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Raiders, Devils square off

Border rivals Westfield and Scotch Plains squared off on Saturday on the gridiron and Monday on the soccer field. Both games were hard fought contests that ended tied at regulation and were decided in overtime. To see how the Blue Devils did invading Raider territory, see Sports, Page C-1.



Bike for Life set for Oct. 2

The Bike for Life event, which raises funds for organizations that serve women dealing with crisis pregnancies, returns to Holy Trinity School in Westfield early next month. For more, turn to Community Life, Page B-1.



United Way begins fundraising effort

The Westfield United Way formally kicked off its 2005-06 fundraising campaign earlier this month. The organization hopes to raise \$700,000 to be distributed to 19 agencies. For the full story, as well as the group's plans to support Hurricane Katrina victims, turn to Page A-4.

REMINDER

Have a ball at Festfall

The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce invites area residents to the annual Festfall program in the downtown Sunday. For a list of the day's activities, as well as how the program fits into the town's response to Hurricane Katrina, see the story on Page A-5.

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PHOTO BY BROOKS CRANDALL

What are you looking at?

Michelle Israel playfully sticks her tongue at stoic tortoise at the JCC Experience Expo last Sunday. The "Lizard Guy" and some of his cold-blooded friends were on hand to entertain kids, as members and non-members alike were invited to check out what the Martine Avenue facility has to offer. The day also featured an appearance by former New York Knicks All-Star John Starks, who answered questions from fans and promoted his new book. For more information about programming at the JCC, call (908) 889-8800.

Work on library to begin soon

By GREG MARX
THE RECORD-PRESS

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Township Council last week awarded a contract to AB Design for approximately \$825,000 in upgrades to the local library, with construction slated to begin in the next few weeks.

The library is one of three public facilities in need of improvement, with repairs also being planned at the municipal building and the public works building.

Last spring, the council approved a bond ordinance which will fund most of the repairs, with state and federal funds picking up some of the cost. The money will be used to repair a leaking roof, install tempered-glass windows, make the bathrooms ADA-compliant and improve drainage from both the roof and along the grounds surrounding the facility.

Though the money has been in place for months, some problems with the first round of bids from contractors slowed the project,

which officials had hoped would begin in August. Now that the contract has been awarded, work can get underway shortly, said Mayor Martin Marks, though "a lot of it is going to be weather-dependent."

Marks said the hope is that the library will not have to close at all during construction, though short-term closures may be necessary. Library officials have previously said the work should take about 14 weeks to complete.

In the spring, the council also heard a proposal for a \$2 million upgrade and addition that would add 2,500 square feet to the basement area and 3,400 square feet of space to the children's wing of the library. The glass addition would expand the children's room lobby, add two meeting rooms and two ADA-compliant restrooms, and allow for improvements to the heating and air conditioning systems.

While the township doesn't have the resources at present to proceed with that project, Marks said, "It's still something we want

to consider" for the future.

At the council's conference meeting Tuesday, officials briefly discussed the status of plans for repairs to the other municipal facilities. Town hall requires major roof repairs and a new heating/ventilation/air conditioning system, each costing several hundreds of thousands of dollars. Meanwhile, the public works building is in such poor shape that the township is considering scrapping it entirely; a replacement would cost about \$1 to \$1.5 million.

The township has retained Potter Architects to develop the plans. The firm has already studied the buildings, and "We really want to get them going" on designs for repairs, said Township Manager Tom Atkins, "but there are a couple questions about their proposals that still have to be ironed out."

The council will soon have to make a final decision on what course of action to take on those repairs, Atkins said. "It's definitely a priority."

Council hears suggestions for Public Works

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — Town Council members heard a presentation about planned improvements to the Department of Public Works during a Tuesday night conference meeting.

The Public Works White Paper Committee that conducted the study includes Mathew Albano, John Ryan and Pam Wiaczek, three volunteers from the town with expertise in the study topic. The review was undertaken to find ways to improve customer service and internal and external communication in the Division of Construction and Maintenance, a major part of the DPW.

The division is directed by town engineer Ken Marsh and is responsible for 110 miles of public roads, 10 town parks, 1,500 parking spaces, miles of sewer lines, tree care on public lands, monuments and snow and leaf removal, said Wiaczek, who gave the presentation. The division receives 75 percent of the annual budget for the DPW.

The committee found four areas for improvement including customer service; processes for gains in efficiency, effectiveness

and productivity; external communications; and internal communications and planning.

One way to improve customer service would be to hire an administrative assistant, who could better serve the residents who come in with requests for work; the division receives more than 4,500 phone calls annually. "It would be for more effective communication and a central point of contact," said Wiaczek.

Regarding efficiency and productivity, the committee suggested creating a central computer system that would organize all the data produced by public works requests. "Currently it's a mish-mash, and it is a mish-mash that works," said Wiaczek. But since there are three different supervisors and a superintendent in the division, each has his own way of organizing data, she said. "They all have different means of capturing requests." The computer-based system would allow for both present and future data analysis to better monitor the types of requests coming in, what work was done and how it turned out, said Wiaczek.

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Whitehouse picked to fill vacant seat

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
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SCOTCH PLAINS — The Board of Education selected Norman "Trip" Whitehouse to fill the seat vacated by former board President Lance Porter at a special meeting on Sept. 15.

Four applicants, all of them previous members of the board, were interviewed for the position — Whitehouse, Dr. Dorothy Dallah, Frank J. Festa Jr. and David Gorbunoff. A fifth candidate, Carolyn H. Dittus, had also applied but was not present at the meeting. On Monday, board President Linda Nelson said she did not yet know the reason for Dittus's absence.

Whitehouse, currently a controller for a manufacturing company in Perth Amboy, will serve the remaining seven months of Porter's unexpired term, until the next school election in April 2006. Porter's resignation was effective Aug. 1 of this year. He served as a board member from 2002-2005 before narrowly losing a re-election bid earlier this year.

Whitehouse said he was eager to rejoin his former colleagues. "I'm very excited to be back on the board and look forward to being a contributing member," said Whitehouse of the board's decision, which was made after an hour of interviews with the candidates and about 45 minutes

of private deliberation by the board. The board voted 7-1 in Whitehouse's favor, with Sasha Slocum casting the only dissenting vote.

The interview process involved each applicant answering two questions prepared by the board. To the first question, "What do you think are the priorities the district should focus on," Whitehouse said the board should have a macro-view in terms of district priorities, setting policies and making sure they are fulfilled. He also stressed the importance of focusing on improving special education programs and said cyclical reviews should be closely monitored to make sure the school is not "slipping in any area."

Among the other candidates, Gorbunoff pushed for an increased use of technology and an improvement in writing skills, while Festa said the district should work to improve the educational experience for each individual student. "You must be able to make a very good living to live in our community. We must make sure each student can make that living," he said.

In her interview, Dallah said there were three areas the board should focus on: the training of the teaching staff, a focus on special education and an improve-

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Child violin prodigy finds a new home in Union County

St. Helen's youth ministry sponsors family so siblings can attend Juilliard

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — As long as she can remember, Anna Filochowska has dreamed of attending Juilliard.

The 11-year old musical prodigy has been playing violin and winning competitions around the world since she was 6. With her two musically gifted brothers, 14-year old Piotr, a violinist, and 16-year old Maciej, who plays viola, Anna was raised in a family that appreciated and promoted their musical dreams. Practicing three hours a day and performing before crowds of hundreds around the world does not seem to faze Anna or her brothers. "It's a lot of work but we want to do it, so it doesn't make it hard work," she said.

But fulfilling her dream to attend the

Juilliard School of Music was no easy task. Anna and her family are from Poznan, Poland, and on top of having to pass the grueling exams required to gain entrance to the elite musical school, Anna and her family had to deal with another major obstacle: finding a way to live in America.

So when Anna and her brothers found out they had not only been admitted to Juilliard, but had also received scholarships, there were mixed feelings. "We were so excited and happy, but we didn't know if we could come here. We didn't have a home or money to come," she said.

That's where Adopt-A-Family program run by the youth ministry at St. Helen's Church came in. About four months ago the group of about 15 teens, led by youth minister Patti Gardner, began fundraising



Pictured from left are Piotr Filochowski, Ewa Filochowska, Maciek Filochowski, Charlie Mueller, Cathryn Winchester, Mike Urbanski, Patti Gardner, Julia Colangelo, Kevin Smith and Kristina Fietkiewicz. In front is Anna Filochowska.

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Board approves Ling proposal

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ

THE RECORD PRESS

FANWOOD — At its meeting Monday, the Planning Board approved an application for redevelopment in the downtown and also held a preliminary discussion regarding changes to parking requirements in the business district.

Following a lengthy discussion, the board approved with conditions an application by Helen and Jeff Ling to redevelop the property at 230 South Ave., where the Lings currently operate the store Enchantments.

Robert Renaud, the Lings' attorney, presented plans for a three-story mixed use building that would include eight two-bedroom units on the second and third floors and four retail spaces on the first floor.

The building is Victorian in style and board members unanimously agreed the design would be a nice addition to the downtown area. "I think the case was well represented. We all like it architecturally. It's a good addition to the town," said John Celardo, the Historic Preservation Commission's liaison to the board.

However, there was not unanimous agreement about how many parking spaces the new building would require, and where they would be. The application calls for 24 spaces in the rear of the property, 11 fewer than would be required by adding the number of spaces the current redevelopment plan would require for the project's residential and retail components.

But Gary Dean, the traffic engineer for the project, presented data from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) that showed the maximum amount of residential and retail spaces required for the lot would be 30. According to the data, the maximum volume of parked cars occurs on Saturday, when the most cars are parked for both residential and retail space.

Renaud also advanced the state's Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS), which take into account on-street parking spaces and further lower the requirement of a mixed-use building. Under this standard, the Ling application calculated the required amount of spaces to be 28.

Since there are four available parking spaces in front of the property, these spaces would be added to the 24 spaces provided in the rear for a total of 28 provided. "We don't believe there's any additional parking required," said Renaud. Dean, the traffic engineer, added that parking spaces were also available across the street at the train station parking lot, where there is no fee to park there after 3 p.m.

After much deliberation, the board agreed to use the ITE standard and count the on-street spaces, which still left the application with a two-space deficit.

Borough resident Joe Vetere questioned the relevance of the calculations, saying they did not take into account the possibility that some residents may have more than one guest space needed at a time. "God forbid you have two residents throw a birthday party on the same day," said Vetere. "I just threw your numbers out the window."

Regarding the other features of the application, each of the four retail spaces is required to

have both a front and rear entrance, because the proposal does not include an alley that is required for building facades that are 100 feet or more in length. The 100-foot requirement is designed so that pedestrians do not have to walk long distances from a parking lot to a particular retail space. But James Watson, the planner for the Ling application, said there are areas along Martine Avenue that exceed 250 feet of building facade without the presence of alleyways.

The board agreed to exclude the alley with the condition that each retail space have a front and rear doorway. "This is a good thing for retail owners," said Watson.

But board member Peter Sayles questioned the enforcement of the use of two entrances, since some retail owners may not want people coming in through both doorways. "The goal is to have pedestrian access from one end to the other in lieu of an alleyway. How can you ensure this will happen?"

Project architect Rocco Campanella said in the end it would be up to the retail owners to use both doors. "It will be ultimately up to the store... if it makes sense for better business," said Campanella, who added that the application had fulfilled its responsibility to facilitate the presence of two entrances, but that it is the job of the board to enforce the use.

After three hours of discussion, the board approved the application with several conditions: the deficit of two parking spaces must be addressed, the style of trash receptacles and benches must be in accordance with the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission, the lights must be the same in the back as in the front, the side of the building must include decorative colors and textures, the rear of the building must have glass doors, and there must be displays with signage on both the front and back of the retail spaces.

Parking discussions on future complications may not be so complicated. After the hearing, Dave Roberts, the borough's planning consultant for the redevelopment plan, gave a brief outline of proposed revisions to the plan, which include replacing RSIS standards with a decreased parking requirement of two spaces for two-bedroom units and 1.5 spaces for one-bedroom units. The retail parking space requirement would be two spaces per 1,000 square feet. All these changes factor in on-street parking, according to Roberts. Roberts said the goal of the changes was to give "some certainty to parking requirements."

Councilman Jack Molenaar said the RSIS references will be eliminated so the board could "meet reality" with parking requirements. "No one else in the state is using RSIS for mixed use," he said.

Molenaar said the modifications to the redevelopment plan will also change setback requirements to allow for the building of townhouses. Since current setback standards are designed for mostly residential areas, Molenaar said these changes would make building townhouses more feasible. A townhouse project has been proposed for the former Dean Oil site.

The public will have a chance to hear the changes to the redevelopment plan in greater detail at next week's Planning Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Prodigy

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to bring the Filochowska family to America. Two weeks ago they moved into their new temporary home in Cranford.

But if it weren't for Elzbieta Winnicki, a violin teacher in Union, the group may have never even heard of Anna at all. Winnicki heard Anna play in May at a concert at Juilliard, when she was in the States to audition. What she heard was so remarkable that she asked her students to see if they knew of any families that could sponsor Anna and her family to come to America.

Although Anna and her two brothers had all received scholarships to attend Juilliard, financial constraints and immigration rules made their prospects dim. But one of Winnicki's students, Jenna Brantacella, a member of St. Helen's, told her mother Trisha about Anna. Wanting to help, Trisha put an ad in the church bulletin asking people to help bring Anna and her family to America.

After sitting down with Trisha and speaking with Winnicki, Gardner asked the youth ministry to help raise funds for the Adopt-A-Family program. Seventeen-year old Mike Urbanski, a member of the youth ministry, said the group wanted to help families "in search of a place to revive their lives." The group put in countless hours over the next four months, holding several fundraising events such as concerts and car washes.

The rent for the family's house is being paid for with the money raised by the youth group, and the community donated furniture. "Everything turned out great," said Urbanski.

But for Anna and her family, the challenges are hardly over. This past week, Anna started her Saturday classes at Juilliard,

where she is studying with the renowned violinist Itzhak Perlman. She will also be making time during the week to go to New York for extra lessons, in addition to starting public school in October. Her brothers, Piotr and Maciej, and her mother Ewa must attend the Harvest Institute to learn English to comply with immigration rules; Piotr and Maciej are also attending Hillside Avenue and Cranford High School, respectively, on top of weekend classes at Juilliard.

Judging from the long list of impressive achievements compiled by Anna and her brothers, they'll be able to manage moving to a new county, attending several different schools and adjusting to a completely different culture in order to follow their dreams. Anna's accomplishments include third prize in the Wielkopolski Performing Competition in Poznan in 2001; third prize in the International Violin Competition in Fermo, Italy in 2002; second prize in the Virtuoso Tournament in National Philharmonics in Warsaw in 2003; and first place in her age group, winner of the entire competition, and Public Prize winner at the First World Violin Competition for Young Soloists Under 18 Years of Age in Brentonico, Italy in 2004, to name a few.

Anna made quite an impression, and had quite an experience, during her first visit to America earlier this year. She was in the county with her brothers in May to take the admission exam to Juilliard. Then on June 1, Anna played for Perlman in his house in New York, and he invited her to take part in The Perlman Music Program over the summer.

Meeting Perlman was an incredible experience, she said. "It was great. He's funny, very nice, friendly and humble." Anna attended the camp at Shelter Island for two months. Although

she said she did not mind being alone and far away from her family and home, she pointed out the phone bill for her calls back home came to \$3,000. "Our dad was angry about that!" she laughed.

When the family found out they could come to America, Anna's father chose to stay behind in Poland and sold their apartment to finance the portion of the children's education not covered by scholarship. He is currently living with a friend and hopes to one day rejoin his family and live permanently in America, said Patti Gardner.

Adjusting to American life has been a little difficult for the family. Learning the language is not the only obstacle. "Everything is different — the streets, people and food," said Anna, who had her first taste of ravioli last week (She compares them to pierogi).

But both Anna and her mother recognize and appreciate the hospitality of those who have helped them follow their dreams. "We like everything," said Anna. "The people are nicer here. We didn't meet people like Patti there. She's been so helpful and nice."

On Sunday, Anna and her brothers performed a concert at St. Helen's Church following the Mass at 7:30 p.m. The concert was recommended by Perlman himself, who wrote, "It is difficult to discuss Anna's musical gift without using superlatives. Extraordinary is the word that comes to mind, she is nothing if not remarkable." During the event \$1,100 was collected to help pay for the family's rent.

Anna is now far from home, but she is where she wants to be. She and her brothers dream of being famous musicians, and it seems they're on the right track.

"We don't know yet how long we can stay, at least one year. But we would like to stay in America," she said, with a smile on her face and her violin beside her.

Whitehouse

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ment in writing skills. "If we don't address special education and the training of the staff, I think we'll have a dismal year," she said.

Applicants were also asked how they would handle making a decision about a controversial issue. In response, Festa told the board he would treat the school as a business and said he would review the facts, review the school board policy and would then make a decision on the issue. The other three candidates also answered they would need to clearly understand all the facts, weigh the impact of the decision and then come to a solution.

After the two questions were answered, board members asked

some follow-up questions. Board member Rob O'Conner asked the candidates if they planned on running in the next school board election.

Festa told the board he was only interested in filling the vacant seat until the next election and that he would not run in the future. Dallah said she had "not given it any thought" yet and that she was not sure if she would run in the future.

Gorbunoff said he intends to run in the next election and Whitehouse said he would "most likely run."

"What, miss out on another year of candidates night?" Whitehouse joked.

Whitehouse also said he would work on improving communication with the community, saying he would try to demonstrate to taxpayers and parents the value of the

district. Board members said they were pleasantly surprised with the quality of the candidates applying for the vacant seat. "You have made our job more difficult, but it will be hard to make a bad choice," said Nelson before the board went into private deliberation.

Superintendent Carol Choye said she was pleased that several candidates said they would like to work with the district in the future regardless of who was chosen. Whitehouse, too, said he was encouraged by the interest and knowledge demonstrated by all the candidates.

"It says a lot for our district, and if they choose to be involved it will only make us stronger," he said.

The next Board of Education meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Sept. 22.

Council

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The committee also suggested an improvement in external communications by making changes to the options on the phone when residents call to make requests. Wiazczek said one idea would be to list current conditions for the five fields within the town parks. The remaining 11 fields are owned by the Board of Education, but Wiazczek also said the committee suggested putting information on the phone and the town Web site directing users to the Board of Education for information on the

school fields. Establishing regular communication with local newspapers and TV36 were among other suggestions for improvements in external communications.

Finally, the committee had suggestions about improving internal communications and planning within the division by holding weekly staff meetings and monthly meetings with frequent DPW users such as the Downtown Westfield Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Recreation Department and Board of Education.

