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Charter ballot question tabled

BY TERENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—The town council's vote on whether to add a proposed non-binding referendum on November's general election ballot on changing the terms of elected officials was tabled Tuesday night after Councilman Neil Sullivan introduced controversial amendments to the proposal.

The changes he tried to make to the original resolution included staggering the

election cycle so that either the mayor or some of the council members are up for election every year.

"This would continue the tradition of an election every year. I think that's important. I'd like to see an election every year," said Sullivan.

The purpose of the original proposal was to make every third year of the cycle free of an election, giving the mayor and council members a full year to work free of the interruptions caused by an election

campaign, according to Councilman Larry Goldman.

Supporters of the original proposal also say it gives newly-elected officials time to learn the intricacies of office before being faced with reelection.

Councilmembers repeatedly referred to Sullivan's last-minute amendments as a disruption occurring at the "11th hour."

"What we saw tonight was an example of the worst in government. Instead of voting yea or nay, we got an issue from left

field. There was no opportunity for discussion," said Goldman, referring to Sullivan's amendments.

The strongest reaction came from Mayor Tom Jardim, who issued a written statement to the press after the meeting.

"I have never seen a more pathetic display of failing the public than the actions of Councilman Sullivan tonight," the statement read. "He is the sole impediment to good governance by the Town (Continued on page A-2)

Briefs

Town administrator is retiring Dec. 31

WESTFIELD — Town Administrator Edward A. Gottko will be retiring at the end of the year.

Gottko discussed his decision at a conference meeting of the council on Aug. 3.

Gottko will continue to serve in his post as town administrator until his replacement is found. Gottko will work with his replacement through the busy budget sessions this fall.

"If you work for the town long enough, you're part of a big family," said Mayor Jardim at Tuesday's council meeting.

Gottko's last official day of work will be Dec. 31.

Parking deck consultant hired

WESTFIELD — The town council has awarded a contract to Rich and Associates to be consultants on a project to build a parking deck in the Special Improvement District.

Rich and Associates will advise the town about possible locations and designs that would be suitable for the Westfield parking complex.

Eleven firms submitted resumes to the town and Rich and Associates was chosen among the four firms that were considered.

No date has been set for the start or completion of the project.

Library has class on Internet searches

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Memorial Library will hold a class on Internet searching techniques from 9:30-10:45 a.m. Tuesday.

This basic course for beginners is oriented toward using the Internet as a tool for research and browsing as well as an introduction to the EBSCOM magazine index.

However, the class does not include the use of e-mail, newsgroups or listserves.

Some experience with a computer mouse is a prerequisite. If you have no mouse experience, you must come to the library prior to the day of class for instruction and practice.

The library is located at 550 East Broad S. and the phone number is 789-4090.

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Watering the new flower pots at the intersection of Elm and Broad Street in Westfield are Mary Ann Malloy and Jenny Williams, members of the Garden Club of Westfield, and Richard Haeseker, landscape manager of Parker Exterior Landscape, Inc. The pots were purchased by Downtown Westfield. Parker supplied the trees and flowers, and club members will water and care for the plants throughout the year. The old wooden flower tubs have been transferred to Mindowaskin Park.

Making downtown more attractive

Westfield Garden Club members take good care of plants

By TERENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—New planters were installed at the corner of East Broad and Elm streets Friday morning. The project was another of the ongoing beautification projects that have been taking place in downtown Westfield.

The installation of the planters was a joint effort of the Westfield Garden Club, Downtown Westfield Corporation and Parker's Greenhouse, who donated the plants for the project and installed the planters.

"This is a continuing project that we do

year round," said Jody Melloan of the Westfield Garden Club about the maintenance of the planters. "The Garden Club will take over now and water the planters and change the plants according to season."

The project is just one of the many volunteer efforts that the Garden Club has made in nearly two decades enriching Westfield. The club members are now joined by the Downtown Westfield Corporation in their work.

The Town of Westfield has only one watering truck to serve the many parks in the area, which makes watering the planters, which require being watered

twice a day, a difficult task shared among volunteers.

Local storeowners have agreed to let the volunteer landscapers use the faucets in their stores to fill their pails. Melloan said that this makes maintenance of the planters much easier and. Volunteers appreciated the offer of water facilities made by one nearby store owner, who mentioned the grueling task faced by previous volunteers who had to cart their own water to the site in the trunks of cars.

The older barrel planters have been donated to the Friends of Minowaskin Park, who will most likely place them in the park.

Town OKs money for downtown

By TERENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—Funds for various improvement projects in the town were approved by the town council at Tuesday's meeting.

The council voted unanimously to set aside \$140,000 for planned projects to be completed by the Downtown Westfield Corporation, which will include new trash cans and 12 new signs at downtown gateways.

The trash cans will account for \$75,000 of the money, the largest item in the improvement package. The new containers will be more decorative than those currently in place and. The number of receptacles increase the number of cans in the downtown area to 100.

An additional \$25,000 of the money will be used to place signs at a dozen downtown gateways.

Michael La Place of the Downtown Westfield Corporation said that the design of the signs will be kept very basic — they will say simply "Westfield 1720" — the year the town was founded.

La Place also said the agency sought town funding for the signs in order to avoid having sponsorship plaques, such as those seen on signs in many other towns, displayed on the signs. He said the Downtown Westfield Corporation received many requests from residents who did not want the sponsorship plaques on the signs.

About \$40,000 of the money will be used for miscellaneous projects to be determined in the future. These may include such things as new lighting or sidewalk upgrades.

The council also voted to set the price of the town's upcoming jitney bus service at \$1 per ride.

The busing would run within the town, along routes that will be aimed at helping both commuters and those traveling downtown avoid the need for (Continued on page A-2)

Samuel responds to Republican critics on charter change

By JON LEDERMAN
REP CORRESPONDENT

SCOTCH PLAINS — The recent Republican outcry over the process to place a referendum providing for an elected mayor on the Nov. 2 general election ballot is what Mayor Geri Morgan Samuel calls much ado about nothing.

"As I recall, it was Councilman (Martin) Marks and former Mayor Gabe Spera, both Republicans, who came to me on Jan. 12 and insisted that I take action immediately on my campaign promise to implement an elected form of government," she said.

Marks has criticized Samuel for delaying her appointment of a committee to explore the various forms of government available to the township.

He said the mayor had first indicated her intent to form such a committee in January but did not act until the spring.

He also took her to task for the infrequent schedule of committee meetings, which Marks said

resulted in an insufficient investigation of the alternatives.

Samuel said she was prepared to do this but became distracted by the budget battles that occurred between January and April and by the May death of Councilman Franklin Donatelli.

The special Township Council meeting of Aug. 3 was necessary, she said, to get the "elected mayor" referendum and an open parks referendum on the ballot this year.

A second hearing on the "elected mayor" referendum will be Tuesday.

Marks and Councilman William McClintock were also angry at Samuel for her not asking their input on the makeup of the committee or their opinion on what they might consider to be the best form of government for Scotch Plains.

"This is not a Democrat versus Republican issue," Marks said. "This is about the process and how the mayor has approached this issue."

"There has been no input from (Continued on page A-2)



Up on the roof

If the long-awaited rains do fall in September, Jefferson School in Westfield will be prepared. The 20-year-old brief, which has suffered from leaks, is being replaced this summer as part of the district's bond referendum passed by voters last December. New insulation, gutters and downspouts are also part of the project, which was awarded to S.J. Carney Roofing Inc. for \$305,600, a total of \$85,425 below the estimated costs.

Commentary

Better late than never

Gov. Christine Todd Whitman must like to take her time.

It wasn't until her second term that she decided to tackle the two issues that cause the most concern to New Jersey residents — auto insurance and property taxes. And she only decided to take some action on the festering problems with the state police only after it became a statewide embarrassment.

So it came as no surprise when the governor waited until last Monday to declare a drought warning. It was as if the governor was the last to know that New Jersey was suffering from one of the hottest and driest summers on record. A drought does not sneak up on you.

When she declared the drought warning, Whitman said a drought emergency may not have to be implemented for another month or two. She urged New Jersey residents to take voluntary measures to lower water usage.

It took Whitman only two days to reverse her course. Last Wednesday she declared a drought emergency and imposed mandatory water use restrictions throughout the state.

Whitman said her decision to declare a drought emergency was precipitated by a 1 percent drop in reservoir levels in just a few days. But thoughts persist among many in the state, especially environmentalists, that Whitman waited too long to recognize the dangers posed by the drought and take the appropriate measures. It reinforces the belief of many critics, who have seen the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) gutted during her administration, that environmental concerns are not high on Whitman's list of priorities.

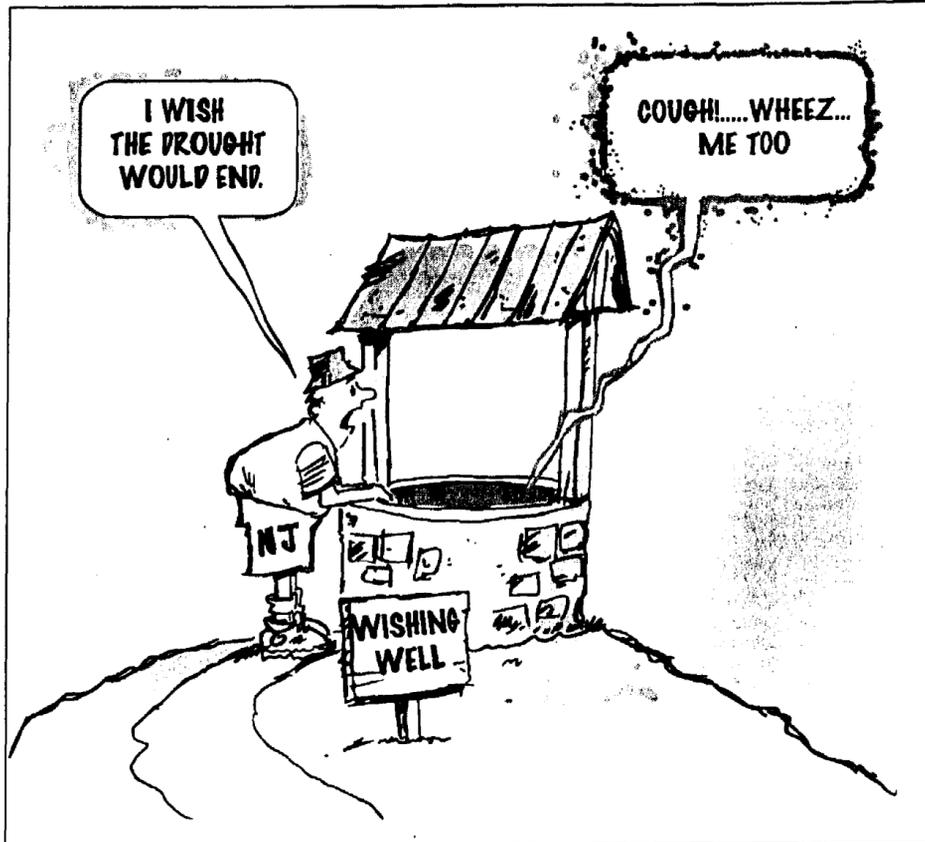
So now we are in a drought emergency with common sense water usage rules in effect. The watering of grass is prohibited, except for newly seeded or sodded areas which can be watered for 20 days after planting from 8 to 9 p.m. or from midnight to 6 a.m., with watering not to exceed 45 minutes per day. The watering of plants, trees, shrubs and vegetable gardens is prohibited by any means other than bucket, can or hand-held hose equipped with a nozzle that shuts off automatically when dropped.

No motor vehicles, except for trucks and ambulances, may be washed outside commercial car washes. And commercial car washes must adhere to a separate set of restrictions.

No water is to be served in a restaurant unless it is specifically requested by a customer. The outdoor use of any water for ornamental purposes, including fountains, artificial waterfalls and reflecting pools, is prohibited.

This is just a short list of water restrictions. A complete list of water restrictions can be obtained by calling 1-800 4 ITS DRY.

It is remarkable how much water these simple measures can save. Just think of the amount of water that could have been saved if Whitman had realized the seriousness of the drought a month ago.



Letters to the editor

Franks should focus on substance

To The Record-Press:

Bob Franks is pandering to the American public, again.

This time Mr. Franks wants us to believe he is a good guy because he is giving back 5 percent of his salary after Congress voted to give themselves automatic pay raises. I guess he feels so guilty that he feels obligated to appoint himself leader of the so-called charge "to put an end to automatic pay hikes for members of Congress."

How transparent Mr. Franks is. Does he think his pandering to the public can diffuse the issue or distract from his record? Mr. Franks' 5 percent salary give-back pales in contrast to the hundreds of millions of dollars which he voted to spend on a futile effort to remove President Clinton from office. Let's not forget that Mr. Franks voted in favor of three of four Articles of Impeachment against the

President. His 5 percent salary give-back pales in contrast to the millions of dollars he has accepted in special interest and PAC money over the years. So much for his efforts on campaign finance reform. Mr. Franks' 5 percent give-back pales in contrast to the millions of dollars and jobs lost to American working men and women because of his poor labor record and support of "Fast Track" which has sent jobs across the border.

If Mr. Franks is sincere in his desire to lead by example, then he should begin by focusing on substantive issues and truly representing the interests of the people of the 7th Congressional district.

JEFF GOLKIN
Committeeman
Warren Township

(Editor's note: Golkin has already declared his candidacy for Franks's Congressional seat.)

Mayor should not silence debate

To The Record-Press:

I sat at the Aug. 3 Township Council meeting in utter disbelief as Mayor Geri Samuel prohibited citizens from addressing the council at the end of the session. Unfortunately, this is not the first time this regrettable tactic has been employed by the mayor. Not only has she prevented citizens from speaking before, but she has also silenced public debate of her fellow council members.

Citizens have the right to address their elected officials at any meeting regardless of whether the meeting was regularly scheduled or special. Our taxpayers have the right to speak on any topic even if a future public hearing is anticipated. Residents

of Scotch Plains should not have to hesitate when approaching their elected officials wondering if they might also be silenced by the mayor.

One day, I hope I will have the opportunity to serve as mayor of our great township, and I guarantee that the local government will be more open to receive both criticism and praise. Mayor Samuel should remember that we serve the public and not the other way around. The remainder of her term will be a lot smoother when she makes this realization.

MARTIN L. MARKS
Member, Scotch Plains
Township Council

Proposal deserves proper debate

To The Record-Press:

I found the proceedings at the Scotch Plains Council Meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 3 to be extremely offensive. While I find the issue of electing a mayor (rather than having Council members appoint a Mayor to one year terms) very appealing, I resent the backroom shenanigans that apparently took place on this issue.

Despite Deputy Mayor Bromley's claim that an appointed mayor has no power, Mayor Samuel not only demonstrated immense power on this issue, but she also engaged in what I would call abuse of that power. Mayor Samuel, without consulting other Council members, hand-picked a Steering Committee, which included her husband, to make recommendations that would clearly have a material impact on her future political ambitions.

The Committee's conclusions were then rushed to a special Council Meeting for approval, without prior consultation with other Council Members, in time to

be put on the November ballot.

The issue of an elected mayor deserves proper debate as it would reverse a history of over 25 years of governmental procedure in Scotch Plains. Imagine if President Clinton today sought to push through a proposal to repeal the 22nd Amendment signed in 1951 (which limits the Presidential tenure to two terms), so he could run for re-election in November. I think one would call that type of self-serving legislation a conflict of interest at best. Well isn't that what Mayor Samuel is doing as her one year term approaches its end?

Unfortunately, the Mayor's on-the-job training is not progressing well. I look forward to the normal rotation that traditionally takes place come January and hope the elected mayor issue is thoroughly studied in an open forum devoid of politics.

KELLY A. DEEGAN
Scotch Plains

Mayor's tactics should be questioned

To The Record-Press:

After the April budget fiasco and the Democrats' 5.4 percent tax increase, things seemed to be relatively quiet for Scotch Plains government. Until August!

I just happened to be flipping TV channels (Aug. 3) when I came upon a live Township Council meeting. I have never seen a televised council meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, but I soon realized that one had been scheduled in order for a special ordinance to be introduced and voted on. After listening to the discussion, it became apparent that Mayor

Geri Samuel is trying to push through a new law that would give the mayor a four year term instead of one. After Mayor Samuel disallowed any commentary from the public following the meeting, I began to smell something fishy.

I intend to be at the next "unscheduled special meeting" on Aug. 17, when this new law is finalized, to question the mayor on her tactics. I encourage other citizens to do the same.

STEPHANIE CARNEY
Scotch Plains

Mayor hasn't learned her lesson

To The Record-Press:

Hasn't Mayor Geri Samuel learned her lesson yet?

Regardless of whether you are a Republican or a Democrat, it is a bit disheartening to see our mayor continually try to shut down public debate. For at least the second time this year, Mayor Samuel has not allowed citizens to address the Township Council following a public hearing. The mayor

should understand that the council must be accessible to the citizens of Scotch Plains at every meeting without regard to the topic of inquiry.

If Mayor Samuel does not like the sound of public criticism, I'm sure she'll just love the deafening noise of voters clicking the button for the "other guy" the next time she runs for office.

SALVATORE GENTILE
Scotch Plains

Jersey Boy



Mike Deak

The true nature of a great sport

In high school and college I was a varsity letterman. Before you jump to any conclusions about my athletic prowess and whether I look like a Calvin Klein underwear model, let me confess that in each of those eight halcyon years I earned a varsity letter in one sport — golf.

Golfers are the Rodney Dangerfields of athletes — we get no respect. The public holds in its mind the stereotype of the golfer as a beer-bellied corporate executive smoking obnoxious cigars and hiding hideous legs under even more hideous Bermuda shorts. To a certain extent, I must confess, that image is correct. "Have you no shame?" one is tempted to yell at these divots on the fairway of life as they waddle Sam Adams-in-hand from golf cart to rough where their ball awaits to be kicked to a better lie. Their disgusting appearance is a disgrace not only to the game, but to the good reputation of mankind as well.

And there's another stereotype that's just as disturbing and, unfortunately, just as true. Golfers are thought to have been born with a silver riblick in their mouths. They lead a life of a sleek country club existence and expect every pampered indulgence, as if they feel a blood duty to keep alive laughable class distinctions.

In some ways these stereotypes are fading away. Golf has enjoyed a remarkable boom in the 1990s with the arrival of the Baby Boomers in middle age when all other sports become more difficult. The ascent of Tiger Woods has also suddenly made golf "cool" for a new generation. And touring professionals have lost both their plaid trousers and their lovehandles; David Duval became a superstar because he put down the Twinkies and started lifting weights instead.

Yet the distressing stereotype that golf is a game for the affluent still remains. The economic ecstasy of the 1990s has attracted many nouveau riche to the game and golf has done nothing to discourage it. A new set of clubs, a bag and a decent pair of shoes will cost the unsuspecting duffer in excess of \$1,000. (Golfers, who are susceptible to bouts of gullibility, do not realize that the clubs don't mean a thing if you ain't got the swing.) A dozen golf balls costs about \$30. Throughout New Jersey and the rest of the country new up-scale privately-owned golf courses are being opened at a record clip. It now costs in excess of \$30 (at the cheapest) to play these courses on a weekend, with the price rising up to nearly \$80. That's a lot of money to spend for four hours of recreation. (Worse, most require you to take a cart, denying you the pleasure of walking but upping their precious profit margin.) And most country clubs, even with their steep initiation fees and monthly costs, still have a long waiting list for members.

Public golf courses — those which are owned by government entities — are thankfully still affordable and maintain the democratic integrity of the game. It is hard to believe that in the home of golf — Scotland — it is possible for anyone to play just about any course. (And it's cheaper to play a course that has hosted the British Open, then a course in Central Jersey that has just shaped out of a former cornfield.) Though members of some golf clubs in Scotland may have priorities for tee times, the courses are open for everyone, especially if you're polite and write ahead for permission. Imagine the reaction the average public links player would receive if he wrote Baltusrol, Winged Foot or Somerset Hills requesting a tee time!

Golf is the ultimate democratic game. When you step on the first tee, you are judged solely by your ability and the sport is a test of skill and discipline. There is an old saying that golf is life in miniature; I think the opposite is true — life is golf in miniature.

