blue Devils (2-2-1). Beth Mokrauer, Morgan Lang, Jenny Haves, Erica Triola and Larua Shelman also scored.

Westfield 9, Elizabeth 0 — Westfield garnered its first win of the season in a big way, blowing

out Elizabeth 9-0 Sept. 26. Dana Passananti had two goals and Liz Schaffer and Staci Spass each had one goal and one assist.

Union Catholic 9, Hillside 0 Seven different Vikings scored

in Tuesday's 9-0 romp of Hillside. Amanda Pitts had two goals and two assists, Pam Seiple scored twice and Jessica Cardenas, Stephanie Green. Danielle Chapla, Allie Whittle and Rebecca Babiczeach scored a goal for Union Catholic (5-1-1).

CROSSCOUNTRY The Westfield girls cross coun-

and Laura Klastava each scored Stewart Memorial Invitational at Warinanco Park in Elizabeth

> The Blue Devils finished with 125 points, behind Middletown South (86), Hunterdon Central (101) Morris Knolls (122).

VOLLEYBALL

Erin Gillooly had four kills to lead the Scotch Plains attack in a 15-8, 15-9 victory over Vernon. Katie Feeley had three kills and Laura Manzi had four service points for the Raiders (3-3).

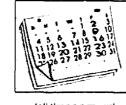
Scotch Plains Irvington 15-6, 10-15, 15-13 — Erin Gilooly served for 12 points and had four kills and Luieann Buro added two kills to lead the Raiders past Irvington in three games Monday.

Rahway def. Westfield 11-15, 15-6, 15-12 — Westfield couldn't close out Rahway Friday, dropping the final two games and falling to 4-2 on the season.

FIELD HOCKEY

The Devils fired 16 shots, but couldn't sneak one past Johnson's goalie in a 0.0 tie Saturday.

Mollie Gibbons stopped three try team took fourth at the shots for Westfield (2-2-1).



HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

(all times p.m. unless otherwise noted) FRIDAY, OCT, 5 Volley ball Westhold vs East Side, 4 Scotch Plains vs Plainfield.

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SATURDAY, OCT. 6 Football

Westfield at Watching Hills, 4

Scotch Plains at Linden, 1 Boys Soccer Westfield vs East Brunswick, 10 a m Scotch Plans at Ridge, 11 a.m.

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Field Hockey Westfield vs. Piscalaway, 11 a.m. Volley ball Westheld at Livingston Tournament, 10

Cross Country

Shore Coaches Invitational Holmdel MONDAY, OCT. 8

Columbus Day TUESDAY, OCT. 9 Volleyball Westfield vs. Bridgewæter, 4:30

Scotch Plains at North Hunterdon, 4 Cross Country Westfield vs. Kearny, 4 Scotch Plains vs. Linden, 4 Tennis Westfield vs. Union, 4 Scotch Plains vs. Plainfield, 4 Gymnastics Scotch Plains vs. Randolph, 4.30

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10 Boys Soccer Westfield vs. Union, 4 Scotch Plains at Irvington, 4 Girls Soccer Westfield at Union, 4 Scotch Plains vs. Irvington, 4 Westfield vs. Vernon, 4 Volleyball Westfield vs. Irvington, 4 Scotch Plains at Union, 4 Tennis Westfield vs. Millburn, 4

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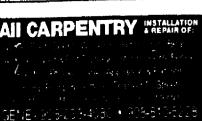
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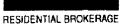
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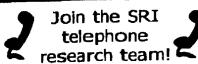
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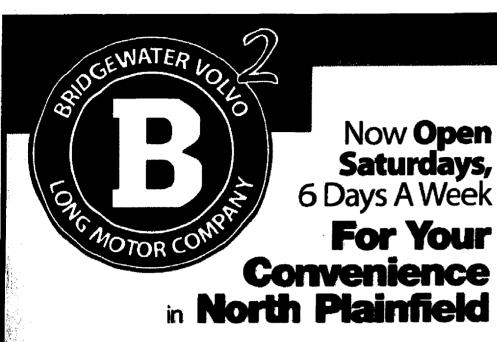
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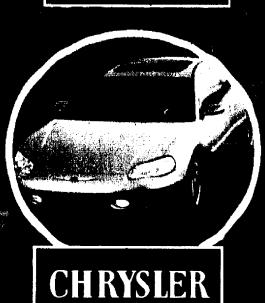




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