Marsh said the improvements would be useful. The Division of Construction and Maintenance has

actually looked into some of them in the past, but because of the high volume of day-to-day work, it was hard to follow through without extra help, he said. "We do the most but get the most criticism," said Marsh. Now, the Advisory Committee has agreed to help implement the changes.

Mayor Andy Skibitsky, who has made more open government a recurring theme, said he felt the process was successful and hoped to see similar studies in the future. "I think the process should be done on a regular basis in all the departments," he said.

Wiazczek said all the recommendations were designed so that they could be implemented in a short period of time, and said the changes should be done within a few months.

The next Town Council meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

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UCTC plans holiday programs

WESTFIELD — The Union County Torah Center, located at 418 Central Ave., has announced plans for several events in conjunction with the Jewish High Holidays.

The center is inviting anyone who is looking for a place to pray on the High Holidays to join them for services. Services will be held at The Westwood, 438 North Ave., Garwood. Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur fall early in October.

The service and prayer books will be in Hebrew and English. All Jews are welcome, regardless of religious background, knowledge or level of observance.

The Torah Center will also be having a Junior Congregation and baby-sitting in connection with the services. Reservations are necessary.

Also, the Union County Torah Center will be presenting a Pre-High Holiday Jewish Story and Crafts Hour for children ages 3-5 this Sunday.

The program will be 3-3:45

P.M. at the center. Children will listen to a story, learn about the holidays and do a related arts and crafts project. The fee is \$5 per child; pre-registration is encouraged.

Rabbi Levi Block of the Torah Center said, "This will give a chance for children who are not yet in Hebrew schools to learn about the upcoming important holidays in a fun and entertaining way."

Later that day, the Torah Center will present "The Shofar Factory" from 4-5 p.m.

Everyone who comes will learn and experience the various steps involved in transforming a ram's horn into a Shofar, the horn traditionally blown in synagogues throughout the world on Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur. (The purpose of the Shofar is to awaken the entire Jewish Nation to repentance and motivate them to make good resolutions for the coming year.)

The admission is \$5 per child (adults are free). There is

an additional \$10 charge to bring home your own Shofar. The program is geared towards children and hopes to get them excited about their heritage and the rituals they will be observing in their local synagogues.

In addition, the Torah Center will be presenting lectures before each of the upcoming High Holidays. The Rosh Hashonah lecture will take place at 8 p.m. Monday; the Yom Kippur lecture will take place 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10. Both programs will be at the Torah Center, 418 Central Ave. in Westfield.

Rabbi Block of the center will be presenting the lectures, which will explore the mystical and practical insights of the holiest days of the Jewish calendar, drawing on Kabbalah, the Midrash and Jewish law. Both programs are open to the public free of charge.

For more information about any of these programs, call the center at (908) 789-5252.

Welcome Club seeks new members

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Welcome Club, a not-for-profit organization that offers a variety of activities for women and their families in the Westfield and surrounding towns, invites new and prospective members to attend an open house at 8 p.m. Oct. 11 at the home of one of its members.

The Westfield Welcome Club is open to all women in the area or the surrounding towns including Clark, Cranford, Fanwood, Garwood, Mountainside and Scotch Plains. The club is a great place to meet new people and enjoy various activities.

Ongoing club activities include monthly dinners at local restaurants, couples outings, a

book club, movie night, children's activities and community service projects.

The club has several events planned for the month of October. For the children, there will be a Halloween party, followed by trick-or-treating in downtown Westfield, and a trip to a local farm for pumpkin picking.

For the ladies, there will be a dinner at Molly Maguire's. The book club will be discussing My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult. Also, if you scrapbook, or are interested in getting started, the club offers a monthly Scrap & Chat, and members will be attending a spring bulb planting

demo at Williams Nursery.

In November, the club will take floral arrangement lessons at Joe's Florist and spend an evening taking a Yoga class. There will also be couples events including a wine tasting and the annual Holiday Progressive Dinner.

If interested in receiving an invitation to the open house or to join the club, contact Ellie Zappulla at elliezappulla@yahoo.com or (908) 654-6846 or Andrea Tropeano at dtropeano@comcast.net or (908) 928-0950.

For more information about the Club, visit the Web site at www.westfieldnj.com/welcome.



Carolyn Fleder, president of the board of trustees; Tom Cusimano, 2005 campaign chairman; and Linda Maggio, executive director, are looking forward to a successful fund drive for the Westfield United Way.

Wf. United Way kicks off fund drive

WESTFIELD — The board of trustees of the Westfield United Way recently kicked off the organization's annual fund drive and announced its plans for assisting the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

"The Westfield United Way is Westfield's resource for human care," said Carolyn Fleder, president of the agency's board of trustees, at the Sept. 10 event. The goal this year is \$700,000, which will be divided among 19 human service agencies. Both Fleder and Tom Cusimano, who will chair the drive for the second successive year, spoke of the many ways the local United Way helps people in need.

Donations to United Way, Fleder said, will aid agencies that provide a variety of services in Westfield, including counseling; day care; youth development; drug prevention; meals for shut-ins; therapy for the emotionally, behaviorally, physically or mentally impaired; nursing services; after-school supervision; legal services and disaster relief.

Fleder reminded guests that in addition to supporting these agencies, the Westfield United Way continues to help local families who were affected by the September 11th terrorist attacks. She also announced that the Westfield United Way is involved with local efforts to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina, notably through the Westfield Interfaith Caring Community's plan to help resettle families evacuated from the devastated Gulf Coast.

A Katrina relief fund-raising mini-golf tournament, the brainchild of Adam Becker, a junior at Westfield High School and supported by the Westfield United Way, is another local response to the Gulf devastation. It will be held from 2-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at the Hyatt Hill Golf Complex in Clark.

Concluding her remarks, Fleder quoted the Rev. Michael Lindwall: "The mark a woman or man leaves on this world is most often a trail of faithful love, quiet mercies and unknown kindnesses."

Last year, Cusimano reminded guests, contributions to the Westfield United Way annual fund surpassed the goal. However, he added, the needs continue to grow, both locally and in the area of disaster relief.

"We know our community will step up to the challenge to support those in need as we have in the past," Cusimano said. "The United Way helps two out of three Westfielders every day, and that's a tremendous accomplishment."

"Like you," Cusimano continued, "I feel fortunate to live in a place like Westfield, and like you, I am honored to be able to help out the less fortunate in our community. That is why I volunteered to serve a second year as chairman."

The chairman concluded his remarks with a quote from one of his favorite books, *Big Russ and Me*, the recently published best-selling memoir by NBC commentator and "Meet the Press" moderator Tim Russert, who wrote, "The best exercise of the human heart is reaching down and picking someone else up."

The Westfield United Way has served the community since 1937. For more information about the organization, call (908) 233-2113 or email lmaggio@unitedwaywestfield.org.

Briefs

Rabies vaccination planned in Scotch Plains

SCOTCH PLAINS — A free rabies clinic for cats and dogs sponsored by the Scotch Plains Health Department will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the north side firehouse, 430 Senger Place.

Cats must be contained in a "cat carrier" or a box and accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. If this is the animal's initial vaccination (which includes those animals with an unknown vaccination history), the inoculation has a one-year duration. Subsequent booster vaccinations have a three-year duration if the animal is aged 6 months or older.

2005 cat licenses will be available at the clinic for \$5 if spayed or neutered. Cats will be vaccinated the first hour, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dogs must also be accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. Re-vaccination is not necessary for three years unless the dog is 6 six months of age, thus requiring re-vaccination the subsequent year (or, if the animal's vaccination history is unknown).

2005 dog licenses will be available at the clinic for \$6.20 if spayed or neutered, \$9.20 if not. Dogs will be vaccinated 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Have a check or exact cash for the licenses. The New Jersey Department of Health recommends vaccination every two years, and a license will not be issued by the township unless the vaccination is valid for the entire licensing period. For further information, call (908) 322-6700, ext. 1-309.

School board to discuss technology

WESTFIELD — The Board of Education will hold a public meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, in Room 105 at 302 Elm Street.

The agenda will include an update on the district's technology, both in terms of curriculum and operation.

A complete agenda of the meeting will be available on Monday at www.westfieldnj12.org.

Scotch Plains temple hires new director

SCOTCH PLAINS — Congregation Beth Israel has appointed David Ryan as the congregation's new executive director. Ryan will work with the professional and administrative staff and with synagogue volunteers.

Ryan joins CBI with more than nine years of synagogue administrative experience and a strong background in Conservative Judaism. She previously worked at Temple Beth-El Mekeor Chayim in Cranford and Temple Emanu-El in Edison.

She can be contacted at Congregation Beth Israel, 18 Shalom Way, and at (908) 889-1830.

Seasons will hold first meeting of fall

WESTFIELD — From September to June, meetings of Seasons, a support group for divorced, separated, and widowed individuals of all faiths, are held every second and fourth Tuesday in the activities center building at St. Helen's Church, 1600 Rahway Ave., from 7:15-9 p.m.

Highlights from last year included speakers and discussions on stress, gratitude, personality, relationships, dating, mental health and creating possibilities for powerful living. The 2005-2006 season will start at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday. For more, call (732) 381-7801 or (908) 322-7762.

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CPA will host anti-bullying program

FANWOOD — The Fanwood Community Policing Alliance will hold its next monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Forest Road Park Building. Directions can be found on the Web site, www.FanwoodCPA.org.

This meeting will feature a special presentation, "Anti-Bullying for School-Aged Children." The program is designed to help parents, teachers and health care professionals learn how to combat bullying and describe what steps can be taken to make a young person's life easier when interacting at school and other places where they are in groups.

The guest speaker, Karen Positan, is from the Union County Prosecutor's Office. The CPA encourages parents and others who work or live with children to attend this meeting.

Seating will be limited, so register by e-mail to sgtjedic@fanwoodpolice.com or leave a message at (908) 322-5000, ext. 151.

Talk will focus on Revolutionary battle

WESTFIELD — The West Fields Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will meet at 8 p.m. Monday in the Community Room of the Westfield Municipal Building. The meeting will feature Kevin Tremble, vice president of Crossroads of the American Revolution Association.

Tremble's program will be a slide-illustrated presentation about the preservation of the Hudson River Battlefield. The discussion is expected to cover little known facts about underwater obstacles placed in the river in the area of Fort Lee Historic Park. In addition, facts will be offered to assist present day teaching of the Revolution in this area.

The meeting is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

Learn how to craft an application essay

SCOTCH PLAINS — At 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, the Scotch Plains Public Library will host a presentation titled, "The Secret of Creating a Successful College Application Essay." The workshop will be led by Edie Scher.

"A good college application essay takes admission officers beyond the numbers and shows them who you are, what you care about, and how you think," said Scher.

This workshop will be accompanied with a follow-up at which the participants will be able to bring in essays to be edited and critiqued by Scher, a senior English faculty member with the Union County school system.

This is a free program. Registration is required, and the group size is limited. Call (908) 322-5007, ext. 204 to register or for further information.

Scotch Plains Public Library is located on 1927 Bartle Ave., a block away from the center of the town in Park Avenue.

Wf. Hadassah plans Godparents Fling

WESTFIELD — Ruth Gerber Cole, the national chair of Hadassah magazine, will be the featured speaker at Westfield Hadassah's annual Godparents Fabulous Fall Fling.

This year's event will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday at Temple Sinai, 208 Summit Ave., Summit. All proceeds will benefit the new pediatric oncology floor at Ein Karem Hospital in Jerusalem. Carole Thau is the general chairperson of this major fund-raising event.

Gerber Cole has served Hadassah in many capacities. She is member of the national board and is an elected member of the board of directors of the Hadassah Foundation. The day will also include a buffet of Middle Eastern foods and entertainment.

For information about the event, contact Bobbie Freund at (908) 756-6636 or Carole Thau at (908) 771-9251.

Union Catholic opens with improvements

SCOTCH PLAINS — Union Catholic High School recently opened its doors to welcome the Class of 2009, beginning its 43 year in education.

Many improvements welcomed the 800 students on their first day of class. A \$250,000 new locker installation has been completed along with new lighting, landscaping, and the painting of the exterior and interior of the campus.



Mike Prasad and David Pickering of the Fanwood Community Policing Alliance accept donations for disaster relief at the Fanwood QuickChek.

PHOTO BY ANGELA PRASAD

CPA leads collection for victims

FANWOOD — The Fanwood Community Policing Alliance, in conjunction with the borough's Police Department, Fire Department and the Rescue Squad, will be collecting canned goods and other nonperishable items for the victims of Hurricane Katrina and other disasters.

The first collection of items was Saturday at the QuickChek on North Avenue in Fanwood, where organizers collected more than 100 items including bottled water, soups, canned foods, bleach and diapers.

The next collection of items will be at The Chelsea at Fanwood, located at 295 South Ave., from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

Organizers will be collecting the following items: canned goods, bottled water, boxes of diapers, canned pet food and new toiletry items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes and mouthwash. No clothing or used items will be accepted.

Additional drop-off locations will be announced in local newspapers, on TV-35 and on the Web site at www.fanwoodcpa.org.

CPA organizers thanked firefighters Steve Szanto and Rick Regenthal for providing assistance, as Rescue 10 was used to store the collected goods on site. Nancy Mustachio of the Rescue Squad and Mike Prasad and David Pickering from CPA played a major role.

Optimists donate relocation funds

Central New Jersey will soon be welcoming up to 100 families from the Gulf Coast region left homeless by Hurricane Katrina, and the Optimist Club of Westfield will be there to help.

Those families will receive temporary housing in a refurbished public housing complex in Perth Amboy as part of the Perth Amboy Gulf Coast Relief Fund Project. All of the apartments need refrigerators and gas stoves before occupancy, and the Optimist Club of Westfield is donating \$2,000 to fund appliances for three apartments. It is anticipated that the first 15 families will be arriving this week, followed by other families currently en route to New Jersey.

Jeff Feldman, president of the club, noted that the Westfield Optimists have already given

\$500 to the Katrina Support Our Students effort through Optimist International for school supplies, and this new project was a way to help families relocated to New Jersey.

"These families have been through so much, it's important to make them feel welcome and safe in New Jersey so they can start to put their lives back together," said Don Pray, project coordinator.

As of last week, only 30 sets of appliances had been funded, so additional funds will be needed to complete the remaining 70 units. Individuals or corporations wishing to help should make checks payable to Optimist Club of Westfield—Katrina and mail them to P.O. Box 2213, Westfield, NJ 07090. The Optimist Club of Westfield is a

501(c)(3) not-for-profit and donations are fully tax deductible.

Additionally, funds will be needed to assist the families with new clothing, household items, furniture and toys for children. Individuals interested in knowing more about the Optimist efforts to assist Katrina families in Perth Amboy should contact Feldman at (908) 654-0478.

Churches are collecting cash and school supplies

An interfaith network comprised of Westfield clergy and community leaders is appealing for support of the Hurricane Katrina Resettlement Project.

The Westfield Interfaith Caring Community, which emerged in 2000 to successfully resettle two families from Kosovo, seeks to provide a safe and nurturing environment in which to resettle a few families evacuated from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

The objective of the resettlement project is to offer a supportive and welcoming environment for families to live, work, socialize and educate their children, as they become self-sufficient members of the community.

Cash donations can be sent to: Westfield United Way, 301 North Avenue West, Westfield 07090-1421. Please include on the memo line of your check: "Katrina Resettlement."

A clerical effort to support victims of the storm is also underway at the Fanwood Presbyterian Church, which is collecting school kits through Oct. 2. Anyone interested in participating can drop off any of these items in the church office or at the church's table on Fanny Wood Day on Oct. 2.

The school kit includes: a pair of blunt scissors, one large eraser, six pencils with erasers, one pencil sharpener, one half-inch ruler, one box of 24 crayons, and an 8 1/2 x 11 notebook of ruled paper (approximately 150-200 sheets).

The church would also appreciate receiving donations of \$5 to cover shipping and the purchase of 14 x 16 inch canvas bags, which will hold the school kits.

The school kits will be shipped the week of Oct. 2. For more information, call the church office at (908) 889-8891.

Westfield's relief efforts culminate at Festifall Sunday

WESTFIELD — Hurricane Katrina relief efforts will be a focus at the 16th annual Westfield FestiFall, presented by the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday in the downtown.

Mayor Andy Skibitsky and the Westfield Town Council are helping to organize a town-wide effort for the American Red Cross to aid the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The town's efforts will culminate at Festifall. Group or individuals who have been sponsoring col-

also includes Westfield-based "Pick an Exit," playing an all-original song list and "The Agave Brothers," who will entertain attendees with a selection of favorite tunes from the Beatles, Crosby Stills and Nash, and Eric Clapton, among others. Performers from "Make You Wanna Dance" and members of the Kelly School of Irish Dance will take the stage in between musical performances.

For younger visitors, KidZone returns with more rides and activities. The Chamber will also offer a pumpkin painting project to benefit the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

Group or individuals who have been sponsoring collections, fundraisers, and bake sales are encouraged to bring their donations to the American Red Cross tent, located at Elm and East Broad streets Sunday.

In addition to the show of support for the Gulf Coast, the

day will offer plenty of entertainment for local residents. With the closing of the streets, the downtown will be transformed into a safe, fun family festival. More than 250 vendors will be on hand, featuring a showcase of local businesses, over 150 of the finest regional artists and crafters, and a wide variety of foods.

On the main stage, the featured performer is The National Comedy Theater, sponsored by Kings Super Markets. The National Comedy Theatre is a comedy competition between two teams of professional comedians who perform a series of scenes, all based on audience suggestions. No two shows are ever the same because they are all completely improvised. The shows are clean, appropriate for all audiences, ingenious and funny.

The line-up of performers

Katrina relief efforts. FestiFall is presented by the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and is made possible by the support of its sponsors, which include Bank of America, Kings Super Markets, Comcast, DCH Auto Group, The Courier News, NJ.com, and radio stations Z100, Q104.3, KTU 103.5, and Jersey 101.5.

Admission to the festival and parking is free. The streets in the downtown area will be closed to traffic, including Prospect, Elm, East Broad, and Quimby. It is recommended that visitors park in the South Avenue train station lot and cross into the festival area through the train underpass.

For more information, contact the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021 or visit www.WestfieldChamber.com or www.nj.com/festifall.

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Commentary

Looking for the least bad option

As suggestions that the United States should begin to withdraw troops from Iraq have started to be made in respectable company and by respected public officials, supporters of continuing the war effort have emphasized the costs of withdrawal. They have pointed out that without the presence of American troops, Iraq would descend further into civil war. They have said that an undemocratic Iraq would pose a graver threat to U.S. security interests. And they have spoken of the need to validate the lives of the nearly 2,000 soldiers already killed in the war. "We owe them something," President George W. Bush said last month. "We will finish the task that they gave their lives for."

