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## Briefs

### Westfield schools set four-day weekend

WESTFIELD — Schools throughout the Westfield School System will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Schools will be closed Thursday to mark the first day of Passover and because the district did not use up all of its scheduled school days for the 1999-2000 school year, according to spokeswoman Lorre Korrecky. Schools will be closed Friday to honor Good Friday.

The Westfield schools are expected to re-open as scheduled April 24.

### Ashbrook nursing home hosts bunny photo op

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has free "Pictures with the Easter Bunny" beginning 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

All are welcome to stop by the hallway of the nursing home's recreation office, located at 1610 Raritan Road.

Bagels, doughnuts and juice will be served. An Easter basket filled with treats will be the prize in a special raffle.

For reservations or more information, call Margaret Palmieri at (908) 889-2588.

### Tai chi on tap at BPW dinner

The Berkeley Heights-Clark-Westfield BPW Club will hold its monthly dinner meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Kenilworth Inn, off the Boulevard near the Garden State Parkway in Kenilworth.

Donald Madson will teach 12 postures of tai chi. He teaches classes in tai chi at Sportsmen's Outfitters and USA Karate, both in Clark, and at the Westfield Y. Participants should wear comfortable clothing.

A social hour 6:30 p.m. will precede dinner. Non-members are welcome to attend.

Cost is \$20. For reservations, call Janine at (908) 687-6239 by Monday.

### Gardenaires set April 26 meeting

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Gardenaires will hold their regular meeting at noon April 26 at the Scotch Hills Country Club on Jerusalem Road.

At the suggestion of Program Chairman Frances Kanerva, members will use flower arrangements and table settings to create "A Celebration of Time." Guests are invited.

Refreshments will be served by Libby White and Olga Kuna, hostesses for the meeting.

For more information, call (908) 754-5160.

Separately, the Gardenaires executive board met Tuesday at the home of Rose Checchio.

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## Six candidates, \$57M budget ready for Tuesday vote

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — Six candidates and a proposed budget will vie for voter approval Tuesday

## Council adopts \$17M budget

By **JON LEDERMAN**  
RECORD-PRESS CORRESPONDENT

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Township Council voted unanimously Tuesday to adopt the \$17 million municipal budget proposed for 2000.

The budget, representing a \$364,000 increase over last year's budget, and results in a 0-percent tax increase for township residents. According to Mayor Martin Marks, this is the first time in 25 years that taxpayers have been spared the pain of increased taxes — at least, spared insofar as the Scotch Plains municipal budget portion of their tax bill.

Marks said the township's healthy fund balance, which amounted to more than \$3.5 million last year, was used to help offset increased spending in six areas — allowing officials to avert a tax increase. The 2-percent increase in spending is significantly lower than last year's 5-percent spending hike, which resulted in a budget increase of more than \$900,000.

The 2000 budget designates six areas for increased spending, including the Police Department, which alone will receive an additional \$167,581 to cover salaries and wages.

Marks said the 0-percent tax

during the 2000 school board elections.

Incumbent Board of Education members Carol Molnar, Anne Riegel and Thomas Taylor will

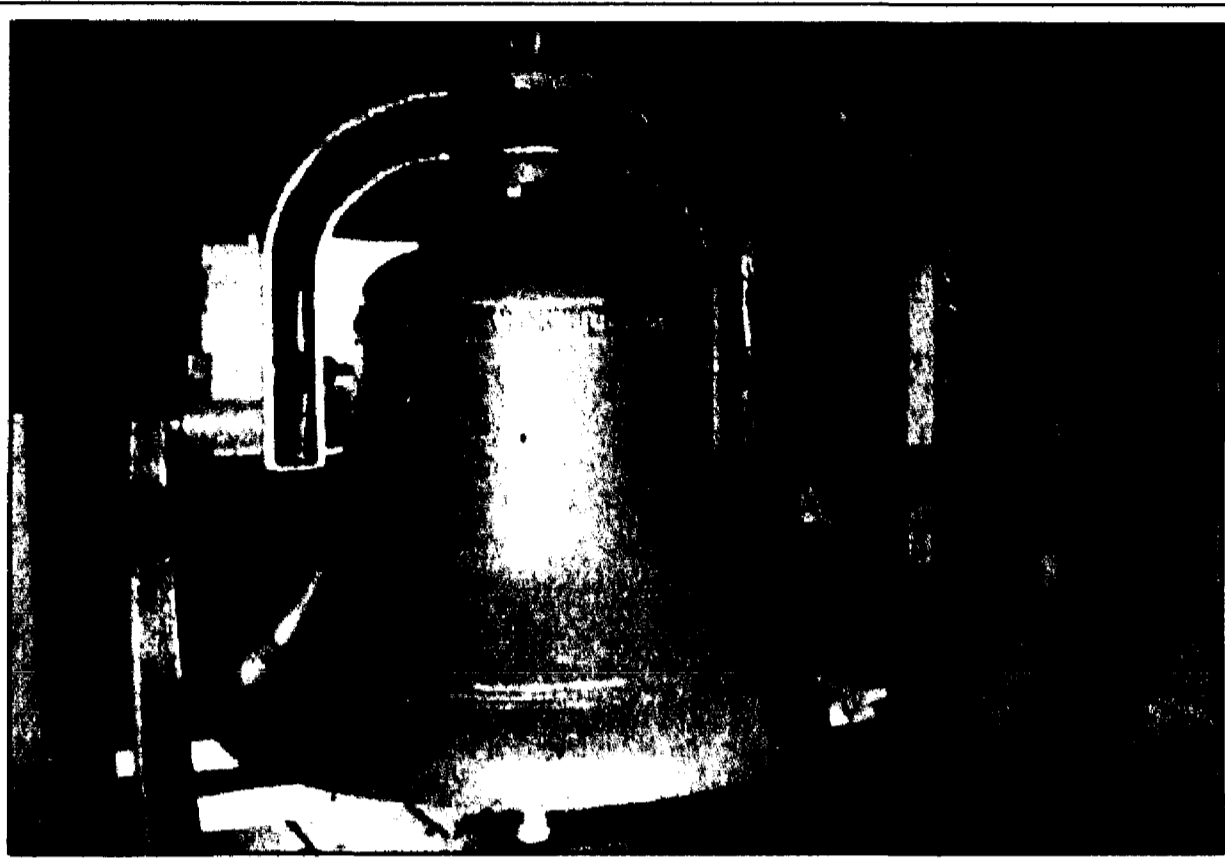
try to keep their three-year seats for another term. The trio is facing challengers Kimberly Rhodes and Peter Billson for the three 3-year seats.

Incumbent Michael Kessler is running unopposed for the only one-year term up for grabs in the election. Kessler, who is finishing his first three-year term on the

board, is running to fill the remaining year left open by the resignation of former board member Ginger Hardwick.

Residents will also decide

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The volunteers who restored the aged Town Bell of Westfield were expected to be honored Wednesday night at the 13th annual Union County Historic Preservation Commendations. The awards ceremony was scheduled to be held after press deadline.

## It tolls for them

Westfield volunteers honored for restoration of Town Bell

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

A number of historic preservation projects throughout Union County were expected to be honored Wednesday night during the 13th Annual Historic Preservation Commendations.

Expected to be included in the commendations were a few projects done in Westfield and

Cranford. The event took place after press deadline.

The restoration of the Town Bell of Westfield and the restoration of the Crane-Phillips House in Cranford were expected to be honored with awards, which go every year to those who do a superior job of preserving the architecture and pieces of Union County's past. The volunteers who restored the Town Bell

were expected to be honored with the Preservation of an Object Award, and those who were involved with the preservation of the Crane-Phillips House were slated to receive the Leadership Award.

"The awards are for several reasons," said Linda McTeague of the county's Division of Culture and Heritage Affairs, noting that raising awareness

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## Who wants to be a mayor?

GOP's McDermott takes shot at hot seat

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD Republican Town Councilman Gregory McDermott announced this week he will seek to oust two-term Mayor Tom Jardim in the 2000 election.

McDermott, a First Ward Republican who was reelected in November to serve his second three-year term as councilman — announced this week his intentions to file his candidacy Thursday with the Town Clerk, in time to be on the June primary ballot. He said Wednesday he believes he is ready for the office and can make a strong contribution to Westfield as its mayor.

"I just think I'm in a fairly unique situation to represent Westfield," said McDermott, a lifelong resident who now has children of his own attending district schools.

He said his knowledge of Westfield's concerns and the town's issues will allow him to fill the mayor's office effectively. "I have the ability to represent three generations," he said.

His Republican colleagues in the town government were quick to rush to McDermott's side,

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Lennea Rhodes has stepped down after 12 years of effecting change at the Westfield Day Care Center — and affecting the lives of those who utilized the facility, which serves families from Westfield and around Union County.

## About 4,380 days worth of Day Care

After 12 years-plus, Westfield Center takes her final bow

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — The best part of her years at the Westfield Day Care Center, according to Lennea Rhodes, was being involved with the lives of the many parents and children that walked through the center's doors.

On March 31, Rhodes retired after 12 years at the center, which is located in the First Presbyterian Church in Westfield. She said sharing the lives of the families who utilized the center, which caters to families from Westfield, Cranford and other area municipalities, was the most rewarding part of her decade-plus experience. "I really was able to share in the lives of many parents," she said.

Rhodes, a resident of Westfield's Effingham Place, said some of the parents with children enrolled at the center — those parents range from teen-agers with their own kids to grandparents, according to Rhodes — felt comfortable enough to consult with her on major decisions. Parents would speak with her before making career choices and other decisions, some as important as whether they should leave a spouse, she said. "We were part of many life changes," Rhodes said. "It really was fulfill-

ing." Working with the children themselves, she added, didn't make the job any worse. "It was loads of fun to see them develop and come into their own," she said.

After spending two years as a bookkeeper, Rhodes made the move to the center's executive director, a hat she said she has worn with joy. The always-different challenges she faced in her post and the nature of the children made the job exciting for the

former administrative assistant and bookkeeper, who served in those capacities at companies such as Norcross, a greeting card company. "It's the

kind of job where you go in and you every day you have no idea what's going to happen," Rhodes said.

The duties of the executive director are not the only changes that came down the pike, according to Rhodes. She said the center has seen many changes since she first signed on — such as the addition of a part-time program and the increasing need for child-care in two-income families. The changes, she said, were necessary reactions to modern life. "I think the needs of parents have changed over that time," she said.

Rhodes said she was lured away from corporate life by the Westfield Day Care Center's reputation as an excellent facility and its highly renowned staff.

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# NJ Blood Center hosts donation drive

The Blood Center of New Jersey is appealing to community members to donate a pint of blood this season to help someone in need.

The entire process, including registration, mini-physical (temperature, pulse, blood pressure and iron readings), medical history interview, donation of blood and post-donation refreshments generally takes under one hour.

Blood is needed every day for patients in local hospitals. Donors must be 18 years of age, although 17-year-olds may donate with the permission of a parent or adult guardian. There is no upper age limit for donors, provided elderly donors have donated within the last two years or

have a doctor's note. Donors should know their social security number and bring a signed form of identification.

People with cold or flu symptoms should wait until they are feeling better before donating, and there is a 72-hour deferral for dental work — including routine teeth cleaning.

Those who have recently traveled outside of the United States should call the blood center for eligibility criteria.

Community blood drives have been scheduled for the following dates and times at the following locations:

- \* **Union Township, 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday,** Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill

Road

- \* **Westfield, 6 p.m.-9 p.m. April 25,** Masonic Atlas Pythagoras Lodge, 1011 Central Ave.
- \* **New Providence, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. April 29,** Our Lady of Peace, 111 South St.
- \* **Westfield, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. April 30,** Weichert Realtors, 185 Elm St.
- \* **Westfield, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. April 30,** Temple Emannu-El, 756 E. Broad St.

The Blood Center of New Jersey has several other blood drives planned throughout April at locations across the state. For more information, or to sign up for a blood drive, call the blood center at (800) BLOOD NJ.

# Elizabethtown Water plans hydrant flush

WESTFIELD — Elizabethtown Water Company began its annual fire hydrant flushing on Sunday, preparing its system for the summer months. The Company will be flushing hydrants in the following towns: Clark, Cranford, Garwood, Middlesex, Piscataway, Scotch Plains, Warren and Westfield.

Ads in the paper will keep customers notified of when hydrants will be flushed in their neighborhoods.

Hydrant flushing is the process of forcing water through mains to dislodge small particles of rust and sediment. Although the sediment does not affect water purity, it can result in discolored water when the peak demands of summer cause water to travel at an increased velocity through the mains.

Hydrant flushing is a necessary part of Elizabethtown's ongoing process of testing and

maintaining hydrants and is performed in the spring when demand for water is low. As always, Elizabethtown follows water conservation practices and the amount of water used during the process is kept to a minimum.

Customers may experience discolored water for short periods of time while flushing is being done in their neighborhoods. Any discoloration will disappear rapidly. It is best to wait until the water clears before using it for any consumptive purpose or washing clothes and dishes.

Elizabethtown will flush hydrants five nights a week, between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., to reduce any inconvenience to homeowners and motorists and to eliminate possible hazards to children. The company anticipates completion of the program in seven to eight weeks.

Elizabethtown Water Company serves 238,000 business and residential customers in 54 municipalities in Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Somerset and Union counties.

## New name for day care group

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Day Care Center Auxiliary has changed its name to the Westfield Day Care Center Friends.

The group has announced the name change as it seeks donations for its spring clothing, book and toy sale, scheduled for May 5-6. Clean clothing in good condition is wanted for boys and girls, infant through child size 14. Children's toys, books and collectibles are also desired.

Donations will be accepted beginning Saturday in the Day Care Center, located at 120 Mountain Ave., and the Infant-Toddler Center at 462 W. Broad St. For more information, call (908) 232-6717.

# Police log

## Westfield

Gregory Paris, 29, of San Francisco, Calif., was charged April 4 with contempt of court on outstanding warrants issued by courts in Woodbridge and Dover townships.

He was turned over to the Woodbridge Police Department, according to police reports.

Rick's Cleaners on North Avenue reported April 6 that an unknown person entered the store through a retractable window and stole \$50 in cash, according to police records. No damage was reported other than the missing money, police said.

A St. Marks Avenue resident reported April 6 that someone entered her garage and stole a wrought iron chandelier, valued at \$250, according to police records.

Magay St. Louis, 39, of Elizabeth, was charged April 6 with hindering apprehension.

Police said St. Louis was stopped at Central and Sycamore avenues because of a broken tail light. During the stop, St. Louis — who was driving while on the revoked list, according to police — gave police a fake driver's license, police said. She was released with a summons, according to police records.

Interference with transportation and harassment followed a road rage incident reported April 7 by a Wells Street resident, police said. The victim told authorities she was at the intersection of South and Central avenues when another driver pulled alongside her car and flicked a cigarette in her open window.

A bedroom window on the second story of a home in the 400 block of Sanford Avenue was reported smashed Saturday, police said. Someone threw a beer bottle through the window, according to police reports.

Lynn Lebourne, 32, of Park Avenue in Plainfield, was charged Saturday in connection with outstanding traffic warrants and held in lieu of \$500 bail at the Union County Jail in Elizabeth, police said.

A car parked in the 500 block of Boulevard was broken into Saturday, police said. The glove box was reportedly rifled through and nothing was taken, according to police reports.

A group of juveniles stopped a Prospect Street resident Sunday in Municipal Parking Lot #4 behind Baron Drugs and punched him in the back,

police reports.

A bicycle was reported stolen April 6 from the front yard of a Hunter Avenue house, police said.

Roxanne Thompson, 33, of East Seventh Street, Plainfield, was charged April 7 with possession of a controlled dangerous substance believed to be cocaine, unlawful possession of a weapon and providing false information to a police officer.

Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person on Forest Road at about midnight and discovered Thompson, according to police reports. When she was approached by police, she offered the officers fake identification, police said.

Vandalism was reported April 7 at a Ravenswood Lane home still under construction, police said. Someone reportedly entered the home sometime during the past two weeks and spray-painted unknown graffiti on the walls.

David Mussington, 23, of Irvington was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled dangerous substance believed to be marijuana and driving with a suspended license.

Mussington was stopped on Route 22 at about midnight, police said. During the stop, officers discovered Mussington was wanted in connection with an outstanding warrant for his arrest issued by an Irvington court and took him into custody, according to police reports.

Several videos were reported stolen Saturday from the Palmer Video store on Westfield Avenue, according to police records. The videos were reportedly stolen at some point over the previous two days, police said.

Threatening phone calls were reported Saturday by an Elizabeth Avenue resident, according to police records. Police did not say what the unknown caller said to the resident.

Two speakers were reported stolen Saturday from Booth Baseball Field on Valley Avenue, according to police records. The thefts apparently occurred sometime during the previous two days, police said. The value of the two speakers is unknown.

A remote garage door opener was reported stolen Saturday from the locked vehicle of a Round Hill Road resident, according to police reports.

A window on a basement door to a home in the 500 block of Wychwood Place was reportedly broken Sunday, according to police reports. Police said no entry was gained to the home.

A garage window was reported broken Sunday at a home in the 900 block of Prospect Street, police said.

Harassing phone calls were reported Sunday by a Boulevard resident, according to police records.

Jewelry and coins valued at about \$1,000 were reported stolen Sunday from a home in the 600 block of Cumberland Street, police said.

The rear window of a 2000 Subaru parked in front of a home in the 400 block of West Grove Street was reportedly broken Sunday by an unknown object, according to police records.

A gas barbecue grill valued at \$600 was reported stolen Monday from the backyard of a home in the 1000 block of Minisink Road, according to police records.

A fire extinguisher was reported stolen Monday from a bus parked at the Union County Educational Service facility on Westfield Avenue, according to police records.

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# Chair-caning on tap at Miller-Cory House Museum

WESTFIELD — The Miller-Cory House Museum, located at 614 Mountain Ave., will present a demonstration of "chair-caning" 2 p.m.-5 p.m. Sunday.

Cane chairs were brought to the American colonies from Europe in the latter part of the 17th century. This type of chair saw much use after it began to be manufactured by American companies. Worn-out cane seats can easily be replaced.

Arthur Scholl Jr. will show the procedure used to create this simple art.

As customary, docents in costume will conduct tours of the

18th century farmhouse with the last tour leaving 4 p.m. Food will be cooked over the open hearth by Joan and Suzanne Barna of Scotch Plains.

Admission is \$2 for adults, 50 cents for students and free for children under 6. For more information, call (908) 232-1776.

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# Memorial Pool memberships expected to dry up by May 2

## Long lines a worry, but new system seems to work well

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — The first 7,200 memberships to Memorial Pool were sold out by April 4, leaving May's open registration as the last chance for people to sign up for the summer of 2000.

The Recreation Department switched to the new registration process earlier this year. The plan gave 5,400 returning members that live in the Town of Westfield the first crack at signing up in March; after that, an additional 1,800 Westfield residents could sign up in April, regardless of whether they were past members. Starting May 1, the remaining 1,800 spots will be available to those who go to Town Hall to sign up, regardless of where they live. Sign up must be done in person at the Recreation Department office.

"With the interest we've gotten in the past two months, we're assuming we'll sell out May 1st or 2nd," said Jim Gildea, the pool's director.

Councilwoman Janis Fried Weinstein, who help create the new process as a member of the Recreation Committee, said based on the one com-

plaint she received via e-mail, she believes the new system has worked well. However, Weinstein said the lines of people waiting to register are an issue that will have to be addressed before the system can be deemed a complete success.

"I think there are a few glitches we might have to tweak a little bit," Weinstein said, noting the long waiting lines. "I just think in-person registration is difficult for some people. I can understand — if I had three kids in tow, I wouldn't feel like standing in line for an hour and a half."

Other than thinning out the lines, which could possibly be accomplished by allowing people to register by mail or on the Internet, Weinstein said the new registration process has worked well.

Gildea agreed with Weinstein the new process has worked well, despite the concerns some people expressed during the public hearing stage before the new process was adopted. When the Town Council first passed the new system into law earlier this year, some town residents spoke out against it. People from neighboring towns also expressed outrage over the plan, which they thought was an attempt to keep the pool open to Westfield residents only.

People have been pouring into his office to sign up for memberships, and Gildea said despite the early protest, most people have been satisfied with the process. He said he is aware of only a handful of complaints, mostly from people who misunderstood the procedure for registration and others disturbed by the long lines. "No one likes to wait in

# Health Department notes dangers of removing lead-based paints

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — Spring is here, finally, and people can't wait to do all that work on the house that's been waiting to be done all winter.

But the Westfield Health Department is warning — don't even think of removing the paint on your old house until you've checked with the department.

A little more than two years ago, the Health Department — which serves Westfield, Fanwood, Garwood, Mountainside, Springfield and Roselle Park — enacted an ordinance requiring anyone painting a house that may have been painted with lead-based paint to register with the department and follow certain guidelines to minimize the risk that removal of lead-based paints can cause. Many pre-1980 houses were painted using lead-based paint, which was banned in 1978 because of health risks associated with it. "Our primary concern is homes that are older," noted Bob Sherr, department director.

Children, especially those under 7, are highly susceptible

to the risks — which can lead to learning disabilities, shortened attention spans and brain damage, due to the developing nature of children's bodies. When lead-based paint is removed by sanding, the fine dust created can spread out in the air and fall on neighboring homes, according to the Health Department, and children can then be exposed to the lead in the paint by something as simple as playing with toys that may have been exposed to the dust.

"Basically, you cannot do unconfined power-sanding or removal of lead-based paint," said Sherr. "There have been several instances where (power-sanding) was uncontrolled and it affected the neighboring properties."

At least one local recent painting project resulted in a potential hazard, Sherr noted. "When they did power-sanding, one made so much dust it got on the porch and in the windows of a surrounding property," he said.

To make sure children are not put at risk, the Health Department randomly checks homes being painted to make

sure whoever is doing the work has all of the proper permits and safety precautions are being followed. When sanding by hand — which causes substantially less dust than power-sanding, Sherr noted — precautions may be as simple as arranging tarps to catch all of the scrapings.

Power-sanding, however, can be more difficult to control. Sherr said the easiest and most common way to ensure power-sanding is done safely is to install a Health, Environmental, Protection and Abatement (HEPA) Vacuum — a vacuum attached to the sander that collects a large part of the dust.

"Typically, a HEPA vacuum captures all of the dust," said Sherr, adding the Health Department is not afraid of dealing strongly with workers who do not follow the regulations. "We will stop (the) work," he said.

A permit for exterior lead-based paint removal costs \$10 and can be obtained at the Health Department's office in Westfield Town Hall, located on East Broad Street, or by calling (908) 789-4070.

# DiFrancesco legislation takes aim at gun safety

TRENTON — Calling the legislative package a "common sense approach to the senseless violence threatening our children and our communities," Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco (R-22) this week unveiled four proposals aimed at improving gun safety and enhancing the state's ability to investigate and prosecute gun-related crimes.

"New Jersey already has the toughest gun safety laws in the nation and these mainstream proposals will maintain New Jersey's standing as a gun safety leader," said the Senate president, who noted that the package of four bills will be introduced at the next Senate session.

The package was endorsed by Cease-fire NJ Executive Director Bryan Miller and members of the PUSH Coalition, who attended the Statehouse press conference.

The cornerstone of the package is a legislative initiative that, if enacted, would make New Jersey the first state in the nation to mandate childproof handguns. Under Senator DiFrancesco's proposal, the Attorney General would determine when handguns with personalized, smart gun technology are available for retail sales purposes and at that time, require all new handguns sold in New Jersey to have the recognized technology. Similar to the legislation sponsored by Senator DiFrancesco last year, this bill does not ban handguns nor does it set deadlines.

"There are dramatic breakthroughs being made in gun technology, and this bill will position New Jersey to take full advantage of this emerging technology in order to better protect our children," said DiFrancesco.

The Senate president also seeks to enhance law enforcement's ability to match bullets found at a crime scene with the guns that fired them through the use of so-called ballistic identifiers. Also called firearms DNA, these identifiers are the distinctive marks made in a bullet shell casing when a handgun is fired and are considered as unique as an individual's fingerprints.

Similar to a proposal recently announced by New York Governor George Pataki, legislation has been included in the package that would

## Proposal package packs prosecuting punch

require ballistics identifiers to be obtained on all handguns transported into, sold, assigned or transferred in New Jersey. These identifiers would then have to become part of a national database, such as the ballistics computer system administered by the ATF to which New Jersey is already linked.

"Providing powerful new tools for New Jersey's law enforcement and judiciary are an integral focus of this package and that is why I am also proposing we implement a program proven successful in several large American cities, including Camden, in ending violence on demand," explained Senator DiFrancesco.

A \$5 million appropriation will be introduced that would implement "Project Exile," a program originated in Virginia that enables states to prosecute gun crimes on

the federal level where much more stringent sentencing and bond rules prevail. For example, the minimum mandatory sentence for any person with a prior felony convicted on the federal level of gun possession is five years.

The funding would be used to hire additional attorneys to assist in prosecuting federal gun cases and to support media campaigns that spell out the tougher sentences for criminals possessing firearms.

"In its first year of implementation, Camden has returned 70 federal indictments. It's time all of New Jersey adopted this get-tough approach to prosecuting gun crimes," said DiFrancesco.

The last proposal in the package would amend the state's firearms statutes to prohibit the sale and possession of handguns by persons

under the age of 21. This initiative would bring New Jersey state law into conformity with the provisions of federal law.

DiFrancesco, noted firearms kill more than 5,000 American children under age 19 each year, according to the Center for Disease Control, and said he believed an overwhelming majority of citizens could support these proposals as, "they address the painful reality that children are dying every day as a result of a criminal or accidental encounter with a gun."

"New high-tech advances, coupled with public outcry, provide the Legislature with the impetus for us to act on behalf of New Jersey's children in a timely, responsible, fair and common sense way."

"Danger has a new face in the year 2000 — the face of a child with a loaded gun in his or her hands. We as a state cannot afford to look the other way."

## Health Department hosts rabies clinic

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Health Department will sponsor a free rabies clinic Wednesday at the north side firehouse, located off Park Avenue behind the Municipal Building.

Cats will be vaccinated 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. All cats must be in carriers and accompanied by an adult.

Dogs will be vaccinated 7:30

p.m.-8:30 p.m. All dogs must be on leashes or in carriers and must be accompanied by an adult.

In addition, dog licenses for 2000 may be purchased at the clinic.

Licenses are \$6.20 if a dog is spayed or neutered, \$9.20 if it is not.

For more information, call (908) 322-6700, ext. 309.

## TV34 to televise Candidates Night

TV34 in Scotch Plains and Fanwood will televise replays of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education Candidates' Night, held April 3.

Telecast times are scheduled for 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and midnight today, Saturday and Sunday.

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# County seniors invited to participate in art contest, exhibition

ELIZABETH — All Union County senior citizen artists, professional and non-professional, are invited to enter the 2000 Union County Senior Citizen Art Contest and Exhibition. Sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and

the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, the exhibition will be held at the NUI/Elizabethtown Gas Company, Liberty Hall Center, 1085 Morris Avenue, Union Township, a barrier-free site. The

show opens with a reception on Wednesday, June 21, and it will be on display until Monday, July 31.