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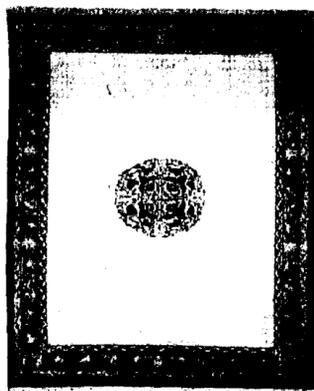
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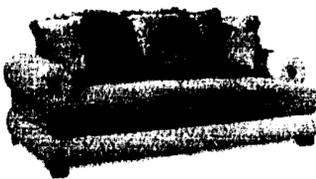
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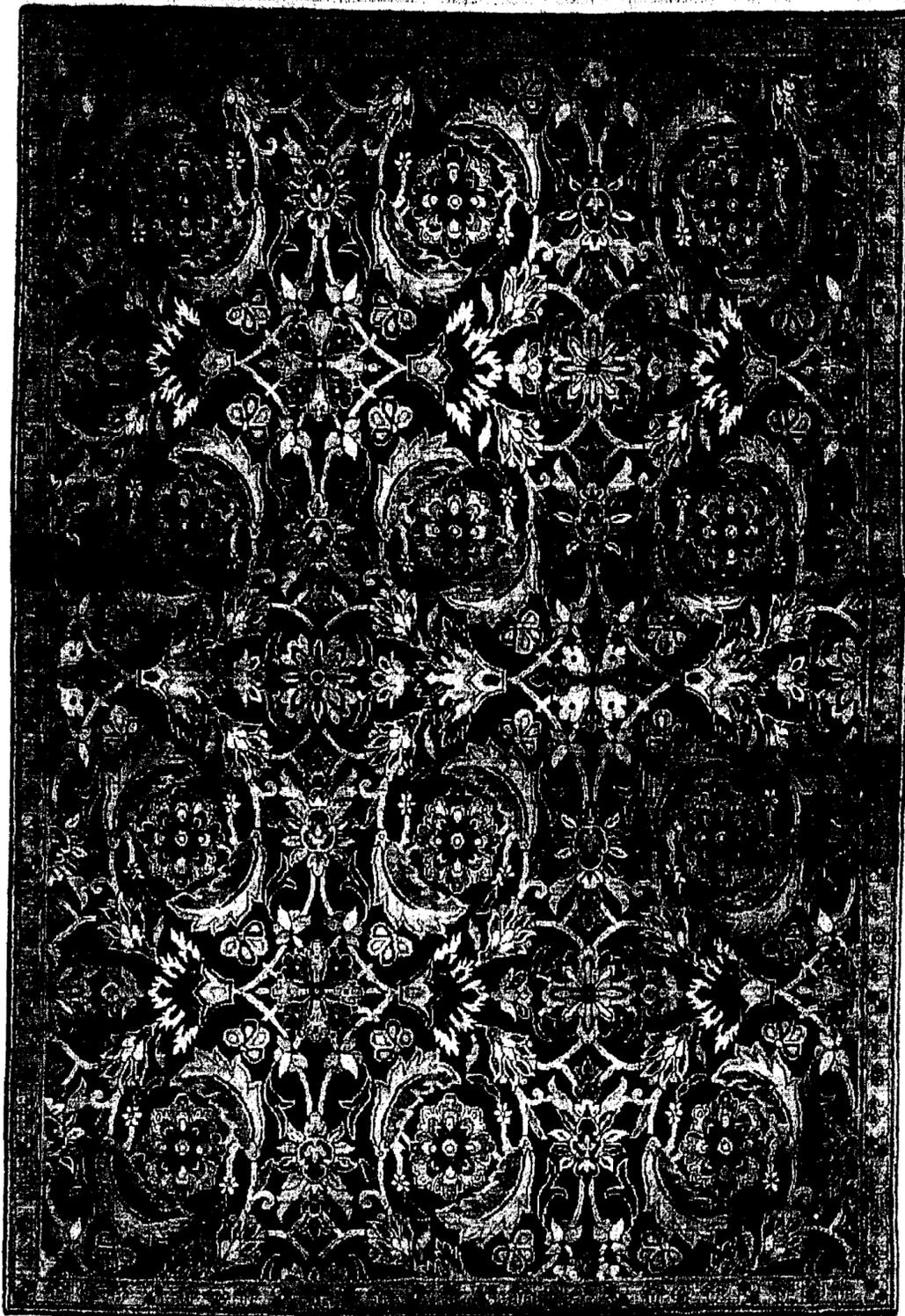
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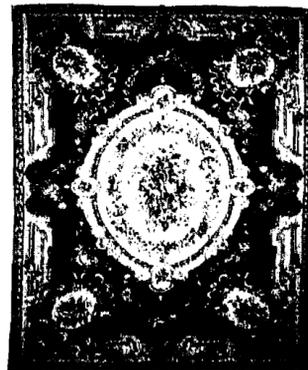
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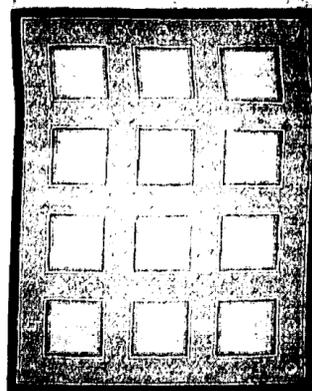
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Man charged with trespassing at town senior citizen complex

Westfield

Police responded to a complaint of defiant trespassing at the Westfield senior citizens housing complex Aug. 9. According to police records Robert Yamendola, 44, was arrested in connection with the incident.

Detectives Norton and Wayman arrested Kathy Paraioli of Clark on charges of theft and forgery Aug. 4. She was released after being issued a summons, according to police records.

Det. Allen filed a report of criminal mischief at Edison Intermediate School Aug. 4, according to police records.

A report of criminal mischief was filed Aug. 4, after a window was broken at a house in the 800 block of North Avenue, according to police records.

Patrolman Riceris arrested Kowtina Ragland of East Orange on an outstanding warrant Aug. 4, according to police records.

A report was filed of criminal mischief to a vehicle at a First Street residence Aug. 5, according to police records.

A wallet was stolen from a car parked at a Cacciola Place residence Aug. 5, according to police records.

A burglary and theft from a vehicle on Fairmont Avenue was reported Aug. 5, according to police records.

An Elizabeth man was the victim of a simple assault Aug. 6, according to police records. The assault occurred at a NJ Transit bus the intersection of Brightwood Avenue and Prospect Street.

Patricia Wysock of Carsal Road was arrested on an outstanding warrant issued by Westfield Aug. 6, according to police records.

Oscar G. Colbert of Westfield was arrested Aug. 7 on a contempt of court warrant issued by the East Orange Municipal Court, according to police records.

Officers Barthus and Elvin charged 23-year-old Harlan Rothman of Westfield with driving while intoxicated Aug. 8, according to police records. Rothman was

Police log

released on his own recognizance.

Leon Sharpe, 31, of Roselle Park was charged Aug. 9 in connection with an assault that occurred in Elizabeth, according to police records.

The theft of a handbag from a car parked behind Tiffany's Drugs was reported by a Bloomfield woman Aug. 9. The handbag contained a checkbook.

Scotch Plains

A Plainfield man was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance Aug. 2.

Police also arrested Theodore R. Gutwein, 35, on an outstanding warrant issued by the Union County Sheriff's Department at approximately 11:20 p.m. near the intersection of Cooper and Terrill Roads.

Gutwein was allegedly in possession of under 50 grams of marijuana at the time of his arrest, according to police records.

A Mountain Avenue resident reported the theft of a bicycle from an open garage during the afternoon of Aug. 2, according to police records.

Theft of jewelry was reported by a business in the 300 block of Park Avenue Aug. 6. The crime had taken place during the previous week, according to police records.

Two windows were reported broken at Terrill Middle School Aug. 7, according to police records.

An attempted entry at a maintenance garage behind Park Middle School was reported Aug. 7. The attempted entry was unsuccessful and nothing was taken, according to police records.

Fanwood

A motor vehicle was stolen from the Northside train station Aug. 2. The Acura Legend has not been recovered, said the police.

Trina Robinson of Keyport was charged with driving while intoxicated Aug. 4. Police said she was originally stopped for another motor vehicle violation. She was released on her own recognizance.



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Lending muscle for a good cause

Fanwood Presbyterian Church members gather for their work assignments at the Habitat for Humanity new home site on Third Street in Plainfield. Ten church members contributed a day's work on a sweltering Saturday last month to erect this two-family house for low-income families. This is the second in a series of work days the church members have given to Habitat.

Scotch Plains is having sidewalk sales

BY TERENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

SCOTCH PLAINS—Township businesses are holding sidewalk sales in town this week. Merchants hope the sales will boost sales that traditionally lag in the summer months. "We certainly hope that this will bring new people into town.

Anything that brings people into town is potentially good," said Ray Pardon, who runs Nuts and Plenty in downtown Scotch Plains and is also president of the Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association.

Sales are hurt by the exodus of people on vacation, he said, and summer lacks a major gift-

giving holiday.

Pardon said stores that sell gift items and clothing are the biggest participants, along with other businesses that offer seasonal items.

Businesses such as boutiques, gift and antique shops will offer special promotions in addition to the sales.

He says that participants

will include local stores such as Rose's Treasures, Apple Blossom Flowers and Look Twice who will hold sales much like those in other towns such as the sidewalk sale recently held in Westfield.

The sales will be held along East Second Street, Westfield Avenue and Park Avenue for three days starting yesterday.

'Blue Machine' is keeping downtown clean

BY TERENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—The "Blue Machine" that has been making downtown streets cleaner for the past month is part of the town's efforts to keep downtown clean and prevent litter in the business.

The machine looks much like a Zamboni, the boxy truck-like contraption that smoothes the ice during ice hockey games. But it's small enough to clean sidewalks in a busy downtown.

"We've been using it for about a month now," said Michael La Place of the Downtown Westfield Corporation, who

added that ensuring the SID is clean is a big part of the DWC's goals.

Large cities such as New York and Philadelphia use the machine to keep heavily congested areas clean and free of the litter that often accompanies large numbers of people.

La Place said that the machine is currently being used in a trial run but by fall there should be a regular schedule for the machine, which will be used every day to keep sidewalks and pedestrian areas clean.

Because the machine is used in pedestrian areas, the Department of Public Works, which operates the machine,

must find a time the Blue Machine can be used free of pedestrians while still cleaning the entire downtown.

The large number of sidewalks downtown means that the town, which has been leasing the machine, may also lease a second one.

"There is a lot of ground to cover. Westfield has a large downtown area," said La Place.

He said the price of the machine is very reasonable, and a second one is a realistic possibility.

The Blue Machine is the first part of the DWC's plan to make cleanliness projects more effective.

The second part consists of newer, more attractive trash cans that will more than double the amount of receptacles available to people in the shopping district. A few of the new trash cans are currently in place.

The third part of the plan involves the privatization of trash collection downtown.

"We're looking to contract with a private hauler," said La Place. "That will free up DPW and give them more manpower for other projects."

He said the town council has already begun looking at a number of possibilities and the privatization may occur as soon as the fall.

New cable talk show will focus on Westfield

WESTFIELD—Westfield Live, a new local access cable television show, will premier on Westfield's Channel 36 at regular times throughout this month.

Viewers are invited to tune in

to TV-36 for a complete schedule.

The program, hosted by Westfield resident Mitch Slater, will bring to the limelight the people in the community that make a difference in residents' daily lives.

The first show was filmed entirely in Mindowaskin Park and features one-on-one interviews with the Honorable Thomas C. Jardim, mayor of Westfield; Stan Kaslusky, executive director of the Westfield Y;

and Nancy Jackson, executive director of the Westfield Symphony Orchestra.

Slater is a vice president and sales manager for Merrill Lynch in Short Hills. He has hosted a nationally syndicated financial radio program as well as being a featured guest on CNBC, Comcast Cable, CNN and PBS.

Future programs will include interviews with local celebrities, authors and hometown heroes that make Westfield proud. The TV crew is made up entirely of volunteers.

Darryl Walker and Bill McMeekan co-produced the show. The show's director was Phil Falcone, who also handled the audio and one of the two cameras. Elan Arbitsman added his expertise by working the main camera. Credits for the editing and graphics of the first show go to Bill McMeekan.

Those wishing to volunteer and become involved with the TV-36 Programming Committee can call (908) 654-4100.

Book discussion at Fanwood Library

FANWOOD — The public is invited to participate in an evening of fun and interesting conversation at the Fanwood Memorial Library on Sept. 30, 7:30 p.m.

The event is a book discussion on *The Pilot's Wife* by Anita Shreve.

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Towns are coping with restrictions on water usage

BY TERRENCE DOPP
RECORD-PRESS

Area residents and municipal governments are trying to figure out exactly what effect mandatory water restrictions imposed by Gov. Christine Todd Whitman will have upon their daily lives.

These restrictions include a complete prohibition on using lawn sprinklers, filling swimming pools and washing cars since the governor's announcement last week.

Union County is the second driest county in the state, behind only Hunterdon County. Despite this, Elizabethtown Water Company insists there is enough water in the Round Valley and Spruce Run reservoirs to sustain usage until the end of the drought.

Customers have not slowed down in their use of water, even though there has been practically no rain this summer.

Water usage was so high and reservoirs low enough that reservoir levels in New Jersey, which are 69.8-percent of capacity, dipped one percent between Monday and Wednesday of last week.

"It's true our pumpage records have been up the past few months over previous summers," said Erin Reilly of Elizabethtown Water. Reilly attributed the higher usage levels to a long hot summer that has been unusually dry.

Because restrictions were only recently imposed people were free to use as much water as they wanted to water lawns and keep cool.

"We are urging our customers to comply, even though we have sufficient water," said Reilly.

Area towns have no choice but to follow the guidelines that are mandated by the state and do the proverbial "rain dance."

In Scotch Plains, officials in the parks department expect little change from normal.

"What we've done is implement the same policy as the county. There are no open fires and we have removed all charcoal grills from the picnic areas," said Laura Botto, director of parks and recreation for Scotch Plains. "There is no irrigation in our town's parks anyway, but we do have a few new shrubs that we will continue to water according to state instructions."

Botto said that the water for the shrubs comes from the Scotch Hills well, which will be used sparingly even though state restrictions only apply to water drawn from reservoirs.

Aside from protecting the new shrubs the township does not use much water in parks, so her

agency should not see many changes in normal procedure.

"We've lost a few shrubs to extreme heat, but most of my department is confident that the grass will come back. We're not anticipating any major turf problems," said Botto.

Many other municipalities in Union County do not have irrigated parks. Westfield is among them.

Assistant Director of Parks Jim Gildea says further effects of the new restrictions should be negligible. He says that most of the public fields are already pretty much gone dormant, so watering would be pointless anyway.

Gildea said he has been forced to stop watering the lawn near the public pool. The grass will become dormant, but the pool is another matter. It will continue to operate as it would any other year.

"We are refilling the pool as normal. In past droughts there has always been an exception made for municipal pools," he said.

Unlike private pools, local health departments are responsible for setting policy for public pools.

Municipal pools and parks are not the site of water use violations because they are government controlled and under strict scrutiny. The biggest threat to drought-plagued reservoirs comes from private citizens who cannot bear to let grass turn brown or the car become dirty.

Fanwood Police Sgt. Jarvis said that the drought restrictions should not have a very large effect upon the department. He said that there will be no special "sprinkler" patrols or efforts to target water violators, but they will be dealt with if officers see them.

"If we spot a violation during a normal patrol a summons or an arrest is a possibility," Sgt. Jarvis said, adding the Fanwood Police Department has not set a standard penalty for violators.

He said that all violations will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Recent rains have done little or nothing to replenish reservoirs, according to the state. Until enough rain falls to replenish New Jersey's supply of water, Elizabethtown will continue asking customers to comply with the restrictions.

Until restrictions are lifted, lawns in Union County will be brown and cars may not shine as bright, but all residents will be forced to comply.

Maybe September rains will come early. Autumn leaves certainly did.



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In remembrance

Congressman Bob Franks remembers the victims of the Flood of 1973 during the Green Brook Flood Control Commission's annual memorial service, held Saturday in Middlesex

Westfield will help SHARES program

WESTFIELD — New Jersey SHARES (Statewide Heating Assistance and Referral for Energy Services) has announced the addition of its newest intake agency, the Westfield Department of Human Services.

New Jersey SHARES is a fuel assistance fund targeted to non-welfare residential energy customers who have short-term financial difficulties. With the addition of Westfield, New Jersey SHARES now has 40 intake agencies throughout the state to assist the organization in distributing its relief funds.

"The Department of Human Services is always looking for programs to help those who don't qualify for public assistance," said Lillian W. Corsi, MSW, LSW,

Westfield's director of human services. "That's why the department is pleased to find a program like New Jersey SHARES to add to its list of services."

According to Corsi, Westfield's Department of Human Services will handle New Jersey SHARES applicants from Westfield as well as other surrounding communities. In addition to the Town of Westfield, other intake agencies in Union County are the American Red Cross in Plainfield and the Urban League of Union County in Elizabeth. New Jersey SHARES is available to any qualifying New Jersey household and can be obtained through any participating agency.

"New Jersey SHARES intends to help working people get back

on their feet following a tragedy such as unemployment, medical crisis or family problem," said Larry Savitsky, executive director, New Jersey SHARES. "Eligibility for New Jersey SHARES is based on need rather than income."

New Jersey SHARES was created last year by a coalition of the state's top energy companies and non-profit agencies to provide temporary assistance to working class households. Recipients must be facing shut-off utilities and have exhausted all other resources to help pay their utility bills. Eligibility is determined by New Jersey SHARES' 40 intake agencies. Upon approval, recipients may receive a one-time grant of \$250

for gas and electricity.

The organization is run by a Board of Directors composed of the state's major energy providers and non-profit organizations, including Atlantic Electric, Elizabethtown Gas Co., GPU Energy, Public Service Electric & Gas, Rockland Electric Co., South Jersey Gas Co., AARP, Community Health Law Project, NJ Low Income Energy Network, Association for Children in New Jersey, Community Action Program Executive Directors Association (CAPEDA) and The Salvation Army.

Westfield has set up an access line for New Jersey SHARES inquiries. For more information, call (908) 928-9335.

Leshner will head New Jersey Press Women

WESTFIELD — Tina Leshner, a resident of Westfield, has been elected president of New Jersey Press Women (NJPW).

Leshner, chairman of the Department of Communication at William Paterson University in Wayne, joined NJPW in 1980 and has served as vice president in charge of youth projects and as the 1995-96 president. She was also honored as the group's Communicator of Achievement in 1992.

NJPW is the state affiliate of National Federation of Press Women, a Virginia-based group designed to promote professional development of women communicators.

A native of Scranton, Pa., Leshner began her journalism career at the *Scranton Tribune* and later worked at the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and the *Hartford Courant*. She also practiced public relations and worked as a freelance writer before joining the academic ranks. She holds an A.B. in history from Wheeling Jesuit University, an M.A. in journalism from the University of Missouri, and a doctorate in English education from Rutgers University. She has been a visiting graduate scholar at the Poynter Institute and was a 1996 Knight Foundation Fellow.

Leshner has written exten-

sively for newspapers, including the *Suburban News*, and magazines and has written a number of book chapters including one on the history of the National Federation of Press Women for an upcoming Greenwood Press book. She also heads an oral history project on New Jersey

women reporters.

Deborah Lev, head of the English/Communications Department at Centenary College in Hackettstown, and Melissa Campbell, public relations manager of the Seeing Eye Foundation, Morristown, will serve as the NJPW vice

presidents for the next year.

NJPW holds four programs/meetings annually and also sponsors communications contest for members and high school journalists. Information about membership is available from Campbell at the Seeing Eye Foundation.

Union County places ban on outside fires

ELIZABETH — Union County has issued a ban on fires, including charcoal and wood barbecues.

No one has yet received a summons, though some verbal warnings have been issued. Violation of the ban is a disorderly persons offense.

"In general, people have cooperated with the ban," said Nicholas Scutari, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

"For the most part, people know that we're all in this together," he said. "They understand the potential danger of a fire in our parks and surrounding communities."

The ban on fires is being handled by local police in Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Westfield, and by Union County police in county parks.

For its part the county has closed its sprinkler pools in

Elizabeth, Plainfield and Roselle.

It also has stopped watering the fairways on the county's three golf courses; the more fragile tee areas and greens will continue to be watered.

Maintenance workers in the county parks are watering all shrubs, plants and trees by hand until the drought emergency declared Aug. 5 by Gov. Whitman is lifted.

Also, the county is not watering its lawns nor washing any of its public works trucks, county police cars or other county motor vehicles until the drought has ended.

"Union County is taking this seriously and we are conserving water wherever we can," Scutari said.

YMCA has child care openings

SCOTCH PLAINS — Registration is underway for the fall session of the YMCA Child Care Center at Grand Street and Union Avenue.

The state-licensed facility is open 8:45 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday, operated by the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA and accepts children 3 months through 5 years old. Swimming lessons are included in the preschool and pre-kindergarten programs.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

Surgent's Elite celebrates 25th year

Surgent's Elite in its 25th season as it enters its most promising year ever. Jim Surgent, owner of Surgent's Elite, has done a lot of work to the schools over the summer session, such as: air condition the third facility in Westfield, which just celebrated its grand opening in January, and completely renovate the inside of the Garwood location to make the facility the most modern gym in the area. Besides adding new cutting edge competitive equipment, Surgent's has spent the summer bolstering up its staff to be "elite" in every program it runs. With the 30 pre-school and after-school instructors at every

hour, surgent's can satisfy almost any schedule request.

In addition, Surgent's prioritizes parents' convenience and other family interests with its philosophy of only a month-to-month commitment as compared to other programs with a six-month session.

To complement its safety-certified staff members, Surgent's installed new exciting activities like the giant foam block pit, Tarzan swing, Zip Lines that zip across the length of the gym, 20-foot cargo nets, and a blown-up castle with tunnels. This new castle, along with all the other new features, have made surgent's birthday parties the best

in the area. Parents also appreciate the low pressure environment by being the only party in the gym at a time.

Surgent's has also teamed up with Central Jersey All-Stars Cheerleading Team. Surgent's provides Central Jersey with tumbling lessons and a stunting facility. Central Jersey Cheerleaders finished in second place at their national competitions.

The entire staff, besides James Surgent, is led by Matt Stevenson owner/director of the Roselle Park facility, and David Surgent, director of the Westfield facility. James Surgent runs a staff of 25 full-time instructors ranging from USA national team coaches to Columbia national team coach and NCAA collegian champions. From beginner levels to advanced, let surgent's staff show the excitement of gymnastics. All of the new additions have already assured that Surgent's will continue its success into the 22nd century.

Share in the excitement of Surgent's 25th anniversary. The staff wants to show the public why it has been so busy all summer. Call or stop in at one of the three locations for a free trial lesson: 401 South Ave., Westfield, (908) 317-0523; 501 South Ave., Garwood, (908) 789-3392 and 256 W. Westfield Ave., Roselle Park, (908) 241-1474.



Susie Karlik's Dance Sensation

Members of the Senior Competition Team are, from left: (standing) Alyssa Lefano; Michelle Jannett; and Susie Karlik, director; (floor) Kayla Kachnowski, Tara Sindone, Gabrielle Conforti, and Leslie Spehardt. Susie Karlik's Dance Sensation celebrate its second year of professional, quality, dancing. Classes will be offered in ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, pointe, musical comedy, and adult jazz and tap. Combination classes and pre-school dance are available. Classes are geared to students aged 3-adult, beginner to advanced. Register any day, any time by phone at In-person registration will be held Aug. 25, 26, and 31 and Sept. 1 from 1 to 6 p.m. The studio is conveniently located in Union Center on the first floor level at 2015 Morris Ave. Susie Karlik's Dance Sensation has an award-winning Regional and National Competition Team.

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For the SAT II, hour long subject matter tests, The Enrichment Center offers review classes in biology, chemistry, writing, math I and II, history, physics and foreign languages. Private sessions are always available. The SAT II group classes will be offered on Sundays, Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31. All classes will be taught by experienced state-certified teachers who are specialists in their fields. All classes are limited to eight students.

For more information, to receive a brochure, or to register, call The Enrichment Center at (908) 654-0110. Classes are limited to eight students and have already begun filling, so don't delay. A brochure is also available for reinforcement and enrichment classes for students in grades kindergarten through 12.

It's safety first

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Police Department is working to improve pedestrian and traffic safety throughout the town and would like to enlist the cooperation of the parents of school-age children in this effort. Two major problems are parking and speeding. To eliminate the congestion around the schools at dismissal time and set an example for other motorists, the Police Department is requesting that these guidelines be followed:

- Do not park in prohibited areas, handicapped spaces or bus zones.
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BACK TO SCHOOL



Equestrian training is among the opportunities for children at L'Academy Montessori in Scotch Plains.

Open registration at Montessori

SCOTCH PLAINS — L'Academy Montessori, at 1577 East Second St. in Scotch Plains, offers a dynamic program of academic and creative activities, provided with loving care and attention. In addition to highly academic Montessori program of reading, writing, math, and science, children are exposed to French, Spanish, yoga, music, Karate, aerobics, ballet, tap, and jazz.