These arguments have their merits, but they are not persuasive. By any reasonable measure, the United States is losing the war in Iraq. Worse, all signs are that the nation's civilian and military leaders do not have a plan to reverse the tide, and that our armed forces are now facing a task we can not equip them to complete.

Given the deadly reality of the situation, a controlled withdrawal of American forces, though it would surely have terrible consequences, may be our least bad option. Continuing to "stay the course" — or adopting a new course that has little likelihood of success — would be perverse.

In a devastating article in this week's *Time* magazine, writer Joe Klein recounts the growth of the insurgency and the missteps the United States has made in the war, many of which stem from devoting far too few resources to gather information about the insurgents. Examples abound: The initial invading force made little effort to secure the countryside as it advanced to Baghdad, allowing insurgents to operate unmolested. Documents about the key city of Fallujah lie unexamined and untranslated to this day. And after Saddam's regime was toppled, all trained intelligence workers were set to work looking for weapons of mass destruction — at least one was told to terminate contact with Iraqis not working on WMD. At this point, these mistakes are not correctable. As a result of these errors and others, as well as the enormous difficulty of the task, Klein writes, "None of the intelligence officers who spoke with *Time* or their ranking superiors could provide a plausible road map toward stability in Iraq."

Think about that — some of the brightest and best-trained officers in the world, who are in charge of finding the information that will allow our soldiers to defeat a multi-pronged insurgency and help create the conditions for a free and democratic Iraq, can't explain how it can be done. If that's the case, it probably can't be done, no matter how hard we hope for it.

In their conversations with Klein, those same intelligence officers insist that we must succeed because the costs of failure are too great. That position is a tribute to their commitment, but it's also a recipe for even worse suffering.

The costs of failure will indeed be great — we are experiencing those costs right now. But the costs of prolonging failure will be even greater.

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Letters to the editor

Scouts open a world of possibilities

To The Record-Press:

Quick — what do Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, news anchor Katie Couric, and space shuttle commander Eileen Collins have in common? They're all successful in their chosen fields, role models for today's girls... and they all were Girl Scouts.

Today, right here in central New Jersey, the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council serves 24 communities. One of them, Fanwood-Scotch Plains, is home to more than 850 Girl Scouts from kindergarten through high school.

What skills can you share with girls? Today's Girl Scouts enjoy a variety of adventures in self-discovery with programs like self defense, financial literacy, science and technology, personal leadership development, extreme sports, and interna-

tional travel. Adult volunteers are needed both in troops and on the community level to help with fun events, badge workshops and cookie sales. Training is provided for volunteers.

You never know — a Fanwood-Scotch Plains Girl Scout could grow up to be an astronaut, a journalist, a Supreme Court Justice or even President! If you missed our information session earlier this week, please call Maura Berger at (908) 889-1760 or log on to <http://fanwoodscotch-plains.org> or the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council website at <http://www.westfieldnj.com/girlscouts/>.

MAURA BERGER
Fanwood-Scotch Plains
Girl Scout Community Manager

Mahr says thanks to recreation staff

To The Record-Press:

As Mayor of Fanwood, I would like to personally extend my sincere thanks to all the members of our Recreation Commission for their hard work and continued dedication in bringing to all residents of our wonderful borough yet another fulfilled summer.

These hard working volunteers, along with our energetic recreation director, Linda Caminiti, have much to be proud of. When I asked the commission to work on getting our park restrooms open during the day, they did it, and the entire community benefits from this. I thank you for making it happen.

This summer saw another successful FYO Baseball program run out of our parks. A big thank you goes to Commissioner Robert Burke for his tireless efforts on behalf of our children. The Movies in the Park program, a summer favorite, continues to draw large crowds from both Fanwood and Scotch Plains. Our parks summer program provided our children with structured days of fun activities, and a big thank you goes to Michelle Tobier and her counselors.

Four separate sports camps ran all summer. Kevin Maloney ran soccer, Dave Moser ran tennis, and Kevin Ewing and Tommy Baylock ran basketball and baseball. Thank you for teaching our children.

The commission has also played a critical role in guiding the improvements to LaGrande Park. This summer saw five new tennis courts constructed, and next year major reconfigurations to the ball fields will take place. As mayor, I may be able to secure the much needed grant money for these projects, but it is the commissioners that help take the plans to reality.

So to Mike Brennan, Russell Wells, Pam Sayles, Russ Yenger, Phyllis Mirabella, Doris Terry, Art Badalla, Jennifer Gilbert, Robert Burke, Bob Budiansky and Councilman Joe Higgins, thank you and keep up the good work.

If any residents are interested in joining the organization or interested in having a program run out of the Recreation Commission, please contact me at mahrm@visitfanwood.com.

COLLEEN MAHR
Mayor of Fanwood

Maintain strong record on open space

By MICHELE BYERS

NJ CONSERVATION FEDERATION

New Jersey's open space and farmland preservation programs are models for the rest of the nation. Given our small size and the development pressure on open land here, it's no wonder!

Voters in New Jersey have continuously demonstrated an unprecedented commitment to public funding of land conservation — the best example being the \$1.9 billion dedicated to open space and farmland preservation through the voter-approved Garden State Preservation Trust Fund in 1999.

Acting Governor Codey recently signed a package of bills into law that appropriate over \$365 million from the Fund. The latest round of funding allocated \$142 million to farmland preservation and \$223 million to open space acquisition and park development. That's a record for the Farmland Preservation Program and the second highest appropriations package ever for the Green Acres Program.

Since its inception, the Garden State Preservation Trust Fund has been the primary source of funding for preservation of open space and farmland in New Jersey. Working through other state agencies, county and local governments and nonprofit conservation organizations, the Trust helps preserve more than 40,000 acres a year.

Funds from the Trust have been used to save land in every corner of the state. New Jersey residents and visitors have seen first-hand the benefits — less sprawl, more recreational opportunities, a cleaner environment — in other words, a better quality of life, now and in the future.

Upon signing the bills, acting Governor Codey stressed their importance, saying: "These bills provide the funding needed to ensure New Jersey's future will include abundant open space, plentiful parks, clean drinking water and green, productive

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farms."

Of particular note, the package includes:

— Almost \$66 million in Green Acres funding dedicated specifically to developing parks in urban areas.

— Over \$31.4 million in grants to municipalities and counties to preserve farms in 49 project areas identified under the planning incentive grant program, which rewards the towns that proactively plan land preservation and dedicate local funding to match state dollars.

— \$15 million in supplemental funding for farmland preservation specifically in the Highlands region.

— \$10 million to address the most critical improvements identified by the state for state parks and wildlife management areas.

The Garden State Preservation Trust Fund was created as a temporary measure, providing funds to preserve land over the course of a decade. But the state has been moving quickly, saving land at a faster rate than was anticipated. The Green Acres Program expects to break a record on the number of acres saved this year. It's a good thing, since open land is growing scarcer by the day. Plus, it's cheaper to save land sooner rather than later, since the cost continues to rise.

But that means that our record high appropriations could be followed by record lows in short order unless we start planning now for the next generation of open space and farmland funding.

New Jersey can continue its leadership role in land preservation provided New Jersey voters continue their outstanding commitment by supporting a renewal of funding when the time comes. And given the current pace of preservation, that time is fast approaching.

For more information, contact me at info@njconservation.org or visit NJCF's Web site at www.njconservation.org.

The cup of coffee solution

By LEE HAMILTON
CENTER FOR CONGRESS

Have you tried to get in touch with your member of Congress recently? It's not easy.

The traditional way is to sit down and write a letter. But ever since the September 11 terrorist attacks and the anthrax scare that followed, every letter to the Capitol gets screened, so by the time it's delivered not only is it late, it's often damaged.

You could try faxing a message, but it's hard to get a word in edgewise these days: Congressional fax machines churn around the clock as organized interest groups spread their word.

You might try e-mail, but your odds of getting noticed are even smaller than with a fax. According to a recent study by the Congressional Management Foundation, 83 million e-mail messages were sent to members of the Senate last year, and 99 million to members of the House. Small wonder that congressional offices are having trouble keeping up with — let alone paying attention to — e-mails they've been receiving.

Traveling to Washington is difficult, too. It's beyond most people's means, and members of Congress are so busy on the few days each week when they're in the capital that it's tough to get an appointment if you're an ordinary citizen, no matter how strongly you feel about a particular issue.

You might just be tempted to give up, especially if you've been reading the papers, where you've seen that lobbyists and big-time contributors shower the legislators they're hoping to influence with campaign contributions, golfing trips, and tickets to the theater or major sporting events. "I can't compete with that," you may well decide.

You'd be wrong. You can compete. Here's how: Call your representative's office and invite him to meet with you and a few of your friends for coffee somewhere in the district. Be persistent. A personal visit is one of the most effective and one of the most underutilized ways for members of the public to make their views known.

You probably think I'm nuts, that no high-and-mighty member of Congress is going to bother with anyone who isn't writing a big campaign check or lobbying for a well-heeled interest group.

The truth is, though, in all my years in Congress I never knew a colleague who wouldn't sit down with a constituent. There are two simple reasons for this. One is that most members of Congress take quite seriously their role as representatives: it's part of their job to hear from constituents.

The other reason is that you're a voter. Members of Congress don't get to do what they want to do in high public office unless they get elected, and that takes votes. That's why they maintain offices full of staff who help constituents resolve problems with the federal government. If word got around that they couldn't be bothered to help folks back home get a missing Social Security check or hear their views on an important issue, they would suffer at the polls.

It's the same with a request to meet. If you call your Congress member's office, you almost certainly will not get "no" for an answer. You might get, "Oh, she can't meet with you next week," but that's why persistence is important. If she can't meet next week, ask if she's available the week after. Or the week after that. Or ask if she's got regular district office hours for meeting with constituents. Many members of Congress do.

This might seem like a lot of bother, but let me assure you, it's not. Our form of democracy depends on our elected representatives knowing what we think. Not only does it help them actually represent us, but also it ensures that the thoughts and interests of ordinary constituents can compete with those of the big-spending Washington lobbying industry.

If you've got something to say, pick up the phone and give it a try. You might be surprised at how easy — and effective — it is.

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United Way seeking donations for Katrina evacuees

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, more than one million people in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama are without water, electricity, or homes to return to. As a result, more than 200 evacuees have relocated to Union County and throughout the state of New Jersey, with more expected to come.

United Way of Greater Union County is working with several local partners, including the Union County Department of Human Services and the American Red Cross-Tri-County Chapter, to ensure appropriate support for Hurricane Katrina evacuees in our area.

"United Way is committed to supporting people in times of crisis, and the families relocating to our community are obviously in need of a helping hand," said James W. Horne Jr., chief executive officer of United Way of Greater Union County. "Evacuees are coming to our area and are getting some relief from relatives, churches and state and local municipalities. We anticipate they will need additional support, such as counseling services, child care support, job placement and training, and additional services for people with disabilities and special needs."

To meet the immediate and long-term needs of families, United Way has helped establish a network for catastrophic event care management by partnering with Jewish Family Services, Urban League of Union County and dozens of other certified agencies.

In addition, United Way of Greater Union County is currently reaching out to several local businesses and community organizations to run collection drives, establish donation drop-off points and help distribute the donated items. Needed items include: clothing (or store gift certificates); dry goods (e.g., disposable plates and plastic ware); water and non-perishable food supplies; household supplies; medical supplies (first aid kits, insect repellent, sun block, etc.); toys, recreational and educational items; toiletries; cleaning supplies; communications equipment and bedding and linens. Drop-off locations will be announced shortly.

United Way of Greater Union County has also established a Hurricane Katrina Evacuee Fund, which will provide grants to the evacuees and to United Way's community partners that are assisting them. One hundred percent of the donations will be used to address the needs of evacuees and any excess funds will be sent to help the Gulf Coast region.

Donations can be made online at United Way of Greater Union County's Web site, www.uwguc.org. Click on the "Donate Now" button and enter Katrina Evacuee Fund as your donation choice. Checks may be written to United Way of Greater Union County, with "Hurricane Katrina Evacuee Fund" in the memo line, and mailed to United Way of Greater Union County, 33 W. Grand Street, Elizabeth, NJ, 07202-1499. Credit card donations may also be made by calling the United Way at (908) 353-7171.

Evacuees coming to New Jersey have been asked to call 2-1-1 or the American Red Cross (877) 568-3317 to register to receive long-term assistance with food, shelter, medical and other support. 2-1-1 is a free call from any cell phone or landline, and it is available at all times.

"United Way's 2-1-1 helpline has become an essential number to link those who can help with those who need help," said Horne. "Callers to 2-1-1 will be connected with a care management professional in their local area by our 2-1-1 call specialists."



KRYSTLE LYN TOMLINSON

Local residents claim pageant titles



NYCHOLE DENISE HUNT

Tomlinson, Hunt advance to national competition

SCOTCH PLAINS — A pair of local residents earned honors at pageants held over the summer.

Nychole Denise Hunt, a junior at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, was crowned the 2005 Miss American Coed New Jersey Jr. Teen Queen after capturing the title for her age division. She competed against 26 other young ladies from New Jersey in the pageant, which was held in Parsippany July 1-3.

Nychole won \$1,000 in scholarship money, a crown, a banner and a bouquet of red roses; she also won an additional \$200 for winning the speech and sportswear modeling categories. She will represent Scotch Plains and also the State of New Jersey at the National Pageant Competition, which will be held in Orlando, Fla. during Thanksgiving week.

Nychole's future ambition is to become a principle performer on Broadway. She has been studying dance at the Plainfield Performing Arts Center in Plainfield for the past 11 years, and has been studying voice at the Soumas Heritage School of Music for the past three years.

In addition, Krystle Lyn Tomlinson, age 9, was crowned the 2005 National American Miss New Jersey Jr. Pre-Teen Queen after capturing the title for her age division. She competed against 146 other girls at the pageant, held Aug. 19-20 at the East Brunswick Hilton.

In addition to the \$1,000 in scholarship money that Krystle won for claiming the title, along with a crown and banner, trophy and a bouquet of red roses, she also won an additional \$500 for winning the talent and actress competitions. She will also compete at the national pageant competition, which will be held in Anaheim, Calif. during Thanksgiving week.

Krystle is a fourth grade student at Brunner Elementary School. She has been studying dance at the Plainfield Performing Arts Center in Plainfield for the past seven years and voice at the Soumas Heritage School of Music in Plainfield for the past year and a half.

Both active community volunteers, Nychole and Krystle are excited about representing New Jersey at the national competition, and during the upcoming year through continued community service.

Peace group sponsors bus to D.C.

The Union County Peace Council is sponsoring a bus to a large anti-war demonstration planned in Washington, D.C. on Saturday.

The protest will begin at 10 a.m. with an all-day peace and justice festival and continue with a rally at the ellipse at 11:30 before culminating with a march to the Operation Ceasefire concert and rally.

Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a soldier killed in Iraq who sat outside the President's vacation home in Texas for three weeks in August, is a scheduled speaker.

The Peace Council's activities during the last few months have included sponsoring a summer film series and hosting a world

peace and friendship fair and organizing a vigil in support of Cindy Sheehan's Camp Casey, both in downtown Cranford. The council also sent a representative to Camp Casey last month.

"Since the turnout at the Camp Casey-Cranford vigil was so good, and there was a lot of energy there around the idea of going to Washington, we decided to go ahead and sponsor a bus," said Peace Council member Monica Shimkus of Cranford.

This is the first time in recent memory that a Union County bus has gone to an anti-war protest in Washington, claimed organizers, who attributed the program to decreasing support for the Iraq War.

"We think it indicates how fed up the average person is with the war, and Bush administration policies generally," said Shimkus, "particularly in light of how those policies, including sending 35 percent of Louisiana's National Guard to Iraq, made the effects of Hurricane Katrina that much worse."

The bus will leave the Union train station at 5:30 a.m., pick up riders in Westfield at 6 a.m. and return to the area by 10 p.m. For more information, e-mail UnionCountyPeaceCouncil@gmail.com or call (908) 451-2024.

Fanwood parties plan fundraisers

FANWOOD — Local Republicans and Democrats will each be hosting fundraisers for the upcoming election campaign over the next week.

On the GOP side, the Fanwood Republican Club will hold an international wine and cheese tasting event Friday at the Paardecamp residence at 310 North Ave.

A selection of wines from around the world and complimentary cheese will be served starting at 7:30 p.m. by members of the club. A history of each of the offerings and ideas as to how to pair wine and food will also be offered.

The cost is \$35 for an individual or \$50 for a couple. Payment will be accepted that evening.

"This is one of many events held by the club throughout the year," said Joel Stroz, president of the Fanwood Republican Club. "The club has hosted this type of event through the years and everyone has had a great time. We expect a great turnout and a wonderful evening."

In attendance will be Michael D'Antonio and Maureen Mawby, the 2005 Republican candidates for Borough Council, as well as outgoing Councilmen Stu Kline and Andy Calamari.

For additional information or directions, call Margarita Petro at (908) 889-1993 or Pat Lindsey at (908) 322-8801.

As for the Democrats,

Assemblywoman Linda Stender, Mayor Colleen Mahr and the Committee to Elect Wheeler & Walsh will host an informal event to support the Democratic candidates for Borough Council from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday upstairs at the Sun Tavern, located at 15 South Ave. The suggested donation is \$35 per person.

"With just over six weeks to go before Election Day, this is a great opportunity for Fanwood residents to meet and talk with Joan Wheeler and Bruce Walsh, our candidates for Fanwood Borough Council," said Stender, a former borough mayor who is running for re-election to the State Assembly on Nov. 8.

Bruce Walsh is an attorney and former three-term councilman who currently serves on the Planning Board. Joan Wheeler is an administrator at Purnells Specialized Hospital. She serves on the Board of Health.

"Bruce Walsh and Joan Wheeler will bring exceptional skills and experience to the Borough Council," said Mahr. "I look forward to working with them on the team that is making Fanwood better for all of our families."

For further information about the Committee to Elect Wheeler and Walsh, call Bill Populus at (908) 789-7577 or log on to www.fanwooddems.com.

Skibitsky announces leaf collection guidelines

WESTFIELD — In response to questions from the public regarding the town's leaf collection policy for the fall, Mayor Andy Skibitsky issued the following statement:

"Leaves will be picked up at the curbside without mandatory bagging. However, if you choose to bag your leaves for 'on call' pick-up, you may contact the Department of Public Works for free bags at (908) 789-4100, ext. 600. Within 24 hours, bagged leaves will be picked up. Due to town efforts, curbside pick-up without mandatory bagging will continue as an option.