Artists must be at least 60 years of age and may submit an entry that was completed within the last three years. All work

must be the original creation of the artist. Hanging craft or framed work, including photography, must be no wider than 38 inches and no narrower than 14 inches, including matting and frame. Sculptures or 3-D craft may not exceed 18 inches in

height, width or depth.

Artists wishing to participate should return their application forms as soon as possible. Participation may be limited to the first 100 applicants due to space requirements.

Professional artists will judge the exhibit. The following are categories of eligible work: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, print, drawing, mixed media, photography, sculpture, craft (no kits) and computer graphics. Computer graphics is defined as any artwork generated or manipulated electronically, using one or more software programs. Work must be entirely original, including the source material, if submitting a digitally-manipulated photograph, drawing or painting.

There will be awards of recognition for professional and non-professional entries. Participants claiming non-professional status must not have (1) sold the type of art entered in the exhibition through commercial channels; (2) exhibited in a professional gallery; (3) held professional membership in a guild or association. Artists claiming professional status are those who have met any of the above criteria. Both professional and non-professional first place winners in each category will represent the county in the statewide art contest that takes place in September.

Full information is on the application form, which is available from the Union County Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth NJ 07202. Telephone (908) 558-2550. Relay service users should call 1-800-852-7899.

## County selects groups, artists for Heart Grants

ELIZABETH — The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is pleased to announce that 11 local organizations and five individual artists will receive funding this year through the Union County Heart Grant Program.

The Heart Grant Program, whose acronym stands for History, Education, Arts Reaching Thousands, was established by the Freeholder Board in 1998 to serve as a catalyst for strengthening Union County's community of non-profit organizations, artists and scholars and enhancing their capacity to provide projects relating to history, the arts and the humanities.

"This innovative program supports many beneficial and creative projects," said Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan. "It demonstrates our commitment to the organizations and artists of Union County. Their contribution to the vitality of our communities is immeasurable."

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders gives paramount consideration to projects that showcase Union County-based artists or historical resources, involve county residents of all ages as participants and audiences, and encourage participation by Union County's diverse populations in all aspects of arts and cultural activities within the county. Projects that observe or celebrate the Millennium are also welcome.

"The response to the Heart Grant Program is exciting. The recipients are a wonderful mix of individual artists, cultural organizations and civic groups," said Freeholder Mary P. Ruotolo, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "The services provided by these artists and organizations directly benefit the residents of our County and increase appreciation for the arts, our history, and the humanities. These cultural assets are a vital part of community life, economic development and cultural tourism in Union County."

This year's recipients of Heart Grant funding, listed by municipality, are:

**Elizabeth:** Andrew Azan, "Andy the Clown" — \$3,000 to perform 12 shows for children at schools and libraries; **Elizabeth:** Allison Brewster Franzetti — \$3,000 to present a public performance and implement a music program for YMCA daycare centers; **Elizabeth:** Future City — \$3,000 to present a regional town meeting and conference on preservation in economic development initiatives; **Linden:** Center For Hope Hospice & Palliative Care — \$3,400 to support eight performances for Hospice patients, caregivers and family members by Music for All Seasons; **Linden:** Owen Kanzler — \$3,000 to create a digitally-produced and printed book of photographs and captions called "Antique Architectural Details of Elizabeth"; **Plainfield:** The Central Jersey July 4th Celebration Committee — \$5,000 to include marching bands and to provide two street festivals with a Jazz band and a Latin Flutist; **Roselle:** Occupational Center of Union County — \$5,000 to provide art instruction classes for adults with disabilities, presented by a professional artist, culminating with an exhibit; **Roselle:** Warren Vache Sr. — \$3,000 to present six Dixieland concerts at Roselle schools.

Organizations or individuals wishing to receive a Heart Grant application should contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202. Telephone (908) 558-2550; or FAX (908) 352-3513. Relay users may dial 1-800-852-7899.



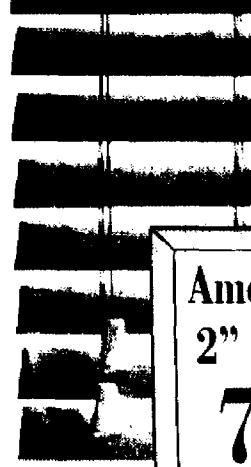
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It's sad when you see two such wonderful cats, each loved dearly by their owner, suddenly in need of a new home. Pandi and Duchess were once owned and loved by an elderly woman, who was forced out of the only home that she and the cats have ever known. Both of the 6-year-olds are spayed, have all their shots and have tested negative for FELV and FIV. Pandi, a black-and-white kitty, is friendly and outgoing and loves to give nose kisses, while Duchess — a gorgeous gray-and-white — is a bit on the shy side, but warms up quickly. For more information on the duo, or on some of their furry friends waiting to meet you at the nonprofit humane rescue organization Noah's Ark, visit the World Wide Web site at [www.noahsark.petfinder.org](http://www.noahsark.petfinder.org) or call the Clark-based agency at (732) 815-1633.

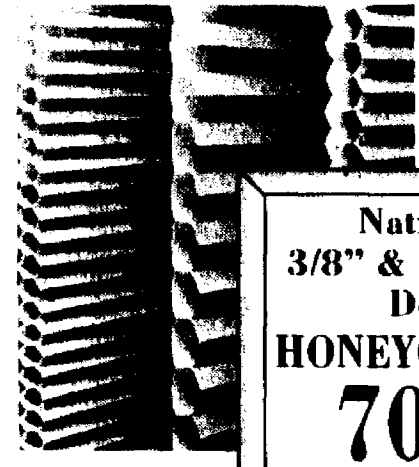
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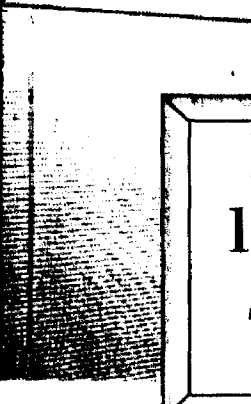
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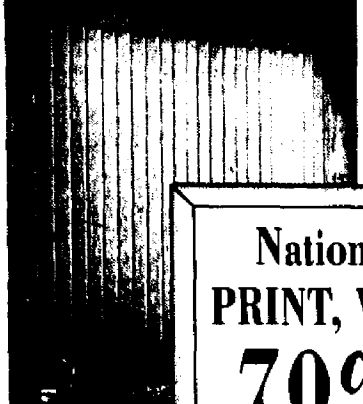
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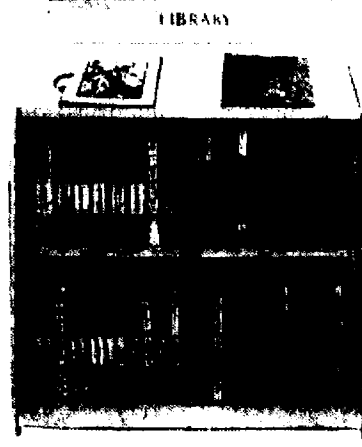


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# HEALTH & FITNESS

**Fortunately, infertility is now treatable — in most cases**

**BY WALID A. SALEH, MD**

Realizing that you are infertile can be an emotional experience. Add to that the discomfort and financial drain from going through infertility treatments and you can be on a real roller coaster ride. It can result in anxiety, frustration and anger—all of which can put tremendous stress on your relationship.

Contrary to popular belief, pregnancy does not occur right away after one stops contraception. Only 20 percent of normal couples achieve pregnancy the first month of trying. About 80 percent of couples will achieve pregnancy after a year. Infertility is therefore defined as the inability to conceive within a year of trying adequately. Over the age of 35, the ability to conceive diminishes and a period of 6 months can be used.

If you are infertile, you are not alone. Infertility affects more than 6 million American women and men or 10 percent of the population in their child-bearing years.

Fortunately, infertility is now treatable in most cases. In a normal reproductive process, the sperm is deposited against the cervix (the gate of the womb). Sperm will then swim up to meet the eggs in the Fallopian tubes where fertilization occurs resulting in an embryo. That embryo will travel back through the tubes toward the cavity of the uterus (womb) where it implants. Any disruption in that process could potentially result in infertility.

For example, the sperm could be abnormal, cervical mucus could be "unfriendly" to the sperm, the tubes may be blocked and prevent the sperm from meeting the eggs, eggs may not be produced at all (abnormal ovulation) or the uterine cavity may be abnormal and prevent normal implantation of the embryo. There are particular conditions where the egg may have a problem (could be age related) or the sperm is unable to penetrate the egg or the woman or man produces an immune reaction (antibodies) against the sperm.

Various tests are available to investigate why a couple is having difficulty conceiving. A semen analysis is usually ordered first. Alone, it rules out 40 percent of causes of infertility. A slight rise in temperature occurs after ovulation. So by taking her temperature orally each morning, a woman can detect abnormal or lack of ovulation. This is usually associated with irregular periods. Ovulation detection kits and hormone testing will then confirm the problem. Cervical mucus testing, particularly around ovulation, can evaluate the sperm-mucus interaction. Sperm antibody testing will detect the presence of antibodies in sperm and serum. A dye test called a hysterosalpingogram (HSG) will show whether the uterine cavity and tubes are adequate.

Hysteroscopy allows the physician to examine the inside of the uterine cavity with a small telescope and helps determine the presence of small tumors (fibroids), scars or any abnormality of the uterus. This can be done in the office and does not require anesthesia.

Laparoscopy, performed under general anesthesia, allows the physician to visualize directly the internal anatomy with the use of a small telescope.

Sometimes the problem lies with implantation of the embryo. A biopsy of the uterine lining can evaluate whether the lining is developing properly ("in-phase"). An ultrasound can determine how thick the lining of the uterus is, how well the uterus is responding to hormone production and the size of the follicles (pocket where the eggs reside).

Some clinical tests may be used to assess the fertility potential after a certain age. An elevated FSH and estrogen level on day three of the menstrual cycle could indicate a poor fertility potential. The ovaries release estrogen into the circulation. When eggs are scarce, as in the case of menopause, the estrogen level is low and the brain (pituitary gland) will release FSH in an attempt to stimulate the ovaries to work harder. FSH stands for follicular stimulating hormone. A challenge test with the drug clomiphene will evaluate this situa-

tion in more detail.

Many infertility treatments are available. An insemination will bypass the cervix and help in cases of abnormal mucus or decreased sperm count. Ovulation induction with "fertility drugs" will help in cases of ovulatory problems. In cases when the tubes have minimal scarred tissue, surgical reconstruction through the laparoscope can be attempted.

In severe cases, however, in vitro fertilization (IVF) becomes the only option. IVF provides hope for those who do not usually respond to other therapies like those with severe male factor, blocked tubes, advanced maternal age, or "unexplained" infertility. A new revolutionary technique called ICSI involves the injection of a single sperm into a single egg. It has allowed couples with very low sperm count to conceive successfully.

Many things should be attempted first prior to consulting a physician. A healthy lifestyle is important for ideal reproductive potential. One should avoid the use of lubricant during intercourse, saunas, hot tubs and steam rooms as they could have a toxic effect on the sperm. A number of medications can also affect sperm counts and ovulation. Intercourse should be timed

around ovulation with the use of temperature charts or ovulation detection kits, but there is generally no need to adhere to a strict schedule.

A thorough understanding of infertility is needed to successfully treat and diagnose this condition. Infertility therapy is not inexpensive. Excessive and redundant testing and surgeries will rapidly skyrocket the cost of treatment. By the time a couple presents for the right treatment option, they may not be able to afford it anymore. Over the last 20 years, Dr. Alexander Dlugi has developed a practice pattern

that provides cost-effective treatment of infertility without compromising quality of care. It relies on a high sense of ethics, sensitivity towards a patient's emotional and financial situation and state-of-the-art technology. Unnecessary testing should therefore be avoided when the information obtained from these tests does not effect the bottom line—getting pregnant.

Dr. Dlugi, who was previously director of the infertility program at Morristown Memorial Hospital for four years, has achieved truly outstanding

pregnancy rates. He recently relocated his office to the Bedminster Medical Plaza at The Hills. He is joined by Dr. Walid A. Saleh who shares a similar approach and expertise.

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# Commentary

## Why turnout is low in school elections

New Jersey voters will have the opportunity Tuesday to have their voices heard about the future of their public school districts. Unfortunately, those voices will most likely be just a whisper.

According to the New Jersey School Boards Association, only 13.4 percent of the eligible voters participated in last year's school election. That, sadly, is par for the course. In the last 10 years, turnout has ranged from 12.8 percent (1993) to 18.6 percent (1991).

Why the apathy is so rampant remains a mystery. The largest chunk of the homeowners' property tax bill goes to the public school system. If New Jersey residents are so upset about high property taxes, they should be turning out in droves to vote on their school budgets. But they're not.

There are three possible reasons why turnout is so low. One explanation, favored by those with a stake in the status quo, is the overwhelming majority of residents are satisfied with the cost and quality of public education in their towns. After all, in 1999, 82.8 percent of all school budgets in the state were approved by voters.

The second explanation, favored by those with a cynical slant, is the overwhelming majority of residents believe their votes are meaningless. They believe the jungle of state regulations minimizes the options available to local school boards. Some are perhaps fed up with the reliance on property taxes to fund the operation of schools.

A third explanation is that in economic good times, residents do not become overly concerned with spending money for schools. With record revenue flowing into government accounts, the tax bite is not as sharp.

All three arguments contain some kernels of truth. The majority of residents are pleased with the quality of education in their school districts, and while property taxes are high, residents believe they're getting their money's worth and are willing to pay a premium to retain local control of education.

Yet there is a growing number of residents who are frustrated by an ever-changing set of state regulations and mandates. The state's constantly changing formula for aid is confusing and cannot be relied upon for consistent long-range planning. The state's implementation of detailed and strict curriculum standards has also tied the hands of local school boards and has limited academic discretion. There is also an increasing number of residents who believe the state's insistence on testing in the fourth, eighth and 12th grades has led to school districts teaching students what they need to pass the tests, not what they need to know.

There are a few cosmetic changes that could be done to improve turnout. Gov. Whitman's recommendation a couple of years ago that school board elections be moved to November was ignored by the legislature. But if the elections were moved to a Saturday in April, it may have some impact on improving the turnout. However, the main obstacle to overcome is the perception that votes do not make a difference in a public school system becoming increasingly dominated by the state.

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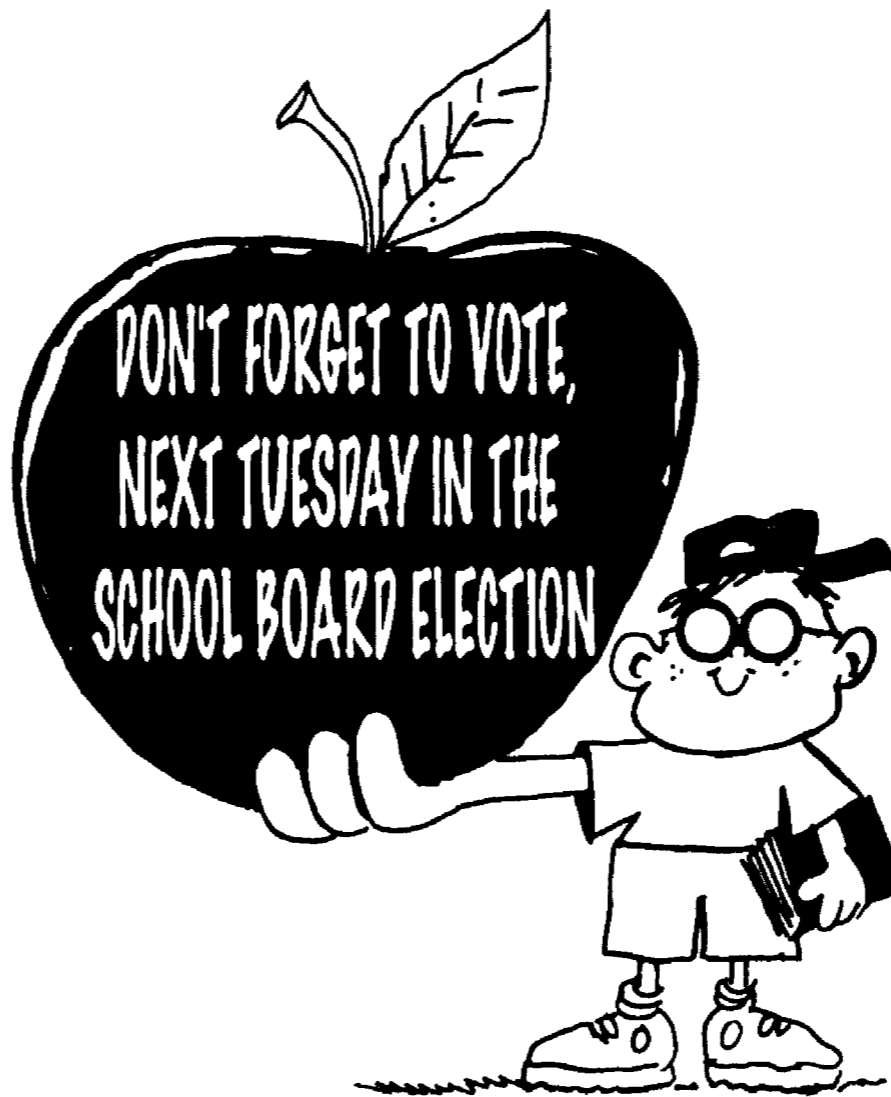
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## Jersey Boy



Mike Deak

## Welcome to culture of complaint

One of the few welcome privileges of getting older is the right to be cranky.

Throughout childhood we are admonished if we complain about the taste of broccoli or the injustice of not having the same Playstation cartridge as little Justin down the street. Adolescents and young adults are told not complain because they don't know enough about the real world. And once you enter the corporate world, you can't complain because then you're not a team player no matter how valid your complaints are.

But once you've reached middle age, with your family and career established, you can relax on the couch, pop open a beer and start complaining. You don't have to eat broccoli if you don't want to and you can buy all the Playstation cartridges you want. You can complain about your employees because you're now the boss. You can complain about your aches and pains and you might even earn some sympathy. And, gloriously and miraculously, you feel better after complaining.

So it's time for me to be cranky and share some of my complaints. After another depressing and rainy day, I need to do something to cheer me up.

**1. Telephone bills.** Is there anyone who fully understands all of the charges on their telephone bill? When Ma Bell was broken up some years ago by the government, we were told our costs would go down; competition was good. And though we may be paying less for long distance calls -- remember when long distance calls were something special -- my telephone bill keeps going up and up. Why is this happening?

The same applies to my electric and cable bills. Do you know anyone who has switched to another power company? And why is the cost of cable television continually rising? I thought that was supposed to get cheaper too.

I'm not one of those archaic radicals who demonize corporate America, but I'm beginning to have my suspicions that we're all being taken for a ride.

**2. The economy.** If Central Jersey is the middle of the state's wealth belt, then why do I feel as if I'm getting whipped?

Everybody says the economy is great and while that may be true on a macro scale, those of us with micro economies in our wallets are not having such an easy time. After all, our telephone and cable bills keep on rising.

The rich are getting richer and the rest of us, while not getting any poorer, are getting more envious. As someone raised in the late 1960s and 1970s, I still have traces of my adolescent aversion toward materialism; the rest of my generations seems to have conquered this inhibition and have become rapacious and craven consumers. We are back in the realm of status symbols that were derided in the golden days of my youth.

But the term "status symbol" seems archaic and comic, as if it is a relic of a primitive time, just as this complaint about rampant materialism is, for the lack of a better word, quaint. Doesn't anybody pay attention to Pope John Paul II when he speaks about the vacuum of spirituality at the heart of materialism?

**3. Disclosure statements for underwear.** I recently bought a pair of underwear that was on sale. When I got home from the store, I opened the package and discovered that it didn't have any fly.

I don't like underwear without a fly. And I did not want to embarrass myself by returning the pair with the explanation that I didn't know it didn't have a fly. Packages of underwear should come clearly marked whether they have a fly.

This is the punishment I deserve for splurging on underwear that bears the name of a famous designer (though it was on sale). I will never again buy underwear beyond my social status.

## Letters to the editor

## Debate article was biased, incorrect

### To The Editor:

I have several questions and comments about one of your cover stories this past Friday (April 7).

The story "School board stumping season in full swing" explains how four candidates are running for three seats. You prominently pull out quotes and bold print only two candidates names -- this would imply to me you are selecting these two people over the others, in essence endorsing them.

However, it is my understanding that your paper does not endorse people, so at what point are you planning on prominently displaying quotes from the other candidates and having their names, in bold print, on your front page? Hopefully prior to the April 18 election.

I also have several issues with the accuracy of your article:

Candidates night was sponsored by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA council. It was moderated by a member of the League of Women Voters. Mrs. McNamara is a paralegal -- not an attorney. Mrs. Nelson is not a member of a Presbyterian church.

I am distressed with the inaccuracies because printed information about the candidates was available at the meeting.

Since a large number of people, who can not attend these meetings in person, rely on your paper to remain informed, I believe it is your responsibility to have reporters that are capable of gathering correct information and then reporting it accurately and without bias.

Sincerely yours,

MICHAEL ANN HOWARD  
Fanwood

## Superintendent owes an apology

### To The Record-Press:

On March 27, the proposed spending on the upgrading of the fire alarm systems in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood elementary schools was questioned. The very next day, one of our firefighters, who happens to be a groundsman for the Board of Education, was called into the board office and told he could no longer answer fire calls during his working hours unless he punched out and would then be docked pay for his time off the job. Why would Scotch Plains now take this position when this same firefighter has been answering

calls and serving this community for over 15 years without a single problem? This community should now be told:

\* Who made this decision?

\* What action has been taken against this party who made the decision and was he reprimanded?

The community should have a public apology from the superintendent since she must take the ultimate responsibility for all decisions.

JERRY MEOLA  
Scotch Plains

## Ocean routing is key in 7th District

### To The Record-Press:

Aircraft noise and support for a live test of ocean routing will be a key issue for voters in the 7th Congressional District primary. The district includes parts of Essex, Middlesex, Somerset and Union counties. All four county freeholder boards and the Union County League of Municipalities have endorsed ocean routing.

Over the last 12 years aircraft noise has played a critical role in the political discourse of the district and on several occasions help determine the outcome of campaigns. To that end, I solicited public policy platform positions from all Democratic and Republican congressional candidates.

Each candidate was asked to submit a written endorsement of H.R. 620, (Rep. Bob) Franks's federal legislation mandating a live six-month test of ocean routing and an endorsement of Gov. Whitman's November proposal to (Federal Aviation Administration administrator Jane) Garvey for a live test of the first part of NJCAAN's (New Jersey Coalition Against Aircraft Noise) ocean route plan. A March 15 response deadline was provided. NJCAAN received an overwhelmingly positive response.

On the Democratic side, candidates Maryanne

Connelly, Joel Farley, Jeff Golkin and Mike Lapolla have each endorsed H.R. 620 and also written Garvey requesting live testing of ocean routing.

On the Republican side, Michael Ferguson, Tom Kean Jr., Patrick Morrissey, (Green Brook) Mayor Pat Walsh and Assemblyman Joel Weingarten have each endorsed H.R. 620 and also written Garvey requesting live testing of ocean routing. Ken Gardiner refused to respond.

NJCAAN will continue to educate our state and national candidates as to the benefits of ocean routing with the goal of achieving live testing of our plan this spring. It is the board (of trustees') expectation that this New Jersey quality-of-life issue will play a significant role in our statewide Senate and presidential races. The board has vested me with the responsibility of informing our constituency and the public at large of the candidates' positions. We intend to be highly engaged, as a nonpartisan commentator, in the 2000 campaign.

PAMELA BARSAM-BROWN  
Executive Director,  
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Against Aircraft Noise  
Scotch Plains

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Letters to the editor

Voting in school election is 'critical'

Terril PTA backs budget, questions

To The Editor:

As the day for BOE election and budget vote approaches, I would like to share with the voting public of Scotch Plains and Fanwood that the Terrill Middle School PTA Executive Board has endorsed the 2000-2001 budget and additional questions for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools.

The vote on April 18 is for the funds that will carry our schools through the 2000-2001 school year.

The vote on April 18 includes three additional questions that will benefit all of the children of the district. Questions deal with the new fire detection systems for the elementary schools and field improvements at the high school, technology, and hiring of staff and training for the state mandated world language program.

It's time to start putting money into improving the infrastructure of the school system. With the approval of these questions, we will be working to provide the best education we can as we prepare the children of Scotch Plains and Fanwood for their roles in the twenty-first century. It has never been more important that we show our children how much we care about their future by taking the time out to exercise our right to vote on matters that affect their education.

There is a tremendous amount of information about this budget available to the public via the website at [www.njcommunity.org/spfnct](http://www.njcommunity.org/spfnct) or by calling the budget hot line at 889-9665. Remember that the polls are open from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m.

BARBARA LEIGHTON  
Terrill Middle School PTA

SP-F owes new alarms to kids, staff

To The Editor:

I've read many letters why we shouldn't upgrade the fire alarms in our schools, but no letters explaining why we should. I am addressing the individuals who have suggested that our school district not spend money to update our fire alarm systems.

The reason for upgrading the fire safety systems in our schools is for increased safety of ALL children and staff. Our current fire alarm system is adequate. So was the fire alarm system at Seton Hall College. Is adequate enough for our children? There are plenty of things that the school district could choose to spend money on. Why fire alarms? Our current alarms do NOT have smoke detectors. Would you consider not

having smoke detectors in your home? Our current alarms are "grandfathered in" because of the age of our buildings, and are NOT ADA compliant. Our current fire alarm system does NOT have flashing lights that can be seen more easily by handicapped children or when there is smoke. The new alarms are louder to alert all children, with or without handicaps more efficiently. We have many more handicapped students throughout the district. We owe it to them as well as the able-bodied students and staff to have the most up to date system.

Sincerely,

VICKI PARKER  
PTA Council President  
Scotch Plains-Fanwood

Get out and vote for SP-F budget

To The Editor:

On April 18, 2000 the voters of Scotch Plains-Fanwood will be asked to approve the 2000-2001 School Budget. The purpose of this letter is to remind the voters that this is the operating budget for the schools. It is not a Bond Referendum. It should not be used as a tool to express dissatisfaction with the town governments in Scotch Plains or Fanwood. It should not be used as a sounding board for programs or proposals for which the public would like to express their opinion.

The \$46,958,051 Budget will pay the electric and phone bills. It will pay the teachers. And, it will buy paper and calculators. This year's budget aims to maintain the curriculum which is

already in place and enhance such areas as Language Arts, Math and Social Studies with new classroom materials and textbooks. It should go far in providing our children with a fine education.

We encourage the voters of both Scotch Plains and Fanwood to approve the 2000-2001 School Budget and the three questions attached to it. By voting "yes" you will be ensuring that the children's education in our community will continue to be of a high quality and that they will be prepared to successfully meet the many challenges that they will face in the 21st century.