This year, the school has added Zuzuki violin with Susan Rosenberg, computer classes with Keeva Otunuya from Kingdom KeyMasters, vocal training with Heather Carr, and yoga with Betsy Zipkin. English-style equestrian training and horse grooming lessons are also an option.

This summer the children are playing in the park daily (weather permitting) and enjoying

water play and riding toys in the school's playground, as well as using their imagination and motor skills in the castle and slide area. Arts and crafts are also enjoyed each day.

There are many opportunities for parents to participate with the children: in the mother's Day Tea in May, Father's Day Tea in June, graduation for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students at the end of June, mini-Olympics and picnic in the park each August, costume parade and Halloween party in October, and a grand international festival in December. Parents are also welcome as chaperones on all trips.

A special discount of \$2,000 off tuition for the winter and fall of the year 2000 is offered, applicable only to advance registration (subject to availability).

Karate World black belts perform for U.S. troops in Korea

KENILWORTH — On the Fourth of July, Master Jeff Dunn, Roxanne Dunn, and students Jesse Sierant, age 14, and Mark Bonczek, 15, performed for the U.S. Troops in Seoul, Korea. Grand Master Jhoon Rhee, founding father of Tae Kwon Do in the United States, chose a select few school owners to perform for the United Service Organizations (USO). This civilian, voluntary non-profit organization was chartered by the United States Congress to serve the needs of men and women worldwide in the Armed Forces. USO Korea serves 37,000 military personnel and their families stationed in the republic of Korea. Among students of Grand Master Rhee were Congressman Bob Livingston, former speaker of the House of Representatives Elect, and Mike Espy, former secretary of agriculture. Both Congressmen also performed for U.S. Troops.

"It was quite an honor demonstrating for the U.S. troops we did musical forms to 'The Star Spangled Banner' and 'God Bless America'. We also performed to 'Exodus'. I enjoy musical forms because they not only appeal to the visual sense, but also the auditory. The forms combine strength and art," said Master Dunn.

Second Degree Jesse Sierant, student of Master Dunn from Kenilworth, also performed for the troops. He has been studying Tae Kwon Do for eight years at Karate World.

Mark Bonczek of Cranford, first degree Black Belt, performed as well. He has been a student of Master Dunn for four years.

Roxanne Dunn, eight months pregnant, also performed for the troops. "I hoped to inspire as many women as possible, letting them know the importance of mind and body control," she said. "To this day, Mrs. Dunn is



Karate World in Korea: Shown from left are: Jesse Sierant; Mark Bonczek; Roxanne Dunn holding her son, Jared; and Jeff Dunn.

within days of her baby's arrival and is still working out and helping teach children. "I owe it all to my husband who has been a constant inspiration."

Master Dunn, fifth degree Black Belt, has been involved in the martial arts for 24 years. He has committed his life to practicing and sharing his

knowledge with others. He believes in leading by example to his students. He shows people the way to growing mentally, physically and spiritually balanced through his teachings he has changed many lives.

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Bernadette Matten, Julie Gale, Joan Guarino, Doreen Mondl, Diane Mroz and Colleen Belliot. New to the staff is Bert Lubin who will be teaching ballet and jazz for the younger students. Lubin has an extensive dance background as well as a professional acting and the studio is happy to have her on the staff.

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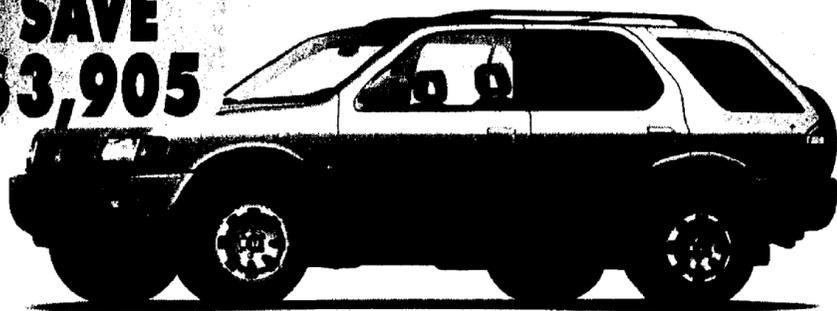
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AUG. 18
GAME NIGHT — for FEMALE, Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge. Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford, 7:30 p.m. Bring a board game (no Candy Land). Call (908) 272-2471 or (908) 862-7781.

THURSDAY

AUG. 19
JERSEY FRESH — farmers' market at railroad station, South Avenue, Westfield, 2-7 p.m. Thursday to Oct. 28. Call (908) 233-3021.
INSIGHT — support group for cancer patients, their families and friends. Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, 7 p.m. Call (908) 668-2247.

COMING UP

CAR SHOW — antique and classic car show along Quimby Street, Westfield, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 24. (Street closed 5-9 p.m.) Registration: Call (908) 654-4100.
MARDI GRAS IN AUGUST — jazz, Cajun and Creole cuisine for Singles Bon Vivant dining club. Crossroads, 78 North Ave., Garwood, 7 p.m. Aug. 24. Members \$36; non-members \$45. Reservations: Call (908) 273-6868.

WANTED

DEALERS — for fourth annual Antique and Collectible Doll, Toy and Train Show sponsored by Westfield Lions Club. Pantagis Renaissance, Route 22, Scotch Plains, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 20. Spaces \$30 first table, \$25 each additional. Reservations: Call (908) 232-8551 or fax (908) 654-3643.

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OAARP Chapter 1437

Trips sponsored by the AARP chapter:
Sept. 20-23 — Hunts Landing (Matamoras, Pa.) for the "Roaring 20's Festival" and Mid-Hudson Valley (Culinary Institute of America, FDR mansion, Vanderbilt mansion, Brotherhood Winery, Gillinder glass factory). Call (908) 232-7153.
Oct. 10-16 — Smoky Mountains (Tennessee). Includes Cherokee Village, Dollywood, Harrah's Cherokee Casino, tram ride and four theater shows. call (908) 889-6769.
Monthly chapter meetings will resume in September.

Old Guard of Westfield

Meetings of the Old Guard are 10 a.m. every Thursday at the Westfield Y, 220 Clark St., Westfield. Group activities include golf, bowling, bridge, day trips, luncheons, women's events, shuffleboard and the Merryman chorus. The Old Guard is open to retired men and counts an average of 80-100 at each meeting.
For more information, call Don Finter at (908) 233-1407.

Golden Agers Club

The Golden Agers Club meets 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. every Thursday at the Scotch Hills Country Club in Scotch Plains. Each meeting includes conversation, cards, bingo and projects for charitable institutions. Refreshments are served.
Officers for 1999 are Jeanette Rotella, president; Olga Bruce, vice president; Marge Van Dwyne, secretary; and Josephine Masi, treasurer.
Once a month, food is collected and donated for those in need. Peanut butter and jelly is collected for donation to the Emmanuel cancer group in Scotch Plains.
In addition, teddy bears have been dressed for children in hospitals.
Trips sponsored by the Golden Agers Club:
Sept. 23 — Black Whale cruise from Long Beach Island to Trump Castle casino. The bus will leave 8 a.m.
Oct. 11-15 — Nevele Grande resort in Ellenville, N.Y. Includes daily activities, nightly entertainment and three meals a day.
Nov. 18 — Christmas show at Evergreen Theatre in Mountain Lakes. The bus will leave 10:30 a.m.
All trips leave from the Scotch Plains Municipal Building and are open to the public. For more information, call Rose Frino at (908) 322-6330.

'Over 55' Travel Club

Adults are invited on these trips for the "Over 55" Travel Club from the Senior Citizens Council of Union County:
Wednesday, Aug. 18 — Musikfest in Bethlehem, Pa. Cost is \$34.
Aug. 23-27 — Scott's Oquaga Lake House in upstate New York. Cost is \$525 per person, double occupancy.
Sept. 13-17 — Grand Hotel in Cape May. Cost is \$375 per person, double occupancy.
Sept. 30-Oct. 1 — Amish trip. Cost is \$145 per person, double occupancy.
Oct. 4 — Oktoberfest at Platzl Brau. Cost is \$55.
Oct. 10-14 — Yankee Doodle Lodge in Vermont. Cost is \$430 per person, double occupancy.
Oct. 25 — South Jersey Culinary Arts. Cost is \$42.
Oct. 31 — California coast and San Francisco (9 days).
Nov. 10 — Larison's Turkey Farm and village. Cost is \$638.
Nov. 17 and 30 — Radio City Christmas show and South Street Seaport. Cost is \$45.
Nov. 21 — Three Little Bakers. Cost is \$62.
Dec. 5 and 15 — New York City lights tour. Cost of \$25 includes coffee and dessert (children over 5 welcome).
Dec. 11-12 — Lancaster, Pa. Cost is \$155 per person, double occupancy.
April 20-May 1, 2000 — QE2 to Miami, Barbados, Dominica and St. Thomas. Space is limited.
All trips leave from the Boys and Girls Club in Union. Special trips and pickups can be arranged for groups and clubs.
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Recently honored as Eagle Scouts of Boy Scout Troop 72 are Chad Tortello, Matt Leiz, Alex Leong and Paul Kazazis.

Four Boy Scouts earn Eagle rank

WESTFIELD — Boy Scout Troop 72 in Westfield recently honored Paul Kazazis, Matthew Leiz, Alexander Leong, and Charles (Chad) Tortorello with the Eagle Scout award, the highest rank in Boy Scouting.

Each of the four scouts followed a rigorous path over several years earning more than 21 merit badges, and planning and providing leadership for a substantive community service project.

The prestigious Eagle Scout award is attained by only two percent of Boy Scouts in America. All four young men are members of Troop 72 which is sponsored by the Questers Bible Study group of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

Paul's Eagle project was to create in-class libraries for less fortunate students attending public school in Newark. His project involved coordinating the activities of 30 volunteers for advertising, collecting, sorting and delivering 1,000 new and used books for the Newark school.

A senior at Westfield High School, Paul participates in the Code Blue Club, the Asian Club, is a member of the Red Cross Disaster Team and a volunteer for the Mountainside Rescue Squad. He is on the track team, plays alto saxophone in the concert band, is a member of the National Honor Society, an Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar for the state of New Jersey, and received a Character

Counts Award from the Westfield "Y". Paul is also active in the Methodist Youth Fellowship and volunteered as a counselor in the "Y" summer camp program.

Matt's project was to create a computer room for the Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield. A former storage room in the Educational building was gutted, cleaned, repaired, and painted. Computer tables were built and installed creating a classroom for the use of interactive media.

A Westfield High School freshman, Matt is a member of the track team, co-founder of the WHS Phatt Tire Mountain Bike Club, and plays inter-county soccer. Trained as a peer leader, he is also an active member of his church, serving on the Youth Council. For the past two years, Matt's commitment and participation in scouting activities has led to his selection as Troop No. 72 Scout of the Year.

For his Eagle project, Alex coordinated work on the playground area for the Westfield Daycare Center. His work included the replacing and leveling chips, replacing a retaining wall, filling and clearing other areas of the playground. His efforts made the playground a safer, cleaner, better looking place and ensured that the playground continued to meet safety standards.

As a Westfield High School freshman, Alex is active with the Computer Club, the

Investment Club, the Philosophy Club and Code Blue. He is also a violinist in the WHS Symphony Orchestra, the N.J. Intergenerational Orchestra, on the track team and plays inter-county soccer.

Refurbishing a large meeting room at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield became Chad's Eagle project. He coordinated the efforts to repair and refinish the walls and windows, paint the walls, and clean and wax the floor. Many church and outside groups utilize this room.

Chad is a freshman at Westfield High School, a member of the football and field track teams, and a member of the Marching Band. He is very active in his church, serving as an acolyte, cross bearer and as a member of the Youth Council.

In all four cases, the scouts were involved in organizing many members of their scout troop and other community volunteers to assist with their respective Eagle projects.

Troop 72 meets at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Scouts can select from a variety of activities including merit badge classes, camping and backpacking trips, canoe trips, bicycle trips and historical medal hikes. The troop is responsible for displaying the American flags in the downtown area on federal holidays. The highlight of the troop year is the annual week long camping trip to Erincliff Island in Ontario, Canada.



Living history

As part of a social studies unit in Lorna Everhart's third grade class at School One in Scotch Plains, students studied and researched historical areas of the communities. In addition to their classroom activities, students took a walking tour and a bus trip to historical sites of interest in Scotch Plains and Fanwood. As a special culminating project, they designed illustrations of the historical sites they had visited and transformed the designs into quilt squares for a class quilt. Shown displaying the quilt at a recent Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education meeting are: (front) Julian Goehren; (middle) Devon Turner, Ashley Carfagno, Melanie Davis; (back row) Everhart and Jay Barker.

Children are never bored in township's recreation program

SCOTCH PLAINS — There's more to summer recreation program than just weaving baskets.

Green Forest Park children participated in a talent show recently.

Katie Subbie performed her karate routine, and Dayna Warren and Melissa Koerner danced to "I Want Your Back" by N' Sync. Stacey Subbie displayed musical talent by playing the *Star Wars* theme on the flute. A hypnotist skit was enacted by Kevin O'Donnell, Tyler Southwick and Bryan Canfield. Double-jointed Mike Rasis did a leg trick. Victoria Gorbach performed a Latin folk dance and Alessi Scott performed an Irish dance. Megan Brown danced to "Girls In Black" by Will Smith. All are hopefuls to compete in talent searches.

John Subbie volunteers at the park and played rope relays with park participants. The winner was Team 3 and in the obstacle course relay, Team 1 was the winner with a time of 7:57. Team 2's time was 8:20. Team 1 consisted of Jackie Bush, Rahid Cornejo, Saxony Nielsen, Michael Veptsman, Dayna Warren, Stacey Subbie, Nellie Caballero, and Megan Brown. Team 2's members were: Victoria Gorbach, Katie Subbie, Heather Rodriguez, Melissa Koerner, Lauren Moskal, Alexandra Scott, Sammy Bush, and Nick Barattucci.

Theresa Natale kept park children busy at Farley, Green Forest, and Brookside with projects such as Styrofoam airplanes, brightly-colored fans, and puzzle picture frames. Lanyards to hold whistles were also completed. An award for the best sticker made resulted in a

tie between Saxony Nielsen and Shawn Mahoney.

At Farley Park, a bubble gum contest was held and Courtney Jones took first place with the biggest bubble. A basketball game was played, with participants including Julius Thompson, Lamont Hunt, Justin Brown, Richard Williams, Tiffany Nesbitt, Ashley McCoy, the Pelinos, and Flores children.

Counselors at Brookside kept their children cool with a water balloon fight. At their talent show, Arley Aguilar, Kalee Aguilar, Tyler Andrews, Lauren Scott, Ariel Hunt, Dana Indico, Danielle Indico, and Valerie Smith danced and sang to a Spice Girls tape. "Where The Girls Are" was sung and danced to by Ariel Hunt and Danielle and Dana Indico. Marc Gagliotti continues to be nok hockey champion at Brookside Park. To date, he has bested all challenges from park kids as well as the counselors.

Another challenge has been made by Gregg Payne who will play any other park counselor in a round robin tournament. The summer park program is fast drawing to a conclusion, with a final trip to Bowerhill and the Pepsi Hot Shot Contest scheduled for Brookside Park and Farley Park. All aged 9-18 are welcome to participate.

A Pre-School Recreation Program is held at Jerseyland Park Monday and Wednesday, or Tuesday and Thursday, headed by Michelle Coines and assisted by Stacey Coines and Marie Losavio. The children enjoy crafts, stories, and splash parties with a sprinkler.

Michael Ginda

SCOTCH PLAINS — Michael R. Ginda, 82, died Aug. 6, 1999 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield. He had been a sailor in the Navy during World War II and a commercial painter prior to his 1978 retirement.

He was born in Carteret and had lived in Scotch Plains since 1947.

Mr. Ginda was aboard the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown in June 1942 when it was sunk by Japanese forces during the battle of Midway Island. He continued his wartime service on other ships in the Pacific fleet.

In civilian life Mr. Ginda was associated with International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades Local 1005 in Perth Amboy. He studied watch and jewelry repair and consignment work at the School of Horology in Newark, from which he graduated in 1947.

Mr. Ginda was a past president of the Jim Beam Bottle Club of the Jersey Jackpot and a member of the fourth degree honor guard for the Knights of Columbus council in Watchung. He was a member of Monsignor Watterson Council

1711, Knights of Columbus, in Westfield; the Serra Club of Union County West; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2314, in Carteret; and the Fraternal Order of Eagles aerie in Plainfield.

He also was an usher for Masses and a member of the Holy Name Society at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, where Mr. Ginda was a volunteer for the parish feast. He was a Santa Claus volunteer for the Knights of Columbus council and the Mount Hope Orphanage.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Kostlyz Ginda; a daughter, Roberta Ginda-Vrachos; a brother, Stephen; two sisters, Anna Karas and Mary Stimpson; three nieces and two nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church, following services at the Rossi Funeral Home. Entombment was in the Good Shepherd Chapel Mausoleum at St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

Woodford J. Mooers Sr.

WESTFIELD — Woodford James Mooers Sr., 76, died Aug. 9, 1999 at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in East Orange. He developed a number of patented devices during his career as an electrical engineer with International Business Machines Corp.

A native of Phoebus, Va., he lived in Atlantic City and New York state before moving to Westfield.

Mr. Mooers designed a high-speed rectifier used by Westinghouse Corp. on a lunar mission. He worked for IBM at its plant in East Fishkill, N.Y., prior to his retirement.

He was a pole vaulter at the University of Connecticut, from which Mr. Mooers received a bachelor's degree in business administration. He was awarded a Gold Star for outstanding service as a Navy combat pilot during World War II and the Korean War.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, Genevieve; three daughters,

Marcia Hill of Ashland, Mass., Kim Leo of Clinton Corners, N.Y., and Julia Diddell of Westfield; a son, Woodford J. III, and a daughter-in-law, Nadine, both of Mahwah; three sons-in-law, Michael Hill of Ashland, Larry Leo of Clinton Corners and Eric Diddell of Westfield; a sister, Una Osrud of Vestal, N.Y.; three brothers, Myran of Miami, Fla., Eugene of Placentia, Calif., and Carroll of St. Petersburg, Fla.; three grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Another sister, Muriel, and another brother, William, are deceased.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield. Burial took place yesterday in the Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Arnytown.

Arrangements were by the Gray Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 2550 Route 1, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

James Story Lee

WESTFIELD — A memorial service was held Tuesday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church for James Story Lee, 85, who died Aug. 3, 1999 at Morristown Memorial Hospital. He directed several ski schools and was among the first members of the national Ski Patrol.

He was born in Cranford and lived in Westfield before moving to Mountainside in 1972.

Mr. Lee also was at one time the president of the J.J. Lee Paper Co. in Manhattan. He later was a sales manager with the John F. Searle Paper Co. until 1979, then became the sales manager of the Ris Paper Co. in Manhattan until

his retirement in 1989. He was a lieutenant in the 10th Mountain Division of the Army during World War II. Mr. Lee was a member of the Westfield Historical Society.

Surviving are his wife of 58 years, Hope Galloway Lee; two daughters, Mary L. Andrews and Nancy Lee Rice; a brother, Robert; a sister, E. Harriet; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Gray Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Organ Fund of St. Paul's Episcopal Church or your favorite charity.

Elizabeth Jenkins

SCOTCH PLAINS — Elizabeth M. Jenkins died Aug. 8, 1999 at Overlook Hospital in Summit. She once was a benefits manager with AT&T Bell Laboratories (now Lucent Technologies).

Mrs. Jenkins was born in Waycross, Ga., and had lived in Scotch Plains since 1969. She also maintained a home in Tarpon Springs, Fla.

She was with Bell Laboratories at its Murray Hill and Short Hills offices prior to her 1991 retirement. Mrs. Jenkins was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America and the Crescent Oaks Country

Club in Tarpon Springs. She was a parishioner of St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church.

Her husband, Edward, died in 1995. Her mother, Mattie Gottie, died March 5, 1999.

Surviving are a daughter, Linda of Scotch Plains; and a grandchild. Services were held yesterday at the Memorial Funeral Home, Fanwood, followed by a funeral Mass at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church. Memorial contributions may be made to Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

Obituaries

Rev. David Fowler Sr.

SCOTCH PLAINS — Rev. David Scott Fowler Sr., 78, died Aug. 5, 1999 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield. He had been the founder and a pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church in the township.

He was born in Kershaw County, S.C., and had lived in Plainfield since 1963.

Rev. Fowler also was the father of the Queen City Baptist Church and founder of the Miracle Baptist Church, both in Plainfield, and a former pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Metuchen. He was a fraternal brother of the Rosierucian Order, A.M.O.R.C. He held doctorates in psychology, metaphysics and divinity along with a certificate in theology.

In secular life Rev. Fowler served as president of the Plainfield Branch of the NAACP

in 1990 and owned Fowler's Garden Center in Plainfield for 20 years.

Surviving are his wife, Dacia; two sons, Cuttino M. Sr. and David S. Jr., both of Plainfield; four daughters, Eleanor Ashley of Montgomery, Ala., Rev. Estelle Seymour, Catherine Hemphill and Mary F. Timmons, all of Plainfield; four brothers, Andrew Jr. and Benjamin, both of Plainfield, Rev. Willie of Scotch Plains and Cal of Boykin, S.C.; three sisters, Tyre Provard of Columbia, S.C., Janei Stewart of Piscataway and Elizabeth Jasper of Plainfield; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Queen City Baptist Church. Arrangements were by the Judkins Colonial Home in Plainfield.

Walter F. Moser

SCOTCH PLAINS — Walter F. Moser, 82, died Aug. 9, 1999 at his home. He had been a fireman with the Scotch Plains Fire Department for 31 years and retired as a lieutenant with Engine Company No. 1.

He was born in Jersey City and had lived in Scotch Plains since 1952.

Mr. Moser joined the Harrison works of the Crucible Steel Co. of America in 1945 and was a maintenance supervisor when he left in 1968. He was a plant engineer with the H.F. Butler Corp. of Union from 1970 until his retirement in 1985.

An avid hunter and fisherman, Mr. Moser spent his later years traveling on vacations and

enjoying his family. He was a longtime member of the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Lois Dietz Moser; two sons, Thomas and Gordon; two daughters-in-law, Kathleen Sevell Moser and Gail Case Moser; a brother, Donald of Thompsontown, Pa.; and five grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday at the Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Center for Hope Hospice, 176 Husa St., Linden, N.J. 07036, or Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

Louis Case Jr.

WESTFIELD — Louis C. Case Jr., 71, died Aug. 7, 1999 at Rahway Hospital. He had been an inspector with the Brown & Root construction company on the North Slope of Alaska during the construction of the Alaska pipeline.