"Department of Public Works employees will be collecting

leaves on an 'as needed' basis. We intend to pick up leaves more often so that our streets are safer for pedestrians. Please note that no leaves are permitted at the curbside before Oct. 15.

"I hope this information clears up any confusion about our town's leaf collection policy. Please look for the Leaf Collection brochure in the mail.

"If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this or any other matter, please remember that I have Saturday morning office hours. You may contact my assistant Joan at (908) 789-4041 to schedule an appointment."

District works to locate kids with special needs

WESTFIELD — Through its participation in the Project Child Find, the Westfield Public School District tries to provide services to children with special needs.

Said Dr. Ted Kozlik, assistant superintendent for pupil services, "We provide screening and evaluation services for resident children 3 to 21 years of age who appear to have problems in communication, motor, social-emotional, or learning areas."

The screening and evaluation services are available to preschoolers (ages 3-5); to highly mobile students with disabilities, such as migrant and homeless students; and to students who may be disabled even though they are advancing from grade to grade. Children found to be eligible for special education and related services are entitled to free and appropriate special education programming and related services.

Information is provided to parents of children from birth through 3 years of age regarding early intervention services through Project Child Find at

(800) 322-8174 or through the county supervisor of child study at (908) 654-9860.

If you know of children ages 3 to 21 years of age who appear to have one or more of the following signs, the district asks you to urge their parents to contact Kozlik by phone at (908) 789-4442, via e-mail at tkozlik@westfieldnj.k12.org or by fax at (908) 232-5415.

"We provide screening and evaluation services for resident children 3 to 21 years of age who appear to have problems in communication, motor, social-emotional or learning areas."

— Ted Kozlik

manipulating small objects;

— Frequent health problems or birth handicaps;

— Consistent trouble seeing or hearing;

— Tendency toward temper tantrums or excessive anxiety or shyness;

— Significant difficulty playing appropriately with other children; and/or

— Significant problems paying attention and listening.

All information about such reports will be kept confidential.

Spin-a-Thon is planned at JCC

SCOTCH PLAINS — A Spin-a-Thon will be held Oct. 2 to support the JCC of Central NJ's Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort.

Participants will spin, or ride stationary bicycles with the support of friend and family sponsors. The community is urged to sponsor spinners, or simply to donate. All of the funds collected will go to the JCC's Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund. To participate as a spinner or a sponsor, call (908) 889-8800 ext. 224 or 225.

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All smiles on the first day of school

Students at Evergreen Elementary School in Scotch Plains were very excited to get the new year underway. The first day of school was a great time to see old friends and to make some new ones. Pictured from left are first graders Grace Lama, Nicole Dencker and Gia Pares.

Nursery will hold food drive this weekend

WESTFIELD — Williams Nursery at 524 Springfield Ave. will hold its eighth annual harvest food drive this weekend. Everyone who brings in a can of food on either Saturday or Sunday will receive a free hayride. Hayrides run from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

"It's important to remember that besides the great need for food and water needed down south from Katrina, there is a continual need for these same donations in our local community. This is a great opportunity for families to show their support in the fight for hunger," said David Williams, a partner

at the nursery.

According to the Community FoodBank of New Jersey, almost one million people in New Jersey are hungry, and more than half of them are children and the elderly. Even one can of food can help make a difference.

Foods from the protein group are most urgently needed. These include canned meats, fish, chili, peanut butter (in plastic jars) and macaroni and cheese. Visit the Williams Nursery website at www.williams-nursery.com or stop in the store for a complete list of most needed items.

The nursery also announced it will begin its sixth annual scarecrow competition on Oct. 8. The winners will be determined by votes cast by the public during the month of October.

There will be a cash prize of \$500 for first place and gift certificates for \$250 for second place and \$100 for third.

"I am very excited about this event," said David Williams. "The contest was quite fun in the past years, and I can't wait to see how creative people are this year." Ready for the Witches Winter Ball, Spider Veins & All by the Singers of Cranford took the \$500 prize

last year."

This contest is open to all ages, with no purchase necessary. Individuals, school clubs, and corporations are all invited to enter. Entrants must be pre-registered by Oct. 9. An entry form can be downloaded from www.williams-nursery.com or can be picked up from the nursery.

Even if you're not building a scarecrow, you can still win a prize. Each person voting is entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card.

Call (908) 232-4076 for further information about the food drive or the scarecrow contest.

Volunteers are needed to advocate for kids

CASA, the organization of Court Appointed Special Advocates, has announced that two orientation sessions will be held for volunteers interested in addressing the needs of abused and neglected children in Union County.

Here in Union County, 987 children were living in out-of-home placement last year because their homes were no longer safe. These children lead uncertain lives: some are in fos-

ter care, others in group homes, some in shelters. Many of them are separated from their siblings; most of them don't understand what has happened or why.

CASA programs and their volunteers work to help these vulnerable children. They stand up for these children in court, advocating for their best interests. CASA volunteers seek to ensure that these children receive the services they need. They ensure that the children are not moved

from placement to placement, that they spend as little time as possible in out-of-home placement before reaching permanency either with their biological family or through adoption, and that they are protected from any further risk of abuse.

CASA of Union County is now recruiting volunteers for fall training. Once screened and trained, CASA volunteers will conduct independent investiga-

tions and report to the Family Court about the child's circumstances and what courses of action would be in the child's best interests.

Interested volunteers are invited to attend an orientation session at the First Union Methodist Church at 1 East Broad Street in Westfield at 1 p.m. Oct. 8.

If interested in becoming a CASA volunteer, contact Dominic Prohete, executive director of CASA of Union County at (908) 820-8967 or visit their Web site at www.casaofunioncounty.org.

Colonial cooking at Miller-Cory

WESTFIELD — The fireplace was the center of the colonial kitchen. A glowing fire spread not only light and heat into the room, but the fireplace was where the cooking was done. Pots and kettles were made of cast iron or copper; kitchen utensils were made mostly of tin. Colonial women spent long hours in daily food procurement and preparation.

From 2-4 p.m. Sunday, area residents will get a firsthand look at this way of life, as Sherry Lange of Cranford and Janet Murphy of Kenilworth demonstrate the skills needed to prepare a meal over the open hearth fireplace. The cooks will be using authentic recipes and seasonal foods.

Costumed docents will also be on hand to guide visitors through the 1740 full furnished farmhouse. The Miller-Cory House Museum is a nationally recognized living museum and is listed on both the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The last tour of the house begins at 3:30 p.m.

The museum gift shop offers a wide variety of colonial reproductions, cookbooks and educational items.

Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students; children under 6 years of age are admitted free.

On Oct. 2, Melinda Mucha of Roselle Park will present a program titled "18th Century Fear Factors." This program will be ideal for young children.

This week

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SEPT. 22

COLOR AND MAKE-UP WORKSHOP — hosted by the Scotch Plains Public Library and Dawn DeSimone, a Mary Kay consultant. 7:30 p.m. (908) 322-5007, ext. 204.

GOLF OUTING — hosted by the Arc of Union County. Sept. 22. Shackamaxon Golf & Country Club, Scotch Plains. Registration at 10 a.m., brunch at 11, shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. (973) 315-0020 or (973) 315-0022.

CHARLIE PROSE COMEDY REVUE — a trip and luncheon at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse hosted by the Scotch Plains Golden Agers Club. Leaves the Scotch Plains municipal parking lot at 10 a.m. \$65. (908) 889-4121 or (908) 654-4512.

NEWCOMERS' CLUB MEETING — the Scotch Plains-Fanwood club welcomes those who have been through a recent lifestyle change. 8 p.m. Fanwood Presbyterian Church. (908) 889-7860.

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SEPT. 24

PROJECT ONE ENSEMBLE — innovative string quartet will perform at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 559 Park Ave., Scotch Plains. 8 p.m. \$12. (908) 322-8047.

BOOK SALE — hosted by the Friends of the Fanwood Memorial Library. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Forest Road Park building. Donations will be accepted at an upcoming date. To volunteer, call (908) 322-9179 or 322-7174.

ANTI-WAR DEMONSTRATION — Union County Peace Council sponsors a bus to rally in Washington, D.C. Bus will depart Union train station at 5:30 a.m. and pick up riders in Westfield at 6; return is estimated at 10 p.m. UnionCountyPeaceCouncil@gmail.com or (908) 451-2024.

HAYRIDE AND FOOD DRIVE — bring a can of food and get a free hayride. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Williams Nursery, 524 Springfield Ave., Westfield. (908) 232-4076.

APPLE-PICKING — an outing in Hunterdon County hosted by Single Wings, a social group for Christian college educated professionals ages 50-65. The day will include brunch. To register, call (732) 388-4555.

SUNDAY

SEPT. 25

FESTIFALL — 16th annual street festival in downtown Westfield. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Volunteers now needed; call the Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021.

HADASSAH GODPARENTS FLING — annual event at Temple Sinai, 208 Summit Ave., Summit. 5 p.m. (908) 756-6636 or (908) 771-9251.

HARVEST FESTIVAL — annual county-sponsored event at Trillside Nature and Science Center. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. (908) 789-3670 or www.ucnj.org.

SEE THE DALAI LAMA — His Holiness will make a public appearance at the Rutgers University football stadium, and the Westfield Area YMCA is sponsoring a trip. \$33. Leaves 7 Sept. 25. (908) 966-9344.

COLONIAL COOKING — a demonstration of 18th-century culinary habits. 2-4 p.m. Miller Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield. \$2 for adults, 50 cents for students. (908) 232-1776.

HAYRIDE AND FOOD DRIVE — bring a can of food and get a free hayride. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Williams Nursery, 524 Springfield Ave., Westfield. (908) 232-4076.

JEWISH STORY & CRAFTS HOUR — for kids ages 3-5, hosted by the Union County Torah Center. 3-3:45 p.m. \$5. Following is "The Shofar Factory," a program about the horn traditionally blown in synagogues throughout the world on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. \$5 per child, for \$10 more, kids can bring home a shofar. (908) 789-5252.

LUNCHEON SOCIAL — at Cosimo's, 118 East Broad St. Hosted by Single Wings, a social group for Christian college educated professionals ages 50-65. Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY

SEPT. 26

ROSH HASHONAH LECTURE — by Rabbi Levi Block of the Union County Torah Center. 8 p.m. 418 Central Ave., Westfield. Free.

IMAGE SEMINAR — presented by the College Club of

Fanwood-Scotch Plains and featuring Janet Cargill. 7:30 p.m. Union Catholic High School library, Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. (908) 233-2948. Free.

TUESDAY

SEPT. 27

THE BATTLE OF CONNECTICUT FARMS — program hosted by the Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood. 8 p.m. Fanwood train station, North and Martine avenues. Open to the public. (908) 232-1199.

WEDNESDAY

SEPT. 28

THE SUCCESSFUL COLLEGE ESSAY — a workshop led by Edie Scher at the Scotch Plains Public Library. 7:15 p.m. Free, but register at (908) 322-5007, ext. 204. 1927 Bartle Ave.

'MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL' — a Westfield Area YMCA trip to the 91st Street Playhouse in New York City. Take the train for a matinee performance. \$65. (908) 966-9344.

ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAM — hosted by the Fanwood Community Policing Alliance. 7:30 p.m. Forest Road Park building, Fanwood. (908) 322-5000, ext. 151.

RABIES CLINIC — free program for cats and dogs in Scotch Plains. 6:30-8:30 p.m. North side firehouse, 430 Senger Place. A fee will be charged for licenses if applicable. (908) 322-6700, ext. 1-309.

THURSDAY

SEPT. 29

GUIDED MEDITATION — county-sponsored event at Trillside Nature and Science Center. 8:30-9:30 p.m. \$10 for county residents. (908) 789-3670.

PARENTHOOD SEMINAR — presented by Michael Thomson and sponsored by Prevention Links. 6-8:30 p.m. The Westwood, North Avenue, Garwood. \$15. (732) 381-4100.

FRIDAY

SEPT. 30

TEEN DANCE PARTY — hosted by the Scotch Plains Recreation Department. 6:30-10 p.m. Alan Augustine Village Green. (908) 322-6700, ext. 223.

'KID POWER' — conference for middle schoolers hosted by Prevention Links. Topics include abstinence, diversity, sexual health and responsibility, steroids, and peer pressure problem solving. 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The Westwood, Garwood. \$15; meals included. Register by Sept. 23. (732) 381-4100.

SATURDAY

OCT. 1

COLLEGE PLANNING PROGRAM — first event of its kind hosted by the College Woman's Club of Westfield. 9:30-noon Oct. 1. \$40. Tickets are on sale at the Town Book Store. For more, visit www.WestfieldToday.com/cwc.

CONSIGNMENT SALE — hosted by the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey. 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 1. Trinity Episcopal Church, North and Forest avenues, Cranford. (908) 561-1751.

FINE ART AND CRAFT SHOW — 18th annual show at Nomahegan Park in Cranford. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. (908) 874-5247 or www.rosesquared.com.

SUNDAY

OCT. 2

FINE ART AND CRAFT SHOW — 18th annual show at Nomahegan Park in Cranford. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. (908) 874-5247 or www.rosesquared.com.

BIKE FOR LIFE — three bike rides to raise funds for shelters that assist women facing difficult pregnancies. Holy Trinity School, Watterston St., Westfield. Day begins at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 2, concludes with block party at noon. To register, visit www.bike-for-life.org.

COMING UP

OPEN HOUSE — hosted by the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey. 9:30 A.M. Oct. 3. Trinity Episcopal Church, North and Forest avenues, Cranford. (908) 561-1751.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT PROGRAM — for caregivers. 7 p.m. Oct. 5. Family Resource Center, 300 North Ave., Cranford. (800) 883-1180.

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Community Life

Briefs

Historical Society hosts talk on Caldwell

FANWOOD — The Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood will meet 8 p.m. Tuesday at the train station on North and Martine avenues to learn about Hannah Caldwell and the Battle of Connecticut Farms. Springfield historian Jean Rae Turner will tell the story.

Turner, a retired journalist with The Daily Journal, has been seriously interested in history since 1953 when she discovered that no information existed on Hillside. She soon rectified that with a book, *Along the Upper Road*. Numerous other books and booklets followed. Turner also got the Evergreen Cemetery listed on the Historic Register. She is active in local and county historical organizations, presently the secretary for the Union County Historical Society.

Refreshments and fellowship will follow the meeting, which is open to all. For more information call Richard Bousquet at (908) 232-1199.

Coats on sale at WSL Thrift Shop

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Service League Thrift Shop will be selling coats beginning Thursday, Oct. 6. Coat racks will be replenished daily, and the sale will run through the fall season.

The shop will also have its regular merchandise of men's, ladies', and children's winter and fall clothes as well as books, toys, jewelry, bric-a-brac and shoes.

Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 11, a large selection of Halloween dress-up clothing and accessories will also be available for sale.

In addition to the Thrift Shop, the Service League also runs a Consignment Shop. Both shops are open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and are located at 114 Elmer St.

The Westfield Service League is a non-profit volunteer organization. All proceeds are donated to local charities.

For further information, call the Thrift Shop at (908) 233-2530 or the Consignment Shop at (908) 232-1223.

Get tips on looking good

SCOTCH PLAINS — The College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains will present an image seminar at the club's next meeting on Monday.

"The Art of Looking Good" is the title of an informal interactive seminar presented by Janet Cargill, an image consultant and fashion expert. After working in the retail industry with top names such as Liz Claiborne, Ralph Lauren, and Brooks Brothers, she started her own company, Cargill Imaging Consulting.

"My goal is to help people feel good about themselves," said Cargill.

The presentation will be conducted at Union Catholic High School Library on Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains and will immediately follow the 7:30 p.m. College Club meeting. The public is welcome to attend the event free of charge. For more information about the event, call Carolyn Dittus at (908) 233-2948.

Soroptimists seek nominees for 2 awards

Soroptimist International of the Greater Westfield Area is looking for candidates for two prestigious awards, the Violet Richardson Award and Women's Opportunity Award.

The Violet Richardson Award is a cash award that honors young women ages 14-17 for their volunteer work in their community and school.

The Women's Opportunity Award helps women who provide primary financial support for their families and who are enrolled in or have been accepted to a vocational/skills training program or undergraduate degree program. It is also a cash award to offset any costs associated with efforts to attain a higher education.

If you think you are eligible, contact Judy Sheft at (908) 654-5521 and leave your name and telephone number. All applications must be filed before Nov. 15, 2005.



Rock and roll at Echo Lake

Union County's MusicFest '05 event drew a strong crowd to Echo Lake Park last Saturday to enjoy concert performances by several local favorites, as well as some national names. Among the performers were the Smithereens, led by the county's own Pat DiNizio (top, second from left), a native of Scotch Plains. The bill featured They Might Be Giants and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, who closed the show; also performing were Thuli Dumakade, Joe Bonamassa, JoBonanno & The Godsons of Soul and Spiraling. In addition to the musical show, the day included the Kids Kingdom Traveling Jubilee, which offered rides, activities and other entertainment for the youngest concertgoers.



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Seminar connects art, mental health

Can visual art heal the mind? Area residents can learn what leading researchers and practitioners have discovered at an interactive day-long conference for mental health and social service providers, healthcare administrators, educators and artists.

"Visual Art and the Mind: An Arts & Well Being Initiative" will take place 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21 at the Hilton Hotel, 1170 Spring St. (Route One), Elizabeth. The event is sponsored by the Mental Health Association of Union County, the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Pre-registration is required. The fee for registration by Sept. 28 (and students with current I.D.) is \$79 per person, which includes continental breakfast, lunch, snacks and all materials. Registration after Sept. 28 is \$90.

Registration on the day of the conference is \$110.

The morning keynote presenters are Kathleen Gaffney and Julia Kristeller. Gaffney is co-founder of Artsgenesis, an arts-in-education organization. She is a nationally known speaker on the role of arts and healing, multiple intelligences, and differentiated learning.

Kristeller teaches child development, art and expressive therapy, creative curriculum, and program planning. She also worked at the School of Visual Arts, Art Therapy Department, creating innovative projects and programs throughout New York City, as well as helping to launch their master's program. She is the former editor-in-chief at Scholastic.

The conference features six concurrent workshop sessions offered in morning and afternoon sessions. The workshops explore how visual art is a successful strategy in working

with aging, domestic violence trauma, special needs, children in schools, and counseling. One workshop will describe how to start a visual arts program for special populations. Continuing Education Units are available for professional development credit.

There also will be a panel discussion, "Vision of the Future," with experts about programs in arts and healing moderated by Rory MacPherson from the Wallace Foundation.