Sincerely,

PHILIP AND MARY CAPPIO  
Scotch Plains

Gratified that BOE takes initiative

To The Editor:

Because the proposed 2000-01 Scotch Plains-Fanwood school budget has three supplemental questions attached to it and because there has been much talk locally about a pending bond referendum for the fall of 2000, there seems to be some public confusion about what we will be voting on in the April 18 school elections.

On April 18 the public is asked to approve a proposed spending plan to operate the schools for the coming 2000-01 school year. The increase in that budget is within the 3 percent cap imposed by the state, but the district has other needs that must be addressed that do not fit into the cap. The public is being asked to approve the funding for three additional projects — building maintenance, technology and an elementary world language program — each in a separate vote. Thus, voters in Scotch Plains and Fanwood will decide four school financing questions on April 18, all for operation of the local schools for the coming school year.

I am in favor of the proposed

budget because it is within cap, provides for favorable class sizes and continues educational initiatives begun in recent years.

I also am in favor of the separate proposals. These are things that are needed now and which we will pay more for if we delay implementing for several years. We will pay more in dollars (building maintenance and technology) and in educational achievements (technolo-

gy and elementary world language). It is gratifying to see the Board of Education take the initiative in meeting these needs, rather than waiting until vital repairs or state mandates force us to scramble to find the money.

LINDA NELSON  
Scotch Plains

The writer is a candidate for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education.

To The Record-Press:

Recently, all residents of Scotch Plains and Fanwood should have received the 1998-99 annual report for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools, a review of a "year in the life" of our school district. As the report states, it is merely a snapshot of the many dynamic curricular and related activities which took place during that school year. The report reflects the activities of a diverse community of learners engaged in a wide variety of learning experiences, both in and outside of the classroom, and highlights their accomplishments on the local, state and national level. These good things happen in our schools because of the energy, enthusiasm and hard work of our students, teachers, administrators, staff, parents and families and because of the community's unceasing commitment to achieving educational excellence.

With the annual school election scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, I want to remind all local voters that their vote is extremely important. The only way we can continue our outstanding record of achievement is with the continued support of the community, including financial support. Every year the demands on our schools increase. We are required to add programs, meet exceptional student needs and deal with growing student enrollments within an annual budget which is controlled by state-imposed caps. Funding from state, federal and other sources is dwindling.

This year, we have exceptional needs in particular areas which go beyond the limitations placed on our budget for the 2000-01 school year. Under state guidelines, funds earmarked to cover specific costs above and beyond the regular budget can be added to the budget with voter approval. Therefore, the Board of Education and I have determined that three separate questions should be added to the ballot to seek the necessary community support. Ballot question No. 2 seeks funds for a new ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant heat and smoke detection system in the district's five elementary schools. It will also fund the installation of a sprinkler system and major field renovations at the high school to ensure the safety of our physical education students, student-athletes and many community users of our facilities. Ballot question No. 3 requests approval of funds for the

lease-purchase of technology hardware and software which will provide the necessary quantity and quality of technology resources for our schools to be competitive. Ballot question No. 4 provides funds for a new elementary world language program which will begin preparing our students to meet the new state standards which will be tested in the near future.

The vote on ballot question No. 1 is of primary importance, however. Approval of the \$41,735,755 to be raised for the general fund will provide the operating budget for the 2000-01 school year. It is the money which will be used to support the day-to-day activities and achievements of our students and staff that were described in the annual report you received. Given the recent Board of Education decision relating to district facilities which was the focus of so much public attention, it is especially important that all voters distinguish between the upcoming vote on the 2000-01 annual school budget and the distinctly different referendum on facilities which won't take place until the fall. Voters need to understand that a negative vote on the budget in the April 18 election will only diminish the quality student programs and opportunities already in place and will have no impact on the facilities decision.

Information about the budget and the election has been sent to all residents in Perspective, the district newsletter, and is also available on the district Web site at [www.njcommunity.org/spfnct](http://www.njcommunity.org/spfnct). The PTA-sponsored Candidates Night, which can be seen along with budget information on TV-34, will give you a glimpse of the four candidates running for three open Board of Education seats from Scotch Plains. A special budget information phone line has also been set up at (908) 889-9665 so residents can call with their questions and comments. Please review the information that is available and carefully consider the impact of your vote on the education of our community's children. And on April 18, please remember to cast your vote on the budget, the three separate questions and the candidates for Board of Education. It is your right, it is your duty, it is critical!

CAROL B. CHOYE  
Superintendent, Scotch  
Plains-Fanwood Public Schools

Vote 'yes' on SP-F tab, questions

To The Record-Press:

Like all four candidates seeking seats on the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, my husband and I support a "yes" vote for the school budget and earnestly encourage all voters, with or without school-aged children, to do so, too. We also urge a "yes" for each public question. Having lived in Fanwood for nine years and Scotch Plains the past 37, we know a major reason our home(s) grew so tremendously in value has been the educational quality of our local schools. And, we've been around long enough to remember how quickly that excellence was jeopardized and the reputation of the district and communities slipped when reasonable budgets (as we believe this is) were defeated. We remember, too, how hard it was and long it took for both to recover.

During those difficult years, we saw rumors feed misconceptions and cause unnecessary divisiveness. A rumor today, not about the ballot questions but coloring attitudes about them, is

that this board and administration failed to acknowledge or remediate an unhealthy asbestos situation. As the former vice president for legislative activity and then president of National PTA, I led the uphill, eight-year struggle by our 6.5 million members to get laws and regulations to assure proper assessment, safe encapsulation and, if needed, removal of asbestos from every school in the country. I'm relieved to report we are in compliance with those hard-sought regulations and that staff is trained to identify and deal appropriately with any asbestos problem encountered.

Whatever our differences or order of priorities, let's keep discussions about the schools objective and honest. The children deserve the voting public to keep their future uppermost. A good start would be, like the candidates, to vote "yes."

MANYA S. UNGAR  
Scotch Plains

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Toy, clothing sale benefits SP-F LDA

SCOTCH PLAINS — A toy and children's clothing sale benefiting the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Learning Disabilities Association will be held this weekend.

The sale will be held 9 a.m.-2 p.m. today, Saturday and Sunday at 561 School Place in Scotch Plains.

To find the sale, follow signs from Park Avenue near Park Middle School.

The SP-F LDA offers support and information to parents and professionals of children with learning disabilities.

For more information regarding the SP-F LDA or the sale, please call Karyn Steele (908) 322-7265 or Ann Antolick (908) 757-1446.

Letters to the editor

Several PTAs endorse SP-F budget

SP-F budget proposal 'falls short'

To The Record-Press:

I would like to share my thoughts regarding the misguided school referendum recently passed to be put up for public vote by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education. After listening to many different sides of the argument, I am convinced that this proposal falls way short in many areas, most importantly being even remotely linked to improving the quality of education! First let me clearly state overcrowding is an issue and needs to be corrected. However, the board's proposal will not do it! It's no secret that the quality of our school system is sinking fast and if we are not careful, the value of our homes will go with it! The \$16 million proposal is a waste of everyone's time and money. The plan is ill-conceived and what makes it even more frightening is that three members of the board made that same statement the night they voted against the proposal. It seems that Dr. Choye and her cast of rehearsed supporters have very little concern about handing in a proposal that does not include all the issues, such as cost of asbestos removal and reconstructing a parking lot/drop-off area at Park Middle School. Let alone waiting until after submitting the proposal to have a traffic expert's opinion. In fact, they are not even considering that an aged school like Park will probably have hidden renovation costs. So that \$16 million is sounding more and more like \$20 million plus.

Our school system is at a crisis stage. We already pay one of the highest tax dollars per student to educate our children. All of this money spent and we can't even crack the top 20 in school systems. We can't even catch neighboring towns such as Westfield in the areas of technology and progressive programs. Instead of looking to align overcrowding with improving quality of education, we are basing a proposal purely on space consideration. Many towns that are currently facing this very same issue put quality first and foremost while looking to minimize disruption for space consideration.

I ride by the schools in Westfield and they are expanding onto their current schools, not reconfiguring grades by putting adolescents with teens and moving people all over town. There has not been much success with the K-4, 5-8 configuration. In fact, many of the towns

that have used this reverted back as soon as it was possible. So I am curious as to why Dr. Choye and some members think we can pull it off! More importantly, that's one expensive gamble not to even increase quality of education.

The board claims that this has been an issue for the past 10 years and yet they devise a plan but are unable to answer the simplest questions that are raised. What did they do all this time? Did they bother bench-marking other top school systems? Their best response is that they are volunteers and put a lot of time into this, and that other citizens don't. That in itself shows their ignorance and lack of concern about being open to all ideas and benchmarks from other schools! It is not their school, it is everyone's school system and just because I am not a Board of Education member doesn't mean my concerns or points of view should be demeaned and trivialized. When the honest people of this town have a concern, the administration should be intelligent enough to listen. By the way if the volunteering part is too much, they should step down!

I say let's solve this problem, but let's benchmark the very best school systems in the area to help guide us. If it takes a few extra months it would have been worth it. After all, the goal is to fix overcrowding and have the best system in the state, not doing one without the other. Or am I being naive striving for a system that is worth my tax dollars? It's quite clear that we cannot have trust in this committee after seeing so many holes in their proposal. It's no wonder that they haven't been able to improve the quality of education in all these years.

I strongly urge residents with or without children in school to really listen to what's going on. After all it's your tax dollars and property values riding on it. I don't know about you, but I would hate to pay anywhere from a minimum \$135 on up per year in tax increases for a second rate system and a plan that is destined to fail in addressing overcrowding.

By the way, I don't have children in the school system, but I hate sitting by and watching the town and its schools going down the drain.

JOE BONACCORSO Scotch Plains

To The Editor:

School One PTA's executive board, as well as the Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Joint Council and the executive boards of the other seven PTAs in Fanwood and Scotch Plains, have all voted to endorse the proposed school budget for 2000-2001.

After learning about this proposed budget, we have chosen to support its prudent approach to meeting our diverse students' needs while minimizing the taxpayers' burdens. The budget's modest 3.06% increase reflects a growing student population about 100 extra students yearly; smaller shares of the budget contributed by Trenton; longer lists of subjects that Trenton tells us to teach.

The state orders schools to teach more things (world languages, dance, theater, more music and art). Yet they contribute ever-smaller shares of our local school budget. This year, only 7.57% of our school funds will come from Trenton. By contrast, the average NJ public school district gets 48% of its money from Trenton and Washington.

Most [9/10ths] of our school budget pays for legally required and contracted items. The Board District can choose freely about few items: maps, textbooks, maintenance, and maybe an extra teacher if classes are too crowded in September. If a school budget were to get voted down, the town officials have to decide-but only about that small portion of the budget that's not already committed

by law and contracts.

NO item on the 2000-2001 School Budget has ANYTHING to do with the Facilities and Enrollment Plan. That will be a separate vote this fall.

Each of the three Special Question items can be voted on separately: Improve our school fire alarm systems; add smoke alarms, lights; and repair two uneven sports playing fields for safety. Provide more computers and hire technicians to train teachers and troubleshoot the machines. Hire World Language teachers for next year's second graders, who will be the first to take the State test (80% of NJ schools have already done this.)

Scotch Plains also has 3 vacancies on the Board of Education. Four dedicated candidates are willing to volunteer their time on behalf of our youth.

We earnestly urge all voters: GO TO THE POLLS ON APRIL 18th.

Vote for the budget, and for three Special Questions.

In Scotch Plains, vote for 3 Board of Education candidates. Read and listen before you vote, so you will be confident about your selected candidates. If 250 parents from each school vote for the school budget, our children's school budget will pass.

Sincerely,

BARBARA CRONENBERGER-MEYER Scotch Plains

PTA backs proposed SP-F budget

To The Editor:

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Council has voted to endorse the proposed 2000-2001 school budget and additional three questions, and we urge all voters to support it.

This budget, we believe, is fiscally and educationally responsible, balancing the needs of students with the taxpayers. The budget is up only 3.06 percent - a remarkably low increase in consideration of the additional 100-plus students added since last year. This budget is the operating budget of our school district. The separate questions will provide financial support in the areas of building maintenance (upgraded ADA-compliant fire and new smoke detection systems, etc.), technology (computer lease/purchase) and staff and training for a state mandated elementary world language program.

The average NJ public school district gets 48

percent of its money from Trenton and Washington. By contrast, Scotch Plains receives only 7.57 percent of our school budget from Trenton and a few thousand dollars from Washington. The state says that Scotch Plains and Fanwood taxpayers must support 90 percent-plus of local education costs. If the budget is defeated it could affect the youngsters of SP-F with cuts in staff and programs and increased class sizes.

A vote for the budget and separate questions will support small class sizes, all current programs and program improvements. In order for the children of our community to continue getting an excellent education, we need to vote "Yes" for the budget on April 18th. Thank you.

KARYN S. STEELE Corresponding Secretary Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Council

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Auditions scheduled for Circle Players' 'Pippen'

PISCATAWAY The Circle Players have scheduled auditions for a summer production of the musical "Pippen," which first hit on Broadway in the 1970s.

Auditions at the Circle Playhouse, located in Piscataway, are scheduled to be held from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. April 29 and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. May 1.

Needed are eight men and women for principal roles, all with strong acting and singing skills; 10 Bob Fosse-style dancers, proficient in jazz and ballet; and a young boy, small in stature. For more information and directions, call (732) 968-7555.

Margaret A. O'Connell of Westfield has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Class of 2001 at Roanoke College in Salem, Va. The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John J. O'Connell of Watchung Fork, Westfield, graduated from Westfield High School.

Two area students achieved a perfect average of 4.0 during the fall 1999 semester at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va.

Named to the dean's list for their efforts were Brian E. Russ of Scotch Plains, a junior at Virginia Tech, and Jessica F. Miller of Westfield, a senior.

Meghan Erin Bender has been selected for the Rho Beta chapter of Chi Sigma Iota honor society in counseling. She is studying for a master's degree from the Curry School of Education at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va.

Bender earned a bachelor's degree in 1999 from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa. The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bruce E. Bender of Westfield graduated from Westfield High School in 1995.

Four area students were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Franklin

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& Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa. They are:

Amelia "Mia" Baker of Scotch Plains, a senior majoring in classics. The daughter of Dr. Stephen and Marjorie Baker graduated in 1996 from the Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison.

George Daniledes of Scotch Plains, a senior majoring in sociology with a minor in music. The 1996 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School is the son of E. Joy Daniledes of Scotch Plains and Peter Daniledes of Freehold.

Lindsey Everitt of Scotch Plains, a junior majoring in business. The daughter of Dr. Jeffrey and Karen Everitt graduated from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1997.

Jodi Goldberg of Westfield, a senior majoring in government with a minor in history. The daughter of Don and Barbara Goldberg graduated from Westfield High School in 1995.

Douglas Vincent Brandely has been inducted into Beta Theta Pi fraternity at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va. The son of David and Carol Brandely grad-

uated from Westfield High School.

Marie G. Isolda of Westfield was named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. She is the daughter of Tony and Marisa Isolda.

Alexandra E. Donovski and Thomas R. Hogan, both of Scotch Plains, were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at William Paterson University in Wayne.

Deborah Lee Buchsbaum and Christine Cecelia Swenson, both of Westfield, were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Drew University in Madison.

Three Westfield students achieved academic honors during the fall 1999 semester at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Pa.

Amy Lynn Valentine, a senior, was named to the deans' honors list. The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph A. Valentine earned a grade point average of 3.6 or higher on a scale of 4.

Named to the deans' commendation list were Jessica

Lynne Brewster, a sophomore and the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. R.E. Brewster Jr., and Nicole Marie DeSantis, a junior and the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Francis E. DeSantis. Deans' commendation list students earned a grade point average of 3.33 or higher on a scale of 4.

Boutumelo Notoane of Fanwood was named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at the Teaneck campus of Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Six students from Westfield were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. They are Courtney Lynn Norton, Leigh Amy Pravda, Josh Lee Rock, Lindsay Elizabeth Totams, Michael Scott Warren and Jason Albert Yarusi.

Christopher M. Owens of Marks Avenue, Westfield, earned academic honors during the fall 1999 semester at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. He is majoring in health sciences.

Three students from Scotch Plains were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Providence College in Providence, R.I. They are Kristy Feil, a sophomore; Thomas Klock, a junior majoring in accountancy; and Thomas Werner, a freshman majoring in English.

Two Scotch Plains students were named to the dean's list for the fall 1999 semester at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md. They are:

Sara Jane Billard, a senior majoring in English. The daughter of William and Margaret Billard attended Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Alice Li-Sheng Lin, a junior majoring in international studies. The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Lin attended Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

La Leche League to meet Thursday

WESTFIELD - The La Leche League of Westfield, a breast-feeding information and support group, will hold its next meeting Thursday.

Thursday's meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:15 a.m. at the Cranford United Methodist Church, located at 201 E. Lincoln Ave. in Cranford. This is a new location for the group's meetings, which are held the third Thursday of every month.

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Letters to the editor

Thoughtful Nelson is 'best' in SP-F

To The Editor:

I have known Linda Nelson for over twelve years. We first worked together when our children, who are now seniors, were in the first grade. We were committed then to calmly and respectfully getting the Board of Education to add another section of first grade for the future classes as well as supporting the present first grade class by adding an aide. It took time and perseverance and the students of McGinn were given the extra section that was needed.

We attended every public meeting and the

budget sessions that year so I know Linda listens and asks thoughtful questions. I know she has continued to attend BOE meetings over the past twelve years so she is fully aware of the commitment that must be made. I know she will work hard for all our children as well as all the people of our district. I think she's the best candidate running this year.

Respectfully,

BETH WOJCIO  
Fanwood

Scotch Plains government is 'clean'

To The Editor:

At its April 11 meeting, the Scotch Plains Council approved a bill to ban political fund-raising at the municipal building. This is a piece of legislation I asked the Council to consider on behalf of the Citizens' Army, a grass-roots effort of citizens originally begun by New Jersey Common Cause to fight the influence of money on government.

The Citizens' Army has introduced similar "good government" bills in over 75 communities in the state, as a way of showing our legislators

that we the people are concerned about the state of our democracy in this era of big money politics.

Scotch Plains is a community that has a reputation of running a clean government and has proven this in the bipartisan, helpful way they have dealt with this ordinance. Let's hope this spirit of bipartisanship continues and we can avoid the unfortunate bickering that mars the political process and causes loss of respect for it.

Very truly yours,

MARY MAHONY  
Scotch Plains

SP-F schools back fire volunteers

To The Editor:

I am writing in response to the letter which you published on April 7, under the headline "Docking Firefighter's Pay is Unfair," which was signed "Concerned residents of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Community." The information presented in the letter was not correct.

Although this is a personnel matter and I cannot go into detail, I want to inform the community that it is not Board of Education policy to prevent any individual from carrying out their responsibilities with the Fire Department or to reduce their pay for their absences as emergency volunteers. As Business Administrator for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools, I have met with the individual in question to discuss

and clarify and misconception regarding this matter.

I want to further state that neither the Board members nor the Superintendent had any knowledge of this incident prior to the receipt of the letter (and petition), a copy of which was printed in your newspaper. It has always been the policy of the school district to support the efforts of our employees who are volunteer firemen and rescue squad workers, and we will continue this practice.

Sincerely,

ANTHONY DEL SORDI  
Business administrator  
Scotch Plains-Fanwood Schools

LaPolla, Corzine in for some heat

To The Record-Press:

There is an old Italian saying, "If you can't take the heat get out of the kitchen." But then again what would Mr. Lapolla know about old Italian sayings. The truth of the matter is he has always let people believe that he is of Italian descent. But fortunately, most Italian voters know better and therefore give credit to Mr. Lapolla for being a big fraud and a proven liar. But then again, he would have to have such neg-

ative characteristics to be involved with Jon Corzine in lieu of his most recent negative remarks of Italian Americans. Gentlemen, thank you for educating the Italian voters. This Italian has one piece of advice for Mr. Lapolla and Mr. Corzine. Ask Mr. Lesniak to spend some of Mr. Corzine's money and buy you guys a big air conditioner because you just turned up the heat.

DANIEL VALENTINO III  
Fanwood

Happy Easter

Children around the world celebrate Easter

(ARA) — Every child has his or her favorite Easter tradition. For some, it is the excitement of the Easter egg hunt. For others, it's eating the ears off of a chocolate bunny. But what do children throughout the world do to celebrate Easter?

In France, church bells are silent from Good Friday until Easter. Children are told "the bells have flown away to Rome." On Easter morning, children flock to their gardens to "watch the bells fly back from Rome." While the children eagerly watch the skies, adults hide chocolate eggs. For those who'd like to try this tradition here in the United States, Fannie May Candies makes chocolate eggs in 15 flavors and two sizes.

Before Easter, Finnish children plant rye grass seeds in small pots. The green grass that grows is a symbol of spring, even if the grass is only growing in a pot. Children also decorate their homes with pussy willows and birch twigs. On Easter night, children walk around their villages, carrying loud musical instruments or cowbells. By making so much noise, the children are celebrating the end of the Silent Week leading up to Easter.

Swedish children enjoy egg-rolling contests, in which the children see whose egg can roll the furthest without breaking. Swedish tradition also states that witches are particularly active at Easter time. Boys and girls dress up as "Easter hags" and visit neighbors. The children can then leave a small, decorated card known as an "Easter letter," and may be rewarded with candy or a coin. "Giving gifts at Easter is just another way of celebrating," says Gwen Stansu, marketing communications manager for

Fannie May Candies. "It's a way of showing affection and hope at the start of the spring season."

Families in Bulgaria make a special bread called "kolacheta." The bread is then decorated for children. Historically, Bulgarian hostesses gave bright red eggs to every guest. Nowadays, though, only children receive the eggs as gifts. Children then play with the eggs, trying to break one another's. Whoever breaks someone else's egg gets to keep that egg as a prize.

In Romania, Easter is looked upon as a celebration of the revival of nature. The new grass makes an ideal hiding spot for colored eggs. Children hunt for these eggs and receive gifts.

Throughout most of the world, Easter bunnies are looked upon as cute little bearers of eggs and


treats. In Australia, however, rabbits are an environmental problem and can wreak havoc on native flora. So Australia has put forth the Bilby, an animal native to Australia, as a symbol for Easter. The Bilby is a small rodent with a long nose, and, like the bunny, long ears. Because it is an endangered animal, promoting the Bilby in schools has raised awareness and funds for preservation.

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## Spring (Fling) is in the air

WESTFIELD — The calendar may say spring arrived March 20, but spring really arrives April 30, when the streets of downtown Westfield will welcome thousands of shoppers, craftspeople and artists to the sixth-annual Spring Fling street fair.

The free-admission fair, sponsored by the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and now recognized as a classic and popular New Jersey festival, is scheduled to run from noon to 6 p.m.

Spring Fling includes artists, musical entertainment, thousands of crafts and food. More than 300 exhibits of quality crafts, art, local businesses and children's activities will highlight Spring Fling 2000.

Scheduled entertainment includes two jazz bands, the Olliand Puppet Show and performances by The Hungary 5 Oompah Band, Blues singer Alvin Madison and the swinging '50s retro group Class: The Girls Next Door. The stage for all performances is at the corner of Elm and East Broad streets, while musical entertainers and clowns will also stroll the streets of Westfield during the day.

D.J. and singer Bob Mele of Elizabeth will coordinate a full schedule of entertainment.

More than 18 festival food vendors are scheduled to tempt fairgoers. Ferraro's, Cosmos Pizza, Snacks 'n Such and China Light will serve Asian food and Italian specialties such as calamari, pastas and desserts. Other items on the Spring Fling menu include Greek foods, garlic shrimp, tomato bruschetta, smoked barbecued ribs and London broil. Sweet treats include fresh fruit "smoothies," deep-fried Oreos

cookies, ice cream and Pennsylvania Dutch funnel cakes.

Browsers can enjoy creations of jewelry, unique designer clothing, dolls, toys, quilts, wood carving, pottery, original furniture and home and garden accessories.

Other unusual crafts include folk-art paintings on antiques, jewelry collage form antique beads and findings, cat ceramics and decoupage eggs in dozens of themes. Westfield designer Alma Bostic will show her original costume jewelry, scarves and apparel.

Westfield antique dealer Mary Lou's Memorabilia on Elm Street will show vintage jewelry, accessories and collectibles. Scott's Shoes, the Westfield Y, Castle Bootery, Classic Thyme, Westfield Website, Dave Rossi Photography, The Westfield Symphony and Bunches Flowers are a few of the Westfield exhibitors scheduled to attend, while Bali Home Design will sell teak garden furniture.

Temple Emanu-El plans to offer information on animal adoption. The Guillotine, located on Central Avenue, will sponsor a cut-a-thon for the American Cancer Society from noon to 5 p.m. and Weichert's Westfield office, in cooperation with the Blood Center of New Jersey, will host a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 185 Elm St.

Many churches and community groups also plan to participate, and Spring Fling includes many local non-profit and service organizations.

For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021.

The rain date is May 7.

## Westfield ready to make downtown Clean Sweep

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Westfield Corporation will sponsor the Clean Sweep project in downtown Westfield from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 6.

Mayor Thomas Jardim and the Westfield Department of Public Works will work with the volunteers as everyone pitches in to help clean up the downtown area.

The Blue Machine, the new sidewalk sweeper, will clean the main sidewalk areas. Volunteers will be given gloves

and garbage bags, and will be assigned to areas that need some sprucing up.

Susan Brand of Brand Travel, located at 107 Quimby St., and Warren Rorden of Burgdorff Realtors are spearheading the Clean Sweep effort this year. Participants will come to Brand Travel on May 6 to receive their clean-up area assignment. Scout troops, Westfield organizations, school groups and church and temple groups are invited to be a part of the Clean Sweep.

Landlords may join the effort by cleaning up the parking areas and alleyways behind their buildings.

The program creates pride in the downtown area, a continuing theme for the DWC and the Chamber of Commerce. The program will add to the beautification efforts already being made by the town of Westfield and the DWC. One hundred new garbage receptacles were placed throughout the downtown recently, which also helps the ongoing clean-up

effort.

Clean Sweep also increases public awareness of the importance of cleanliness in the overall appearance of the downtown, officials said.

"It's important for everyone in Westfield to be a part of the Pride in Downtown effort to make our downtown look its best," said Brand.

Groups who would like to participate can register by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at (908) 233-3021 or Downtown Westfield at (908) 789-9444.

## McDermott to file for mayoral race

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some saying he was a strong candidate for the party to run in the November election. Fourth Ward Republican Councilwoman Janis Fried Weinstein said McDermott would bring many worthy aspects to the office and, after his time on the Town Council,

has become a "perfect candidate."

"He's certainly grown in the last couple of years," Weinstein said. "I think (McDermott running) is great."

Jardim had little to say about the prospect of a mayoral showdown with McDermott, although he did note the Republican coun-

cilman's announcement came as little surprise. "I had anticipated he was going to run," Jardim said.

While the last couple of Town Council races have been marred by partisan politicking and mudslinging, the mayor said he anticipates a "healthy" race in 2000. "I

think it's good we have healthy and competitive races in Westfield," he said. "I would view this year as no different than any other. But judging from years past, I would say it will be competitive."