Mr. Case was born in McDonald, Pa. He lived in Clarksburg, W.Va., and Old Bridge before moving to Metuchen in 1968.

He later was an oil and gas engineer with Transco, then became a construction inspector with the Middlesex County Utilities Authority for 10 years prior to his retirement. He

earned a degree in engineering from West Virginia University.

He was a member of the Alaska Shrine; the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Northern New Jersey; and Martin Wallberg Post 3, American Legion. Mr. Case served in the Marine Corps after World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Barbara; three sons, Louis III of Yorktown, Va., Russell of Mechanic Falls, Maine, and James of Westfield; a sister, Pauline Safranek of Carnegie, Pa.; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at the Gray Funeral Home.

Arthur T. Fell

FANWOOD — Arthur T. Fell, 74, died Aug. 3, 1999 at Muhlenberg Hospital Center in Bethlehem, Pa. He had been an insurance broker and retired in 1992 as executive vice president of the Sedgwick James brokerage in Manhattan.

Mr. Fell, who was born in Brooklyn, lived in Fanwood for 45 years before moving six months ago to Bethlehem, Pa. He served in the Army during World War II. His wife, Inga Brown Fell, died in 1992.

Surviving are two sons, Barry

of Bethlehem, Pa., and Roger of Wayne, Pa.; two daughters, Debbie of East Brunswick and Linda of Mount Laurel; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Faith Lutheran Church, New Providence, of which Mr. Fell was a member.

Arrangements were by the Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Memorial Fund of Faith Lutheran Church, 524 South St., New Providence, N.J. 07974.

Adelaide B. Kirn

WESTFIELD — Adelaide B. Kirn, 79, died Aug. 3, 1999 at Rahway Hospital. She had been a teachers' assistant at Jefferson Elementary School and the former Grant Elementary School.

She was born in Perth Amboy and had lived in Westfield since 1954.

Mrs. Kirn later worked for the J.P. Stevens Co. in Manhattan and Colgate-Palmolive Co. in Jersey City prior to her retire-

ment. She was a member of the Catholic Golden Age Club.

Surviving are her husband of 53 years, A. Fred Kirn; a son, Peter; two daughters, Patty Del Duca and Susan Davis; a brother, William Berris; and eight grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church, following services at the Dooley Colonial Home.

Charles Gillman

SCOTCH PLAINS — Charles Gillman, 80, died Aug. 8, 1999 at his home in Whiting. He retired in 1983 after more than 30 years as a sales engineer with Weston Electrical Instruments in Newark.

A native of Kearny, Mr. Gillman lived in Scotch Plains

from 1946 until he moved to Whiting in 1983.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Elizabeth E.; a daughter, Barbara Vreeland; and a sister, Lois Zulli.

Private arrangements were by the Anderson & Campbell Funeral Home in Whiting.

Kathleen Connolly

WESTFIELD — Kathleen Connolly, 77, died Aug. 7, 1999 at Genesis ElderCare-The Woodlands in Plainfield. She had been a legal secretary in Westfield prior to her 1994 retirement.

She was born in New Bedford, Mass., and had lived in Westfield since 1955.

Miss Connolly worked with the firm of Hooley, Butler, DiFrancesco & Kelly; with the solo practice of Neale F. Hooley; and with the firm of Snevily &

Eli. She was an avid fan of the Stingers club in the Mountainside Women's Softball League.

Surviving are a sister, Mary Gleason of Sun City Center, Fla.; two nieces and two nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, of which Miss Connolly was a parishioner. Burial was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Colonial Home.

Gerald McCarthy

SCOTCH PLAINS — Gerald McCarthy, 67, died Aug. 3, 1999 at his home in Howell. He owned the GM Paving Co. in Scotch Plains for 27 years.

Mr. McCarthy was born in Paterson and lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Howell in 1985. He was a grand knight of Knights of Columbus Council 10005 in Farmingdale.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Lyona McCarthy; four sons, Edward Kertes, Michael, Gerald

Jr. and Thomas; two daughters, Sharon Keiffer and Sheryl Claus; a sister, Mary Joan Gunderman; and seven grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Veronica's Roman Catholic Church in Howell. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Lakewood.

Arrangements were by the Higgins Memorial Home in Freehold. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.

Enrichment Center has fall classes for SAT preparation

WESTFIELD — The Enrichment Center of Westfield, a full-service tutoring and enrichment company, announces its SAT I classes for 12th graders taking the SAT in October and November. All classes are taught by state-certified teachers experienced in their subject fields.

All classes are limited to eight students. Private sessions in math or verbal are also available. The Enrichment Center has ample on-site free parking and is air conditioned.

Test-taking techniques and content areas will be taught using actual SAT tests for practice. Learning strategies help students to feel more confident and improve their scores. The math component of this review class will cover basic skills, algebra and geometry. The verbal classes will review analogies, sentence completions reading comprehension and vocabulary. Classes begin the week of Sept. 13. Students may choose Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings for the course.

For the SAT II, hour long subject matter tests, The Enrichment Center offers review classes in biology, chemistry, writing, math I and II, history, physics and foreign languages. Private sessions are always available. The SAT II group classes will be offered on Sundays, Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31. All classes will be taught by experienced state-certified teachers who are specialists in their fields. All classes are limited to eight students.

For more information, to receive a brochure, or to register, call The Enrichment Center at (908) 654-0110. A brochure is also available for reinforcement and enrichment classes for students in grades kindergarten through 12.

Annual Scotch Plains Day race scheduled for Oct. 2

SCOTCH PLAINS — In conjunction with the Scotch Plains Business & Professional Association, the Scotch Plains Department of Parks and Recreation will conduct its popular 5-mile race on Oct. 2.

The race has been USATF certified and 500 points can be earned by the runners who accumulate same. The course is relatively flat with two moderate hills. Splits will be at 1, 2, 3, and four miles, with water stops. The race features computerized timing by Compuserve.

Registration is now open and fees are \$12 by Sept. 25 (\$10 for USATF members) or \$15 after Sept. 25.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place male and

female, for 19 and under, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59 and 60 and over. There will also be trophies for the best male and female finisher, and the Mayor's Trophy to the first resident of Scotch Plains to cross the finish line, as well as three grand prize drawings for all runners registered. Post-race refreshments will be available.

In conjunction with Scotch Plains Day, the Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association will host a flea market and provide entertainment during the day. Various screenings and flu shots can be arranged through the Township Health Department.

For race registration forms or for more information, call 322-6700.

Westfield Y has full schedule of autumn trips for seniors

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Y has announced its fall schedule of trips for the Sixty and Better Set.

This series of three trips includes the Bronx Zoo, the Culinary Institute of America, and the Princeton Art Museum and Duke Gardens.

The first trip, scheduled for Sept. 16, with a rain date of Sept. 23, is to the Bronx Zoo. Included in the \$50 per person fee is transportation, admission to the Zoo, a round-trip Zoo Shuttle, Bengali Express Monorail, Skyfari Cable Car one way, World of Darkness, World of Reptiles and JungleWorld, the Children's Zoo, and a box lunch.

On Oct. 7, an early morning start takes the group to the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y. for a tour and lunch in the Caterina De Medici Restaurant. Following luncheon, there will be a tour of the Mills Mansion, an elegant example of the great estates built by

America's financial and industrial leaders during the Gilded Age, from 1876 to 1917. The fee for this trip is \$75 per person.

The last trip in this series is on Nov. 12. Participants will have a docent-led tour at the Art Museum of Princeton University, followed by a buffet lunch at the Nassau Inn. After lunch there will be a guided tour of the glass-enclosed Duke Gardens in Somerville, a collection of 11 thematic gardens from diverse cultures and regions of the world. The cost of this trip is \$60 per person.

All trips are open to the public. Y membership is not required. Payment in full is due upon registration and no refunds will be issued unless the seat can be sold. Transportation is to and from Lord and Taylor in Westfield. Come to the Westfield Y at 220 Clark St. to register.

For more information call Karen Simon at (908) 233-2700, ext. 246.

Openings available at Torah Center

WESTFIELD — The Union County Torah Center in Westfield announced that the Talmud Torah - Sunday Hebrew School for the 1999-2000 school year is open for registration. The school will offer a complete Hebrew School curriculum for children of all backgrounds from grade one through Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

The Talmud Torah - Hebrew School is a place where the joys, values, and traditions of Judaism are brought to life. The primary goal of the school is for the children to be left with deeply rooted feelings of pride and affection for their heritage and for the land of Israel.

For more information call the center at (908) 789-5252.

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BEST BETS THIS WEEK

Singing Mailman to perform in fall

Susie Mack, public relations assistant for the Singing Mailman, Angelo Nigro, announced that she and Nigro will present programs in Union County.

On Sept. 1 at 1:30 p.m., they will appear at the Kenilworth Senior Citizens on Boulevard; on Oct. 4 at noon, for St. Michael's Seniors, St. Michael's Church, Union; on Dec. 9, 10 a.m., the Scotch Plains Golden Agers, Scotch Plains Country Club, Jerusalem Road, Scotch Plains; on Feb. 4, 2000, 1:30 p.m., the 60+ Club, Holy Spirit Church, Morris Avenue, Union.

Plans are also being made for a presentation at the Amity Club in Westfield.

Nigro presents his program, along with Mack, to groups, clubs and organizations throughout Union County and surrounding areas. There is no charge for the program, however, nominal donations are accepted for the preparation of the next program and/or donations to Hospice, Nigro's and/or the St. Joseph's Social Service Center in Elizabeth, are appreciated.

For more information about Nigro and his music write to Susie Mack, P.O. Box 24, Kenilworth, NJ 07033-0024.

Michele Bautier to sing standards

WATCHUNG — On Aug. 13 at 8 p.m., Michele Bautier will sing great American standards, including songs by Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Duke Ellington, Harold Arlen, Jerome Kern, Johnny Mercer, Rodgers and Hard, Kurt Weil and Irving Berlin at the Watchung Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 and reservations may be made by calling the office and leaving a message, (908) 753-0190.

Bautier has been a Broadway star and plays not only New York's best nightclubs but also performs internationally.

A Kid's Forum presents magic show

Great Scott! It's Magic!, a live magic show filled with wit and illusions, will be presented at the Forum Theater on Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. Frank Knox, director of A Kid's Forum, announced the return engagement of magician Scott Drukker, who performed in June to great acclaim. This second presentation will contain new tricks and illusions and volunteers from the audience will be chosen to participate.

Great Scott! It's Magic! is an extraordinary, fast-paced performance that combines sleight of hand, razor-sharp wit, cunningly clever animals, and breathtaking illusions. Drukker has appeared in many venues, most notably performing his magic three times on Late Night with David Letterman. Drukker will appear with a rabbit, a dove and a talking macaw.

A Kid's Forum presents a year-round series of live musicals, especially for children aged 3-12. Special events augment the series, providing the central New Jersey community with weekly performances for families. Tickets for *Great Scott! It's Magic!* are \$8, with discounts available for groups of 20 or more. For tickets call (732) 548-0582.



Andy King, LSP president, congratulates scholarship winners; (standing) David Brailey, Morgan Parker, Samantha Hahn, Jennifer Womac, Justin Bellerio; (kneeling) Peter Collier, Katie Hayeck, Carly Bellerio, Allison Siko, and Jessica Flynn.

Summer Playhouse announces winner

Area youngsters are recipients of second annual scholarships

LINDEN — The Linden Summer Playhouse announced the winners of its second annual Scholarship Award. The winners were chosen by various pre-requisite criteria such as (a) must be between the ages of 8-22, (b) a resident of Union County or past LSP member not living in Union County, and (c) continuing their interest in theater education, i. e. acting classes, college classes, dance school, etc. They were also chosen from their academic record, past performing arts experience, future plans in performing arts, and an essay describing what performing arts means to them and why they want to continue to perform.

The winners were Carly Bellerio of Linden, Jessica Flynn of Westfield, Allison Siko of Westfield, Katie Hayeck of Cranford, Justin Bellerio of Linden, Samantha Hahn, Peter Collier of Cranford, David Brailey of Rahway, Morgan Parker of Rahway, Megan Rodd of Westfield, Corrine Liebrich of Westfield, Christina Weakland of Cranford, Matt Price of Fanwood and Jennifer Womac of Roselle.

The Linden Summer Playhouse, a non-profit organization, has taught theater education to children and young adults in Union County since 1979. The Playhouse closed its doors in the fall of 1997 but continues its mission by providing scholarship

opportunities to young adults each summer (until their funds run out). Each year around March there are notices in the newspapers about that year's upcoming scholarship applications.

The Board of Directors of LSP would like to thank all of the applicants and would like to wish all the winners the best of luck in their future performing arts endeavors.

Andy King, LSP president, congratulates scholarship winners; (standing) David Brailey, Morgan Parker, Samantha Hahn, Jennifer Womac, Justin Bellerio; (kneeling) Peter Collier, Katie Hayeck, Carly Bellerio, Allison Siko, and Jessica Flynn.

Union County Arts Center announces 1999-2000 season

RAHWAY — Earlier this year, the Union County Arts Center, Rahway's beautifully restored 1928 theater, announced that ticket sales had jumped 248 percent since 1997. In response, the Arts Center has re-doubled its efforts to bring major stars to central New Jersey for the coming season.

The Union County Arts Center is housed in the former Rahway Theatre, a classic silent film palace that opened its doors on Oct. 16, 1928. Kicking off its eighth decade of programs, the Union County Arts Center welcomes legendary vocalist Al Martino on Oct. 2. Though he had major hits with "Spanish Eyes," "Volare" and others, it may be as Johnny Fontaine in *The Godfather* films that the public knows Al Martino best.

On Oct. 23, the Arts Center brings back '50s and '60s supergroups, Billy Guy's Coasters, The Drifters and The Platters. This show, which sold out at the UCAC in 1997, is sure to be a big favorite with audiences as well, as the groups sing hits from "Yakety Yak" and "Poison Ivy" to "Under the Boardwalk" and "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes."

The Headliner series, sponsored in part by Comcast Digital Cable, continues on Nov. 13 with R&B diva Roberta Flack, and on Dec. 3 with country superstar Kathy Mattea. With songs like "Killing Me Softly With His Song" and "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face," Roberta Flack's reputation as a major force in R&B, pop and dance music was reignited

with the Fugee's recent number one remake of "Killing Me Softly." Kathy Mattea's Grammy and Country Music Award-winning style has brought "Love at the Five and Dime" and "Eighteen Wheels and a Dozen" to audiences worldwide.

Three Dog Night had more top 10 hits than any other artist between 1969 and 1974, and on April 15 they will be bringing "Joy to the World" and "Old-Fashioned Love Song," among others to the Rahway Theatre. The 1999-2000 Headliner Series comes to an end on May 6 with Las Vegas superstar Wayne Newton. Star of stage, screen and the music world, Newton will bring his special brand of entertainment to the big season finale.

Theatergoers will be treated to a revival of the hit Broadway musical *Man of La Mancha*. This imaginative and mesmerizing musical tells the tale of Don Quixote, his journey through the Spanish countryside, his battles with giants and other adventures. The score features the hit song "The Impossible Dream" as well as "To Each His Dulcinea" and "I, Don Quixote."

Family audiences will be enter-

tained throughout the season with a variety of programs. Scholastic's *The Magic School Bus* makes a stop in Rahway on Oct. 30 for two performances of "A Bright Idea," their brand new story. Ms. Frizzle and all of her friends try to solve the mystery of a ghost in the theater.

Nov. 7 brings the return of childhood favorite Winnie the Pooh in a fun-filled musical celebration. *101 Dalmatians* invade

the Union County Arts Center on Jan. 9 for two performances of fun-filled adventure. On March 11, see *Jack and the Fire Dragon*, a celebration of folk stories from around the Americas. As a special Family Week event, get one free child's ticket with every adult ticket purchased for *Jack and the Fire Dragon*.

Rounding out the Family Services for 1999-2000 is a new musical version of *Black Beauty*. Anna Sewell's classic story of Black Beauty, Merrylegs, Ginger and their friends.

Fans of classical music will be thrilled by the Rahway debut of the Vienna Choir Boys on Dec. 17. This year marks the second year of the Westfield Symphony Orchestra as the resident orches-

tra of the Union County Arts Center, and will celebrate with three separate performances on Oct. 9, Feb. 12 and April 1. Join the Plainfield Symphony for their first UCAC appearance on Nov. 21, and of course, The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea makes its annual pilgrimage to Rahway for its Rahway Hospital Foundation benefit on Dec. 8.

A new program this year is the Union County Arts Center's Daytime Diversions series. Weekday Matinees designed for mature audiences, these are perfect opportunities for senior groups to use as fund-raisers, outings, or just pure entertainment. On Nov. 9, The Last Swing of the Century - a celebration of The Ink Spots, Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians and the music of Benny Goodman - makes an appearance at the Union County Arts Center. On Feb. 7, The Glenn Miller Orchestra will come to the Arts Center. These performances have been priced reasonably, and are available as a package for bus trips.

In addition, the classic film series will return this season, in addition to a number of other special programs or events. Call for more information on any of the programs, or to receive a season brochure at (732) 499-8226.

The Union County Arts Center, a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to presenting the best in the performing arts, is located in the recently restored Rahway Theatre, a 1928 vaudeville and silent film

Brass Tacks to bring big band sounds

WESTFIELD — The Brass Tacks Big Band Orchestra will make its debut performance in Union County 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 18 as the Union County Board of Freeholders presents the eighth concert of the Summer Arts Festival Concert Series at Echo Lake Park in Mountainside.

"We are delighted to welcome the Brass Tacks Big Band Orchestra, one of New Jersey's finest bands, to our Summer Arts line-up," said Freeholder Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari. "The band has been entertaining audiences throughout the state for the past 10 years and we are proud to introduce the orchestra to Union County at this free concert under the stars."

The Brass Tacks Big Band Orchestra certainly lives up to its name. This 17-piece band is comprised of four trombones, four trumpets, four rhythm instruments and five saxophones. The orchestra plays all the big band music of the 1930s and 1940s, including the original arrangements of Harry James, Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, and Artie Shaw. The band also performs contemporary tunes from popular performers like Stevie Wonder, Melissa Manchester, Bill Joel and Brian Setzer. The group's first CD, *Getting Down to Brass Tacks*, is due to be released later this year.

Concerts are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 at the Springfield Avenue end of Echo Lake Park. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets are encouraged. There is a refreshment stand available at approximately 6:30 p.m.

In case of rain, all concerts will be moved to Cranford High School, Cranford. Rain information is available by calling (908) 527-4900 after 3 p.m. on the day of the concert.

The free summer concert series continues on Aug. 25 with an evening of the blues, featuring Rob Pappozzi and the Hudson River Rats. The final concert of the Summer Arts Festival will be on Sept. 1, when The Party Dolls return to Echo Lake Park for another sensational celebration of the girl-groups of the 1960s.

For other concert information, or to find out about recreational activities throughout the county, call the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4900.

Artist-members eligible for juried art show in Watchung

WATCHUNG — One need not be an artist to enjoy membership in the Watchung Arts Center. Members receive a monthly newsletter, discounts on certain events, plus other benefits.

But those members who are artists are rewarded with an additional dividend: participation in a members-only juried show.

Artist-members will submit work in

various media: drawing, painting, photography and even two-dimensional art. This makes for a diverse and interesting show, awaited by non-exhibiting members and the public alike.

Accepted work will be exhibited Aug. 14-Sept. 4. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. The juried Members Art Show will have its public reception on Aug. 22, 1-4 p.m. This is an opportunity for

visitors to see the work, meet the artists and enjoy light refreshments.

There is no admission charge for the reception or exhibit. Exhibited pieces will be selected from among submitted work as being worthy or exhibit. Noted professional artist and talented amateurs are found among the Center's members, and their work will fill the upper and lower galleries for this show. The displayed pieces are

available for purchase from the artists.

First, second and third place award winners will be selected for a solo show at the Watchung Arts Center.

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Mark Levy to present 'Jews 'n' Jazz' program

WATCHUNG — On Aug. 14 and 15, the Watchung Arts Center's Folk Series will present an extraordinary Jewish Yiddish "menu," consisting of Yiddish and Ladino tunes on Saturday evening, and a lecture on the history of Jews 'n' Jazz on Sunday afternoon.

Saturday's concert will begin at 8 p.m. while the Sunday lecture will be given at 2 p.m. Mark Levy will conduct both presentations.

The price for an individual performance is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Save money and reap the benefits of attending both performances at \$18 for members and \$20 for non-members.

One may also become a member of the Watchung Arts Center on the spot and take advantage of discount member prices.

Reservations are strongly recommended and can be made by calling (908) 753-0190 between 1 and 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

If leaving a message on the answering machine, it is suggested one call back during normal business hours to confirm.

Levy has been researching, collecting and performing

Jewish music for more than 20 years.

He has traveled extensively throughout the country bringing Yiddish and Ladino songs and stories to audiences.

Descended from an Eastern European Ashkenazi mother and a western European Sephardic father (he refers to himself as "Ashkophardic"), Levy combines the melodies of both traditions, including Jewish lullabies as well as traditional folk songs.

Sunday's lecture celebrates the innovators and immigrants who played a prominent role in the history of jazz, such as Al Jolson, Fanny Brice, Irving Berlin, Sophie Tucker, George Gershwin, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Dinah Shore, to name just a few of the 20th century's jazz giants who were of Jewish descent.

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Large scale train show coming to Somerset

SOMERSET — Much has been written about Walt Disney and his life, but did you know of his keen interest in trains?

At the East Coast Large Scale Train Show, Aug. 28 and 29, author and childhood friend of Disney, Michael Broggie, will discuss Disney's love affair with trains. This fascination was realized with his backyard *Carolwood Pacific* miniature rail-

road which ultimately led to the design and construction of all Disneyland live steam trains.

The 2nd Annual East Coast Large Scale Train Show at the Garden State Exhibit Center, Exit 10 off Interstate Route 287, is the last time this century a large-scale train show will be held on the Eastern seaboard.

Show hours are Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday 10

a.m.-4 p.m.

Broggie's 432-page book, *Walt Disney's Railroad Story*, he captures Disney's love of locomotives and trains in words and pictures. This affection for trains made it much more than a hobby to Disney. As Broggie points out, "Trains provided Disney with a peaceful source of pleasure and valuable relief from the demands of business and fame."

Disney's love for offering rides on his railroad was legendary. Broggie still smiles when he remembers weekends spent at the Disney house where, in 1950, Disney built his first working train in the backyard. One feature was a 90-foot tunnel running under his wife's garden. This engineering feat was necessary so as not to disrupt Mrs. Disney's beloved garden while allowing the *Carolwood Pacific* railroad to circumvent the house.