Dario Scholis of Elizabeth is artist in residence for the conference. A mixed-media painter, illustrator and designer, she has worked in arts-in-education programs throughout New Jersey with homeless and at-risk children.

To request a brochure or get more information, call (908) 558-2550 or email culturalinfo@ucnj.org. Assistive services are available on request.

YMCA offers new programs for fall

Interested residents can still sign up for a variety of programs offered this fall at the expanded Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, where registration is currently underway.

The newly re-opened Wellness Center now features a mezzanine level. Also new at the facility, a health and fitness initiative — "Steppin' Up" — will provide support and resources to families combating inactivity and weight management issues. Designed for all ages, this program will include the use of pedometers to record how many steps participants walk each day, challenging them to increase that number during weekly check-ins.

In addition to the usual host of adult fitness classes, the Y offers several Pilates classes that combine stretching and strengthening with a focus on the torso. Anyone new to Pilates will be asked to take the Y's "Intro to Pilates" class, which will educate participants on the underlying principles of the mat exercises.

The Y's swim program continues to offer water orientation for infants as young as 6 months with progressive lessons for children up to 14 years. A "Learn to Dive" class is set to be introduced this fall.

From parent/toddler classes, through preschool and kindergarten levels, the Y's gymnastics program looks to develop a child's self-esteem while improving strength, balance and coordination. Beginning in first grade, girls can continue with a progressive skills format, working on vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor exercise. Ultimately, some

gymnasts will become members of the Y's competitive team.

Youth programs scheduled for the fall include All Sports, Tennis, Tae Kwon Do, Roller Hockey, Yoga, and an all-new Baton Twirling class. Beyond the many physical activities offered, several art classes are attracting budding artists of all ages, from preschoolers in the Messy Fingers class to fifth through eighth graders in the Art Ventures program. Parents can participate with their children in either the Make a Masterpiece with Me art class or one of the Y's Scrapbooking classes, which are also available to teens and adults.

The Y Adventure Guides invite fathers and their children to join them for a host of activities that will run through next June, including a camp-out already planned for the weekend of Oct. 21-23 at Fairview Lake YMCA Camp.

Fun for the whole family can be found with the Y's Family Nights, which are scheduled for the first Friday of every month. Beginning at 7 p.m., children and adults of all ages can enjoy a special activity or performance, followed by a family swim from 8-9 p.m.

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA also offers full-day and drop-off child care, Gym Jams Nursery School, Four Plus, and KinderWrap, as well as before and after school child care for elementary and middle school students.

For more information, call the YMCA at (908) 889-8880 or visit the Y's Web site at www.fanwoodscotchplainsymca.org.

Harvest Festival planned at Trailside

From 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the county Department of Parks, Recreation & Facilities will host the 24th annual Harvest Festival, rain or shine, at Trailside Nature and Science Center.

At this year's Harvest Festival, visitors will have the opportunity to observe a variety of displays and demonstrations, such as a Revolutionary War encampment, quilting, canoe building, gunsmithing, soap making, candle dipping, colonial games, basket making, fur trapping and trading and butter churning.

There are also several scheduled storytelling and musical performances. Visitors can enjoy Native American traditional dancing, singing and tales from artist Jerry Thundercloud McDonald; tap their toes to the tunes of Kurt Gallagher; grunt, yodel, and strut with Andrew Roblin; enjoy the barbershop harmony of the Rahway Valley

Jerseyaires, and sing along with the musical performances of Fresh Cut Grass.

The festival will include Native American lodge and artifact displays, storytelling and performances, colonial and Native American crafts and work skills, a petting zoo, pony rides, log sawing and shingle splitting and much more. An always popular feature will be the Build a Scarecrow contest, which requires a nominal fee for participation.

In addition, vendors will be on site selling corn on the cob, baked potatoes, bratwurst, kettle corn, ice cream, funnel cake, and freshly squeezed lemonade.

Admission is \$3.00 per person, with children ages 7 and younger admitted free of charge.

Trailside Nature & Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Rd. in Mountainside. Additional information can be obtained by calling (908) 789-3670 or by visiting the county Web site at www.ucnj.org.

Bike for Life program to be held on October 2

WESTFIELD — The fifth annual Bike for Life program will be held Oct. 2 at Holy Trinity School on Watterson Street. The event is held to raise badly needed funds for area homes and shelters providing safe, nurturing environments for women facing difficult pregnancies.

The three local beneficiaries are Good Counsel of Hoboken, Raphael's Life House in Elizabeth and Several Sources in Ramsey.

The first ride will begin at 8:30 a.m., with a block party following the last race to be held at noon. This year two popular bands, The Broadcasters and The Firedogs, will offer both classic rock and contemporary hits during the free barbecue held for all riders and supporters. There will also be games for children of all ages, and the rider raising the most funds will win a free bike.

Chris Bell, who founded f

Good Counsel back in 1985, expressed his appreciation for all who participate by noting, "Thanks to the Bike for Life, we were able fund the conversion of a 100-year-old convent on Clinton Street in Hoboken into a great home for women and children."

"Without the generosity of others we would not be able to offer the vocational training, spiritual guidance and emotional support to countless women who depend on Good Counsel."

There are three rides of varying distance, as well as a 2.5-mile walk from which participants can choose. Visit the web-site at www.bike-for-life.org to learn more or to register.

Bike for Life is sponsored by the Westfield Knights of Columbus and will be held rain or shine, with the post-ride festivities moved into the Holy Trinity gym should weather require.



Riders gear up in advance of this year's fifth annual Bike for Life event to be held Sunday, Oct. 2 at Holy Trinity School on Watterson Street in Westfield. The first of three rides begins at 8:30 a.m.

Obituaries

Jean Harmsen

WESTFIELD — Jean Suydam Harmsen, 68, died Sept. 20, 2005 at her home in Pawlet, Vt. after a lengthy battle with breast cancer.

Raised on her family's apple and peach farm in Franklin Park, she lived in Westfield for many years before moving to Pawlet with her husband, Ronald.

Mrs. Harmsen taught in the Westfield Public Schools until her retirement in 1993. She was a devoted teacher with a love of books and learning.

A graduate of Princeton High School and the College of New Jersey, she received her master's in education from Rutgers University.

After moving to Vermont Mrs. Harmsen was a dedicated sup-

porter of the Pawlet Public Library, serving on the library board, working as a library volunteer and co-chairing the library book sale for two years. She also volunteered at Hildene and was a member of the Crescent Valley Club and the Pawlet Scholarship Committee.

She loved her family, friends, gardening, skiing, music, crossword puzzles and books.

Surviving are her husband; a daughter, Karen Woods of Kenilworth; two sisters, Alice Veghte and Marion Meyer; and many, many friends.

There will be a gathering of family and friends at a future date. Donations may be made to the Dorset Nursing Association, P.O. Box 549, Dorset, VT 05251.

Walter Kapuscinski

WESTFIELD — Walter Kapuscinski, 86, died Sept. 14, 2005 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

A native of Brooklyn, he moved to Westfield in 1980.

Mr. Kapuscinski was a foreman with the Burndy Corp. in the Bronx, where he worked for 47 years before retiring in 1982.

He served in the Army during World War II with the 89th Infantry Division and participated in the D-Day Invasion.

Mr. Kapuscinski was a recipi-

ent of the European-African Campaign Medal and was a member of the American Legion Post 0003 in Westfield.

Surviving are his wife, Viola; a son, Walter A.; a brother, George; and three grandchildren.

A Mass was offered Saturday in St. Anne's Church, Garwood. Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford. Entombment was in Fairview Cemetery, Westfield. Donations may be made to the Westfield Rescue Squad.

Florence Feldman

WESTFIELD — Florence Feldman, 83, died Sept. 13, 2005 in the Berkeley Heights Convalescent Center, Berkeley Heights.

Born in Brooklyn, she lived in Westfield and New York City before returning to Westfield in 2003.

She was a homemaker.

Surviving are sons, Marshall, Michael and Robert; and seven grandchildren. Her husband, Abner Feldman, died in 2003.

A memorial service was offered Friday in the Gray Funeral Home, 18 E. Broad St., Westfield. Donations may be made to a Hurricane Katrina victims fund.

Donald E. Bleeke

A memorial service for Donald E. Bleeke of Westfield will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, located at Springfield

and North Union avenues. A luncheon will follow in the Thomson Youth Center.

Mr. Bleeke died July 30, 2005 while vacationing in Maine.

Samuel Louise

WESTFIELD — Samuel J. Louise, 92, died Sept. 18, 2005 at his home.

He was a lifelong resident of Westfield.

Mr. Louise was an accountant with Bristol Meyers, Inc. in Hillside for 10 years before retiring in 1977. Prior to that, he worked for Schering-Plough in Kenilworth.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippines.

Mr. Louise was a member of the Friday Nighters Dance Club and the Round Towners Dance Club.

Surviving are a daughter, Janet; and a son, Ronald. His wife, Olga, died in 2003.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Ave. Visitation will be at 10 a.m. Thursday. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans or to People for Animals.

Joseph Connolly

WESTFIELD — Joseph Connolly, 62, died Sept. 18, 2005 in Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck.

Born in Elizabeth, he lived in Westfield before moving to Rahway 15 years ago.

Mr. Connolly was a tool-and-die maker for the Precision Escalator Co. in Kenilworth for many years. Earlier, he worked for the Accurate Bushing Co. in

Mountainside.

Surviving are a brother, Thomas P.; a stepbrother, Paul Grupe; and a stepsister, Diane Butler.

A service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in the Higgins and Bonner Echo Lake Funeral Home, 582 Springfield Ave., Westfield. Cremation will be private.

CWC asks: What color is your pennant?

WESTFIELD — Harvard or Princeton? Small private college or large state university?

If you are one of the many parents of teenagers who are facing the daunting challenge of choosing and applying to colleges in the next few years, a unique program organized by the College Woman's Club of Westfield (CWC) may be for you.

On Saturday, Oct. 1, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Echo Lake Country Club, CWC will present a college planning event featuring a panel of admissions "insiders" headlined by Jacques Steinberg, author of *The Gatekeepers: Inside the Admissions Process of a Premier College*. Joining him will be Scott White, a professional guidance counselor and former assistant director of admissions at Bard College. All proceeds from the morning benefit the CWC scholarship fund.

Titled "What Color is Your Pennant? Choosing & Getting Chosen by Your Ideal College," the event will feature a breakfast

and talk followed by a question-and-answer period with the speakers and a book signing with Steinberg. Geared to parents of high school students, the program will provide candid, commonsense advice on navigating the college choice and admissions process.

"The College Woman's Club is proud to present these outstanding speakers on a subject that is of vital importance to high school students," said Jennifer Jaruzelski, club president. "This program enhances our mission of supporting higher education in the community while enriching our scholarship potential for deserving young women from Westfield."

As national education correspondent for the New York Times from 1999 to 2003, Steinberg covered such major stories as the case for affirmative action at the University of Michigan, bilingual education, for-profit schools and the issue of education on the campaign trail.

From 1999 to 2000, Steinberg

was given unfettered access to the admissions process at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., in a year when there were 10 applicants for each seat in the freshman class. The series of articles he wrote on that experience was published on the front page of the Times at key moments in the admissions season and became the basis for his bestselling book, *The Gatekeepers*. A graduate of Dartmouth College, he is currently a media reporter for the Times.

White has been a counselor at Montclair High School for the last 14 years and previously was director of college guidance at Montclair Kimberley Academy and director of college counseling and admissions at the McBurney School in Manhattan.

White is active in the National Association of Admissions Counseling and has regularly published and led panels on topics such as disclosure and ethics in college admissions and special education and Section 504 issues

in college admissions. He is a graduate of Swarthmore College and the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Admission to the event is \$40 and includes a program book featuring articles provided by the speakers on subjects such as SATs, college essays and interviews, and financing college tuition. Tickets are available at the Town Book Store, 255 E. Broad St. Copies of *The Gatekeepers* and other recommended books are also available for sale, with a portion of the proceeds donated to the College Woman's Club scholarship fund.

The College Woman's Club of Westfield was founded in 1917 to further the higher education of women. The club annually awards more than \$28,000 in grants and scholarships that are financed entirely through dues and donations by members and annual fundraising events.

For further information on the club, visit their website at www.WestfieldToday.com/cwc or write to cwclub@aol.com.



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O, say can you see...

Fanwood resident Brenda McCulley, a lower and middle school choral teacher at The Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison, explains to second graders the history and significance of the "Star Spangled Banner." The Music Educators' National Conference coordinated efforts for the singing of the National Anthem throughout the country at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, in commemoration of Francis Scott Key's penning of the song.

Rake and Hoe Club kicks off a new season

WESTFIELD — The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield kicked off its 2005-06 year with an auction held for members on Sept. 14 at the home of Danielle Walsh.

New officers of the club were installed at last season's final June meeting and include: Patty Kreider, president; Pam Kolb, vice president; Gayle Lechner, recording secretary; Barbara Mullin, corresponding secretary; Ellen Cuddy, treasurer and Kris Luka, director.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club welcomes new members to general meetings, which are held at the Westfield YMCA at 1230 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month.

The club sponsored a flower show and home tour, "Surfing the Garden" in May of this year. The public viewed horticulture speci-

mens at the Presbyterian Church and toured four local homes to appreciate creative designs and artwork by club members.

Some 25 state judges evaluated the show entries; however, the public was invited to vote for their favorite computer sculpture. Sculptures were located at each site of the show. "C.D. MacBride" at the Luka home on Elm Street, which was the public's favorite, was created by Anna Lanam.

Programs on the agenda for this year include education on land preservation and protection, sundials, floral designs, dried flower arranging, creating a Japanese style garden and bird migration. The Rake and Hoe Garden Club also provides community service to Lyons Veterans' Hospital, Mobile Meals and the Cerebral Palsy



The best computer sculpture as voted by the public in the Rake and Hoe Garden Club's spring flower show was "C.D. MacBride," a creation of Anna Lanam.

Association and tends to the Miller-Cory and Shadowlawn gardens.

Besides local programs, the club coordinates many field trips. There is also a youth membership for interested youngsters. For more information, call Pam at (908) 233-3596.

SPF schools have what parents want

SchoolMatch of Columbus, Ohio, the nation's largest school selection consulting firm, recently announced that the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools have received the organization's 2005 What Parents Want Award.

This marks several years that the SP-F public schools have received this award, which is presented to only 16 percent of the nation's 15,573 public school districts and recognizes those districts that best meet the needs of families choosing schools for their children. All honored school systems are highlighted on the SchoolMatch Web directory that is accessed by more than 250,000 relocating families each month.

In addition to continually surveying thousands of parents, SchoolMatch maintains objective information from auditable sources on every public school system in the nation and more than 14,000 accredited private schools worldwide. The service, which assists corporate employee families when relocating and assists corporations with site selection studies, has also successfully conducted more than 1,000 educational effectiveness audits of public school systems across the country.

More than seven million parents accessed SchoolMatch services through real estate firms, multiple listing services, chambers of commerce, and economic development offices over the last year.

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Kenilworth Library offers Gershwin revue

Oct. 7 performance offered by Hudson Shakespeare Co.

The Kenilworth Public Library will present "Gershwin in Love", a musical revue to be performed by members of the Hudson Shakespeare Company, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7.

Directed and choreographed by Michelle Wilson, the performance will follow the trials and tribulations of four different couples from first love through break up and eventual reconciliation, all set to some of George and Ira Gershwin's most famous music.

Such favorites as "Someone to Watch Over Me," "Nice Work if You Can Get It," "Summertime," and "The Man That Got Away" are part of a collection of 18 songs that will take the audience on an enjoyable and nostalgic ride to the energetic shows of a bygone era.

Funding for this program has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment of the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Because space is limited, preregistration is required and can be done in person or by calling the library at (908) 276-2451. The Kenilworth Public Library is located at 548 Boulevard in Kenilworth.



Members of the Hudson Shakespeare Company who will appear at the Kenilworth Public Library on Oct. 7 include (from left) Keiri Beth, Logan Yost, Andrew Low, Sarah LaBonte, Steven Incammicia, Abigail Chaon, Andy Jacobs and Jillyn McKittrick.

Collaborative art showcased at UCC

Through Nov. 23, Union County College will host an exhibition of works by five artists, Lisa Bateman, Norm Francoeur, DB Lampman, Doreen McCarthy, and Aaron Yassin.

Titled "Collective Intelligence," this exhibition was composed by Robert Costa, who served as guest curator. This exhibition will be hung in the commons on the college's Cranford campus at 1033 Springfield Ave. Due to extensive renovations being made to the Mackay Library, the Tomasulo's offerings are being moved from the gallery space to various venues on the Cranford campus.

"Collective Intelligence" is a project of Art In Plain View, and it rallies the efforts of five visual artists of distinctly different styles and disciplines to explore collaboration as an integral part of the creative process.

The works consist of a giant pod suggesting an alien origin and a 100-foot-long checkered windsock situated amongst clusters of brightly colored geometric inflatables. Video surveillance cameras simultaneously relay fragments of this bizarre aerial landscape to four TV

monitors. In this unusual mixed media installation, incongruous elements struggle to form a harmonious whole while remaining true to each artist's unique vision, all while hanging from the ceiling trusses of UCC's Commons.

Costa explains, "Collective expression, though commonplace in the performing arts, is a foreign concept to most painters and sculptors for whom a work of art is still believed to be the product of a solitary vision. One collaborates only with one's own muse, after all. This may have been fine in the classical world, but in today's fragmented, manifold environment where chaos is just another form of order, the singular point of view begins to seem inadequate. It may be that collaboration in art is a more suitable approach to giving form to the complexity and contradictions of modern life than the expression of any isolated world view."

Gallery hours are from 1-4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and Saturdays. Evening hours are from 6-9 Tuesdays through Thursdays. For more information, call (908) 709-7155.

Record show comes to Springfield on Sunday

If past performance is any indicator, on Sept. 25, the line of people waiting to enter the Greater New Jersey Record & CD Show will snake from the banquet room of the Springfield Holiday Inn past the swimming pool and into the lobby.

Do people really still buy vinyl records? Between 1999 and 2002, sales of new and used vinyl albums tripled. Last Christmas, record players were often found on the "top 10 gift lists" published in newspapers and magazines.

Compact discs debuted in the early '80s and less than 10 years later, record sales had dwindled to a mere trickle. Or had they? Club DJs are constantly searching for fresh grooves on vinyl for their mixes. Record collectors, those purists on the prowl for gem mint LPs and covers, never went away. Teenagers digging through the basement are discovering that the richer, warmer sound of their parents' LPs and 45s doesn't compare to CDs (although they'd never give them up).