## Candidates, budget ready for vote

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whether they will foot the bill for the proposed \$57 million budget for the 2000-2001 school year. Board members approved the budget March 28. District officials said the \$57 budget is necessary to improve technology programs in the district, hire new teachers and complete facilities improvements. The budget would mean residents will see a roughly \$150 school-tax increase on an average Westfield home assessed at \$175,000.

Polls will be open Tuesday from 2 p.m.-9 p.m. in schools throughout town. Those seeking absentee ballots can do so by going to any district school, Westfield Town Hall at 425 East Broad St. or at the Board of Education's administrative offices at 302 Elm St.

Voters have been assigned polling places based on the ward they live in. The locations will be:

- First Ward**
  - Districts 1 and 2, Roosevelt

- Intermediate School Gym**
  - Districts 3, 5 and 7, Benjamin Franklin School Auditorium

- Second Ward**
  - Districts 4 and 6, Westfield Memorial Library

- Third Ward**
  - District 1, Union County Clerk's Annex

- Fourth Ward**
  - Districts 2, 3 and 6, Washington School Auditorium

- Intermediate School Gym**
  - Districts 4 and 5, Wilson School Auditorium

- Third Ward**
  - District 1, Westfield Rescue Squad

- Fourth Ward**
  - Districts 2, 3 and 4, Edison Intermediate School Gym

- Fourth Ward**
  - Districts 5, 6 and 7, Jefferson School Auditorium

- Fourth Ward**
  - Districts 1 and 2, McKinley School Auditorium

- Fourth Ward**
  - Districts 3 and 4, Westfield High School Auditorium Lobby

- Fourth Ward**
  - District 5, Jefferson School Auditorium

For more information on the annual Board of Education election, call the board office at (908) 789-4420.

## Council adopts \$17M budget

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"Taxpayers are getting an appropriation increase with an increase in services and no tax increase," the mayor said. "We have a responsibility to the citizens, especially to our seniors."

Marks added that last year's Democratic-sponsored tax increase of 5.5 percent was "unnecessary."

Despite its usefulness, however, the mayor said he is determined to reduce the surplus in the years ahead. "It boils down to what is an appropriate level of surplus," he said. "Last year's surplus was too high. This is the people's money and it shouldn't be in the government's coffers."

Taking issue with the mayor's description of last year's increase as unneces-

sary, resident Walter Bowright said that while Democrats received lots of criticism over the 1999 tax hike, "it seems to me that if last year's increase was zero, we'd be looking at a 5-percent increase this year."

"Then you'd be trying to explain why there's a tax increase this year," Bowright told the mayor.

Other major elements in the budget increase include higher costs for municipal health insurance, payments to the Rahway Valley Sewage Authority and the Plainfield Area Regional Sewage Authority and reserves to cover uncollected taxes.

Offsetting the increases are cost savings related to personnel, such as the new telephone system at Municipal Hall, which allowed the elimination of the telephone operator position.

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## Bell preservation earns historic award

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of noteworthy preservation efforts and honoring the people who make the efforts happen are important aspects of the awards — although another aspect of why the awards are presented each year is sometimes overlooked. The awards, she said, are also given "so that there will be a better understanding of how historical preservation bene-

fits the community."

The winners are nominated by Union County residents who, upon noticing an outstanding project, fill out a nomination form which can usually be obtained at a library or post office, according to McTeague.

The Town Bell once sat atop a now-defunct school in the Prospect Street area that was torn down years ago, according

to volunteers. Town Engineer Ken Marsh said the bell was considered lost shortly before Westfield's centennial celebration in 1994, but it was found in a warehouse. Volunteers moved the bell to the Department of Public Works building on North Avenue, where it now rests, and restored it with the help of Public Works personnel.

The bell was ready in time

to grace centennial events and can still be heard at some celebrations, including the annual SpringFling and FestiFall.

Marsh cited the work of volunteers, including then-town historian Ralph Jones and Jack Panosh, in recovering the restoring the bell. "We just helped," he said. "Those guys did the lion's share of the work."

## About 4,380 days worth of Day Care

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She said being a part of the center was an honor, and becoming the executive director — while a daunting task — an easy choice.

"I had worked in the office and was very attracted to the way it was run," she said, not-

ing it was rewarding to be associated with the topnotch people who work at all positions in the center.

One of the things she said was a highlight of her time watching over the home-away-from-home was putting the "sliding tuition scale" in place. Tuition at the center is not a

set number, but instead determined by the economic factors each individual family faces, including income and expenses. Rhodes said the system offers many advantages for the Westfield-based facility — the only day care in the area to employ such a system, she said — and the "equality of opportu-

nity" the system affords is a great benefit of the center. "You always make sure what you're going to offer is never going to exclude anyone," she said.

Rhodes said another positive aspect of the sliding tuition scale is it maintains socio-economic diversity at a time when such considerations are important — a time in our society, and a time in the center's kids' lives. "The children, at an age when they're so receptive," she said. "The diversity is great to see."

Rhodes did note there were some things about the executive director's position she regretted. She said she had precious little time to interact with those the center serves most, the children, because the administrative tasks consumed so much of her time, keeping her time in the classroom to a minimum. "I didn't get in the classroom as much as I would have liked," she said.

Still, Rhodes walks away from the day care center with predominantly fond memories. One of the things she will miss most, she noted, is "just the privilege of working with the staff."



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# Meet your candidates in the Westfield and SP-F school board races

On Tuesday, voters around the state will go to the polls to determine the fate of their local school budgets and the look of their respective boards of education.

As a service to the readers of the *Record-Press*, we present this rundown of the six candidates seeking election to the Westfield Board of Education, where three 3-year seats and one

1-year seat are up for grabs, and the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, where four candidates are squaring off for three, 3-year terms representing Scotch Plains.

## WESTFIELD

**Michael J. Kessler (I)**  
Park Street, Westfield  
(running unopposed for one-year term)

**FAMILY:** Wife Ginny, daughters Melissa and Christine  
**EDUCATION:** BS, Montclair State; MBA, Rutgers University  
**OCCUPATION:** Financial manager  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 9  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Completing first three-year term on school board; chairman of school board's Finance Committee; member of school board's Policies Committee and Facilities Committee; alternate member of school board's Long-Range Planning Committee  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** My reasons for continuing my service on the Westfield Board of Education are to watch over our facilities, to ensure they are safe and highly conducive to learning, to continue to develop a fiscally conservative budget that adequately serves our children, and to continue my overall contributions to our children.

**Kimberly Rhodes**  
Webster Place, Westfield

**FAMILY:** Husband Mark, 9-year-old son, 7-year-old daughter  
**EDUCATION:** BS, Cornell University; MBA, NYU's Leonard Stern School of Business  
**OCCUPATION:** Consultant, education finance  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 5  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE:** School board's Strategic Planning Committee and Citizen's Advisory Committee on Capital Projects; recording secretary of Franklin PTA; treasurer of College Women's Club of Westfield; co-director of Presbyterian Church's LOGOs program; president of Westfield Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Club; member of Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** Since leaving full-time employment in the area of education finance, I have volunteered for numerous non-profit organizations. Many of them, including the Westfield Board of Education, focus on education. I feel that my educational, professional and community service experiences have prepared me well to be a strong board member. I would like to continue my commitment to the community by serving on the board, because I am a strong believer in public education. I would welcome the opportunity to give my time for the benefit of all Westfield students.

**Anne Riegel (I)**  
Manchester Drive, Westfield

**FAMILY:** Husband Robert, two daughters attending Jefferson School  
**EDUCATION:** BS, Wharton Business School of University of Pennsylvania; MBA, Columbia University  
**OCCUPATION:** Former investment analyst  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 7  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Appointed to Board of Education in August 1999; co-president of Jefferson School PTO for two years, current PTO advisor; first and second VP of Westfield School's Citizens Advisory Committee for Capital Projects; board of directors, JCC of Central New Jersey; chairwoman of JCC's Early Childhood Committee  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** My primary goal as a member of the Board of Education is to maintain the excellence in Westfield's schools. As a board member, my priorities include providing curriculum and staffing to meet the diverse needs of our students, achieving the district's technology goals, addressing the upcoming space shortages at the high school and formulating fiscally sound budgets that meet our educational goals. I have been an active board member since my appointment last August, and currently serve on three important board committees: Finance, Long-Range Planning and Curriculum and Instruction Programs. My long-term commitment to education and background in finance are strong assets to the board. As a school leader, I encouraged volunteerism, supported teachers and promoted communication. I have been dedicated to improving education and developing a strong sense of community within our schools. I hope to continue serving our children and our community as a member of the board.

**Thomas J. Taylor (I)**  
Madison Avenue, Westfield

**FAMILY:** Four children; one graduated from Westfield School System, three still attending Westfield schools  
**EDUCATION:** BA, N.Y.U.; Juris Doctorate, New York School of Law  
**OCCUPATION:** Lawyer  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** Lifelong resident  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Westfield Board of Education, 1984-1987 and 1997-2000  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** Our district is performing at a very good level. Our students consistently out-perform state averages and averages in comparable districts. Our athletic teams excel. Our commitment to the fine arts is compelling. Our current budget is below cap and our average per-pupil cost is below state average. We are on the threshold of changing from a very good district to one of the finest. Experienced, committed leadership will speed and ease this transition.

**B. Carol Molnar (I)**  
Wychwood Road, Westfield

**FAMILY:** Two daughters, one in eighth grade at Roosevelt Middle School  
**EDUCATION:** BBA and MBA, Pace University; Juris Doctorate, Seton Hall Law School  
**OCCUPATION:** Controller/attorney  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** Life-long resident  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** School board member since 1988; served on boards of Westfield Community Center, Youth & Family Counseling Service, Dr. M.L. King Association and on Budget Review Committee of Westfield United Fund.  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** I am seeking re-election to the Board of Education at this time since the board faces significant educational and financial challenges. Academic excellence must be our first priority; the board must continue to incorporate technology into the curriculum and to manage the increasing student enrollment, which will affect all grade levels. Therefore, my past board experience and background will be beneficial to the citizens of Westfield during these challenging times. I strongly believe that the quality of public education is a crucial ingredient in the vitality of our town.

**Peter Billson**  
Grant Avenue, Westfield

**FAMILY:** Single  
**EDUCATION:** 1983 graduate of Westfield High School  
**OCCUPATION:** VP of operations, Westfield Leaders; part-time computer consultant  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** Lifelong resident  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Past chairman of promotions for the Downtown Westfield Corporation; former member of the Fanwood Volunteer Committee; former member of the Westfield First Night Committee  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** I am running for a seat on the Westfield Board of Education with a platform of open and honest communication in order to engage the entire town in our children's education -- including the two-thirds of the town that does not have children in our schools. I firmly believe that as enrollment grows, the need for broad-based support of our schools becomes essential to maintaining the quality of education that we, as Westfielders, have come to expect. I am uniquely qualified to relate to the two-thirds not currently represented by the board. When I am elected, I will use my leadership, technical know-how and communication skills to engage the entire community in our children's education. I would like for you to vote for me on April 18.

## SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD

**Ava McNamara**  
Arrowwood Drive, Scotch Plains

**FAMILY:** Husband Paul, three children -- one attending McGinn School, one in preschool handicapped program at Brunner School  
**EDUCATION:** BA, Rutgers University; Degree in Paralegal Studies, Upsala College; graduate of Seton Hall School of Law  
**OCCUPATION:** Founder of Paralegal Services, former internal auditor for Lincoln Federal Savings and Polilly Savings & Loan  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** Lifelong resident  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Member of the International Dyslexia Assoc., the JCC of Central New Jersey and the PTA; former member of the Learning Disabilities Association; served on numerous cultural and early childhood development committees at her son's pre-school  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** I am running for the BOE because I want to ensure that our school district provides each child with a powerful academic program and enrichment opportunities that will serve them well now and for the rest of their lives. I believe that the board must strive to maximize citizen input in adoption of programs and policies. The schools belong to the residents of the community. Likewise, the success of our schools depends on community involvement. Parents and taxpayers must see our schools as an investment and recognize some level of control over decisions that impact the quality and cost of our children's education. Board members must make themselves accessible to the community and seek maximum input on all issues. As a self-employed businessperson who lives and works in the community and has children in our system, I am and will be accessible to all residents wishing to voice their concerns and ideas. I want to be a board member people feel confident they can call upon. With one child in our elementary schools, another in our pre-school program and a third looking to enter the system shortly, I have a current and long-term perspective on how we can shape our district's future. My youngest child will not graduate from our high school until 2016! No current or prospective board member in this year's campaign can make that claim. I urge all residents of the community to make an investment in our children's future by coming out to vote on April 18th.

**Thomas Russo (I)**  
Stocker Lane, Scotch Plains

**FAMILY:** Wife Marla, one son in Park Middle School, one son in Brunner Elementary School  
**EDUCATION:** BA, College of William and Mary; Juris Doctorate, American University  
**OCCUPATION:** Trial lawyer  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 34 years  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Completing first term on Board of Education; past president of the Fanwood Scotch Plains Rotary Club; former VP of the Fanwood Scotch Plains Jaycees; volunteer counsel to the SPF HS Alumni Association, St. Bartholomew's old timers softball league and SPF Music Boosters Association; former member of the Brunner PTA executive council; former SPF youth baseball coach  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** I am dedicated to giving back to the community that has served my family so well. I am running for re-election because I believe that a school board should be comprised of lay people whose thinking has not been influenced by years of experience in the educational arena. I believe that open, honest communication with the public is an essential responsibility of the school board and administrators and that the taxpayers have a right to expect prudent financial management and full accountability in language that the community can understand. I spearheaded a change in policy to make public comment easier and more convenient at board meetings. I opposed the ill-conceived proposal to relocate the pre-school programs to Park Middle School. I voted against the budget-breaking teacher contract because it contained an excessive financial settlement with no guarantees against future disruption of Back to School Nights. I have continually voted as the voice of the community. Please come out on April 18th and show your support for the future of our children.

**Linda Nelson**  
Essex Road, Scotch Plains

**FAMILY:** Husband James, two sons attending Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School  
**EDUCATION:** BA and MA, Rowen University (formerly Glassboro State College)  
**OCCUPATION:** Freelance writer, editor and public relations consultant  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 16  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Former member of McGinn and Terrill Schools executive boards; current member of SPFHS PTA; former member of the PTA Council; former member of the Terrill Music Boosters Executive Board; currently serving in fourth year on the SPFHS Music Boosters Association Executive Board; former school board liaison for the McGinn PTA; current school board liaison for Music Boosters; member of 1994 school board Facilities Task Force; two-time Cub Scout den mother; active member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford, including serving as current lay assistant in worship, former president of the church's Women's Organization, chairwoman of fund-raising drive and congregational president  
**WHY SEEKING ELECTION:** As a parent with experience at the elementary, middle and high school levels, and as a taxpayer, I have a long-standing interest in school matters, a familiarity with local issues and a general knowledge of the district. I have attended local Board of Education meetings regularly for the past 12 years. As a school public relations professional, I have worked directly with other boards of education and am familiar with the matters discussed and decided by the boards, the amount of preparation and long meetings required of board members, and the personal skills demanded of effective board members. I also am informed about educational issues on the state level. Locally, this seems an especially important time to elect strong, qualified board members. I am trained to help the community understand the schools and to help the administration and Board of Education understand what the public is thinking, skills that I am offering to the community. With my background and ability to carry the load, I felt serving on the board was the responsible thing to do.

**Theresa Larkin (I)**  
Black Birch Road, Scotch Plains

**FAMILY:** Husband John  
**EDUCATION:** BA, Marywood University (formerly Marywood College)  
**OCCUPATION:** Freelance marketing consultant  
**NO. YEARS IN TOWN:** 14  
**PRIOR BOARD/COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Current school board president; six year member of school board; former member of SPF-PEA Negotiation Committee; former member of Coles PTA Executive Board; current member of Music and Athletics Boosters; served on school board's Policies Committee  
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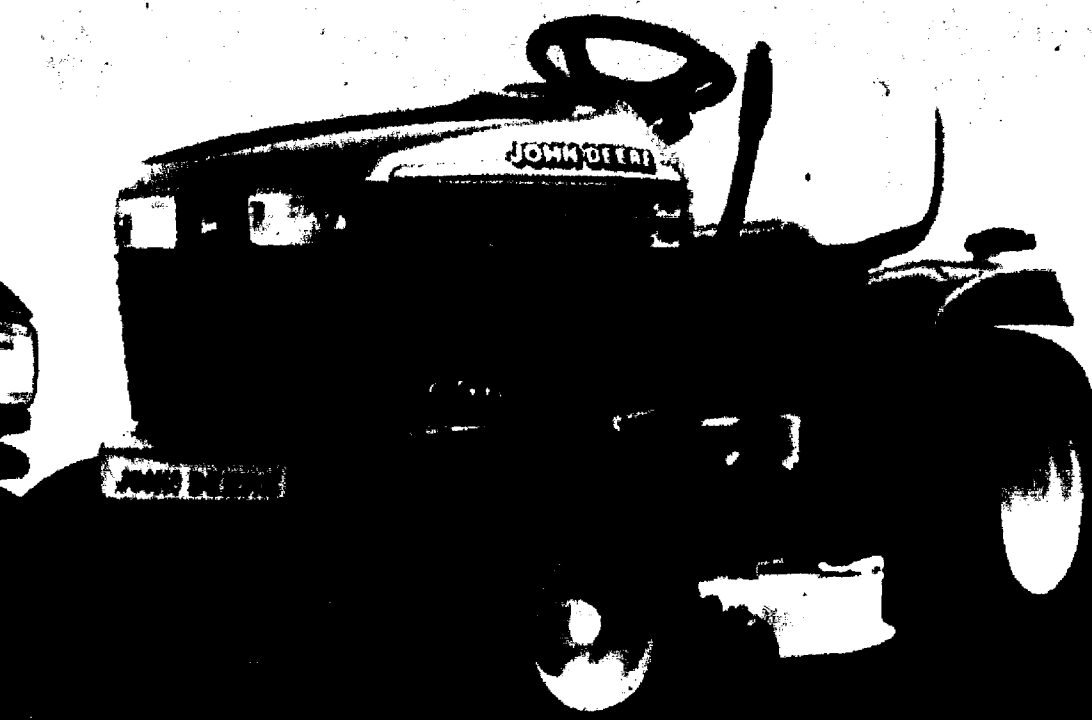
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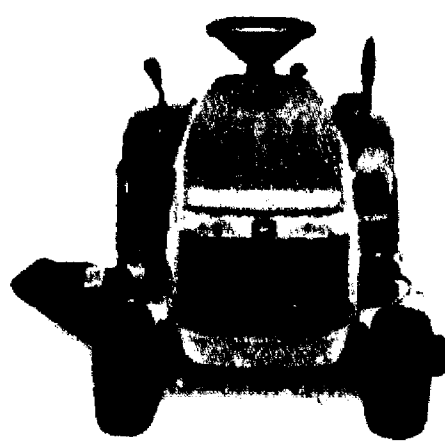
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# Community Life

## This week

### FRIDAY

**APRIL 14**  
**FRIDAY NIGHT FLICK** — "Dead Poets Society," Robin Williams vehicle from 1988. Fanwood Memorial Library, North Avenue, Fanwood. 7:30 p.m. Free admission. Call (908) 322-6400.  
**'ALMON'S PARDON'** — Premiere of drama intersecting with the death of Jesus Christ. Evangel Chapel, 1251 Terrill Road, Scotch Plains. 7:30 p.m. April 14, 15, 21, 22. Free admission. Visit [www.evangelchapel.com](http://www.evangelchapel.com) or call (908) 322-9300.

### SATURDAY

**APRIL 15**  
**FLEA MARKET** — 20th annual event of Scotch Plains Lions Club. Railroad station, North Avenue, Fanwood, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Vendors: Call (908) 753-3218.  
**CLEANUP** — of Fanwood, beginning 8:30 a.m. Meet at railroad station parking lot on South Avenue, Fanwood. Call (908) 322-6577.  
**EASTER PIX** — bagels, doughnuts and pictures with the Easter bunny. Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 1610 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, 10:30 a.m. Registration: Call (908) 889-2588.

### SUNDAY

**APRIL 16**  
**INTERFAITH SINGLES** — for single adults over 45. First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield, 9 a.m. April 16, 23, 30. Cost \$2. Call (908) 889-5269 or (908) 889-4751.  
**YOGA FOR SINGLES** — open to single adults 35-55. Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, 10:30 a.m. Cost \$10. Call (908) 69-8800, Ext. 205.  
**CHAIR CANING** — how it was done in the 18th century. Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 2-5 p.m. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 322-1776.  
**CHALK ART** — Rev. Matthew Labriola at Gethsemane: With Jesus in the Garden. First United Methodist Church, 1171 Terrill Road, Scotch Plains, 7 p.m. Free admission. Call (908) 322-9222.

### TUESDAY

**APRIL 18**  
**DINNER MEETING** — of Berkeley Heights-Clark-Westfield BPW club. Kenilworth Inn, Boulevard, Kenilworth, 7 p.m. Cost \$20. Reservations: Call (908) 687-5239 by April 17.

### WEDNESDAY

**APRIL 19**  
**RABIES CLINIC** — for cats and dogs in Scotch Plains. Firehouse, Park Avenue, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (cats) and 7:30-8:30 p.m. (dogs). Call (908) 322-6700, Ext. 309.

### THURSDAY

**APRIL 20**  
**BREASTFEEDING?** — La Roche League of Westfield meeting at Cranford United Methodist Church, 201 Lincoln Ave. East, Cranford, 10:15 a.m. Call (908) 301-1339, (908) 789-772 or (908) 233-7164.

### COMING UP

**COMMUNITY WORKSHOP** — "Prevention and Reversal of Heart Disease." Chelsea at Fanwood, 295 South Ave., Fanwood, 2:15 p.m. April 26. Registration: Call (908) 654-5200.  
**FRIDAY NIGHT FLICK** — "The Man in the Iron Mask." 1998 version with Leonardo DiCaprio. Fanwood Memorial Library, North Avenue, Fanwood, 7:30 p.m. April 28. Free admission. Call (908) 322-6400.  
**CANDLELIGHT BALL** — honoring Assemblyman Richard Bagger (Westfield). L'Affaire, Route 22, Mountainside, starting 7:30 p.m. April 29. Call (908) 754-2510.  
**SHEEP TO SHAWL FESTIVAL** — annual event of Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 1-5 p.m. April 30. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 232-1776.  
**MUSEUM TRIP** — to Philadelphia Museum of Art, sponsored by Scotch Plains and Fanwood Arts Association. Bus leaves from Municipal Building, Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, 8:30 a.m. May 3. Cost \$32. Reservations: Call (908) 232-2631.  
**SPECIAL WASTE** — second of three "household special waste" collection days for Union County residents. Locust Avenue pool, Berkeley Heights, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. May 6. Requirements: Call (908) 654-9890 or visit [www.unioncountynj.org/oem](http://www.unioncountynj.org/oem).  
**CAME CONCERT** — with the Chinese American Music Ensemble. Runnells Specialized Hospital, 40 Watchung Way, Berkeley Heights, 2 p.m. May 6. Call (201) 460-4660.  
**MAKING SOAP** — plus (belated) May Day celebration. Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 1-5 p.m. May 7. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 232-1776.  
**BLOOD PRESSURE** — screening at Red Cross office, 321 Elm St., Westfield, 12:30-2:30 p.m. May 10, June 14. Call (908) 232-7090.  
**AUNT CARRIE'S** — "Annual Attic Sale" at Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. May 20. Call (908) 232-1776.  
**BENEFIT CONCERT** — for Youth and Family Counseling Service. St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church, 1600 Rahway Road, Westfield, 8 p.m. May 20. Adults \$50, \$26; seniors \$23. Reservations: Call (908) 233-2042.  
**DIPPING CANDLES** — demonstration of 18th century craft. Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 1-5 p.m. May 21. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 232-1776.  
**SPECIAL WASTE** — third of three "household special waste" collection days for Union County residents. Public Works yard, Bayberry Drive, Union, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. June 10. Requirements: Call (908) 654-9890 or visit [www.unioncountynj.org/oem](http://www.unioncountynj.org/oem).  
**BEEHIVE OVEN** — how it was used in the 18th century. Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 1-5 p.m. June 4. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 232-1776.  
**SUMMER FAREWELL** — "Rev. James Caldwell and the American Revolution." Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, 1-5 p.m. June 11. Adults \$2; students 50 cents; children under 6 free. Call (908) 232-1776.

## Seniors to get boost from county effort

ELIZABETH — Union County Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan announced this week the beginning of a county initiative to make improvements to municipal senior citizen centers and develop new ones where there is a need.

Through Senior Focus, developed this year by the Freeholder Board, the County will provide more than \$3 million to municipalities, with funding determined by the number of residents over 60 as designated by the 1990 census. There will be three levels of funding: up to \$250,000 for municipalities with more than 9,000 seniors, up to \$150,000 for those with 3,000 to 3,999 seniors and up to \$100,000 for those with fewer than 3,000 seniors.

"This county's 17 municipal Senior Citizen centers provide a place for seniors to receive important health services, nutrition programs and hot meals, crucial information, recreation and social services," said Sullivan. "They help ensure that older persons can live healthier, more independent lives."

Funds can be used for renovations and improvements including furniture, fixtures and accessories for existing centers. Money can also be used for land acquisition, site preparation and construction of new facilities. The grants cannot be used for operating expenses.

"Senior centers provide older persons with a community of friends, partners and helpers," said Union County Manager Michael Lapolla, a candidate for U.S. Congress in the 7th District. "They give older persons a single point of entry to the many, local, county, state and federal services they may need. They are also a place where people can get together, socialize and spend time with friends. That's important for senior citizens, who often feel isolated in their homes and neighborhoods."

Senior Focus is one of three initiatives aimed at improving the county's services for senior citizens. This spring, the county will release its applications for Seniors in Motion, which will provide funds to municipal transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities and Senior Scholars, which will provide scholarships for seniors interested in attending classes at Union County College.

"One out of every five Union County residents is over the age of 60, and we expect that number to increase to one in four as the 'baby boom' generation ages and becomes senior citizens," said Freeholder Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella. "These initiatives are making investments today in the services and supports that his growing segment of the population will need in the near future."

Population data shows that seniors tend to stay in Union County, rather than to move to senior centers or retirement communities elsewhere in New Jersey or out of state, according to the County's Division on Aging. This means that as the number of persons over 65 increases, the county's services will be utilized more heavily. In addition, officials are seeing increases in the number of residents over the age of 80, as medical advances increase and improve longevity.

Union County already has a well-developed system of services for senior citizens. The county's toll-free information line for seniors, at (888) 280-8226, logged more than 27,000 calls last year; the county-funded "Meals on Wheels" program at 26 sites serving more than 220,000 meals last year; and the Paratransit system made over 170,000 round trips for more than 5,000 people last year. The Freeholder board also invested in improvements at Runnells Specialized Hospital, the state's premier county-run long-term care facility, and opposed partisan attempts to privatize the facility.