When everyone was settled on top of a boxcar or cattle car, or seated in a gondola, he would push up his engineer's cap ("He preferred this cap and overalls to any business suit") and looked back for one last check, then he'd signal departure with two short blasts of the whistle. Soon the procession of human cargo would be underway for a scenic tour around the Fair Weather Route in his Holmby Hills, Ca. home.

"Though no more than a fortunate circumstance of birth, I was offered the privilege of knowing this remarkable man who preferred to be called Uncle Walt," Broggie writes.

His book will be available for sale at the show and the author will autograph it.

The show will also feature four

spectacular model railroads occupying over 9,000 square feet of space at the Garden State Center. An impressive 4,100 square-foot G-scale modular layout features steam and diesel trains from the early 1900s through the late 1970s. This layout is the largest gauge east of the Rockies and requires a semi-trailer truck plus two additional trucks to transport all of its equipment.

In addition to fantastic operating layouts, the show will feature over 50 large-scale manufactures and exhibitors displaying and selling model train equipment and supplies. The show is unique in that it not only attracts retailers, but also model train equipment and supply manufacturers from across the country. Train enthusiasts can revel in the many show activities including 10 free one-hour workshops, daily, with topics ranging from *Miniature Plants For The Outdoor Layout* and *Model Trains And The Internet* to including Broggie's lectures.

Additionally, there will be a children's play area with remote-controlled trains, hands-on demonstrations for the advanced novice modeler seminars sponsored by industry experts and door prizes.

More than 10,000 people are expected to attend the two-day show, the largest and most significant gathering of large-scale trains and modelers on the East Coast.

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Films in focus: A look at the latest movie releases

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NEW RELEASES

"DROP DEAD GORGEOUS" - In little Mount Rose, Minn., the annual, first-level contest for the national Sarah Rose Cosmetics American Teen Princess pageant is one heck of a big deal. Former winners and new wannabes make sure that it is, led by past princess Gladys Leeman (Kirstie Alley), a pushy Patton of pageantry who uses contest night to hog the light and preen that she can still jam herself into old beauty rigs. The reigning princess is an anorexic wreck. Favored as the next princess are Becky Leeman (Denise Richards), a skinny, glowing-smile barracuda and snob, and perfectly USA-peachy Amber Atkins (Kirsten Dunst), a popular blonde who is handicapped by living in a trailer park and working in a morgue. This yuckero gets a rhythm going during the pageant itself, but then overshoots, stacking up climaxes that offer rather routine payoffs. Cast: Kirstie Alley, Kirsten Dunst, Ellen Barkin, Denise Richards, Allison Janney. Running time: 1 hour, 37 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R, 2 stars.

"THE HAUNTING" - Hill House is vast, and so Gothic that you expect to find Mary Shelley dancing with Edgar Allan Poe while an entire, Wagnerian opera company works its way down the grand staircase. Victorian, robber-baron stone on the outside, it's a splurge of dizzy styles inside, including hidden rooms and trick rooms, plus beds, statues and paintings that come alive morbidly. Invited to this theme park of luxurious peril is the naive little group of patsies recruited for a study in insomnia, actually an experiment in fear. "The Haunting" is not for kids. On a conceptual level it is, of course, rather childish, but then so is almost every horror movie. Let's call it adolescent with a vividly adult load of design. Enjoying it, you can feel a little foolish, but not a fool. Cast: Liam Neeson, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Lili Taylor, Bruce Dern, Owen Wilson, Virginia Madsen, Marian Seldes. Running time: 1 hour, 42 minutes. (Elliott) Rated PG-13, 3 stars.

"INSPECTOR GADGET" - Almost entirely devoid of story, wit, style and character development, the thing is just a platform for effects - gadgets, to be cute about it. The movie is very cute about it, in a way that may entertain kids without challenging them on any level. Eternally boyish Matthew Broderick stars as security guard John Brown. Chipper as a puppy in clover, he gets smashed up in one of his attempts at bravery, then rebuilt as an androidal Swiss Army knife called Inspector Gadget. Brown has a teen-perk niece (Michelle Trachtenberg), a darling "scientist" as his girl-pal (Joely Fisher), and a big villain to fight. The mad genius and Brown rush through the barely contrived plot, flashing gizmos and violence at each other. Cast: Matthew Broderick, Rupert Everett, Joely Fisher, Michelle Trachtenberg, Dabney Coleman, Rene Auberjonois, Cheri Oteri. Running time: 1 hour, 15 minutes. (Elliott) Rated PG, 1 1/2 stars.

RECENT RELEASES

"AMERICAN PIE" - Written by Adam Herz, the movie fails as comedy, farce, coming-of-age story, showcase for young actors and commentary on anything whatsoever. It succeeds, however, in depicting sex as seamy, unappealing and nasty; not so much as the faintest twinge of the erotic has a chance of surviving in the noxious atmosphere pumped in by director Paul Weitz. Four buddies, Jim (Jason Biggs), Oz (Chris Klein), Kevin (Thomas Ian Nicholas) and Finch (Eddie Kaye Thomas) vow to have sex before they graduate from high school. Taking attitude if not ability from "There's Something About Mary," "American Pie's" anything-goes, inane gross-outs degrade and humiliate everyone, including the unlucky audience. Cast: Jason Biggs, Chris Klein, Thomas Ian Nicholas, Tara Reid, Eddie Kaye Thomas, Seann W. Scott. Running time: 95 minutes. (Salm) Rated R. No stars.

"ARLINGTON ROAD" - Jeff Bridges stars as Michael, a college teacher obsessed with far-right terrorist plots, the more hidden and furtive the better. He has personal motive for his paranoia, because his FBI-agent wife was killed by one of the nut groups. As if to incarnate his fear, into the bland suburban neighborhood comes friendly, but obscurely menacing Oliver (Tim Robbins) and his sweet (too sweet) wife, Cheryl (Joan Cusack). "It's about paranoia," says writer Ehren Kruger. His movie, rigged to be unnerving, simply becomes irritating. This worried, brooding pest of a movie seems to be missing some of its brain. Cast: Jeff Bridges, Tim Robbins, Joan Cusack, Hope Davis, Robert Gossett, Mason Gamble. Running

time: 1 hour, 57 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R, 2 stars.

"AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME" - In the sequel, Mike Myers has fewer genius moments than in the original, and sometimes the film is pretty crummy. He gets laughs, though, lots of little ones and some fairly big ones, as Austin returns to the '60s to get his mojo back from Dr. Evil. The "distaff side" is represented by Heather Graham as Felicity Shagwell, an agent of comph with a look of slightly air-headed smarts. Overall, the new Austin Powers movie is overbuilt, sprawling, rude, too full of its boy-ish jokes. Cast: Mike Myers, Heather Graham, Seth Green, Rob Lowe, Elizabeth Hurley, Michael York, Verne Troyer. (Elliott) Rated PG-13, 2 1/2 stars.

"BIG DADDY" - The promotional poster of "Big Daddy" features Adam Sandler and a little boy, both primed to urinate on some posh doors. We see that whiz, and four or five others. It's supposed to be a big laugh each time, because boy-man Sonny (Sandler) has taught the kid, Julian, whom he hopes to adopt, the art of public urination. "Big Daddy" is sort of nothing. It may make millions, but the run of zeroes pretty well sums it up. Cast: Adam Sandler, Joey Lauren Adams, Jon Stewart, Rob Schneider, Josh Mostel, Cole and Dylan Sprouse, Steve Buscemi. Running time: 95 minutes. (Elliott) Rated PG-13, 1 star.

"THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT" - Supposedly a "found" documentary using discovered footage, this enterprising little horror movie follows the 1994 trek of three young filmmakers into deep woods in Maryland. Their goal is to

document the local story of the Blair witch, responsible for murders or hauntings or, at least, myths. As teaser intro to the woodland scenes, they interview locals who mention "an old hermit" who was a serial killer, a "crazy woman" and the 19th century tale of "the Coffin Rock massacre." The tiny plot meanders forlornly, resorting to speak touches that were old before the brothers Grimm were born. When the finale involves an old haunted house, it is the climax of a dullard's checklist. Darn, did I simply miss the black cat? Cast: Heather Donahue, Michael Williams, Joshua Leonard. Running time: 1 hour and 27 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R, 1 1/2 stars.

"EYES WIDE SHUT" - Tom Cruise is Bill, a successful New York doctor jarred from complacency when his wife Alice (Nicole Kidman) gets stoned on weed after a sexually teasing party. Tauntingly, she tells Bill of her fantasy attraction to a naval officer she saw once, briefly. Bill is tormented by fantasies of Alice making love to the officer. While Alice stays at home and sulks, Bill sets off on a night of misadventure - including a sexless encounter with a prostitute, a meeting with a creep who is glibly selling his young daughter, and the entirely gratuitous baiting of Bill by gay-hating teens. Bill's trauma tour climaxes with a visit to a distant manor house, where Bill watches a secretive, ritualized orgy. "Eyes Wide Shut" is like a crossword puzzle designed by a voyeuristic eunuch. Cast: Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman, Sydney Pollack, Marie Richardson, Fay Masterson, Alan Cumming, Lelee Sobieski, Rade Sherbedgia. Running time: 2

hours, 35 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R, 2 stars.

"THE GENERALS DAUGHTER" - John Travolta is Paul Brenner, a U.S. Army internal agent. Gen. "Fighting Joe" Campbell, the revered warlord played by scarecrow James Cromwell, is retiring to run for vice president.

But his lovely daughter Laz (Leslie Stefanson) is murdered, and found spread eagle naked. Elizabeth was a brilliant instructor in psychological warfare, and richly right for it by also being a psychotic. Not raped before death, she cleverly staged a simulated rape, to copy her horrid gang rape at West Point, so as to finally nail dad with the guilt of having covered up her previous rape ("for the honor of the Point," and his career).

It pumps along briskly, and the good cast gets maximum munch from their dialogue. Cast: John Travolta, Madeleine Stowe, James Cromwell, James Woods, Timothy Hutton, Clarence Williams III. Running time: 118 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R, 2 stars.

"LAKE PLACID" - At no time during the running of "Lake Placid" does anyone refer to the monster crocodile lurking nearby as "a perfect killing machine." Too bad. Otherwise the filmmakers would have had a perfect record hitting every cliché of the critter's-gonna-getcha genre. In this case, we have a 30-foot long Asian croc that has turned up in a remote Maine lake. Agallant band sets out to solve the mystery of the lake - actually, it's called Black Lake in the movie. The climax involves a

lunatic scheme in which the rich guy's helicopter dangles a cow over the lake, hoping to bring the croc onto the surface. "Lake Placid" looks set for a last dram into video stores.

Cast: Bridget Fonda, Bill Pullman, Oliver Platt and Brendan Gleeson. Running time: 88 minutes. (Brutton) Rated R, 1 star.

RATINGS 4 STARS - Excellent.

3 STARS - Worthy.
2 STARS - Mixed.
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ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Experience unusual luck in love and money. Open your heart or wallet and take a chance. A period of procrastination ends. Move full speed ahead with your career plans.

TAURUS (April 20 - May

20): Make needed adjustments around the house and stabilize your domestic environment. This is also a great time for travel. Steal away on a long, leisurely vacation.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21): Communicate your deepest thoughts. Be careful not to let your imagination run wild. It's time to put your money to work

for you. Look into investment opportunities.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22): Identify your financial priorities and work to put your budget in order. Relationships are highlighted. Be sure to spend some quality time with that special someone.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): Your self-confidence abounds. Meet with new associates and unveil a pet project. Apply yourself mentally and physically to this special task. Block out unnecessary distractions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Avoid periods of loneliness and feeling less than worthy of the best. Put personal enjoyment high on your list of priorities and have a great time with loved ones.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23): This is a high-profile and high-energy week for you. Turn your attention toward group endeavors. Your friends could use your love and support right now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21): Good communication is your key to success. Your ideas and suggestions are welcomed at work. Don't hesitate to open up and express your different insights.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): A philosophical issue or political view is worth looking into. Put more emphasis on saving money. Shop around for the best deals and go for quality, not

quantity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You are coming into your own now. Hold your head up and proceed with a sense of confidence. Raise the limit on investments that have performed beyond expectations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): In romance, a gentle tug of the heart leads you in the right direction. Play a behind-the-scenes role at work. You can be much more effective as a hidden force.

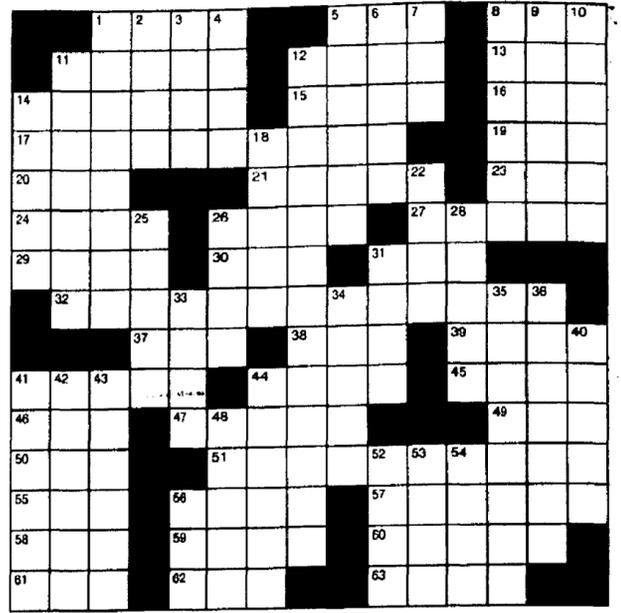
PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): A sense of camaraderie reigns during this cycle. Get a lot accomplished through a group effort. Be supportive of your co-workers despite your worries and doubts.

If your birthday is this week, you have a lucky angel sitting on your shoulder during the coming year. Expect your efforts and endeavors to be fruitful and fulfilling. At times you may feel overwhelmed with so many possibilities and opportunities in your path. It's important to stay focused and avoid wishful thinking. Problems in romance or relationships tend to work out.

Also born this week: Angela Bassett, Madonna Ciccone, Laura Innes, Robert De Niro, Sean Penn, Bill Clinton, Robert Redford, Connie Chung, Al Roker and Patrick Swayze.

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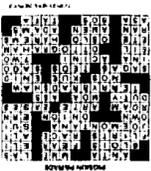
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Speedway to host first ARCA series this week

Flemington Speedway, Raritan Township, has already begun to look ahead to the first ever running of the ARCA Bando/Mar-Hyde Series on Saturday, Aug. 14 with a rain date of Sunday, Aug. 15.

The ARCA cars will qualify and run their 150 lap feature all in one day. Gates will open early in the morning with practice to start for their division at 2 p.m.

All eyes will be on Andy Belmont and Bobby Gerhardt as the sentimental favorites to take the race. Blaise Alexander from nearby Montoursville, Pa., was the popular winner of the recent Toledo (Ohio) Speedway 150.

Gerhardt was at Flemington earlier this month to show his car to the fans and Belmont is expected in soon. Belmont started his career at Flemington and nearby Nazareth Raceway in the old dirt days in the early 1970s. Many can remember his No. 14 Sportsman painted yellow and white. His car is still yellow and white but with a Winston Cup body and America Online as his major sponsor. Belmont took his

only Championship in dirt racing at Nazareth in 1980. Then he started to move up to the touring NASCAR divisions becoming the Rookie of the Year in the NASCAR Dash Series in 1987, and followed that up the very next year by taking the Championship in both the owner and driver categories.

In 1992 Belmont finished second in Winston Cup Rookie of the Year points to the one and only Jimmy Hensley. By 1995 Belmont had made his name in the ARCA Series where he has been very successful ever since. In 1995 he had three Top 5 finishes in five ARCA starts and found consistency by 1998 finishing fifth overall in the ARCA Bando/Mar-Hyde Series.

In the running of the ARCA race at Toledo, Ohio, at the end of June, Belmont finished a very solid fourth. That pushes him into eighth overall for 1999 just behind Bob Strait who is only 10 points ahead.

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The newest addition to the JCC is the expansion of the computer lab, known as The Cantor Hillel Sadovitz Computer Learning Center. The JCC has partnered with Amtech Business Products, a fully integrated computer services company, to provide new opportunities at the JCC. The programs offered are geared toward enhancing computer literacy skills, while challenging learners' intellectual abilities and thinking skills. Classes will be taught by trained staff on a full-time, weekly basis. A few of the many classes available are Microsoft Access I and II, Excel I and II, Power Point I and II, Effective E-mailing, Internet Basics, and more. Courses are open to members and non-members of the community. Also available will be a PC/LAN Specialist Program, Office Automation Specialist Program and other intensive training seminars.

The JCC offers expanded series of aerobic, body sculpting and toning classes, offered in the aerobic/dance studio. New programs added to the fitness department schedule include Taeboxing and Spinning, Yoga, Boxing for Fun and Fitness, and Massage Therapy.

The JCC's Nursery School is still accepting registration for the limited openings in its regular classes. Numerous extended day enrichment classes also have space available.

The JCC Aquatics program offers a multitude of classes. Waterbabies is designed for infants and toddlers, ages 9 - 36 months. Along with a parent or caregiver, Waterbabies is a fun introduction to the water, meant to help develop basic arm and leg movements. You can sign up for the American Red Cross Lifeguard Training program, water aerobics, youth swim classes for school age children or a swim team for children six years and older.

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T.N.T. or Tuesday/Thursday Nights for Teens, is a great place for your teen to be. Play a pick-up game of basketball, volleyball, or just have a snack in the Cafe JCC. Designed for students in grades 6 - 12. The local BBYO chapter, (B'nai B'rith Youth Organization) for grades 9 - 12, is a national Jewish teen organization. Meetings are held twice a month for a variety of programs and special events, at the JCC.

The Senior Adult Department offers people 60-plus a weekly program that promotes education, health, nutrition and entertainment. Kosher lunches, funded by the Union County Division on Aging, are provided three days a week. Transportation, for those who do not drive, is available through Union County Para-Transit System.

Along with basketball leagues for children and adult, which are now forming, members and non-members can select from a full line-up of fall offerings. Tuesday, Sept. 28 is the annual Sukkot Family Dinner and Thursday, Oct. 14 is the 5th annual Golf and Tennis Open at Shackamaxon Country Club. Broadway Kids comes to N.J. on Sunday, Dec. 12.

The Perspectives Lecture Series addresses front page political issues. U.S. Congressman Barney Frank will be featured on Sunday, Oct. 17 and N.J. Assemblyman Rich Bagger will be at the JCC on Sunday, Nov. 21. Both will speak at 7 p.m.

For additional information or to request a complete fall program guide, call (908) 889-8800.

For its part the county has closed its sprinkler pools in Elizabeth, Plainfield and Roselle.

It also has stopped watering the fairways on the county's three golf courses; the more fragile tee areas and greens will continue to be watered.

Maintenance workers in the county parks are watering all shrubs, plants and trees by hand until the drought emergency declared Aug. 5 by Gov. Whitman is lifted.

Also, the county is not watering its lawns nor washing any of its public works trucks, county police cars or other county motor vehicles until the drought has ended.

"Union County is taking this seriously and we are conserving water wherever we can," Scutari said.



Juice on the lawn

Members of the Fanwood Presbyterian Church chat and enjoy a cool cup of juice outside the Martine and LaGrande avenues house of worship. Rev. Bob Snell extends an invitation for the community to join in the tradition Sunday mornings following the 10 a.m. worship service.

A full reunion weekend is planned for Class of 1944

SCOTCH PLAINS — On Sept. 24-26, a reunion of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Class of 1944 will be conducted.

The reunion committee has planned an interesting, busy weekend for attendees, including a two-and-a-half hour tour of historical Scotch Plains and Fanwood, at tennance on Saturday at events celebrating Fanny Wood Day in Fanwood and/or watching a football game at the local high school.

Another choice will be to tour the Cannonball Museum with a guide explaining the significance of items in the old house, as well as a guided walk through the Baptist Church Cemetery containing graves dating from pre-Revolutionary War years.

No reunion would be complete without time for socializing with former classmates and catching up with their lives since school days and great food. The plans include a pizza party, dinner at Giovanni's in Plainfield, and brunch at O'Coranor's on Sunday prior to out-of-towners heading for home.

Any graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School interested

in being part of the event-full weekend (or participating in a particular portion only) can call (732) 793-0074. After Sept. 14, call (908) 233-3829.

Union County places ban on outside fires

ELIZABETH — Union County has issued a ban on fires, including charcoal and wood barbecues.

No one has yet received a summons, though some verbal warnings have been issued. Violation of the ban is a disorderly persons offense.

"In general, people have cooperated with the ban," said Nicholas Scutari, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

"For the most part, people know that we're all in this together," he said. "They understand the potential danger of a fire in our parks and surrounding communities."

The ban on fires is being handled by local police in Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Westfield, and by Union County police in county parks.

The Thrift Shop will have summer bag sale this month

SCOTCH PLAINS — Seasonal dress and play clothes for this year and next year are still pleasing the customers at The Thrift Shop.

Men, women, and vacationers have helped make this a banner shop year. Fine donations have stocked the shop.

A bag sale will be held Aug. 24-27.

Customers are encouraged to take part. Always a favorite, this sale allows customers to totally fill a grocery bag with any items in the shop for \$3.

Buy \$10 worth of table or bed linens and get a \$2 credit. There is no limit in the number of bags one can fill.

Donations of family clothes, housewares, drapes and curtains, shoes, antiques and collectibles, decorative items, and costume jewelry are accepted on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon.

The Thrift Shop, maintained by 55 volunteers, is located at 1730 East Second St., at the corner of Willow Avenue.

The shop is open for sales and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday during August from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public is encouraged to visit. For more information, call the shop's 24-hour hot line at (908) 322-5420.

Agency seeks more volunteers

WESTFIELD — Contact We Care, Inc., the 24-hour telephone helpline and crisis intervention service, urgently needs volunteers to staff its phone lines.

The non-profit agency will hold its next volunteer training class beginning Sept. 22 at the First Baptist Church in Westfield. The weekly class will be held from 7-10 p.m. through Dec. 8.

Contact volunteers offer the gift

of listening to callers who want to find answers, relieve their pain and stress and get help. Contact callers are lonely, depressed or in crisis. They are dealing with traumas such as: unemployment, suicide, alcoholism, or a loved one's death. They need to know someone cares.

For more information or to register for the training, call (908) 889-4140.



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Ghost hunters to meet Aug. 20 at the library

WESTFIELD — The New Jersey Ghost Hunters Society will hold its monthly meeting on Aug. 20 at the Community Room in Westfield, located at 425 E. Broad St.

The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and is open to all first-time visitors and members to attend.

The NJGHS is a non-profit group dedicated to helping all those interested in the paranormal to learn how to investigate and document ghosts and paranormal activity.

Areas covered are ghost photography, Electromagnetic Voice Phenomena (EVP) and hands-on investigations.