Often teens are the ones buying records, while their parents are replacing vinyl records with the CD version of those albums. One place where all of these collectors converge is at record shows, such as the one being held at the Holiday Inn on Route 22 West in Springfield this Sunday.

Although music DVDs/videos, CDs and memorabilia abound at the record show at cut-rate prices, the main thrust is records — affordable LPs, rare 45s and unusual albums. Online auctions, a popular aspect of the computer age can drive prices higher than most want to pay. At record shows, buyers can see and touch and check its condition — a key factor in the decision to buy collectable records. The shows group dozens of music vendors in one room competing with each other, giving collectors more clout and

giving browsers the opportunity to pick up music treasures at rock bottom prices. The environment is also ripe for selling those records gathering dust in the closet.

The show is 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn. Admission is adults: \$5, seniors: \$3, kids under 12: free.

For more info on the Greater New Jersey Record Show, call Molly Lenz at (908) 925-9667 or e-mail GNJRecordShows@aol.com.

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Reeves-Reed plans unique wine tasting

There's nothing like the perfect hors d'oeuvre to compliment a good wine — and that's precisely why this year Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit will include gourmet cuisine prepared by area chefs at the Great Grapes Wine Tasting, slated for Sept. 23.

The event will take place under tents on the front lawn of Wisner House on the grounds of the arboretum.

Palate tempting appetizers will be presented by locally renowned chefs, including Bill Hendra of Huntley Tavern in Summit, who is recognized for his American-style cuisine; personal chef and caterer Ron Freedman of Pampered Palate, Summit; David Drake of David Drake restaurant in Rahway; and Whole Foods of Millburn.

Hendra is lead chef at Huntley Tavern, owned by Harvest Restaurants, which include Trap Rock, Ciao and 3 West. He has earned a reputation for presenting creative American cuisine. For the event, Hendra will offer two different

food stations: one dessert and the other a crispy calamari salad.

Freedman will unveil his special basturma with Indian spiced yucca and celery root puree as well as a tea-smoked salmon with salsa verde and great grapes. Basturma is an ancient Armenian recipe for curing meat.

Drake is keeping his appetizer under wraps until the event, and Whole Foods will be creating a cheese spread.

Providing wine to this year's event is the Wine Library of Springfield, recognized as one of the tri-state area's leading sources of fine wine.

According to Eileen Donovan, chairperson of the event, "Wine Library has selected an interesting sampling of wines, ranging from dinner to dessert selections as well as high-end spirits.

Sommeliers will be on hand to answer questions and offer advice.

Tickets cost \$125, and space is limited. The arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave. To reserve a spot, call (908) 273-8787.

Chansonettes seek singers

The Chansonettes of Westfield are seeking new members. A women's choral group, the Chansonettes sing four-part harmony and are in need of sopranos or any other level of voice. Most importantly, there must be a love of singing and entertaining.

The Chansonettes perform concerts twice a year and sing to entertain people in nursing

homes, assisted living homes, church groups and various organizations. They meet for rehearsal every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30. Rehearsals are at the Presbyterian Church on Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

Anyone interested may contact Nancy Lau at (908) 654-5130 or Jane Walsweer at (908) 232-4531. No auditions are required.

A little morning music



String musicians who are interested in sharing their talents are invited to participate in the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Friday Morning String Ensemble. Violin, viola, bass and cello players can join together on Friday mornings from 8:30 to 9:30 at 150-152 East Broad St. in Westfield. The ensemble, directed by Dr. Ted Schlosberg (pictured above), is a non-tuition program, funded by the NJWA Curriculum Development Fund. Call (908) 789-9696 for an interview.

Kean musicians offer Italian concert

Show will feature rarely-heard pieces

Italy is a land of sunshine, delicious food and — as Kean University's Affiliate Artists will prove at 8 p.m. Sept. 29 — beautiful melodies.

The Affiliate Artists are internationally celebrated musicians who teach in the Department of Music of Kean University in a special program founded and directed by Dr. Anthony Scelba, department chair. Each academic year these musicians perform a concert series in the Wilkins Theatre on the main campus at 1000 Morris Ave. in Union. The first of this season's concerts is titled "Bell'Italia" and will feature music by Italian composers.

"It's going to be a wonderful concert," said Scelba. "It will present a great variety of musical styles from ensemble pieces to virtuoso show-stoppers. And all the music is full of gorgeous melodies."

Among the performers will be Katherine Harris, soprano, who will open the program singing a rarely heard work by the baroque composer Alessandro Scarlatti. She will be accompanied by an ensemble of trumpet, violins, cello, and keyboard. The trumpeter will be Charles Bumerot, and the violinists, Victoria Stewart and Brett Deubner, who will be doing double-duty away from his violas. The cellist and pianist will be Dr. Ted Hoyle and Allison Brewster Franzetti.

As a sharp contrast from Scarlatti, percussionist James Musto will play a vibraphone piece by the contemporary Luigi Morleo, an homage to the Dutch artist M.C. Escher, who lived and worked in Italy in the 1920s and 1930s.

Another singer on the program, baritone Robert Osborne, chair of the voice department at Vassar College and teaching at Kean this semester, is often heard at international opera venues.

Other performers featured on the program will be The Yardarm Trio, an unusual ensemble of double bass, violin and piano. They will play Scelba's "Rigoletto Fantasy," based on Verdi's opera.

Scelba, the double bassist, his wife, violinist Victoria Stewart, and pianist Brewster Franzetti form the trio, a group often heard on Affiliate Artist concerts.

Another Verdi opera fantasy, one by Luigi Bassi and based on *La Traviata*, will be played by clarinetist Alexander Fiterstein. Cellist Julie Albers will perform a sonata by Luigi Boccherini. In addition, guitarist Christopher

Kenniff and Deubner — this time playing viola — will perform as Duo Fresco.

All virtuoso chamber musicians and soloists, among them winners of a Latin Grammy, the Carl Nielsen International Prize, the Young Concert Artists International Prize, the Gyeongnam International Music Competition, and the Concorde de Guitare, the Affiliate Artists are freshly back from their summers of music-making at concerts and festivals around the world.

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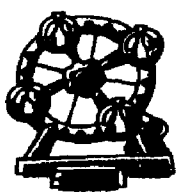
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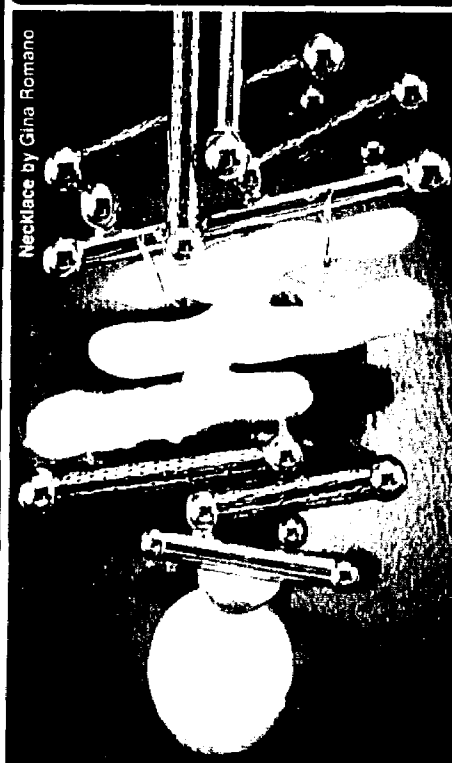
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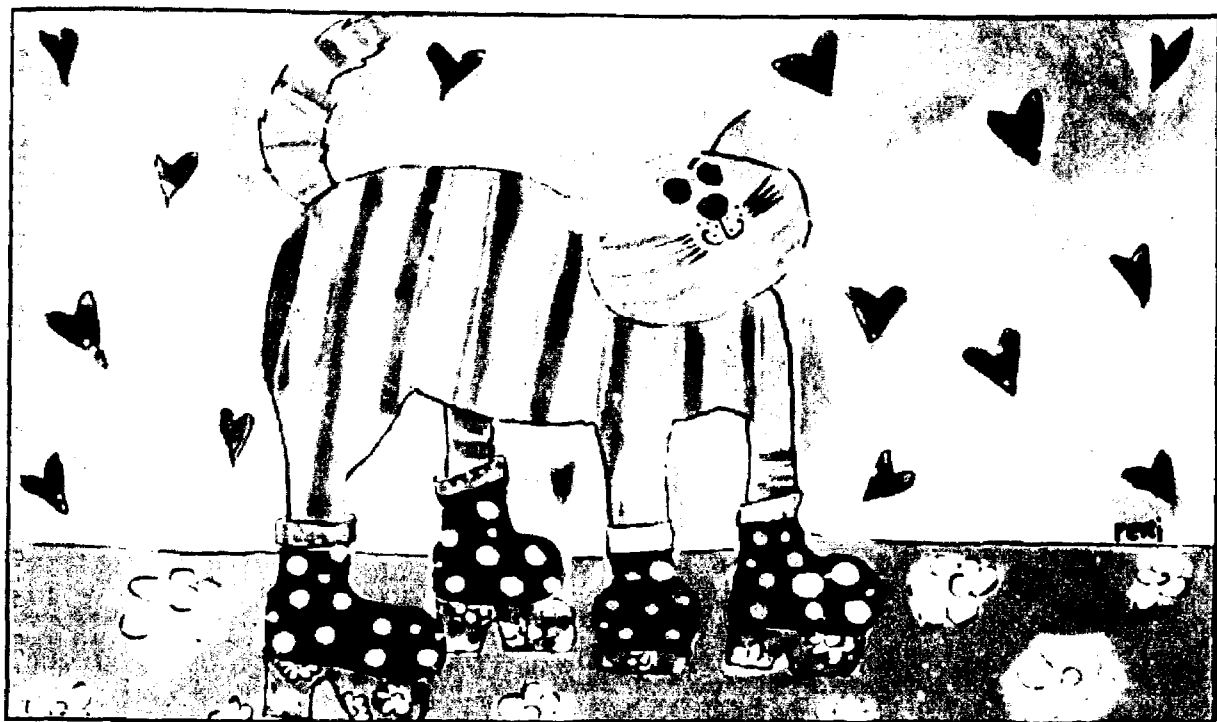
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Peri-Anne Richmond-Taylor, the creator of "Cat in Cools Shoes," above, is one of 110 fine artists, photographers and craftspeople at the upcoming Fall Fine Art and Crafts show at Nomahegan Park Oct. 1-2 in Cranford.

Craft fair returns to Cranford

The 18th annual Fall Fine Art and Crafts at Nomahegan Park show will take place Oct. 1-2 in Cranford, across from Union County College.

The show will feature many new artists and crafters from throughout the Northeast and beyond, displaying and selling their American-made, hand-crafted work. This free show will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. rain or shine.

The show is co-sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation, and Janet and Howard Rose of Rose Squared Productions, Inc.

The participants will include veteran exhibitor Jeannette Mullarkey-Karasick, owner and designer at Finestra, who has been creating fine jewelry for over 15 years. Also a painter and sculptor, she creates designs by carving the original models in jeweler's wax, then molding and casting them into metal using the technique of lost wax casting.

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Albritton, who began his professional artistic career in San Diego, Calif., had his first showing in 1983 in woodworking and musical-instrument building. In the following years, he won awards in fine art, sculpture, woodworking and jewelry. Though Albritton still dabbles in the arts, he has made jewelry his primary focus and never tires of going into the workshop to create his "wearable mini-sculptures."

The Fall Fine Art and Crafts at Nomahegan Park Show will feature fine art, photography, weaving, clothing, pottery, wood, fiber, leather, stained glass, and much more. The show will be accented with live music by the Barley Boys Band and a variety of ethnic foods.

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America, Air Supply visit the Ritz

The Ritz Theatre in Elizabeth will begin its fall season with a performance by America and Air Supply at 8 p.m. Oct. 7.

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The Ritz Theatre is located at 1148 East Jersey St. in Elizabeth. A public parking facility is located just behind the theater, and the Ritz is easily accessible from the New Jersey Transit bus stop on East Jersey

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New season upcoming at CDC

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CDC is one of the oldest community theaters in the metropolitan area and, with an auditorium seating nearly 300, also one of the largest. It has been a frequent recipient of recognition for excellence by the New Jersey Association of Community Theaters.

Historically known as The Cranford Dramatic Club, the theater recently started doing business under the new name to clarify the nature of the organization. Karen Chamis, president of the theater, explained that for many years the theater has held open auditions for its shows and offers a hearty welcome to new members. By removing the "Club" from its title, the theater intends to communicate this sense of openness.

The 2005-2006 season will kick off Oct. 14 with the comedy Noises Off, the 1984 Tony Award winner for Best Play. The show offers slapstick humor and split-second timing and has been known to induce more than a few belly laughs; it runs Fridays and Saturdays through the Oct. 29.

A special benefit production for the theater follows on Nov. 18

and 19, Swingtime at CDC with the Full Count Big Band. This show will feature accomplished CDC performers singing along with the 18 piece band on selected songs. Full Count is the professional arm of the NJ Workshop for the Arts and has gained a loyal following in the area.

December 2, 3 and 4 bring the Children's Theatre offering, Charlotte's Web, which will feature a large cast of all ages. Next up is Andrew Lloyd Webber's Jesus Christ Superstar, running Feb. 10-25. The season closes with the recent Elton John hit, Aida, opening May 5 and running for three weekends. Both Superstar and Aida won the Tony Award for Best Musical Score; the lyrics for each were written by Tim Rice.

Veteran CDC producer Liz Howard noted that for the winter and spring musicals the theater has hired a professional audio company, Audio Inc., to provide and operate up-to-date sound equipment so that the audiences will have the benefit of a well-balanced sound between the performers on stage and the orchestra. CDC employed Audio Inc. for its spring show last season (Into the Woods) and received favorable feedback on the professional

quality of the sound.

Just like larger regional professional theaters, CDC depends heavily on the faithful patronage of its season subscribers, and therefore offers a financial incentive for newcomers to join their ranks. The theater is currently offering season subscriptions for Noises Off, Jesus Christ Superstar and Aida. The subscription price of \$45 for all three shows represents a \$10 savings over regular ticket prices, plus the benefit of preferred seating.

In addition, CDC has noted that many folks find it difficult to commit to particular show dates well in advance due to their busy personal schedules. In order to offer flexibility to these potential patrons while still making the subscriber discount available, the theater now sells FLEXTickets, which are sold three for \$45. Once purchased, show dates and seats for each of the three subscription shows can be selected at a later date convenient to the buyer.

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Conference helps kids avoid substance abuse

What do steroids, scrapbooking and peer pressure have in common? They are all part of this year's middle school conference, "Kid Power," presented by the Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse and Prevention Links.

Targeted to boys and girls in the seventh and eighth grades, the conference is being held from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at The Westwood in Garwood. The fee is \$15 per person, which covers the cost of breakfast, lunch, educational materials and fun giveaways.

The day will include a keynote speech on character and workshop topics such as: abstinence, diversity, sexual health and responsibility, steroids, and peer pressure problem solving.

According to a 2001 Middle School Survey conducted by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Union County youth ranked higher than the state average for substance abuse risk factors. That same survey showed that the use of inhalants among middle school youth was higher than the state average, as was the use of heroin.

Given those statistics, the sponsoring organization believe youth need to be better educated about the dangers of substance

abuse and other related issues and taught ways to have fun without using drugs or engaging in self-destructive behavior.

"I really enjoy being a part of the youth conferences each year," said Samantha Harries, prevention educator and financial director for Prevention Links. "The students not only gain valuable knowledge about serious topics, but they also learn fun alternatives to at-risk behavior such as substance abuse or violence."

This year's alternative activities include scrapbooking, yoga, cartooning, kickboxing, dance and nutrition.

Funded by the Office of National Drug Control Policy and managed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Union County Coalition is the autonomous arm of Prevention Links, a private, non-profit agency which takes a leadership role in the prevention of alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse in the county. The Union County Superintendent of Schools has endorsed this event.

Registration is due by Sept. 23. For more information, contact Sandee Moroso at (732) 381-4100.



Cronin addresses Westfield Rotary

Sherry Cronin, executive director of the Downtown Westfield Corporation, presented a talk on the activities of the DWC to the Westfield Rotary at their weekly lunch on Tuesday, Sept. 13. Shown are (from left) Nancy Jackson, president of the Westfield Rotary, and Sherry Cronin.

Resident's tale included in book

Two Union County authors, including a Scotch Plains resident, wrote original short stories that have been published in the newly-released Chicken Soup for the Cat Lover's Soul, the most recent book in the #1 NY Times best-selling Chicken Soup for the Soul series. This book contains new true stories about cats and the people who love them.

Eddie Scher of Scotch Plains wrote "Walking with Ace," which

describes the joy a runner shares with a feline friend during their 16 years of cat-walks.

Daniela Wagstaff of Rahway contributed "Persian Love," the story of a cat who endured eight years of trauma for two months of bliss, and the people who made it possible.

Each was selected from thousands of other potential stories to be included in *Chicken Soup for the Cat Lover's Soul*.

Single Wings take flight with 2 upcoming events

Briefs

Single Wings, a social group for Christian college educated professionals ages 50-65, is sponsoring two upcoming events. The members will meet at 9 a.m. Saturday to go apple picking in Hunterdon County, followed by brunch. Call (732) 388-4555 to sign up.

Also, a luncheon will take place at Cosimo's at 118 East Broad Street, Westfield, at noon Sunday. The cost is the price of your lunch. There is no need to pre-register for this event.

For more information, call the number above.

Carnival planned at Edison School

WESTFIELD — Edison Intermediate School will hold its third annual carnival from 3:30-6 p.m. Oct. 7 in the field behind the school on Rahway Avenue, as well as inside some areas of the school building.

Pumpkin decorating, food and games are planned, as well as a "Dunk the Teacher" game. The carnival is open to the entire community. In the event of rain, the carnival will not take place.

Lions Club seeks vendors for event

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains Lions Club is seeking vendors for Scotch Plains Day

Weekend Oct. 8-9. Oct. 8 will feature the Lions Market alongside the usual farmers market in the municipal parking lot on Park Avenue. Oct. 9 will feature the Lions Market on Park Avenue, along with entertainment. Park Avenue will be closed to vehicular traffic on Sunday.

There will also be a limited number of food vendor opportunities available. All vendors may set up on a first-come, first-served basis after 6:30 a.m. Oct. 8 and 9 a.m. Oct. 9 using their own tables and chairs.

For vendor spaces call Ron Kelly at (908) 753-8218.

Donate clothes, bedding at the JCC

SCOTCH PLAINS — Let your castoffs become new possessions for those in need with the annual JCC Schmata Collection. Residents can bring wearable clothing, shoes and accessories, bedding, curtains, tablecloths, towels and stuffed animals to the JCC of Central NJ, 1391 Martine Avenue from 9 a.m.-noon Sept. 28 and 29. All items must be in plastic bags; fitness committee volunteers will help unload by the side gym door.