"Not all seniors need or even use the county's services," said Freeholder Deborah Scanton, who is Freeholder liaison to Runnells Specialized Hospital. "But for those who do, these programs are a lifeline. These services are there when people are in need and this Freeholder Board has invested in improvements to eliminate waiting lists for services."

Later this week, Sullivan will send applications for the program to each of the county's 21 municipalities. Applications are due May 5.

"Senior citizens built this nation, this county and its communities," said Sullivan. "We owe them a debt of gratitude for their sacrifice and hard work, and we are dedicated to ensuring that this county has the best possible network of services to provide for their needs."

## Golden Nuggets SENIORS

### AARP Chapter 4137

Trips sponsored by the AARP chapter:  
*Thursday, June 1* — Waterloo Village in Stanhope. Cost is \$19. For more information, call (908) 232-7153.  
*June 10-18* — Branson and St. Louis, Mo. Cost per person is \$886 double occupancy and \$1,111 single occupancy. For more information, call (908) 889-6769.

### Old Guard of Westfield

The Old Guard is open to retired and semi-retired men. Meetings are 10 a.m. Thursday at the Westfield Y on Clark Street. Programs:

*April 20* — Founder's Day luncheon.  
*April 27* — Everett Yacker (Old Guard member) on his trip to South Africa.  
 Regular group activities include golf, bowling, bridge, day trips, luncheons, women's events and shuffleboard. In addition, the Merryman chorus performs regularly for charity functions, public gatherings and formal concerts. For more information, call Robert Broadwell at (908) 232-5150.

### 'Over 55' Travel Club

Adults are invited on these trips for the "Over 55" Travel Club from the Senior Citizens Council of Union County:

*May 6-12* — Charleston, S.C.; Savannah, Ga.; and Myrtle Beach, S.C. Cost is \$595 per person, double occupancy.  
*May 17* — Polkafest at Mount Haven. Cost is \$50.  
*May 23-24* — Longwood Gardens and tour of Amish area. Cost is \$160 per person, double occupancy.  
*June 14-15* — Italian Fiesta at Tamarack (Catskills). Cost is \$130 per person, double occupancy.  
*June 23-26* — Finger Lakes region (New York) and Scotts Lake House. Cost is \$385 per person, double occupancy.  
*July 16* — "The King and I" at Three Little Bakers. Cost is \$60.  
*July 22* — Sunnyside estate and Van Cortlandt Manor (Hudson River). Lunch is on your own in Port Chester, N.Y. Cost is \$40.  
*July 30* — Woodloch Pines with smorgasbord. Cost is \$56.  
*Aug. 9* — Bronx Zoo. Includes "Bengali Express" monorail and passes. Lunch is on your own. Cost is \$38; grandchildren are invited.  
*Aug. 16* — New York Harbor cruise. Includes lunch in Japanese restaurant and browsing at South Street Seaport. Cost is \$44.  
*Aug. 27* — QVC studio tour and crafts festival. Cost is \$38.  
*Sept. 17-21* — Wildwood Crest. Cost is \$325 per person, double occupancy.  
*Oct. 1-6* — Montreal, Quebec City and Lake George. Cost is \$650 per person, double occupancy.  
*Oct. 3* — Kay Starr at Fernwood. Cost is \$58.  
*Oct. 12-16* — Yankee Doodle Lodge (Vermont). Cost is \$430 per person, double occupancy.  
*Dec. 3* — Christmas show at Three Little Bakers. Cost is \$62.

Groups are especially welcome; special pickups can be arranged. Payment in full is required for one-day trips. For more information or a brochure, call Richard Stone at (908) 964-7555 day or (908) 687-1559 night.

## Area churches plan Holy Week services, celebrations

Holy Week and Easter services at the **First Congregational Church**, 125 Elmer St., Westfield:

*Palm Sunday* — Worship service, 10 a.m. Service begins with a procession for children 3 years old through Grade 6; children should arrive 9:45 a.m. to receive their palms in the chapel lounge.  
*Maundy Thursday* — Tenebrae service and Holy Communion, 8 p.m. Includes a re-creation of the Last Supper.  
*Good Friday, April 21* — Crucifixion service and Holy Communion, noon.  
*Easter Sunday, April 23* — Worship services, 9 and 11 a.m. Special choral and instrumental music will include the Hallelujah Chorus from "Messiah." A "one-room school" (3 years old-Grade 3) and child care (infants-2 years old) will be available. Coffee hour is 10 a.m.

For more information, call (908) 233-2494.

Holy Week and Easter services at the **Fanwood Presbyterian Church**, 74 S. Martine Ave.:

*Palm Sunday* — Worship service, 10 a.m.  
*Monday-Wednesday* — Morning prayer, 7 a.m.  
*Maundy Thursday* — Worship service and Holy Communion, 7:30 p.m.  
*Good Friday, April 21* — Worship service, 7:30 p.m.  
*Easter Sunday, April 23* — Sunrise service in the garden, 7 a.m. Worship service in the

sanctuary, 10 a.m. Child care is available. For more information, call (908) 889-8891.

Holy Week and Easter services at the **Willow Grove Presbyterian Church**, 1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains:

*Palm Sunday* — Worship service, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Kenneth G. Hetzel, pastor, will deliver a sermon on "The Innocents Proclaim the Truth." Music will be from the Chancel Choir under the direction of Richard Ney. All worshippers will receive a palm as they leave. An ice cream social in Ryno Hall will follow the service. Child care is available.  
*Maundy Thursday* — "Christian Seder," 6:30 p.m. The meal is translated from the Seder held at Passover, which this year begins at sundown Tuesday. Reservations are required.  
*Good Friday, April 21* — Service of meditation and reflection, 8 p.m. Hetzel will speak about the last words of Christ from the cross. Music will be from the Chancel Choir.  
*Easter Sunday, April 23* — Worship service, 10:30 a.m. Hetzel will deliver a sermon on "The Glory Story." Prelude will be by Marilyn Thorne, organ, and Sergio Fossa, trumpet. Hymns appropriate to the season will be sung by the Chancel Choir. Child care is available for children 3 years old and younger.

For more information, call (908) 233-4211.

Holy Week and Easter services at the **Scotch Plains Baptist Church**, 333 Park Ave., worship services 11 a.m. Palm Sunday will begin with a procession by parishioners into the sanctuary.

Rev. Gary F. Rothwell, pastor, will deliver a sermon on "The Cross is My Compass." Other Holy Week and Easter services:

*Maundy Thursday* — Joint

call (908) 232-5678.  
 At the **First United Methodist Church of Westfield**, 1 E. Broad St., the main worship service 11 a.m. Palm Sunday will include a dialogue sermon about "Conscience."

Scheduled to participate in the dialogue are Rev. David F. Harwood, senior minister, and Bret Schundler, mayor of Jersey City.

In addition, new members will be received during the 11 a.m. service. Child care is available. Lunch will follow in the social hall at noon.

Other Holy Week and Easter services:

*Wednesday* — Chapel service, 9 a.m.  
*Maundy Thursday* — "Symbolic meal," 7 p.m. Worship service, 8 p.m.  
*Good Friday, April 21* — Vigil service, noon.  
*Easter Sunday, April 23* — Worship services, 9 and 11 a.m. Harwood will deliver a sermon on "He Appeared Also to Me ..."

For more information, call (908) 233-4211.

As part of Holy Week, the **First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains**, 1171 Terrill Road, will feature "Gethsemane: With Jesus in the Garden" 7 p.m. Sunday.

Rev. Matthew Labriola will create a large painting with pastel chalk and special lights. Special music and readings from the Gospel will accompany his presentation.

Admission is free. For more information, call (908) 322-9222.

## Community workshop discusses heart disease prevention, reversal

FANWOOD — The Chelsea at Fanwood has scheduled a community education workshop on "Prevention and Reversal of Heart Disease."

The workshop is free to the public and will be 2:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 26 in the assisted living residence at 295 South Ave. Speaker is Dr. Robert Fishberg from Mid-Atlantic Cardiology, which has offices in Fanwood, Morristown and Denville. Refreshments will be served.

Seating is limited and registration is recommended; call (908) 654-5200.

## Obituaries

### Louise Denitzio

SCOTCH PLAINS — Louise M. Denitzio, 81, died April 9 at the Greenbrook Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Green Brook.

She was a lifelong Scotch Plains resident.

Predeceased in 1991 by her husband, William J., she is survived by son William of Piscataway; daughter Mary Anne Powers of Fanwood; broth-

er Anthony Verdic, and sister Minnie Macarelli, both of Scotch Plains; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at the Memorial Funeral Home in Fanwood. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be sent to Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

### Albert I. Siegel

WESTFIELD — Albert I. Siegel, 79, died April 8 at his home in Lakewood.

He was born in the Bronx, N.Y., and lived in Westfield before moving to Lakewood in 1993.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He retired in 1988 after 10 years as a purchasing manager with CBS in Newark.

He was a tutor and mentor at Oak Street School in Lakewood and for assisted learning students at Lakewood High School.

He also was a member of the Jewish War Veterans; the ShowTimers of Lions Head Woods,

in Lakewood; and the Lakewood Juvenile Conference Committee.

Surviving are his wife, Selma Z. Fein Siegel; sons Fred F. and Michael P.; brother Irving; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Services were held Tuesday at Temple Beth Am in Lakewood. Burial was in Beth Olam Memorial Park, Lakewood.

Arrangements were by the Belkoff Goldstein Funeral Chapel in Lakewood.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Trees for Israel Jewish National Fund or to the charity of the donor's choice.

### Margaret T. Murphy

WESTFIELD — Margaret T. Murphy, 74, died April 8 at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch.

She was born in Staten Island, N.Y., and lived in Brooklyn, N.Y., and Westfield before moving to Oakhurst in 1997.

She once was a volunteer at Holy Trinity School in Westfield.

She was a member of the Republican Women's Club of Westfield and the Golden Age Club in the town.

She also was a eucharistic minister for Masses at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church.

Predeceased in 1978 by her husband, Francis T., she is survived by son Francis J. of

Highlands; daughters Dr. Mimi da Silva and Madeline, both of Oakhurst, Dianne Ianniello of Bridgewater and Nancy Kelley of Sarasota, Fla.; brother Edward P. Norris of Forest Hills, N.Y.; and six grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Thursday at St. Anselm's Roman Catholic Church, Wayside, where Mrs. Murphy more recently was a parishioner. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Fiore Funeral Home in West Long Branch.

Memorial donations may be sent to Epiphany House, 300 Fourth Ave., Asbury Park, NJ 07712.

### Dollie Stradford

SCOTCH PLAINS — Dollie L. Stradford, 55, died March 31 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was born in Chester, S.C., and lived in Vauxhall before moving to Scotch Plains in 1971.

She had been an assembler for 14 years with Silverline Building Products in North Brunswick.

She also was a missionary at the Aeon Baptist Church, Vauxhall, of which she had been a member for 37 years.

Surviving are her husband, John of Plainfield; mother Eliner Worthy Glenn of Red Bank;

mother-in-law Jannie Mae of Chester, S.C.; son Kelvin D., and daughter Belinda, both of Scotch Plains; brothers Jesse Glenn and Columbus Glenn, both of Irvington, Haywood Glenn and William Glenn, both of Chester, S.C., and Michael Irvin of Germany; sisters Beatrice Glenn of Red Bank and Elizabeth Glenn of Irvington; and two grandchildren.

Services were held April 6 at the Aeon Baptist Church. Arrangements were by the Judkins Colonial Home in Plainfield.

### Angie Ferrara Hall

FANWOOD — Angie C. Ferrara Hall died April 8 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was born in Scotch Plains and lived in Fanwood since 1953.

Predeceased in 1985 by her husband, K. Borden Hall, she is survived by brothers Philip R. Ferrara of Scotch Plains and Paul F. Ferrara of Wells, Maine; sisters Lucy DeFrancesco of Scotch Plains, Laura Shockey of Dayton, Va., and Clara Ferrara, Jo Beaty and Jean Waldron, all of Flagler

Beach, Fla.; and 22 nieces and nephews.

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

Arrangements were by the Memorial Funeral Home.

Memorial donations may be sent to Fanwood Rescue Squad Inc., c/o Robert Kruthers, Treasurer, 218 Forest Road, Fanwood, NJ 07023.

### Stewart W. Kelley

WESTFIELD — Private memorial services were held for Stewart W. Kelley, 84, who died March 31 at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., he lived in Westfield and Tampa before moving to Washington.

He was a U.S. Army rifleman in Italy and North Africa before

being captured in 1942. He remained a POW until 1946 and retired from the Army in 1964.

He also raised greyhounds in Tampa, Fla.

Surviving are a daughter, Susan O'Neal; son Dennis; sisters Virginia Miller and Muriel Huston; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### Nicholas A. Mortarulo

SCOTCH PLAINS — Nicholas A. Mortarulo, 74, died April 4 at his home.

He was born in Summit and lived in Scotch Plains since 1950.

He was awarded a Purple Heart and two battle stars for his U.S. Army service in World War II.

He was with the New Jersey-American Water Co. for 40 years, retiring in 1991 as a supervisor in its Short Hills office.

He also was a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart chapter in Cranford and the New York-New Jersey Chapter, 4th Infantry Division Association.

Predeceased in 1995 by his

wife, Joan Pampel Mortarulo, he is survived by sons Anthony, Nicholas W., James and Robert; daughters Jean Foley, Mary Beth Becker, Patricia Diskin and Anne Marie; brothers Michael and Mario; sisters Mary Zeiss and Antoinette; and nine grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, following services at the Rossi Funeral Home. Burial was in St. Teresa's Cemetery, Summit.

Memorial donations may be sent to Haven Hospice, JFK Medical Center, 65 James St., P.O. Box 3059, Edison, NJ 08818.

### Mildred A. Dorn

SCOTCH PLAINS — Mildred A. Dorn, 86, died April 4 at Chandler Hall Health Services in Newtown, Pa.

She was born in the Bronx, N.Y., and lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Lawrenceville in 1998.

She retired in 1957 after 11 years as an office manager with

the A.K. Lasser Co. of New York City.

Surviving is a brother, Allen Anderson.

A memorial service was held Saturday at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Levittown, Pa. Arrangements were by the J. Allen Hooper Funeral Chapel in Morrisville, Pa.

### Emma R. Sinker

SCOTCH PLAINS — Emma Reister Sinker, 94, died April 6 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was a homemaker and a lifelong Scotch Plains resident.

She was a member of the Altar Rosary Society at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church.

Predeceased in 1969 by her husband, Anthony, she is sur-

vived by daughter Jean Cunningham; sons John A., Stephen M., David B. and Anthony T.; sister Mary; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church, following services at the Rossi Funeral Home. Burial was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

### Mabel I. Hess

WESTFIELD — Mabel I. Hess, 80, died April 7 at Community Medical Center in Toms River.

She was born in Kenilworth and lived in Westfield before moving to Manchester in 1985.

She is survived by her hus-

band of 53 years, William George Hess; sons Robert Page and George; sisters Laura Parkinson and Margaret Wesighan; and five grandchildren.

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

### Ann DeLazaro Longtime realtor

CRANFORD — Ann Wojcik DeLazaro, 91, whose career in real estate lasted more than 50 years, died April 4 at the Cranford Health and Extended Care Center.

She began her career during the Depression as a bookkeeper with Van Ness Corp. in Newark. Mrs. DeLazaro managed the firm's sales and development program, which from 1940-75 was involved with construction of many homes in Monmouth and Ocean counties.

After 40 years with Van Ness at its Newark and Spring Lake offices Mrs. DeLazaro joined Paul Gaglioti, owner of Paul's American Tire Exchange in Springfield. For the following 15 years she helped arrange financing and acquisition for several parcels along Route 22.

Mrs. DeLazaro lived in her native Elizabeth and in Westfield before moving to Cranford in 1995.

Her husband of 55 years, Joseph, died in 1980. A son, Robert D., who died in 1998, was a special assistant to Reps. Matthew Rinaldo and Bob Franks as well as editorial page editor of the former Elizabeth Daily Journal. Another son, S. Walter "Buddy," who died in 1999, was managing editor of the Daily Journal.

Surviving are two daughters-in-law, Josephine A. of Cranford and Catherine of Westfield; two brothers, Walter Wojcik of Caguas, Puerto Rico, and Emil Wojcik of Iselin; and four grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at St. Genevieve Roman Catholic Church in Elizabeth. Burial was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia, with arrangements by the Dooley Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to Center for Hope Hospice, 176 Husa St., Linden, NJ 07036.



NICOLE DIMELLARECORD-PRESS

Under the guiding hand of New York-based artist Bonnie Vierthaler, area students have created "BADvertising," an anti-tobacco art exhibition currently on display at the Cranford Public Library.

## BAD as they wanna be

Kids target tobacco with 'BADvertising'

By DARIA MEOLI

RECORD-PRESS CORRESPONDENT

CRANFORD — Sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade Peer Leaders at the Hillside Avenue School want some attention.

The Peer Leaders are trying to spread their anti-tobacco message, and to do it they have created a special art exhibition now on display at the Cranford Public Library. The display includes actual cigarette advertisements that have been doctored to show the actual effects of smoking, and the end result is a collection of collages addressing everything from disease to social rejection.

The exhibit, dubbed "BADvertising," was planned in conjunction with April 5's national Kick Butts Day.

The students' work includes images of hospital patients on respirators — imposed on an advertisement for Salem cigarettes — and abstract cartoons of monstrous, mangled bodies holding Capri cigarettes. One student attempted to appeal to viewers' sense of patriotism by pasting pictures of young women lighting up to a Marlboro advertisement that depicts a Colonial-style house covered in American flags.

"It is such a powerful exhibit that it gets the attention of students, parents and faculty," said Leesa Barenboim, an assistance counselor and Peer Leader advisor at the Hillside School. "It is so powerful that it seems to maintain conversation."

Some of the BADvertising work had been printed on T-shirts that are being sold to raise funds for future anti-tobacco efforts involving the Peer Leaders. The collages have also been reproduced on place mats that were used for dinner settings at last year's Peer Leader Celebration, and fabric shopping bags have been screened with BADvertising artwork and given as gifts to community members who have contributed to the cause.

The students begin their efforts by attending BADvertising workshop developed by Bonnie Vierthaler, a New York-based artist. The third such workshop was held Monday at the Walnut Avenue School.

Each workshop opens with a slide show of Vierthaler's own BADvertising. She said she feels she's been successful when her counter-advertising art leaves viewers a bit disturbed. "When people say 'that's gross,' I've done my job," Vierthaler said.

The artist explains to students the purpose of tobacco advertising and what she called the hidden gimmicks and deceptions that appear in a variety of pro-tobacco campaigns. The students are shown the difference between the glamorous or natural images shown in the ads and the realities of smoking, she said. "It's not the health issues that make a difference to them," she said. "It is finding out that they are being used and lied to."

"To sit here and know that the tobacco companies are lying and getting away with it is disturbing," agreed Cranford student Blair Palmisano, 14, who partici-

pated in the workshop three times.

After they are shown what Vierthaler considers the deceptive nature of the pro-tobacco advertisements, the students grab stacks of magazines and get to work with their cutting and pasting. Hunting for the right images helps students realize how many tobacco ads there are, as well as where to find them, what they look like and who the ads are targeting.

This sort of approach, Vierthaler noted, may be more effective in reaching not only the students, but anyone who views the children's finished products. "The tobacco companies' advertising deals with emotions," she said. "They tweak insecurities. Health programs are missing the target, because they are targeting the intellect ... tobacco companies deal with the heart."

"The ads make it seem like (smokers) are so perfect ... they don't have yellow teeth or anything," noted 13-year-old Cranford student Gloria Schmitt. "But real life is totally different. People should see the real message."

"It is a way to have fun and be creative while helping people," said 14-year-old Hillside School student Jillian Cathcart.

Vierthaler said she came up with the idea for BADvertising in the fall of 1995, when she and a friend were sitting in a smoky restaurant. "We were talking about how insidious the ads were, and wouldn't it be funny if someone made ads that told the truth," the artist said.

More than a year later, Vierthaler held an exhibit of 63 images in Portland, Maine. The exhibit received so much attention that Vierthaler was able to take her work all over the east coast, and 15 years later, BADvertising has grown to include workshops for adults as well as children. The anti-tobacco campaign even has its own World Wide Web site at [WWW.clubcyrus.com/e](http://WWW.clubcyrus.com/e).

Communities Against Tobacco Coalition of Essex and Union Counties has also lent its support to the project. Besides sponsoring Vierthaler's visits to the Cranford schools, CAT also provides cross-age teaching training for the Peer Leaders. In cross-age teaching, the sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students share what they have learned about tobacco prevention with younger children. "They can reach other kids that might be at risk," noted CAT's Karen Kalinski. "Getting the message from older kids can be pretty powerful. They are setting an example."

The Peer Leaders and CAT also collaborated on an anti-tobacco project called Weekend Special, a recruitment of are restaurants to participate in a three-day smoke-free trial. In an effort to possible include Cranford restaurants in next year's Weekend Special, Hillside students have surveyed over 200 township residents to learn their opinions on smoke-free dining, and the results are "favorable to our cause," according to Kalinski. According to the survey, 97 percent of the nonsmokers polled — and, even more impressively, 58 percent of smokers polled — preferred smoke-free dining.

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## BEST BETS

### David Brearley Players bring 'Peanuts' to life

**KENILWORTH** — The David Brearley Players are proud to honor the late Charles M. Schultz by presenting "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown."

The Peanuts gang comes alive again Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Connin Hall of the David Brearley Middle/High School in Kenilworth, and the gang's all here: Featured in the production will be favored characters Charlie Brown, Linus, Lucy, Schroeder, Snoopy, Peppermint Patty, Marcie, Sally, Violet, Pig Pen and more.

Tickets cost \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door, and can be obtained in advance by calling the school at (908) 931-9696.

The cast and crew of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" invite everyone to enjoy a stroll down memory lane and a piece of Americana.

### CDC ends season with 'Lend me a Tenor'

**CRANFORD** — The Cranford Dramatic Club will close its very successful 1999-2000 season, and its 81st year, with the side-splitting comedy "Lend Me a Tenor."

Set in a hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1934, the play revolves around the city's anticipation of the arrival and performance of Tito Merelli, a famous opera tenor. Arriving with Tito is his wife, Maria, who is fiery and untrusting of her husband.

Saunders, the general manager of the Opera Guild, assigns his young assistant Max to look after Tito, which Max — an aspiring tenor himself — finds quite a challenge. Adding to the confusion is Maggie, Max's girlfriend, who has a thing for tenors; a singing bellhop; a passionate soprano named Diana; and Julia, chairwoman of the Opera Guild.

The production is directed by Naomi Yablonsky, assisted by Jerry Yablonsky, and is produced by Liz Howard. The stage manager is Art Kusiv.

Performances of "Lend Me a Tenor" are scheduled for May 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 and 20. All performances begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets cost \$15 apiece and are available through the CDC box office hot line at (908) 276-7611.

### Mozart's 'Requiem' shines in National Choral finale

**NEW YORK CITY** — The National Choral and Orchestra will present an all-Mozart concert featuring "Requiem" at 8 p.m. April 28, the concluding concert of the chorale's 32nd season at Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center.

The concert will trace Mozart's development from the offertorium "Inter Natus Mulierum, K. 72," which he wrote when he was 15, to the brilliant "Requiem."

Tickets are \$21 to \$73 apiece and group discounts are available. Tickets may be purchased from Choral Charge (212) 333-5333; by fax at (212) 315-2420; by mail or in person from the Avery Fisher Hall Box Office at Lincoln Center; or from the National Choral, 1650 Broadway, Suite 301, New York, NY 10019.



The world-renowned jazz quartet Paris Washboard — there is no washboard — has set a night aside during its current United States tour for a special show in New Jersey, scheduled for May 8 in Morristown.

## Musical Theatre goes for laughs with 2,200-year-old 'Forum'

**UPPER MONTCLAIR** — MOC Musical Theatre of Upper Montclair, celebrating its 75th season this year, will present the hilarious comedy "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" this weekend.

Show times are 8 p.m. Friday

and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Mt. Hebron Theatre, located at 173 Bellevue Ave. in Upper Montclair.

The production is directed and choreographed by Gary John La Rosa, with musical direction by Jalnari Vanamo.

"Forum" is set in ancient Rome and is based on the comedies of Titus Maccius Plautus. It was written 200 years before the birth of Christ, and several of Plautus' comedies are still performed today. The writer was known for his vulgar fare and his works inspired composer Stephen Sondheim and librettists Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart to create the "Forum" musical, originally produced on Broadway by Harold S. Prince.

The show revolves around an ever-resourceful, crafty slave, who is able to wriggle out of any tight spot. Other characters include a self-inflated brag-gart warrior, an uptight slave-in-chief and a "buyer and seller of the flesh of beautiful women." There is also a moonstruck young boy and a virginal girl with a mind as unused as the day she was born; a dirty old man who runs after maidens with only the dimmest of memories of what should be done if he actually catches one; a dominating wife; six beautiful, dancing courtesans and three proteans.

The plot involves consummate clown Pseudolus (Daniel Marcus) and his attempts to win his freedom from kindly master Hero (Jason Mills) through the most unlikely of schemes.

Other key performers include Ed Kamholz, Gretchen Reinbogen, Miles Tepper, Jessica Bear, Bruce McCandless, Gene Myers and Jay Weber.

"Forum" was recently a hit on Broadway, and it was described after its opening night as "good, clean, dirty fun." It has also been called the "funniest show ever written." But perhaps its biggest accomplishment lies in the fact that no matter how many times it is performed, and now matter how childishly and absurdly its characters behave, audiences are always amused and look on the characters with affection.

For tickets or other information, call (973) 239-4454.

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## Tres bon!

### Celebrated French jazz band schedules Morristown concert

**MORRISTOWN** Most Americans, even dedicated jazz fans, might pass up the chance to hear a band called Paris Washboard. Those who have experienced their unique sound, however, are hooked for life.

The talented quartet will fill two large halls in Pennsylvania on their latest tour, and a huge tent at the great Connecticut Jazz Festival when they return this summer. Their Morristown concert, merely a filler date, already has about half the seats spoken for. The show has been scheduled for 8 p.m. May 8.

What's so special? Top-flight musicians, working with unusual instrumentation. The first thing that strikes you when you witness a Paris Washboard performance is that there really is a no "washboard" to be seen. Instead of drums, there is a full percussion section. And the front line has no trumpet or cornet playing the lead. The hot quartet produces a full sound anyway, and is considered among Europe's very finest jazz bands. They have the awards — and 10 recent recordings — to prove it.

Paris Washboard will play an unusual Monday evening concert for the Jazz Showcase of the Bickford Theatre in Morristown on May 8. With one long, uninterrupted set from 8 p.m. 9:30 p.m., fans will get a lot of music yet be home in time to prepare for work or school the next day.

In poll after poll, both as a group and individual players, Paris Washboard wins awards in France, Europe and even among foreign bands touring the U.S. They're featured at the most prestigious festivals in Europe, but travel selectively to the United States, making this particular concert — only their second in New Jersey — a rare opportunity to hear them.

Working without a trumpet is a challenge dealt with by swapping the lead between Daniel Barda's trombone and Alain Marquet's clarinet. It's a masterful solution that, along with the remarkable rhythm section, gives the group a matchless sound.