Jeff and Laura Muller, the founders of NJGHS, are members of the International Ghost Hunters Society, The American Society for Psychical Research and have appeared on News12NJ, CN8's "Family Talk," WMTR's "New Jersey Connection," as well as in area newspapers.

They have been investigating homes and businesses as Ghost Hunters, Inc. for the past six years.

To view ghost photos, and read of haunted places in New Jersey, visit the NJGHS website at www.erols.com/zensible1.

For more information or to arrange for a presentation at a group's meeting, call (908) 654-7602.



School One authors complete project

Students in Theresa Joslyn's second grade class at School One in Scotch Plains had a chance to become young authors during the recent school year. Joslyn's students studied specific authors and their styles of writing. After learning about various forms of literature, each student wrote a children's story, complete with dedication page and biography of the author, using the writing process throughout each phase of the project. Once the stories were completed, each student's book was professionally bound in hard cover and catalogued. Students then hosted an Authors' Tea where they proudly shared their books with families and fellow students. Students also used the designs of their book covers to create squares for a class quilt. Several students were invited to read their books to Superintendent of Schools Carol Choye at the Board of Education Offices where they also presented the students' quilt for display. Shown with the class quilt are: (front) Joseph DePrete, Michelle Conway, and Blake Van Buskirk; (back) Joslyn, Oliva Frankavilla, and Justine Cox. This classroom writing and publishing experience, developed by Joslyn was funded through the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools, mini-grant program which awards grants on a competitive basis within the district for teacher-initiated special projects and activities.

Shippen golf tourney scheduled for Aug. 30

SCOTCH PLAINS — The annual John Shippen Memorial Golf Tournament will take place on Aug. 30 at the Shackamaxon Country Club in Scotch Plains.

In its eighth year, the tournament raises funds to support the various activities of the John Shippen Foundation, Inc. which endeavors to commemorate the historical significance of the Shady Rest Country Club (now Scotch Hills) and African-American John Shippen, the club's long-time professional and greens superintendent. Shippen is credited as America's first golf professional.

The Committee has announced that Mabel (Shippen) Hatcher, one of John Shippen's daughters, will lend special historical relevance to this year's tournament. Hatcher is over 90 years old and will reminisce about her father's years at Shady Rest.

Proceeds from the tournament go to funding annual college scholarships for area minority youth, and have in the past supported the commissioning of an oil painting of John Shippen which is currently on exhibit at USGA headquarters

in Far Hills. The tournament also helps make possible a series of golf activities for minority youth in the area under the supervision of Scotch Hills golf professional and Committee member John Turnbull.

The Shippen tournament is organized and run by the Shippen Foundation with annual assistance from the Merck Focus Group, a volunteer community service activity by a group of employees of the Merck Pharmaceuticals Corporation. Bob Gregory is the Merck employee who is Chairman of the Group and also a member of the Shippen Committee.

After the tournament, a dinner and awards program will take place at the Westwood Restaurant in Garwood. Awards are presented for low gross and low net in the men's, women's and senior citizen's categories.

To obtain an application and information about participating in the tournament and related activities, or to become a sponsor of the tournament, call Thurman Simmons at (908) 322-5486.

Jewish Community Center has openings for aftercare

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey continues to offer a safe and convenient location for after school care for school-aged children.

Beginning its fourth year at the JCC, the Aftercare Program pro-

vides a safe and secure location for elementary-aged children to spend their after school hours. The JCC provides a safe, structured and enriching environment for children of working parents whose childcare needs go beyond the regular school day.

The program is staffed by certified faculty members and includes a snack, homework supervision and specialty periods such as swim, gym, cooking, computers, art and dance.

Transportation from Scotch Plains, Westfield, Plainfield and Clark Public Schools and the Solomon Schechter Day School of Cranford are included in the fee.

For more information, including fees and sessions, call Robin Zanoni at (908) 889-8800.

Race will aid local agency

FANWOOD — Contact We Care's 5K Road Race fund-raiser will be run on Aug. 21, 6 p.m., at La Grande Park.

This year, the fun increases with the addition of a new Youth Race for children 2-12 years old. Runners of all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate.

Complete with a USATF certified course, countless individual and team awards, T-shirts, food, drinks and entertainment, CWC's 5K Road Race attracts runners and supporters from far and wide.

Contact We Care is the 24-hour telephone hotline and crisis intervention service located in Union County. Since 1975, Contact telephone volunteers have handled more than 1,000 calls a month from individuals who are lonely, depressed or in crisis. Callers may be dealing with daily stress or traumas such as suicide or a loved one's death. They need to know someone cares.

For information on Contact's annual 5K Road Race, call (908) 889-4140.

FEMALE meets Aug. 18

CRANFORD — The Union County Chapter of FEMALE, Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge, will hold a game night 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18 at the Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford.

New and old members are invited to bring a board game, but please leave Candy Land at home.

FEMALE is a national support group for women who have temporarily left the workforce to raise their young children.

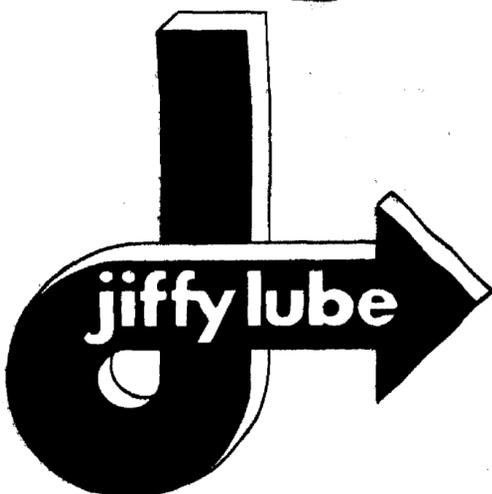
For more information, call Karyn at (908) 272-2471 or Debbie at (908) 862-7781.

Two are named to Pingry honor rolls

BERNARDS — Headmaster John Hanly of The Pingry School has announced that Laura Cowan, grade 12, of Fanwood, and Mindy Wu, grade 12 of Scotch Plains, were recently appointed to both the second semester and the year-end honor rolls.

Laura Cowan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cowan of Fanwood. Mindy Wu is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Wu of Scotch Plains.

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Sports

County seniors narrow down semifinal four

L.A. Law, Pioneer for 60s title

Gary Weise ripped a one-out, game-winning hit in the bottom of the seventh inning Tuesday at Kawameeh Field in Union to propel Antones Pub & Grill over Cheeques, 17-6, and into tonight's 50-plus Division semifinals of the Union County Senior Softball League.

In the semis, Antones will meet Comcast Cablevision, a 22-11 winner over Legg Mason, at Warinanco Park Field No. 1 in Elizabeth. In the other semifinal, at Kawameeh Field, regular-season champion Nilsen Detective Agency will face Bottoms Up. Both games are slated for 6:15 p.m.

The championship, a best-of-three series, will begin Tuesday and continue Thursday (and Friday if necessary) at Kawameeh Field.

Bob Nardelli and Rich Hyer each had three hits for Antones, Al Daddio and Gerry Faruolo each had two hits and Bob Matten homered. For Comcast, Henry Barnes slammed a home run and Dan Cox tripled.

In earlier playoff games:

Cheeques 30, Jacobson Roofing 22 — Chip Weiss homered twice and doubled and led Cheeques' offensive arsenal with five hits. Dennis Kosowicz also had five hits, Gerry Halfpenny had four hits including a triple, Tom McNulty added four hits, Jerry Peroulie had three hits with a home run, Art Wesley had three hits and Larry Rehak had two hits.

Legg Mason 15, Crest Refrigeration 14 — Mick

McNicholas had four hits, including the game-winner in the bottom of the seventh inning with two outs for Legg Mason.

60-plus Division

Jake Wood and Don Auer each notched three hits including a home run and regular-season champ L.A. Law earned a berth in the 60-plus Division championship game with a 12-5 semifinal victory over Marion Roofing.

Wood's shot was a three-run job. Fred Zitomer, John Scanlon, Bob Oxner and Rich Ryan each collected two hits for L.A. Law, which will meet Pioneer Transport in the final. Pioneer defeated Mangel Realtors, 13-2, in the other semifinal.

Pioneer was supported by Bill Ritchie, Don Robertson, Jim Steiner, Charlie Brown, George Merlo, Ed Malko and Joe Maurano, each with two hits.

The 60-plus best-of-three championship series began yesterday and continues 6:15 p.m. tomorrow at Kawameeh Park. A third game, if necessary, will be played Monday at 8th Ward Park.

In earlier regular-season games:

Pioneer Transport 10, L.A. Law 0 — Dom Deo pitched a shutout and collected two hits for Pioneer. Don Robertson had three hits and George Merlo, Charles Brown and Sy Feingold each had two hits.

Marion Roofing 7, Mangel Realtors 1 — No details available.



LARRY MURPHY/R-P CORRESPONDENT

Into the clown's mouth

Scotch Hills Golf Course head pro John Turnbull, left, observes the putting stroke of Lauren Petrozziello during a golf clinic Saturday sponsored by the Cranford Recreation and Parks Department.

U.S., Japan prep stars to collide

BRIDGEWATER — The new Somerset Ballpark in Bridgewater will be the site of the first two games of the WIZ and Sony Goodwill Series between Japan and the United States. The third game of the series will be played in Cooperstown, N.Y.

Known as the "World Cup of High School Baseball," the games feature the 18 best high school players from Japan against their counterparts in the U.S. The American team has already selected Immaculata's Kevin Cust and Casey Cahill, and Piscataway's Corey Smith. The games are scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, and noon Sunday, Aug. 29.

The Goodwill Series has been played annually since 1983, both on Japanese and American soil. Previous U.S. host cities are San Diego, Riverside, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Santa Rosa in California, and Tacoma, Wash. The Japanese hosts have included Osaka, Tokyo, Hiroshima and Sapporo.

Tickets are on sale 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday at Somerset Ballpark, or by phone at (908) 252-0700. All seats will be general admission at a cost of \$5.

The remainder of the American team will be selected at the 1999 Area Code Games. Players already selected are Cust, Cahill and Smith, Miami's Danny Espinosa, Josh Shortstef of New York, and David Sandoval of Virginia. Former New York Yankee Dave LaRoche will serve as head coach.

The Japanese national team is selected at the Summer Tournament in Koshien. The event annually draws in excess of 1 million fans. This year is the 90th anniversary of the Japan Summer Games. The selection tournament features the nation's top 32 schools playing in the filled, 58,000-seat stadium.



NICOLE DIMELLA/RECORD-PRESS

Joe Shea of St. Thomas whips a throw to first in a St. Bart's Old-Timers League game against St. Joseph at Jerseyland Field in Scotch Plains.

St. Joe's making push for playoffs

As the regular season winds down in the St. Bart's Old-Timers Softball League, teams are making last-ditch efforts to secure a lofty playoff bid. St. Joseph has made the sweetest strides.

A well-balanced offense has boosted St. Joseph, 1-6 at one point this season, into the thick of the playoff chase. Last week St. Joe's defeated both division leaders, St. Patrick and St. Thomas, to leap within a half-game of the Angels Division lead at 10-8. St. Thomas and St. Jude share the Angels Division summit at 10-7.

To its credit, St. Thomas went 3-1 over the last two weeks to erase a two-game deficit in the standings and grab a share of first place in the division.

St. Michael's recent 5-1 spurt has placed the ball club 11-7 and just a half-game back in the loss column behind Saints Division leader St. Patrick. The highlight to that run came on Glen Hanson's game-winning RBI single in the bottom of the seventh inning, giving St. Michael a 17-16 victory over St. Paul.

St. Michael 17, St. Paul 16 — In a wild, back-and-forth, lead-trading scorefest, Hansen led all hitters, going 4 for 4 with three RBI, while Derek Von Langen homered and John Chupko and Louis Balestriere each collected three hits. Coach Paul Nadolny smacked a home run and had four RBI, while Tom Engleman tripled and drove in four in the losing effort. Chris Reimers and Gary Forsyth collected three hits each while Gerry Spitzer and Bob Elmi

each had two hits.

St. Joseph 11, St. Patrick 0 — Joe Matuska held St. Patrick bats to four singles en route to the shutout. Matuska helped his own cause with a three-run home run, while Dave Rothenberg also homered and drove in three runs. Mark DiFrancesco collected three hits and scored three times.

St. Jude 17, St. Michael 7 — Al Rezza led St. Jude's offensive show with three hits and four RBI. James Steger, Bill Canata and Tommy Straniero each drove in three runs, while Steve Ferro scored four runs and Pete

For standings, see page C-2

Vanderheyden collected three hits. Norm Hansen hit a home run and notched four RBI for St. Mike's, Randy Grizzard tripled and Nick Litterio and Bob Veek each had two hits.

St. James 20, St. Blaise 9 — Emmett O'Hara propelled St. James with two homers and four RBI. Dennis Herel went 4 for 4 for the winners, and Stan Lesniewski (three RBI), Terry Gallagher (two RBI), James Hoelzel (two RBI) and Tommy Ulichny each had three hits. For St. Blaise, Tony Williams cracked a solo home run, and Tony DeCristofaro, Dave Hagan and Bill Stephens each drove in two runs.

St. Anne 22, St. Louis 15 —

Gerry Riepe enjoyed a career night for St. Anne, hitting for the cycle and finishing with five hits and four RBI to help generate the offensive explosion. Charlie Laskowski also homered and drove in six runs while Francis Lienhard collected four hits. Steve Mihansky, Dom Deo and Rich Chaplin each notched two hits for St. Anne.

On the losing side, Marvin Scherb posted a perfect 4 for 4 night, while Steve Murano (three RBI), Billy Hicks (four RBI), John Esposito (three RBI), Roy Ruhl (two RBI) and Stan Grausso each had three hits.

St. Patrick 14, St. Jude 1 — St. Pat's exploded for four home runs, including two from Bob Guy, a two-run shot from Lee DiDonato and a grand slam from Erik Baum. Steve Pietrucha went 4 for 4 and scored three runs while Mike Michalisin and Gary Cardinale each added two hits. Brian Williams drove in three runs and pitcher Matt Vastano held St. Jude to one run. That run was driven in by Al Rezza, who had two hits. Steve Pirella also had two hits for St. Jude.

St. Thomas 8, St. Paul 5 — Pat Nigro tripled and doubled to lead St. Thomas.

Bobby Reick also tripled and scored twice, while Jeff Friedlander and Harry Semple each drove in two runs, and Tom Swales and Art Hobbie each had two hits. For St. Paul, pitcher Tony Blasi and Tom Engleman each had two hits and Tommy Kucin drove in two runs.

St. Louis 13, St. Blaise 10 —

After trailing 10-2, St. Louis scored five runs in the sixth inning to complete the come-from-behind victory. Billy Hicks homered and drove in three runs, while Steve Murano and John Esposito each had three hits and two RBI. Thomas Maher added a double and triple. For St. Blaise, Bill Stephens smacked a two-run home run and Steve Magnotta added a double, triple and three RBI. Tom Reade, Dave Hagan, Kelly Larson and Howard Bialos each had two hits.

St. Anne 18, St. James 14 — St. Anne scored seven runs all with two out in the bottom of the seventh inning to shock St. James. Charlie Krajcsik ended the game with a three-run home run to secure the win. Karl Grossman went 3 for 3 with three RBI and Tony Giannaci had two hits and drove in three runs. For St. James, Tom Ulichny and Ed Belford both went 4 for 4, while Joe Dolan went 3 for 3 and Matt Hoelzel was 3 for 4. James Hoelzel drove in four runs in the losing effort.

St. Joseph 10, St. Thomas 6 — Matt Pugett homered and went 3 for 3 to propel St. Joe's. Dave Rothenberg went 3 for 3 while Mark DiFrancesco, Charlie Kreyer and Frank Pepe each had two hits. St. Thomas was led by pitcher Joe Cocuzza's three hits, including a triple and three RBI. Harry Semple and Art Hobbie each collected two hits while Tom Swales and Pat Nigro each tripled.

Branchburg soccer tourney open

BRANCHBURG — Registration is under way for the 15th annual Branchburg Labor Day Tournament, held by the Branchburg Travel Soccer Club at White Oak Park. The tourney will take place Sept. 4-5, with a rain date of Monday, Sept. 6.

The tournament is open to USYSA- and FIFA-affiliated club/league teams and is an approved tourney of the Mid-New Jersey Youth Soccer Association.

Each team will play four games (two each day). According to tournament director Karen Denson, over 85 boys and girls teams from New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Pennsylvania competed last year.

This year's field is expected to exceed last year's.

The tournament features competition for all eight levels, along with convenient on-site parking with all fields located within an easy walking distance. Numerous food and sports clothing tents are also on-site. Players will also have the opportunity to purchase action photos of themselves through "Hot Shots" photographers.

Interested teams and coaches should contact BTSC President Rick Oelkers at 253-9760 for registration information, or log on to the club's website at www.branchburg.nj.us/recreation/tsoocer/la_borday.

Blue Devils laxmen meet with nation's best 205

WESTFIELD — Westfield High seniors Sean Joffe, Michael Orlando and Mike Todd recently participated in the Top 205 Camp, held at Loyola College in Baltimore, Md., for the best high school lacrosse players in the country.

Attendance at the camp was by invitation, based solely on recommendations from high school coaches. Camp Directors Dave Cottle (Loyola), Tony Seaman (Covson University) and Bill Tierney (Princeton) offered each player the opportunity to meet and be taught individual and team skills by some of the finest coaches in the game. Every college coach was invited to attend the Top 205 Camp of help with recruiting efforts for the 1999-2000 school year.

Erik Finne, also a Westfield senior, participated at the camp. The Blue Devils are coached by Gerald Benacquista. Westfield, which plays in the Gibbs Division, chalked up a 9-11 record, a top-20 state ranking, and earned a berth in the state playoffs despite battling through the third-toughest schedule, according to LaxPower Magazine.



Westfield High lacrosse players Sean Joffe, Michael Orlando recently participated in the Top 205 Camp at Loyola College in Baltimore, Md.

Series loss cuts Pats' lead to two

The Somerset Patriots lost their first series of the second half Sunday at Somerset Ballpark, falling to the Lehigh Valley Black Diamonds, 10-5 in front of 5,045 fans. At 18-9, they remain two games ahead of Bridgeport at the top of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball standings.

Down 3-2 in the bottom of the third, the pats rallied for two runs as Brian Traxler doubled to score Rob Lukachyk, and came home on a Bobby Bonds ground out. In the sixth, they tied the game when Gil Martinez charged home after catcher Rob Viera made an errant throw back to the pitcher.

In the top of the eighth, the floodgates opened for Lehigh Valley as the Diamonds reeled off seven runs to assume the lead for good. The Patriots went through five pitchers in the inning as the Diamonds cycled through the order.

Reliever Mark Ettles (3-1) took the loss, allowing two runs on two hits in the eighth without recording an out. Starter Carlos Pulido allowed five runs on six hits in seven innings on his way to a no-decision. Lukachyk went 2 for 4 with two runs, a double and a stolen base.

The Patriots wrap up a three-game set tonight in Nashua before returning home tomorrow

to face the Newark Bears. They will play Newark 7:05 tomorrow and Saturday and 2:05 Sunday before hitting the road for a six-game swing Monday through Atlantic City and Bridgeport.

Lehigh Valley 10, Patriots 1 — Pitcher Darrin Winston (4-8) took his last defeat as a Patriot in the Pats' loss to the Lehigh Valley Black Diamonds Saturday before 6,634 at Somerset Ballpark. Winston allowed seven runs on six hits in 2 1/3 innings, striking out two.

Down 7-1 in the bottom of the fourth, the Patriots scored their lone run on Gil Martinez's RBI double. The Pats were out-hit by Lehigh Valley 10-3, and committed four errors.

Patriots 8, Lehigh Valley 3 — Pitcher Ray Davis struck out a team-record 13 batters to key the Patriots' victory over the Lehigh Valley Black Diamonds Friday in front of 5,866 at Somerset Ballpark.

Davis (5-1) earned the victory with two runs on five hits in 8 1/3 innings.

The Patriots opened the scoring in the first inning on a sacrifice fly by third baseman Lipso Nava to score Lukachyk. The Diamonds tied the score in the top of the second, and Somerset regained the lead in the bottom of the inning on a Bonds solo home run. They took

the lead for good in the fourth on Nava's two-run homer.

Bobby Bonds went 2 for 3 with two RBI and two homers, slamming a solo shot in the seventh. Luis Lopez went 3 for 4 with a solo home run.

Patriots 2, Bridgeport 1 — A two-run rally in the sixth gave the Patriots the edge over Bridgeport Thursday in front of 6,390 at Somerset Ballpark. Down 1-0, Ken Arnold crushed a leadoff home run, and Lukachyk followed with a solo homer of his own.

Justin Jensen (8-5) earned the victory with a complete-game masterpiece. He allowed one run on four hits over nine innings, striking out seven, and retired the side in order six times.

The win dropped his league-leading earned run average to 2.90. Bonds went 2 for 3 with a triple, his first of the year.

Patriots 4, Bridgeport 2 — Pitcher Frank Gonzalez, usually reserved for relief duty, came through in a spot start Aug. 4. Gonzalez (2-4) allowed one unearned run on five hits in five innings of work as the Patriots topped Bridgeport in front of 5,384 at Somerset Ballpark. Reliever Ricardo Jordan allowed two hits in four innings of relief to earn his first save as a Patriot.



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Around the county

Above, 14-year-old Ryan Merch of Westfield saves a shot during goalkeeping drills last week at the Raiders Soccer Camp at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. Below, Michael Carpetto of the Westfield 8-year-old baseball team slides into second during the Raritan Valley Baseball League championship game against Reedington. Westfield lost, 8-7, to finish 10-6 overall.



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Retired teachers still running summer camp

Dave and Mary Haddon are in 33rd year of running Christian camp in Hunterdon

By NICOLE ROSS
KIP CORESPONDENT

CLINTON TOWNSHIP — Most of us savor memories of summer camp: following overgrown trails up a green mountainside, diving into an ice-cold lake shortly after dawn or singing lustily by a campfire that's slowly burning out. Camp becomes that summer idyll, turning into an almost enchanted place in memory.

Every summer Dave and Mary Haddon, who are in their 33rd year of running the non-denominational Christian Camp Brett-Endeavor, are able to make fond camp memories for kids ages 7-12.

Mr. Haddon retired as a teacher in Scotch Plains-Fanwood Schools. Mrs. Haddon taught in Westfield Schools.

"Adults who came to the camp as children will call us or will drive in to tell us, 'I came here as a kid and I remember,'" commented Mr. Haddon. "Parents often call us to thank us. They notice that their kids come home as different kids. Many times, campers go on to become staff members."