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Sports

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Rotten apples spoiling the bunch

Scotch Plains is a perennial power in Union County soccer. When teams come to play them, they are in a competitive mood and tend to be up for their games. Much like the Yankees of baseball, many programs use Scotch Plains as a benchmark to see where they are at during a season. Knowing this, I was excited to head out to my first Raider game last week to see Scotch Plains take on revitalized young Cranford team. What I found in my first visit to the high school shocked me. Some of the fans who turned out to see the Raiders play crossed a line no one should cross in youth sports.

It's one thing to buy a ticket to a professional sporting event, go out to the ballpark and hoot and holler at a player from the opposing team. But at Scotch Plains-Fanwood high school last week, some home fans crossed several lines in the Raiders 2-1 victory over the Cougars.

We are all familiar with the overzealous soccer fan cliché. Some of the Raider fans came dangerously close to becoming the cliché. The game between Cranford and Scotch Plains was a close one, and that was not what Raiders fans expected. The Cougars executed a well thought out and well organized game strategy, developed by new head coach Mike Curci, which was designed to frustrate the Scotch Plains offense.

It worked. The players were frustrated, coach Tom Breznitsky was frustrated, and the fans were frustrated. While Breznitsky read his team the riot act, the fans decided to take action of their own. They decided it would be a swell idea to start attacking the Cranford players.

As I said before, if you pay to go to a professional game, then you have the right to yell and scream and make some noise. But there were a few fans, and it was only a few, who took pot shots at a young Cranford team. A team playing six sophomores who are about 15 years-old. Some Raider supporters went beyond cheering and booing and began spouting ethnic slurs at Cougar players.

I am going to repeat that. These fans picked on some 15 year-old kids by shouting ethnic slurs at them during a game.

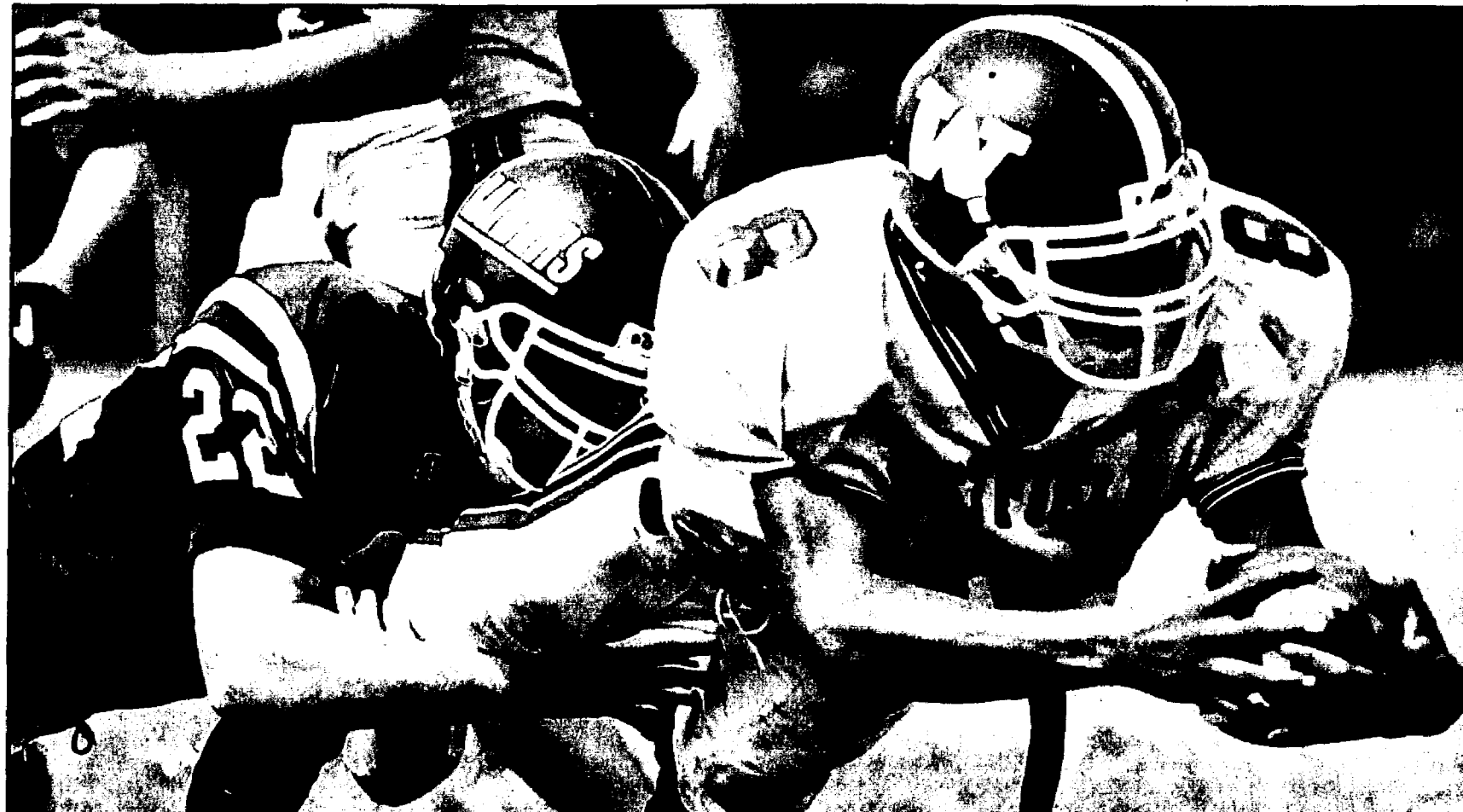
The most disappointing part? Nobody stopped them. All around were parents, and school officials and no one said a word to them. These fans were so shaken by the game Cranford was playing that they had to go after the kids playing rather than rooting for the home team.

What is unfortunate about this, is that Scotch Plains is a good school with a good athletics program and by and large have a great group of supporters. So why the breakdown in manners? I honestly don't think these people realize how they sound, or what a terrible image it brings to them or their school. Sitting up in the stands, surrounded by their compatriots, I guarantee they don't realize what a detraction it is to the game.

I am willing to bet that these same folks would never approach any of these players and repeat their remarks face to face. Because deep down they know better. The Raiders are fortunate to have such a staunch group of supporters at their games, and you don't want the actions of a few to sour the perception of the whole. It is not the fault of the players that their fans acted this way. In fact, I would think most of them would be mortified by that kind of behavior. So, I implore you to stop embarrassing your team, your school and yourself. And if you are a school official, parent or fellow spectator at these games or any other, do your part in trying to control this type of negative atmosphere.

Take a hint from the players on the field, who comport themselves with dignity.

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Westfield's Jayshawn King dives in for his second touchdown. King would score 3 TD's in his teams 29-32 overtime loss.

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SP-F stuns Westfield with come from behind overtime victory

By RUSS CRESPOLINI
SPORTS EDITOR

Like any border town match, the Westfield/Scotch Plains clash on the gridiron was going to be a hotly contested one. But unlike years previous, when Scotch Plains asserted a level of dominance early and took Westfield out of the game, it was the Blue Devils turn to jump out to a 12-0 lead before the half. However, a resilient Raider squad went on the attack in the third quarter, and rallied to a thrilling 32-29 victory over Westfield on Saturday in Scotch Plains.

Everything seemed to be going right for Westfield, who was hungry for their first win after a difficult 33-6 loss to Old Bridge to start the season. After the Blue Devils took a 6-0 lead, Scotch Plains started mounting a drive of their own when Westfield's Tyrell Simmons intercepted a Colin Weber pass. Scotch Plains hung tough, ending Westfield's next offensive series with a sack of quarterback Nick Derosa forcing a punt. Before Derosa and the rest of the offense had a chance to finish their water, Simmons again intercepted a Weber pass, this time hauling it all the way to the 1-yard line. Jayshawn King punched into the end zone for the second time, giving Westfield a 12-0 lead.

The Blue Devil defense continued to contain Weber and running back Rashawn Strong, keeping the Raiders off of the board at halftime. Raiders coach Steve Ciccotelli said his team was not worried at the half, just determined. "You know, it looked in the beginning that they wanted it more than us," Ciccotelli said. "We lost some people, we lost our guard, we had a makeshift line. We had to talk about how to block some things and make adjustments. But we didn't panic."

SP-F boys take OT win 2-1 over rival Westfield

By RUSS CRESPOLINI
SPORTS EDITOR

For the second time in a week Westfield and Scotch Plains took the field in opposition. For the second time in a week, the score was knotted at the end of regulation. And for the second time in a week, Scotch Plains pulled out a victory. The Raiders pulled off another victory with a golden goal in overtime by Sean Young to end the game 2-1 on Monday afternoon at Scotch Plains.

Both teams came into the match up undefeated, both teams boasted strong, fast talented rosters. Both teams wore blue and white, but that was where the similarities ended. Looking like negative images of each other, the Westfield and Scotch Plains benches could not have been more dissimilar. While Scotch Plains coach Tom Breznitsky displayed his usual flare for the dramatic on the sideline, Westfield coach George Kapner and assistant coach Alex Schmidt kept nothing but positive

Scotch Plains came out hot in the third quarter, but immediately cooled when Nehemiah Burney-Porter fumbled a kick return that Westfield picked up. Jayshawn King bounced loose on the next play and carried the ball to first and goal for the Blue Devils. Tyrell Simmons finished the drive, and Tom Bonard drilled the extra point, giving Westfield a 19-0 lead.

But Scotch Plains didn't hang their heads. "We knew what we had to do," said Raider quarterback Colin Weber. "We had to step up."

Weber soon took to the air, firing a long ball to Kyle Rowbotham and pitching the ball to Strong to set up a first and goal. Strong finished out the drive, putting Scotch Plains on the board 6-19. The Blue Devil offense took the field and Derosa threw a strike to Ryan Sharkey setting up Jayshawn King, who took the ball 61-yard to the end zone on the next play. King's third TD of the day put Westfield up 26-6 after Bonard nailed another extra point.

For his part, coach Ciccotelli knew his players weren't giving up. "Their effort jumped out at me," the coach said. "We decided that we weren't going to lose. We made a decision to find a way to make it."

Westfield coach Ed Tranchina could see where his team was giving ground. "We kept giving the momentum back," Tranchina said. "Everytime we had it going our way, we gave it back to them."

When the Blue Devils got the ball back, a fumble put the ball back in the hands of the newly focused Weber. After a short offensive series, Weber capped the short drive with a keeper play from the six and after the extra point, Scotch Plains trailed Westfield 13-26. Amazingly, in the fourth quarter, Westfield's offensive series was cut short again when Derosa fumbled at the snap and Raider John



Scotch Plains Rashawn Strong looks to break out of the backfield against Westfield.

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Gagliano came up with the ball. Weber went over from the one with 9:22 left in the fourth to pull his team within 26-19.

Both teams exhibited strong defense, until the Raiders completed their come back with 10 seconds remaining in regulation when Weber hit Rowbotham with an 11-yard TD pass and Matt Hirschorn's kick forced the overtime. In the extra session, Bonard hit a 24-yard field goal for Westfield but Strong broke into the end zone on Scotch Plains possession to seal the Raiders win.

"We just got it done. We kept playing for four quarters," Ciccotelli

said. "The game is four quarters. You have to play until the end."

Ed Tranchina and his team had to stomach another tough loss. "All losses are tough, but that was real tough," Tranchina said. "We did play well enough to win. But they did."

With two big comeback victories, Weber is confident in what his team can accomplish. "It was a huge comeback. Any comeback is a huge comeback but Westfield just makes it that much better," Weber said. "I feel real good about this season."

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Westfield's Matt Melino races to clear the ball before Scotch Plains' Sean Young can get there.

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New girl's tennis coach takes Raider reigns

By DAVID LAZARUS
CORRESPONDENT

When Sue Allen stepped down after thirty-five years as Scotch Plains Fanwood High School Girls' Tennis coach this year, it was an easy choice to elevate Sandra Miller into the top post. As Junior Varsity coach the past three years, Miller a certified Teaching Pro and life long player, has helped develop many of the current players on the varsity and also coaches the Junior Varsity Boy's team at Watchung Regional High in the spring.

Miller welcomes the challenge of continuing the teams' steady progress over the past four years with the team improving each year from 11-9 in 2001 to 15-5 last year. Many of the seniors who contributed to the success have graduated but the new coach is fortunate to have the top player a year ago, senior Carly Heinz patrolling first singles.

"Carly's game level is above all of those on our team," said Miller. "She is our only Varsity player who plays USTA tournaments year round, which helps her to stay match tough for our high school matches."

Heinz knows the ins and outs of her game. "I consider the strengths of my game to be my mental game and my footwork. I will win points that other people won't because I run all over the court to return the ball," Heinz said. "I just keep working to try and improve my whole game, so can work to make my game more complete."

For her part, Miller has set her sights on the challenges of this season and this year's young players. "I think that we do have a tough challenge this year in keeping our upward progress. It looks like next year will be even more challenging. My singles players are the only returning starters," added Miller. "The doubles teams still need to play matches to overcome their nerves"

Courtney Burke is playing second singles and is a pleasure to coach according to Miller. "She always looks for me during changeovers, is always upbeat, smiling and takes direction well."

Liza Katz, who teamed with Miller's daughter Cara Hurley last year on first doubles has moved up to third singles. Katz, a senior at the Magnet School, and Hurley were All Watchung Conference Team last year.

Shannon Gomes the second singles player last year is still struggling to find her form this year after spending the summer abroad. "She has flashes of her old game and with a little more practice I think she will be able to challenge our singles girls and be in the starting line up," said Miller.

The first doubles team of seniors Katie Devlin and Alyssa Markovits is a work in progress according to Miller. "They play well together and are still working on their volleys, their nerves and their match toughness. They should have a good year."

Juniors Jaci Lopez and Kiara Thomas are the current second doubles team. "Kiara has an awesome first serve and we are working on creating an awesome second serve. Jaci spent the summer at tennis camp and has improved her game. She is still terrified at the net, which is not a good thing for a doubles player. My challenge this year is to help all my doubles players love serve and volley tennis," said Miller.

Freshman, Sahrula Kubie and sophomore Kathleen Yan have shown great improvement and are pushing the starters.

At press time, the team had split its first two matches, bouncing back from an opening 4-1 loss to Oak Knoll by blanking Cranford 5-0. The first big test of the year is the Union County Tournament which has been moved up this year and began yesterday and continues today.

Miller will use her starting line up and doubts if the Raiders will be one of the top seeded teams for the event. But Heinz is confident that the team will step up.

"I expect to do well in the Union County Tournament this year. Also, I expect myself to just get out on the court and work as hard as I can to be my best," said Heinz. "I expect that the team will work their hardest and just give it their all this year. I am confident we will succeed in whatever we do."

SP-F boys take OT win 2-1 Westfield

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For his part, Kapner kept a steady stream of substitutions going to keep his players fresh and to keep Westfield competitive. "We have a very deep squad, so it depends on my gut feeling as to how the game is going," Kapner said. "It's not the same players either. There are kids sitting on the bench who deserve playing."

The strategy worked, as Andy Brill drilled one home for Westfield just before the half to tie it up at 1-1. Displaying his usual disdain for close games, Breznitsky felt the fault lay with his own team. "We gave a very poor goal away three minutes before halftime by not marking people off of a throw in when we have four or five guys who are 6'2" or bigger," Breznitsky said. "And they come in and score a goal. It was our fault. We put ourselves in that situation. But, give them credit."

As usual, senior Sean Young agreed with his coach's assessment. "I didn't think we played well in the first half," Young said. "But we were able to get the goal."

After a taut, scoreless second half, the game moved into overtime.

A few minutes into overtime Jeff Bell lofted one of his patented throw-ins to Young, who was ready. "I took a couple of steps back, Young said. "They tried to undercut me and I just got my head on it."

After watching his team defend against the Young header all afternoon, Kapner's team finally let one slip by. "Scotch Plains made a great play at the end, Sean Young had a great header," Kapner said. "They threw the ball in constantly. That seems to be their offense."

On the Scotch Plains sideline, Breznitsky felt it was long overdue. "We knew that sooner or later we had to finish on one of those throws because we had a zillion of them," Breznitsky said. "We were very unlucky on some and didn't do a good job as we were on others."

For his part, Kapner was happy with his team's performance. "It's a tough loss, but not a tough loss. The kids played great. We had our chances to score and didn't put the second one past them," Kapner said. "But I am very, very proud of my team. We're playing well and we'll build from this and move on."

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Unique Fundraiser at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School athletic program will run a benefit from a unique sports and gifts fundraising program that is running now until October 8. The athletic department at the high school is sponsoring a fundraiser with Team Treasures: a north Jersey based company that specializes in innovative fundraising. Items will be displayed at Back to School night on September 27 and at the home football game on September 24.

All athletes playing fall sports will be participating in the fundraiser. The athletic department

chose the Team Treasures program due to the high quality brand name items that have great appeal to students, parents, friends, and relatives. Items include distinctive apparel and collectibles for all professional sports teams. There are also gifts and trendy apparel that have appeal to high school students and their families. Many of the items are new to the marketplace this fall and are in very high demand.

For more information on this fundraiser, please contact Rob Harmer at 908-889-4882.

Westfield invites all to the ribbon cutting for Kehler Stadium

In celebration of the completion of the school district's synthetic turf field and new running track, the Westfield Board of Education invites the public to attend a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, October 1, at 12 noon, at Kehler Stadium on Rahway Avenue, Westfield. This occasion is made possible through the support of the Westfield community who approved the district's 2004 public bond referendum. During the ceremony on October 1, the Board will also recognize the individuals and groups who have made pledges of \$100 or more to the Friends of Field and Track Fund in support of the stadium project. Seating will be available in the bleachers of Kehler Stadium, with parking directly across the street in the Edison Intermediate School parking lot. Light refreshments will be served. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held in the gym at Edison School, which can be accessed through the parking lot.

The Board also invites the public to attend the athletic events scheduled for the new turf field at Kehler Stadium on October 1. Girls' varsity field hockey will play North Hunterdon at 9:30 AM and varsity football will face Shabazz at 1:00 PM.

Westfield Tennis fires off big wins to start the 2005 season

By DAVID LAZARUS
CORRESPONDENT

Westfield Girls Tennis Coach Ed Tirone has been around long enough to know that early season results should not be taken too seriously, so he wasn't doing cartwheels after the Blue Devils crushed county nemesis Kent Place 5-0 at Tamaques Park, Friday.