It's easy to pick out a Paris Washboard recording by ear, with the two front-liners pushing each other to do just a bit more. Leader Barda is a classical musician and conductor, yet he was recently voted the best French New Orleans-style trombone player. Marquet has been compared to Johnny Dadds and Sidney Bechet, but his clarinet tone has a coloration and suppleness that is distinctive among players past and present.

Louis Muzetter will be along on this tour, and his piano work alone is worth the price of admission. He has the fastest hands on the Continent, and his stride solos are works of art.

But it is the rhythm section that most fans think of when Paris Washboard is mentioned. Percussionist Gerard Bagot is the manic master of cymbals, blocks and chimes — everything but the traditional drums. He charms the audience with his spirited playing, without distracting from the melodic contributions of the others.

Tickets cost only \$12 per seat. Jazz fans might be advised to avoid disappointment by purchasing in advance by calling (973) 538-8069.

For those unfamiliar with the location, the box office can provide a "jazz map" with simple directions.

Advance purchase of tickets is advised to assure seating. The facility has ample parking in its lot and deck.

The hall is accessible to those in wheelchairs.

## Get a leg up on Easter

### Gambe di agnello imbottito (Roast stuffed leg of lamb)

- 1 leg of lamb (diboned), 6 to 8 pounds
- 4 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
- 1 cup flat parsley, minced
- 1/4 pound sliced sweet sopressato (salumi)
- 1/4 pound sliced provolone cheese
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup virgin olive oil
- 1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
- 2 teaspoons rosemary
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon Gravy Master

**Cooking with Susan**

by Susan Mauriello

Easter is a special time of the year. Families gather to celebrate the holiday and enjoy festivities together. Traditionally, lamb is served at Easter.

Lamb is not a meat that is cooked too often, probably because of its pungent aroma and unique flavor. A rack of lamb entree is usually served with mint jelly to tone down the lamb's taste. However, with special preparations, lamb can be a very delicious entree.

With this week's recipe, *gambe di agnello imbottito* (stuffed leg of lamb), we will treat the lamb somewhat differently. When purchasing the leg of lamb, have the butcher remove the bone completely.

This procedure is known as "butterflying" the lamb roast. Do not have the butcher tie the deboned meat, since it will be stuffed at home when preparing to cook it.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions — fax me at (908) 272-2974. In the meantime, *buon appetito!* Enjoy!

Place the lamb roast boned-side up and pound until somewhat flat. Sprinkle salt and pepper sparingly. Alternate slices of sopressato and provolone to cover the entire area of the meat. Cover with four minced garlic cloves and parsley mixture, and roll up using either large wooden toothpicks, skewers or truss up, creating six sections.

In a jar, mix the remaining ingredients. Shake well and pour over the lamb in the roasting pan.

Roast for two hours, uncovered, at 325 degrees. The meat should be medium to well-done. Lamb should not be consumed too rare because you just do not capture the flavor.

When the lamb is finished roasting, remove from pan, place on a platter, tent it with foil and set it aside for 10 minutes to allow the meat to firm for easier slicing.

In the meantime, collect all the drippings, strain, and add one cup of flour, 1/2 cup of water and one teaspoon of Gravy Master. Shake well in a jar and simmer until the consistency is moderately thick.

Slice meat thin and place neatly on a serving platter. Pour some warm gravy over the meat, and serve extra gravy in a gravy boat.

Serve mashed potatoes (great with the gravy) and a vegetable — perhaps steamed broccoli with extra virgin olive oil. Sprinkle broccoli sparingly with salt and serve with lemon wedges on the side.

*Ecco, tutte e pronto!*

# EASTER DINING

## St. Jude's schedules fifth Country-Western dinner-dance

CLARK — St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has announced the date of its fifth annual Country Western Dinner and Dance. The event is scheduled to take place May 6.

The dinner-dance with the western theme is slated to be held at the Gran Centurions, located at 440 Madison Hill Road in Clark.

Entertainer Danny Thomas founded St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The hospital is non-sectarian and non-discriminatory, and children are treated regardless of their ability to pay.

The Country Western Dinner and dance will feature music by The Sugarfoot Band.

## Westfield art show set to open Saturday

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Art Association has announced that Stephen Sennott, executive director of the City Without Walls gallery, will be the judge for the 76th Annual Watercolor, Graphics and Photography Exhibition, scheduled to run Saturday through Tuesday in the Westfield Community Room, located at 425 East Broad St.

The City Without Walls gallery — located at One Gateway Center in Newark — is at the forefront of contemporary exhibitions. Sennott, as the executive director, is the administrator of all exhibitions and educational programming. He is the curator and designer of all on-site, off-site and traveling exhibitions.

The City Without Walls gallery features the work of more than 200 artists annually.

Sennott is an artist, writer and musician. He studied at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, earning a bachelor of music degree in theory and composition with a minor in art, *magna cum laude*, and University of Arizona at Tucson at art history and history of photography at the graduate level.

He was an instructor in art history, drawing, music and humanities at central Arizona State College, ASP Campus, Florence. He was an instructor in art history at the Tucson Museum of Art and Pima Community College in Tucson.

In New York City, he assisted director at Arras Gallery and Gallery Manager at Bernice Steinbaum Gallery and Littlejohn-Smith Gallery.

Sennott is an exhibiting visual artist in painting, drawing, and photography, a musician, composer and writer. His published work includes fiction, photography and graphic design.

Founded in 1922, the Westfield Art Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing artists and the community an opportunity to learn about many aspects of fine art.

In addition to the judged entries, the show will feature a portfolio sale of unframed works of art in watercolor, drawing, mixed media, prints and photographs.

President Barbara Schwinn invites area artists to join the association and exhibit their artwork in the show.

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## Your stars, April 17 - April 23

**ARIES** (March 21 - April 19): The desire for freedom could run away with you. Play it safe, and think before you burn any bridges or walk away from a worthwhile situation.

**TAURUS** (April 20 - May 20): Take time out to smell the roses this week. You've earned yourself a nice vacation. Let your imagination run wild with thoughts of fun in the sun.

**GEMINI** (May 21 - June 21): You have been offered several good career opportunities. Choose carefully which one would best reflect your personality, then pursue it with vigor.

**CANCER** (June 22 - July 22): Success with a special project brings you much-deserved notice and acclaim. Celebrate, then start making plans to move up the ladder and take the next step.

**LEO** (July 23 - Aug. 22): It may be time to make some abrupt changes in your life. Be open to adventure, and welcome opportunities to stretch your wings in a new direction.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): The material or financial support you need arrives on time. Make plans to move forward with a pet project that has been on the back burner.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23): An important friendship demands your full attention. Good communication is key. Be honest and settle a long-running dispute.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21): Some worries or concerns about a relationship could keep you awake at night. Speak with the one and only person who could put your mind to rest.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Your emotions flow in a positive way, but there could be some disturbing undercurrents. Play above-board, and put all of your cards on the table.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You have some very strong feelings welling up inside of you. Do yourself a favor, and resolve a conflict with a loved one as soon as possible.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Domestic harmony is a very important issue for you this week. Put the required time and energy into turning your home into a special place.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 - March 20): Make financial choices based on solid or reliable information. Use your personal resources wisely or to support a worthy cause.

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS:** Your financial world is very much up in the air during the coming year. Watch out as the financial pendulum swings. This could be a period of achieving great wealth or losing everything you own. Play it safe, and find yourself safely somewhere in the middle. Your thinking takes on a deeper intensity. You will no longer be satisfied with surface meanings. Dig deep to uncover the answers that will soothe your soul's longings.

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## Renaissance reborn in Wolanin exhibit

PLAINFIELD — Elements of Renaissance-era architecture and classical landscape newly enter the contemporary still-lives painted in acrylics with collage by James Wolanin, whose solo exhibit is running this month at Swain Galleries in Plainfield.

A departure from the primarily traditional realism espoused by Swain's, the Cubism-inspired work by Wolanin struck the 132-year-old gallery as a vibrant course of styles.

"My very traditional table settings are viewed in multiple angles pushing the boundaries of common perspective," Wolanin said. "Through color and abstraction, I try to capture the illusion of movement in what is normally considered still. I like to call them fractured images."

Describing his use of collage, Wolanin said that newspaper, wallpaper, book pages and the like are varnished into the surface. "Painted textures are also important," he noted, including

wood grain, bricks, gold and silver.

Wolanin's study of cubist artists including Picasso, Braque and Gris has led to "my own personal style that is rooted in the past."

"I am trying to propel my work to new and exciting places for me and the viewer," he said.

Wolanin was graduated from the duCret School of the Arts, located in Plainfield, where he was valedictorian of his class. Featured twice in *Manhattan Arts International Magazine*, from which he received an award of excellence, he has been selected for group shows in Soho, NYC galleries for *Divine Inspiration*, *Hallelujah 1998*, *Soho International Art Competition 1998* and as an *Emerging Artist 1997* in Soho, and has been highlighted on the Internet.

His work has appeared in the *NCJW Focus on Art 1999* in Montclair; *Pageant of Life 1999* in Watchung, where he received

honorable mention; 11th Annual Art Expo 1998 in Piscataway, where he earned the Best in Show; Plainfield Outdoor Art Festival 1998; American Artist Professional League 1997 in Woodbridge; and others.

Private collections contain his paintings as well.

The Wolanin exhibit is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Swain Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave. in Plainfield. For more information, call (908) 756-1707.

## David Brenner laughs out loud

RAHWAY — Comedian David Brenner will bring his show "Laughing Out Loud" to the Union County Arts Center, located at 1601 Irving St.

The one-night-only show is scheduled for 8 p.m. April 29.

Brenner is best known for guest-hosting and his numerous appearances on "The Tonight Show."

Tickets for the April 29 show are \$36 and \$30. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

## SP-F spring art trip to highlight 'Splendor of 18th Century Rome'

SCOTCH PLAINS — The spring trip of the Scotch Plains and Fanwood Arts Association will be to the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

The trip has been scheduled for May 3.

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"The Boiler Room" — Giovanni Ribisi stars as Seth Davis, an ambitious young hustler whose cravings for cash and respect lead him to the shady world of high-pressure finance. In the boiler room of the J.T. Marlin brokerage firm, Seth and his fellow phone studs sell potential clients on highly questionable investments. The boys are rewarded with big wads of cash. All they have to do is fork over a big chunk of their souls. Seth turns out to be very good at separating saps from their money. He quickly rises to the top of the slimy heap. The acting is brawny, and the rap-heavy soundtrack fits these would-be players like an Armani suit. But "The Boiler

Room" doesn't have faith in its own warped convictions. As soon as Director Ben Younger wanders out of the belly of the beast and into matters of the heart, "The Boiler Room" blows up in his face. Cast: Giovanni Ribisi, Vin Diesel, Nia Long, Nicky Katt, Ben Affleck, Ron Rifkin, Tom Everett Scott. Running time: 1 hour, 57 minutes. Rated R. 2 stars.

"The Closer You Get" — Frustrated: That's the men of this tiny village on Ireland's rugged Donegal coast. There aren't any eligible women around; well, there are some eligible women around, but who wants 'em? So the only way any poor sod ever gets hitched is to head out into the world. Most never come back. But the boys

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like their charming village. So one night, the local butcher, Kieran (Ian Hart), and a few of his pals decide to advertise for prospective American brides by placing an ad in the Miami Herald, inviting interested young ladies to attend an upcoming dance in the village. The men, amiable doofuses all, then set about transforming themselves into suitable prospects. "The Closer You Get" qualifies as "Full Monty Lite." It has the appearance of the real thing, it comes in the same package, it's served up at the same joint, but substance is barely hinted at. It's a mere whiff, a homeopathic-strength suggestion. Cast: Ian Hart, Niamh Cusack, Cathleen Brady, Sean McGinley. Running Time: One hour, 32 minutes. Rated PG-13. 2 stars.

"Drowning Mona" — It opens

with Mona (Bette Midler) driving her suddenly brakeless Yugo off a steep hill into a river. Police Chief Wyatt Rash (Danny DeVito) has many suspects, since everyone hated Mona. Her frightened husband (William Fichtner) was not too scared to have a scarcely secret affair with a slatternly waitress (Jamie Lee Curtis). Mona's slob son (Marcus Thomas), who lost a hand to her meat cleaver, was also having a side order with the waitress. Casey Affleck plays a boyish, easily fuddled guy who kept running afoul of Mona and is most suspected of foul play. The chief's daughter (Neve Campbell) is his fiancée, and the chief doesn't wish to nail the boy on a murder rap. This jumpy little amusement park of the low-rent life is good enough to display the talent, but a Yugo is nobody's limo. Cast:

Danny DeVito, Bette Midler, Neve Campbell, Jamie Lee Curtis, Casey Affleck, William Fichtner, Marcus Thomas, Kathleen Wilhoite. Running time: 1 hour, 31 minutes. Rated PG-13. 2 stars.

"Erin Brockovich" — The story is based on an actual case. Erin (Julia Roberts) is hired as a file clerk at a minor Southern California law firm. Her boss, Ed Masry (Albert Finney), is a solid squab who doesn't fly with the legal eagles. He is an old pro, paunchy and roll-along, with dreams of Palm Springs retirement after years of small cases and steady, incremental gains. After Erin exits for a week to sleuth evidence on what seems a hapless case, he fires her. But she returns with the clues to a potential whopper — Pacific Gas & Electric has evidently poisoned a small desert town with toxic chromium that spilled off into the water supply. It's nearly way too much for Ed and his cozy firm. A squish settlement based on the hint of a civil action seems in order. But Erin is morally outraged, and also desperate: She knows this is her ticket up from nowhere. This film takes the prolonged agony of a lot of people and turns it into a viable triumph of work, guts, indignation and, yes, sex appeal. All of them converge, beautifully, in Roberts. Cast: Julia Roberts, Albert Finney, Aaron Eckhart, Peter Coyote, Tracey Walter, Conchata Ferrell. Running time: Two hours, 6 minutes. Rated R. 4 stars.

"Final Destination" — It seems Death is vexed because a vision by Alex (Devon Sawa) thwarted certain evil plans: On a high school field trip to Paris, Alex foresaw disaster, saving

himself and a handful of others, while several dozen classmates died horribly. Now the survivors find their numbers dwindling as one by one they are picked off in "accidents." Alex eventually discerns a pattern to the fatalities, and sets out to prevent what may be inevitable. Comedy? Horror? Tongue-in-cheek horror? Horror-in-comedy cheek? After a couple of truly frightening moments near the beginning, you can sense shoulders being shrugged, hands being thrown into the air: What the hey, let's go for laughs! The sorry, Novocain-in-the-frontal-lobe screenplay doesn't deliver them, and everyone is left standing around with gore on their faces. Cast: Devon Sawa, Ali Larter, Kerr Smith, Kristin Cloke, Seann William Scott. Running time: One hour, 33 minutes. Rated R. 1 star.

"Hanging Up" — Nora Ephron briskly indexes current modes and manners to cook up "Hanging Up" with her sister Delia (from Delia's novel). Diane Keaton stepped in to direct and co-star. It is still Meg Ryan's show, even with Keaton as older sister Georgia, celebrated editor of a women's magazine named for herself. And Lisa Kudrow is the youngest sister, Maddy, a soap opera actress with her own, modest niche of fame. When their father, Lou (Walter Matthau), suffers mental lapses and then goes into terminal decline, it is businesswoman Eve (Ryan) who is most attentive, and soon she feels swamped. The movie is about the pull of unexamined love and old resentments, the family bonds that fray without breaking. Ryan is the best reason to see her movie, if not quite the only one. Cast: Meg Ryan, Diane Keaton, Lisa Kudrow, Walter Matthau, Cloris Leachman, Duke Mooskian. Running time: 1 hour, 32 minutes. (Elliott) Rated PG-13. 2 1/2 stars.

"A Map of the World" — Sigourney Weaver plays Alice Goodwin. She doesn't feel at home on a dairy farm in Wisconsin, to which the family has fled from urban life. Although husband Howard (David Strathairn) just loves tending the cows, Alice is uneasy and ungrounded. She works as a school nurse under a lot of pressure and is seen as a brittle, smart-mouthed outsider. Alice is swamped by housekeeping and caring for two daughters. She becomes a sitting duck for the resentment of a vicious mother who says Alice abused her son at school. Soon other parents are flinging loose accusations, the Goodwins are shunned, their kids bewildered, and Alice is jailed, unbailed, awaiting trial. "A Map of the World" is a coffee pot of female survival, and the caffeine in it is Weaver. She achieves the reality and mystery of a genuinely conflicted person, brave but not blameless, finding that she is very much a work in progress. Cast: Sigourney Weaver, Julianne Moore, David Strathairn, Chloe Sevigny, Louise Fletcher, Nicole Ari Parker, Arliss Howard. Running time: 2 hours, 7 minutes. (Elliott) Rated R. 3 stars.

"Mission to Mars" — The space mission Mars One travels to the Red Planet, which is a real monster of a storm. Somehow our astronauts remain on level footing even as the Martian ground billows in waves and vast storms of tawny dust and rock swirl around them. But only Luke (Don Cheadle) is left alive with a damaged spacecraft and a greenhouse. That means there is the rescue mission, Mars Two. Woody (Tim Robbins) is in charge, along with his wife, Terri (Connie Nielsen). And there is the recent widower "stick jockey," Jim (Gary Sinise). As the visitors begin to fathom the secret of Mars, we sense the involvement of director. (Continued on page B-7)

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 Brian De Palma picking up speed. Before then, with all the relationship doodles and the cute humor, De Palma seems to be in an anti-gravity chamber, gasping for air as he recites the mantra, "I will be Ron Howard, I will be Ron Howard..." The film does achieve a small, Martian miracle — Sinise's locked-in scowl suddenly morphs into a beatific smile worthy of, yes, Ron Howard. Cast: Tim Robbins, Gary Sinise, Don Cheadle, Connie Nielsen, Kim Delaney, Armin Mueller-Stahl. Running time: Two hours. Rated PG. 2 stars.

**"My Dog Skip"** — The film is about kid Willie (Frankie Muniz) and his pup Skip, a Jack Russell terrier. In 1942 Morris, an only child and considered a spoiled sissy by the local scamps, was given "only dog" Skip for his 9th birthday. The frisky, personable pooch opened a larger world for him. At least, the larger world of little Yazoo, Miss. Kevin Bacon seems embalmed by the plank-stiff role of Will's father, who lost a leg in the Spanish Civil War and now compensates by trying to be a stern, patriarchal law-giver. His wife Ellen (Diane Lane) smiles like a Dixie belle and does what she pleases, which includes giving Willie the liberating dog. The story details his coming-out as a full boy, escaping the tea-and-bridge world of fussy old relatives to be a regular, confident guy. "My Dog Skip" walks an uneasy path between nostalgic reverie and gut-grabbing melodrama. It isn't a dog, and I wouldn't say skip it, but parents with little kids had better bring a towel. Cast: Frankie Muniz, Luke Wilson, Kevin Bacon, Diane Lane. Running time: 1 hour, 33 minutes. Rated PG. 2 1/2 stars.

**"The Next Best Thing"** — Madonna is Abbie, an L.A. teacher of yoga. Her best pal is the gardener Robert (Rupert Everett), who is gay and not the

least coy about it. One night they get lovingly soused and soon Abbie is pregnant. Astounded to be a father, Robert takes to the challenge more than dutifully. The story skips past the messy baby and toddler years, and Robert, sharing house with Abbie, is bonded to the cute, 6-year-old scamp, Sam (Malcolm Stumpf). Then Abbie finds a straight dreamboat, Ben (Benjamin Bratt). When here is a tough custody fight over the boy, because Abbie and Ben plan to marry and move to New York, Everett simply takes over the movie. The dilemma of a gay father without "rights," only love, gives the movie some bite. Madonna might have decided that a firm bid for the gay market, the "Birdcage" crowd, cannot hurt at this career stage. Is that cynical? The trouble with "The Next Best Thing" is that, even at its most pleadingly sincere, it can nudge your cynical thoughts. Only Everett, finally, seems above that. Cast: Rupert Everett, Madonna, Benjamin Bratt, Illeana Douglas, Malcolm Stumpf. Running time: 1 hour, 47 minutes. (Elliott) Rated PG-13. 2 stars.

**"The Ninth Gate"** — Roman Polanski has done a smart job in spilling up this tale of a roving "book detective" who finally gets on the same page with Satan. The movie is a kinky college course in demonology. Johnny Depp plays a literary sleuth Dean Corso. Full of suave, intellectual mischief, he locates rare books for fanatical collectors. He is hired by the dark prince of bibliomania, Boris Balkan (Frank Langella), who has just got his madly coveted edition of the 17th-century Satan classic, "The Nine Gates of the Kingdom of Shadows." He knows of two others in Europe, so he sends Corso to sleuth them out. Balkan wants to use the book to get into Satan's inner circle. Corso is tempted by its powers, even though he had been a skeptic. Most of the movie is not a fiesta

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of stupidity, like "Stigmata" or "End of Days." And that may be where the old master from "Rosemary's Baby" has gone wrong commercially. Most of his film, bless its satanic heart, is pitched over the heads of people who need to be decapitated at the movies. Cast: Johnny Depp, Lena Olin, Frank Langella, Emmanuelle Seigner, Barbara Jefford, Jack Taylor. Running time: 2 hours, 13 minutes. Rated R. 3 stars.

**"What Planet Are You From?"** — Even though he is a little miscast, Garry Shandling is often slyly delightful as Harold Anderson, a bank loan officer in Phoenix who until recently was H1449-6, on a very distant planet. In that gray grid of advanced technology, everyone is cloned and has no sexual organs, or emotions. The leader (Ben Kingsley) decides that one of his neutered, numbered citizens must go to Earth. There, he'll achieve copulation, launching the robust seeding of our planet by his own, tech-sexed breed. He becomes Harold. Emerging from the bathroom of an airborne passenger plane, he instantly goes to work. Most of the gags work, but sometimes

that is all they do. Despite its clever bounce and adroit calculation, this movie lacks the impeccably nuanced charm, the stylized coziness and yummy, zoned satire that made "Galaxy Quest" such a surprising treat. Cast: Garry Shandling, Annette Bening, Greg Kinnear, Ben Kingsley, John Goodman, Linda Fiorentino. Running time: 1 hour, 40 minutes. Rated R. 2 1/2 stars.

**"The Whole Nine Yards"** — Bruce Willis is back to good balding and to what he does best, being macho with a sly command that both flaunts and mocks male vanity, and caressing his lines with infallible ease. The role of hitman Jimmy "The Tulip" Tudeski may be his smoothest comic work since his TV launch in "Moonlighting." Natasha Henstridge plays Jimmy's estranged wife, Cynthia, whom he plans, with wistful regret, to terminate. And there is a coveted \$10 million between them, in an account which, to be fully enjoyed, also requires the whacking of Jimmy's former colleague, Chicago hood Janni Gogolak (Kevin Pollak). The central one in the plot is "Oz" Oseransky

(Matthew Perry), a dentist in Montreal, miserable with his French-Canadian harpy of a wife (Rosanna Arquette). "The Whole Nine Yards" is tailored with some real panache. It has speed, wit, a nice gloss, a plot that doesn't sweat too much, some cleverly borrowed dialogue from "Key Largo" and a riffing, playful jazz score. Cast: Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry, Rosanna Arquette, Natasha Henstridge, Michael Clarke Duncan, Amanda Peet, Kevin Pollak. Running time: 1 hour, 42 minutes. Rated R. 3 1/2 stars.

**"Wonder Boys"** — Everyone in the loopy, cheerfully goofball "Wonder Boys" seems to be enjoying himself. Even literature professor Grady Tripp (Michael Douglas), beset with crises — he can't finish his long-awaited second novel, his wife has left him, his girlfriend is pregnant — trips semi-merrily along. The most promising student in Tripp's creative writing seminar is James Leer (Tobey Maguire); Tripp's with-child sweetie, Sara

(Frances McDormand), is none other than the chancellor at this small college. Then there's Tripp's needy, reedy, randomly randy editor, Crabtree (Robert Downey Jr.); dorky Walter (Richard Thomas); Q (Rip Torn), a literary lion out to make hay while the book reviews shine; Vernon (Richard Knox), a lunatic who seems to have it in for Tripp; and Vernon's spaceball pookie (Jane Adams). "Wonder Boys" achieves a kind of selfless purity — it seems wholly taken in by the quirks of the little world it has wrought. Only the most irascible of moviegoers won't be caught up as well. Cast: Michael Douglas, Frances McDormand, Robert Downey Jr., Rip Torn, Tobey Maguire. Running time: 112 minutes. Rated R. 3 1/2 stars.

**Ratings** — 4 stars, excellent; 3 stars, worthy; 2 stars, mixed; 1 stars, poor; 0 stars, forget it.  
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Single white female, 39, petite, attractive enjoys dancing, candlelight dinners, movies, and traveling. Seeks honest, attractive, romantic single white male, 38 to 44, to share love, laughter, and happiness. BOX 32666

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Divorced white professional female, 54, 115 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, attractive, caring, romantic, and a sense of humor, non-smoker, no children. I love beach, boating, skiing, cooking. Seek a tall and attractive male, who is happy with himself. BOX 37872

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52 yr old, attractive, fun loving, divorced, white, professional female who enjoys theater, music, dancing, dining out, etc. Seeking a fit, romantic, youthful, caring male, 50 to 58, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 32648

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Witty, intelligent, romantic, playful, adventurous, exuberant, magical, pretty, divorced, white, professional Jewish female, late 40's, with traditional values. In search of chivalrous, secure, protective, romantic, gentleman 50 to 60, who loves laughter, music, theater, dining, conversation and travel. BOX 32647

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Attractive 46 yr old, tall, educated, white mother of two with blue eyes and blonde hair, enjoys the stock market, movies, working out, reading, cultural events, fine dining and church events, seeks a tall, professional, good looking, white male with a great personality, for fun times and friendship. BOX 14028

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42 yr old, divorced white female, 5'2", blonde hair, blue eyes, affectionate, romantic, honest who enjoys camping, fresh water fishing and the beach. Seeking a male, 50 to 48 who is a non-smoker, social drinker, for friendship and have a good time. BOX 35243

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Black female from the Caribbean, 38 yr old, 5'5", 145 lbs, likes swimming, movies, dining out, walks and traveling. Looking for a single black male, 38 to 55, for friendship, possible lasting romance. BOX 1519

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Widowed white female, 56, seeking special white male, 54 to 60, over 6'8", nice looking, honest, and a good sense of humor. I have dark hair, brown eyes, considered attractive, I would like to hear from you. Call me. BOX 32651

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52 yr old, divorced female, petite, easy going, enjoys the outdoors, dancing, animals, barbecues and the beach. Seeking tall, single male, 45 to 55, for friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 36818

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Honest, sensitive, attractive, single white male, 39, 5'11", is seeking an attractive single or divorced, white female, 34 to 46 for a relationship. Enjoys movies, sports and the outdoors. BOX 32650

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Bearded, never married, non-religious, single white male, 50, seeks college educated, Jewish female soul mate, non-smoker, for life explorations. Please enjoy long drives, movies, museums, NPR and poetry. Maybe together we'll find something extraordinary. BOX 37827

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Single white male, 40's, blonde hair, blue eyes, educated, professional. Seeking attractive female, 55 to 63, non-smoker, fun and maybe more. BOX 11633

**DOWN TO EARTH**  
Single white male, 36, 5'11", 200 lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes, attractive, physically fit, romantic and passionate. Seeking African American female, of any age, smokers and children okay, for dating and passionate relationship. BOX 14737

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Divorced white male, 38, 5'9", with one child, handsome, family oriented, hard worker, in search of a divorced or single white female, 30 to 40, non-smoker, who's loyal, attractive, nice person, for a long term relationship. BOX 32654

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**A GOOD PACKAGE**  
White 58 yr old male, 5'8", dark hair, likes the outdoors, Atlantic City and the shore. Seeks a slim lady 50 to 60, with fair skin and black hair for permanent relationship. BOX 32669

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**MR. WONDERFUL**  
Italian white male, who's romantic with a great sense of humor, likes walks on the beach, movies and quiet times at home. In search of a single female, 25 to 45, for daytime get together, race and ethnic background is not important. Sound good to you give me a call. BOX 16033

**BLUE EYES**  
Honest, sensitive, attractive, single white male, 39, 5'11", is seeking an attractive single or divorced, white female, 34 to 46 for a relationship. Enjoys movies, sports and the outdoors. BOX 32650

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Bearded, never married, non-religious



### Poets on parade

Several poets gathered March 16 at the Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center in Fanwood to read their works as part of the Carriage House Poetry Reading Series. Poets (left to right) William Higginson and Penny Harter — former residents of Fanwood and Scotch Plains, respectively, who now live in Santa Fe, N.M. — joined Cranford's John McDermott (right) to read to the appreciative audience at the Kuran Cultural Arts Center. Higginson and Harter were the featured readers in the March 16 event, but it was McDermott who received an honorable mention for works he submitted during the first Fanny Day Poetry Competition, sponsored by the Fanwood Cultural Arts Committee, in 1999. The Carriage House Poetry Reading Series is funded in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. For more information about the poetry series, call Adele Kenny, series director, at (908) 889-7223.