Camp Brett-Endeavor's 85 acres are situated in the foothills of the Cushetunk Mountains near the Round Valley Reservoir in Clinton Township. Campers are met by eight large well-appointed cabins, a spacious dining hall, craft and photo shops, a chapel, an Olympic-size swimming pool, a large playground, covered play areas, athletic fields, a pond and wilderness trails.

The camp is run to meet the spiritual and physical needs of the children it serves. A strong physical program coupled with emphasis on a spiritual relationship with God is at the center of the camp's objectives.

"We make it clear that it's a Christian camp," commented Mr. Haddon. "There's strong Bible-based study mixed with outdoor physical activities like a regular camp."

Days, the campers are able to participate in swimming, arts and crafts, hiking, fishing, athletics, BB riflery, archery, nature study, black and white photography and camp crafts. Special programs, such as con-

fidence courses, are planned for evenings and weekends. Morning chapel, evening devotions and small group Bible studies complement the spiritual program.

Thirty-five staff members from various denominations compose the camp's leadership team, and are either training for youth work or have a strong desire to serve youth. Many come from high schools and colleges in the area.

"I try to select staff members who are born-again Christian. I count on them to share their faith," explained Mr. Haddon. "I want the kids to say 'I want to be like my counselor.' It's an emulation thing. We want them to see the joy of God in the staff."

Each summer, the camp hosts four groups of about 90 children.

The camp opens in the latter part of June and closes in the latter part of August. Sessions start every other Monday and last 10 days. Campers are selected according to need, either social or financial. During the year, the camp is used by Scout groups as well as by churches for retreats and picnics. Winterized, the camp can accommodate 40 people.

Camp Brett-Endeavor is a non-profit organization chartered by the state of New Jersey, controlled and administered by a board of trustees who volunteer their services, set and control the policies of the camp and raise funds for the operation of the camp.

The camp relies on donations, making it possible for economically disadvantaged children to have a summer camp experience.

"We're unique because we've existed since 1902 not sponsored by any church," Mr. Haddon explained. "God has honored the camp for 98 years because we're honoring him. We're a camp which exists solely on donations of interested persons, and any donation would be tax-deductible."

The camp also relies on the help of volunteers, many of whom volunteer through AT&T and Lucent Technologies. "They've put up buildings for us, and since 1991 have given us thousands of hours of their

time. If not for them, our facilities would not be as fine as they are."

Camp Brett-Endeavor started as two separate camps. Camp Brett was founded in 1902 and Camp Endeavor followed in 1911. The camps were merged in 1969 to better serve the needs of children from Hudson, Hunterdon, Somerset and Union counties as well as from Brooklyn, N.Y.

"The camp, which moved to its present site in 1929, was originally a fresh air camp for newsboys in New York City," Mr. Haddon commented. "It was run by a Protestant group called Christian Endeavor. The boys would come in on a railroad train and a farmer lent them the use of his barn."

The camp is not sponsored by any denomination, and does not attempt to force any particular type of religion on any camper. Rather, Camp Brett-Endeavor offers kids the chance to explore nature and better understand God and his love for them.

"We teach the kids respect for themselves and others. We help them to go home as different people. We teach them that God has a plan for their lives found in a relationship with Jesus Christ," Mr. Haddon explained.

"The kids then come to the staff wanting to learn more about God and what the Bible teaches about how to get past their problems."

Mr. Haddon recognizes that kids have a lot to contend with in 1999. "Kids have gotten tougher because of their environments. A lot of kids have emotional baggage and tough home situations and have no religion at all," Mr. Haddon commented.

"They don't have much to look forward to and we want to show them that God will make them rich in their outlooks. They'll become different creatures when they accept Jesus as their savior."

It took Mr. Haddon himself to fully realize the importance of religion in his life. "In 1964, I was born again," he explained. "I grew up knowing who Christ and God were, but I hadn't accepted it for myself until then. I consider that my spiri-

tual birthday."

In 1966, Mr. Haddon was a school teacher in Scotch Plains and Mrs. Haddon was teaching in Westfield. In need of summer jobs, they began working at Camp Brett-Endeavor. In 1974, the camp's board of trustees built them a house on the campgrounds.

They've been directing the camp ever since. "We'll be working here for as long as God allows," Mr. Haddon commented.

"It's exciting working with my wife. We've been married for 33 years and I'm thankful for her. My own kids were raised at camp, and my girls, Susan and Tricia, worked here."

Mr. Haddon, who recently retired from 32 years teaching in Scotch Plains, feels very strongly about sharing his Christian beliefs with children.

"I'm a Christian. I believe that we should share our Christianity with young people," he said. "My wife and I have the same interests and common goals that start with a love of Christ. That's what drew us together, and we've raised our children with Christian values."

"Our world needs strong Bible-based values," Mr. Haddon added. "The camp is not the answer to all their questions but we show them the love of God and hope it'll rub off on their lives. We want them to make a new friend in God."

The Haddons encourage children from Hunterdon County to attend the camp. For more information, call (908) 236-2882.

Campus notes

Lauren Blalock of Scotch Plains has been awarded a Cambridge Scholarship from Rhodes College in Memphis, Tenn., where she will study business and international relations. She was third in the graduating Class of 1999 at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

The high honor roll student won first place in a national contest for the Geometer's Sketchpad by Key Curriculum. Blalock was president of Students Concerned for the Needy at SPFHIS and editor of the group's newsletter. She also was active in Students Learning About Multiculturalism and the SPFHIS German Club.

In addition, Blalock was an intern in the Scotch Plains office of New Jersey Senate President Donald DiFrancesco. She was a National Merit Commended Scholar, Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar and Waksman Student Scholar.

The Cambridge Scholarship is awarded on the basis of Scholastic Aptitude Test scores and grade point average.

Five area students were named to the dean's list for the 1998-99 academic year at the North Brunswick campus of the DeVry Institute. The students and their majors:

Nikisha B. Mayers of 310 Farley Ave., Scotch Plains, computer information systems.

Thomas Newton of 1410 Cushing Road, Scotch Plains, com-

puter information systems.

Mark Phillips of 1111 Lincoln Ave., Scotch Plains, computer information systems.

Sandra Ray of 168 Lansdowne Ave., Westfield, digital electronics technician.

John Watt of 835 Grandview Ave., Westfield, telecommunications management.

Three alumni of area high schools achieved academic honors during the spring 1999 semester at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa.

Jodi Goldberg of Union was named to the honors list with a grade point average of 3.7 or better. The 1996 graduate of Westfield High School is a junior majoring in government with a minor in history. She is the daughter of Don and Barbara Goldberg of Westfield.

George Danileles of Scotch Plains was named to the dean's list with a grade point average of 3.0 or better. The 1996 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School is a junior majoring in sociology with a minor in music performance. He is the son of E. Joy Danileles of Scotch Plains and Peter Danileles of Freehold.

Lindsey Everitt of Scotch Plains also was named to the dean's list. The 1997 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School is a sophomore majoring in business administration. She is the daughter of Dr. Jeffrey and Karen Everitt of Scotch Plains.

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Hopkins commends SP-F pupils

SCOTCH PLAINS — Several students in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools received commendation recently from Johns Hopkins University as a result of their performance on tests in the Johns Hopkins Talent Search.

District fifth-grade students who were recognized in the search were Elizabeth Katz, Raunaq Palejwala, Maria Kolakowska, Cheryl Boqaj, Jennifer Seeman, Samantha Feldman, David Ginsberg, Andrew Lipstein and Joshua Shvartsman.

Sixth-grader Shrenik Shah was the lone student at that grade level to be commended.

At the seventh-grade level, honored students were Rupnath Chattopadhyay, Alexander Clark, Robert Fusco, Michael Gallo, Vani Kilakkathi, Elizabeth Leeper, Joshua Parker, Arianna Power.

The John Hopkins Talent Search also recognized eighth-grade students Michael Allen, David Chang, Evan Chinoy, Brian Curcie, Katie Downey, Sophia Fayngold, Jeremy Lipstein, Aurpon Mitra, Raymond Moskal, Esther Ogunyemi, Nisha Tamhankar, and Judith Wicker-Brisco.

Recognition in the Talent Search makes these students eligible for a variety of programs and opportunities for gifted and talented students.

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WESTFIELD — On Sunday, Aug. 15 at 2 p.m., the Westfield Yoga and Wellness Center, 102 Elm St., will present a Pranayama (yogic breathing) Workshop with Shanti Jyoti. Pranayama is the yogic science of breath; the word prana means vital energy. Experience an afternoon of cleansing and revitalization with the beautiful, ancient science. The cost of the workshop is \$15.

Shanti Jyoti has studied yoga and meditation in India and Sri Lanka for several years. She has a book in preparation about the health benefits of yoga and will be available for yoga therapy classes at the center. The therapeutic application of yoga relieves stress, asthma, depression, non-insulin dependent diabetes, irritable bowel syndrome, TMJ, facial and neck problems, and many other common ailments. It aids in the

prevention and recuperation from sports injuries, improves strength during pregnancy, and can be used as a general tonic for well being. Call for an appointment today.

Facilitator Peter Ferraro leads meditations in the spirit of Thich Nhat Hahn, author of *Living Buddha, Living Christ*. Penetrate the heart of reality and utilize principles thus obtained to transform fears, anger and despair into under-

standing and tolerance, peace, calm and joy. The class is held on Wednesday evenings, 8-9:30. The suggested donation is \$5.

Pilates exercise training classes with Wendy Richardson is also offered. Richardson, who is certified to teach aerobics, yoga and the Pilates method, has been teaching for about 10 years in New York and the New York Club, Reebok New York Sports Club, Equinox Sports

Club and the Peninsula Spa. The Pilates method of training is an exercise system focusing on improving flexibility, strength and muscle tone without building bulk. It has recently become very popular in New York health clubs and Westfield Yoga is one of the few centers offering it in the area.

For more details on classes at WYWC or to join the mailing list, call the Center at (908) 232-8956.

Rahway's comprehensive cardiac services don't miss a beat

RAHWAY — Having a heart attack can be a very traumatic experience. Rahway Hospital's Community Centered Cardiac Services strive to alleviate some of the trauma by featuring professional, caring treatment by our highly trained staff from pre-hospital response to rehabilitation and support groups.

Patients who have experienced cardiac events feel confident in the care they receive from Rahway Hospital's Mobile Intensive Care Unit, Chest Pain Emergency Center, and comprehensive Cardiac Diagnostics, because they offer quick response, diagnosis and treatment. With the help of physicians,

registered nurses, registered dietitians, and diabetic nurse educators, Rahway Hospital offers a multidisciplinary approach to comprehensive risk reduction for patients with cardiovascular disease.

And now, with the addition of Marquette Medical Systems, Impact Pacing System, the staff doesn't miss a beat. This Impact monitoring system is so sophisticated that it watches a patient's every heartbeat. If there are any signs of arrhythmia, the caregiver receives a visual display of the patient's echocardiogram (ECG). In addition, the pager shows a text screen with the patient's name, bed number and appropriate vital

signs. All this information is delivered to the caregiver within 10 seconds of the alarming event.

Following treatment, Rahway Hospital offers monitored and maintenance rehabilitation programs at the Nicholas Quadrel Healthy Heart Center focusing on education, exercise and nutrition counseling, as well as a cardiac support group designed to provide current information and social support for people with cardiac problems.

Rahway Hospital offers the convenience and comfort of a full array of community-based cardiac services with a team approach for the best management of one's treatment.

Muhlenberg offers health screenings, Senior Supper Club

PLAINFIELD — Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Park Avenue and Randolph Road, offers monthly blood pressure screenings in the Cardiac Diagnostics Department on the first floor. No appointment is necessary. For more information call (908) 668-2555.

This month's screening is planned for Aug. 24, 4-7 p.m. Screenings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

The Senior Supper Club is a free membership program for adults aged 55 and older. The membership entitles one to a 25 percent discount off a meal in the cafeteria between 4 and

6:30 p.m., seven days a week. For more information call the Senior Information Line at (908) 668-2600.

Muhlenberg is an American Heart Association certified CPR training center and offers several courses throughout the year. A person's chance of surviving an emergency is three times greater if someone nearby begins CPR within four minutes.

The more people trained in CPR, the better the chances someone will be nearby when the need arises.

For a course schedule and fee information call (908) 668-2542.

Rahway Hospital diabetes center receives ADA certification

RAHWAY — The Diabetes Self-Management Center at Rahway Hospital has received national recognition by the American Diabetes Association (ADA). The program is one of only 27 in the

state to receive this certification. The core team of diabetes educators who coordinate and run the program are Angela Bacque, MPA, R.Ph., CDE-diabetes program coordinator; Pat Jablonski, BSN, R.N.,

CDE; Carol Schindler, R.D., CDE; and Lauren Bernstein, M.S., R.D., CDE.

There are many benefits to receiving national recognition by the ADA. It ensures patients and the

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Hospital offers 'Focus on Fitness' exercise program

RAHWAY — Rahway Hospital will offer two sessions of the Focus On Fitness class a safe program of gentle exercise and movement designed for adults over age 55. The 10-week sessions begin Sept. 8. Classes will be held three days a week, 8-9 a.m. or 9:30-10:30 a.m., in the hospital's main conference room.

The exercises incorporated are designed to increase flexibility, stamina, range of motion improve circulation and build up each participant's awareness of how the body functions.

The fee for this unique program is \$40. For more information and to register, call the Rahway Hospital Physical Therapy Department at (732) 499-6012, weekdays 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Solaris offering prostate screening in September

Prostate cancer is the most common internal (non-skin) cancer in American men and the second most common cause of cancer deaths, after lung cancer. The American Cancer Society estimates more than 300,000 men will be diagnosed with the disease this year, and that more than 40,000 will die from it. However, prostate cancer can often be cured when detected early, and often can be effectively treated even during its advanced stages.

In observance of Prostate Cancer Awareness month in September, Solaris Health System will sponsor a Prostate Cancer Screening at two locations: JFK Medical Center, Family Practice Center, 65 James St., Edison on Sept. 13, 6-9 p.m.; and Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Park Avenue and Randolph Road, Plainfield on Sept. 23, 6-9 p.m.

The screenings are being offered at a cost of \$10 to men who are aged 40-50 with a family history of prostate cancer or are African-American; are aged 50-80; have not had a PSA blood test for a prostate condition or other cancer; and did not attend a screening in 1998.

The screening process will provide men with a digital rectal examination and a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test. Appointments and a PSA blood test prior to the screening are required.

For appointments at JFK Medical Center call (732) 321-7089 between 9 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday. For an appointment at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center call (908) 668-2820 between 9 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Responsibility and punishment

Changing attitudes can impact our lives

By Dr. Lehrer

The acceptance and acknowledgment of responsibility for our actions, even if that "action" means not acting, is one aspect of maturity that is often difficult to accept, or missing in people who have had their "morality" shaped by people who taught that they could be "punished" into what may be considered "good behavior."

People in many cultures misunderstand the lesson learned from touching a hot stove. They miss the nature of that experience which is one of cause and effect resulting in learning a needed pattern of avoidance in like circumstances. Instead they see the pain itself as a tool for controlling (in this sense "learning") many behaviors deemed desirable.

What usually teaches us, and helps us to learn, is the desire to please and that is frequent in children. Gently raised children often have a very strong desire to please the adults that raise them and relate gently to others. Harshly punished children often are fearful and hostile, although the fear and hostility may be hidden under a self-protective "smile."

Respect and consideration of our needs in an appropriate manner teaches us to be respectfully involved with others and considerate of their needs.

The foregoing may seem absurdly simple and obvious, but a brief evaluation of others, and of oneself may reveal how rare such a childhood is.

A lack of being understood and respected in childhood may leave us phobic, anxious, depressed and just miserable, as adults. We may

feel hopeless about ever being able to have a sense of worth and dignity.

We may have learned an adaptation to pain that we no longer consciously remember but which now, without good psychotherapy, may leave us handicapped with behaviors and feelings that in our childhood were actually an attempt to find some peace amidst the sadnesses, but which now diminishes our adult life until we can, with a psychotherapist's help, undo the ways in which we unwittingly perpetuate the pains of our childhood.

We defensively deny and awareness of the reasons for our feeling and actions in order to avoid bad feeling but that denial leaves us without the actual information, emotional and intellectual, that would enable us to direct our lives more comfortably and to be able to accept responsibility.

Insight-oriented interpersonal psychoanalytic psychotherapy may enhance our perception with enough emotional and intellectual information that allows us to direct our lives more satisfyingly.

Some people live life where the negative predominates their existence. We often deny that we are responsible for keeping the negative in our lives and therefore we feel helpless and hopeless over that which may be quite changeable if we deeply are aware about how our lifting patterns get reinvented by us in unconscious ways.

Many of us have a capacity for living that we barely use. Many punish themselves rather than live a life.

When we change our attitudes toward ourselves we usually change the effect, and sometimes the circumstances of our life.

(Dr. Lehrer is a clinical psychologist with Associates in Psychotherapy, P.A., in Scotch Plains.)

Guest commentary

Diabetes centers receive national recognition

The Diabetes Centers of Atlantic Health System and Atlantic Home Care & Hospice were recently awarded a three-year accreditation as a Center of Excellence for Diabetes Education by the American Diabetes Association (ADA). Atlantic Home Care & Hospice is the first home health diabetes education program in New Jersey recognized for its excellence by the ADA and one of only 20 home health programs in the entire country with this recognition.

"The recognition came after several years of dedicated team effort and preparation," said Irene Sills, MD, associate director, Pediatric Endocrinology & Diabetes at Atlantic Children's Medical Center.

The Diabetes Centers of Atlantic Health System are comprised of diabetes management and education programs at Morristown Memorial Hospital in Morristown; Overlook Hospital in Summit; Mountainside Hospital in Glen Ridge and Atlantic Home Care & Hospice. The General Hospital Center at Passaic, another member of the Atlantic Health System, is currently developing a comprehensive diabetes education program.

"Successful diabetes education involves examining the patient's total life, and their expectations for living a full, complete life while managing their diabetes," said Dr. Sills.

She added, "This recognition was awarded to Atlantic Health System because the services offered at our various facilities meet the strict criteria set by the American Diabetes Association. According to Dr. Sills, the education component of diabetes man-

agement includes a multidisciplinary team dedicated to the many aspects of treatment and management of diabetes. In addition to offering education about the various aspects of treatment, the Atlantic Diabetes Centers offers information on the complications associated with the various types of diabetes, behavior modification instructions, lifestyle change suggestions, skilled training for equipment, support groups, nutritional information and more. Dr. Sills noted that Certified Diabetes Educators (CDEs) facilitate educational programs in response to the needs of each community.

"Each site offers a slightly different program depending on the needs of those who live in the community. For instance, Morristown Memorial Hospital is the only hospital in the Atlantic Health System that offers pediatric diabetes education services through the Atlantic Children's Medical Center. All pediatric cases are referred to that program which is staffed by pediatric endocrinologists as well as CDEs and other professional staff," explained Dr. Sills.

For Atlantic Home Care & Hospice, educating the patient with diabetes in the home offers a unique opportunity to assess firsthand the home environment, family dynamics, financial concerns and family systems of both children and adults with diabetes. From March 1998 through March 1999, approximately 621 adults and 58 children received the comprehensive diabetes care services offered by Atlantic's Diabetes Centers.

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Realtors offer tips to minimize headaches of a summer move

EDISON — There's little doubt that New Jerseyans will be on the move this summer. If you are one of the many first-time buyers taking advantage of the lower interest rates or a move-up buyer looking for a home with additional living space or amenities, you'll want to plan carefully to minimize the potential headaches of moving.

The New Jersey Association of REALTORS (NJAR) offers the following tips for a successful move this summer.

"Begin your planning at least one month in advance," advises Gloria Woodward, president of NJAR.

"Confirm closing dates with your real estate professional before scheduling your moving date. If you're renting, confirm your move-in date. Make a list of important documents that must be transferred such as children's school records, financial and medical records."

Whether moving near or far, decide what must go with you. This is always a good time for cleaning closets or the basement where long-forgotten items are stored.

You might consider holding a garage or moving sale to offset some of your moving expenses. If you're donating items to charitable organizations, don't forget to ask for a receipt for tax purposes.

Remember to send change of address cards to magazine publishers and organizations with which you are affiliated.

Most magazines request four to six weeks advance notice. Provide change of address notice on credit card bills and leave forwarding instructions with the post office.

"Begin the chore of packing early, particularly those seldom-used items," said Woodward, president and broker of Woodward Realty Group in Middleton, Rumson and Freehold.

"If you've hired a moving company, ask for boxes in advance. Smaller stores may receive shipments only once a week and will only give away boxes if you're there at a specified time to pick them up."

Save old newspapers for packing material.

For fragile items, consider buying special packing boxes to ensure their safety during transit.

Wardrobe boxes may be purchased at many trailer rental locations for hanging clothes. Try creative packing with odd-sized and fragile items. Move mattresses with old sheets on them to provide protection from dirt.

Your antique floor lamp may best be moved rolled up in a rug, or a crystal decanter packed in the middle of bath towels to cushion it. However, don't let your creative packing lead to confusion when unpacking.

Make certain all boxes are clearly labeled as to content. Of course, all boxes with breakable items should be labeled "fragile."

For those things too precious to risk damage, move by hand, if possible.

Make a list of items to pack separately including those you'll need on the road such as maps, prescription medicines and toys for children.

List those you'll need to settle in such as cleaning supplies, light bulbs and tools as well as those you'll need within the first few days of arrival such as food and utensils for meals.

Pack a suitcase that you could live out of for a few days if necessary.

"Keep important papers, such as medical records and insurance policies in one place where they can be retrieved quickly if needed," Woodward adds.

"Also, keep careful records of all your moving expenses as some may be tax deductible."

Two weeks before moving day, contact local utility companies to let them know when to disconnect service. Arrange for utility service in your new home.

Plan carefully for the transfer of checking and savings accounts.

On the actual moving day, make sure someone meets the movers and indicates which items are to be loaded on the truck.

If you're taking on the task of moving yourself, organize loading to maximize space in the truck and ensure that the heavy box of books doesn't get loaded on top of your china.

Upon arriving at your new home, take a quick survey of each room.

Check the fuse box or circuit breakers to make sure the power is turned on. Is the house or apartment in the condition you were advised it would be?

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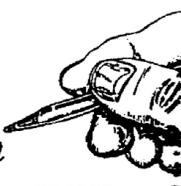
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The Saturn of Union and Saturn of Green Brook braintrust displays the homecoming posters featuring nearly 1,000 signatures of satisfied customers who attended the big event. Left to right are Dave Alesso, Union manager; Jim Tino Jr., owner; Frank Carlone, Green Brook, assistant manager; Jim Tino, owner; and Bob Julliano, Green Brook manager.