"They have a good team and they're going to get better," said Tirone of Kent Place, which has won the Union County title the past two years. "It was a big boost for our confidence to win that decisively."

Despite the big win, Tirone is gracious. "We caught them at a good time. We're a lot more experienced than they are," Tirone said. The coach is in his twelfth season at Westfield after a long and successful career as coach of both the Millburn boys and girls teams.

With six of seven regulars returning from last year's squad, including first singles player Nikki Reich, the Blue Devils figured to burst from the starting line and have won their first two matches by identical 5-0 scores.

The schedule got much tougher this past week with matches against powerful Bridgewater Raritan and J.P. Stevens, which eliminated the Blue Devils from the state tournament a year ago. Taking on such stiff competition so early is no accident.

"We try to schedule the toughest out of conference teams we can play. It makes us better later in the year," said Tirone.

Recently, the schedule saw Tirone return to Millburn with his team for the tough Millburn Invitational, where the host team is again one of the top teams in the state. Tirone is a long time resident

of Westfield where his daughters Sherri, Laurie and Sarah all played for the Blue Devils. Sarah, the youngest, captained the Blue Devils to the 1994 Sectional title.

While Nikki Reich is clearly the top player, the other positions could be shuffled as position challenges are still being contested. Junior Lindsay Goldberg is currently occupying the second singles position that was held by Michelle Morawski, the lone graduation loss. Junior Lane Maloney, who teamed with Jessica Bender to capture the Union County first doubles crown, is currently playing third singles.

Senior Co-Captain Lisa Aliche, who placed second at third singles last year, currently teams with Bender at first doubles and Senior Rachel Louie and sophomore Kim Morawski, who won the second doubles crown last year hold down that slot.

While Tirone is a knowledgeable coach, and a pretty fair tennis player, he limits his instruction of his players who generally have their own instructors.

"It's hard to teach them much during the season. I can tell them some things that are beneficial but I don't tinker with their games too much," said Tirone, who has coached many strong players in over three decades coaching boys and girls and says Reich contains many of those traits. "She's very tenacious. She never quits on any point and makes her opponent hit many good shots to win. Her net game has improved quite a lot this year."

And Reich's leadership has extended to the rest of the veteran team.

"Everybody has come back a stronger player," said Tirone. "Our expectations are high. I see a hunger on this team to succeed."

Yesterday's Box Score

Football
Cranford 13, Linden 20
Scotch Plains 32, Westfield 29
Brearley 12, Johnson 13

Boys Soccer
Brearley 3, Oratory 0
Brearley 2, Newark Technology 0
Scotch Plains 2, Westfield 1
Brearley 3, Hillside 0

Girls Soccer
Brearley 7, Hillside 0
Roselle Catholic 3, Brearley 1
Cranford 5, Timothy Christian 0
Pingry 2, Scotch Plains 0

Girls Tennis
Scotch Plains 5, Cranford 0
Westfield 5, Scotch Plains 0
Cranford 5, Shabazz 0
Westfield 4, Bridgewater 1

Girls Volleyball
Cranford def. Mother Seton 25-19, 25-6
New Prov. def. Scotch Plains

25-18, 25-23
J.P. Stevens def. Scotch Plains 19-25, 25-19, 25-19
Westfield def. Cranford 25-17, 21-25, 25-21
Watchung Hills def. Scotch Plains 25-20, 27-25
Cranford def. Passaic Tech 25-15, 25-8
Westfield def. Cresskill 25-18, 25-15

Field Hockey
Johnson 2, Cranford 0
Ridge 2, Westfield 0
Oak Knoll 4, Cranford 0
Cranford 3, Westfield 0

Gymnastics
Scotch Plains 95.6, Dayton-Brearley 91.55
Union 103.2, Cranford 96.05
Westfield 102.55, Union C 85.7
Westfield 102.3, Scotch Plains-Fanwood 99.3



Welcome to Game Time, a fairly regular look at the upcoming weekend games with a dose of smarm! This week we have a couple of big tests for the local football teams, as well as some hot soccer match-ups.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

Football

Cranford at Shabazz, 7 PM.

This one should be interesting. Both teams are coming off of devastatingly close losses. Both teams will be looking to get their seasons back on track and reestablish their winning record. Playing at Shabazz is always difficult, but if the Cranford team can get through the commute to Newark that is half the battle. Coach Rosenmeier's offense is starting to hit its stride, and after being held out of the end zone last week, look for Chris Brown to explode for at least one TD. Oh, and Shabazz better double up on A.J. Tubelli if they like their quarterback's ribs intact.

Brearley vs. New Providence, 7 PM.

The Bears had a spectacular comeback against Iselin Kennedy in their opening victory, but fell to Johnson in the "battle of schools with pretentious names bowl" last week. After the 12-13 stumble, Brearley is going to have to regroup to take on New Providence. Winless this season, they will be hungry for a victory,

and if they smell self pity on the Bears it will be like sharks smelling blood in the water.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

Football

Scotch Plains vs. Irvington, 1 PM.

Surprising Scotch Plains is leading the Watchung National division with a 2-0 record powered by a young quarterback and a young team. Last week, coach Steve Ciccotelli's Raider's came back from a 19-0 deficit against border town rival Westfield to win a shocking overtime victory at 32-29. Irvington is sitting atop the Watchung American division with a 2-0 record. Coach Darnell Grant's Blue Knight's offense has put up 54 points while the defense has only allowed 12. Scotch Plains 2005 strategy of "lull the opponent into a false sense of security by allowing a gazillion points in the first half" may backfire. Both teams are going to have to play four full quarters of football, or this one will be over early.

Boys Soccer

Westfield vs. Ridge, 11 AM.

Both teams suffered tough losses to Scotch Plains this week, but I am going to give the edge in this one to Westfield. George Kapner has done an amazing job with a great crop of young players. They play a tight, aggressive style of soccer. Kapner, as well as assistant coach Alex Schmidt are constantly adjusting and teaching as the game progresses and their adaptability in strategy, as well as a deep roster, makes them incredibly formidable. Sorry, Ridge.

Cranford at Madison, 2 PM

Coach Mike Curci takes his new team to face his old team in Madison this weekend. While the Madison team is sure to fired up to take on their former coach, look for Cranford to win this one with the tough play that has categorized them this season as well as having the benefit of a guy with "inside knowledge" of the opponent.

Girls Soccer

Cranford vs. Somerville, 11 AM.

Quite frankly, the Cranford girls know they need to keep winning at least until the end of September so they don't stress head coach Nikki Malanda enough to go into premature labor before her maternity leave. This girl's team has a ton of talent and a ton of heart. I don't see them dropping any games any time soon.

Westfield at Ridge, 11 AM.

Katie Egan's squad has struggled to overcome a couple of season-ending injuries, but the girls are tough and play smart. Again, sorry Ridge.

Scotch Plains at Vernon, 11 AM.

The Scotch Plains girls will win this one. Trust me.

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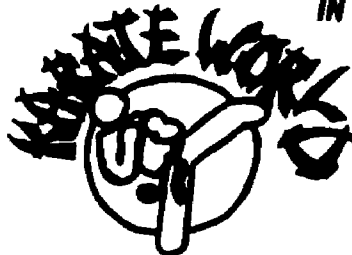
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Madison Honda Grows With Student Intern Program

MADISON—As it enjoyed three consecutive years of unprecedented, record-setting growth in sales and service, Madison Honda, part of the Bill Vance Auto Group, looked for new ways to continue running at such a high level. The route to greater opportunity turned out to be through cyberspace, and the 20-year-old dealership found that its interns, who were just about the same age, were just the right people to navigate the new course.

Jamie Weinberg is a perfect example. An honors student and marketing major at Fairleigh Dickinson University, she joined Madison Honda as an intern during her junior year. At first her emphasis was on gaining experience in print advertising and promotions. But her true talents came to fruition on the Internet, and when she graduated from FDU in May she returned to Madison Honda as the full-time internet marketing manager. Now Weinberg handles online advertisements and auto sales on various car websites, and implemented Madison Honda's newest advertising forum on eBay.

"The success of our auctions on eBay has increased our used-car

sales by 30 percent," related Madison Honda General Manager Dwight Dachnowicz. "Even more important, we've been able to extend our reach outside of New Jersey, finding customers from Pennsylvania to Texas. With Jamie as our internet marketing manager we've achieved new heights in our sales and have offered the Madison Honda experience to the rest of the country."

Thomas Planer is Madison Honda's newest intern but he really came in just to buy a car. When he walked out of the dealership this past spring, he had a set of car keys and a summer internship. Since his graduation from Cranford High School in June, Planer has put his computer science background to work at Madison Honda, becoming the dealership's "IT guy" and computer efficiency expert. He has reformatted all the computers, designed spreadsheet templates for accounting and marketing, and boosted the productivity of all the departments through more effective use of computers. His next projects, now in the works are to deploy a system to produce high-resolution digital photos and assess the computer needs for

Madison Honda's new, state-of-the-art facility. Planer plans to continue his study of computer information systems when he attends Rider University this fall on an academic and athletic scholarship.

Through Jamie and Thomas, with their knowledge and ideas, we have been able to streamline our current operations and make computers an integral part of our future growth," said Dachnowicz. "This was an opportunity that came knocking - and we swung the door open wide."

As Madison Honda celebrates its 20th anniversary, the dealership is fully committed to its intern program, and has ensured that its all-new building, now under construction, will have plenty of room for current and future interns.

Located at 280 Main St. in Madison, minutes from Short Hills Mall, Madison Honda features the full line of 2005 and 2006 Hondas plus a large selection of certified pre-owned Hondas. Madison Honda is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and can be reached at (973) 822-1600.



MADISON HONDA INTERN Thomas Planer and former intern, now Internet Marketing Manager Jamie Weinberg proudly display the eBay Yellow Star Award the dealership earned for achieving a perfect 10 Feedback Profile while selling cars on the Internet. Looking on is Dwight Dachnowicz, general manager and initiator of the intern program at the 280 Main St., Madison Dealership.

Miller Buick Pontiac GMC Celebrates 50th Anniversary

WOODBIDGE—Miller Buick Pontiac GMC on Route 1 north in Woodbridge, New Jersey is proud to announce the celebration of their 50th Anniversary. The weeks of Sept. 12 and Sept. 19 will be marked by many exciting events with free gifts and refreshments for everyone as well as special one day sales events, kid's entertainment, antique cars on display and more.

The dealership was founded in 1955 by C. Gordon Miller who purchased the Cadillac dealership on the corner of West Milton and St. Georges Avenues in Rahway where it had been since 1921. Mr. Miller, who had been with General Motors for twenty years, realized a life-long dream of owning his own automobile deal-

ership at age 48 when he opened Miller Buick Pontiac Cadillac on that corner in August 25, 1955. The dealership continued to grow over the years as Mr. Miller's son, Ron and Ron's children Ron, Jr., Shari and Michele began to take an active role in running the business. The greatest change occurred as Miller relinquished the Cadillac franchise, took on Buick and GMC and moved to their present location as Miller Buick Pontiac GMC on Route one, Woodbridge, in January of 1999.

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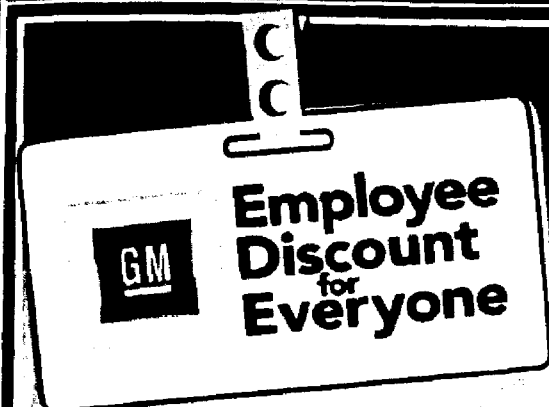
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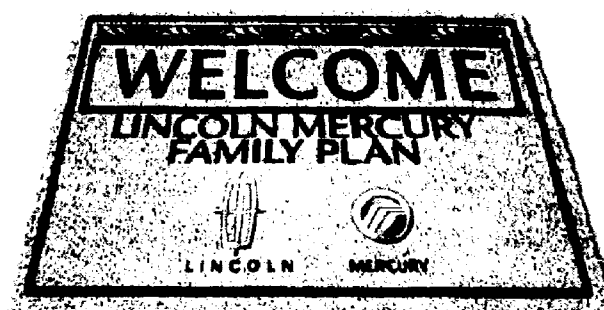
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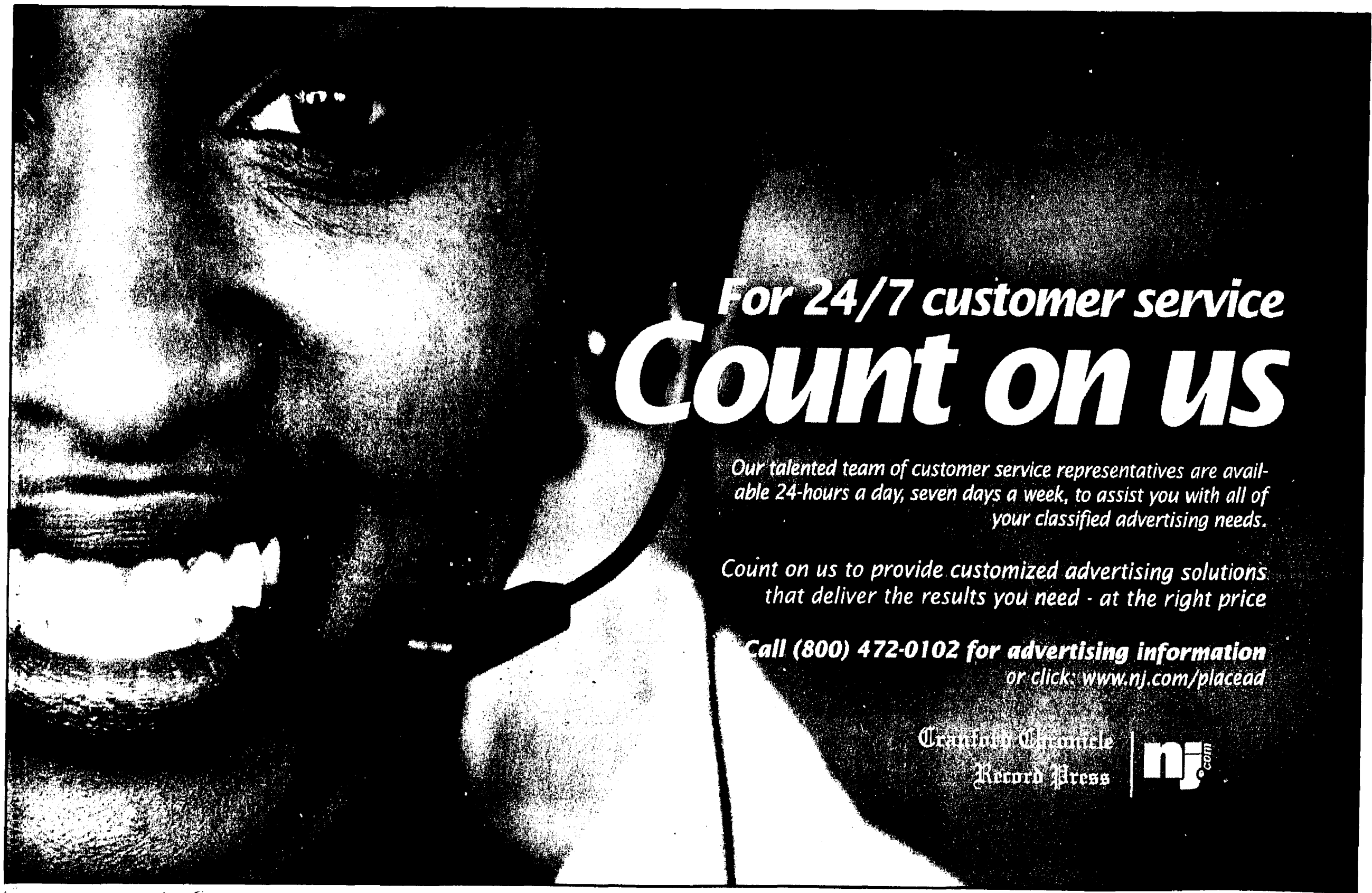
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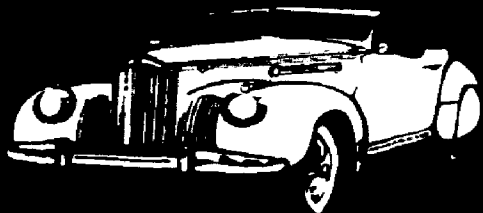
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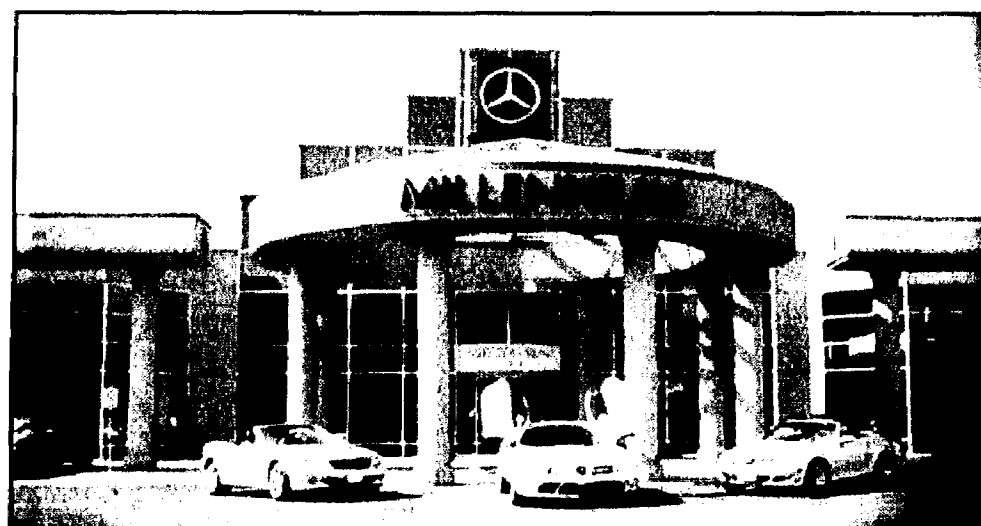
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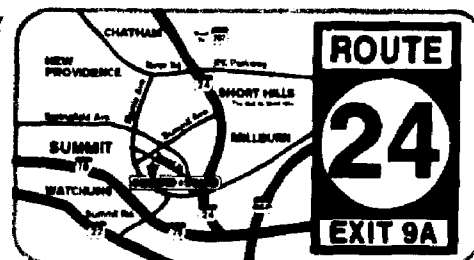
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