### Briefs

#### Art trip takes in Roman 'Splendor'

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains and Fanwood Arts Association will sponsor its spring trip May 3 to visit "The Splendor of 18th Century Rome" at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

The bus is scheduled to leave at 8:30 a.m. from the Municipal Building, located on Park Avenue in Scotch Plains, and return around 5 p.m.

Cost of \$32 includes museum admission and a separate ticket for the exhibit.

For reservations or more information, call Mrs. Gibbons at (908) 232-2631.

#### Chansonnets sing for College Club

SCOTCH PLAINS — The College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains will meet 8 p.m. Monday at the First United Methodist Church on Terrill Road.

The Chansonnets, an all-woman singing group, will present their new program "We've Got Rhythm." Songs in the group's new program include a number of show tunes, among them "Edelweiss" (from "The Sound of Music") and "All That Jazz."

New members are welcome. For more information, call (908) 233-1601.

#### 'Storytime' caters to Westfield toddlers

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Memorial Library is pleased to announce another three-week Storytime for Toddlers program.

The program is designed for 2-year-olds and an accompanying adult. The next session is scheduled to run 10:30 a.m.-10:50 a.m. May 5.

The attending child must be accompanied by an adult and have a Westfield library card. A letter describing the program and some important guidelines will be distributed at registration, which begins 10 a.m. April 28 at the library at 550 East Broad St.

For more information, call the library at (908) 789-4090.

## Dutch chemical corp. settles lawsuit, will pay for cleanup of toxic waste

By **TERRENCE DOPP**  
THE RECORD-PRESS

ELIZABETH — A Dutch chemical giant accused of polluting a Michigan Avenue chemical factory settled a "multi-million" dollar lawsuit Tuesday morning, ending a decade-long fight to force the company to clean up the site.

Synray Resins brought the case to court nearly a decade ago, asserting DSM Resins — the Holland-based chemical corporation that sold the plant to Synray in 1981 — was responsible for contaminating the site with the alkyl resins used to make paints. The suit maintained that in the early 1990s, a maintenance worker employed by DSM and later Synray notified Synray officials that a number of drums containing dangerous chemicals were buried by DSM behind the plant.

DSM must now pay to have the site brought up to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection standards. "It took 10 years to do something that should have been addressed on a more voluntary basis," said Synray CEO Peter Tepperman. "Our interest and the public's interest are not served having properties tied up (in lawsuits)."

When Tepperman asked DSM — whom Tepperman said labels themselves as "environmentally friendly" in their native Europe — for assistance in the clean up of the soil surrounding the site, they denied culpability, according to the Synray CEO. That, he said, created a cloud over the site, but with Tuesday's settlement, things are clearing up.

"This has been a cloud over the business that will finally be lifted," said Tepperman in a telephone interview shortly after the settlement was reached. "Our customers will know we're in compliance with the law."

DSM has not returned numerous phone calls made by *The Chronicle* since the decision was announced.

Victory did not come cheap, according to Tepperman, who estimated both sides spent a combined \$4 million in expenses during the courtroom battle. He said Synray spent in the neighborhood of \$1.5 million on legal fees, delineation and the cleanup of the site, while DSM spent about \$2 million on lawyers alone, plus another \$500,000 on legal experts.

Tepperman said this was an attempt by DSM to win the suit based on their larger size. "They used litigation as a sword," he said. "DSM may do the right thing in Europe, but in the U.S.A. It pursues a scorched earth legal policy to avoid responsibility."

"Our contention is that litigation of this nature is causing a lot of (contaminated) properties such as ours to be tied up in court for years," Tepperman added.

In documents provided by a public relations firm, Synray officials allege DSM has a substantial record of environmental contamination in the U.S., including lying to the public to minimize the extent to which they have polluted their Augusta, Ga. facility. DSM reported one chemical spill at that plant between 1994 and 1997, while the Georgia Environmental Protection Department lists six spills in

the period, according to the documents.

One troubling part of the settlement, at least for Tepperman, is that DSM must pay for the cleanup, but takes no further blame in the matter. "The settlement agreement does not include an acknowledgment of fault," he said.



by Jill Guzman

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

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# Sports

## Devils ready for battle against rival Montclair

By DANIEL MURPHY  
RECORD-PRESS

After a 2-2 start the Westfield High boys lacrosse team is preparing for one of its biggest games of the season tomorrow against Montclair.

The Blue Devils will host the 11 a.m. contest and are hoping the intensity of the match-up will help spark consistency in their play, which was missing during the first week of the season.

According to Head Coach Gerry Benaquista, the Blue Devils have suffered through momentary letdowns and lack of focus during the first four games of the season, including a lackluster 11-10 loss Monday against West Morris Central, which saw them trail 9-2 at the half, and 11-5 before mounting a late comeback.

"I don't know what it is," said Benaquista. "We start slow at the beginning of the game and at the beginning of the second half. There always seems to be one part of the game where we're just not focused."

Benaquista is hoping the Devils will come out focused and intense and play the full 48 minutes in an important game against division rival Montclair.

"I think they will be ready,"

### Lacrosse

said Benaquista. "They've talked about winning this game as one of their goals. They are really pumped up for it."

An intense game against a close rival may be the only answer for the Blue Devils woes. Overall, Benaquista has been pleased with the performance of the offense and the defense, and feels if they can put it all together for the full game, they can be a tough team to beat.

But he also said he doesn't know the cure to the Blue Devils' periodic lapses in concentration.

"I don't know what to do," he said. "When I played I was just so excited to be out there playing lacrosse. Sometimes I don't see that. I can keep telling them, but they have to have it inside them. Part of it is me staying on top of them and part of it is them just wanting to be out there."

"That's the biggest thing we have to work on," he said. "We can score goals and the defense has been good when we are focused. The key is putting it

together for a whole game."

The offense has been led by Chris Dodge and Sean Joffe, who each have 12 points on the season. Dodge leads the team with 11 goals, and Joffe has registered five goals and seven assists.

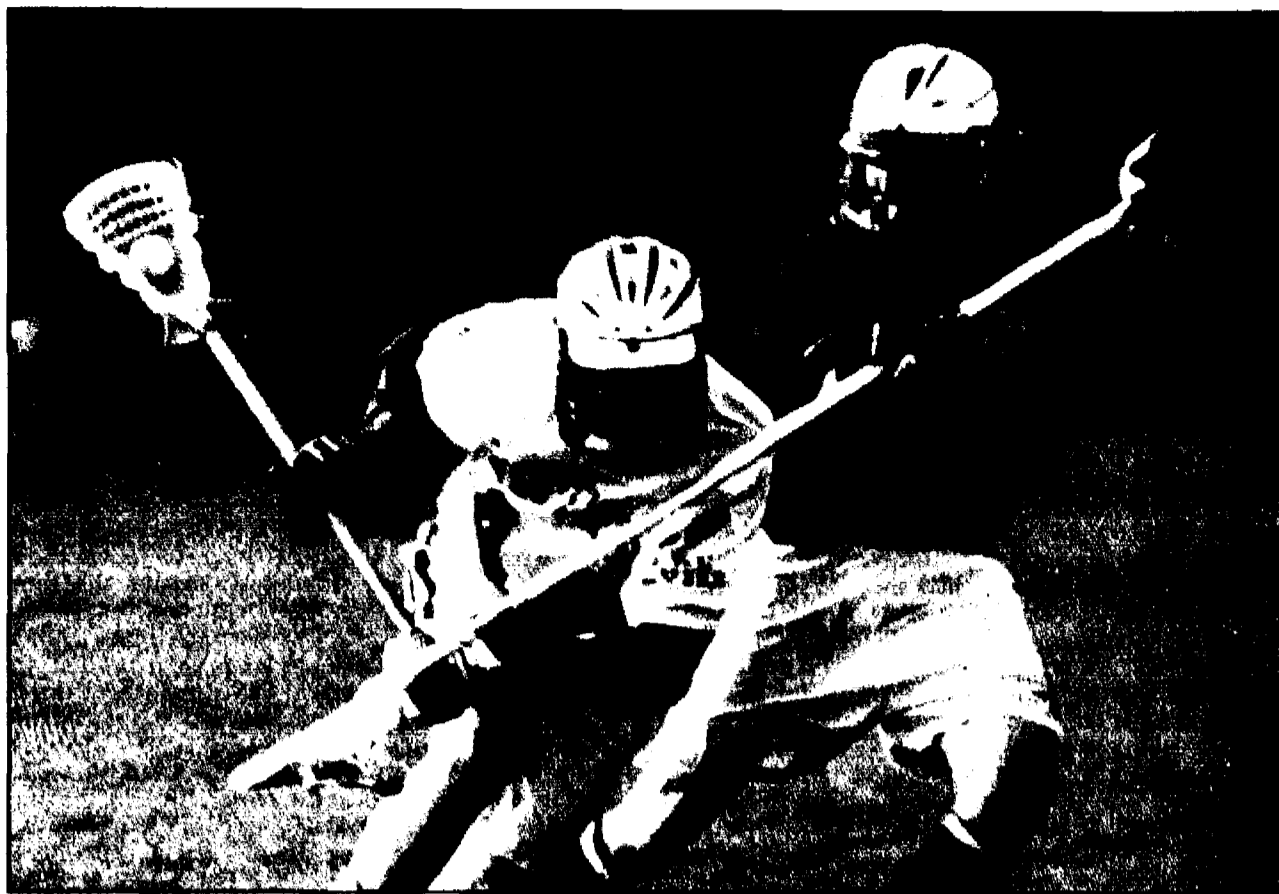
Mike Todd has also played well for Westfield. He has become one of the four defensemen, and also plays long stick-midi, and has contributed on the offensive end.

Against West Morris Central the Blue Devils scored five consecutive goals to pull within 11-10, but a shot in the closing minute ricocheted off the post, and Westfield went home with the loss.

"We played terrible," said Benaquista. "In the first half we definitely didn't play to our potential. In the second half we did."

With the Blue Devils on spring break, Benaquista said some of the sluggishness at the start could be attributed to not being in school, but said he couldn't blame his team's play solely on being on vacation.

"It might have been a little bit of a factor," said Benaquista. "But you can't let yourself get down by nine goals in the first half. You can't put all the blame on that. Trailing 5-0 after the first quar-



Chris Dodge is the leading goal scorer for the Blue Devils this season, and will need to put a few more in the back of the net when Westfield hosts Montclair tomorrow.

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ter, you would think that would wake them up. I don't know what it was."

"(West Morris Central) is a pretty good team," continued Benaquista. "But I think we are just as good as they are. In the first half our defense wasn't good. You can't take anything away

from them. They beat our guys one-on-one, shot on goal. You have to give them credit. They are always aggressive and well coached, and take advantage of opportunities and mistakes. And they did that."

But while lapses in concentration have plagued the Blue

Devils, overall Benaquista believes the team has been playing well. Westfield's only two losses have been by a combined two goals and they could very easily be 4-0 at this point.

"We're close to being 4-0, but we're just on the short end of it," said Benaquista.



Westfield High graduate and University of Maryland defensive end Erwyn Lyght hopes to be selected in the late rounds of the National Football League draft this weekend.

## Lyght hoping dreams come true

By DANIEL MURPHY  
RECORD-PRESS

After a full-speed helmet-to-helmet collision with a teammate during a game against the University of North Carolina last fall, Erwyn Lyght laid motionless on the Byrd Stadium field at the University of Maryland in College Park.

With a shooting pain down his spine, Lyght was experiencing every football player's biggest nightmare. After being airlifted to a local hospital for precautionary reasons, the Westfield High product was examined and cleared and returned to action for the Terps the very next weekend.

"I was wondering what was going on," Lyght said. "I got real worried and a little nervous when the doctors were telling me not to move. It was a scary moment. But then the pain started going away, and, when I knew I had movement, I was just hoping for the best."

The best may only be a day or two away. After surviving a football player's worst nightmare, Lyght is on the verge of fulfilling every player's greatest dream.

A 1995 graduate of WHS, where he was a standout on the gridiron and in track and field,

Lyght is eagerly anticipating this weekend's National Football League draft, with hopes of being a late-round pick.

Lyght, a 6-foot, 226-pound fifth-year senior kinesiology major at Maryland, said he's being projected as a late-round pick or possible free-agent signee if he's not selected. The Baltimore Ravens and Green Bay Packers have showed the most interest in him, but he said he's been told many teams won't say anything until the day of the draft.

The chance of him being picked up as a free agent after the draft is more likely than being a late-round pick, though he's heading to his parents' house in New Rochelle, N.Y. to watch the draft. No matter what happens this weekend, Lyght is confident he'll be in an NFL training camp this summer.

"More than likely I'll go as a free agent," said Lyght, a defensive end. "But all I need is to get my foot in the door. The chances are pretty good I'll get picked up."

Lyght says he and eight of his Maryland teammates who are hoping to get picked have been growing increasingly anxious as the weekend draws near, but are trying to remain calm about the

situation.

"None of us really know what's going to happen," he said. "We're just hoping for the best."

He didn't attend the pre-draft combine in Indianapolis but held personal workouts the first three Wednesdays in March, with eight to 10 scouts attending each one to look at all nine Terps who are all vying for spots on NFL rosters.

"I tested well in the workouts," said Lyght. "Hopefully that will help my status some more."

Lyght said he's been dreaming about playing in the NFL since he first started playing football in the seventh grade and began to see it as a reality when he got to Maryland.

"I got to college and realized I can play with these guys and fare well," he said. "I realized I can make it to the next level."

Lyght, who played rush-end his senior season for the Terps, said he's being looked at as an outside linebacker for the pros, a position he played as a sophomore for Maryland. Lyght started nine games at the position in 1997, finishing sixth on the team in total tackles with 62. He had four tackles for a loss, one fumble caused and one fumble recovered.

As a junior in '98 Lyght suf-

fered a setback in his quest for the NFL. After getting his feet wet during his sophomore season, he was looking forward to a breakout year but on the third day of spring practice, Lyght tore his anterior cruciate ligament and spent the next five-and-a-half months rebuilding his knee.

"That definitely set me back," he said. "I missed almost all of spring ball. You learn a lot during the spring practices. I missed the first few games, and that was just experience lost at that position. But after the injury I came back better than before physically."

He returned midway through the '98 season to play seven games and was moved from drop linebacker to rush linebacker to take advantage of his speed off the edge. Lyght didn't start any of his seven games that season but registered 13 tackles, including two for a loss.

He returned last season at full strength, starting all 11 games at rush end/linebacker where he made 80 tackles, 41 of which were unassisted. He finished with 10 tackles for a loss, and led the team with six sacks. He had at least seven tackles in eight games.

## Experience, depth key for SP-F tennis

By DANIEL MURPHY  
RECORD-PRESS

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High tennis team was blown-out by Westfield Monday, 5-0 but are looking forward to a successful season with an experienced squad.

The Raiders stood at 2-1 heading into Wednesday's match with Linden, and host Shabazz 4 p.m. today. Scotch Plains defeated Oratory April 3 and Cranford April 7 for their first two wins.

"I feel like we have a pretty good team," said Head Coach Dave Blackman. "We have five starters coming back, good depth at the bottom of the lineup, and our singles players are coming along."

The Raiders hope to improve on last year's 17-7 record, finish no worse than third in the county, and advance past the first round of the state tournament.

"We're hoping to cut those losses in half, at least," said Blackman. "We should be able to do that — we've got a pretty good team. We should be one of the top three in the county and we want to make some kind of move in the state tournament."

Leading the way for the Raiders at first singles is junior Gen Bekkelman. Bekkelman was

injured most of last season, and is still trying to adjust to the high level of competition in every match at first singles.

"He doesn't know quite what to expect yet," said Blackman. "He's a strong player and he's just starting to find out every match is going to be a tough match."

Behind Bekkelman at second singles is senior Shawn Laskowitz. Laskowitz has made the jump up from second doubles last season and is expected to be a strong singles player for the Raiders this season.

Playing third singles for the Raiders is another senior Chris Schlegel. Schlegel played first singles last season and should be a force at the third spot this season.

The strength of the Raiders may be their doubles teams. Junior John Corbin and senior Paul Sweedlund team up at the first doubles slot with senior Rob Bugg and freshman Caitlin Sanders playing second doubles.

Corbin was 15-5 at third singles last season and Sanders has already made an impact for the Raiders as a freshman. In the 3-2 victory over Cranford, Sanders moved up to third singles and ended up being the deciding factor in the win.



Katie Church has been one of the Raider's leading offensive weapons so far this season.

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## McNellis no-hits Shabazz in debut

By DANIEL MURPHY  
RECORD-PRESS

Expectations are high this season for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High softball team mostly because of the right arm of junior pitcher Alicia Piniat.

But the Raiders learned Monday they have more depth at pitching than originally anticipated as freshman Caitlin McNellis pitched a no-hitter in her first varsity start, a 20-0 drubbing of Shabazz.

With Piniat feeling under the weather, McNellis' contributions will be vital for the Raiders and the freshman performed better than anybody could have asked in her debut, striking out four and walking just two in five innings.

Megan Miller continued to be the offensive catalyst, doubling, tripling and driving in two runs. Katie Church, who has also been a key contributor to the offense, continued to pound the ball, singling three times and driving in three runs. Jillian Saridackie had two hits and three RBI for the Raiders.

The win improved the Raiders' record to 3-1 heading into Wednesday's showdown with undefeated Cranford. The only

blemish for Scotch Plains was an 8-7 loss to Bridgewater-Raritan Saturday.

The Raiders led B-R 7-3 heading in the bottom of the seventh and appeared well on their way to winning their third straight game to open the season. But Piniat, who was just beginning to feel sick, ran out of gas and the Panthers rallied for five runs and the victory.

"The roof fell in," said Head Coach Frank Butz. "We didn't make the plays. Then they started hitting little dribblers that found the hole."

"We were doing great heading into the last inning," continued Butz. "But we just let it get away."

So far this season the Raiders have only played one bad inning. They defeated Westfield to open the season, handed Linden a 5-0 loss, led for most of the game against Bridgewater, and no-hit a weak Shabazz team.

"Except for that one inning Saturday, we've been playing real well," said Butz. "We've gotten outstanding pitching, and good defense. It just fell apart that one game."

The Raiders have been strong

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# Ackerman sets record; Devils grab 13 medals

Both the Westfield High boys and girls track teams had a successful meet at the Summit Relays Saturday, combining to win 13 medals.

Rachel Ackerman set a meet record in the open division 3200 meter race, finishing in 12:15.7, breaking the previous record of 12:18.1 set by Parsippany's Kim Pereira in 1999.

The girls team captured first place in the 1600 meter relay when Susan Hinds, Alexis Anzelone, Maura McMahon and Heather Dennis ran a 4:16.32. The Blue Devils also placed two teams in the top five in the 3200 meter relay, finishing second in 10:05.2 and fourth in 10:57.8. Westfield also placed fourth in the distance medley relay in 14:12.4, fifth in the shuttle hurdles in 1:15.7, and fifth in the team intermediate hurdles in 3:55.1.

In the field events, Westfield won the team long jump behind Susan Hinds and Heather Dennis who combined for a 31-0.5 mark. The Blue Devils also finished second in the team javelin with a 250-9 score.

The boys team also had a successful afternoon. The Blue Devils finished second in the 400 meter relay in 44.5, fifth in the 800 meter relay in 1:33.5, third in the distance medley (11:02.8) and third in the team pole vault with an 18-6.

### BASEBALL

Defensive mistakes and some wild pitching hurt the Westfield High baseball team Monday, as

they fell to conference rival Cranford 8-5.

The Blue Devils (3-3) dug themselves an early hole, falling behind 3-0 after the first inning. The Cougars increased the lead to 4-0 in the third inning, before the Blue Devil bats woke up.

In the fifth inning Westfield scored four runs on four hits, sparked by a two run single by Ryan MacDonald, and a run-scoring double by senior Brian Flynn.

But in the bottom of the fifth, Westfield's starting pitcher Jay Cook appeared to tire a bit as he hit three of the first four batters, allowing the Cougars to score four runs on just two hits and regain control of the game 8-4.

Westfield scored a run in the top of the seventh when Flynn drove the ball deep to left center for a triple scoring MacDonald, who reached on a fielder's choice.

The Blue Devils committed four errors on the day resulting in two unearned runs for Cranford.

**South Plainfield 12, Westfield 10**—The Blue Devils led 10-9 in the sixth inning when Gary LaFontaine of South Plainfield hit a controversial three-run home run to give the Tigers a 12-9 lead at the Watchung Hills Tournament Saturday. The ball hit the ground between two Westfield outfielders and bounced over the wall. The umpires ruled it a home run, when it should have been a ground rule double. Either way two runs would have scored, and would have given South Plainfield the lead.

Flynn and Cook each homered and drove in five runs for Westfield.

**Westfield 22, St. Joseph's 9**—The Blue Devils' bats erupted as Mike Duellas hit a grand slam home run, Cook hit a three-run shot, and Mike Sofko drilled a solo homer, all in an eight run sixth inning in Metuchen Friday.

**Westfield 7, Shabazz 0**—Cook shut down Shabazz with a two-hit shutout and struck out 11 in his varsity debut. Brett Picaro singled three times, stole two bases and scored two runs for the Blue Devils in Westfield April 5.

### SOFTBALL

The Westfield High softball team fell to conference rival Cranford Monday 5-3 to see their record fall to 3-2 after the first week of play.

Westfield led 3-2 in the fourth inning but a two-run double by Cranford's Christina Bayak gave the Cougars the lead and they never looked back.

Cranford jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top of the first, but the Blue Devils answered right back, scoring three of their own in the bottom half of the inning. Kristen Leonardis walked, and scored on a single by Paige Corbett. Caitlin MacDonald doubled to drive in Corbett and Katy Brunetto.

**Westfield 11 Colonia 0**—The Blue Devils used the long ball to blow out Colonia, with Kristin Leonardis and Paige Corbett each belting two-run shots. Lindsay Guerro scattered three hits over five innings, struck out two and



Westfield senior Maura McMahon helped lead the Blue Devils to a dominating performance in the distance events at the Summit Relays Saturday.

walked none for Westfield (3-1). Brenda Bradley singled twice for Colonia.

### GIRLS LACROSSE

Julia Gates first half hat trick led Westfield to a 9-4 victory over Rutgers Prep in Westfield Friday. Morgan Lang added two goals, one in each half for the Blue Devils (2-0).

# Softball

(Continued from page A-1) in all three phases of the game so far Piniat and McNellis have performed well, the defense has been solid and the hitting has continued to produce.

Miller and Church have led the Raiders' attack. Miller has eight hits on the season, including three triples and a double. Church has nine hits, with two doubles and a triple.

Butz attributes the success of Church and Miller to participating in the school's Advance Weight Training (AWT) program and a smart approach to hitting.

"They're both very strong and have great eyes at the plate," said Butz.

Lindsey Pennella has also made a nice contribution, drawing three walks, doubling, and driving in two runs in her first varsity start against Shabazz.

Scotch Plains also welcomed back Kelli LaForge who missed the beginning of the season due to mononucleosis but has been cleared to play.

Contributions from all the players will be necessary over the next two weeks. The Raiders face Westfield again Monday, Delaware Valley Wednesday and Cranford April 26.

"The key is the next two weeks," said Butz. "If we can get through that stretch we'll be okay."

## SPORTSCENE

### BASEBALL CAMP

"Baseball Like it Ought to Be VII" a camp featuring Westfield varsity coach Bob Browner as director, is accepting applications for two weekly sessions, June 26-30, and July 10-14.

For the first time this summer there will be a special session for boys and girls entering 1st and 2nd grades, July 5-7.

The camp is one of the few in the area to feature a batting cage, allowing hitting instruction and practice to go on throughout the day.

The camp will run from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. weekdays and will feature Browner's special brand of baseball, including aggressive base running, basing, and sound pitching and defensive principals.

For more information about "Baseball Like it Ought to Be VII" or for a camp application call Browner at 908-232-8049 or email him at BROWNER@home.com or call Cohen at (908) 889-0097 or email him at LarAmyZach@aol.com

### TENNIS LESSONS

John Corbin, an outstanding player on the tennis team at Scotch Plains-Farwood High, will again be instructing youths and adults in beginner's tennis lessons at Kramer Manor.

Adults 18 and up may register through April 21, with lessons Monday and Wednesday, May 1-7 from 7-8 p.m. Cost is \$20 for six classes. Space permitting, non-residents may register April 17, at a cost of \$25. Space is limited and registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

Youth lessons, for boys and girls 13-17, will be offered May 22 to June 7 and residents may register through April 21. Cost is also \$20 for residents and space permitting, non-residents may register April 17 at a cost of \$25 for six classes. Call 322-6700 with questions.