Saturn loyalists pack homecoming picnic

They came from all over northern New Jersey, more than 1,000 Saturn owners and their friends and families to participate in Saturn of Union and Saturn of Green Brook's 1999 Homecoming Picnic. The event took place July 25 at Springdale House at Schwaebische Alb, Inc. in Warren on a bright and sunny Sunday afternoon.

The Saturn homeowners were treated to an old-fashioned picnic featuring hamburgers and hotdogs, corn on the cob, salads, watermelon and plenty more. Gift bags filled with T-shirts and other Saturn paraphernalia were distributed to all of the owners upon their entry into the picnic by Saturn of Green Brook and Saturn of Union owners Jim Tino and his son, Jim Tino Jr.

The day's events included a basketball free-throw shooting contest, horseshoes and

games for children. A decjay kept the air filled with music all day from under the big tent, and tickets to Great Adventure were distributed courtesy of Saturn's corporate office.

In addition to the full schedule of picnic events, the Saturn owners got their first look at the latest big idea from Saturn, the L-Series sedan. The new larger Saturn model was on display near the picnic grounds entrance along with several Saturn SL and sporty SC models. An L Series wagon is scheduled to be released shortly.

Among the picnic revelers were Arlene Wimans of Westfield, who brought along her friends Marilyn LoConte and Ronni Preziosi of Union, to share in the day's festivities and to further espouse the virtues of

both Saturn of Union and Saturn of Green Brook.

"Everything about them is nice. The salespeople, the service people, the management, I can't say enough about how nice they treat me," Wimans said. "And the car, well the car is everything I could ever ask for. It's reliable, safe, and I can take my friends along with me for the ride."

To see all the new Saturns or to find a great deal on a used Saturn or other make, stop by Saturn of Union at Route 22 West in Union, or Saturn of Green Brook on 22 West in Green Brook. For more information or to arrange a test drive of the new L Series Sedan, call Dave Alesso of the Union store at (908) 686-2810, or Bob Juliano in Green Brook, (732) 752-8383.

Auto engineers still innovating safety

It's been 230 years since the first motor-vehicle crash, but engineers are still finding ways to improve driver and passenger safety, according to the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE).

Then: The first motor vehicle was a steam-driven tractor, developed by Nicolas Cugnot, a French army captain, in 1769. Built to haul cannons, the vehicle had two cylinders, could travel about three miles per hour, and had to stop every 10 to 15 minutes to build up steam.

Because the tractor was so slow, safety was not one of Cugnot's primary concerns. The vehicle crashed, and his work was destroyed. Cugnot was so ahead of his time that the next crash didn't occur for another 36 years!

Now: On America's highways, car accidents occur every five seconds. Fortunately, automakers have come a long way with safety. Front and side air bags and anti-lock braking systems (ABS) are just a few of the many safety devices that engineers have developed to provide greater occupant protection. But despite these advances, the most effective safety device remains the safety belt.

"Safety belts are credited with saving nearly 10,000 lives a year," says Helen Petruskas, vice president of environmental and safety engineering for Ford Motor Co. "However, they are effective only when people use them."

The U.S. National Highway

Traffic Safety Administration says that, when used properly, lap/shoulder belts reduce the risk of fatal injury by 45 percent and moderate-to-critical injury by 50 percent.

When used in combination with safety belts, air bags provide an even greater margin of safety. According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, air bags have been deployed in about 3.7 million crashes, saving more than 3,600 lives.

Meanwhile, ABS is proven to minimize skidding during hard braking, improve steering and reduce stopping distances on wet pavement. Yet safety innovation doesn't stop there.

"Within a few years, engineering advances like collision avoidance, night vision and navigation systems will become more common, and therefore more affordable," says Petruskas.

However, according to SAE, no matter how inventive engineers become, the key to safety remains responsible driving.

SAE is a leading resource for technical information and expertise used in designing, building, maintaining and operating self-propelled vehicles. To learn more about careers in automotive engineering, new products and standards, and other engineering information, check out the website at www.sae.org.

Auto safety 2000

It is no accident that cars in the 2000 model year will be safer. A good example of this focus on safety and security is the vastly improved body structure of the best-selling full-size car in the United States, the Buick LeSabre.

Buick's 2000 LeSabre has a safety-cage design consisting of a rigid central survival capsule guarded with welded tubular members. Extensive crash tests

assure LeSabre's body structure passes not only government-mandated safety standards but also General Motors' rigorous internal performance goals.

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TEACHER/TEACHER AIDE For preschool 908-735-7905 or fax resume to 908-735-6308

General Help 240

DISTRICT COURIER 17 1/2 hours per week. Flexible hours. Must use own vehicle. Call Mrs. Keller at (908) 722-3335 for more information. Branchburg Township School District. EO/AF

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HORTICULTURE P/T 3 days. Woodbridge/Eddon Area. Care for Office Plants. Good pay. Auto required. Experience pd. Please call Shades of Green Intr. Plants. 1-800-564-9435 M.F. 9-5.

Management Help 245

TRAVEL AGENCY Leisure Manager

Great Agency, high end travel, wonderful clients. 4 Day Work Week Medical Benefits Candidates must have some experience and Must send resume. All applications will be kept confidential. WABBA TRAVEL P.O. Box 436 Bankburg Ridge, NJ 07920

General Help 240

ADVERTISING ASSISTANT Due to a promotion, The Express-Times Advertising Department has an immediate opening for an Advertising Assistant. Candidates must possess: excellent organization and communication skills, the ability to take direction, manage multiple tasks on a daily basis and a desire to work in a fast-paced environment. In return, the successful candidate will earn competitive wages and incentives from a newspaper that recognizes accomplishments. Also included are health, dental, eyecare and life insurance programs, paid holiday, vacations and a 401K plan. If you are looking for an exciting opportunity that will challenge your customer service skills, send or fax your resume with accompanying letter detailing why you should be considered for this position.

Open Classifieds for the Services You Need!

Reply to: Anthony Spina Sales Manager The Express-Times 531 Main Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 FAX: 610-866-1771

Management Help 245

FOOD SERVICE MANAGERS If you are tired working nights & weekends come join our team. We have a great opportunity for you. Newport Food Service is looking for personable individuals for management positions at employee dining facilities in the New Providence/Hill area. Non-Fri work schedule. Competitive salary & benefits package. Send your resume via fax (201-661-0101), e-mail (newportfs@aol.com) or mail (131 Dickerson Rd. Unit #5, North Wales, PA 19454).

Medical Help 250

DENTAL ASST. EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY Summit Office, 4 day

EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY Great as a new career or returning to work. Must be an intelligent self starter for a real team environment. Call between 9-5. 908-273-8324

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST For Cranford Orthodontic office. Ideal FT situation for recent graduate. People oriented, computer literate. Send resume to: FWK, 118 North Ave W., Cranford NJ, 07016 or fax 908-272-5587

CHILD CARE Catholic Charities, a progressive non-profit social services agency in Central New Jersey, has the following opportunities available:

Teacher - F/T State certified Pre-School Teacher needed for small child care center in Manville. Experience with toilet training preferred. Full benefits offered. Please contact Lynda or Nicole

Teacher Assistant F/T & P/T

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Interested applicants, please call 908-725-1912. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Part-Time Employment 255

OFFICE HELP P/T. Small office. 9am-1pm. Good typing, Computer, organization skills. Personable. Fax: 732-469-0597 Call: 732-469-6864

ACTIVITIES AID Weekend Part-time position available. Little Brook Nursing Home. Call Jim: 908-832-2220

GYMNASTICS INSTRUCTOR P/T. Flex hrs. will train. For more info 908-561-8888

Professional Help 260

CLERICAL Fanwood firm looking for computer literate person. Duties include data entry, light bookkeeping, phones. Knowledge of quick books pro a plus. Competitive salary & benefits. Call: Judy 908-322-2225 fax resume: 908-322-4855

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, NURSES, TEACHER AIDES

Substitutes needed (teachers, nurses and teacher aides) - per diem basis. Available: Sept. 1999. Send letter of application, resume and copy of certification by 8/20/99 to: Ms. Renee A. Howard Superintendent Garwood Public Schools 500 East Street Garwood, NJ 07027 AA/EOE

RECEPTIONIST 4 Days a wk. Knowledge of Insurance's a must.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT 2 Days a wk. EKG and injections a must. 908-232-4462 or fax resume: 908-232-4552

Part-Time Employment 255

COUNTERPERSON For Dry Cleaning store. PM hrs. Call West Wood Cleaners 1004 South Ave., Westfield, NJ 908-232-2772

CLERICAL P/T. small insurance agency. Typing and computer skills a must. 732-356-0880

Sales Help 265

ADVERTISING ASSISTANT ***** The Somerset Messenger-Gazette has an immediate opening for an advertising sales assistant. Candidates must possess excellent organization and communication skills, be detail oriented, and have the ability to handle multiple tasks at once. Candidates must also enjoy working in a fast-paced environment with the ability to meet deadlines. Benefits include medical and dental insurance, prescription plan, paid holiday and vacation, and a 401K plan. If you are looking for an exciting opportunity and want to be part of a successful sales team send or fax your resume to: Steve Jankowski Somerset Messenger-Gazette 44 Veterans Memorial Drive East Somerville, NJ 08876 Fax: 908-575-6726

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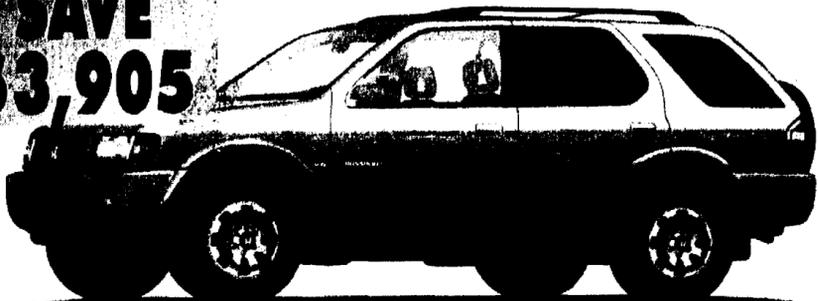
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<p>'90 SUBARU LEGACY L 4-cyl., S/W, auto, PS, PB, PW, PDL, AM/FM cass., cruise, 141,663 mi., VIN#K904127.</p> <p>\$4,313</p>	<p>'91 HONDA ACCORD EX 4-cyl., 2-dr., auto, PS, PB, PW, PDL, AM/FM cass., A/C, cruise, alloy whls, R/def., 179,306 mi., VIN#MA016700.</p> <p>\$5,492 \$4,976</p>	<p>'89 HONDA PRELUDE 4-cyl., 2-dr., auto, PS, PB, AM/FM cass., cruise, A/C, R/def., 62,065 mi., VIN#C050380.</p> <p>\$5,919</p>	<p>'92 ACURA INTEGRA LS 4-cyl., 2-dr., auto, PS, PB, PDL, PW, cruise, A/C, R/def., 132,021 mi., VIN#S013948.</p> <p>\$5,996</p>	<p>'94 VW JETTA III 4-cyl., auto, PS, PB, PI, AM/FM cass., A/C, R/def., 95,3036 mi., VIN#M040080.</p> <p>\$7,996</p>	<p>'92 HONDA ACCORD EX 4-cyl., 4-dr., auto, PS, PB, PDL, PW, AM/FM cass., cruise, A/C, R/def., 80,764 mi., VIN#A094907.</p> <p>\$8,796</p>
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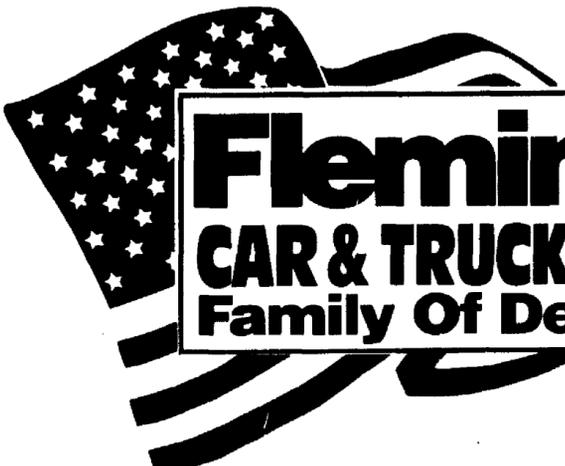
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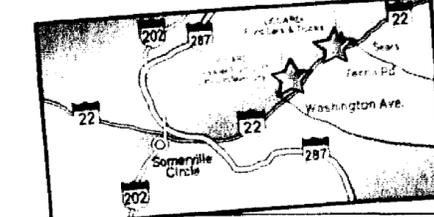
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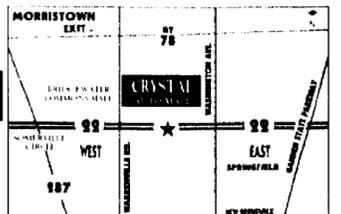
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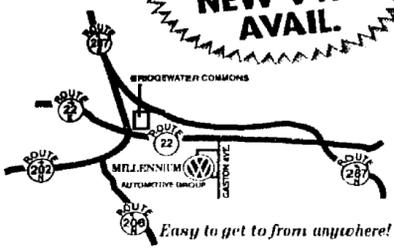


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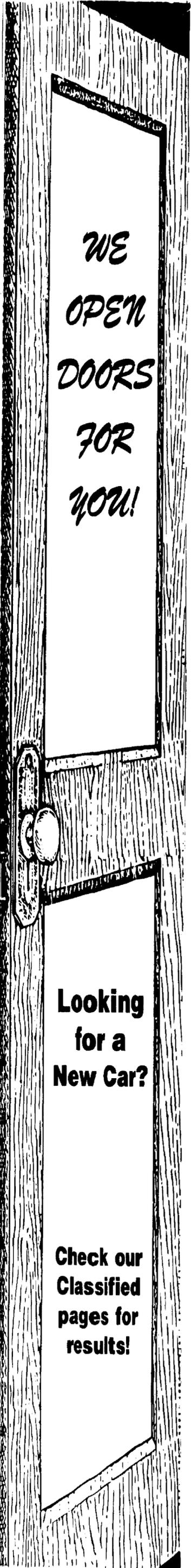
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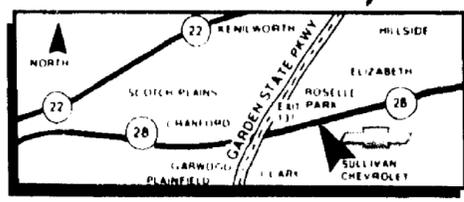
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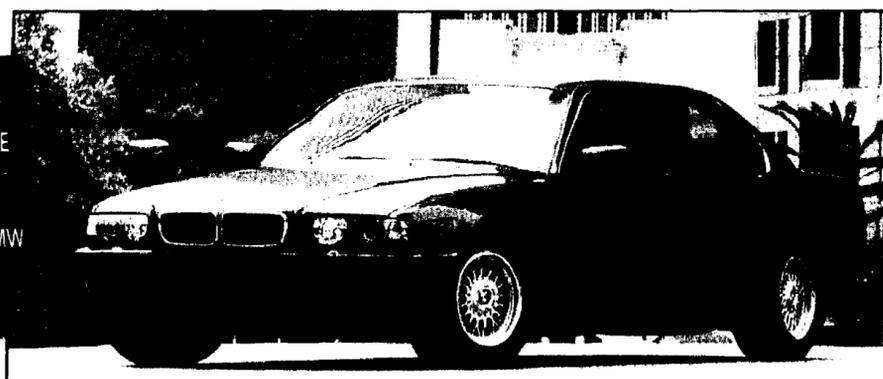
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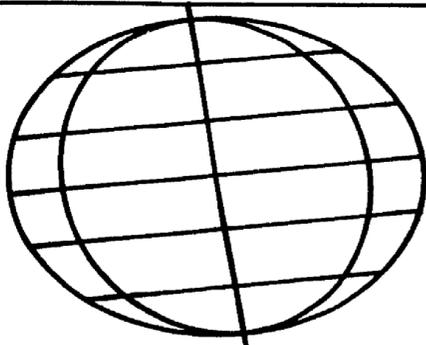
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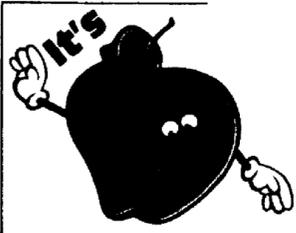
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Mayor question will be on ballot

BY JON LEDERMAN
R.P. CORRESPONDENT

SCOTCH PLAINS — People in the township will get to decide whether or not they want to elect their mayor.

The Township Council has voted 3-2 along party lines to put that question to the voters at the Nov. 2 general election.

At the special meeting Tuesday,

Councilman William McClintock and Martin Marks repeated their charges that Mayor Geri Morgan Samuel was manipulating the process to secure her election as mayor.

The Republican councilmen, who cast the "no" votes, cited Samuel's appointment of her husband to a committee charged with recommending an alternative form of government for Scotch Plains.

McClintock and Marks also contended that the decision by the Democratic mayor to hold two special meetings during August was an attempt to limit public debate and force the issue onto the Nov. 2 ballot.

If voters approve the referendum, one of the two council seats up for re-election in November 2000 would be designated for the mayor. The two available seats are cur-

rently occupied by McClintock and Marks.

Assuming they wish to retain their council seats, McClintock and Marks would be forced to run against each other for mayor as one would automatically lose the designated mayoral seat.

This also puts them in a position of running against each other for the remaining council seat should they choose not to run.

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Briefs

Final classic car show Tuesday

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Westfield Corporation will hold the third and final 1999 Westfield antique and classic car show on Aug. 24, 6:30-8:45 p.m. on Quimby and Elm Streets in downtown Westfield. The car show is free to the public, offering an evening of family fun and entertainment.

Thomas Lincoln Mercury of Westfield and Prestige Auto Body of Garwood will co-sponsor the event.

"We are very excited to have The Sheps, an a cappella group, singing tunes from the '50s and '60s, The Days of Sweet Harmony. They will perform on Quimby Street at 8 p.m. courtesy of Comcast@Home," said Darryl Walker, Chamber chairman.

Quimby Street will be closed to traffic from 5 to 9 p.m. for the event, and the classic cars will also be parked on Elm Street in the meter spaces. There is limited space for 100 cars to be displayed.

To register a car, call Walker at (908) 654-4100. For show information call the Chamber office at (908) 233-3021.

SPBA is sponsoring essay, poster contest

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association will conduct a poster and essay contest for youngsters in kindergarten through fifth grade, together with events on Scotch Plains Day and the five-mile race sponsored by the Recreation Department.

The theme, "What Scotch Plains Means To Me," must be depicted on a poster with the essay submitted at the same time. The essay must be not more than 150 words in length submitted on an 8 1/2 x 11-inch sheet of paper, while the poster size can be either 8 1/2 x 11 inches or 12 x 16 inches. No tracing is acceptable, but crayon, colored pencils, ink crayons, marking pens, poster paints and cut-outs are accepted.

Art teachers and English teachers are asked to encourage their students to submit entries Sept. 7-17. Winning posters and essays will be announced and displayed on Scotch Plains Day.

Essays and posters should be brought to the Recreation Office, Room 113 of the Municipal Building. For more information call 322-6700.



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The true summer game

Last weekend's rains returned a little of the green to area lawns and golf courses. Here 15-year-old Brian Maroney of Cranford takes a healthy divot Saturday on the first fairway of Scotch Hills Golf Course.

Incentives for volunteers on Fanwood ballot

BY TERENCE DOPP
RECORD PRESS

FANWOOD — The borough council has approved a referendum for the November ballot that will give residents a chance to decide if they want to adopt the Length Of Service Award Program (LOSAP), a plan to reward present volunteers on the rescue squad and fire department and attract new members by establishing financial rewards for those who qualify.

"We hope to bring in new people with this money. It's something that volunteers can hold onto," said Jeff Downing, captain of the Fanwood Rescue Squad.

Downing said the main effect of LOSAP would be to attract more residents to serve on the volunteer organizations.

Volunteers would earn points for attending training and drills, responding to emergency calls and attending community events. After volunteers earn a certain number of points in one year, they would have \$500 in municipal funds placed in a deferred income investment account they would be eligible to collect upon retirement.

Volunteers would have to re-qualify every year for the program by earning the necessary number of points.

"I think it shows that we value our volunteers. It's important to reward service, especially at a

time when it is very hard to find time to volunteer," said Mayor Maryanne Connelly. She said that work demands and family requirements make it difficult for many people to find time to volunteer.

New Jersey law requires rescue squad volunteers to undergo 120 hours of training, or 15 full work days, before they are allowed to respond to calls.

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— Maryanne Connelly
Mayor

Mayor Connelly said that volunteers must be rewarded for giving so much of themselves.

Downing said rescue squad volunteers must complete 48 credit hours at a local college or other location offering Emergency Medical Technician training. After this training is completed they begin responding to calls and continue drilling with squad.

"Volunteers put in a lot of time up front," said Downing.

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Scotch Plains residents to vote on open space tax

BY JON LEDERMAN
R.P. CORRESPONDENT

SCOTCH PLAINS — An open space tax referendum will be on the ballot for township voters in the Nov. 2 election.

The Township Council voted unanimously Tuesday to include the measure on the same ballot as the referendum for an elected mayor and a special election for a council seat.

If passed, the "open space" referendum would enable the township to set aside municipal tax dollars to build athletic fields, create passive parks and improve existing recreation areas by 2009.

To fund the 10-year, \$2 million program, municipal taxes would be raised by 2 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Based on this formula, a building with an assessed value of \$100,000 would con-

tribute \$20 in the first year of the program.

The tax would remain in place until the program is completed.

The plan includes adding new ball fields; improving drainage patterns at existing fields; purchasing and developing property; and preparing baseball and soccer fields at the Union County Vocational and Technical School.

With open space rapidly disappearing

in New Jersey, township needs for passive recreational activities will also be taken into account.

The township may consider the recently purchased Terry Lou Zoo property as an ideal location for a "passive park" with walkways, plantings and improvements to the stream and pond.

The council has also discussed using the historic Frazer House on the zoo site for a museum or community center.

Film has a hometown atmosphere

By TERENCE DOPP
RECORD PRESS

WESTFIELD — Filmmaker Jeremy Carr says his favorite aspect of *Homemaker 3000*, the independent film he is shooting at locations around the Westfield area, is the cast and crew working with.

"The great thing about making a film is bringing together so many talented people," said Carr, who wrote and directed the film.

"It's a short comedy about a lonely bachelor who gets more than he bargained for when he buys a mechanical housewife," explained Carr. The film has a science fiction twist, although he makes sure to clarify it is not Star Wars sci-fi.

"There's no light sabers," he said.

The movie has been shooting throughout the area lately, at locations including Ferraro's in Westfield, the Bound Brook Diner and an upcoming shoot in

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Director Jeremy Carr (holding camera) is filming an independent movie, *Homemaker 3000*, at locations in his hometown of Westfield.

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