### RAIDER SOCCER CAMP

The Scotch Plains-Farwood High boys soccer program, under Head Coach Tom Braznitsky, has been one of the most consistent and successful high school soccer programs in the state

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### WESTFIELD SOFTBALL

Westfield adult pickup softball begins April 16th at the Memorial Pool fields behind the tennis courts. Games will be played every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the first 20 people to show up starting the first game, and the next ten playing the winners. New Games will begin every hour and a half and players of all skill levels are welcome. All you need is a glove and some old clothes. For more information call David Wastel at 908-232-5762.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP

The Watchung Mountain Girls Basketball Camp, directed by Kathy Matthews, will be held June 26-30 (4th-8th grade) and July 6-10 (8th-11th grade) at Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains. For further information call Kathy Matthews at (908) 889-1800.

### SPORTSMARTS CAMP

SportsSMARTS will hold summer baseball camps in Linden, Scotch Plains, Middletown, Mountainside and Springfield for ages 12 and under. Hitting, pitching, baseball basic camps, private lessons and team training are available during the spring. Call Paul Redick at 908-686-6057 for more information.

### ST. BART'S SOFTBALL

Applications are available for men, a minimum of 30 years old who want to join the St. Bartholomew's Softball League. They may be picked up in Scotch Plains at St. Bartholomew's Church vestibule, Standard Pest Control or Sideline Sports, and in Farwood at the Farwood Clipper, or Family Investors Company. Year 2000 will mark the league's 22nd year. The league started with 4 teams and has grown to 10. Much of the league's success can be attributed to the fact that new teams are chosen each year during a draft like the NFL's college draft.

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**Good Friday, April 21, 2000**  
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**Holy Saturday, April 22, 2000**  
8 PM: Easter Vigil  
**Easter Sunday, April 23, 2000**  
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**Holy Saturday, April 22nd**  
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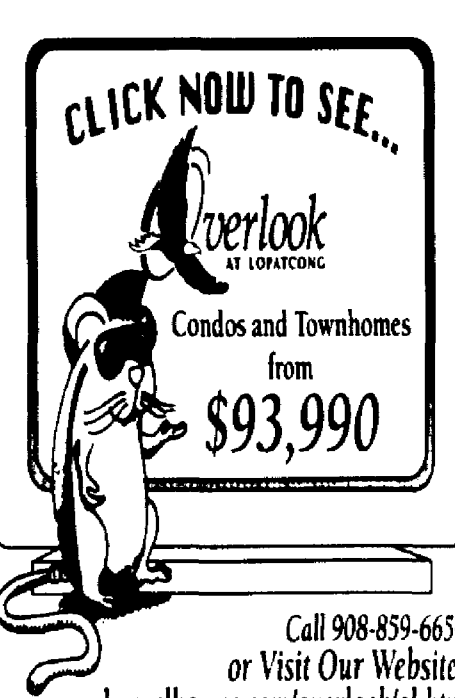
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## DaimlerChrysler introduces the new, retro Cruiser

By MARK MAYNARD  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

One of the most anticipated new vehicles of the year - the 2001 PT Cruiser - made its international press debut recently.

DaimlerChrysler set up temporary headquarters at the LAuberge Resort and Spa in Del Mar, Calif., and was there through the end of March. About 40 PT Cruisers were brought in, including right-hand-drive models and two concepts: the GT Cruiser and the PT Cruiser panel truck.

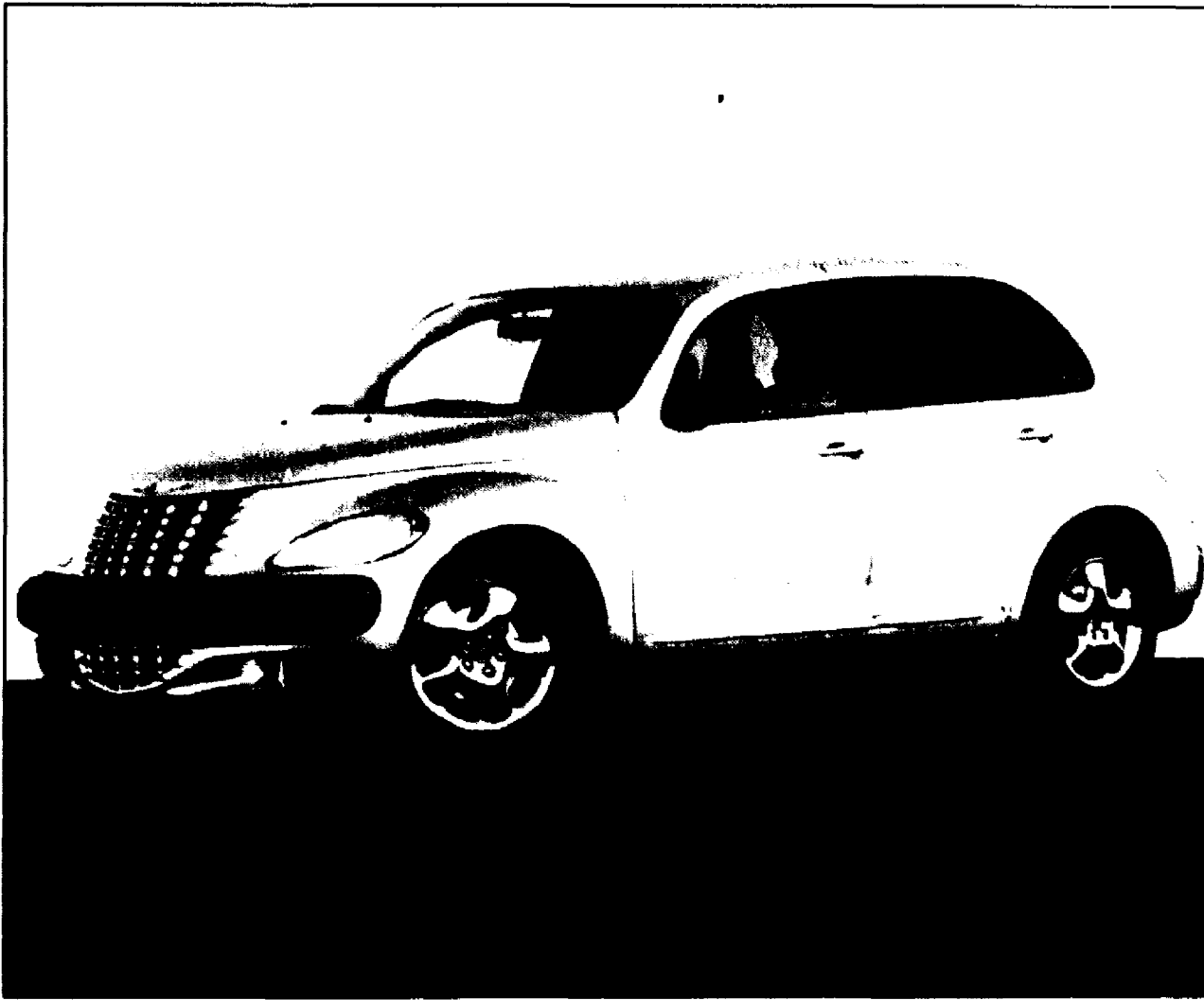
By the close of the program, this retro-esque car-utility-van will have been driven by more than 300 journalists from the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia. The Cruiser is built in Toluca, Mexico, and will be sold in 40 countries worldwide. (Whether it is a car or truck depends on the source, but the Environmental Protection Agency classifies it as a truck, and the Insurance Institute of Highway Safety considers it a car.)

To show off the versatility of the Cruiser and its 150-horsepower, 2.4-liter, four-cylinder engine, the caterer (Metro Gourmet) took inspiration from the road-food recipes of "Manifold Destiny: The One, the Only Guide to Cooking on Your Engine."

At the morning coffee break, the caterer snugged a foil packet of PT Cruiser Cremini Mushrooms (stuffed caps with a savory sauce) under the engine shroud and served it at lunch over a square of polenta as an appetizer.

Even if owners never cook on the engine, there is considerable versatility and value to the Cruiser.

The flip-fold-tumble seat sys-



DaimlerChrysler designers call the new PT Cruiser a blending of the familiar and the future.

tem gives the convertibility of a minivan. The 60/35 split rear seats have handles and rollers so each seat can be removed and wheeled into the garage for storage. The rear cargo area is large (19 cubic feet) and variable by a five-position shelf, including a position as a tailgate table that will hold about 100 pounds of cold cuts and cold drinks.

The shelf is reversible with a plastic back side so you can carry sandy body boards or a dirty flat of flowers. Dimensionally, the Cruiser is 5.6 inches shorter than a Neon, but it has more interior room, including 39.6 inches of rear headroom and 40.8 inches of rear leg room.

It's not a Neon, however, and the engineers want to stop the rumor that Cruiser uses Neon parts. It is built on a new chassis and shares only some switches, fasteners, nuts and

bolts. Even the optional four-speed automatic transmission is new, and it's the first use of a four speed in a small Chrysler car.

Safety features comply with requirements for 63 countries and include three-point seat belts at all five seats, front-belt pretensioners and force limiters, next-generation front air bags, 5 mph bumpers and a reinforced body structure for crash protection.

Sold in three trim levels - standard, Touring and Limited - prices start at \$16,000 (including destination charge) for the standard model with five-speed manual transmission (and cue-ball shift knob), air conditioning, power windows, covered vanity mirrors, floor mats and a six-speaker AM-FM-cassette stereo.

The Limited starts at \$19,990 and adds such extras as a moon roof, four-wheel disc brakes with automatic braking system, height-adjustable driver's seat, suede-leather seats with front side air bags, CD player, cruise control and remote locking.

Paint colors come in Aztec yellow, bright silver metallic, black, inferno red, patriot blue, aquamarine metallic, taupe frost metallic, stone white, deep cranberry and shale green metallic.

Chrysler expects to attract many first-time buyers with the PT Cruiser and has had more than 600,000 people spend time at the Web site (www.ptcruiser.com). Even before one car has been delivered, an owner's site has been started: www.ptcruiserclub.org, with headquarters in Long Beach, Wash.

About 120,000 Cruisers will be built through the end of the year, with 185,000 possible in a full year, 150,000 of which are intended for North America.

There's little question that this year's allotment will be snapped up as soon as it rolls off the trucks. The styling is expressive. The designers have resisted the retro label and instead call it a blending of the familiar and future. The interior quality and innovation are the best of any Chrysler vehicle.

The company is discouraging dealers from taking deposits and compiling waiting lists,

though reports of both are occurring. The supply of Cruisers will be at a trickle for the first few months, and the opportunity for a premium to be added to the sticker is possible. Chrysler is urging its dealers, especially its top-class five-star dealers, not to do it.

In San Diego, Midway Jeep Chrysler Plymouth, a five-star dealership, will get 10 in its initial batch of trucks, and one will be kept as a tester.

"Three of the 10 are on the rails headed to us and could hit here within the week," says owner Joe Gardon.

"We have no intention of putting a premium on the car," he says. "However, if the entire market goes that way because there are so few, we might have to go that way, too."

Charging over the sticker price is common for hard-to-get cars, including such recent hits as the Honda Odyssey, Mercedes SLK and BMW Z3.

It may or may not hurt the image of the dealership or the manufacturer.

"Dealers want customers, but they are also often shortsighted," says Alex Hare, an automotive analyst and partner with Strategic Vision. "Premiums" basically means the dealer wins; they sold the vehicle at a higher profit. Pretty simple, clearly understood motivation.

"However, if the premium is reasonable and the customer wins, they will often forgive the dealer. This is because they have gotten something special, and for them, the price involved was worth it."

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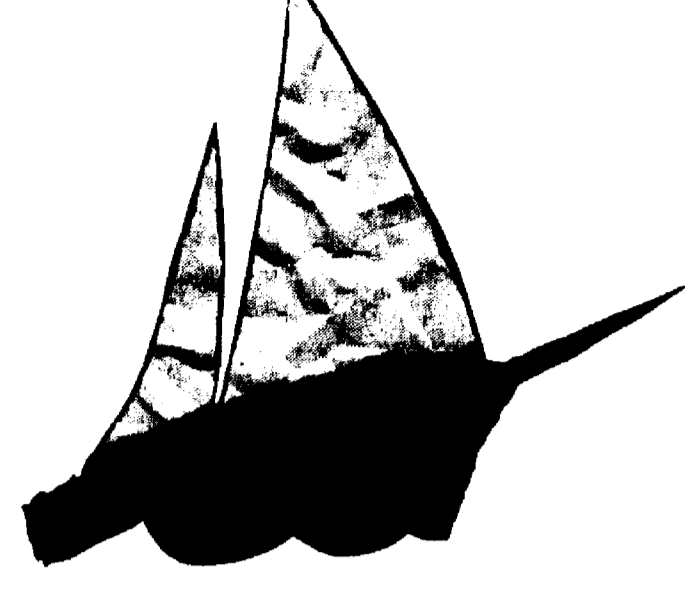
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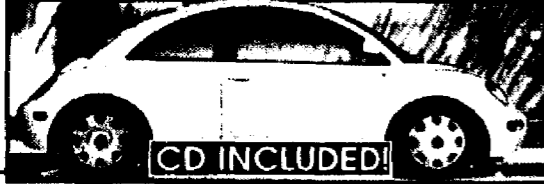
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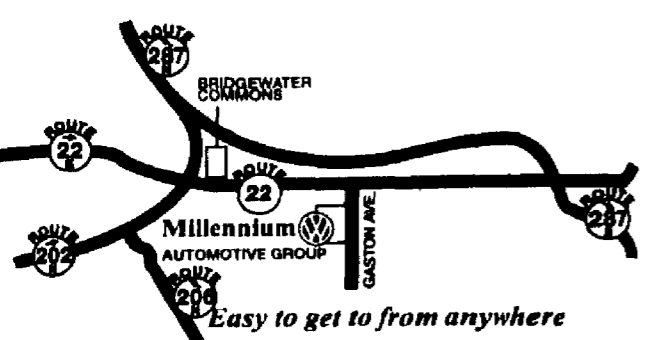


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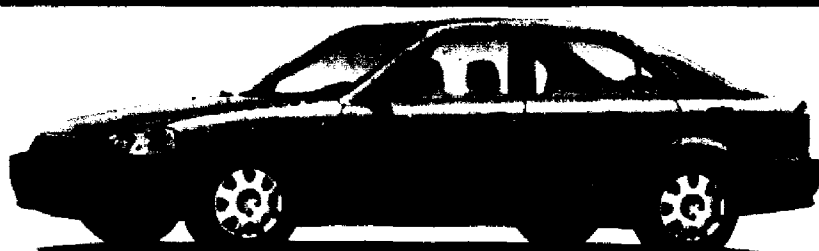
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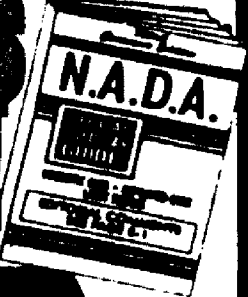


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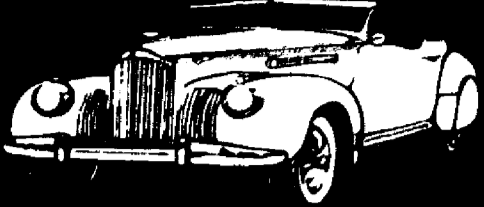
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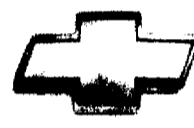
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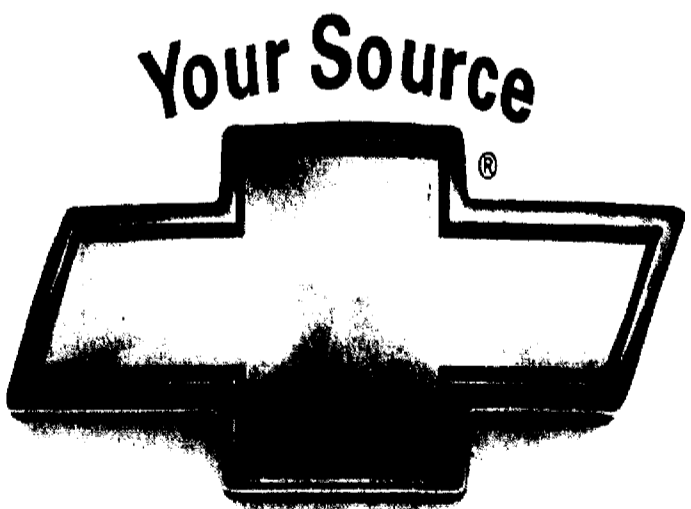
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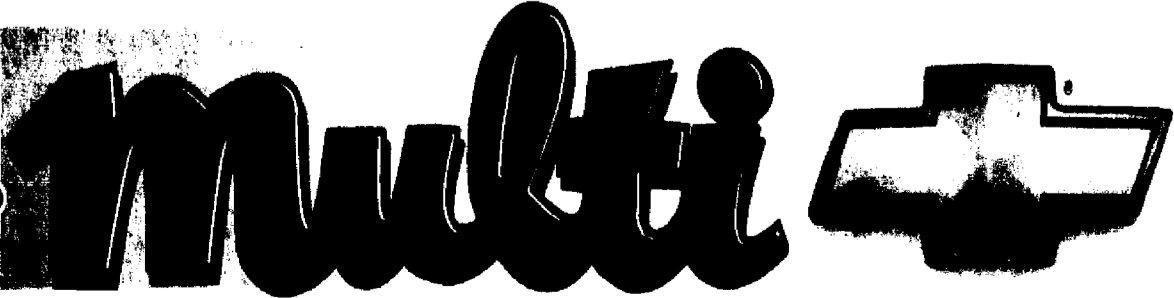
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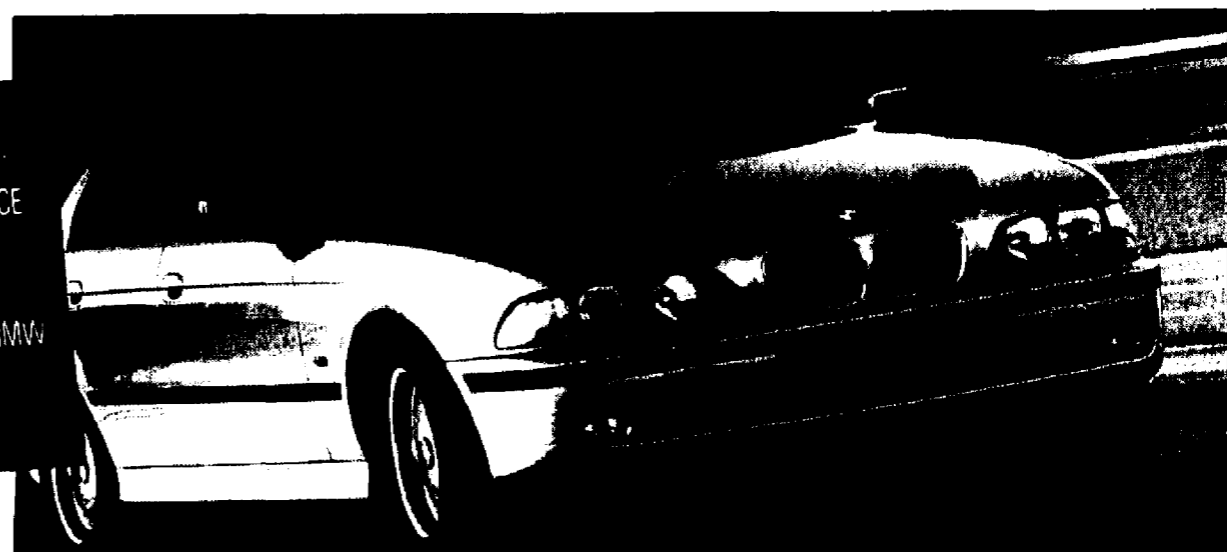
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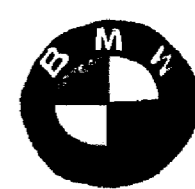
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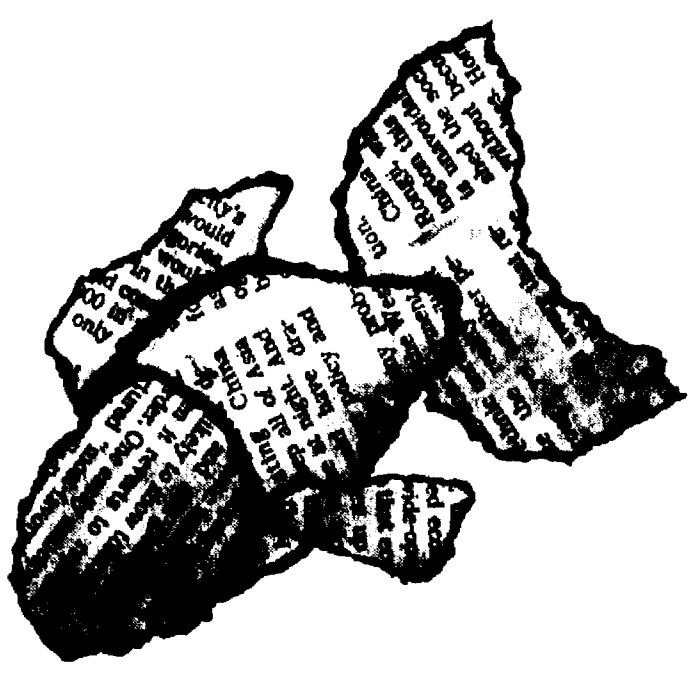
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'94 CHEVROLET EXT. CAB PICKUP Pickup, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$6995</b>	'97 MERCURY COUGAR XR7 Sedan, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$10,995</b>	'98 PONTIAC GRAND AM Sedan, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$13,995</b>	'98 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4 SUV, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$18,995</b>	'97 OLDSMOBILE BRAVADA 4X4 SUV, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$19,995</b>
'95 PLYMOUTH GRAND VOYAGER SUV, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$7995</b>	'98 SATURN SC2 Sedan, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$10,995</b>	'99 CHEVROLET LUMINA Sedan, 4 dr, 4 cyl, auto trans, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, air, AM/FM stereo, cassette, 100,000 mi. warranty, \$2,598.00. STK #21310. VIN #213104829.	<b>\$13,995</b>				

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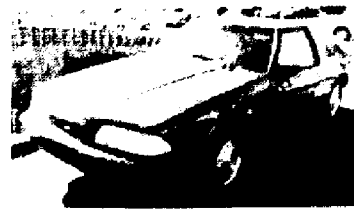
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• DUAL AIRBAGS. 4 dr. 4 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cons. AM/FM/cass./CD w/TO. Sls. #3228. VIN #K638441. 46,198 mi.

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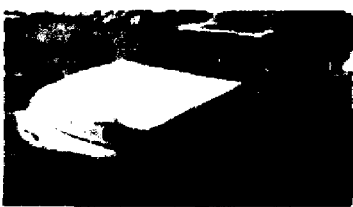
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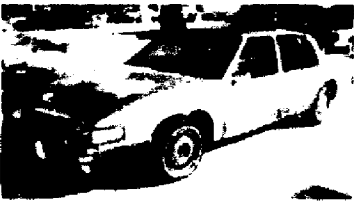
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• DUAL AIRBAGS. 2 dr. 6 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. p/w/l. dist. cons. blks. alloys. AM/FM/cass. w/TO. Sls. #3353. VIN #M6622560. 63,502 mi.

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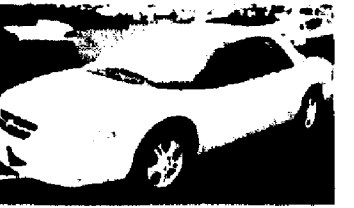
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**\$12,900**



### 1996 CHRYSLER SEBRING JXI CONV.

• LEATHER • DUAL AIRBAGS. 6 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. p/w/l. dist. AM/FM/CD. Sls. #6158. VIN #T310787. 49,380 mi.

**\$13,900**



### 1997 HONDA CIVIC EX

• DUAL AIRBAGS. 4 dr. 4 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. cons. blks. Sls. #7181. VIN #Y100142. 29,516 mi.

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### 1996 MERCURY VILLAGER

• DUAL AIRBAGS • ABS. 6 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. p/w/l. dist. power mirrors. alloys. AM/FM/cass. privacy glass. Sls. #3376. VIN #D25972. 37,000 mi.

**\$13,900**



### 1997 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS

• DUAL AIRBAGS. 8 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. cons. blks. sunrf. AM/FM/cass. Sls. #3084. VIN #X709432. 31,050 mi.

**\$14,900**



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• DUAL AIRBAGS • ABS. 2 dr. 6 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. tilt. p/w/l. power mirrors. cons. blks. alloys. AM/FM/cass. Sls. #3317. VIN #S680086. 21,025 mi.

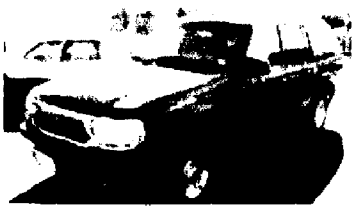
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• DUAL AIRBAGS • ABS. 4 dr. 6 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. cons. sunrf. AM/FM/cass. CD w/EO. Sls. #4218. VIN #U054496. 38,300 mi.

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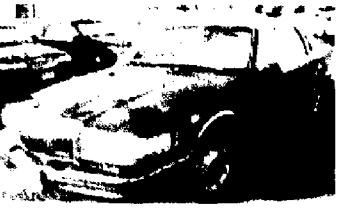
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### 1998 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL

• LEATHER • DUAL AIRBAGS • ABS. 4 dr. 8 cyl. auto. p/s/b. air. cruise. tilt. power mirrors. cons. blks. sunrf. AM/FM/cass. Sls. #1230. VIN #W601210. 24,450 mi.

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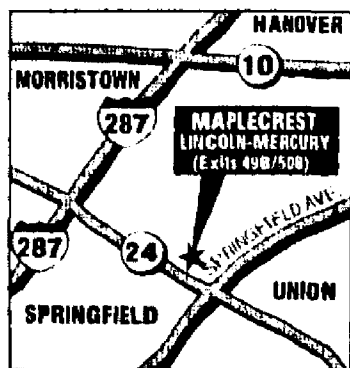
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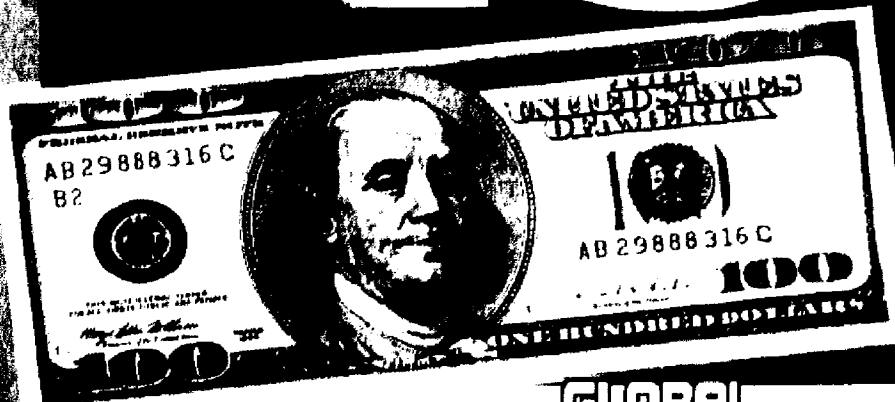
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